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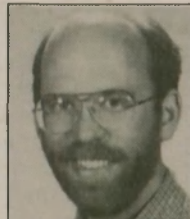
The Observer/ Katie Kroener

For the past 100 years, the Grotto has represented a place of peace, inspiration, and spirituality for the millions of people who have visited the campus. A nearby statue honors Saint Bernadette to whom visions of the Virgin Mary appeared.

Kantor, Scully to accept new appointments

Special to The Observer

Jeffrey Kantor, professor and chair of chemical engineering at the University of Notre Dame, has been elected vice president and associate provost of the University by its Board of Trustees. Kantor's appointment was announced jointly by Board chairman Andrew MaKenna and University President Father Edward Malloy.



Kantor

The Board at the same

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Harmeyer: Key to relationships is communication

By STEPHANIE VILLINSKI
News Writer

For most people a good relationship between a man and a woman can be confusing and at times seem almost impossible, according to Professor Ella Harmeyer of the Saint Mary's nursing department who spoke yesterday afternoon, in celebration of women's week.

Harmeyer has been with the SMC nursing department for twelve years. She teaches Public Health Nursing for nursing majors and Women's Health for the non nursing majors. She is currently on sabbatical.

About twenty people, mostly students, were in attendance to listen to Harmeyer's lecture entitled "Relationships and Self Esteem." The lecture was a relaxed atmosphere with Harmeyer stepping away from the podium to address questions from the audience.

The lecture began with Harmeyer saying

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The Grotto: 100 years of special memories

Editor's Note: This is the second in a two-part series honoring the centennial of the Grotto at Notre Dame.

By GWENDOLYN NORGLÉ
Assistant News Editor

There are several places on the campus of Notre Dame that are conducive to praying. But in the last one hundred years, there has been one spot that millions of people have found most peaceful, most inspiring and most holy.

Because the Grotto is considered by many to be hallowed ground, those millions return time and time again, usually tak-



ing one special Grotto memory with them.

What is contained in the rocks of the Grotto that continually compels people to return?

"It's a really beautiful place," explained Lexy Jenkins, a Pangborn resident assistant, who has visited the Grotto numerous times as a Notre Dame student.

The visit to the Grotto that

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Peace Corps impacts lives of ND volunteers

By DEREK BETCHER
News Writer

Although he may not have had Notre Dame's student body specifically in mind, Sen. John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts touched upon specific qualities ND students have always embodied when he made a proposal for a Peace Corps in his 1960 presidential election campaign.

Kennedy declared, "There is not enough money in all America to relieve the misery of the underdeveloped world in a giant and endless soup kitchen, but there is enough know-how and knowledgeable people to help those nations to help themselves." Little could Kennedy or any of his contemporaries have known how much know-how and how many knowledgeable people Notre Dame would eventually send abroad in conjunction with the Peace Corps.

In the thirty-five years since the Peace Corps' inception, Notre Dame has seen 356 of its graduates serve in the goodwill organization. Presently nineteen alumni are in the field, in countries ranging from Swaziland to Thailand to the Ukraine. Their assignments have them helping underdevel-

oped countries improve their education, business, environment, agriculture, and health. Furthermore, there are nearly a dozen current students looking to join their ranks.

"This was a really good recruiting class," said Brian Hennekes, the Peace Corps' Notre Dame recruiter. He added, "The general trend is that we're doing better. I'm meeting more people every time I come. We're getting more volunteers." He noted that for recent classes, the average year has seen anywhere from five to ten Notre Dame alumni accepted into the active service.

Past, present, and future Notre Dame volunteers all agree that the Peace Corps can make a dramatic impact on a participant's life.

Paula Brush is a past Peace Corps volunteer. Prior to seeking her MSA at Notre Dame, Brush spent three years working in Latin America- an experience she'll never forget.

"My whole perspective on life is different. What's important and what's not has really been refocused for me," Brush said.

After her 1990 graduation, Brush spent three months in an intensive cultural, and language training course. On

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Photo courtesy of Peace Corps International

A Peace Corp volunteer in Chile stands alongside members of his basketball team and their families at a cookout in La Lingua. Notre Dame has had 356 graduates join the Peace Corps since its creation over 35 years ago.

INSIDE COLUMN

A Sports Fan's Bill of Rights

The American sports fan has been taking some heavy abuse lately. With all the bad press created by the Giants Stadium snow ball fight, the Cleveland Browns move and the baseball strike, it's getting dangerous to be a spectator, booster or even a casual observer.



Dave Tyler
News Editor

It's time for devotees of sports all over the nation to petition for certain inalienable rights, and to redress certain grievances. In short, it's time for A Sports Fan's Bill of Rights.

Preamble: We, the sports fans of the United States, in order to guarantee enjoyment of the games we so love, to promote the safe passage of these traditions to future generations, and eliminate the obnoxious drudgery that characterizes so many of our games, do present this list of demands to the institutions that we call sports.

Article I: Loud, irritating stadium announcers shall be banned from our sports. Whether it's the guy who yelps "AND NOW YOUR CHICAGO BULLS!" or that clown who whines "TRAAAAVELLING" after every infraction in Orlando, these jerks are a disgrace to the game. For an example of real class, see Yankee Stadium's authoritative and graceful Bob Sheppard.

Article II: All sports teams shall find new music to play on public address systems at least every five years to avoid repetition.

How many times can you listen to "YMCA," "We are the Champions" or "Rock and Roll Part II" before vomiting uncontrollably?

Article III: Cheerleaders shall be required to actually pay attention to the game at hand.

This will avoid embarrassing high school like incidents such as the chant "We want a touchdown— right now!" while your team is on defense.

Article IV: The cost for a family of four to attend a game shall not exceed the price of any Asian subcompact car.

Fans are tired of taking out second mortgages to watch a utility infielder, who is hitting .220 and earning \$1.78 million a year, strike out four times. "You want tickets to a Knicks game, kids? Honey, call The Money Store!"

Article V: Creativity among cheerleaders shall be highly valued.

Does anyone know a different cheer besides that "Wo-Wo-Wo" hand thing?

Article VI: Petulant, crabby players shall no longer be tolerated.

Derrick Coleman, Horace Grant, Jose Canseco and Chris Webber; shut up and get in the game. Millions of folks would kill to be in your position.

Article VII: Petulant and bungling owners shall no longer be tolerated.

George, Art and the rest of you: Your teams make you millions. Learn how to use it wisely and stop threatening to move if you don't get your way. Empty stadiums are ugly sites. Maybe Green Bay has the right idea.

These are just a few ways that fans should start lashing back at the pathetic state of affairs in the sports world. Amendments are sure to follow. But getting 3/4's of the states to ratify could be a problem.

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

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WORLD AT A GLANCE

Look out, hold on to your eyes, ears, voice and dollars

NEW YORK

Getting through dinner without a call from a phone or cable company that wants your business could get tougher now that the telecommunications overhaul is law.

There are plenty more calls ahead, along with mail offers and broadcast and print ads, as local phone, long-distance and cable companies — freed of all sorts of regulatory barriers — try to muscle into one another's business. Even though you won't be able to take phone calls on your TV set for years, the advertising blitz has begun.

"It is a nuisance at times," said David Rua, an insurance agent in Pittsburg, Kan., who gets calls from long-distance companies who want his business. "But that's free American enterprise. If you try to cut that down, that's saying they can't compete."

The driving purpose for the biggest communications legislation since 1934 is competition. Few companies wasted time adapting to it Thursday.

Less than an hour after President Clinton signed the bill, the largest local telephone company, GTE Corp., announced it had a contract with WorldCom Inc., the fourth-largest long distance company, to resell long-distance service under the GTE name.

A few minutes later, AT&T Corp. chairman Robert Allen stood before reporters in Washington and said the largest long-distance company would offer local phone service by late summer.

The goal for all is to become a one-stop provider of whatever communication service a customer seeks. The industry buzzword is "bundling," or offering discounts for taking more than one service.

"There's certainly going to be a rise in the level of the noise that's out there," said Cliff Eason, chief executive of SBC Communications, the telecommunications arm of SBC Corp., the regional Bell carrier in Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas.

The new rules

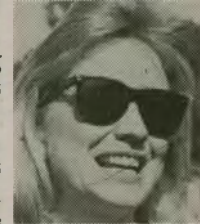
The sweeping telecommunications bill Congress passed Thursday affects every aspect of the media. How the government is likely to become more or less involved:

<p>Internet MORE Sexually explicit or otherwise indecent material can't be transmitted to minors over the network. or LESS Deregulating the phone companies could spur competition, driving on-line prices lower.</p>	<p>Cable LESS Customers of small cable systems — about 20 percent of the market — immediately get deregulated rates. All other rates will be deregulated by March 31, 1999.</p>
<p>Local telephone LESS Cable, long-distance and other companies can now compete for local service; the law pre-empts state and local regulatory barriers.</p>	<p>Television MORE Manufacturers must install the "V-chip" in new televisions. The chip allows people to block out shows that include violence, sexual content, etc.</p>
<p>Long-distance telephone LESS Local Bell companies may now offer long-distance service. or MORE They must comply with FCC rules to ensure that there's competition.</p>	

Next Whitewater move critical

WASHINGTON

Concerned about what a state bank regulator might say about Whitewater, presidential aides discussed sending someone to "make sure her story is OK," a newly discovered White House document shows. The White House turned over former communications director Mark Gearan's handwritten jottings — months after they were demanded by the Senate committee. White House lawyer Jane Sherburne told the committee Thursday that Gearan inadvertently took the notes with him when he left the White House to run the Peace Corps last September.



Oscar Meyer weinermobile defense?

LOS ANGELES

A defense lawyer on Thursday mocked prosecution claims that Snoop Doggy Dogg, real name Calvin Broadus, and his bodyguard hunted down and murdered a young gang member in the rap star's distinctive Jeep. "It's like committing a drive-by shooting in the Oscar Mayer weinermobile and thinking you're not going to be noticed. It's not reasonable," attorney Donald Re said in closing arguments. Lawyers claim it was self-defense when Lee Broadus' bodyguard, shot Phillip Woldemariam from a Jeep driven by Broadus, 24. "What they cannot run from is the fact that Philip Woldemariam was shot in the back. That is not consistent with self-defense," prosecutor Robert Grace said.

Teen cited for assault with icy puddle

GILLETTE, Wyo.

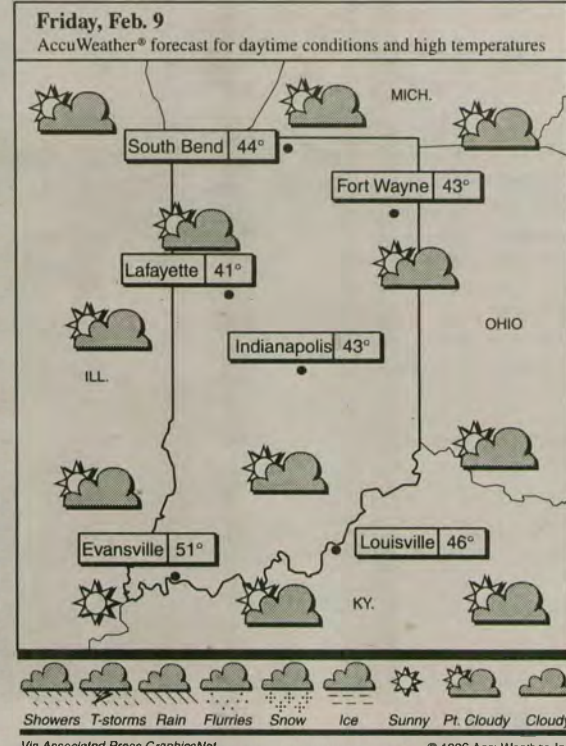
A teen-ager whose car splashed slush all over a woman shoveling snow was cited for assault. "He deliberately was tire-to-curb to splash me," said Stacey Baxter, who was in front of her house Tuesday when the car drove through an 8-inch puddle, dousing her and her son. "I was mad as a wet hen, literally." Baxter said the driver even came back for a second try but was discouraged when her husband came out into the front yard. The woman called police, who tracked down the car and cited 17-year-old Tyler Nichols. He could be fined \$750.

20 miles of blood spilled in Kansas

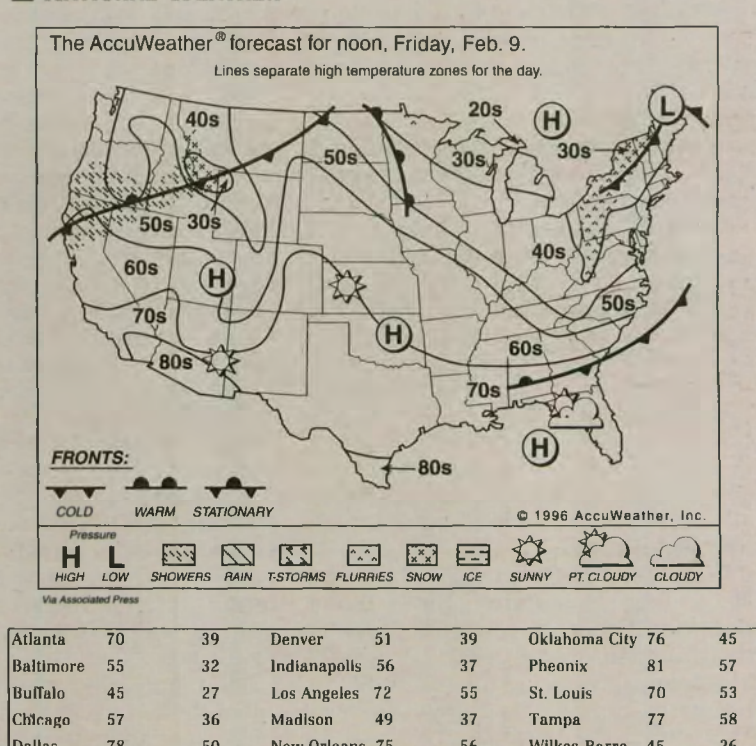
SYRACUSE, Kan.

A tanker truck carrying animal blood sprang a leak, splashing cars and leaving a 20-mile-long stain on a highway. The tanker, en route Wednesday to a processing plant in Syracuse apparently blew a seal. "One lane was pretty much covered with blood," Sheriff Dan Levens said. "It was splashing all over the cars." The blood posed no health hazard, said Verna Bagby, a spokeswoman for Clausen-Koch Corp., where the blood was to be dried, separated and sent to factories for use in animal feed. Sand was spread to soak up the spill.

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McShane: Confronting a friend takes courage

Lecture examines helping those with eating disorders

By MAGGIE WALSH
News Writer

Deciding to confront your friend about an eating disorder takes courage, according to Molly McShane, who spoke in a lecture given on eating disorders last evening.

The lecture, given by members of the Women's Resource Center and the Counseling and Career Development Center, was presented through various media.

The women showed clips from an informational video, spoke about the warning signs of eating disorders, and shared from experience on how to approach friends with disorders.

According to the speakers, choosing to help a friend can be agonizing and might prove stressful to the friendship, but it can often be a decision which is lifesaving for the friend.

When making the decision to intervene, it is necessary to educate oneself about a friend's problem first. According to the speakers, people should first gather specific information about their friend's symptoms, making sure that there is a repeating cycle of events, symptomatic of the disorder, and that it was not a one time situation.

The time chosen to speak to a friend is also very crucial. A time must be chosen when the

friend is not preparing for an important exam or paper.

It is also important not to attack a friend for their compulsive habits. Generalizing their problem with names, such as "bulimic" or "anorexic" should be avoided.

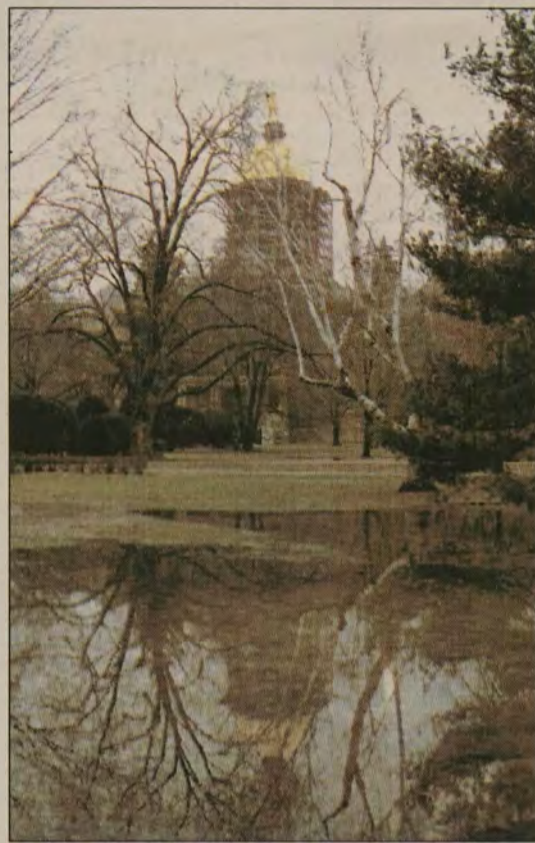
Instead, a friend should be made aware of the love and support available even if the behavior is not condoned. The speakers stressed sharing your concerns with a friend, specifically noting the behaviors which have provoked your initial concern.

According to them, it is also important to be caring, patient, and non-judgmental. Encouraging a friend to go the Counseling Center and talk to someone is key, and therefore one should have the names and numbers of several groups and counseling centers available for a friend. Eating disorders are curable but the process is lengthy and often difficult.

Liz Wisniewski, a Saint Mary's Freshman, agrees, "[Curing eating disorders] does take a long time. I've seen that the process is lengthy in my relationships with other people. But, [the Counseling Center's] main focus is not to give up. That's important."

In the end it is necessary to realize that if a friend is of legal age, the decision to get help lies in their hands, according to the speakers. Eating disorders are usually a way of dealing with underlying problems.

Once those problems are dealt with and acknowledged, the healing process can begin.



Natural Reflections

The substantial increase in temperatures within the past few days caused the snow to melt, and campus-wide flooding to occur. While the flooding caused inconveniences for many, it also created unique reflections of University buildings and locations.



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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Julie Wallman

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Grotto

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stands out most vividly in Jenkins' memory was a trip she made with a group of freshmen from her dorm.

Many of the women in Jenkins section were feeling homesick and were dealing with the stress of the first weeks of classes. A trip to the Grotto proved to be an effective remedy for their sadness, Jenkins said.

"We each prayed separately, and then we sat in a circle and talked," she said. "There was such a sense of peace there."

Stillness and quiet are what many visitors to the Grotto claim to seek.

Cara Calcagno, a LeMans Hall junior at Saint Mary's, said the Grotto serves as more than just a pitstop during her workouts.

"Sometimes I stop at the Grotto when I'm walking around the lakes," she said. "It's a good place for me to just stop and think."

The solace and security offered by the Grotto may hold even more meaning for those who cannot visit it as often as they wish.

Going to the Grotto is like going home, according to Mickey Hill, a former Holy Cross student, who is now at Boston College. "It's like visiting a place inside yourself," Hill said of the Grotto, a place he visited often when he was in South Bend.

"When I go back Notre Dame and I visit the Grotto, I get the feeling that God will always love you and that you can always come back here."

"It's the greatest feeling," said Hill, who had a memorable experience at the shrine upon returning to the campus for the first time after leaving Holy Cross. "It was a feeling of 'go ahead and do what you want with your life because this will always be here'."

When the existence of the Grotto at Notre Dame was threatened by a fire in September of 1985, many people were thankful that it was repaired so quickly, including Pangborn rectress Cathie Lohmuller.

"The Grotto is the center of stillness in our bustling, little community," said Lohmuller, who spent her undergraduate and graduate years at Notre Dame prior to becoming a rectress. "When you have a place

like that that you go to for peace, and then it's gone..." she said in recalling the days following the fire. "It was very sad."

But despite the solace provided by the Grotto, the temporary escape of pressures are not the only reasons people flock to the Grotto.

Marriage and the Grotto go hand-in-hand, according to a Notre Dame priest who played an important role in many of the preliminary events that lead to the sacred bond.

Father Charles Carey of the classes of '31 and '37 had at one time been in possession of five engagement rings belonging to Notre Dame males planning to propose to their girlfriends at the Grotto.

When Colonel Dick Lochner, Notre Dame class of '61, was married in Ohio, there was one place he had to go after making his lifetime commitment. He and his bride drove to the Grotto immediately after their wedding ceremony. Because they wanted to offer a prayer thanking God that their lives had been joined, distance was not a significant concern of the couple, who drove all the way from Ohio to light a Grotto candle.

While love and marriage have stood as incentives for Grotto visits, there are other bonds bringing people together at the shrine.

To Carroll junior Jeff Kloska, the Grotto represents family.

When his older brother, Bobby, class of '90, proposed to his fiancée at the Grotto last spring, Kloska had the pleasure of witnessing the event - though hidden in some bushes.

"They (the couple) walked to the Grotto and sat at one of the benches," Kloska recalled. "When ten members of the Notre Dame Glee Club came to serenade them, my brother got down on one knee." After Bobby proposed, Kloska and some of his other brothers and friends of the family, who were watching from behind some nearby shrubs, came out to congratulate the couple.

Amidst these and all the millions of "Grotto stories" that exist in the hearts and minds of people world-wide, one story stands among all the powerful voices as a quiet reminder of what the Grotto truly represents. And this memory is enshrined at the Grotto itself.

When humanitarian and Notre Dame alumnus Dr.

Thomas Dooley expressed his adoration of the Grotto in a 1948 letter to then University President Father Theodore Hesburgh in the months just before Dooley's death, Hesburgh read the letter and had a copy of it mounted and placed on display in front of the Grotto's pews.

"But just now, and just so many times, how I long for the Grotto," Dooley wrote in the letter.

Away from the Grotto, Dooley just prays. But at the Grotto, especially now, when there must be snow everywhere, and the lake is ice glass, and that triangular fountain on the left is frozen solid and all the priests are bundled in their large, too long old black coats, and the students wear snow boots...if I could go to the Grotto now, then I think I could sing inside. I could be full of faith and poetry and loveliness and know more beauty, tenderness and compassion.

"This is soggy sentimentalism I know. Cold prayers from a hospital bed are just as pleasing to God as more youthful prayers from a Grotto on the lid of night," he said.

"Knowing prayers from here are just as good as from the Grotto doesn't lessen my gnawing to be there...The Grotto is the rock to which my life is anchored."

And at the end of the letter, Dooley asked, "Do students ever appreciate what they have when they have it? I know I never did."

The Notre Dame Archives may be offering people to express their appreciation. Anyone who has a "Grotto story" is encouraged to send it to "Grotto Stories - O; P.O. Box 454; Notre Dame, Ind. 46556-0454.

All letters will be placed in a permanent grotto collection in the University of Notre Dame Archives where they will be made available to future generations.

The letters may be anonymous or not (senders can include their names and addresses). Whether it be long, short, inspirational, humorous, or just sentimental - or one that's been passed along - any grotto memories can be sent to enrich the archival record at Notre Dame.

The Notre Dame Alumni Newsletter contributed to this report.

Relations

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that there needs to be communication in relationships. She used some common cliches to express this point.

"What part of no don't you understand," said Harmeyer.

Harmeyer expressed the fact that in today's society men and women have a problem communicating with each other. If women are going to be considered good, they are supposed to say no first to a man's sexual overtures. "Women are encouraged not to say what they mean," said Harmeyer.

However Harmeyer was quick to point out that men don't take this no seriously. This is because men become so used to this "no" being the first word out of a woman's mouth when they are becoming intimate.

Harmeyer used an interview with a date rapist that she read to emphasize her point. When asked by the lawyer if the women ever said no, the rapist said she had said no, but she did not really mean it.

The floor was then opened up for comments. Deirdre Chervenka, a junior, took the opportunity to ask about other ways of communicating with people besides using words.

"I disagree with the assumption that the only way to communicate with people is through words. I feel sometimes that unspoken communication such as body language can be used as well," said Chervenka.

Harmeyer agreed with Chervenka's comment, however, she stated that body language can cause some problems.

"If two people have never had a conversation about how far they want to go sexually and they become physical, problems can often arise. Problems such as getting caught up in the moment can occur," said Harmeyer.

According to Harmeyer having a verbal conversation about your sexual relationship with your partner is a good idea. By having this conversation it is clear to both people what will happen when physical intimacy begins.

The Oprah show was next used as an example by Harmeyer; she said that recently Oprah had a show where five women were dressed as men and allowed to play "the man" for a day. The women

commented that playing the role of man allowed them not to be as defensive. They did not have to worry where they parked their car or who was walking behind them.

Sophomore Tara Mooney then brought up the fact that at SMC and ND one is often unaware of any sexual assault that takes place. "Saint Mary's and Notre Dame don't inform people about sexual assaults that take place on campus. The schools just promote the idea of how safe it is," said Mooney.

Harmeyer then responded that many women who have been assaulted never report it to security, they just tell their friends. Harmeyer finally stressed the fact that women need to think about communicating with men and not being afraid to take a stand on important issues. As women's week draws to a close, Harmeyer wanted to state that it is not bad to celebrate women.

"People feel that by celebrating, women become anti-male. This is not true. People can celebrate women and at the same time be pro-men," said Harmeyer.

Reaction to Harmeyer's lecture was extremely positive.

"The lecture asserted feelings about relationships that I already had. Her point about women having to be defensive is true. I feel that I have become more defensive than I was as a freshman," said senior Kelly Falcsik.

"The lecture pertained to what I have been thinking about lately. The issues we discussed at the lecture need to be discussed by both men and women. The key to real communication is understanding on both sides and changing preconceived conceptions," said junior, Lisa Schroeder.



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Application Deadline: March 1, 1996

Grazin: Russia in 'precarious' situation ND to host business conference

By KELLY BROOKS
News Writer

A combination of internal and external developments in Russia and Europe leaves the future of their security and diplomatic relations in a precarious situation, according to Igor Grazin, who lectured on Russian Danger and European Security in the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

Grazin attributes the instability to ten factors within the region. "Russia remains today the only European state that occupies significant territory and the ability to expand... Around Russia there is not a single state that could defend itself or offer resistance," Grazin pointed out.

Russia also uses direct military threat as a tool for political influence. "Rarely does a country openly threaten neighboring countries with military intervention," said Grazin.

This is compounded by the fact that many officials have ambitious geopolitical goals. They see their sphere of "near-abroad" as stretching from Finland to the United States.

Another factor is the criminalization of state institu-

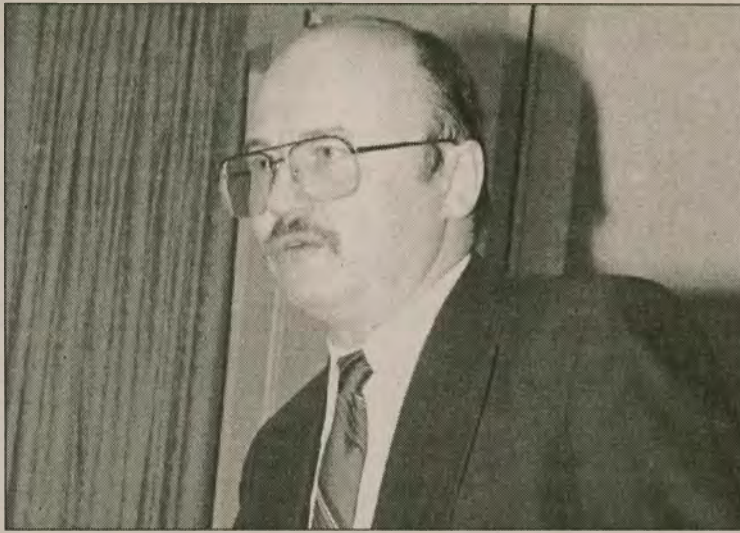
tions. "Whole branches of the Russian government are almost 100% criminal. An example of that is Russian foreign customs," Grazin admits.

Dangerous overestimation of Russian military forces at all levels presents another destabilizing element. "A complex of superiority of a weak army may be dangerous," emphasized Grazin. The fear is that overambitious political or military leaders may push the army into war.

Russia no longer takes international law seriously which further compounds the problem.

"Russia is the only country in the world that has declared a whole ethnic group evil," said Grazin who pointed out that Yeltsin comments toward the Chechnyans are the first from a political leader since Hitler's comments towards Jewish people.

The widening gap in living standards between Russia and its neighbors, ideological trends such as the growth of nationalism, and the irrationality of political decision making in Russia round out the factors that threaten security between Russia and Europe.



The Observer/Brandon Candura

Igor Grazin spoke Thursday afternoon in the Hesburgh Center about Russia's diplomatic situation in his lecture on Russian Danger and European Security.

Yeltsin's behavior is particularly worrisome. Yeltsin's drinking and health problems affect his decision making skills and in running the nation it "comes down to the execution of political decisions. Put all these things together and it's not so funny any more," added Grazin.

Grazin explained what possibilities remained as solutions, but emphasized the shortfalls in each of the plans. One pro-

posal involves creating a non-Russian, non-NATO neutral security zone from Norway down to Yugoslavia. Developments within the region have proved that this won't work.

Whether NATO expands to include the Baltic states and Central Europe remains to be seen. Grazin admits, "The strange thing is that politicians like those with nuclear weapons more than those that don't."

Special to the Observer

Undergraduates from Notre Dame and six other universities will meet on campus Feb. 23-25 for the first Intercollegiate Consulting Conference on international business issues.

Organized by the student-run Notre Dame Council on International Business Development (NDICBD), the conference is designed to provide collegiate business groups with the knowledge and skills necessary to offer consulting services to American companies interested in expanding abroad.

Faculty and students from the participating universities also will make presentations and exchange information.

Conference sessions will take place in Notre Dame's new College of Business Administration complex beginning on Friday evening, continuing all day Saturday and concluding early Sunday afternoon.

CAMPUS MINISTRY... ...CONSIDERATIONS

THE GROTTO:

A PLACE AT THE HEART OF NOTRE DAME FOR 100 YEARS

It was 2:15 a.m. on one of the coldest nights of last week, and I was sprinting across campus. All I could think about was how much I wanted to get back to the warmth of my room in Flanner Hall, when I looked over to see students at the Grotto.

At almost any time of the day or night, even the coldest night of the year, you are likely to find at least one person at the Grotto. According to some of the Holy Cross priests who have been around Notre Dame the longest, that's the way it has always been.

What is it that has drawn generations of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students to the Grotto since 1896?

Some say it is because it is a quiet place where they can think clearly. Some people say it is because they feel the closeness of God when they are there. Some people say that they find it a place of consolation when it seems like things are falling apart. Some say that visits to the Grotto help them to risk and to put their faith into action.

The Grotto is a place which is at the heart of Notre Dame.

Near the top of the Grotto is a statue of a woman who put her life at the service of God and others, giving birth to God in the world.

This Grotto is dedicated to a woman and the way she appeared, in 1858, to a peasant girl named Bernadette Soubirous near Lourdes, France. This Grotto is dedicated to the Mother of God who appeared to the poor in a place that was considered a waste. This Grotto is dedicated to a woman who was hope for the sick and those who felt that things were falling apart for them. This Grotto is dedicated to a woman who helped people, like Bernadette, to risk and put their faith into action, serving others at all costs.

It is impossible to explain exactly what happened in Lourdes, France.

It is impossible to fully explain why people are at the Grotto at any time of the day and night, even at 2:15 a.m. on the coldest night of the year.

Many students, teachers, parents, staff members, and even people visiting for the first time do have an intuitive sense that the Grotto represents what Notre Dame is all about: a service to God and others that gives birth to Christ in the world.

This Sunday, February 11, Notre Dame will begin to celebrate the 100th year of the Grotto by celebrating Mass at 10:00 a.m. in the Basilica. ALL ARE WELCOME!

May this celebration of the centennial of a place which continues to be so significant to Notre Dame men and women help us to rededicate ourselves to expressing our faith in action, serving others at all costs.

Fr. Bob Dowd, C.S.C.

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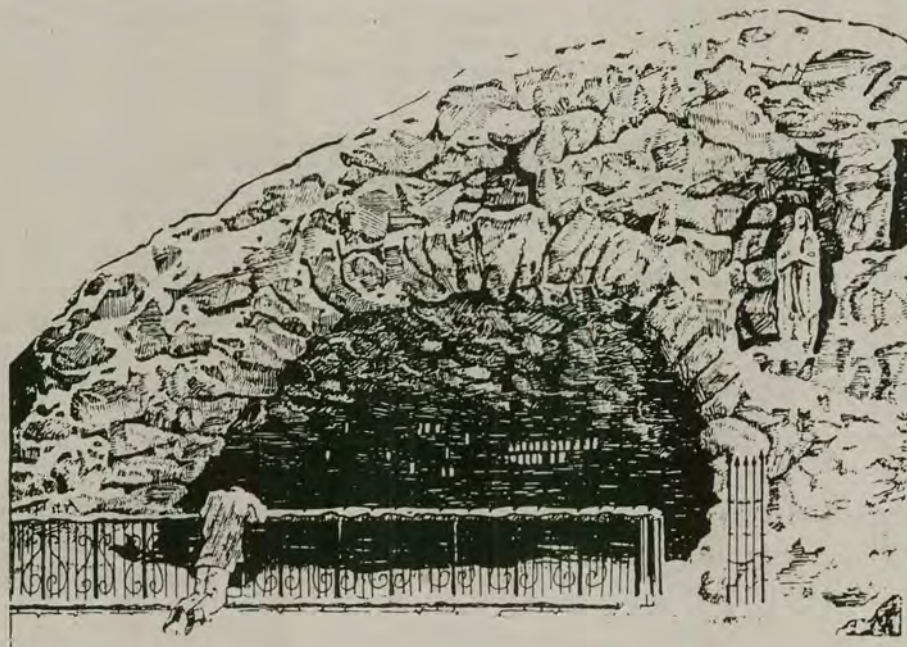
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Northwest experiences worst flooding in 30 years

By DAVID FOSTER
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — A mountainside moaned, then gave way in a rush of mud. Highways vanished beneath stinking, caramel-colored floodwaters swirling with uprooted trees and raw sewage. One girl was dead, a woman was missing, and thousands of Oregonians were driven from their homes.

And the rain kept falling. As the state's worst flooding in more than three decades threatened to swamp downtown Portland, sandbags and concrete highway dividers formed a thin defense Thursday against the wide Willamette River.

"Water's going everywhere," said Trase Myers, as he and others hurried to stack 40-pound sandbags against a building downtown. "I can't believe the destruction the water has caused."

In the nation's latest extreme weather in a winter of extremes, hundreds of roads — including both of Oregon's cross-state freeways, Interstates 5 and 84 — were closed by high water or mudslides.

Amtrak trains were halted. Gov. John Kitzhaber declared 14 counties disaster areas.

Amid the deluge, there were water shortages. Muddy floodwaters contaminated drinking-water supplies throughout the valley. Portland and Salem officials urged people to conserve water. Smaller towns shut down their water plants completely and told residents to buy bottled water.

The flooding is the result of a series of storms that marched in from the Pacific beginning two weeks ago. The first were cold, piling up snow in the mountains that form a scenic backdrop to Portland — the Cascades to the east, the rolling Coast Range to the west.

On Monday, a warmer storm stalled over the state, and the snow started melting, adding to the record rains — more than 5 inches a day in some areas.

Sparkling mountain streams, narrow enough to jump across two weeks ago, turned monstrous, tearing through the forest, ripping small bridges apart.

As the swollen streams converged in the Willamette River valley, evergreen trees were ripped out by their roots, bobbing and lunging downstream

like huge battering rams.

An estimated 1,500 people were forced from their homes in Eugene, and 12,000 in the Salem area, where a parade of U-Hauls, horse trailers and pickup trucks streamed through the rain.

Bill and Connie Mellin grabbed a few valuables from their home in Keizer, near Salem, and headed for higher ground.

"We've stacked our furniture up on books that we don't like," Bill Mellin said. "We're going to grab some photos, kids' toys and clothes and get out of here."

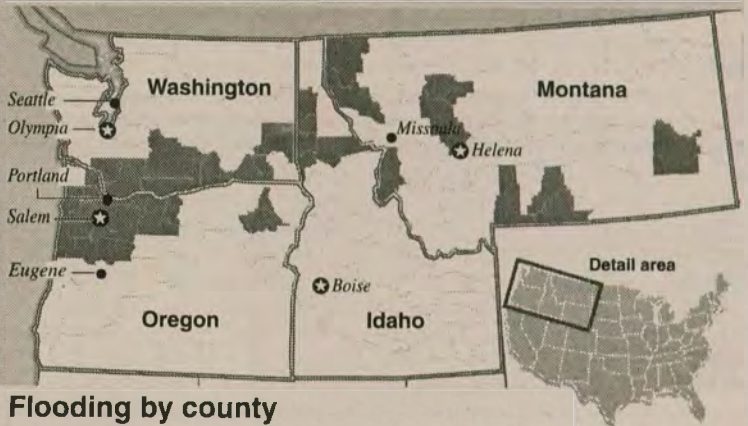
The gathering waters barreled toward Portland, Oregon's biggest city, which sits astride the Willamette near its confluence with the Columbia River.

On the Columbia River east of Portland, a tugboat rescued Harold Jank, 70, from a house that was breaking apart late Wednesday as it raced down the waterway. The tugboat couldn't rescue Jank's wife, Jacqueline, 62, and she was missing.

A 9-year-old girl drowned in a culvert Wednesday when she went out to get the mail near the small Willamette Valley

Northwest flooding

Heavy rains have caused extensive flooding in four states.



Flooding by county

- **Washington**
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Carbon, Custer, Lewis and Clark, Lincoln, Park, Ravalli, Sanders, Stillwater and Teton

AP/Wm. J. Castello

town of Scio. In Portland, the Willamette was expected to breach the city's seawall Thursday night and crest Friday morning at 30 feet, 1.2 feet above the seawall's lowest point.

That would equal the level of Portland's last big flood, at Christmas 1964, which killed 47 people and left 17,000 people homeless throughout the Northwest.

City workers and volunteers banged nails and lifted plywood sheets into place to erect a barrier at least 2 1/2 feet over the

seawall, but officials expected it would only slow the water down. The barrier was to be just over a mile long, covered in plastic and held down by sandbags.

"I'm normally a pretty optimistic person," said Gary Kaer, eyeing the raging Willamette a few yards away from his deserted restaurant in Portland's Tom McCall Waterfront Park. "I've always felt like you can overcome anything life throws at you. With this, what can you do? Nothing, but wait and hope for the best."

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Peace

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her application, Brush indicated a desire to work in Latin America during her two year commitment, and the Peace Corps responded by stationing her in rural Bolivia.

"They do a really thorough job of matching your placement with both your desires and your talents," she said. Brush also added that the Peace Corps strives to place its volunteers in safe environments.

"We don't go anywhere where it's not safe. It's got to be very stable, otherwise we leave. Actually the Peace Corps has to be invited in the first place. They're particular about only going where they're asked," she said.

Brush found herself working for the Bolivia Social Welfare Department to teach women hobbies to help them expand their horizons. After a year in that capacity, she moved to a larger city, and worked with an orphanage where she had her most rewarding experiences.

"I opened a bakery there. It gave the kids an opportunity to learn a trade, it taught them social skills, it taught them responsibility, and it taught them about entrepreneurship. Those kids were really backwards, they'd never had a family to teach them anything, basic things like showing up for work they hadn't learned yet."

A little patience went a long way for Brush, though. "How can you beat the feeling of knowing you're helping someone? It's incredible. In the long run, they even taught me more than I taught them," she explained.

"Of course it tried my patience at times. There were days when I thought, 'What the

heck am I doing here?' I'd think, 'If I see one more llama walk by and spit, I'm going to scream,'" Brush said.

In retrospect, a vast majority of Brush's feelings about her stay in the Peace Corps are very warm. "I swam in the Amazon and I lived in the Andes. I saw things people dream about," she said.

Brian Hennekes, a 1987 Notre Dame graduate, just concluded his Peace Corps obligation, but still lives and works where he was assigned- Santiago, Chile. He found his experiences to be just as valuable as Brush did hers.

"I wanted a full cultural and linguistic immersion into Latin America. I wanted to get to know the problems of the majority of Latin Americans, the poor, and try to provide my experience in a positive way to improve their economic situations. This concept is not all altruistic, but also it includes a self-desire for my personal and professional development," Hennekes said.

Hennekes began using his talents in a relatively rural Andean setting where he worked with small textile businesses.

"My second year I led a strategic planning process in an organization that promotes and exports handicrafts from 400 small producers located all over Chile. I spent a year working directly with the manager of the organization to do things like improve their database, develop their marketing plans, stabilize the financial status of the organization, and other managerial tasks."

Hennekes' work shows that the Peace Corps has come a long way from its former stereotypes of hippies living in grass huts. As the world's population has shifted to urban areas, the Peace Corps has adapted and has sent more and more

urban professionals to urban business development assignments.

Among the variety of skills his Peace Corps involvement has helped him to develop, Hennekes listed public speaking enhancement, proficiency in another language, interpersonal relations, strategic planning, management and consulting skills, export experience, and cultural sensitivity.

He doubts his situation is unique among Peace Corps volunteers.

Hennekes admitted that his Notre Dame background made a good foundation for his work in Chile.

"Yes, I can say with pleasure that my Notre Dame education, in the classroom, but especially out of the classroom, prepared me in part for a successful experience in the Peace Corps. Also in terms of a commitment to service in the community, ND influenced my decision to join" he said.

"I thought being immersed into a completely new environment would spark my development as a person. And it has," Hennekes said.

Notre Dame continues to produce students interested in contributing to the Peace Corps' mission. Of the twenty-two students who began the application process last fall, ten have been nominated.

"Even though it takes almost six months, it's really not that hard. It's mostly just to find out who's dedicated," Brush recalled of the application process.

Nic Bachhuber a Senior mechanical engineering major, is one of the nominees awaiting placement.

"I've been nominated to teach high school science in Africa. I should know exactly where by April," he said.

Bachhuber's roommate, Tim

Croteau is headed to Africa also.

"I wanted to go somewhere where they speak French, and I wanted to see some Third World areas. I'm a sociology and government major, and we talk and read so much about Third World countries, but I don't feel like I have a concrete grasp on what some of these people are facing."

When asked what led him to forgoe the job market for two years of volunteerism, Bachhuber responded, "It's something I've always thought about. There's always time to enter the workforce later. An engineering major didn't give me the chance to study abroad. I realize I can always work in engineering twenty years down the line, so now's the time."

He added, "Personally, I've always felt like I've been given a lot, and this gives me a good opportunity to help some people in return."

Michelle Mudry and Teresa McCaffrey are another pair of roommates awaiting placement.

"We didn't decide together, but we talked about it a lot until we separately came to the same decision," Mudry said.

On her decision to join the Peace Corps, McCaffrey, a physics major said, "I wasn't

ready to commit to a graduate program yet. My older sister had been in the Peace Corps in Honduras, and I saw how good it was for her, and I decided I could use an experience like hers, like the one in front of me, to help me see how other people's lives were."

As to how Notre Dame had influenced her decision, she added, "I think one of the greatest things about Notre Dame is the Center for Social Concerns and all of the opportunities it opens up. I'd done Appalachia, and Urban Plunge, and then CSC helped me contact the Peace Corps."

While McCaffrey is looking forward to teaching high school science in Africa, Mudry plans on using her English major to teach English "Either in Eastern Europe or Asia, I'm not sure yet," she said.

"I don't want to jump into a job and maybe not be happy with it. I came from a small town and a Catholic girls' school, and now I'm at a Catholic University. I want to see what else is out there," she added.

Any students interested in beginning the application process are encouraged to contact recruiter Brian Anderson at 312-353-4990.

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■ CYPRUS

Russian-Iraqi accord to boost oil sales

Associated Press

NICOSIA

Russia and Iraq signed a \$10 billion cooperation accord designed to revitalize Iraq's oil industry and boost its production by 1 million barrels a day once U.N. sanctions are lifted.

The agreement, signed Wednesday, is the first bilateral accord of its kind since the U.N. Security Council imposed crippling trade sanctions on Iraq for invading Kuwait in 1990.

It comes as Iraq is negotiating with the Security Council in New York on a U.N. offer to let Iraq sell \$1 billion worth of oil every three months to buy food and medicine. At current prices, that comes to around 700,000 barrels a day.

The accord comes also on the eve of Secretary of State Warren Christopher's meeting in Helsinki with Russia's new

foreign minister, Yevgeny Primakov. The United States has consistently insisted that Iraq abide by all Security Council resolutions before it will consider any lifting of sanctions.

Christopher's and Primakov's agenda includes another U.S. pitch to Russia to forgo sale of nuclear technology to Iran, and a plea for ratification of the Start II missile treaty, which would cut American and Russian arsenals of long-range missile in half by 2003.

The official Iraqi News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, reported late Wednesday that the accord was signed in Baghdad by Fayez Abdullah Shahin, undersecretary at Iraq's Oil Ministry, and Russian officials.

Before it invaded Kuwait, Iraq was producing about 3.2 million barrels of oil a day, most of it for export. Those sales earned Baghdad about

\$10 billion a year.

During Thursday's negotiations on a limited oil sale, U.N. and Iraqi officials discussed how Iraq would ship any oil it sells and how revenues from the sale would be managed, U.N. spokesman Sylvana Foa said.

The Security Council has insisted that revenues be placed in an escrow account under U.N. supervision.

The agreement with Russia provides for cooperation in all areas of the oil industry, including exploration, development and exchanging experts, the Iraqi News Agency said.

The agreement, initialed in April 1995 and ratified by Iraq's rubber-stamp parliament on Nov. 6, includes provisions for Iraq to repay its \$7 billion debt to Moscow, mainly through oil supplies.

The agreement covers a number of oil projects, includ-

ing two big southern oilfields the Russians were involved in before August 1990. One, West Qurna, has a production capacity of 450,000 barrels a day, and the other, North Rumailah field, has a capacity of around 550,000 barrels daily.

Preparatory work needed to make the fields operational is expected to begin soon.

For the U.N. sanctions to be lifted, Iraq must eliminate its programs for producing weapons of mass destruction and account for hundreds of people who disappeared during Iraq's seven-month occupation of Kuwait.

Russia and France, Iraq's main arms suppliers before the embargo, have been pressing Baghdad to comply with all Security Council resolutions so the sanctions can be lifted and they can resume economic links.

■ EGYPT

Two trains collide in sandstorm

Associated Press

CAIRO

As a blinding sandstorm gripped much of Egypt, two passenger trains collided with vehicles in separate accidents Thursday that killed 12 people and injured 19, police said.

It was not immediately clear, however, if the storm played a role in the crashes.

A train traveling from the Mediterranean port of Alexandria to Cairo hit a truck near the town of Kafr Zayyat, about 55 miles northwest of Cairo.

Police said nine people were killed and 12 injured in the wreck, which derailed many of the train's cars. Police blamed the truck driver for the accident, saying he crossed the railroad tracks without heeding the signal.

Earlier, a train plowed into a van, killing three women and injuring seven near the town of Rahmaniya, 55 miles northeast of Cairo. No one on the train was hurt.

Egypt's railroads have been plagued by accidents. Last December, two passenger trains collided in heavy fog, killing 75 people and wounding 76 in the Nile Delta town of Badrshin.

Elsewhere in Egypt, several traffic accidents blamed on the sandstorm left four people dead Thursday. Police had no further details.

Meanwhile, the sandstorm forced Cairo International Airport to divert several planes because of low visibility, shut down the port of Alexandria for several hours and delayed ships passing through the Suez Canal.

■ SOUTH AFRICA

Gunmen attack kills four workers, wounds one

Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG

Gunmen opened fire on people standing outside a workers' dormitory, killing four and wounding one, police said Thursday.

The Wednesday night attack at the Denver Hostel in an industrial area of southeast Johannesburg was the second in recent weeks on workers in the region. Police offered no motive but said the attack may have been linked to political violence.

Most residents of workers' hostels are Zulus, and the com-

pound has a reputation as a stronghold of the Zulu nationalist Inkatha Freedom Party.

Years of fighting between Inkatha and the rival African National Congress killed thousands of blacks in the decade before the nation's first all-race election in 1994 that ended apartheid.

The ANC won the vote; Inkatha seeks autonomous power for the traditional Zulu homeland in KwaZulu-Natal province, and tension has spilled over to the Johannesburg area, where thousands of Zulus are migrant workers.

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Walt Disney to enact takeover of Capital Cities/ABC

By JEANNINE AVERSA
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
Federal regulators cleared the way Thursday for The Walt Disney Co. to take over Capital Cities/ABC Inc., creating the world's largest media company. But the company will have to shed some properties.

The Federal Communications Commission voted 5-0 to remove the last hurdle to the \$19 billion deal.

Disney said it would complete the acquisition by the end of the week.

The commission won't let Disney permanently own, as it had requested, radio stations and a newspaper in Fort Worth, Texas, and in Pontiac-

Detroit, Mich. Instead, the commission would provide the company with a temporary waiver of one year from cross-ownership rules to give Disney time to sell or swap either the radio or the newspaper properties in each city. The choice would be Disney's.

Still, Disney might be able to keep the Fort Worth and Pontiac-Detroit properties. The FCC said it would re-examine its newspaper-broadcast cross-ownership rules within the year.

"We are hopeful that it will ultimately allow us to retain the properties in the two cities," said Disney chief Michael Eisner, who otherwise applauded the FCC's action.

Even though all five commissioners voted to clear the deal, two of them — James Quello and Rachelle Chong — opposed the FCC's decision not to let Disney permanently own the properties in Fort Worth and Pontiac-Detroit. Both said there is amply media competition in the two markets. Each market has more than 50 separately owned broadcast outlets, they said.

Quello said the FCC's newspaper-broadcast rules "no longer reflect the realities of the marketplace."

Federal regulations prohibit one company from owning a newspaper and a radio station in the same market. Legislation overhauling the nation's telecommunications laws,

which President Clinton signed Thursday, would not change that.

Capital Cities/ABC owns in Fort Worth WBAP-AM and KSCS-FM and the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. It also owns WJR-AM and WHYT-FM in Detroit and the Oakland Press in Pontiac, Mich.

Since Capital Cities/ABC owned these properties before the FCC had regulations barring such ownership, the properties were grandfathered, the FCC says. But the grandfathered status does not transfer to Disney.

For Disney to win a permanent waiver, it would have to prove that the combined ownership is in the public interest, the FCC says.

In 20 years, the FCC has granted only two waivers to its newspaper-broadcast cross-ownership rules. And the standard has been tough — in both cases, owners had to show the newspapers would otherwise go out of business, FCC attorneys said.

For Disney, the FCC waived local ownership rules so that it may permanently own TV-radio combinations in Chicago, New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Flint-Detroit, and Toledo-Detroit.

Disney and ABC shareholders approved the deal on Jan. 4. Officials from both companies had no immediate comment.

Disney would replace Time Warner Inc. as the media industry's largest company.

Kantor

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time elected Father Timothy Scully, vice president and associate provost since 1994, to the new post of vice president and senior associate provost. Both appointments will become effective July 1. When Nathan Hatch succeeds Timothy O'Meara as Notre Dame's provost.

Kantor's chief responsibilities in the provost's office will be University budgets, science and engineering concerns, and University computing, according to Hatch. Chief among Father Scully's responsibilities, he said, will be a continued focus on the University's international programs and outreach and a major new undertaking of assessments and initiatives in undergraduate education.

Describing the University's newest officer, Hatch said, "Jeff Kantor has been a superb teacher, scholar and administrator, and he's also a person of real vision. He will serve

Notre Dame well."

A member of the Notre Dame faculty since 1981, Kantor specializes in the dynamics and control of industrial chemical processes.

Kantor's research has been supported by the National Science Foundation, the Department of Energy and a number of industrial sponsors. He was the recipient of a National Science Foundation Presidential Young Investigator Award in 1985 and the Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation Teacher-Scholar Award in 1986.

Kantor is a member of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers and is completing a three-year term as director of the institute's Computing and Systems Technology Division. He recently was reelected a trustee of the CACHE Corporation, a nonprofit corporation that produces software for engineering education. He also is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Kantor recently chaired the University committee reviewing

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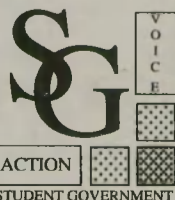
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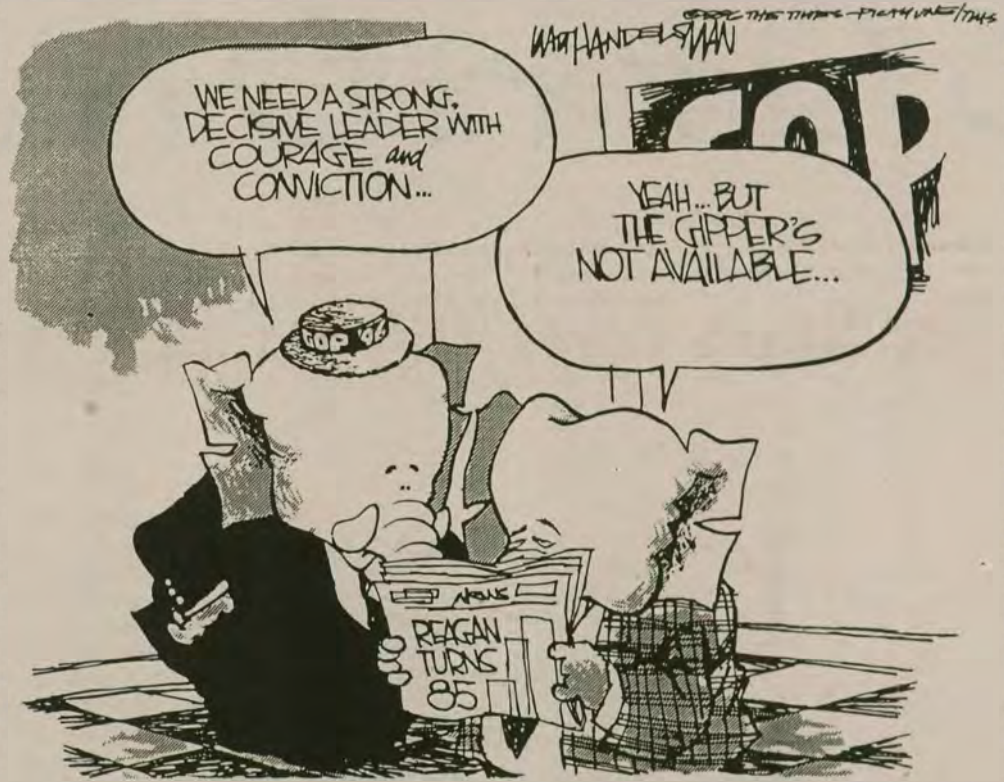
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I AM NOT A POTTED PLANT

Passions: Balance liberation and regulation

At 4:30 a few nights ago, as I turned off the VCR, my 9:30 class loomed large. As I brushed my teeth, it occurred to me that my decision to stay up and waste time had been unwise. This thought recurred to me the next morning, as I came very sleepily to class. I should have gone to bed at 1:30.

No! cried the other half of me. Always getting to class on time, writing your papers a week early, working hard for those good grades: what sort of life is that? When I'm 90, lying on my death-bed, would I not wonder what experiences I could have snatched from life between the hours of one and four? Would I not regret my organized life, my 2.4 children, my dog, and my house in the 'burbs?

You know what I mean. It's the theory of America: irresponsibility is the root of all fun.

What do you remember best about last semester? If it involves the 'Backer, I don't want to hear about it. But imagine this: it's the last nice day in October; you walk into class, and the sun is shining in the window; you go up to your friend in the front row: "let's golf"; yes, you're serious; you look over your shoulder (still no prof) and you're out of there; on number four, you're playing the best round since you were 15, and it's 30 minutes into your 75 minute class (when the clock ceases to move); you feel joy.

It's those little irresponsibilities that give pleasure, but we all know that the glory lies in that which others will term "crazy," with a grinning shake of the head. I claim that glory. Our second weekend after summer break, it was Friday night around 9:30, and I walked into my apartment bored. I saw the atlas, and wondered, how far to

Colorado? 19 hours. Too far, I was thinking, when I opened the door and saw my neighbor smoking a cigarette. Among pleasantries, I mentioned Colorado, she mentioned her sister in Colorado Springs. "If I thought you were serious," she said, "I'd go in a minute."

Ten minutes later, we were on the road. We drove all night, visited her sister, saw Pikes Peak, and were back in time for Monday classes.

The folks over at *Right Reason* would probably diagnose me as suffering from an acute case of the "disordered passions." Chuck, they would say, you let your appetites control your life, rather than subjecting them to the dictates of reason. Calm yourself, Chuck, focus on one thing, get good grades, avoid venial sins, and always go for one point conversions.

That might be wise advice, but I wonder whether it would be applicable to us 20th century Americans. Consider this analogy. We all might be happier living in little farming villages, without faxes, without satellites, without application forms, without credit cards. But our lives have changed. Free markets bring more wealth, more activity, and force us to work harder to feed our children. That's our life.

If consumer appetites are so necessary to the success of our free market economy, I wonder if liberated passions don't have the same advantages. People following their desires are more efficient and they try harder. Maybe "passion people" accomplish more at college and over a lifetime. Just as nations without free markets fell behind the West, maybe the calm, well-ordered people will be less productive than those who harness their passions.

I should write a guide to personal self-

actualization ("A Happier Me," 1-800-A-SUCKER). Hint number one: diversify. Don't be Venezuela, producing only oil, suffering recessions. Take a variety of classes, and when you get bored with Spanish, go paint. And don't forget to hug yourself.

Now, wait. I don't want to make light of traditional teachings on the passions (which I butchered above). Of course, we can't get rid of our emotions, nor should we. The trick (for we who are not self-abnegating monks) isn't dictatorial control of our passions, but the efficient regulation of them.

tions. The more we let our passions run rampant, the more we need to pull ourselves painfully away from attractive but destructive chasms.

Which brings me to ND, Land of Regulations. This school is often paternal, but it also expects, and largely receives, "responsible" behavior from its students. When I got to college, the first thing pounded into my head (aside from sensitivity training) was that grades didn't matter. Around here -- enough said. Maybe it's the value of Catholic education.

Sometimes I wonder whether ND's regulations have caused us to fall out of touch with the power of passions, especially disordered ones. That's the only way I can explain articles about co-ed dorms which mention dorm spirit, but don't mention the word sex. You've got to be kidding. How can that not be the first thing you think of? (The only thing I can imagine is that ND will pack people four to a room, and count on embarrassment to dissuade the tempted).

I suppose it's not cool to say you're against co-ed dorms because you want to save people from sexual sins, and it sounds weak to say that you don't want to be tempted yourself. But that's the argument, isn't it? At my college, I was going out with the girl next door (literally). Permit me to observe that it doesn't feel very manly to keep yourself from having sex. Of course, it's the moral choice, and we need to resist temptation, but why hasten the onset of temptations? They come soon enough to us all.

Which brings me back to Colorado. Maybe I shouldn't have gone (nothing happened, I swear), but generally, we will be better Christians in the world if we "deregulate," and follow our passions over caution where harm is small.

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Charles Roth

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Newt might not agree, but capitalism succeeded precisely because it was well-regulated. Market inefficiencies, like bank failures, can destroy a free-market system if not corrected. Similarly, indulging your every whim can get you in serious academic trouble, or less virtuously, make you a parent before you're ready. It's a strange paradox, but increased freedom needs more regula-

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

Language makes culture, Land we make a rotten culture when we abuse words."

—Cynthia Ozick

SOPHOMORE LIT

The Stars Come Out for the Sophomore Literary Festival

By SARAH DYLAG
Accent Writer

Imagine planning, preparing, and waiting nine months for a very special birth. Thirty Notre Dame and Saint Mary's sophomores have been doing just that and, beginning Feb. 10, they will finally see the breath of life enter their "baby"—the Sophomore Literary Festival. Running Feb. 10 through Feb. 15, this year's twenty-ninth annual festival promises an inspirational and enlightening week of outstanding literature, amazing people and unlimited imagination.

Begun in 1967 by one ambitious sophomore, the Sophomore Literary Festival has grown from a single celebration of the life and works of William Faulkner to a general celebration of diverse, upcoming and esteemed writers. Since becoming a treasured part of the Notre Dame tradition, the festival has brought over 200 writers to South Bend, including Ralph Ellison, Jorge Luis Borges, Seamus Heaney and W.P. Kinsella.

The tradition continued last April when the 1996 Sophomore Literary Festival committee formed and Andria Wisler was selected as chairperson.

According to Wisler, the committee of "very talented, very diverse, very creative" sophomores agreed to "shoot for the stars," literally and figuratively.

Throughout the summer they contacted at least fifty writers and, working with a limited budget,

offered to pay travel, food and lodging expenses as well as a negotiable stipend in exchange for participation in

the festival. While the list of names did not reach its final stages until Thanksgiving, many of the invited writers expressed an interest in the festival and its celebration of the written word. After months of work, however, the committee finalized their list and the 1996 Sophomore Literary Festival, which begins on Saturday, brings Bob Holman, Miguel Algarin, Tobias Wolff, Alistair Macleod, Frances Sherwood and Gwendolyn Brooks to Notre Dame.

These upcoming and esteemed writers will give readings in the Library Auditorium at 8 p.m. each night of the festival. The readings begin on Saturday with Bob Holman and Miguel Algarin, poets and co-editors of "ALoud: Voices from the Nuyorican Poets Cafe." Algarin's accomplishments also include publishing eight books and winning three American book awards. He possesses talent and interest in bilingual writing as well. Holman's work focuses on spoken word poetry. Not only does he write his own poetry, but he produces programs celebrating poetry as a spoken art as well.

The readings continue on Sunday with Tobias Wolff, winner of the 1985 PEN/Faulkner Award, the O. Henry Prize, and the 1989 Rea Award. On Monday, Alistair Macleod, author of three short story books and full professor of English at the University of Windsor, will be reading. On Wednesday, the festival brings Frances Sherwood, South Bend resident, writer, and winner of two O. Henry Awards. Finally, the festival closes on Thursday with Gwendolyn Brooks, Pulitzer Prize-winning poet and author of over twenty-five books.

For many students, the highlight of the festival will be these readings. However, the festival also includes daily workshops in the Notre Dame Room of LaFortune at 11 a.m. The structure and content of these workshops is left completely up to the author and they provide a wonderful opportunity for students to meet the writers and the writers have a chance to discuss different aspects of their writing and their lives.

The workshops begin Sunday when Holman will speak and show clips of his PBS mini-series, "The United States of Poetry and Film." Wolff will host Monday's workshop as a question and answer session for students. In addition, the movie "This Boy's Life," based on the personal tale Wolff tells in his novel runs on Saturday and Sunday.

Macleod hosts the Tuesday workshop and the final workshop will be held by Sherwood on Thursday. Sherwood's workshop, though open to the public, will consist of her critique of eight manuscripts provided earlier by Notre Dame sophomores. Although Brooks will not host a workshop, she will hold a book signing at 2 p.m. on Thursday.

Continuing the tradition begun last year, this year's festival will also include a night of student readings on Tuesday. Chosen from a group of over thirty interested students, the seven student readers have approximately ten minutes in which to present their work to the Notre Dame community. The 1996 committee continues the student reading night in an effort "to expose the Notre Dame community to the literary talent that often goes unnoticed on campus."

Returning reader Jessica Maich views the student reading session as one of the most important parts of the festival because it really brings the students into the festival and thus supports university writing programs. Praising the student reading session for its ability to increase student interest in the event, Maich believes that the session provides an "opportunity for people to connect with the festival so writing doesn't seem so far away."

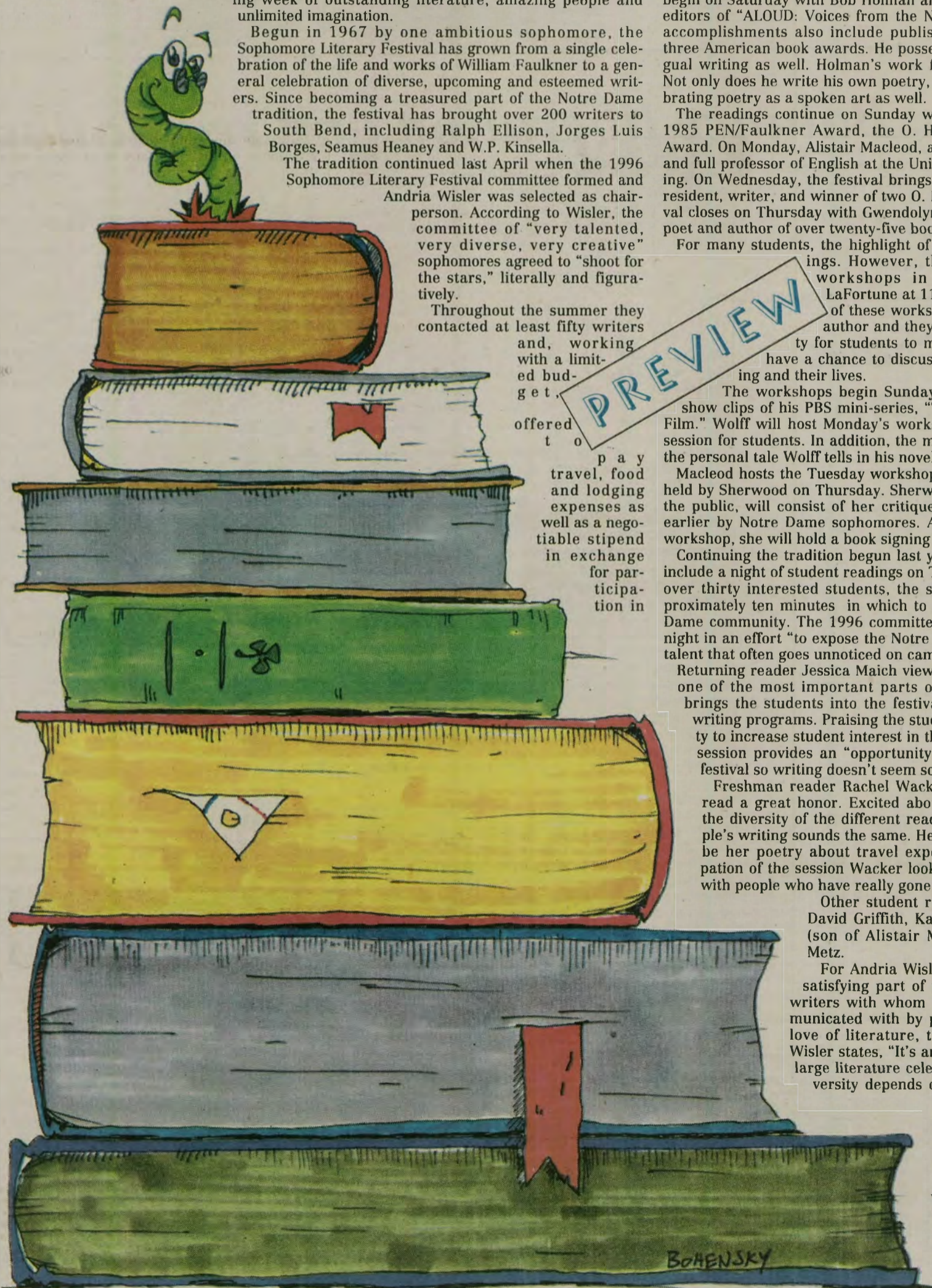
Freshman reader Rachel Wacker considers her opportunity to read a great honor. Excited about the event, Wacker points out the diversity of the different readers and notes that no two people's writing sounds the same. Her own personal contribution will be her poetry about travel experiences and people. In anticipation of the session Wacker looks forward to "sharing the stage with people who have really gone somewhere with their writing."

Other student readers include: Luisa Heredia, David Griffith, Kathleen McManus, Alex Macleod (son of Alistair Macleod) and Douglas William Metz.

For Andria Wisler and her committee, the most satisfying part of the festival will be meeting the writers with whom they have previously only communicated with by phone. United by their common love of literature, the committee also realizes, as Wisler states, "It's an honor. We're bringing the only large literature celebration to campus. . . . The university depends on us." Though uncertain about

all of the hard work drawing to a close, the committee anxiously awaits to see how the writers affect the campus and the people who come to see them.

Summing up the festival, Wisler says, "It's powerful, intriguing and will have varied effects on the audience, but will be very positive."





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NEWS ANALYSIS

Down, but not out

Past presidents claim that Student Government is still a viable part of ND life

By BRAD PRENDERGAST
Associate News Editor

As Monday's election for student body president and vice-president approaches, the legitimate candidates find themselves battling a foe far greater than the opposing tickets. Next week's winning ticket will have to defend itself against claims that student government is not an effective body on this campus.

And more important than that, the campus officers will have to believe in what they themselves say. If not, they are in danger of fulfilling every expectation that is set against them.

To be sure, the student body's belief that student government has historically spun its wheels may be valid, but past presidents have a few ideas — born out of a year's experience in office — that may help student government get on track. For example, narrowing the focus of one's term in office increases the odds that the year will be productive, according to Greg Butrus, student body president during 1992-93.

"[As a newly elected president,] you come into office, thinking you can accomplish anything in a year. But you soon find out that nine months — the actual amount of time you're in office — is just not enough time to get everything done," Butrus said. "There are limits to what you can do."

At the beginning of Butrus' term, the agenda of he and his vice-president, Molly O'Neill, was saturated with possibilities and proposals, but the two quickly learned that, because of the routine tasks such as completing Board of Trustees reports and organizing Freshmen Orientation, they needed to narrow their plans down.

"There are enough people who care about Notre Dame, so you can have people working on coresidentiality and Grab-n-Go convenience, [two issues in the 1996 election,] at the same time," Butrus continued. "But if you try to be a jack-of-all-trades, you won't get anything done."

Keeping focused on the objectives also requires a dedication to organization, a second key to an effective term in office. The University administration has been willing to listen to student government officers in the past, but only if their proposals were well-

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Top: Former Student Body President David Hungeling was best known for his efforts to bring the Grateful Dead to campus. Bottom: Jonathan Patrick and Dennis McCarthy managed to achieve several campaign goals, despite opposition.



Observer file photos

Despite obstacles, Patrick, McCarthy win some battles

By KRISTI KOLSKI
Assistant News Editor

Jonathan Patrick and Dennis McCarthy had one year to fulfill their campaign promises as student body president and vice-president. Among their goals were a push for better campus communication, a move toward FM status for WVFI, support for GLND/SMC and increased involvement with the Board of Trustees.

Although they fulfilled some of these promises, a few points on their platform were compromised or dropped. But it is difficult to criticize because in all areas, the pair seemed to make an honest effort to accomplish their goals. The larger share of the blame may lie with the limiting parameters of their office as student body leaders.

Patrick and McCarthy showed determination to create a better link between administrative leaders and students, but creating that link required compromise.

"The school is exactly like the Catholic Church. The Pope is on top and there are a million Bishops underneath. The administration decides everything here," said Patrick. "The only watchdogs are the trustees but they are only involved in major policy issues, not day to day operations."

But both Patrick and McCarthy quickly point out that the administration is not out to get the students. "They act for what they think is good for the students in their eyes," McCarthy said.

The problem lies in that what is good from the perspective of the administration may be very different from what students perceive to be good. In getting that point across, Patrick and McCarthy have found that it is better to be non-confrontational.

"You have to work within the framework you have," said Patrick. "Students don't have enough power here to play smash-mouth or get into power struggles with the administration. We found it more productive to work with them."

"A lot of student governments in the past have had horrible relationships with the administration," said Patrick. "But, if we had something that was a very good idea and feasible, and presented it as a mature and developed proposal, they were almost always

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EDITORIAL

Observer endorses Miller/Murray ticket

Out of the confusing mess of Monday's Student Body Presidential Debate, perhaps the most depressing statement of the evening came from one of its least serious candidates.

"Whoever gets elected, life won't change in a major way," said Mike Eger, who, with his running-mate Mike Bacon, is running under the witty slogan "Bacon and Eggs." (Get it?) "The big issues are going to stay the same."

Of the ten tickets running this year, many seem to agree with this assessment, at least judging by the group of platforms which run the gamut from mildly entertaining (free golf) to the utterly ridiculous (virtual reality bobsledding). Several tickets did base their campaigns on serious issues like financial aid and student rights,

but the feasibility of these programs must be called into serious question.

Few tickets really recognize the problem which makes Eger's statement so true: Student Government at Notre Dame is on life support. With all due respect to students who have struggled to make a difference—particularly Jonathan Patrick and Dennis McCarthy—Student Government continually fails to touch the lives of its constituents. It's not for lack of effort on the part of student leaders, but rather, flaws in the position itself. The question must be asked: How much can a student government accomplish at Notre Dame?

This isn't a problem that can be tied to the past year, but rather a trend that has manifested itself over a period of

years. It may be an exceedingly bleak view, but the record speaks for itself—presidential tickets have rarely been able to accomplish their aims. Blame it on any number of reasons—a backward and obstinate administration, rampant student apathy, or even a limited term in office and a lack of continuity. The fact remains—Student Government desperately needs to prove its relevance to the student body, especially in regard to its expense.

Which brings us to this year's election. For the past three years, The Observer has hesitantly endorsed candidates, while also remarking on the dearth of feasible ideas and abundance of short-sighted plans.

Unfortunately, this year is no different. Among this field,



there is no one ticket that appears capable of, to borrow a phrase from Al Gore, "re-inventing" Student Government and leading it out of its current malaise. The field can be neatly cut in half between tickets that have serious ideas and intentions and others, like Eger,

whose scope is decidedly more limited. But of the "realistic" tickets, only a few really propose ideas that can be feasibly accomplished, while still showing a certain amount of vision and ambition.

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Candidate Pla

Editor's Note: The platforms in this special



**MIKE EGER and
MIKE BACON**

We feel we are representative of your typical, average Notre Dame student and thus are qualified candidates for the offices of student body president and vice-president. No matter who you vote for, your life is not going to change in any major way. But we hope we can make a difference in the little ways, such as providing better social activities and more conveniences (such as extended computer lab hours).

In addition, we think the fact that we have plenty of free time to dedicate to the responsibilities that student government carries is another quality that would make us a legitimate choice. We

really don't study too much so you don't have to worry about a conflict of interest between student government and our studies.

Our platform basically consists of four major items:

Improve AnTostal and create a Fall Festival. Currently, AnTostal is pretty lame. We'd make getting a band our priority and wouldn't be afraid of throwing a lot of money at a good band to accomplish this. A Fall Festival of sorts to "welcome back" students would give students a good way to get back into the social life right away.

More 24-hour computer space—especially during finals when it seems impossible to get on a computer.

A review of tailgating policy. It's odd that students from other schools can come up here and throw tailgaters without any trouble but we ND students are doing something "illegal." We think a solution or compromise could be reached.

More money to each class. Each class needs to have the means to create social events that will actually be able to develop some good class unity. Right now, we feel class unity could be improved by increased funds.

Once elected, we plan to rent out Jazzman's and throw a huge victory bash. At this party, there will be a ceremonious shaving of Egg's head.

Realistic goals. Serious results. That is what student government is all about. In an election year of candidate promises and hot issues, we have researched and proposed ideas for Notre Dame that work!

Financial aid is our primary focus. Substantial tuition increases have defined the past two decades at our school. According to Joe Russo, Director of Financial Aid, the University had make this issue its top priority. While we applaud this effort, we feel more can be done to lessen the financial burden of a top quality education. The "quality and diversity" of the student population is directly affected by the

ability to accept the most qualified students regardless of financial status. As students we have a responsibility to make this an issue throughout the year. Therefore, we propose the following. By directly relocating \$20,000 in student government funds to assist needy students with their textbook purchases, we can allow a number of students to enjoy some semester spending money.

Safe and affordable off-campus transportation remains an issue. Increased crime in South Bend and less than desirable weather conditions make this a safety concern. We will establish a shuttle service between Notre Dame and Campus View, Turtle Creek, and College Park Apartments.

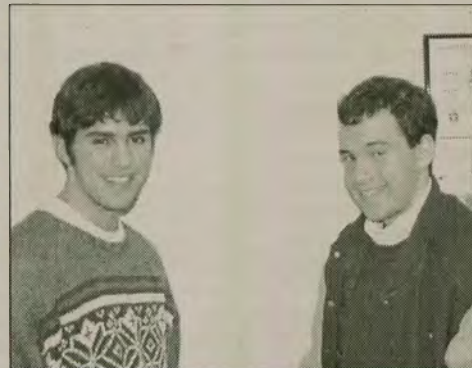
Simply put, North Quad needs an ATM machine. We will work to locate a machine outside of North Dining Hall. No reason to wait in long lines every Friday night just to get cash.

Finally, we will be responsible and accountable as we manage student money. By publishing every dollar we spend, students will know exactly where it goes. Additionally, when using student money we have a responsibility to be fair in the distribution and budgeting process.

Our platform is unique because it tackles a major issue, while at the same time caters to the everyday convenience of the student.



**MIKE FLOOD and
DAVE MULLEN**



**KEVIN GLYNN and
PATRICK BELTON**

We're trying to strike a happy balance between work and fun in our campaign. The worst thing Student Government can do is to take itself too seriously. Once it does that, it separates itself from the student body, loses its initiative, and becomes an embarrassment to the school. Our campaign focuses on tapping in to the incredible potential in every student here. Our ideas toward that end are as follows:

A program to bring students and teachers together outside the classroom. A program like this would benefit everyone, and we've found a lot of support for it in the Dome. At the very least, we

want to pair up each new faculty member with a student for a tour at the start of the year so that the new teachers get a student's-eye view of the school.

An all-campus spring formal for charity. We'll either hold this in the Joyce Center or the 13th floor of the library. A dance like this will raise a lot of money for the needy, and it'll be a great way to bring the whole school together once the football season is over.

Fix up basketball courts and Quad drainage. The Lyons and bookstore courts could use some fixing up. As far as drainage goes: in winter, campus is an ice rink and when it rains, it's a wading pool.

Weekly exhibitions of student talent. We're thinking along the lines of an expanded Acoustic Cafe here. We'd like to have some student poetry, comedy, and story-telling on a weekly basis, and student art exhibitions every month.

Numbered parking spaces in the parking lots. Whoa! Easy! We're saying numbered, not reserved. If the spaces were numbered, it would be a lot easier to give your friends directions to your car.

We believe that we possess the necessary characteristics which make us the best candidates: A combination of realistic goals, experience, a real interest overcoming the gender problems that currently plague our campus. Our platform reflects our larger goal: To continue to remind the University that the needs of undergraduate students are concerns the administration must address.

The administration plans to displace present student parking for use by the faculty and administration. We will maintain student parking lots for their intended purpose: students.

We want to increase student participa-

tion in sporting events and Pep Rallies by creating sections where students can be in the middle of the action and show support for our teams.

Let's end the lines in the dining halls. We will work with the Registrar to ensure that classes are offered at the new midday class times. We will also move Grab-n-Go to a more convenient location.

On-campus activities are presently limited here at Notre Dame. We will bring a bowling alley to campus to increase opportunities for on-campus socializing. Rather than simply refurbishing the old lanes under Hammes Bookstore, we want to create a new

recreation area, complete with lanes, a game room, snack bar, karaoke lounge, etc. Co-ed league, student-faculty leagues, bringing kids from the homeless shelter, and charity events can all be part of this student-run complex. Having spoken with the Office of Student Activities, they fully support the proposal as a venue for more social space on campus.

The daily concerns of the entire student body are our utmost priority. We selected these four proposals because they can be easily implemented and will not prevent us from actively addressing the challenges we face as students at a changing university.



**RYAN GUILLEN and
DEBORAH HELLMUTH**



**HARRY HOWISEN and
DEMIAN NAVE**

We have decided to run for the offices of Student Body President and Vice President because we want Student Government to impact the lives of the Student Body of Notre Dame. In order to accomplish this goal, we have worked to structure our platform around the needs of you, the student body.

The first goal we would like to accomplish is the installation of an ATM machine in Grace Hall, where students can easily obtain money when they venture off campus. Next, we would like to instate a Big Sister program to bring together the women of Saint Mary's and Notre Dame, and decrease the tension

between the two schools. Also, a coordinated retreat program for all classes, not just freshman, will both allow students to learn about God and give students the chance to meet other people around campus.

In order to promote a better-diversified campus, we would like to introduce the campus to events such as more frequent multicultural festivals of the arts, which would serve to emphasize multiculturalism through artistic expression. Also, we will strive to improve the representation of the minority community in student government, so that all student voices will be heard.

We would also like to improve enter-

tainment options around campus. One possibility is the opening of Alumni/Senior Club to all students as a dance club for one night a month. Also, we wish to bring the experience of virtual reality to out campus. Finally, it would be unreasonable to guarantee more concerts or trips; however, we will work as diligently as possible to increase both the number of concerts and the number of trips available to the student body.

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BRIAN KLAUSNER and TONY REID

There's a lot of ideas out there, many of which aren't too feasible. We tried hard to give you a platform devoid of any empty promises. We're realistic in our platform, basing it around general themes, flexibility once elected, our experience in leadership, and a few realistic specifics.

One of our main areas of concern is the improvement of student relations on campus. We'll support the movement toward co-residentiality, feeling it will help to solve the obvious problems with gender relations at Notre Dame by allowing males and females to interact on more of a day to day basis. We'll also work closer with the Office of

Multicultural Student Affairs, drawing from Tony's experience in this office, to address minority concerns on campus.

We also feel life could definitely be a little bit more fun on campus. We plan on having campus wide celebrations of holidays, more quad cookouts, an Interhall paintball tournament through HPC, and on working closer with SUB to bring random fun events to simply make life a little more enjoyable on campus.

Some of our more specific goals have all been researched and found to be within the realm of reason. The Guide either needs mandatory teacher involvement like at all the other Top 25 schools in the nation, or to be dropped.

Presently, it is costing Student Government over \$4,000 a year with little benefit to the average student. We feel strongly that the troubled Weekend Wheels program of last year needs to be revamped, believing that you really can't put a price on a program designed to save lives. We'll set out to establish a dorm conversion committee to insure that relocated students aren't getting gypped in the process. Finally, we'll become all your best friends by staying in touch with the student body through E-mail, and improving the Student Government Homepage.

In 1993, all student rights were eliminated from du Lac without explanation. Any student involved in a Student Affairs hearing in 1992 had the fundamental right to be presumed innocent until proven guilty. No longer. The administration not only eradicated all student rights, it did not feel compelled to inform students of the decision or the rationale behind it. We will demand that Notre Dame students be given back their rights. The Student Bill of Rights will serve as a student's protection during any proceeding with the University.

Direct student perspective and input is excluded at every level of the administration's decision making process. We will ask for a resolution requiring

the administration to publicly announce, to the student body, all proposed rule changes that directly affect student life.

We also believe that students need to be included in the policy formation process. A student should be annually elected to the Board of Trustees. A Notre Dame Student Trustee will provide student perspective at the highest level of University decision making, and set a precedent for lower levels of the administration.

We will construct an easy-access computer bulletin board, Notre Dame On-Line Link, that will provide students with on-line access to important campus information. Additionally, Notre Dame On-Line Link will also allow students to

contribute to The Guide In Your Own Words. Each class at Notre Dame will have a listing of uncensored comments submitted via e-mail from students in the course concerning class content, teaching style, difficulty, and any other relevant subject matter.

Finally, we believe that additional changes in University policy will greatly improve campus life. We will ask that students have the option to move into their dorms earlier following semester breaks. We will initiate a targeted and organized campaign to begin selling cigarettes in Hammes Book Store and the Fastbreak convenience store.



RYAN MCINERNEY and MATT WOLSFELD



SETH MILLER and MEGAN MURRAY

In any election, the two most important factors are the platform and the candidates. In both of these areas, our experience, research, and realistic goals make the Seth Miller- Megan Murray the ticket to connect.

Starting in December, we began brainstorming issues and areas where ND Student Government could make a difference. We started with over 30 ideas, and began researching their feasibility. After meeting with seven different Notre Dame administrators, we formed what we consider to be a realistic platform of achievable ideas. Among these are: Our changing campus, debit card, football ticket exchange, computer

resources, financial aid, the student section at the new stadium, your input, academic resources, Weekend Wheels, gender relations, Mod Quad ATM, athletic facilities, book exchange, the library, and fun.

Besides having a realistic, researched platform, we feel we are different from every other ticket in two other important areas. First, we are the only ticket boasting two people with campus-wide leadership experience. Additionally, we are the only candidates who have a record of making promises and keeping them. During our respective campaigns last year (Seth for Student Senate and Megan for Sophomore President) we each campaigned on extensive plat-

forms. Every issue we promised last year has either been accomplished or is in the process.

As you consider who you will vote for on Monday and look at posters and listen to candidates, ask yourself the following questions. Are these ideas realistic? Have they been researched? Does this ticket have a history of making promises and keeping them? Seth Miller and Megan Murray is the only ticket who can answer "Yes!" to all of these important questions. Get connected and vote for Seth and Megan.

Some have suggested that this campaign does not "need" off-campus shuttle runs or ATM machines on North Quad... that this campaign needs more serious goals. While the presidential election cannot be taken lightly, we candidates cannot overlook the student body's craving for convenience and fun. We have structured our platform around these two objectives. Instead of inundating you with an entire novel of campaign ideas lacking feasibility, we propose a modest list of campaign goals that we can and will achieve.

Our "Shotgun" shuttle service will be a student run organization in which students driving their own cars will be paid

to pick people up from local bars to ensure that they get back to campus (or their off-campus housing) safely. The "Shotgun" service will be much more accessible and flexible than the failed Weekend Wheels experiment from two years ago.

We also want to bring the conveniences that this campus is lacking. An ATM machine in the library is long overdue. It is also time to do something with the stir-fry area of LaFortune. We propose using this space for a Lula's type coffee shop that will actually be open after 10 p.m. We also have talked to the convenience store concerning the delivery of commercial foods, such as Taco

Bell. Kate and I also propose a universal parking pass, more allocation of student government funds towards entertainment, and a book fair over the web.

Last but not least, Kate and I will strive to improve gender relations on campus, which are in dire need of improvement. Anyone who agrees with this goal should have a difficult time overlooking Kate and I when it comes time to vote. There are only three tickets with female representatives, and Kate has had the most direct experience with student government, serving as Student Body Secretary and Mod-Quad Senator.



TOM RODERICK and KATE MC SHANE



GREG ZARZAUR and TED MAHAN

If one looks around our campus of late, one word comes to mind: Construction. The two most notable landmarks, Notre Dame Stadium and the Golden Dome, are being renovated. The traditional value and original look of the structures will remain the same, but they are being enhanced and expanded. For the past year, student government has been rebuilding, and next week you, the students, will elect student government's new foremen. We believe that our platform is the most effective set of blueprints to lead this student body.

We have compared our platform to those of the other candidates and feel

that it is the most practical considering the role that the student government plays in the university and in the lives of the students. It contains seventeen feasible objectives, all of which concentrate on improving the quality of student life. A few of these proposals are allowing students to get a hot grab-and-go Friday instead of the traditional Lenten Friday three-cheese sandwich, and free golf.

In addition we seek to insure students the right to bring their cars onto campus for brief periods of time without being hassled, more convenience for our off-campus students by installing a lounge where they can go to relax between classes and by improving the locations

of their parking, giving parents and students the option to both pre-pay for football and basketball tickets when paying for tuition and having an alternative to the bookstore. We believe that with tuition at an all-time high, the students need an active government.

Do not be wooed by what may sound wonderful, but is in reality beyond the scope of student government. Look for, examine, and vote for changes that can be made to bring greater convenience to you. We are enthusiastic, confident, and ready to work for you, our peers.

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researched.

"The University definitely wants things thought through," said Frank Flynn, president in 1993-94.

Butrus agreed. "If you're organized, the administration will definitely talk to you. You've got to be thorough, because the only way you'll get their full attention is if it looks like you put in the time."

There are times when even the most ardent support by student government will not get a resolution passed through the administration. Last year's decision by the University to forbid Gays and Lesbians of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College (GLND/SMC) from meeting on campus was one such incident.

Dave Hungeling, president during 1994-95, knew the quest for recognition for GLND/SMC would be an uphill battle. "During the GLND/SMC controversy, we knew the University had the power," he said.

But does that mean that student government should only focus on smaller-scale projects, such as improving the entertainment opportunities for the stu-

dent body? Not at all, said Flynn. Even when student government can't sway the administration, it can at the very least let the administration know what the students think.

"Student government's push for recognition (for GLND/SMC) got the issue exposure at the national level," said Flynn.

"That is a lot of what student government does — lobbying," Flynn added. "That's how you influence others. It's critical."

Keeping the University informed about student opinion is a third way that student government can maintain effectiveness, as all three past presidents agree. "Certainly, student government gives the University the opportunity to know how the students feel," Hungeling said.

It is ironic that Hungeling feels so confident in the capabilities of student government, especially when considering that Hungeling and his running-mate, Matt Orsagh, ran for office on a platform that consisted of dissolving student government and bringing the Grateful Dead to campus.

"It was necessary to run on a ridiculous platform," Hungeling said. "We just wanted to make a mockery of it. That campaign was the highlight of our whole political career."

But even though Hungeling and Orsagh were propelled into office by the impression that student government could not be effective, they nevertheless grew to appreciate the rigors of office, especially the need to inform the University of student opinion. Hungeling told The Observer that having a student sit on the Board of Trustees, an idea proposed by Ryan McInerney and Matt Wolsfeld in their platform for this year's election, would benefit the lines of communication between the administration and the students.

"It's an excellent idea, even if the student was a non-voting member," Hungeling said. "The trustees would be able to turn to the students to get their two bits. If that were to happen, it would be the best accomplishment in the last 5-10 years. It would make the students feel like they had a say."

But is the idea realistic?

"It's possible. To do it, you would need the help of the trustees, which is certainly realistic," Hungeling said. "The trustees are more down to earth and more interested in the students because they are out there in the real world. If it were presented so that the student would be a non-voting member, I think they'd go for it."

But opening lines of communication between student government and the administration is not enough. Keeping an attitude of cooperation and minimizing the number of confrontations is a fourth key in building an effective student government.

"You've got to handle things tactfully," said Jonathan Patrick, current student body president. "[Student government officers] have to hold their ground, but at the same time they have to be willing to work towards compromising. I think the administration feels the same way."

"You don't want to be an adversary," said Flynn. "That won't get anything done. But, of course, you're going to have to take a confrontational stance at some point. The administration can be more responsive if they are interested in the same things as you are. If not, it won't be as easy."

"Getting things done can be frustrating at times. I always disliked the fact that we needed approval from the Campus Life Council to get the attention of the administration," he added. "If an issue got support from the Student Senate [which is composed entirely of students, unlike the CLC, which also has rectors among its members], I thought it should've been con-

sidered important enough."

Hungeling, Butrus, and Flynn all stressed, however, that the perception that the administration is out to cripple any plans by student government simply is not true. "The administration

was usually very punctual about getting back to us, especially Professor [Patricia] O'Hara, [vice-president of student affairs]," said Flynn.

A final way that student government can be more effective is ensuring that incoming officers benefit from the exiting president and vice-president. "The president and president-elect need to communicate," said Butrus.

Flynn agreed. "After Matt and Dave were elected [in 1994], I was worried. I wasn't sure if they would continue what we started," he said. "But my job was to help make a good transition."

But regardless of whatever methods can be developed to make student government effective, the ultimate determinant lies with the student body.

"Student government is as powerful as the student body allows it to be," said Flynn. "If the student body is apathetic, then the impact of student government will be weakened."

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open to our ideas."

"There are certain issues where we said 'This is wrong,' but we are not going to spend all our time working on it; we prefer to deal with more tangible things," said Patrick.

Patrick acknowledges that some students might feel they have little power.

"When Father Hesburgh broke up the student protests in the '60's it might have broken the backbone of students," he said. "That feeling has carried over— This is Notre Dame and the administration is going to say what is going to go on at this school."

But sometimes issues went unexplored because Patrick and McCarthy believed the administration would not be receptive to them, Patrick added. "We didn't want to fight those battles and sacrifice the personal relationships with those people who were helping us out."

"It's a matter of how to play your cards."

Along with building a solid relationship with the administration, Patrick and McCarthy have expanded means of communication with students. Utilizing computer technologies, the student government office went on-line. "We are the first people to pioneer a Web page for student government," said Patrick. "We get a lot of e-mail and we're constantly sending those letters back to people."

With the implementation of Resnet, the

campus-wide network, in '97, Patrick and McCarthy believe they laid the lines for better communication during future administrations. "When the whole school is wired, student government is going to be ready to receive information and also be able to tell people around campus what we are up to."

In an attempt to open up forums for student discussion, Patrick and McCarthy started a weekly radio show on WVFI.

•As part of their platform, Patrick and McCarthy pledged to help WVFI achieve FM status. They hired a liaison between the student government office and WVFI.

"We looked into what it would take to help WVFI go FM but we didn't get directly involved in the organization because we didn't feel it was our place," McCarthy said.

WVFI has not gone FM. Patrick and McCarthy are not to blame but they might of had too lofty a goal for WVFI when planning their campaign.

•Patrick and McCarthy geared efforts toward minority concerns in relation to GLND/SMC and racial interests. In their platform they stated that if possible, the gay and lesbian community needs a place to congregate. Due out next month is the report from the ad hoc committee of Patrick and McCarthy, two GLND/SMC members and faculty representatives. Although the results will not be available until that date, it is unlikely that GLND/SMC will be given a place to meet. Smaller strides will be made.

"Things directly influenced will be RA training programs, sensitivity training toward gay and lesbian students, and the addition of a welcome by professor

O'Hara to gay and lesbian students during orientation weekend," McCarthy said.

In addressing minority concerns, they brought the focus of NASAND to the student senate and appointed two minority concerns officers to participate in the coalition council set up by multicultural student affairs. "I think Dennis and I are the first student body president and vice president to ever go to those meetings," said Patrick.

Through Patrick and McCarthy's efforts, student organizations might gain a direct link to the Student Affairs subcommittee of the Board of Trustees.

"Student government is the only student group on campus that now has the ability to meet with the trustees and we think it would help to bring more of these voices to the trustees," Patrick said.

The student government office typically presents two reports, in the spring and the fall, to the Board of Trustees.

"We first met with the trustees a month into the semester so we really didn't have time to develop a report that covered an issue at the University. It wasn't the best way to spend the time with the trustees," said Patrick. In their spring proposal to the Board of Trustees, Patrick and McCarthy will present a plan that allows other student groups to speak to the board about organizational concerns.

•The Freshman Community Service program was a success. The Center for Social Concerns plans to continue the program next year and fifty freshman also agreed to help with organization.

Some of the things Patrick and McCarthy tried to implement were denied. But, they hold a list of accom-

plishments of which some students might not be aware.

Patrick and McCarthy took a proactive stance towards maintaining the student section after the stadium expansion. The administration has accepted the report and the section will remain intact.

Programs such as the Ticket Exchange came out of the efforts of student government representative Miranda Sanford. Judicial Board representative, Tom Matzie, organized a new service to council for students with residence life hearings. Additional reports relayed student interests about South Dining Hall's expansion and a new RecSports facility.

Finally, Patrick and McCarthy resurrected The Guide. Whether or not it can survive another year is questionable.

Now, students take control of how many courses are reviewed. "Once Resnet goes on with some simple adjustments The Guide will be completely on-line and everyone will have access to it." Although the most recent edition of The Guide had 145-150 responses it still falls short of being a all-encompassing course description source.

"We look back on the year and we know we could have fit in more things at certain times but we did the best job we could," said Patrick.

For better or worse, the pair don't want to see that job go to waste. "Continuity is a major issue from year to year," said Patrick. "That's one of the things we have learned it's not so much what you run on but if you pick up on what people have done ahead of you, and I feel we are leaving people a lot," said McCarthy.

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Of those five, the ticket of Seth Miller and Megan Murray earns The Observer's reluctant endorsement. The pair propose a slew of ideas, some of which could fall by the wayside should they be elected, but for the most part, the platform is extensive and realistic.

Miller and Murray have done their homework, checking on the feasibility of many of their ideas with administrators in addition to conducting their own research. With the exception of the Mod Quad ATM (which has been repeatedly proposed in the past and never enacted), their plans for better advising, a renewed ticket exchange and a commitment to the debit card seem more relevant and more detailed than any of the competing tickets.

Their credentials (Miller as a Student Senator and Murray as

Sophomore Class Council President), set them apart from past candidates who have struggled in the last two years. Patrick and McCarthy had little more than HPC experience, and David Hungeling and Matt Orsagh were overmatched outsiders upon entering office.

As much as everyone fears the stereotypically "plastic" candidates who are looking only for a resume builder, the gravity of the current situation calls for experience. The pair does not appear, as others have suggested, to be "too entrenched" in the bureaucracy. In fact, knowledge and involvement in the process might be a key to a successful term, as evidenced by Hungeling and Orsagh.

Beyond that, the pair demonstrate a bit of foresight—Murray is a sophomore who could serve as a valuable resource during her senior year, whether elected to office again or not.

Ryan McInerney and Matt

Wolsfeld should be applauded for their recognition of problems regarding student rights and power, particularly in regard to their idea of placing a student on the Board of Trustees. The idea is long overdue, but still faces roadblocks from administrators who are only too happy to keep students in the dark.

McInerney, like Miller and Murray, has a working knowledge of the process, having served as both a student advocate and student director of policy revisions. But judging from their statements at the debate, both come off sounding arrogant and confrontational—a style which may engage them in a quixotic fight against the Administration—not exactly a recipe for success.

Mike Flood and Dave Mullin also show some promise. Flood proved his leadership skills in attempting to sort out the current mess at WVFI, but their major plan for financial aid is too limited in scope to have any

impact on the average student. Book scholarships are a noble idea, but \$20,000 of Student Government money will likely only reach a tiny group, hardly enough to make the plan worthwhile. Backing that idea, their platform is thin, relying on a shuttle service, and again, the tired ATM idea.

Tom Roderick and Kate McShane also display noble sentiments in proposing the "Shotgun" plan in which students provide safe-rides for other students. It's a fact that Notre Dame has been touched with too many alcohol-related tragedies, but it is doubtful that the liability-paranoid administration will let such a plan be established without numerous

insurance hurdles.

Greg Zarzaur and Ted Mahan propose some interesting ideas—specifically a hot Grab-N-Go and an increase in the number of night classes, but the duo lacks a focus beyond smaller "convenience" oriented ideas.

It may be that Eger is correct, that "big issues" are out of reach. Maybe Student Government can't change the lives of students. But maybe one of the best remedies to the problem is a ticket prepared with a plan of ideas that will produce results, not just another year of gridlock. Seth Miller and Megan Murray have the best hope of accomplishing that in another frustrating field.

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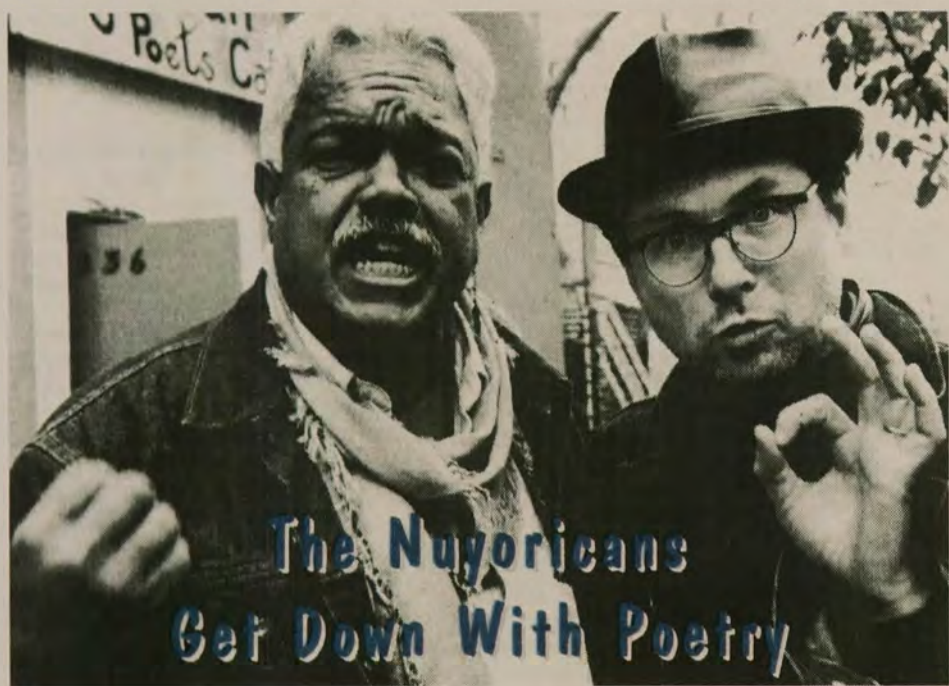
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ERARY FESTIVAL



The Nuyoricans
Get Down With Poetry

By STEPHANIE SINNOTT
Accent Writer

At 8 p.m., on February 10, 1996, the Hesburgh Library Auditorium will be struck by a lightning bolt of poetic energy, known as Bob Holman and Miguel Algarin. These founders of the renowned Nuyorican Poets' Cafe in New York City will appear on Saturday to inaugurate the 29th Annual Sophomore Literary Festival.

The Nuyorican (an original word combining "New York" and "Puerto Rican") Cafe was first created in 1974. Circumstances beyond their control forced their premature closing seven years later. But in 1989 the Cafe was reopened with the vision of waking a sleepy world to the life, blood and vitality of poetry through reading and poetry slams. In 1993, Holman along with a band of talented young Nuyorican artists began

touring, bringing their rhythm and emotion to poetry lovers throughout the United States and Europe. The tour has received critical praise everywhere it has gone and their success has made "Nuyorican" one of the most exciting words in poetry today.

The lively performances of the tour are no ordinary poetry readings. These diverse poets deliver a unique and dynamic experience in feeling, beat and sound. Their words are not just spoken, they are presented to the audience as living, breathing things. One cannot merely listen to the work of the Nuyoricans. The magnetism of their poetry captures the core of poetic

expression within everyone who witnesses their work.

The Notre Dame community is fortunate to have the opportunity to welcome the founders of this new movement in poetry to the campus this weekend. The Sophomore Literary Festival committee has invited two of the top names in contemporary American poetry to begin the week-long festival. Miguel Algarin is a native of Puerto Rico who came to America in 1950. He is currently a professor of Shakespeare at Rutgers University as well as the theater director for the Nuyorican Poets Cafe. As the author of eight books, Algarin has been recognized three times for his outstanding work by earning the prestigious American Book Award. His poetry collection includes the bilingual, "Time is Now/ Ya es tiempo."

Algarin is closely tied to his Hispanic culture both in life and in art. His poetry acts as a voice from the

streets of El Barrio, conveying the energy and wisdom of the people. Wherever there is poetry, Algarin states, "the spoken word is on fire."

Algarin's artistic co-director of the Cafe, Bob Holman, has become famous for his wildly kinetic performances with the Nuyorican's tour. His style has been described by "ALIVE!" magazine as "high energy, run on, punk/beat rapper," while "The Villager" has declared his work a combination of "poetry, parody, vaudeville and rock and roll." He has produced and appeared on several shows on national television, highlighting the work of prominent and promising poets. Holman has been honored with three Emmy awards as well as the International Public Television Award. His publications include "The United States of Poetry" and "The Collect Call of the Wild." Together with Miguel Algarin, he co-edited "ALoud! Voices from the Nuyorican Poet's Cafe," which was awarded the American Book Award. This poetry guru has dedicated his life to making people aware that poetry can be a part of everyday life. His presence on stage gives new meaning to poetry by expanding the capacity of the spoken word to excite and inspire.

Holman and Algarin will follow up their Saturday evening "reading" by hosting writing workshops on Sunday morning for those who are interested. Miguel Algarin's workshop will be held in the Notre Dame Room in LaFortune at 11 a.m. Bob Holman's session will also begin at 11 a.m. in the Montgomery Theatre of LaFortune. His workshop will feature a video presentation. All are welcome to attend.

The Nuyoricans are an event not to be missed. Some may be surprised by their bold, non-traditional style, but Holman and Algarin have a gift for making poetry come to life for their audiences. The passion these artists put into their work makes poetry intended to be felt by all the senses rather than just heard. Those who take the opportunity to attend the first night of the Sophomore Literary Festival will enjoy a unique poetic performance and will certainly come away knowing the powerful role poetry can play in life.

Who's Afraid of Tobias Wolff?

By KRISTA NANNERY
Accent Editor

Tobias Wolff was a prep-school flunkout who wanted to be a writer. That's a far cry from the college professor, award-winning novelist, editor and father of three who will grace the Hesburgh Library Auditorium on Sunday evening. But, really, it's the same person.

If the transition from flunk-out to Guggenheim Fellowship recipient needs some explanation, you could read the 1990 autobiography "This Boy's Life" or the 1994 memoir, "In Pharaoh's Army." You might even try the film version of "This Boy's Life" starring Robert DeNiro, Ellen Barkin and Leonardo

DiCaprio which will be playing this weekend in conjunction with the Sophomore Literary Festival. If you still can't answer your questions, you could always check out a literature or writing course at Syracuse University where Wolff has taught since 1980.

It might be easier, however, to just head over to the Hesburgh Library Auditorium Sunday night at 8 p.m. or the Notre Dame room of LaFortune Monday at 11 a.m. and check him out in person. In conjunction with the Sophomore Literary Festival, Tobias Wolff will read from his various works on Sunday evening and will host a workshop/question and answer session on Monday morning.

Tobias Wolff was born in Alabama in 1945 and grew up under harsh circumstances in Utah and Washington state. His first memoir, "This Boy's Life," won the Los Angeles Times Book Award and was nominated for the National Book Critics Circle Award.

"This Boy's Life" is Wolff's account of an adolescence spent in the shadow of a tyrannical stepfather in which, as he writes in the autobiography, "All I needed was a war."

The continuation of that memoir, "In Pharaoh's Army: Memories of a Lost War," picks up the tale in 1965 and provides the war foreshadowed in "This Boy's Life." However, Wolff has made it clear that "In Pharaoh's Army" is not a sequel to "This Boy's Life." "In Pharaoh's Army" presents Wolff as an 18 year old prep school drop out who leaves the merchant marines.

Finally, in attempt to earn respect and to experience the lives of his heroes: Mailer, Shaw, Hemingway. He enters the army and goes to Vietnam

despite his desire to be a writer because, as Wolff himself has stated, "Experience was the clapper in the bell, the money in the bank."

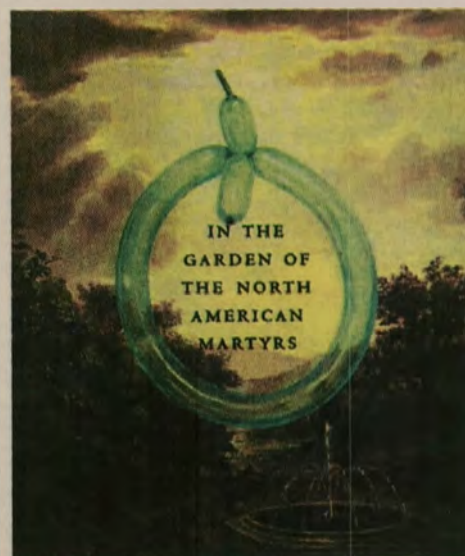
The Chicago Tribune writes of "In Pharaoh's Army," "The book is remarkable in its language, which is as supple and distilled as any contemporary writer's; in its economy, for in a mere 221 pages Wolff captures not one but several worlds; in its structure, which avoids straightforward chronology, seeking out instead the moments that are talismans of Wolff's chaotic youthful experience..."

Wolff eventually left the service and settled for a while in the San Francisco Bay area. He later went to Oxford where he studied English literature for four years. While at Oxford he set aside two to three hours each day for his writing. This marked the beginning of his life as a true writer.

Upon his return to the states, he continued his studies, earning an M.A. in English from Stanford University in 1978.

From 1976 on, a string of Wolff's short stories appeared in magazines ranging from Atlantic Monthly to Vogue. His 1984 novel, "The Barracks Thief," won the PEN/Faulkner Award and one of his collections of short stories, "In the Garden of North America," received the St. Lawrence Award for fiction. In 1994, Wolff was the editor of both "The Best American Short Stories" and "The Vintage Book of Contemporary American Short Fiction."

But the list of Wolff's accomplishments does not end there. Instead, Wolff, a busy man, carries a long string of awards after his name. He has received two grants from the



TOBIAS WOLFF

AUTHOR OF THIS BOY'S LIFE

National Endowment for the Arts as well as a Wallace Stegner Fellowship. He has also been awarded the O. Henry Prize for his short stories and in 1989 won the Rea Award for the short story, in recognition of his significant contribution to short story writing.

On Sunday night, Tobias Wolff will significantly contribute to The University of Notre Dame. If you only see one Sophomore Literary Festival event, make this one the one you see. Wolff's books will be available before the reading and a reception will follow.



Kidd, Mavericks outlast Jazz in overtime

Associated Press

DALLAS

Jason Kidd took some flak for being an All-Star starter instead of guys like Gary Payton and John Stockton.

After Thursday night, Stockton has a little better understanding of why.

Kidd had 20 points and 25 assists, the most in the NBA in almost two years, and Jim Jackson scored 38 as the Dallas Mavericks outlasted Stockton and the Utah Jazz 136-133 in two overtimes Thursday night.

Kidd also had some big baskets, including a 3-pointer early in the second overtime that put Dallas ahead for good, 124-122.

After the Mavs stretched the lead to 134-127 with 20.7 seconds left, Popeye Jones, Kidd and Jackson allowed the Jazz to make it close by each going 1-of-2 from the line.

Jeff Hornacek and Stockton, whose own missed free throw with 8.7 seconds left in the first overtime was costly, capitalized by drilling 3-pointers.

With 7.2 seconds left, the Jazz had a chance to force a third overtime — but couldn't.

Kidd played smart and fouled Stockton before he could get a shot off, forcing Utah to inbound the ball with 3.6 seconds left because it wasn't in the bonus.

The play went to Karl Malone, who was open for a 3-pointer from the top of the key, but he rushed it and came up short.

"I was trying to get it off quick," said Malone, who had 36 points and 10 rebounds in 54 minutes. "I got a pretty good look at it, but when I let it go it didn't feel good."

It was the second-highest scoring game of the season and Dallas was involved in the other, too, 140-130 over Phoenix on Jan. 12.

Kidd was the key as he kept the Mavericks' offense going for 49 minutes, which was especially impressive considering his back is so sore that he's thought about skipping the All-Star Game.

Stockton, meanwhile, also was stellar with 28 points, 10 assists and one steal, leaving him seven shy of becoming the NBA's career theft leader.

"He is a very good player, but I'm not just playing against Jason Kidd," Stockton said.

"I try not to worry about outdueling Jason Kidd. There's more to the game than that."

Kidd played the game like Stockton would, often cutting off half the court to play a two-man game with his favorite scoring partner. In this case, Jackson played the role of Malone.

The game seemed like a blowout in the middle two

quarters as the Mavericks often led by as many as 11 points, the last time at 92-81 with 35.1 seconds left in the third quarter.

Utah's 7-0 run cut it to 92-89 and neither team led by more than six after that.

The Mavericks led 117-113 quickly in the first overtime, then found themselves trailing 119-117 with 33.5 seconds left following a free throw by Byron Russell.

A 3-pointer by McCloud put Dallas ahead 120-119 with 21.2 seconds to go, and Stockton tied it with one free throw. He missed the second.

Dallas' hope to win in the first overtime was lost when Lucious Harris missed a 3-pointer with 2.3 seconds left.

Nuggets 115, Clippers 95

DENVER

The referees lost the game ball to a cheerleader. The Los Angeles Clippers lost it many more times to the Denver Nuggets.

The Clippers committed 17 turnovers and were never within 11 points through almost all the second half as they lost dropped their eighth straight game, 115-95 to the Nuggets on Thursday night.

With Denver leading by 19 after three quarters, the only suspense came when the offi-

cialists lost track of the game ball to start the final period. The ball was not immediately recovered, and a new one was put into play.

Nuggets officials later identified the ball handit as a cheerleader.

"We played a little better with the second ball after the first one was lost," said Clippers coach Bill Fitch. "We should have attempted that coup earlier."

Denver had a season-high 14 steals to beat the Clippers for the first time in four games this year.

"No doubt about it, we felt like we could beat this team every time, and we didn't" until Thursday, said Denver guard Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf, who scored 28 points to lead six Denver players in double figures.

Dikembe Mutombo scored 18 points and grabbed 13 rebounds to move three away from 4,500.

Don MacLean added 16 points, while Bryant Stith had 13, Jalen Rose 12 and Reggie Williams 10.

Loy Vaught scored 18 points to lead Los Angeles.

The Clippers, whose last win was against Denver on Jan. 25, remain one victory away from matching last year's total of 17. After three straight wins against the Nuggets, they are still stuck on 16 heading into

the All-Star break.

"Dikembe had a dream or something about this game, and they won," said Brian Williams, one of three players traded from Denver to Los Angeles in April. "We just guaranteed we'd be on the court."

After jumping out to a 9-0 lead, the Clippers reverted to form.

The Nuggets, whose biggest margin of victory this season had been 13 points, led by as many as 24 in the fourth quarter.

"We had high expectations tonight to blow them out," Mutombo said. "We were pumped up so high, we didn't start well. The bench helped and changed the tempo of the game."

Denver expanded upon a nine-point halftime lead by shooting 59 percent in the third quarter.

The Nuggets outscored Los Angeles 32-22 in the period and took their 19-point lead into the fourth.

Denver, a 74 percent free-throw shooting team entering the game, hit 19 of 20 first-half free throws to build a 56-47 halftime lead. The Nuggets finished 24-of-26 from the line.

Los Angeles shot 53 percent from the field in the first half but relied primarily on perimeter shooting and went to the line just eight times.

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■ NHL

Rangers drop rival Islanders, continue dominance at MSG

By KEN RAPPOPORT
Associated Press

NEW YORK

Madison Square Garden has become a no-win situation for visiting hockey teams.

The New York Islanders became the latest victims in the New York Rangers' mounting home-ice streak, dropping a 6-2 decision Thursday night.

That made it 23 straight (18-0-5) without a loss at the Garden for the Rangers.

They can tie a team record next Thursday against Montreal, which holds the NHL record of 34 straight at home without a loss.

"We're getting contributions from everybody, and again it was a perfect example here tonight," said Rangers captain Mark Messier, who had his 37th goal and an assist.

Ray Ferraro, a one-time Islanders playoff hero, led the offense with two goals and an assist as the Rangers returned home following a two-week road trip.

"I had some chances," Ferraro said. "It was nice to get up 3-0, but they battled and put us on our heels for the final 10 minutes of the second period."

The Rangers started the night with the second-best record in the league. They looked worthy of that spot by taking a 3-0 lead early in the

second period against their metropolitan-area rivals whom they beat 4-2 Tuesday night to wind up a 2-1-1 road trip.

Ferraro scored the game's third goal, and eventual game-winner. Then when the Islanders closed to 3-2 in the second period, he clinched it with his 23rd in the third period.

Glenn Healy, another ex-Islander, also was a key figure for the Rangers with 24 saves.

"It's been a good run," Healy said of the Rangers' streak. "The team as a whole has played very well, well enough to keep pace with the best in the league. That's important to keep that home ice in the playoffs."

For the Islanders, it was just another loss in a losing season.

"Although it didn't go in our favor, I cannot fault the effort on this team," Islanders coach Mike Milbury said. "They hung in there for 60 minutes, and that's all I can ask for."

The Rangers improved their overall home record to 19-2-5 and their recent record to 7-1-4 in their last 12 games.

The last-place Islanders, who started the night 36 points behind the Atlantic Division-leading Rangers, lost for the fourth time in six games and the fourth straight time to the Rangers this season.

Also scoring for the Rangers were Pat Verbeek, Sergei

Nemchinov and Ulf Samuelsson. Niklas Andersson and Brad Dalgarno scored for the Islanders.

The Rangers took a 2-0 lead in the first period on goals by Verbeek and Messier.

Verbeek scored on a power play, scooping the puck into the net during a scramble in front at 1:48. Messier scored at 7:43 when he tipped in a great pass down low from Alexei Kovalev.

With the Rangers on a power play in the second, Ferraro beat Tommy Soderstrom from the right circle at 9:12 to make it 3-0.

Andersson and Dalgarno then scored goals 12 seconds apart to cut the Rangers' lead to 3-2. Andersson deflected a blue-line shot by Mathieu Schneider at 12:20 and Dalgarno capped a 3-on-2 break at 12:32.

The Rangers put an end to any Islanders hopes for a comeback when Ferraro scored crashing the net at 4:51 of the third, Nemchinov cashed in a breakaway at 17:49 and Samuelsson scored from the slot at 19:45.

Islanders left wing Ken Belanger was held out of Thursday night's game with a concussion suffered during a morning practice.

An Islanders spokesman described it as mild.

Hawks blast Blues

By R.B. FALLSTROM
Associated Press

ST. LOUIS

Boston natives Tony Amonte and Jeremy Roenick each scored twice and the Chicago Blackhawks connected five times in the third period Thursday night, stretching their unbeaten streak to nine with a 6-1 victory over the St. Louis Blues.

The Blackhawks are 7-0-2 since their last loss Jan. 22 and have been especially stingy in the last five games, all victories. In that span they've outscored their opponents 23-5. They've also won five in a row on the road.

The Blues were 0-3-1 on a four-game homestand and got outscored 20-8.

This one was tight until the third period and the Blues had a 32-21 advantage in shots. But Ed Belfour had a strong game in goal for Chicago until the blowout began.

Amonte added three assists and Gary Suter and Bob Probert also scored against an ineffective Grant Fuhr, making his 53rd consecutive start. The Blackhawks are 9-1-2 in their last 12 games and 18-3-4 in their last 25.

Suter broke a 1-1 tie with his 16th goal, and first since Dec. 29, on a power play at 3:34 of the third. He shot from the point and the puck appeared to deflect off the stick of Blues forward Peter Zezel on its way past Fuhr.


After that, the goals came fast and furious. Roenick made it a two-goal lead at 9:29, converting on a 2-on-1 break with Amonte on a shot that appeared to deflect off Al MacInnis' stick. Amonte's second goal made it 4-1 at 12:18, Probert scored at 14:01 and Roenick at 15:22.

Roenick was elbowed in the face by Geoff Courtnall after he shot the puck for his second goal, and 28th overall, and he was down for several minutes.

Amonte got the only goal of the first period, recovering the puck after Fuhr sprawled to poke it out of the crease, then slipping it into the open left side at 11:56.

The Blues tied it in the second period while Probert was serving a double minor for cross-checking Tony Twist in the nose. Brett Hull fed the puck across the crease to Shayne Corson, who scored his 15th goal on an easy backhand at 5:52.

The biggest buzz the first two periods came when Probert and Twist were on the ice. In addition to Probert's penalty, which came after the two were locked together for about a half-minute at both ends of the rink, the two fought to a draw midway through the first period.



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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Tragedy strikes Dayton Flyers

By JAMES HANNAH
Associated Press

DAYTON, Ohio — Dayton center Chris Daniels, one of college basketball's top field-goal shooters, died today shortly after being taken to a hospital.

Daniels, 22, was pronounced dead at 5:31 a.m. at Miami Valley Hospital, said hospital spokeswoman Pam Hoskins.

Montgomery County Coroner James Davis said the cause of death could not be determined from preliminary autopsy results.

However, Davis said there was no evidence that Daniels died of a stroke, a ruptured vessel in the brain, or any effects from a cortisone shot he had taken for a sprained ankle. He said there was no evidence of drugs or alcohol in Daniels' system.

Davis said that Daniels had a slightly enlarged heart, but that was not unusual for an athlete his size. Davis said he did not think the enlarged heart contributed to Daniels' death.

The coroner said he will know more when lab results come back in two to three weeks.

Daniels was second in the nation in field-goal percentage, hitting 67.9 percent of his shots. He averaged 12.9 points per game, second best on the Dayton team, and was third in rebounding with 6 per game.

"We're obviously grieving right now," Dayton coach Oliver Purnell said at a news conference on the UD campus.

"We're sort of leaning on each other to deal with this very difficult situation. ... Our guys are in shock."

The Flyers' Atlantic 10 Conference game with LaSalle tonight was postponed.

Dayton is 11-10 on the season.

University spokeswoman Teri Rizvi said Daniels, who lives in a student neighborhood off campus, was taken to the hospital at 5:02 a.m. She said she did not know the cause of death.

Rizvi said the fact that the coroner was investigating was not a sign there was anything suspicious about the death.

Purnell said he received a call from Darnell Hoskins, a former Wisconsin player who transferred to Dayton, telling him that Daniels had collapsed.

Purnell said he hurried to Daniels' home, but that he had already been taken to the hospital.

At the hospital, Purnell said, he spoke with doctors who said they were trying to revive Daniels but "it just didn't look good."

Daniels, a 6-foot-10, 238-pound fifth-year senior from Columbus, had a sprained ankle and did not play Tuesday night against Bethune-Cookman.

Dayton Athletics Director Ted Kissell said, "The University of Dayton community is stunned and deeply saddened by the death of Chris Daniels. Our prayers are with his family, friends and with the Dayton Flyers team and coaches."

Daniels earned a degree in communications management in April and had been pursuing a second degree in sociology.

His brother, Antonio, is the starting point guard for Bowling Green.

Purnell said, "I never heard anyone say anything negative about him as a person. As a person, he was always solid as a rock. He always took care of his academic responsibilities. He was just a good person."

Nittany Lions Edge Illini

Associated Press

STATE COLLEGE, PA.

When Penn State's usually accurate 3-point shooting failed, Matt Gaudio took the ball inside and took over.

Gaudio, a 6-foot-8 power forward who sat out last season because of a bad back, said he was pain-free Thursday as he scored 18 of his 21 points in the second half of No. 10 Penn State's 61-58 victory over Illinois.

"I think yesterday and today, it's the best I have felt all year," said Gaudio, who decided to come back to the team after one season as a student assistant coach. "I just felt so loose."

Gaudio looked loose, using pump fakes and spinning layups to score on anyone who guarded him. With 1:40 to go, Gaudio made an off-balance bank shot to put the Nittany Lions up 57-53.

Jerry Hester, who had 16 points, stole a pass and scored to cut the lead to two before Dan Earl grabbed his own miss and was fouled. Earl's free throws gave Penn State (17-2 overall, 8-2 Big Ten) a four-point lead with 18.7 seconds left.

Kiwane Garris, who led Illinois (14-8, 3-7) with 20 points, cut the lead to 59-58 with a 3-pointer. Gaudio, fouled as Penn State put the ball back in play, swished both free throws and the Nittany Lions led by three.

Garris missed a 3-pointer and Gaudio grabbed the rebound as time expired.

Illinois coach Lou Henson said Donovan Williams may have

made contact with Garris on the final shot. Penn State coach Jerry Dunn said Garris leaned into Williams.

"If there was contact, I don't think it was initiated by the defense," he said.

Henson was surprised the game was so close.

"I don't know how we can stay this close to a team this good when we shoot this poorly," Henson said.

Illinois shot 36.2 percent from the field, but that was actually better than Penn State's 34.5 percent, which tied a season low. Penn State, the nation's top 3-point shooting team, made just 6 of 22 from behind the arc.

No. 17 UCLA 73,
California 65

OAKLAND, Calif.

Henderson had 21 points and UCLA held California scoreless for the final 3:57 as the No. 17 Bruins scored the final nine points for a 73-65 win Thursday night.

Kris Johnson added 15 points and Ed O'Bannon had all 12 of his points in the first half for UCLA (16-5, 9-1 Pac-10). O'Bannon blocked two shots in the final minute of the game as Cal tried to rally.

Shareef Abdur-Rahim had 24 points and 16 rebounds for Cal (12-7, 6-4). Tremaine Fowlkes added 14 points and nine rebounds.

UCLA, which has won 19 of its last 20 conference games in a streak that began last season, hit 53 percent of its shots —

matching its season average, which is best in the nation. The Bruins are 14-1 when hitting better than 50 percent of their shots this season.

Cal's starting backcourt of Randy Duck (two points) and Jelani Gardner (three points) was held to 2-for-6 shooting. The Bears have lost three straight.

O'Bannon and Henderson had 12 points each as UCLA took a 36-34 halftime lead.

Abdur-Rahim had 12 points and nine rebounds in the first half for Cal.

The first 10 minutes of the second half were tight, with five ties, but the Bruins opened a 60-52 lead with 8:24 left. Cal responded with a seven-point run that began with a three-point play by Abdur-Rahim.

The Bears took a 65-64 lead with 3:57 left on a 3-pointer by Fowlkes, but Henderson hit a pair of free throws and Jelani McCoy scored on a 15-foot jumper. Cal had two chances to tie, but O'Bannon blocked a long shot by Fowlkes and Ed Gray missed a 3-pointer.

After Cameron Dollar hit a pair of free throws to increase UCLA's lead to 70-65, O'Bannon blocked another shot by Fowlkes and the Bruins added three late points.

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Modell Baltimore bound, 'Browns' stay put

By CHUCK MELVIN
Associated Press

CLEVELAND
The NFL's promise to put a team back in Cleveland by 1999 wasn't enough to satisfy the leaders of fan groups who have been fighting the Browns' move to Baltimore.

"I feel, as a Browns fan, like my heart has been ripped out. We have been completely and utterly wronged," said Seth Task, who quit as the Browns' mascot in November and formed the American Sports Fan Association. "It does nothing to help the situation in any other market or any other sport."

Under the proposal worked out among the NFL, the city and Browns owner Art Modell on Thursday, a new team would be in place in Cleveland by 1999, with the Browns immediately moving to Baltimore while leaving behind their name and colors. The league's owners will vote on the proposal on Friday.

The league also would provide around \$48 million to

Cleveland as a loan to help build a new stadium.

"You don't take a team from a fan base that has supported it for 50 years and then say that it is OK, that we will make it up to you later," Task said.

"That's wrong. That's not how you do business in America."

Task's feelings were echoed by Bob Grace, national chairman of the Browns Backers organization and co-chairman of Cleveland's Save Our Browns committee.

"I do not think the city of Cleveland deserves an expansion team, because that's the lowest level of football you can get," Grace said.

"That's three years of no football and three to five years of crappy football after that."

But if the league keeps open the possibility of moving an existing team to Cleveland, Grace said, the deal is "probably the best we could do, whether we went to court or not."

The city had sued Modell to block his plan to move the team to Baltimore this year,

claiming the move would violate terms of a lease that runs through 1998. A trial on the suit was scheduled to begin Monday in Cleveland.

"If we knew we were not going to have football until 1999, I would still be a little bit upset because I think the city of Cleveland should have priority over the city of Baltimore as far as having NFL football," Grace said.

"If the wordage means there's an open door for another team to be moved here in 1996, '97 or '98 ... yeah, that would satisfy me."

Grace said he doubted the settlement would help the NFL patch up the problem of "franchise free agency."

"They've never learned a thing out of this," he said. "I think it's business as usual for

them. I don't think they've gotten their house in order and probably won't until fans continue their revolt."

Bruce Hoffman, the Maryland Stadium Authority executive director, said the agreement allows Baltimoreans to feel easier about the team coming to Maryland.

"There's not a person in Baltimore that wasn't rooting for Cleveland to have a team," he said. "I think it's great. Having lost our own team once, we feel the pain that Cleveland went through. Nobody was proud of that."

He said leaving the Browns name and colors behind should make all sides happy.

"I think it's great of Mr. Modell to leave that behind," he said. "I'm sure he'll come

up with a good name for Baltimore — something that his friends can rally around and call it their team."

Word that a deal was pending came as a relief to some Browns players.

"It's a tough situation for everybody that's involved with it, and it is somewhat of a relief to know where everybody's going to be, what we're going to try to do," running back Earnest Byner told WEWS-TV.

But there was also sadness. "I'm very disappointed," defensive back Stevon Moore said, "because I got hurt during the Cincinnati game (the Browns' last home game), and I didn't get the opportunity to wave to the fans and say goodbye, thanks for all the memories."

Date set for Blue-Gold game

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The Notre Dame football team will hold two Blue-Gold intrasquad scrimmages on successive Saturdays, April 20 and 27, 1996.

Kickoff both days will be at 1:30 p.m. EST.

Approximately 10,000 seats will be available for each scrimmage, with all tickets in the unreserved, general admission category. The Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley

will sponsor the scrimmages — as it has the annual Blue-Gold games in the past — as benefits for its scholarship fund.

Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students will be admitted free of charge to the April 27 scrimmage.

Both events will be controlled scrimmages, with Irish coaches on the field to help orchestrate the workouts. Notre Dame players will be available for autographs after the April 20 scrimmage and before the April

27 event. The April 20 scrimmage is being held in conjunction with Notre Dame's annual clinic for high school coaches.

Tickets will be made available to members of the Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley through an early March mailing. Tickets will go on sale to the general public later in March. Specific ticket prices have not yet been determined.

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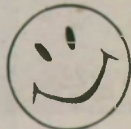
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Bears decline Indiana invite, propose new home in Windy City

By PAUL DRISCOLL
Associated Press

CHICAGO
Gov. Jim Edgar on Thursday proposed a \$465 million plan for a domed stadium on the city's lakefront that would provide a new home for the Chicago Bears and facilities for mega-conventions, the Super Bowl and the Final Four basketball championships.

Edgar said such a stadium would bring hundreds of millions of dollars annually to the city and could be built without raising taxes or creating new ones.

The governor said the plan hinges on the support of the Bears and Mayor Richard M. Daley, and Edgar said he expects it will be easier to sell it to the NFL team.

"But I'm confident that the mayor wants what is best for the city, and I believe this is best," Edgar said at a news conference.

Daley did not completely reject the proposal, but he ridiculed the idea that the stadium would be a big money-maker on conventions, the Super Bowl and other spectacular events. He said cost projections were unrealistically low and that he would not raise property taxes to help pay for it.

"He's saying go raise your real estate taxes for (Bears owner) Mike McCaskey," Daley told reporters. "I'm not going to do that. Do you think I'm nuts?"

Edgar's proposal for the

72,000-seat stadium adjoining the existing McCormick Place Exposition Center would require the Bears to contribute \$175 million to the construction costs.

The Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority, which runs McCormick Place, would provide \$190 million.

The authority also would build a \$50 million parking garage and receive all its revenue.

The city and state would each contribute \$25 million for land acquisition and infrastructure.

The Republican governor said Daley's support is essential to get the plan through the Legislature.

"I don't think I can convince the mayor," Edgar said. "But business, labor and others interested in the economic well-being of the city I would hope would convince him."

He said he believes his plan answers Daley's objection that he doesn't want the costs of any stadium to be borne solely by residents of Chicago, that any taxes used for construction come as well from the suburbs and beyond.

First, Edgar said, the \$25 million contributed by the city is less than Daley is willing to spend to renovate the Bears' current home, Soldier Field, and a domed stadium would be of much greater economic benefit.

Second, the Exposition Authority's contribution comes from taxes on hotels, limousines, downtown restaurants and other sources that are

largely patronized by tourists, convention visitors and other out-of-towners.

The taxes are used to pay off McCormick Place bond holders, but they generate a surplus sufficient to pay the Exposition Authority's share of a domed stadium, the governor said.

McCaskey said he was taken aback by the amount the team would have to put up.

"This is an extraordinary amount to ask a team to pay. We would only use it 10 to 20 days a year and it's a far, far heavier burden than you'll see in most any other multipurpose facility of this type," McCaskey said. "I told the governor that. He mentioned that this is the beginning of the negotiations."

The Bears say Soldier Field doesn't generate the profits needed to build a winning NFL team and they have rejected Daley's plan to renovate it.

For months, the Bears toyed with an invitation to move to northwest Indiana, but that idea fell through because of opposition to an income tax there to help pay for a stadium complex in Gary.

Edgar said he is confident of Republican support in the Legislature.

Senate President James "Pate" Philip of Wood Dale said his Republican majority would probably support the plan.

"It certainly would help the state, would help the city of Chicago," Philip said.

House Speaker Lee Daniels, R-Elmhurst, said he was "willing to sit down and discuss the issue."

Belles in giving mood

By STEPHANIE BUEK
Sports Writer

Though rising temperatures thawed the chill of a recent cold spell, Indiana University-South Bend kept the Saint Mary's College basketball team on ice Thursday night. IUSB came away with a 72-63 victory over the Belles at Angela.

While St. Mary's came out cold against the Lady Titans on both ends of the floor, Belles head coach Marvin Wood attributed the loss to his team's poor offensive play.

"The thing that killed us was lousy passing," said Wood. "We were weak handling the ball against the press. I thought we were over that; we ought to score against that press."

The Lady Titans capitalized on the Belles' 16 turnovers. After battling back from an eleven-point deficit in the second half, St. Mary's cut IUSB's lead to five, 62-57.

However, with 5:05 left in the game, freshman forward Sheila Sandine turned the ball over on a break-away layup that would have put SMC within three points of IUSB. They Lady Titans answered with a three-point shot at the other end, launching a four-minute run.

Wood blamed such turnovers on lack of concentration.

"We weren't ready to play; it took us three or four minutes to get started. We have to be ready to play when the ball bounces," said Wood.

Although the teams matched up evenly in most aspects of the game, free throws told the story. Shooting 36% and 37% from the field, respectively, Saint Mary's

and IUSB grabbed 47 team rebounds apiece. However, the Lady Titans were 18 of 25 from the foul line, compared to the Belles' 7 of 9.

Saint Mary's had three scorers in double digits, with sophomore guard Brenda Hoban leading the team with 13. IUSB's Stacey Chicklon had a game high 18 points.

With Belles leading scorer, junior Jennie Taubenheim, sidelined indefinitely with a torn ACL, Saint Mary's will rely on its bench for more balanced scoring and enthusiasm. Wood said that junior forward Jen Turbiak provided that aspect of his team's game last night.

The Belles entered the game against IUSB looking to snap a three-game losing streak, and come one step closer to realizing their goal of a .500 season.

As it stands, the Belles, now 6-10, have their work cut out for them. Facing two top-rated teams, Calvin and Defiance, within the next three weeks places their goal of achieving a winning season in jeopardy.

Saint Mary's travels to Albion College Saturday at 3 p.m. for their third game this week. According to Wood, Albion has won few games, but his team cannot overlook them.

"We will prepare for their press and work on passing drills, but it's hard to make a game plan when we execute poorly," said Wood. "I don't know what to expect (from the players). I hope to get a good effort out of each of them, but I am not getting that now."

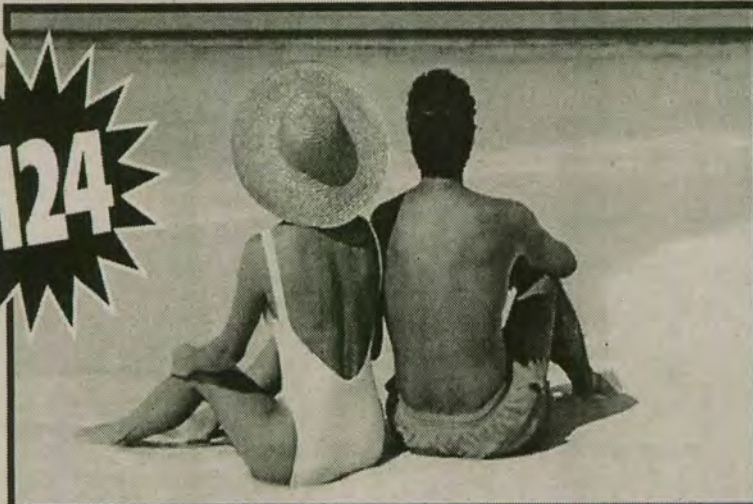
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Former 1st round draft pick Monty Williams, was traded to the San Antonio Spurs as part of a four player trade.

Knicks deal Williams, Smith

Former Irish star heads out west

By KELLEY SHANNON
Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO

The San Antonio Spurs acquired forwards Charles Smith and Monty Williams from the New York Knicks on Thursday night in exchange for J.R. Reid, Brad Lohaus and a 1996 first-round draft pick.

The Spurs, in first place in the Midwest Division heading into the All-Star break, will ask Smith to fill the void at power forward that was created by the trade of Dennis Rodman to Chicago.

"He is a proven veteran, who can both score and defend, and brings a great deal of experience and leadership to our team," general manager Gregg Popovich said of Smith. "Our front line of David Robinson, Charles Smith and Sean Elliott is going to be among the best in the NBA."

For the Knicks, the main benefit is dealing away two players with long-term contracts.

The deal is expected to free up between \$7.5 and \$8 million worth of salary cap space for next season.

New York will use the money to lure one or more high-profile unrestricted free agents next summer.

Among those available will be Reggie Miller, Tim Hardaway, Juwan Howard and Kenny Anderson.

San Antonio will keep the

first-round draft pick, which originally belonged to Detroit, if it is among the top nine in the 1996 draft. In that case, New York would get San Antonio's 1997 first-round pick.

"The pick was very important, because now we have three first-round picks, and it also was important to free some salary cap room for the summer," general manager Ernie Grunfeld said.

"The players we got in return will allow us to stay at a very high competitive level. We'll still be competitive in the playoffs. Reid can help us fill some of the void, and our younger players will get an opportunity to play more."

Smith, 30, was averaging career-lows of 7.4 points and 3.9 rebounds, down from his lifetime averages of 15.7 points and 6.0 rebounds. The best season for the 6-foot-10 forward was 1989-90 when he averaged 21.1 points for the Clippers.

Often forced to play small forward rather than power forward or center, Smith has struggled in that role and has been the target of boos at Madison Square Garden.

"Charles was a big contributor on a team that averaged 56 wins here. He's a fine person, but this was a situation where we could get two solid players in return and create some possibilities for the summer," Grunfeld said.

Popovich wasn't worried by Smith's struggles in New York. He praised Smith's athleticism, intelligence and big build.

"We're looking to be a better

basketball team and Charles Smith is real important in helping us do that," he said. "He is going to be able to play an all-around basketball game for us."

Williams, 24, played sparingly this season. A 1994 first-round pick from Notre Dame, he averaged 1.4 points in 14 games.

"In Monty Williams we are getting a solid young player who hasn't yet had the chance to prove his abilities at this level. We think he has some great potential and he will help solidify our bench," Popovich said.

Reid, 27, will be going to his third team. The 6-9 forward, who averaged 6.5 points and 3.8 rebounds in 32 games for the Spurs, will back up Charles Oakley and Anthony Mason. Reid came to the Spurs in December 1992. He was drafted by Charlotte in 1989 as the fifth player selected overall.

Lohaus, a 6-foot-11 center who specializes in 3-point shooting, will be playing for his seventh NBA team. He averaged only 3.3 points in 32 games for San Antonio.

Reid's contract expires at the end of this season and Lohaus, who signed as a free agent last fall, has a two-year deal.

Smith is in the third year of a six-year deal worth \$21 million.

Asked why the team was making a trade while vying for the best record in the Western Conference, Popovich said: "I don't think it matters if you're in first place or last place. You're always trying to better your team."

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Ching offers complete package

By TIM SHERMAN
Associate Sports Editor

Normally, it's a statement reserved for the Steve Youngs and Emmitt Smiths of the world.

That's not the case for Jason Ching.

"I'm going to Disneyworld this weekend," said Ching, one of the more highly touted members of the newly unveiled Notre Dame class of 2000.

But Ching isn't going to celebrate a Super Bowl victory. Rather, the Honolulu native will be traveling cross-continent to collect just another in a long line of accolades.

"I'm going for Reebok's All-American team," said Ching, who will be meeting future class and linemate Brad Williams. "I'm looking forward to it."

The same can be said of the Irish coaching staff with regards to Ching's arrival.

"I think we have some people who have size and are used to playing in the defensive line that can provide you with some

anchors, which we have not had," Holtz stated.

The 6-foot-4, 260-pound defensive end was the object of a heavy recruiting war between Notre Dame, Michigan, Stanford and UCLA. Many figured Ching would stay out west, but the lure of Notre Dame was just too strong.

"Notre Dame had the best mix in terms of academics, athletics and atmosphere," Ching reflected. "I just took in everything when I visited and I feel comfortable there."

Ching also feels comfortable at defensive end.

Already tipping the scales at 260 pounds, one would expect Ching to eventually get even bigger and maybe move inside to nose tackle.

Ching doesn't see it that way.

"I'm 260 now and I want to stay there," said Ching, who can run a 4.9 40 yard dash and bench presses 380 pounds. "I think end is my best position. But I know a lot of people will be moving around."

With just three experienced returners coming back for the

Irish, Ching should get a shot to contribute immediately.

"Hopefully, I can come in and contribute. I think I can."

His resume suggests that that should be the case.

Ching closed out his prep career this season with 112 tackles, half being of the solo variety. In addition, he was a quarterback's nightmare, recording 15 sacks and hurrying 30 passes.

Along with Williams', Ching's decision to attend Notre Dame reverses, or at least halts, a trend of the Irish recruiting oversized linebackers and turning them into defensive linemen.

For defensive coordinator Bob Davie, it has to be a relief.

Ching also felt a heavy burden lifted with the announcement of where he'll play his college football.

"I feel relieved," Ching revealed. "It's like the pressure is off now."

Actually, when one enters the Notre Dame football program as a first-team All-American, the pressure is just starting.

Nelson bolsters strong receiving class

By THOMAS SCHLIDT
Assistant Sports Editor

They called themselves America's finest receivers on Saturdays. In 1993 Derrick Mayes wasn't even a starter as Lake Dawson made the acrobatic grabs and speedster Clint Johnson sped past cornerbacks for the Irish signature bomb.

Yet, with Dawson and Johnson graduated and Mayes having played his final season, it didn't seem as if the Irish had enough receivers to play Euchre much less open up the passing offense.

Then enter the class of 2000's receiving corps and Notre Dame's 24th signee Raki Nelson. The 6-foot-1 178 pound Nelson posted breathtaking numbers his senior year while catching 71 passes for 1,192 yards and 16 touchdowns. This was after grabbing 61 passes for 1,020 yards and eight touchdowns his ju-

nior year. Yet, it may have been these numbers that made Nelson's decision so surprising. Conventional wisdom stated that the speedy dynamo from Pennsylvania would steer clear of the grounded Irish offense. In state power Penn State, North Carolina, and Steve Spurrier's quarterback-led Florida squad seemed the perfect fits for him, but offensive coordinator and recruiting guru Dave Roberts wouldn't have it.

The Irish couldn't afford to let a prime time wide out like Nelson get away. Roberts was able to talk Nelson out of committing to North Carolina and held off a last minute charge from Florida.

Nelson has the ability to step into the receiver position right away for the Irish. He also returned kickoffs and punts in high school. Nelson could be the game breaker on special teams that the Irish have been missing.

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senior campaign to attract the Irish.

Harper, too, shined like a prep star should, making over 70 catches in his junior year alone.

All along Harper has been listed as a wide receiver/defensive back but after talking with Lou Holtz and

Dave Roberts, he foresees a permanent home on the offensive side.

"I talked to coach Lou Holtz and he was saying they needed some help for the receiver situation," Harper recalled. "He told me they're going to throw more."

"Ron Powlus is a Heisman Trophy candidate and in order for him to win they have to open it up. That's fine with me."

But even without the poten-

tial of the new-look offense, Notre Dame seemed to be the place for Dawson all along. Having an older brother who starred before going to on to NFL success doesn't hurt.

From Lake's experience, Lewis knows that one doesn't have to catch 50 passes a year to be a success. But it wouldn't hurt.

Harper also has former Irish wideout stars on his mind.

"I really wasn't into college football growing up," Harper

recalled. "But along with the area schools, I knew about Notre Dame for a long time. Guys like Tim Brown and 'Rocket' Ismail" were just great."

There's one former Irish superstar though who Harper is waiting on.

"On my visit, I didn't get to meet Derrick Mayes. You could say I was disappointed."

Dawson, on the other hand, is practically a part of the AFROS (America's Finest

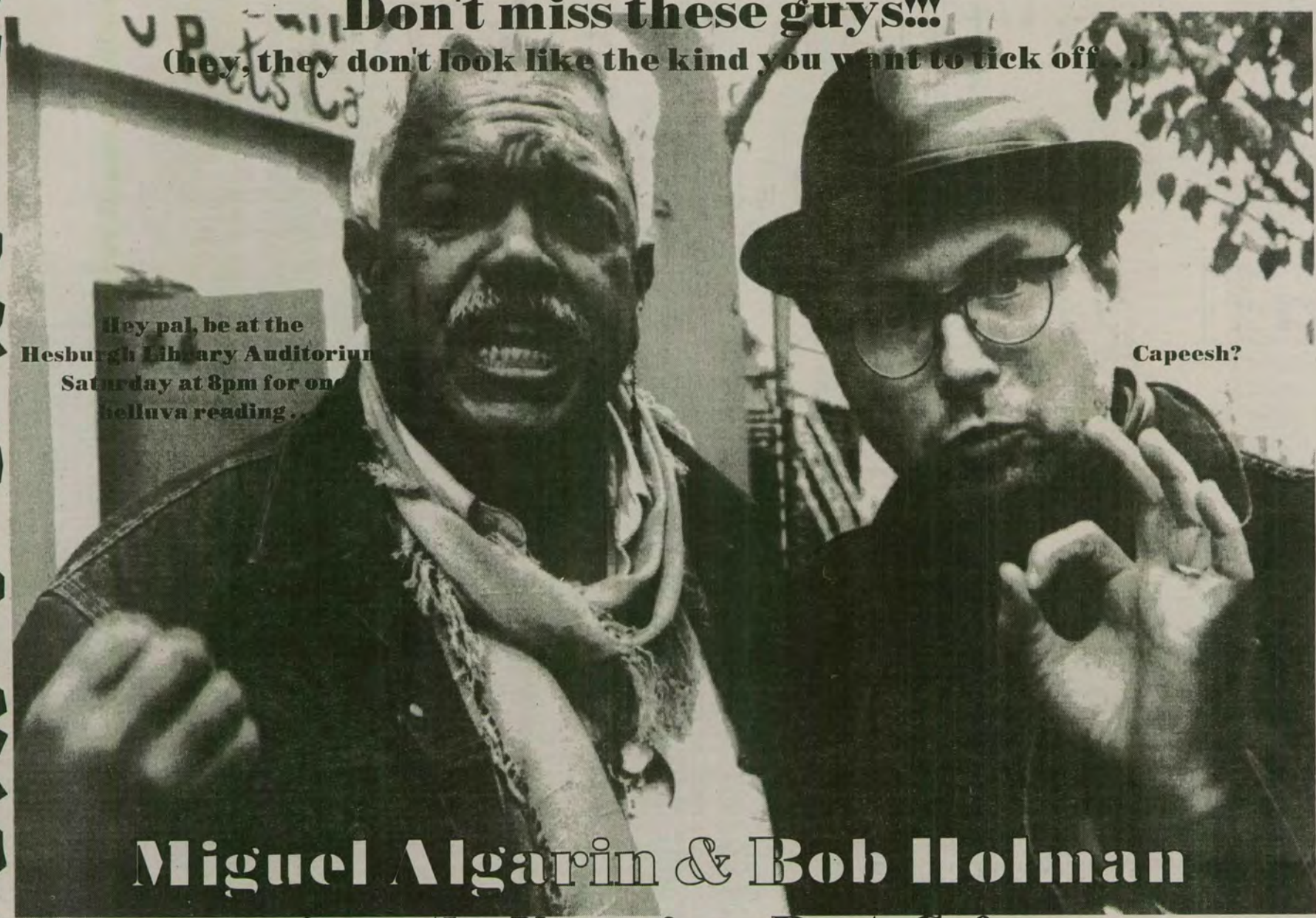
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"I felt at home up there," Harper said from home in Orangeburg, SC. "The people were all real nice. I know I'll get a good athletic and academic career and the exposure is great. I just got a good overall feeling."

"I run track in the spring but I'll continue to work out. I have a program that Notre Dame sent me, so I'll follow that."

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Hockey

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perennial power Bowling Green this weekend at the Joyce Center if they plan on claiming the final CCHA playoff spot.

"We need to focus on the task at hand and not worry about who's in front or behind us," said Irish head coach Dave Poulin. "Our goal obviously is to make the playoffs, and we can accomplish that if we play the way we are capable of."

Like a poodle in the path of an 18-wheeler, the Irish are not expected to provide much of a threat to second place Michigan. After humiliating the Irish 11-1 just two weeks ago, the 21-5-2 Wolverines hope to do the same in front of a sellout crowd tonight at the JACC.

Leading the way for the Wolverines is the most explosive offensive trio in the nation. Centers Brendan Morrison and Kevin Hilton enter the evening's contest in a tie for first place with 48 points. As if that weren't enough, right wing Jason Botterhill leads the CCHA with 23 goals.

"They are an extremely talented team that takes advantage of any opportunities you give them," said Poulin. "We know that we can't afford to have any mental breakdowns or else they'll make you pay."

The Irish defense will have their hands full trying to contain a Wolverine offense that averages just under six goals per game. Defensemen Garry Gruber, Benoit Cotnoir, Brian McCarthy, Ben Nelsen, Jeremy Coe, and the rest of the unit

hope to step up.

"They are as good as anyone we've played this season," said Nelsen. "They pass the puck real well, and they have some big scorers. We know that we will have to play our best 60 minutes of hockey of the season to have any chance against them."

Unfortunately for the Irish, Bowling Green is no slouch either. The 18-11-1 Falcons, who defeated the Irish 4-3 just 12 days ago, will visit South Bend having won their last six games against Notre Dame dating back to November 1, 1994.

In their previous encounter, the Falcons took advantage of several Irish miscues in the third period to overcome a 3-1 deficit. Center Mike Hall (20 goals and 16 assists) and right wing Curtis Fry (12 and 23) will attempt to duplicate their effort on Saturday.

"It (Losing on Jan. 30 to Bowling Green) was frustrating because we know that we are every bit as talented as they are," said sophomore left wing Steve Noble.

"We just can't afford to fall in the pattern of making mistakes at the critical times of the game."

After tallying just four goals in a pair of games last weekend, the Notre Dame offense will hope to break out of its slump against Falcon goaltender Bob Petrie.

"Certain individuals will have to step up for us as we head into the final stretch of the season," said Poulin. "We control our own destiny. All it takes is for us to start winning some hockey games."

A tall order, indeed.

FENCING

Freshmen on championship pace

By WILLY BAUER
Sports Writer

At the beginning of the season, inexperience was one of the problems facing the Irish fencing squad. However, the fab-five freshman fencers are no longer cause for concern and will lead the Irish to Durham, North Carolina this weekend.

The standout of the class of 1999 is Sara Walsh. She has a 46-0 record with the foil, including a victory over the defending national champion from Penn State.

She owns the only Irish undefeated record and is currently in the race for an Olympic spot. If she tallies enough points in the next few meets, the Summer Games could be in her future. Walsh is also fighting for a spot in the NCAA's in March.

Right behind Walsh with the foil is Myriah Brown. Her record of 41-5 places her right behind Walsh in wins for the Irish.

Brown was barely beaten by the defending national champion from Penn State, five touches to four, at the Brandeis meet.

"Myriah is a solid number two foilist, right behind Sara," said Coach Yves Auriol about his freshman.

"Hopefully she will qualify for the NCAA's with Sara. She is one of the top juniors in the

county."

Another freshman foilist is Nicole Mustilli.

She brings her ability to fence well with both women's weapons to the team. She has a 34-5 record with the foil and is 9-4 with the epee. Mustilli placed third at a juniors competition at Penn State with the epee last fall.

"It is very unusual to have your first three fencers on a team be freshman, because you have girls who have been fencing for four years," said Auriol. "Nicole wanted to fence epee because at the time we needed one. She changed her mind but if we need her to switch she can. She is a very good epeeist."

For the men there are two stand outs. They are sabreman Luke LaValle and foilist Stephane Auriol.

LaValle has emerged as one of the top sabres, complementing senior All-American Bill Lester.

LaValle stepped up at the meet in Boston when his teammates were struggling. He won 12 of his 14 matches last weekend. Lester won nine of his 15. LaValle spends most of his free time before practice sparring with assistant coaches getting ready for the Junior World Championships. He and Brown are trying to accumulate enough points to participate in the championship meet in Louisville, Kentucky.

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Coach Auriol's son, Stephane, has come on as of late. At the home meet on January 27, he won 12 of 14 matches. Last weekend he was praised by coaches and teammates for stepping up and pulling out key wins against Rutgers and Brown while his teammates were struggling.

"I was very proud of Stephane and how he stepped in and did a good job for us," said sophomore John Tejada.

"Stephane is showing signs of progress," said Auriol of his son. "It looks like he'll be able to contribute this year for the foil team."

The elder Auriol also said that coaching his son is not easy.

"Sometimes when I am making decisions about the traveling squad and substitutions, I have to ask assistant coaches and captains.

He knows that and he's training very hard and hopefully he'll get better for the rest of the season."

The Irish head to Durham, North Carolina this weekend. Brandeis and North Carolina are the strongest men's teams in the meet.

"It will be tougher for the men than the women," said Auriol. "It should be easier than last weekend, for sure. Of course we don't take anything for granted."

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Georgetown in way of Notre Dame momentum

By TODD FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women's basketball team already has proven its dominance in the friendly confines of the JACC. The Irish hope to establish the same winning mentality on the road tomorrow night when they face Georgetown.

The Irish certainly have plenty of momentum heading into this weekend's match-up.

They outshot, out-hustled, and generally outplayed Pittsburgh to win 90-51. The final margin of victory hardly illustrated the complete Irish domination.

Beth Morgan played one of her best games of the season in

only 21 minutes of action. She tallied 26 points and connected on a blistering 71 percent of her shots from the field.

"It felt really good. I'd say that game and the Syracuse game were my best of the season," commented Morgan.

If No. 24 Notre Dame hopes to contend for the Big East Conference title, Morgan and her teammates must have similar performances throughout February.

Prior to last night's late game, Georgetown was 10-9 and posted a 5-6 conference record.

Although the Hoyas hover around a .500 winning percentage, they should not be underestimated on their home

court. They will come at the Irish with more weapons than the Panthers displayed.

"Georgetown is a very athletic team. They're very quick, and they will get up in your face and put pressure on you. I think they'll tighten it up a little more than Pitt," Morgan stated.

Despite Georgetown's talented athletes, they were no match for the Irish in their first meeting nearly three weeks ago. Notre Dame triumphed easily by a 92-61 score.

Morgan and the Irish are careful not to be overconfident against any Big East opponent.

"It's a whole new ballgame. They're going to make a lot of adjustments," said Morgan.

Irish center Katryna Gaither will be a main concern for the Hoyas.

She became the 12th player in Notre Dame women's basketball history to reach the 1000-point mark against Providence on January 14. Gaither was awarded the game ball prior to the Irish victory over Pittsburgh. Gaither has dominated most opposing centers this season to average over 20 points and 9 rebounds per game.

Irish head coach Muffet McGraw wisely gave valuable playing time to everyone on the roster Wednesday night. The game experience could pay huge dividends in the near future as Notre Dame finishes its regular season and prepares for the Big East tournament.



Beth Morgan knows that Georgetown won't be a pushover like Pitt. The Observer/Brandon Candura

Katryna Gaither is a big reason why Notre Dame is ranked 24th. The Observer/Brandon Candura

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ly. "We've had some excellent games, but you can't hang your hat on those, you have to come back and do it again. During a season there are some of those and there are some lesser lights. The game against Manhattan was a lesser light."

The Irish reached their low point against the Jaspers on Tuesday in a disheartening 21-point loss, but the high point is not far back in the memory banks either.

It came just over a week ago when Notre Dame added to Mahoney's frustration, knocking off the Red Storm in Madison Square Garden in convincing fashion.

"We responded well defensively and ran the ball very well, which we need to do more of," said MacLeod of that first victory over St. John's. "We came out very focused."

Such intensity, especially on the defensive end, will be even more critical when St. John's

comes to the Joyce Center Sunday for a rematch at noon.

As MacLeod knows, lapses will have to be eradicated if Notre Dame is to win twice against the Red Storm.

"It's not easy (to beat a team twice in one year), but we did the big thing by beating them up there," he noted. "The important thing is that we get our act together back here. Our defense has to trigger our run-

ning game."

Establishing an intimidating presence at home is also crucial for the Irish, who after two extended road trips finally find themselves with a number of home dates on the calendar.

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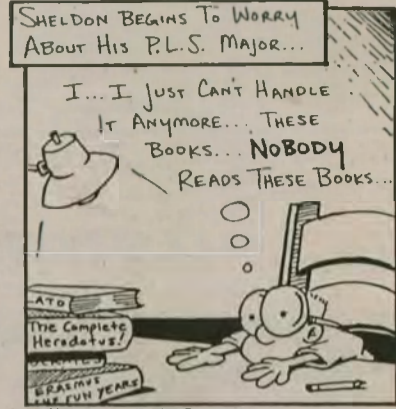
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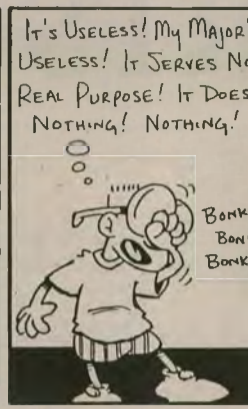
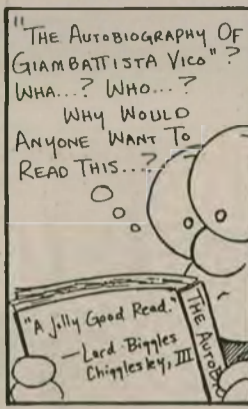
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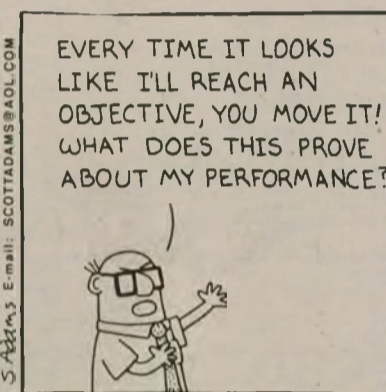
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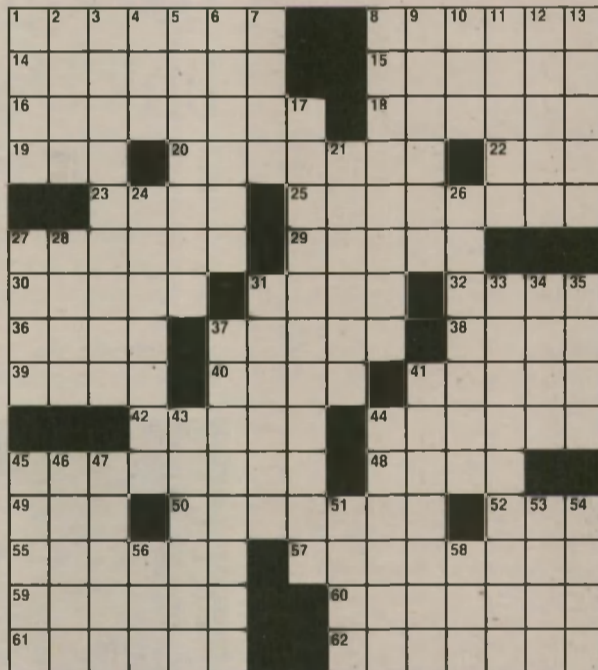
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: Employment affairs will show steady improvement. Slowly but surely you are able to expand your sphere of influence. A pay raise or promotion is a distinct possibility. Investigate an exciting business proposal without delay. Next fall will bring new job benefits, including enjoyable travel. Guard against giving co-workers the impression that you are lording it over them. Cooperation and consideration are the key to greater career success.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Adjusting to change is never easy, but you are able to take a new venture in stride. Pay close attention to legal and partnership matters. Refuse to let a romantic relationship fall into a rut.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Someone thinks you are special and lets you know it. An invitation to a glittering affair will make your day. Greater financial security is vital to your peace of mind.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Trust your instincts. Your ability to foresee trends gives you the edge over competitors. Join a fun-loving group this evening and kick up your heels.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Keep your long-range goals in mind when dealing with difficult people. Try not to get locked in a power struggle or stand-off with a business associate. Use your energy to create joy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Close friends are depending on you. Be helpful, but draw the line where your savings are involved. Domestic matters require more attention than usual. Put first things first.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Diplomacy will win you important support from your co-workers today. Getting a salary increase may not be as difficult as you imagined. Confidential information could be revealed.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your intuition is uncanny now. You find the perfect solution to an irritating situation! Attend to real estate, insurance or credit matters. Romance is highlighted late in the day.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Sharing your experiences with a sympathetic listener could lead to a long-lasting alliance. Get everything in writing if you decide to go into business together.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): An influential person cracks the whip, setting a burdensome agenda. Putting in overtime may be a necessity. If things get too difficult, think about seeking employment elsewhere. A fun evening with friends revitalizes you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Financial matters deserve prompt attention today. You may be able to add to your income with a creative venture that has shown real potential. Competition for a top spot is keen. Do your best!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A relationship should be on firmer ground now. You give serious consideration to entering into a permanent alliance. It is a nice thought. Your wit and charm make you a popular guest. Seek inexpensive entertainment tonight.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Creative endeavors are favored. Showcasing your talents will make others aware of your true potential. Your rapport with influential people is an asset. Pursue a goal with zeal. You have what it takes to succeed!

Of Interest

Flip Side's Winter Defiance Dance Flip Side, the club that provides something other than the usual social scene, is sponsoring a Winter Defiance Dance on Saturday, February 10, from 10 p.m. - 2 a.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom. The cost is \$1 for members and \$2 for non-memebers. Wear shorts and forget the frigid South Bend weather! Contact John (ND) 4*1419 or Erin (SMC) 284-5507 if you have questions.

Alcoholics Anonymous Open meetings every Monday at 8 p.m. in the CSC, 2nd floor.

"Embracing the Current Crisis/Building for the Future!" at New wings of faith Church (The Sunday Place To Be). Located in the Historic 100 Center Complex, 100 N. Center street, Mishawaka, Indiana. Service times are Sundays 9:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Phone 219-271-8362 for more information.

Tonight the movie **"Get Shorty"** is playing at the **Cinema at the Snite** at 7:30 and 9:45 p.m. The cost is \$2.

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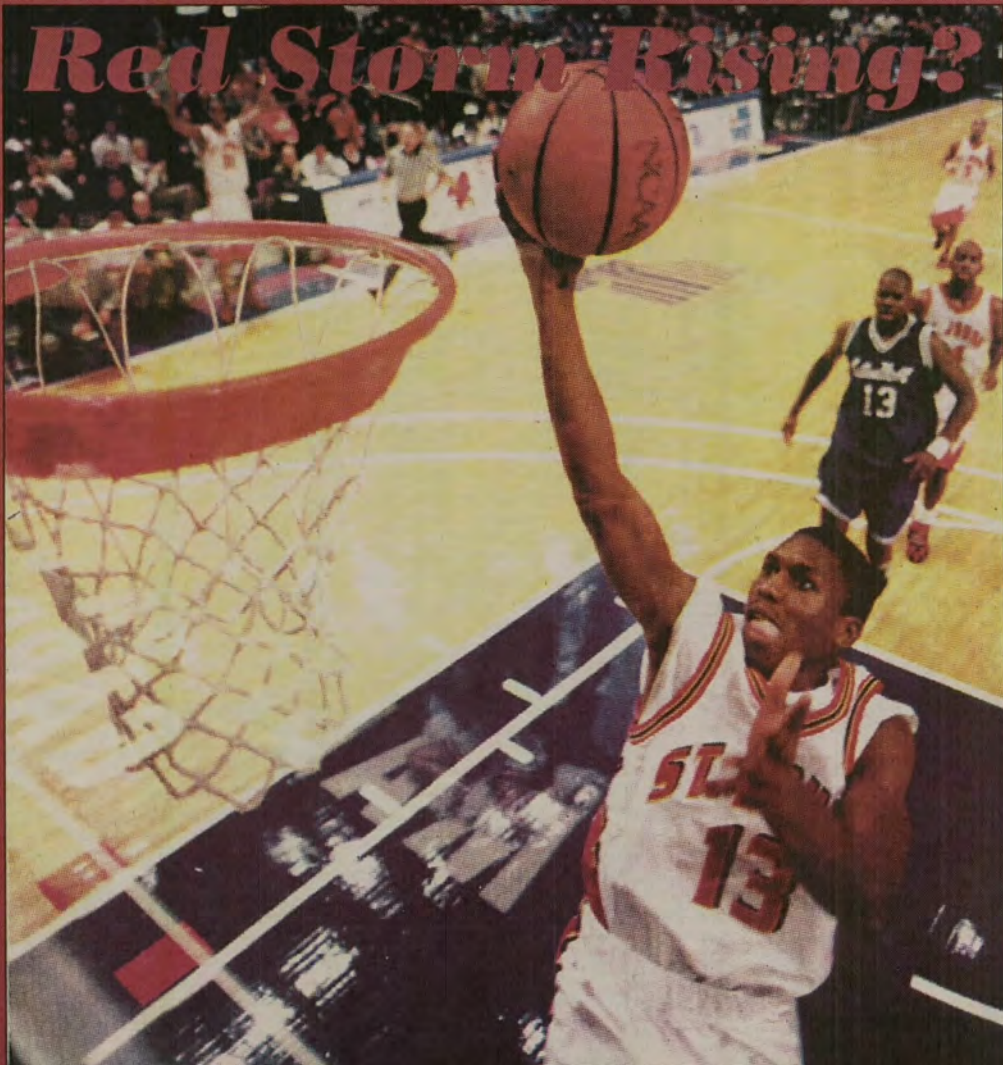
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MEN'S BASKETBALL



Red Storm Rising?

Felipe Lopez and St. John's have been one of college basketball's biggest disappointments, a trend the Irish hope continues as they go for a season sweep on Sunday

By **TIM SEYMOUR**
Associate Sports Editor

It appears that a season's worth of frustration is starting to get to St. John's coach Brian Mahoney.

Following Wednesday night's 89-73 home loss to Boston College, the tension in the Red Storm locker room finally be-

gan to surface.

When the New York media inquired about the incident the next day, including rumors that objects had been thrown, a terse Mahoney would only snap that "nothing was thrown" and refuse to comment about the implications of such emotion on a team limping to an 8-11 (2-9) record.

It was a telling sign that things are unraveling quickly on a team that was predicted in the preseason to finish in the Top 25.

Despite a strong all around year by sophomore center Zendon Hamilton (19.8 ppg, 11.4 rpg), St. John's has remained an enigmatic team, capable of beating Louisville by 25 or losing to Iowa by 13.

Expectations have plagued sophomore Felipe Lopez, whose sophomore campaign has not paralleled the brilliance of his freshman season, while injuries have disrupted the cohesion of the Red Storm backcourt, adding to the turmoil.

In contrast, dissent is utterly lacking on a Notre Dame squad that despite a similar record to the Red Storm (7-12, 2-9), still seems willing to battle every night.

"We're going to bounce back, there's no doubt about that," Irish coach John MacLeod stated emphatical-



The Observer/Mike Ruma

Senior Ryan Hoover, who has not had the most consistent of seasons, will look to hit a peak Sunday against St. John's.

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HOCKEY

Salvaging a season

Irish look to make up for disappointing year with a win over Michigan

By **MIKE DAY**
Sports Writer

Hanging by a thread.

With just seven games remaining on the CCHA schedule, the Notre Dame hockey team desperately needs a victory this weekend to keep their flickering playoff hopes alive.

However, as luck has gone this year for the Irish, they face a tall order. They will have to overcome second place Michigan and



The Observer/Rob Finch

Notre Dame coach Dave Poulin has had a tough first year as coach. He could land the biggest win of his short coaching career with a win Friday.

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RECRUITING

A catching connection: Backgrounds, rivalries link Dawson, Harper

By **TIM SHERMAN**
Associate Sports Editor

The talking is bound to start as soon as they arrive on campus for the first day of practice. If not sooner.

There is a veritable Family Feud surely brewing between new recruits

Lewis Dawson and Deveron Harper.

Notre Dame fans already know about Dawson's older brother Lake, an emerging star wide receiver for San Diego rival Kansas City Chiefs. However, they may not realize that Harper's brother, Dwayne has an impressive occupation as well. He plays for the San Diego Chargers.

In fact, he's a starting cornerback.

That's right, the two elder siblings go head-to-head at least two Sundays a year.

Now, their younger brothers will be teammates.

And instead of playing on opposite sides of the ball, they very well may be competing for the same position.

But for the Irish, talented competitors at the wide receiver spot will be a welcome change.

"There's no real part of game that sticks out, but I'm a good all-around receiver," Harper said. "I have speed, I can catch the ball and I make big plays."

Dawson, too, has shown tremendous talent.

The 6-foot-1, 185 pound Dawson, who has reportedly run a sub-4.5 40 yard dash, posted impressive enough numbers in a break-through



Photo courtesy of the Seattle Times

Lewis Dawson will hope to follow in the excellent footsteps of his brother, Lake.

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