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Web site offers GRE tips, tests

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
News Writer

Resumes and advertisements asking for and offering jobs have recently appeared all over the Internet. Now there are interactive resources available to the 420,000 students a year that seek to continue their education by taking the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) rather than diving directly into the job market.

Kaplan Educational Centers launched a service this week from their World Wide Web page that allows students to take a sample GRE, receiving both personalized feedback and test-taking strategies.

The service, known as "ePrep: GRE", is just the beginning of the program. "We definitely plan to expand this program to the other tests that we must prepare for. The LSAT (Law School Admissions Test) is probably the next one we will try," said Laura Barnes, managing editor of Online Services for Kaplan.

Students who wish to try the program can locate Kaplan's World Wide Web page at <http://www.kaplan.com> and fill out the registration form featured on the page. They will then be given a password that is valid for two weeks' worth of access to the "ePrep" area. "We are interested in helping students, and so it seemed only logical that we would put this on the Internet, where more and more students seem to be looking," said Barnes.

The "ePrep" service is the first of its kind that is entirely self-contained. After students take the test, they receive their scores instantly, along with personalized analysis of their incorrect responses and strategies for improving their scores.

"A classroom test and prep class is still probably the most effective way of preparing for the exam," commented Barnes. "But this method is

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PinS calls for more SMC discussion

Group rebukes lack of administrative action towards lesbian issues

By MAUREEN HURLEY
Saint Mary's News Editor

One week after the release of the recommendations of Notre Dame's Ad Hoc Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs, members of the Saint Mary's organization People in Support (PinS) reacted to debate regarding the future of GLND/SMC.

"We're disappointed that GLND/SMC was not acknowledged outright," said Max Westler, associate professor of English and member of PinS. "We're waiting to see how GLND/SMC responds."

Westler expressed criticism that Saint Mary's was in no way mentioned in the committee report. With regard to GLND/SMC, Westler said, "Saint Mary's is part of that name, too."

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PinS members view this as a call to action on the Saint Mary's campus. "We need to discuss what this might mean for us over here," Westler said. "That's something we have planned for immediately after break."



The Observer/Mike Ruma

While the report of Vice President of Student Affairs Patricia O'Hara's Ad Hoc Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs sparked discussion on the Notre Dame campus this week...

According to Westler, the administration sends mixed reactions to the lesbian community at Saint Mary's. "There's a sense of community tolerance on one hand, but no enthusiasm about recognizing GLND/SMC on campus," he said. "We've sensed no gestures by the administration

in this direction."

PinS has been an active and visible group on the Saint Mary's campus, as members distributed purple ribbons on campus to promote awareness for National Coming Out Day on Oct. 11. They have also sponsored lectures and discussions about homosexual issues throughout the academic year.

"PinS' purpose is to spread awareness and education, and to speak for tolerance," Westler said. To clarify the issue of campus affiliation or recognition, Westler said that PinS, comprised of both faculty and students, is "not affiliated with anyone but ourselves."

The release of the Ad Hoc report spurred questioning of what actions the Saint Mary's administration will take with regard to GLND/SMC.

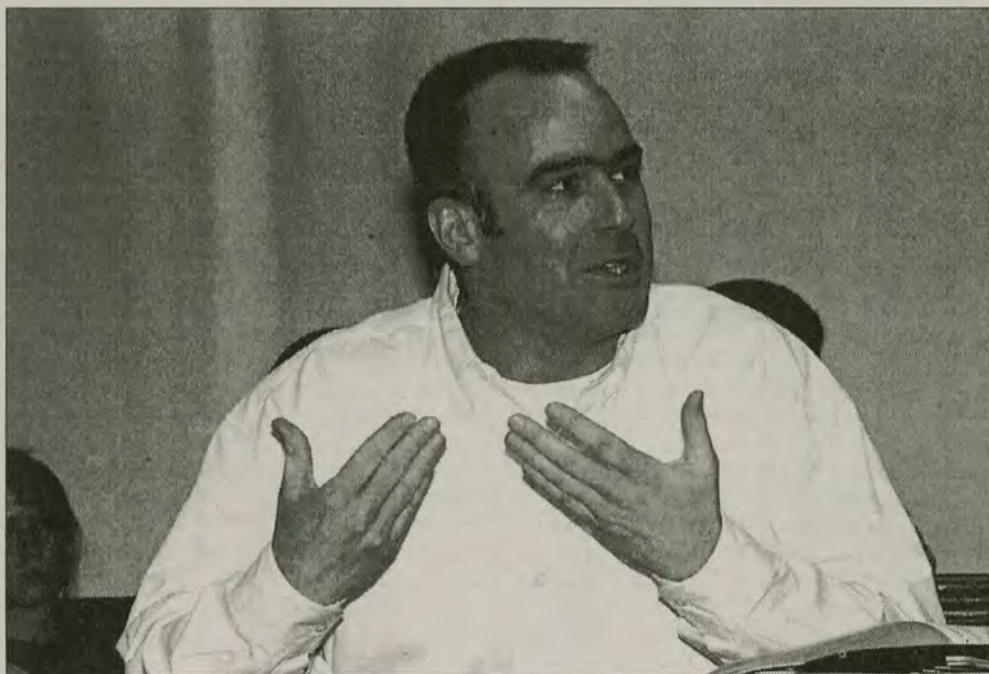
Vice President of Student Affairs Linda Timm only commented that GLND/SMC is "not a recognized organization on our campus."

Westler said, "I think the administration at Saint Mary's has had a chance to sit back and watch everything happen at Notre Dame."

"This report brings about a time when Saint Mary's needs to take some position on their own, independent from Notre Dame," he added.

"A lot needs to be done, and a lot is going to be done. People are not going to

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The Observer/Mike Ruma

...the administration at Saint Mary's College has not similarly responded to the concerns of GLND/SMC, co-chaired by John Blandford (above).

New translation provides insights into Dante

By CORRINE BURNICK
News Writer

Sin is the self execution of the soul, according to Robert Pinsky, author of a recent translation of Dante's "Inferno." He spoke last night at the Snite Museum's Annenberg Auditorium, accompanied by illustrator Michael Mazur, with whom he collaborated on the translation.

The presentation revealed the manner in which Pinsky and Mazur approached their tasks individually, as well as collectively, and provided insight into their own personal beliefs regarding the subject of Dante's classic.

Mazur approached the podium first, giving a brief history of his own evolution and expe-

riences as an artist. Educated at Amherst College and Yale University, Mazur first became enthralled with capturing Dante's words in images as an undergraduate.

However, these early attempts at illustrating the "Inferno" proved largely unsuccessful, for, as Mazur candidly admitted, "I was too young to do Dante."

He struggled for years to find an appropriate style, one that would capture the true meaning behind the "Inferno." It wasn't until he heard Pinsky's translation that he finally felt comfortable and inspired enough to approach Dante once again.

As Mazur spoke about the evolution of his prints, it became apparent that the figures



The Observer/Alyson Frick
Robert Pinsky spoke last night at the Annenberg Auditorium in the Snite Museum of Art.

and impressions which he created to enliven Pinsky's translation were meticulously designed. Through the images, Mazur sought to move beyond the surface of the words, striv-

ing to be true to the sense of self doubt and search for faith which he believed to be the crux of the "Inferno."

Mazur admitted that one of the greatest difficulties in his illustration was "trying to make metaphor exist as a visual experience."

For instance, he had to struggle to find an appropriate way to depict the human soul, to picture the movement and mystery inherent in metamorphoses. He strove to make the abstract concrete so that Dante's work could be made more accessible.

Mazur's illustrations provided an appropriate visual to Pinsky's vivid translation, supporting his assertion that the focus of the "Inferno" was not necessarily sin and retribution:

"If I thought this work was about punishment, it would be laughable."

While Pinsky declared that he was "drawn into this project through a technical feat of metrical engineering, not thinking profound thoughts," it was obvious from his moving readings and his insight into Dante's masterpiece that his knowledge of the text was indeed deep and familiar.

He immediately defined the thrust of the "Inferno" as the Pilgrim's depression, his "weak faith." In his opinion, Dante's work could be seen as "an imitation of action, a deficiency of the soul." The specific action in which the Pilgrim engages, according to Pinsky, is "to go into

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INSIDE COLUMN

Kosciusko: The little county that could?

For those of you who missed it, there is a movement afoot in Kosciusko County, a few miles south of here, to secede from the United States. Apparently, some banking concerns are driving the good people of that municipality to desperate measures.



Dave Tyler
News Editor

The implications of this Constitutional conundrum are staggering.

If statesmen like John Calhoun, Jeff Davis, Henry Clay and Abe Lincoln couldn't resolve such a crisis without a war, is the County Executive of a proposed Kosciusko Free State really going to have the political skills necessary to avoid an armed conflict?

Surely the rebels will be well armed. Cop cars, pickups automatic hunting rifles purchased in open defiance of the Brady Law, the whole deal. The border tension will lead to a national defense build-up of unheard-of proportions. Can the United States afford to have such a power existing within its borders? The resulting war would be total war. The casualties would be immense, the physical, spiritual and emotional cost would rip open wounds this nation would spend years healing.

The patriots of Kosciusko will have to establish a form of government, and a constitution. Will they be a democracy? Will a landed aristocracy arise and make a throne for a king? The Kosciusko Republic? The Socialist Union of the County of Kosciusko (S.U.C.K.)? Perhaps a military junta will rule the land with an iron fist.

The sovereign state will have to establish diplomatic relations with other countries. The Vatican may send an envoy from our own Golden Dome to build ties. The Chinese could be a real thorn in America's side by immediately recognizing the fledgling nation. NAFTA could come flying apart if our North American neighbors start trading with Kosciusko.

The situation will necessitate a border patrol and strict customs laws. This will be essential to slow the powerful smuggling market that will quickly develop, especially in the corn and cattle trade. Passports will need to be checked, trunks searched, duty free shops built at Kosciusko's airports. The U.S. would have to set up a trade blockade to bring the insurgency to heel. The UN Security Council would meet in emergency session to decide what to do about this growing world problem. After debating economic sanctions, the French would convince the UN to settle for an aerial bombing, and the civilian infrastructure of the young country would be ruined.

The scientists of Kosciusko will furiously work on a top secret project to create the ultimate weapon, and after detonating it will request that the free world cower before their might. The radiation released will poison much of the grain supply in Indiana, Ohio and Illinois. Governor Evan Bayh will make a tear filled plea on CNN for the violence to stop. At his side will be University President emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh, Dan Quayle and Indiana coach Bobby Knight. Roger Miller will lead 250,000 Hoosiers in singing "Back Home Again in Indiana" at a sunset vigil at the Brickyard. John Mellencamp will organize a benefit concert for war refugees.

If you're out there President Clinton, we can't allow this to happen.

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WORLD AT A GLANCE

Rebels attack Grozny as Yeltsin prepares plan to end war

GROZNY, Russia
Rebels attacked Russian troops in the Chechen capital Wednesday, burning down police stations and blowing up water-pumping depots in some of the fiercest fighting in Grozny since the war began.

They made their bold assault on the eve of a Moscow meeting of military and government leaders, where President Boris Yeltsin is expected to announce a plan to end the 14-month-old war that has killed about 30,000 people and crippled his bid for re-election in June.

Blasts from machine guns, mines and exploding grenades shook the city as soldiers fought about 300 rebels on several fronts. News reports said Russian helicopter gunships flew over the center of Grozny, a city already ravaged by intense fighting in January 1995 and sporadic attacks since.

At least 10 soldiers died Wednesday and more than 30 were wounded, Russian news agencies reported. There were no reports of rebel casualties, but the Interfax news agency said police and civilians also were killed.

Separatist rebels attacked at dawn from several directions, striking Russian checkpoints on the outskirts of



Grozny, then moving deeper into the city, the ITAR-Tass news agency said. Russian tanks moved toward downtown and reinforcements rushed in.

Guerrilla fighters seized at least two police stations, setting them on fire, and made repeated attempts to reach the airport. The rebels also blew up three water-pumping stations — jeopardizing the city's water supply — and seized a heating plant, Interfax said.

ITAR-Tass said the rebels captured many civilian hostages, but it gave no details. In past raids, Chechen fighters have taken hostages from outside their tiny southern republic and kidnapped Russians working in Chechnya.

It appeared to be the worst fighting in Grozny since the Russians took the capital a year ago and the war for Chechen independence moved into the countryside. However, Russian Defense Minister Pavel Grachev played down the reports of fighting. "One does not need 100 people to

aggravate the situation in the city," Interfax quoted Grachev as saying. "Five to six rebels firing in three or four districts would be enough to trigger panic."

Clinton pushes for Bosnia aid

WASHINGTON
The Clinton administration today pressed Congress to approve \$200 million in reconstruction aid for Bosnia, saying the money goes hand in hand with the job of American peacekeeping troops in the war-torn country. "Holding back the dollars we need for relief and reconstruction doesn't serve our soldiers," Anthony Lake, the president's national security adviser, said. "It doesn't serve the people we're trying to help and it doesn't serve our nation's interests." The administration has been encouraging nations around the world to contribute to an international rebuilding fund for Bosnia after 3 1/2 years of war. In the United States, though, foreign aid is not politically popular, particularly in an era of deficit spending and budget cutting. The administration believes it is critical to win approval of the \$200 million for Bosnia before an April 17 donors' conference of wealthy nations. "If we do not come to the table with \$200 million, these other nations will not bother coming," an administration official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.



Mexican ex-official freed in U.S.

TRENTON, New Jersey
A year and three days after he was detained by U.S. authorities, a former Mexican deputy attorney general was freed on bail Wednesday while the government continues trying to deport him. Mario Ruiz Massieu must wear an electronic monitoring bracelet and remain under 24-hour guard by federal agents at a home in New Jersey. He also had to post the \$9 million frozen by U.S. authorities in his Houston bank account. The government, meanwhile, will keep trying to have Ruiz Massieu deported, citing Secretary of State Warren Christopher's opinion that he is a threat to U.S. foreign policy. Ruiz Massieu is accused in Mexico of obstructing the probe into the 1994 assassination of his brother, the No. 2 official of their nation's ruling party, to shield the brother of then-President Carlos Salinas de Gortari. Ruiz Massieu, who is now seeking political asylum, successfully fought off four extradition attempts and last week won a challenge to his deportation that ultimately led to his release.

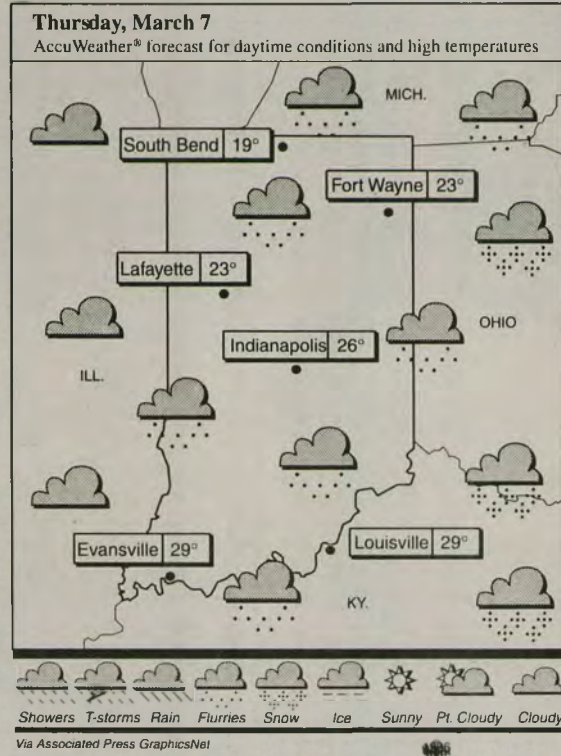
Arafat's police assist Israeli military

JERUSALEM
With Israel in control of the West Bank, Palestinian police joined Wednesday in the crackdown on Muslim militants whose deadly bombings are tearing apart the Israel-PLO peace. PLO chairman Yasser Arafat's forces on Wednesday raided the Gaza Strip's Islamic University — a hotbed of support for the militant Hamas group. The night before, they joined Israel in an arrest sweep in the West Bank for the first time. Palestinian police sources said more than 400 have been arrested in Gaza and the West Bank in the last 10 days, including four activists on Israel's wanted lists. Tuesday night's joint sweep netted relatives of a suicide bomber behind one of four explosions since Feb. 25 that killed 57 people and the bombers. Arafat also approved a life sentence with hard labor Wednesday for the man accused of recruiting three of the four bombers. Mohammed Abu Wardeh was not in court Tuesday night when he was convicted and sentenced by a Palestinian tribunal. After the bombings, Israel clamped a curfew on refugee camps and hinted it may deport Hamas activists — a tactic not used in more than three years. The Israeli army's return brought a flurry of activity from PLO officials.

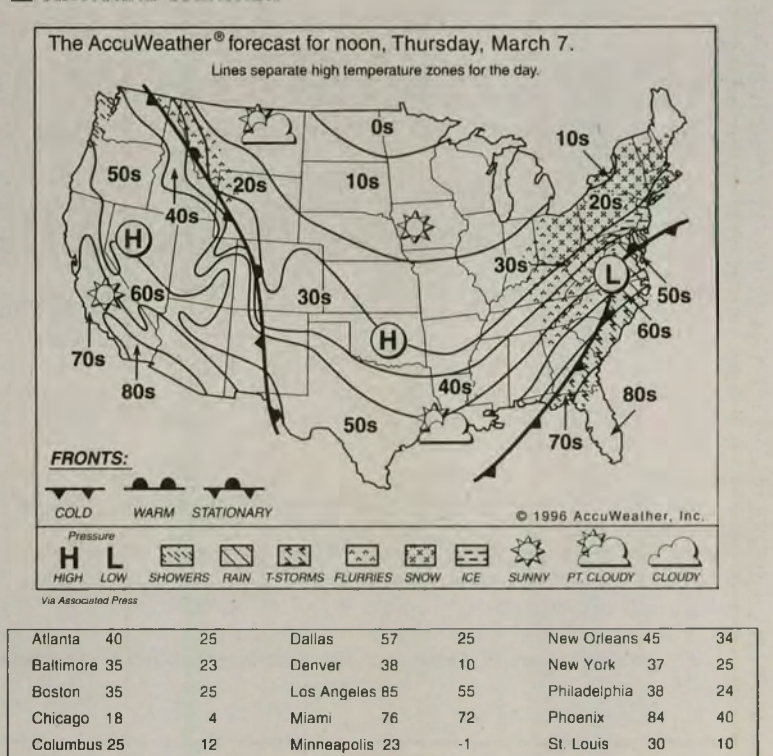
Heimlich thwarts bagel choking

SOUTH HAVEN, Ind.
An art teacher at South Haven Elementary performed the Heimlich maneuver on a guidance counselor after the man ran into her classroom choking on a bagel. "He was like this," said 7-year-old Kristen Lee of Mike Kochendofer as she demonstrated by making her eyes bug out. "His face was all red." The astonished pupils became witnesses to a life-saving rescue Tuesday. "He sounded like a gorilla and he made a really big noise like he was choking," said Adam Walters, 8. Kochendofer said his was in his office grabbing lunch on the run. The 25-year-old said he stood up, took a bite, noticed it was a big one and walked to the water fountain to wash it down. "Then I realized the water fountain wouldn't work," he said. Air was not moving in or out of his lungs. The bagel was stuck in his windpipe. Kochendofer hustled down the hall and burst in on Vondracek's class. "He came in my room waving his arms," Vondracek said. "He couldn't talk, but I knew something was wrong."

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Dole sweeps latest primaries, loses two rivals

GOP front-runner augments his list of endorsements

By TOM RAUM
Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — Bob Dole watched two GOP rivals fall by the wayside Wednesday but two more made it clear they weren't ready to fall in line with the Kansas senator's self-proclaimed "mission to unify the Republican Party."

The withdrawal of Lamar Alexander and Dick Lugar from the race prompted House Speaker Newt Gingrich to pronounce that "Dole is nominated."

But Pat Buchanan said he was in the race to stay, even if Dole's nomination now "appears inevitable."

Millionaire publisher Steve Forbes vowed to press on as well, picking up the endorsement of former Housing Secretary Jack Kemp.

Dole, rolling off an eight-state sweep of primaries, obtained the endorsement of one George Bush and got some kind words from another.

Texas Gov. George Bush Jr., son of the former president, put his support behind the Senate majority leader at a news conference on the lawn of the state capitol.

"Senator, you are made of steel and America needs your strength," Bush told Dole.

Bush earlier had endorsed Texas Sen. Phil Gramm, who dropped out of the race last month.

From Austin, Dole flew to Houston for an audience with the former president — who defeated him in the 1988 GOP primary. Bush said he wasn't endorsing his onetime rival, but he said it with a wink.

"I'm going to speak enthusiastically for him," Bush said.

The former president even made a point of letting Dole sit in a chair he brought with him when he left the White House.

Dole said it felt "all right. I could get used to it."

Of Buchanan's indication that he would take his battle all the way to the GOP convention in San Diego in August, Dole said:

"He didn't indicate he would support me but I hope he will."

Dole also shrugged off Kemp's decision to help Forbes, noting that Forbes and the former New York congressman were good friends.

"It won't change my campaign, it might change Jack's," Dole said without elaboration.

Looking ahead to Thursday's primary in New York, Dole predicted victory and said, "there are three of us in the race. I hope they do poorly."

With 123 delegates at stake, Texas is the biggest prize in

next week's mostly southern "Super Tuesday" races, followed by Florida — where Dole was headed later Wednesday. Jeb Bush, another Bush son and Florida GOP gubernatorial candidate in 1994, also endorsed Dole on Wednesday.

Of the Texas governor's endorsement, Dole said, "This endorsement means a great deal to me. ... It's the icing on the cake."

Asked whether he would participate in a planned debate in Texas on Friday with the field now so winnowed, Dole said, "That decision is pending." However, a trip back to Texas for the event was not on Dole's schedule.

Dole held a 2-to-1 lead over his closest rival in a Texas poll released Wednesday. Among likely Republican primary voters, Dole was supported by 45 percent, Buchanan by 20 percent, Alexander 10 percent and Forbes 9 percent. The survey was conducted by the Office of Survey Research of the University of Texas at Hart-Hanks Communications Inc.

Dole was asked about exit polls suggesting many of those who voted on Tuesday would have preferred a different candidate.

He said that voters often want more choices than they are given. But, he declared, "I think the field is pretty set."

Dole and the former president crossed swords in 1988 when Bush won in New Hampshire, partly with ads calling Dole "Senator Straddle" and suggesting he favored tax increases.

Dole admittedly bore some animosity toward Bush for a while, but later closed ranks and worked hard in defending Bush administration policies in the Senate.

At the news conference at the state capitol, Dole said he hoped Buchanan would wind up supporting him. Asked about



The Observer/Kevin Klau
Senator Bob Dole spoke in a state legislative office in Connecticut on Friday as part of his presidential campaign. Dole emerged victorious from Tuesday's Connecticut primary.

Buchanan's talk of going to the convention anyway, Dole cracked, "If you don't have any delegates when you get to San Diego why make the trip?"

Still buoyed by Tuesday's vic-

tories, Dole said, "My mission and our mission is to unify the Republican Party and close ranks." He said it was time to confront "the real target — Bill Clinton."

Pulitzer-winning poet to give public reading

Special to The Observer

Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Yusef Komunyakaa will read from his work Monday, March 18, at 7:30 p.m. in the University of Notre Dame's Hesburgh Library Auditorium. Komunyakaa, winner of the poetry Prize in 1994, is a native of Bogalusa, La;



Komunyakaa

he served as a correspondent and editor of The Southern Cross in Vietnam, where he received the Bronze Star.

He graduated from the University of Colorado in 1975, receiving a master's degree from Colorado State University

in 1979. In 1980 he received a master's in fine arts degree from the University of California, Irvine.

From 1984-85 he served as poet-in-the-schools for New Orleans, teaching poetry to students in the third through sixth grades. He is now a professor of English at the University of Indiana in Bloomington.

According to the Bloomsbury Review, "Komunyakaa's poems are jazzy and improvisational, razor-sharp pieces that tell us more about our culture than any news broadcast."

Komunyakaa's books include "Neon Vernacular," and "Toys in a Field."

The reading, which is free and open to the public, is sponsored by the Notre Dame English department's Creative Writing Program.

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■ BOSNIA

Federation regains control of Sarajevo suburb

Serbs relinquish territory despite Croat resistance

By SRECKO LATAL
Associated Press

HADZICI

Thousands of jubilant Muslims and Croats poured into this deserted Sarajevo suburb yesterday as Serbs gave it up to their enemies' control.

The crowds appeared unfazed by an overnight attempt by some Croat policemen to thwart the handover and undercut the Muslim-Croat federation that is to govern half of Bosnia, including all of the capital Sarajevo.

The Croats' challenge to the federation's authority underscored growing disputes between Muslims and Croats within their federation, formed under U.S. pressure in March 1994 after a year of fighting.

It also threatened Bosnia's fragile peace: If the federation cannot function, then the country is likely to disintegrate, with the Serbs merging with Serbia, Croat lands uniting with

Croatia, and a small Muslim state struggling to survive between them.

The Muslim-Croat federation was forged under U.S. pressure in 1994. Under the terms of the Bosnian peace agreement signed last year, the federation is to govern 51 percent of Bosnian territory and the remainder will be under Bosnian Serb control, with a weak central government handling foreign policy and monetary policy.

Hadzici was the third of the five Serb-held Sarajevo suburbs to come under the control of federation police, who are to take over the entire capital by March 19. Almost all of its Serb residents fled before the handover, their own fears of reprisal from wartime enemies fanned by Bosnian Serb leaders who incited them to leave.

Thousands who fled Hadzici or were expelled when the Serbs took it in 1992 clogged the main road into the suburb Wednesday, eager to see even the hulks of their homes. Most houses had been stripped by departing Serbs loath to leave anything valuable behind. Some still smoldered after being set



AP/Wm. J. Castello

ablaze overnight.

"It is strange, very strange to be here again after these four years," said Husein Dupovac, one of the federation policemen who was born in Hadzici and lived there until Serbs expelled him in 1992.

He said his family is planning to return even though their house was destroyed.

Only about 150 people, most of them elderly, stayed in Hadzici; they were left without electricity, water and heating.

"My wife and I decided to stay here," said Djuro Puljic, a 70-year old Serb. "We realized that if there is any humanity left in this world, there is nothing we should be afraid of."

Puljic, who fought as a Yugoslav partisan in World War II at age 12, said the 43 months of Bosnian bloodshed were worse.

"I have seen it all for the last four years. Slaughtering, looting, torching and raping," he muttered as tears rolled down his cheeks.

Just half an hour before the handover became official, the threat of NATO guns forced out a band of Croat policemen opposed to the Muslim-Croat alliance.

The trouble began late Tuesday when the 18 Croats entered the police station at Hadzici and joined Serb police there, immediately setting off rumors of a joint Serb-Croat maneuver against the Muslims.

International police requested

help from the NATO-led peace force, and about 100 French troops equipped with 20 gun-mounted armored personnel carriers rumbled into Hadzici overnight.

The French were ready to use force, as authorized by the Bosnian peace accord, said Navy Capt. Mark Van Dyke, a NATO spokesman.

After a tense standoff, the 18 Croats left at 8:30 a.m. — just half an hour before Hadzici officially passed to federation control.

Muslim and Croat officials in the federation have been arguing over which group should dominate the Sarajevo administration, and they are bitterly at odds over the divided, southwestern city of Mostar.

Jozo Leutar, a Croat who is the federation's deputy interior minister, said the policemen deployed in Hadzici included only those approved by the Muslim-led Bosnian government but none delegated by Bosnian Croat authorities.

"We want our federal partner to learn to respect the federal system and acknowledge that one people do not make up the federation," Leutar said.

■ RUSSIA

Foreign policy may face alterations

Associated Press

MOSCOW

Russia's post-Cold War role should be to counterbalance U.S. domination, Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov says,

asserting that Moscow has gone "too far" in aligning with the West.

Primakov, Russia's spy master for four years until becoming foreign minister in January,

outlined a far cooler attitude toward the West than his predecessor, Andrei Kozyrev.

In an interview published Wednesday, Primakov said it was time for Russia to redefine itself as a "great power" and pursue a great power's foreign policy, despite profound economic problems.

"I'd say that Russia's foreign policy ... consists now in a more active, effective defense of our interests, while preventing things from slipping toward a Cold War," he told the daily Izvestia.

In a clear reference to the United States, the world's surviving superpower, Primakov said "some are seeking to dominate" the post-Cold War world.

Russia should be neither an enemy nor a close ally of the West, he said. Instead, it should seek a "civilized partnership" of "equals" while defending its own interests.

Evacuation continues due to serious blazes

By ROBERT IMRIE
Associated Press

WEYAUWEGA, Wisconsin

Fires that engulfed tankers from a derailed freight train raged for a third day today, leaving evacuated residents no choice but to wait for the blaze to burn itself out. A breach in a natural gas line threatened to make their wait even longer.

About 1,700 people within a 2-mile radius of the derailment were evacuated, including everyone living within the city limits of this central Wisconsin town.

Among the 37 cars that derailed at daybreak Monday were 14 propane tankers, and one immediately exploded in flames that wiped out a farm cooperative's feed mill. No one was injured.

Authorities insisted the threat of another bigger ex-

plosion was too great for anyone to be allowed back home.

Gov. Tommy Thompson, who visited the area today, said a natural gas pipeline leading into town had been breached because of the train wreck. He said that even, after the derailment scene was safe, it could take another 20 hours to repair the natural gas line leak. The line was shut down shortly after the derailment.

The governor urged worried residents evacuated from the city shortly after the incident to be patient, estimated it could be another five days before the fire goes out.

"It is more serious than what we originally thought," he said. "We thought people would be back in their homes relatively quickly."

Thompson said he came to the Weyauwega area hoping there would be a way to put out the fire, perhaps by dropping foams on the flames, but was told that would not work and could cause more problems.

Helicopter flights over the crash scene today showed four cars carrying the highly compressed fuel had burned out and about half a dozen were still blazing, authorities said.

Although some dairy farmers had been allowed to their property to milk herds, police warned there could be disorderly conduct arrests if others tried to get to their homes.

Some of the evacuees were staying with friends.



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■ CUBA

House votes to increase sanctions

By JIM ABRAMS
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
Propelled by a second determined vote in Congress, legislation is on its way to President Clinton to increase economic sanctions on Cuba and keep foreign investors away.

The House passed the Cuban Liberty Act 336-86 Wednesday, a day after the legislation swept through the Senate 74-22. Clinton discarded past objections to the bill after Cuba's Feb. 24 downing of two American civilian planes and has promised to sign it.

The overwhelming congressional votes conveys a message that "no one in Cuba, and no one in the rest of the world, should expect this embargo to be lifted until there is democracy in Cuba," said House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga. "There is no future for the Castro dictatorship. There are no deals."

Rushed through Congress in the anger that followed the plane attack, the bill makes it impossible for the president to ease sanctions on Cuba without an act of Congress. It also allows Cuban-Americans and others who lost property since Fidel Castro took power in 1959 to sue foreign companies making use of the seized property.

It also forbids entry to the United States of company presidents and individuals who profit from confiscated property. Canada and the European

Union have protested that the provisions infringe on their sovereignty. "Although the EU is fully supportive of a peaceful transition in Cuba, it cannot accept that the United States unilaterally determine and restrict EU economic and commercial relations with third countries," the Europeans told the State Department.

Mexico, partner with the United States and Canada in the North American Free Trade Agreement, said the bill violates international law and regional and bilateral U.S. commitments. Its foreign ministry said Mexico and Canada will, through NAFTA, "challenge the effects this initiative will have."

Lawmakers greeted such complaints with scorn.

"It is time for them to understand that we will not go merrily along while they provide a lifeline to this communist just off our coast, who is in fact a mortal enemy of the United States of America," said Rep. Gerald Solomon, R-N.Y.

"For those who have said to me that we have insulted our allies with this, I would say our allies have insulted us by not observing our embargo," added Rep. Porter Goss, R-Fla.

The House and the Senate passed the bill last fall in differing versions, but until the planes were attacked they went nowhere. The administration and the Senate opposed the lawsuit provision, and the House would not yield.

Clinton's reversal of his opposition last week assured the

Sanctioning Cuba

Highlights of the *Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act*, passed Wednesday in the House:

- International sanctions**
 - Urges President Clinton to seek, in the U.N. Security Council, an international embargo against the Castro dictatorship.
 - Allows Clinton to aid Cuban democratic opposition and human rights groups.
 - Embargo on Cuba may not be lifted until a transition government is in place.
- Aid for an independent Cuba**
 - The U.S. may help Cuba set up a democratic government.
- Protection of American interests**
 - To deter foreign investment in Cuba, U.S. courts may intervene in cases concerning property confiscated by the Castro regime.
- Exclusion of aliens**
 - Foreigners who invest in confiscated property in Cuba may not enter the United States.

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bill's passage. He changed his position after lawmakers gave him authority to suspend the litigation clause for six-month periods and set a \$50,000 minimum on claims that could be filed.

Democratic opponents accused both Clinton and GOP supporters of bowing to the Cuban-American lobby in Florida, a key state in the president's re-election bid.

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it," the "it" being all-consuming despair and defeat. It is this exploration of the self through the journey of hell that allows the pilgrim to heal.

Pinsky also recognizes the figure of the Pilgrim as representative of Dante himself. The apprehension which the Pilgrim experiences in Canto One as he contemplates whether or not to proceed on his journey is really "Dante doubting himself."

Pinsky acknowledges that Dante saw his own task of exploring Hell as monumental; it was an "ambitious" and

"vainglorious" undertaking which inevitably caused the poet apprehension.

Pinsky's translation touches at the heart of Dante's "Inferno" by exposing sin as an "absence of soul, of sinfulness, of being." It proposes that the focus of Dante's work was not punishment, but "depression," that the "Inferno" was "a catalogue of what souls do to themselves."

When discussing why the collaboration of words and pictures was so successful, Mazur indicated that it was necessary for him "to know the book, feel it, to have it in [me]." He added:

"While Rob tends to treat it as a mechanical project, I think it

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have the luxury of watching what happens across the street. This has to come to the front burner here."

PinS will host an open forum on March 21 at 12:20 p.m. in room 306 of Haggar College Center. Students, faculty, staff and administration are encouraged to attend.

Both Timm and Georgeanna Rosenbush, director of Student Activities, declined further comment last night on the status of GLND/SMC on campus, pending additional review of the Ad Hoc recommendations.

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EU may challenge U.S. embargo against Cuba

By GARY ABRAMSON
Associated Press

MADRID, Spain
Days after Cuba was hit with international condemnation for downing two U.S. civilian planes, Washington is under fire from its allies for trying to punish foreign companies who do business with the communist Caribbean island.

The European Union, which accounts for 45 percent of Cuba's foreign trade, and the 14-nation Caribbean Community said the measure violates international law. The EU said it may challenge the measure through the World Trade Organization.

Russia's parliament said it was "alarming" that Washington would impose U.S. law on other countries, while Spain's foreign ministry said the measure "would not foster a peaceful transition on the island and would have negative consequences for the welfare of the Cuban people."

Canada and Mexico, partners with the United States in the North American Free Trade Agreement, said the bill violates NAFTA's free-trade principles. Mexico's foreign ministry said the two countries would use NAFTA's own appeal provisions to challenge the law.

Controversy over Washington's embargo against Cuba is not new, even from U.S. allies.

The U.N. General Assembly voted 117-3 in November to urge the United States to end the embargo, with only 38 abstentions.

The bill that cleared Congress on Wednesday makes it impossible for the president to ease sanctions on Cuba without an act of Congress. It allows Cuban-Americans and others who lost property since Fidel Castro took power in 1959 to sue foreign companies making use of the seized property. And it keeps company presidents and individuals who profit from confiscated property out of the United States.

President Clinton has said he would sign the bill, which allows him to suspend the lawsuit provision for six-month periods.

Spain's biggest daily, El Pais, lamented in an editorial that the U.S.-Cuban spat was occurring during America's electoral campaign.

"One doesn't have to be a genius to ... predict that Clinton, who until now was determined to veto a law that so abuses the rights of third parties, will say he's ready to sign it. One can't conduct a campaign in Florida without being anti-Castro," the newspaper said.

Businesses with links to Cuba waited to see the details of the bill, and whether Clinton will impose the lawsuit provision.

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Alexander, Lugar exit Republican race

By CAL WOODWARD
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
Lamar Alexander and Sen. Dick Lugar, two also-rans in the Republican presidential race, bowed to the inevitable today and folded their campaigns. On the way out, both endorsed Sen. Bob Dole.

The former Tennessee governor went first, telling a news conference in Nashville that he has ended his candidacy. He congratulated the front-runner Dole and offered him his support.

Lugar of Indiana made his announcement in a Senate hearing room, his family surrounding him.

"The apparent nominee is a man for whom I have great admiration, Senator Bob Dole of Kansas, and I look forward to his nomination," Lugar said, adding that he and his wife, Charlene, planned to vote for Dole in Indiana and will "ask our friends to do the same."

Alexander said he went

across America asking if Dole was the man Republicans want to oppose President Clinton. "What I discovered is the answer of most Republicans is yes," he said.

He was warmly cheered by a roomful of Tennesseans.

Dole "has character, he has dignity," Alexander said. "We gave it our best shot."

Asked if he would accept the vice presidential place on the Republican ticket, Alexander said, "I wouldn't be a very good second fiddle. If anyone asked him, he said, he'd present a list of five people who would be better qualified for the second place. He didn't name them — and his answer did not close the door on the vice presidency.

Alexander and Lugar, both winless, were considered spoilers just last week by jittery Republicans rooting for Dole and aghast at the populist conservative uprising Pat Buchanan was suddenly bringing to the race.

But Dole steam-rolled the competition in eight primaries

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Tuesday night.

Alexander, former federal education secretary, had been emboldened by a third-place finish in New Hampshire but found little to sustain him after that.

Even before it was formally announced, Lugar's decision brought dismay to former associates. "It breaks my heart," said Robert Beckmann Jr., Lugar's press secretary when he was mayor of Indianapolis.

"He didn't fail the American people, the American people failed him," said William Hutton, who succeeded Lugar as mayor.

He amassed only 10 delegates

before Tuesday. Lugar never cracked the top four before the so-called Junior Tuesday series of contests, often getting only a few percentage points of the vote. His best showing Tuesday was a fourth in Vermont, where he got 14 percent of the vote.

Alexander's departure will remove from the GOP campaign an ardent advocate of transferring federal powers to the states, more ardent even than Dole, who waves a copy of the Tenth Amendment, emphasizing state rights, wherever he goes.

It will remove, too, a sea of red and black plaid shirts, Alexander's trademark statement of his connection with just-folks. He gave out hundreds during the campaign.

"We've run a very clean campaign, not succumbing to the mudslinging that some of the others have," he noted.

But Alexander, 55, had been fiercely critical of Dole for lacking vision, made veiled but unmistakable references to the senator's age.

■ NORTHERN IRELAND

Adams: IRA is 'reluctant' to disarm

By SHAWN POGATCHNIK
Associated Press

BELFAST

The IRA is ready for "another 25 years of war" with the British and won't agree to disarm unless there is a negotiated settlement to the conflict, Sinn Fein party leader Gerry Adams says.

Adams, whose party supports the IRA but says it can't control the outlawed group, gave his account of a secret Feb. 28 meeting with IRA commanders in his regular column in the Irish Voice, a news weekly published in New York. Sinn Fein released advance copies yesterday.

Later, the IRA leaked excerpts of its latest policy statement to the Irish national broadcasters RTE in Dublin. The excerpts also suggested the IRA was unwilling to resume its truce despite the British and Irish governments' decision to set a June 10 date for all-party talks, the longtime demand of the IRA-Sinn Fein movement.

A statement attributed to an IRA spokesman, due to be published in full on Thursday in the IRA-Sinn Fein newspaper An Phoblacht-Republican News, said the promise of negotiations was not enough to "move us all away from conflict," RTE reported.

Both governments say Sinn Fein cannot participate until the IRA restores the cease-fire it broke last month, and they seek a formal renunciation of violence from Sinn Fein.

Sir Patrick Mayhew, Britain's Northern Ireland secretary, said Adams' account of IRA attitudes "will strike terror into the hearts of people in Northern Ireland in particular."

"The obstinacy of their (the IRA's) language is very unhelpful," said Mayhew's Irish counterpart, Foreign Minister Dick Spring, after he met Northern Ireland political parties in Belfast.

A commission led by former U.S. Sen. George Mitchell in January proposed a six-step renunciation of violence, including a requirement the IRA begin disarming before a peace settlement is reached.

"There will be no surrender of IRA weapons under any circumstances and to anyone," Adams quoted one of several unnamed IRA commanders as saying. "Disarmament of all the armed groups is only viable as part of a negotiated settlement and nobody knows that better than the British. We will accept no preconditions whatsoever."

He quoted one IRA figure as saying: "We sued for peace. The British wanted war. If that's what they want we'll give them another 25 years of war."

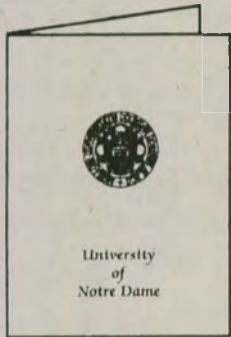
The IRA ended its 17-month cease-fire Feb. 9 by bombing London's Docklands, killing two and causing more than \$125 million in damage.

The IRA and Sinn Fein complained that Britain and the north's British Protestants were blocking the way to negotiations.

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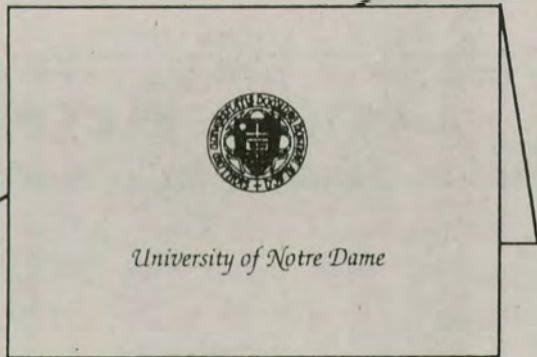
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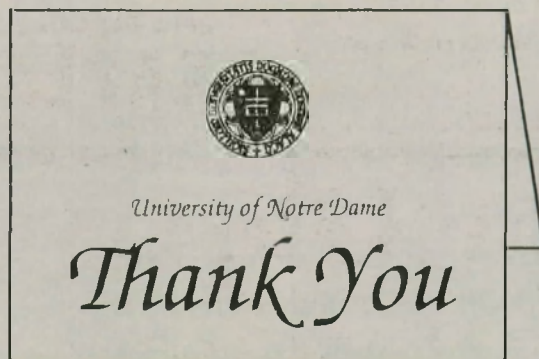
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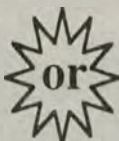
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■ COLOMBIA

Police slay notorious drug lord

By FRANK BAJAK
Associated Press

BOGOTA
Minutes after police gunned down the nation's most wanted drug boss, President Ernesto Samper was on the airwaves, claiming his share of the credit. The successful manhunt for Jose Santacruz Londono — the Cali cartel's No. 3 man — "proves the fight against drug trafficking is sincere and not a facade," Samper declared as Santacruz's corpse lay face-up on a Medellin avenue, a pistol by the dead man's side. Although many Colombians consider Samper unscrupulous in his determination to cling to office despite charges of taking cartel drug money for his election campaign, they also think he can only gain domestic support for felling Santacruz. "I would say it's going to help Samper. What he wants is to stay in power. He doesn't care about the country," said Maria Jimena Duzan, a leading columnist. A police patrol chased Santacruz's car after an informant

tipped off authorities. He was killed in a shootout, abandoned by his phalanx of bodyguards. There had been a \$2 million bounty for his capture. Santacruz, 53, had been in Medellin for at least two weeks because he thought police would be combing his home city of Cali. The body was flown there for a private burial Thursday. Samper's performance early Wednesday earned him points with some Colombians — but Washington showed no intention of reconsidering penalties it imposed last week for Colombia's perceived inadequacies as a partner in the war on drugs. Colombia wasn't punished for a lack of commitment to capturing drug bosses: Scores of police officers and prosecutors have proven their resolve. It was punished because of Samper and the narcotics-related political corruption in which he was implicated after his 1994 election. U.S. Drug Enforcement Administrator Thomas Constantine telephoned Colombia's defense minister Wednesday to

express his "deep admiration" for national police commander Gen. Jose Serrano and the country's chief prosecutor, Alfonso Valdivieso. But there were no kudos for Samper, whose impeachment Valdivieso requested last month in accusing the president of winning office with more than \$6 million in Cali cartel contributions. In Washington, Constantine told reporters that official corruption, porous prisons and weak anti-drug laws remain a problem in Colombia. "I don't think there's anything Samper can do to resurrect himself in the eyes of the United States," said Marc Chernick, director of Latin American Studies at Johns Hopkins in Washington. "His record in the drug war is very good, as far as I can tell. But the U.S. wants him out. So I can't see that one more capture-success by the Colombians in the drug war is going to help him," he said. The Clinton administration decertified Colombia as an ally in the war on drugs.

■ HAITI

'Trigger-happy' police involved in shootout

By MICHAEL NORTON
Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE
A shootout between police and members of a street gang in the seaside Cite Soleil slum on Wednesday left several people killed and others wounded, witnesses said. Among those wounded were two policemen, one hit by a bullet and another struck by a bottle, independent Radio Metropole reported. The gang, called the Armee Rouge, was angered over the Tuesday shooting of one of its members by a security guard at the capital's port. On Wednesday, they set up a barricade in Cite Soleil. When police tried to break up the roadblock, gang members threw bottles and stones, and a shootout ensued. It was unclear who fired the first shots. Witnesses told an Associated Press photographer they saw the bodies of nine people being taken away, and

that about 10 others were wounded. But no official figures were immediately available. Cite Soleil was still tense late Wednesday, with truckloads of police patrolling the area. Haiti's hurriedly trained police force lacks numbers and experience and has been accused of being trigger-happy. Several unarmed people have been killed by police officers in recent months. On Nov. 23, a 6-year-old girl was shot fatally in Cite Soleil by a police officer involved in an altercation with a bus driver. Her killing sparked a riot that led to the ransacking and torching of the local police station. At least one other person was killed during the exchanges of gunfire. Haiti's force of 6,200 officers received an abbreviated training when they replaced the hated army that ousted former President Jean-Bertrand Aristide in 1991.

CAMPUS MINISTRY... ...CONSIDERATIONS

Encountering Christ During Spring Break

It always seems that Spring Break comes just in the nick of time!

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Some people are going away during Spring Break and some people are staying around.

No matter what you are going to be doing or where you are going to be, I invite you to consider the ways you will be encountering Christ during the Break. I invite you to consider that the people going to Appalachia and those going to Gethsemani Monastery for a retreat are not the only ones who will be encountering Christ.

You may be getting away from school, but there is no getting away from Christ.

An encounter with Christ can occur at a fancy resort, if you watch around the edges. In a special way, I ask you to consider how you will encounter Christ in the "little people" you will see and meet during Break. Recognize that there is more to a person than the fact that he works as a desk clerk in a motel. Recognize that there is more to a person than the fact that she is a maid. Recognize that there is more to a person than the fact that he takes tourist's luggage to their rooms. Recognize that there is more to a person than the fact that he drives a beat-up taxi. Recognize that there is more to you than the fact that you are a student on Spring Break. Recognize Christ.

Now, I love a great time and I love resorts as much as the next person. I hope that you have a great time wherever you will be. Relax, kick-back and party. It is really important to take a break.

But, I invite you to recognize Christ and to let this bring out the best you, treating others, especially the so-called "little people", with respect. You may find out that they have something to teach you.

-Fr. Bob Dowd, C.S.C.

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From Dilbert to Usenet: a survey of pop culture

I think my friend Charles Rice spoke for all of us when he began his last column with the words, "We need one more column on abortion." Is there anybody on campus that doesn't feel this way? I for one feel shortchanged in a week in which Professor Rice doesn't count how many fetuses can dance on the head of a needle. But I can't be of

ures are simplified and stylized down to the level of hieroglyphics. The boss, with his twin hair-towers. Ratbert, Catbert and Dogbert, indistinguishable except for general outline. And how about the natives of Elbonia, with their beards? You'll note, too, that Dilbert has the same tiny arms that Calvin had, the better to express his physical powerlessness; and *no mouth*. The reason? I think that Dilbert is a mute. His dialog is all internal, in the style of *Johnny Got His Gun*. Along with his missing eyeballs, he represents the helpless, mute, blind fetus-like powerlessness of the modern office worker. Say! Maybe Charlie Rice should start reading it.

The Corruption of the Video Game. When I was a boy, there were certain inviolate rules of video games. One was that they cost a quarter; another was that you got to play as long as you stayed alive; a third was that they were easier than piloting the Space Shuttle. All three of these rules have been successively ignored in recent years. What are we coming to as a nation when video games, the purist of all childhood pursuits, become grasping and rococo and anhedonic to the core? I hate these new video games!

Ever since *Mortal Kombat* came out, the video game has ceased to be a self-contained joy. What I think happened was that the processors got so fast and the graphics so good, that more and faster monsters were mandated, just as the Pentagon's new toy mandates new "strongmen" to use it against. Game designed suffered concomitantly. No more the simple elegance of "Moon Patrol." Now you need a magazine or a Frequently-Asked-Questions cheat sheet to learn the secret moves. Even the bloody fatality, which is the pay-off of the whole business, is unavailable to the unlettered player! Your man just stands gesturing futilely at his dazed opponent, who collapses limply while you fume. The game involves more buttons than one has digits, and places them in unlikely, arbitrary patterns. How the hell do these children I see at the mall

get good at these games? I would think you would need thousands of quarters and hands the size of Michael Jordan's.

The games are prohibitively expensive, too. "Crypt Killer," an invitingly violent-looking new game in LaFortune's basement, is a case in point. In the first level you get to shoot some zombies and skeletons; fine. But it turns out that the first level is a giveaway, the equivalent of free "shareware." The game begins in earnest on the second level, where the sweating, cursing player, beet-red with fury, fires away at a flying rats, flying swords, flying maces, mysterious boulders, and Easter Island statues for a maddening minute or two before his life and quarters are extinguished.

What a gyp. That's all I can say. What a gyp.

Usenet Lists. What a find these lists are! I've started looking around at all

you *not* read it?

I have had a lot of fun reading legitimate lists, as for example the Bob Dylan list, or various Boston Celtics newsgroups, but the people who write for them tend to be depressingly familiar. Typically the entries run something like this:

re: Jackson Brown Rules! (35)
 frodo@aol.com

and then you open up the message by double clicking on it, to find some such message as,

>>Dylan is a raspy old hebe with
 >>nothing left in the tank. A real
 >>artist like Jackson Browne has
 >>infinitely more to say, and without the
 >>shall we say, esophagal problems of
 >>Dylan. :-)

Bosh! you know nothing of Dylan's work! Consider his use of grail-imagery on *Street Legal* . . . and so on. Can there really be anybody who would rather read this stuff than the secret habits of degenerates? Now, I suspect that many contributors to the Dylan list also contribute to the coprophile, Santaria, and survivalist lists, but I feel these latter pages show them at their best. Or at least their most interesting. The political lists are almost as good. Not only do you get the undisguised venom, but there are militant cross-posters, too, Libertarians on the Buchanan list, or Buchananites on alt.fan.Farrakhan. The White House, meanwhile, maintains a list somewhere, which is read by some Lisa Loeb-type ingenue from Brown before being digested and passed along to the Vice President. But as for me, I'll stick with the perverts. Now if only there were a Mary Worth list...

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Josh Ozersky



much help in this area. Other things are on my mind. Popular culture topics.

Dilbert: Now that Calvin and Hobbes has joined *The Far Side* in cartoon heaven, I guess you would have to say that Dilbert is the number one comic strip in America. And I'm glad of it! Scott Adams is on the ball in a way that no comic strip can sustain for more than a few years anymore. Now that our culture is glutted with comedy and jokes, it's hard for a cartoonist to keep his fast-ball. (For my part, I keep waiting for somebody to do a cartoon on terrorists. The second I heard that the Mossad had blown up one with a booby-trapped cellular phone, the cartoonish image came to my mind of a man in sunglasses and a turban holding a lit stick of dynamite to his ear and shouting "hello? hello?" into it. And then the pause. And then the BOOM!)

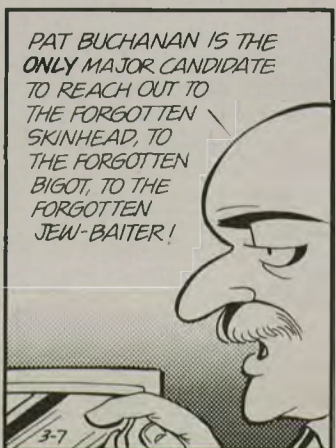
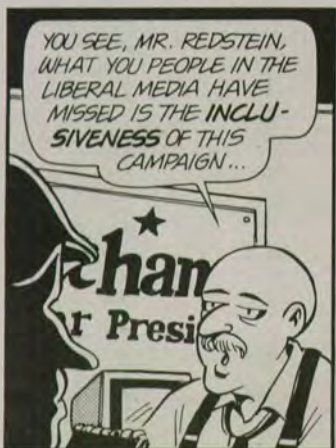
Everyone tends to get stale. Even Gary Trudeau, the Nolan Ryan of the genre, is desperately treading water while he thinks of a way to get Duke back into the strip and make it readable again. His current series on Buchanan workers (see below) is almost as un-funny as it is labored and gratuitous. Dilbert, on the other hand, is always funny. Like all the best cartoons, its fig-

'You'll note, too, that Dilbert has the same tiny arms that Calvin had, the better to express his physical powerlessness; and *no mouth*. The reason? I think that Dilbert is a mute.'

this stuff on the Web (next week's column will be a report) and I just can't get over how many weirdos there are out there. Take the Bestiality list, for example. Seeing it listed, I assumed it was a joke, like alt.evan.dando .die.die.die, or the various ketchup lists you hear people talk about. But no — it was quite for real. There were technical queries, veterinary advice, a little bit of moral temporizing: a whole community of perverts, their most secret desires and techniques open to the world. Well, how can

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GARRY TRUDEAU



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Life is much too important a thing ever to talk seriously about it."

—Oscar Wilde

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Football breeds batterers

Dear Editor:

The article in The Observer (Feb. 13) on the pending domestic violence trial of the NFL quarterback Warren Moon triggered a question that the Simpson trial had not. What role does football play in the vicious game of domestic violence. At ND we may be tempted to give this question a quick answer.

Football builds character in its players, right? Football stars are our cultural heroes, for heavens sake! But recently the list of football figures that have made the news because of their nasty inclination to beat up women is getting longer.

Is there something wrong with the nature of the game? During this last season I saw some of the worst cheap shots I have ever seen. You may not see it on game day, but on the practice field I have heard coaches yelling Kill!, Kill! — to sixth graders who looked like they could topple over from the weight of their helmet and pads. What kind of boyfriends and husbands will they grow up to be? We all like to see people have a second chance, but the people who study domestic violence seem to agree that batterers seldom, if ever, change their ways.

Is there a connection between the game of football and domestic violence? If there is, the ND should lead the parade in the effort to fix the problem.

JOHN HOUK

Keep up the good work

Dear Editor:

I am a seventh grader at Edison Middle School. My name is Ravi Bhavsar. I am thirteen years old, and live in this city.

I am just writing this letter to recognize your wonderful faculty and students. You have worked very hard to make this University one of the best. You have also been successful. I always love being on campus. Even the sights and over all appearance of the University look pleasant. However, I rarely get to come on campus. I hope to come to study here in the future.

After I did some researching, I found out that most universities never get close to the percentage of graduates that you do. I really admire your work. Keep it up. I am sure that the students are working very hard to accomplish this. The teachers seem to have a nice method of teaching. It is just such a happy feeling to say that I am from South Bend. Your hard work has given the whole city of South Bend a good reputation.

I usually notice that kids or schools that are good in sports do not have very high academic records. This University is different. Everything is high. In fact, a few years back, we were almost number one in football. You cannot believe how proud I am.

This recognition goes to everyone in the school including students and faculty. If it is possible, I would appreciate it if you could get this message to as many people as possible on campus by possibly publishing my compliments in your newspaper.

RAVI BHAVSAR

ND Democrats support GLND/SMC

Dear Editor:

In light of the recent report from the Ad Hoc Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs, we find it necessary to comment on their recommendations and address the debate surrounding this divisive topic.

We first commend the committee for their sincere effort in thoroughly researching the issue and calling for improvement of the situation of gays and lesbians on campus. Specifically, the call by the committee for revision of the University's harassment and non-discriminatory clauses is long overdue and vital for the development of an atmosphere of acceptance and respect. It is evident that the committee recognizes the need for a student organization for gays and lesbians; it also acknowledges the positive role that GLND/SMC has served in meeting the needs of gay and lesbian students. The committee reports "GLND/SMC has been the primary source of support for most of the students to whom we listened." But given the restrictions placed upon the committee by Vice-President for Student Affairs Patricia O'Hara, which prevented recognition of any student organization, the committee in effect had its hands tied and was unable to directly address the issue of recognition.

This is merely another chapter in the University's string of failures to improve the situation of gay and lesbian students. Its refusal to recognize GLND/SMC has fostered the continuation of "a painful and divisive debate" and has facilitated the isolation, frustration, and fear experienced by gays and lesbians on campus. This also points to the real presence of intolerance within segments of the student body and administration. The recommendations calling for revision of Du lac, Faculty Handbook, and Staff Employee Guidebook harassment and nondiscrimination clauses must be implemented if Notre Dame is to be an institution of inclusion and acceptance.

But merely calling for tolerance would be largely ineffectual. Despite the positive aspects

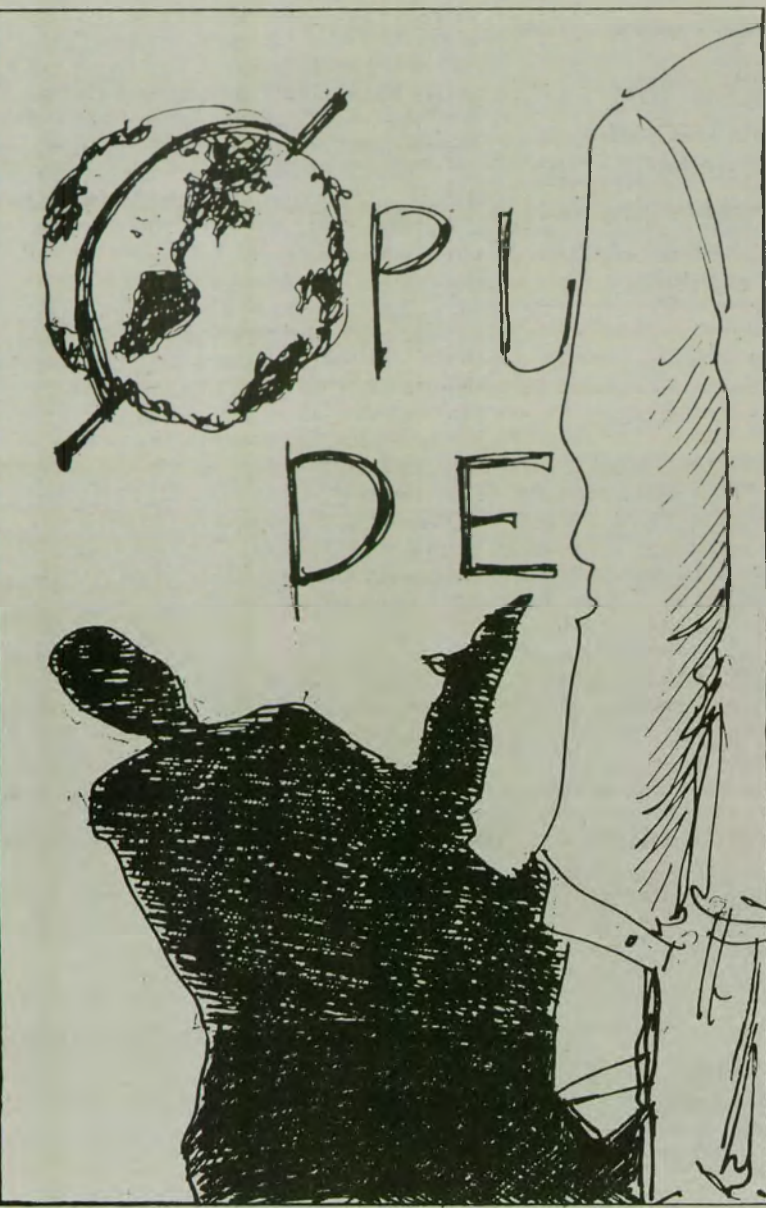
of the committee's recommendations, it is still apparent that the issue of recognition is being avoided. The creation of a student organization dependent upon the Vice-President for Student Affairs, when an independent one trusted by gays and lesbians already exists, is self-defeating and illogical; for the committee itself admits that GLND/SMC is already doing an "impressive" job of meeting the needs of gay and lesbian students, despite its many restrictions and the presence of a hostile environment.

Granting recognition to GLND/SMC would provide gay and lesbian students with both tangible and symbolic support, and would make considerable progress in breaking down the stigma and paranoid fears attached to homosexuality at Notre Dame. The University has pledged to be a safe and inclusive environment in which every student can pursue an education, free from harassment of any kind. If the University truly believes in the inclusion of gay and lesbian students, recognition of GLND/SMC is still the most viable solution.

The administration is thus presented with the unique opportunity of bringing students of all sexual orientations together and healing the wounds of the past. If the administration expresses its unequivocal support for gay and lesbian students by adopting the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendations and recognizing GLND/SMC, the campus will inevitably become more tolerant and accepting of homosexuality. Avoidance of the issue, however, will only encourage unfounded prejudices and fears. We, as the student body, should demand that the administration hear our voice and move toward a policy of inclusion and acceptance; only then can Notre Dame truly be called a family.

MICHAEL GAGLIA
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Notre Dame College Democrats

Opus Dei plays troubling role in Latin America



Dear Editor:

I read with interest The Observer's coverage of Professor Mary Key's lecture on Pope John Paul II's October 5, 1995, address to the United Nations (The Observer, Feb. 28). Professor Keys, it was reported, spoke of the Pope's call "to build a universal civilization of love" and of his conviction that the cornerstone of the good society is "fear of God" and a "common moral core." His rhetoric is impressive, but I worry about his practice.

This Pope's enthusiasm for the secretive and reactionary organization *Opus Dei* is well known. What is less well known, is the deeply troubling role *Opus Dei* has played in many places, not least in Latin America. For example, during the brutal Pinochet years in Chile, *Opus Dei* was actively involved with the *junta*. There is also a history behind the cool relations between *Opus Dei* and the Holy Cross order here at Notre Dame. *Opus Dei* informers at the crack Holy Cross school, St. George's College in Santiago, were instrumental in the Pinochet take-over of the school. Moreover, last year the Pope appointed yet another *Opus Dei* bishop, this time to El Salvador - to the bishopric once held by the martyred Oscar Romero.

Here is what the *National Catholic Reporter* had to say in early February about the appointment. "The political and ecclesial panorama in El Salvador is especially complicated following the Vatican's appointment last year of a Spanish-born *Opus Dei* prelate, Fernando Saenz Lacalle, to head the San Salvador see. The move shocked many Salvadorans, guided for years by the clear option for social justice..."

Saenz has attempted to shift the church back to its pre Vatican II alliance with the Salvadoran elites... To finish the city cathedral he rallied huge donations from the business sector, and another \$2 million from the conservative government of the republican Nationalist Alliance, ARENA, whose founder, former President Roberto D'Aubuisson, ordered the murders of the six Jesuits from the Central American University in 1989."

Archbishop Saenz has also told subordinates to stop spreading the thought of Archbishop Romero. It is in this context that Jesuit theologian, Jon Sobrino, has lamented that the Catholic Church is "no longer a threat to the powerful," and that the poor "no longer find in the Church a place of help and refuge."

Perhaps Professor Mary Keys' own involvement with *Opus Dei* - she is Director of its Women's House in South Bend - inhibits her from acknowledging the pope's failures, for instance his complicity in undermining "the moral core" of societies like El Salvador.

ANN PETTIFER
ND '76Common Sense
defends revision
request

Dear Editor:

The President of ND/SMC Feminists for Life, Laura Grimes, states that her article criticizing "hormonal contraception, reproductive technologies, and abortion was rejected" by *Common Sense*. (The Observer, Feb. 28.) She is being economical with the truth. When the article was submitted, several members of the Editorial Board were disturbed by its far from feminist, hard-core Vatican line. Consequently, Grimes was asked to make a couple of revisions: To discuss the importance of male responsibility in matters of birth control, and to mention the lowly condom as a non-pharmaceutical method. She declined. I should add that it is not uncommon for the Board to ask authors for revisions.

It is also worth noting that in December 1992, *Common Sense* published a long piece by Grimes on "Pro-Life Feminism." It opened as follows: "I was pleased to see the variety of feminist perspectives on abortion in the February issue of *Common Sense*."

PETER WALSH
Professor
Board member,
Common Sense.

REMY ZERO

Remy Zero

☆☆☆
(out of five)



Courtesy DGC

When you listen to a disc eight or nine times and you still don't know what's going on, you're either really onto something, or you're *on* something. Remy Zero's self-titled debut album gives one this feeling. Featuring a home-brewed wall of sound aesthetic and the most obscure lyrics this side of Steve Kilbey, Remy Zero has created a monster that, if set loose, could wreck the lab that clones grungy blobs and sends them whining up the pop charts.

But don't bet on it. Remy Zero's production technique is different, but... if you believe the press release, they will someday make *Sgt. Pepper's* look like another stone in the road. It won't happen soon. Right now their technical genius lies in making high-pitched, atonal background noise with a guitar and attaching little throwaway bits—as irrelevant as they are tantalizing—to the ends of songs.

Hidden in all this extraneous noise are some catchy tunes. "Shadowcasting" and "Tenemos (Here Come the Shakes)" could be singles-in-waiting. Both are guitar-laden, hook-heavy jingles full of stream-of-consciousness lyrical imagery that fits

nicely with the overall sound. They're diverse, too. From the driving "Tenemos" comes "Descent," a mid-tempo hookfest that sounds like Soul Asylum less than sober. Then comes "Water," a slower song that you could almost waltz to if you were in the same condition as Soul Asylum.

And then Remy Zero is forgotten and gone. Snatches of music will stay with you, but Remy Zero spends so much time on sound that their hooks are buried. The press release says replicating it live will be a "challenge." Quite so! Heard live, that distorted drone is going to be well-nigh insufferable unless you've a stiff G + T at your side through the whole set.

Nevertheless, give them credit. Remy Zero is a daring band, and in time, they may start a serious revolution. Bear in mind, though, that Hootie and the Blowfish has sold eleven million albums. These times, alas, are not made for revolutionaries. In three years, Remy Zero will be one of two things: either "the guys who started it all," or another obscurity in the \$4.99 bin. Time will tell: they deserve to win.

-by Kevin Dolan

THE SPINANES

Strand

☆☆☆☆
(out of five)



Courtesy Sub Pop Records

Bass. Besides rappers, Primus and white trash with unlimited funds to spend on stereos for their low-riders, who really needs it? Obviously not Portland, Oregon's The Spinanes. Armed with little more than an electric guitar, Scott Plouf's drum kit, and Rebecca Gates' haunting voice, this duo is able to fill up more musical space than your average barre chord-infested punk wannabes, and they do it so magically that one tends to forget that there's no low-end on most of the songs.

On their second release, *Strand*, Plouf and Gates explore more sonically varied terrain than on their stunning debut, *Manos*. Instead of repeated power-pop, the songs are more diverse and less structured. Ambient organ and mellotron tones float in and out amongst seas of guitar backwash to create a seemingly relaxed atmosphere on tunes such as "Madding" and "Luminous."

However, a close listen to Gates' lyrics brings attention to the fact that she's not taking it easy and the gravity of her subjects isn't belied by her heavenly voice (which isn't too

syrupey-sweet). Tunes like "Winter on Ice" and "Punch Line Loser" shy away from pop-psychological themes of Alanis Morissette and require the listener to actually think about what Gates is saying.

Of course, the wonderful engineers at Easley Studios in Memphis wouldn't let The Spinanes get out alive without recording a few trademark popsters, so "Valency" and "For No One Else" allow listeners to revel in the past glory of *Manos* while recognizing the new direction the band has taken. These two tracks exemplify why The Spinanes are so great—they're sublime but fun and never pretentious. Gates proves herself to be quite capable of constructing foundations and chord changes which are challenging and unique yet accessible, and Plouf lays down crisp rhythms in tones which accent the guitars perfectly. In other words, it's a damn fine album to listen to while driving while a thick fog is lifting.

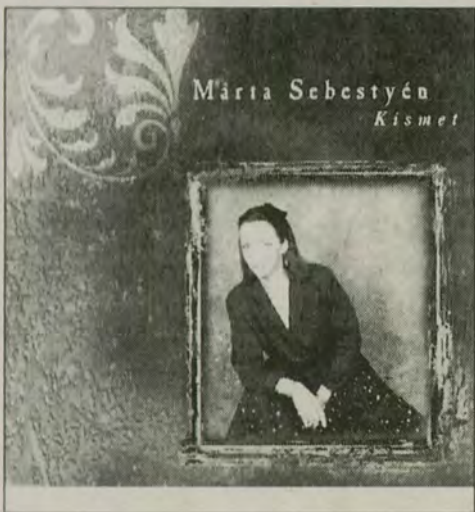
The Spinanes will be playing in Chicago on March 22. Go check 'em out.

-by Dominic DeVito

MÁRTA SEBESTYÉN

Kismet

☆☆☆☆
(out of five)



Courtesy Rykomusic

Kismet. Márta Sebestyén's latest album, delivers up another dose of her heady and unpredictable brew. Sebestyén has recorded three wonderful albums with the traditional Hungarian folk group Muzsikás, propelled Deep Forest's *Bohème* to the top of the World Music Charts and into the Grammy's, and her first solo album, *Apocrypha*, was little less than a divine revelation for many. *Kismet* is in many ways the most inaccessible work she has produced to date, but it certainly repays the effort invested. There is none of the instant Euro-appeal of Deep Forest, nor does a trace remain of *Apocrypha's* hypnotic rhythms and forlorn expanse. The transition from *Apocrypha* to *Kismet* is not unlike that from Wittgenstein's *Tractatus* to his *Philosophical Investigations*: Stark beauty gives way to complex and intricate texture, but the effect is no less potent.

Kismet is certainly an ambitious project. Working closely with producer and multi-instrumentalist Nikola Parov, Sebestyén weaves folksongs from around the globe into a tapestry which is both ancient and modern. "Devoiko Mome," a sprightly Bulgarian dance in 5/16 kicks off the album, proving that King Crimson aren't the only ones who can groove in

weird time signatures. In both "Leaving Derry/Eleni" and "The Shores of Loch Brann/Hazafellé," Sebestyén begins with a traditional Irish tune and runs it into a song from another folk tradition, Greek in the former instance and Hungarian in the latter. The conjunction of traditions continues with "Hindi Lullabye" (India and Romania) and the "If I Were a Rose" (Baskiria, Hungary and Tartarstan).

The constant challenge to such an enterprise is to create true unity without sacrificing the individuality of the contributing ingredients. Unlike most recent worldbeat releases, *Kismet* errs, when it errs at all, by failing to integrate the sources on which it draws: the spellbinding opening to 'Hindi Lullabye' evokes echoes of Shankar, but the transition to the Romanian Melody sounds a little like a cut and paste job. 'If I Were a Rose' is a more successful synthesis and features a wonderful (if restrained!) Mari vocal. Perhaps the highlight of the album is a largely a cappella rendition of an exquisite Bosnian song called 'Gold, Silver or Love.'

Sebestyén is playing with Muzsikás in Chicago on March 16th and Bloomington Match 27th: get your táncház fix.

-by Tim Bayne

Tracks Top 10

1. Alanis Morissette - *Jagged Little Pill*
2. 2 Pak - *All Eyes on Me*
3. Oasis - *(What's the Story) Morning Glory?*
4. Cowboy Junkies - *Lay it Down*
5. Adam Sandler - *What the Hell Happened to Me?*
6. Seven Mary Three - *American Standard*
7. Bush - *Sixteen Stone*
8. Presidents of the United States of America - *self-titled*
9. Smashing Pumpkins - *Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness*
10. Coolio - *Gangsta's Paradise*

Nocturne Top

1. Tripmaster Monkey - *Practice Changes*
2. No Doubt - *Tragic Kingdom*
3. Oasis - *(What's the Story) Morning Glory?*
4. Smashing Pumpkins - *Mellon Collie & the Infinite Sadness*
5. Siberia - *Damage*
6. *Saturday Morning - Cartoons' Greatest Hits*
7. Adam Sandler - *Bleeps*
8. Possum Dixon - *Star Maps*
9. Supple - *Puppets' Night Out*
10. Tori Amos - *Boys for Pele*

music editorial

Last Wednesday evening a packed Los Angeles auditorium hosted the Grammy Awards, honoring popular music, and to a lesser extent other musical genres, and best performers of the past year.

The hyped up Grammys, or in the case of this year, The Hooties, must have had a difficult time choosing from the pool of talent, because only a select group of nominees had some.

This is not to say that there were no good releases from February 1995 through February 1996, but the quality of the nominated artists' albums of either the popular or alternative genre was poor compared to what else was out there.

Why is it that Hootie, who thrives on "three chords and the truth" wins "Best New Artist" honors when someone like Lisa Loeb who is musically superior to Hootie, is not even nominated? Why did Alanis Morissette win "Album of the Year"? What happened to Radiohead? *The Bends* is musically untouchable compared to *Jagged Little Pill*.

The truth of the matter is that these awards shows are set up to reward marketing, not music. If Hootie or Alanis didn't sell so many millions of records and get overplayed on MTV and national radio would they win? Not a chance. The Grammys should wake up and start rewarding musically talented individuals and groups instead of mediocre talent controlled by money-hungry marketing geniuses.

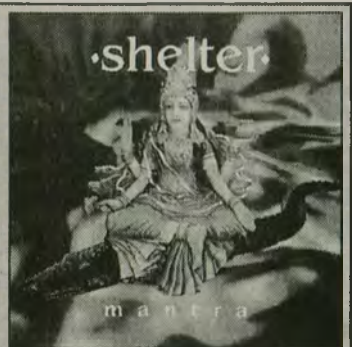
music editorial

■ WVFI CORNER

SHELTER

Mantra

☆☆☆
(out of five)



Shelter is unlike anything you've ever heard. At first glance, they look like another mean hard-core band...until you realize that something here is seriously different. They're not wearing any leather, their shoes contain no animal glues, and they're preaching Hare Krishna values—peace, love, animal rights, and non-materialism. Eighties-style hard-core guitars mixed with a rapping Krishna front-man make for an almost unsettling listening experience. Lead singer Ray Cappo sounds at times almost as angry as Zach De La Rocha of Rage Against the Machine, except for the fact that Cappo is fighting for the rights of the cows we eat rather than spewing out conspiracy theories.

But honestly, why is Shelter as successful as they are? Their music really doesn't break any new ground and the singer doesn't have much talent. The answer is, they're a novelty act. People are worn out on the carbon copy alterna-rock being put out in mass quantities today, but, like Jell-O, there's always room for some Krishna-core. Songs like "Message of the Bhagavat" and "Civilized Man" with their religious messages are a refreshing break from the usual sea of teenage angst rock.

-by Dan Connolly, WVFI

Davis

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made a noticeable impact upon the entire squad.

(Davis) has helped a lot of people with starts and on resistance runs, junior high jumper Paula Kivinen said.

Senior middle distance runner Michelle Wenner said that Davis's speed, coupled with her positive team attitude makes Davis a special athlete, and a valuable addition to the team.

I think (Davis) is very supportive of other team members, Wenner said. She works hard. She's a very good team member.

Even as a freshman, Davis is no stranger to stiff competition. With an initial personal best time of only 7:43 at the team's meet against the University of Chicago Feb. 10, Szczechowski felt that Davis would have to do better to qualify for Nationals.

To enhance Davis's chances of achieving a faster mark,

Szczechowski sent her to compete at Notre Dame's Wilson Invitational Meet Mar. 2, where she raced against Division I talent and even a few Olympic hopefuls.

With a preliminary time of 7:41 at the Wilson Invitational, Davis finished seventh in a field of six qualifiers. She then ran in the consolation finals, winning with a 7:36.

Szczechowski was not surprised. Stacy is a competitor, he said. She's the type who doesn't like to lose. She'll do everything in her power to get in front.

According to junior 4X100 and 4X200 runner Theresa Zamarelli, such a competitive attitude not only affects her own performance, but the team's performance, as well.

Stacy's a good motivator. In practices, we always have someone in front of us, we always have someone to beat, Zamarelli said. She goes full-out on everything. I think Stacy can definitely hang in with the best runners. We haven't had as strong a sprinter as Stacy in the three years that I've been here.

Ranked #13 of 15 qualifiers at Nationals, with the number one time a 7:16, Szczechowski said that a powerful start will be key if Davis

hopes to place high in the tournament.

If Stacy gets a good start, she'll have no problems; she's got a good stride, Szczechowski said. I would like to see her make finals, and of course place.

Furthermore, Szczechowski said, Davis will only improve during the upcoming outdoor season. Davis's talent makes her versatile enough to experiment with different races in the team's seven remaining outdoor meets. Some of the options Szczechowski hopes to explore with Davis are the 100, 200, and 400 meters, as well as some relays.

I think she'll be faster outdoors, Szczechowski said. She's faster as she runs down the track; the 55 meters is almost too short for her. If she can get around the curve on the 200, Stacy will be tough.

Despite the high expectations of both her coach and the College, Davis said she is trying to keep a sense of perspective about her success. She leaves for New Hampton today.

I am still trying to get through this week of midterms, Davis said. I'm just going to do my very best at Nationals.

NCAA Automatic Bids

Schools that have received automatic bids to the NCAA basketball tournament.

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New Orleans
Big South Conference
North Carolina-Greensboro
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Northern Illinois
West Coast Conference
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I lost my long black coat at Senior Bar on 2/23. Please call if you know where it is. Thanks.
Laura
x1553

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Lost-gold claudaugh ring (heart with surrounding hands) at JPW -the gala dance -great sentimental value. Angela x4704

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I accidently picked up the wrong jacket from Bridget's. If you lost a Columbia jacket there, call Eddie at x4010.

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Mitchell, Pardon me....Mitchell.

M-Bear,
How's the little den of slack? If you promise to just tie the bag everything will be fine. I'll take it out. Love, the heathen
PS: I TOLD you they wouldn't kill him in a freak skydiving accident.

hey amy can i have a diet coke? love, hac

Llamas are larger than frogs.
If you are swimming, you may see a llama. Shout, "Look out! There are llamas!"

Sloppy Ro,
Mrs. Peacock was a MAN?!?--- G!

Hi Tenille, love Doug
Hi Kim, love Brad
Hi Tenille, love Kim
Hi Doug, well, uh... uh... from Brad

brad prendergast embodies the violence inherent in the system.

Seymour

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but the rest of these guys should stay around and see what's to come."

Indeed, 11 Irish scholarship players will undergo this experience at least once more before their time in the blue and gold comes to an end.

The difference is, future Irish teams will have had some exposure, albeit Grief, to the roller-coaster intensity that characterizes the Big East Championship.

"The other teams were already experienced with this," said junior Marcus Young. "We were the ones who were wide-eyed, looking around at everything."

Notre Dame's youthfulness was one of its downfalls against the senior-dominated Orangemen. The Irish exhibited the poise to disarm Syracuse's pressure, but then got overanxious on the offensive end.

Sophomore Derek Manner was whistled for an undeniable charge when Notre Dame had a numbers-advantage on the break, as was junior point guard Admore White.

Freshman Gary Bell was also a culprit, missing some easy shots on the break and getting another two blocked.

Next year may be different. Notre Dame's core group of players are currently freshmen and sophomores, all of whom will be a year older and wiser to the demands of the conference.

"Our learning experience is now over," said freshman Phil Hickey. "We don't have to worry about not knowing what to expect. Now we know that you have to be physical and play hard every night."

Changing expectations are a crucial ingredient, according to

Hoover. Knowing who the opponents are and what the situations are is one thing, but knowing that you can handle them is another.

"Our guys have to get to a point where they expect to win," said Hoover. "That's the difference between us and the top-notch teams."

Next season the Irish have a chance to move closer to those top-notch teams.

While Notre Dame returns four starters, the senior talent that dominates the rest of the conference will peddle their wares elsewhere.

All of which makes the experience of this season's conference tournament even more crucial.

"There is a light at the end of the tunnel," said freshman Doug Gottlieb. "We'll be a better team because of everything that's happened this year."

"This was a good experience," agreed classmate Gary Bell. "That was what we needed to make us hungrier next year."

And though the end result was dissatisfying, the chaos that surrounds the Garden on opening night has given the Irish a taste of just how exciting conference play can be.

"This game was a lot of fun to play in," said Pat Garrity. "The problem was everyone was shying away, so the final score wasn't much fun to look at."

Hoover knows that better than anyone.

The four-year starter struggled in his last game for the Irish, which was simultaneously his first and last experience with the Big East tournament.

"That was a disappointing ending," said Hoover. "But it's just the way life goes that you have to take advantage of every opportunity."

For the rest of the Irish, that opportunity returns next March.

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"Down the stretch we went to John and he got the job done," said Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim, whose team will face Boston College in today's quarterfinal.

"We were smarter in the second half," continued Boeheim. "When John got the ball in the post and was double-teamed, we kept moving and got the ball in better position."

The Irish had no counter for Wallace's low post heroics. Syracuse's second half zone defense confounded Notre Dame, which shot 36% for the game.

Senior Ryan Hoover was especially thrown off by the zone. Playing in his last collegiate game, Hoover was held to eight points on 3-11 shooting after scoring 24 in the previous game against the Orangemen.

"I wasn't getting many good looks," said Hoover. "They were very cognizant of where I was, and shaded a guy over in the zone."

"Syracuse did a great job on Hoover," agreed Notre Dame coach John MacLeod. "They forced him out further than he is comfortable with, and this caused him to take some bad shots."

Syracuse's suffocating defense helped extend a 32-29 halftime advantage to a 14 point lead with 10 minutes to play. Wallace scored 12 points during that stretch, including the first six of the second half, as the Orangemen were poised to put the game out of reach.

"Wallace is their all-American and they take care of him," said Hoover. "The rest make sure to get him his points."

Notre Dame had an answer, though, going on a 9-0 run of its own to trim the lead to five with 5:33 left on an Admore White three-pointer. White had an opportunity to cut even further into the lead, but missed

two free throws on the next possession.

Syracuse righted itself, as Jason Cipolla picked Hoover on the fast break, leading to Lazarus Sims' three-pointer and a 10 point cushion the Orangemen would never relinquish.

The Irish managed only two points in the last 4:51, as Syracuse removed all drama from the game by connecting on all ten of its free throws down the stretch.

The first half, by contrast, was the most exciting of any of the afternoon preliminaries. The Irish traded dunk for dunk with the more athletic Orangemen, as Pat Garrity (20 points, 8 rebounds) and Matt Gotsch followed a Ryan Hoover three-pointer with jams to give Notre Dame a 21-16 lead.

The transition game would become Notre Dame's downfall, though. The Irish were able to break Syracuse's press with relative ease but had trouble finishing at the other end.

"(We regained the lead) not because our press is good, but probably because it's horrible," said Boeheim. "They got by it, but Otis Hill played smart under the basket."

Hill, one of four Orangemen to finish in double figures (Wallace, Cipolla, and Sims were the others), drew a number of charges to complement his blocked shots, thwarting the Irish on numerous occasions.

The only Notre Dame player not affected on the break was Garrity, who rebounded from one of his poorest efforts of the season on Saturday with a strong all-around game the second time around.

"(Saturday's game) was one of the first times when everyone was playing well and then I was the dog out there," said Garrity. "I wasn't going to let that happen again."

He didn't, but he also didn't have enough help. Freshman Gary Bell (11 points) was the only other Irish player in the double figures, while Notre Dame committed 17 turnovers and gave up the 16 offensive rebounds.

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in the NCAA indoor championships this weekend.

"Mike Fleisch may be the most-improved athlete on this campus," Piane said. "He improved his distance from 52 feet to 57 feet this season. That's like taking a basketball player who scored four points a game and having him score twenty-four."

Senior Lamarr Justice added the list of Irish top finishers with his performance in the triple jump.

Justice's jump of 49'05.00 merited fourth place at the last weekend's meet.

Junior Matt Alhoff placed third in the 5,000 meter run, recording a time of 14:29.7, while sophomore Errol Williams finished fourth place in the 55 meter hurdles with a time of 7.48.

The distance medley, consisting of Williams, Pat Gorman, Derek Seiling, and Jeff Hojnacki, followed the teams of Villanova and Georgetown for a third place finish at 9:50.66.

Hojnacki joins Fleisch, along with women's star Berit Junker, as the representatives for the Irish at this weekend's nationals.

Hojnacki achieved a personal best time of 1:48.86 in the 800 meter run at the Alex Wilson Invitational, hosted by the Irish, to provisionally qualify him for this weekend's meet.

This is also the first visit to the indoor nationals for Hojnacki, which has been a goal for him for the last three years.

"My goal has been to make it to this meet," Hojnacki commented. "But now that I've achieved that, my goal is to keep my head in it and convince myself that I can compete at this level."

Junker, who has consistently been a leader this season, will be the lone female competitor for the Irish in the 800 meters.

"Berit has had a marvelous season," Piane commented. "She will have a great chance down in Indianapolis."

The Irish had other athletes who were provisional qualifiers but didn't make the cut. The NCAA takes the top eight performances, and then the coaches decide from there who will be the provisional qualifiers.

Justice and sophomore Jason Rexing were two of the athletes who nearly made the nationals.

"Some of our standards are more stringent than the Olympics," Piane said. "It is not often that someone will pull off a surprise performance and make the nationals."

Piane cited consistency as the key qualifying factor for the athletes.

"Some people will put up one great run a season, but it is the one who is consistent that will make it to the championships."

Atlantic 10 Conference

Wednesday, March 6	Thursday, March 7	Friday, March 8	Saturday, March 9
	(1) Massachusetts		
(9) St. Bonaventure (8) Daytona	Noon (9) St. Bonaventure		
	(4) Temple	7:00 p.m.	
(7) Xavier (2) Fordham	2:30 p.m. (7) Xavier		
	(3) George Washington		6:30 p.m.
(5) St. Joseph's (11) Duquesne	9:30 p.m.		
	(2) Virginia Tech	9:30 p.m.	
(6) Rhode Island (10) La Salle	7:00 p.m.		

■ BIG TEN BASKETBALL

Indiana spoils senior night at Ohio State, 73-56

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio

It was supposed to be senior night at Ohio State, but it ended up belonging to Indiana's seniors.

Todd Lindeman scored a career-high 28 points — taking and making more free throws in a game than he ever had before — and Brian Evans chipped in with 18 points as Indiana beat Ohio State 73-56 Wednesday night.

Evans scored 12 points as Indiana broke away to a 25-11

lead, then was content to flip passes inside to Lindeman. Time and again, Lindeman was fouled by Ohio State's undersized and inexperienced post players as he muscled his way to the hoop.

"We came in hoping to take it inside on them," Lindeman said. "We tried to pound it inside and get them in foul trouble. That's just what we did."

Lindeman, a 7-foot senior, hit 14-of-16 free throws to go with 7-of-13 from the field.

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Floyd selected as Big Eight Coach of the Year

By DOUG TUCKER
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. Tim Floyd, whose Iowa State Cyclones may be the biggest surprise in college basketball, was a unanimous choice Wednesday as Associated Press Big Eight Coach of the Year.

Sixteen broadcasters and sports writers gave every vote to the leader of the Big Eight's second-place team, which suited the boss of the first-place team just fine.

"The job Tim Floyd did this year was masterful," Kansas

coach Roy Williams said.

After Iowa State lost virtually everybody from last year's team that was 23-11, logic had Floyd wallowing in the conference basement, patiently laying the foundation for better things down the road.

Instead, the Cyclones go into the conference tournament Friday ranked No. 23 in the nation with a 20-8 record, seeded No. 2 after finishing the regular season race ahead of all but Kansas.

"It all goes back to expectations," said Floyd, 42.

"What I'll remember most is

all the fun our players and our fans were able to have this year, in a year that was supposed to be a down time for Iowa State."

All the preseason gloom surrounding the Cyclones was perfectly understandable.

When Johnny Orr retired in 1994, he left his successor with one of the best senior classes in school history. Blessed with such experienced, talented operatives as Fred Hoiberg, Loren Meyer and Julius Michalik, Floyd's first Iowa State team wound up No. 24 in the final AP rankings and secured an NCAA tournament bid.

But when diplomas were handed out last spring, the good times figured to be over. Floyd said goodbye to Hoiberg, Michalik and Meyer among his top nine scorers from 1994-95.

Fans prepared for a painful rebuilding year. But they didn't figure on vastly improved point guard Jacy Holloway, who had shared playing time the year before with since departed Jason Kimbrough.

They also didn't figure on 6-foot-4 junior college transfer Kenny Pratt or 6-11 Kelvin Cato, a transfer from South Alabama.

Most of all, everybody failed to foresee what a sudden, dramatic impact would be made by Dedric Willoughby. The 6-3 transfer from Indian Hills (Iowa) Community College had played at New Orleans during Floyd's last season there but had been out of basketball entirely for a year.

Holloway quickly emerged as one of the league's most consistent, efficient guards. Pratt averaged 15.3 points and was fourth in the league in steals. Cato became a forceful inside presence, ranking among the league leaders in rebounds and blocked shots.

Willoughby was second to Oklahoma's Ryan Minor with 20.2 points per game, giving Floyd's Cyclones a consistent, dependable scoring threat game after game, as well as a large measure of leadership.



Photo courtesy of Missouri Sports Information
Forward Ryan Minor and Oklahoma will be one of six teams trying to upset Kansas in the Big Eight tournament this weekend. Minor led the conference with a 20.2 points per game average during the year.

Big Eight Conference

Friday, March 8	Saturday, March 9	Sunday, March 10
(1) Kansas		
(8) Colorado		
1:00 p.m.		
(5) Kansas State		
(4) Oklahoma State		
3:20 p.m.		
(2) Iowa State		
(7) Nebraska		
7:00 p.m.		
(3) Oklahoma		
(6) Missouri		
9:20 p.m.		

1:00 p.m. (Saturday)

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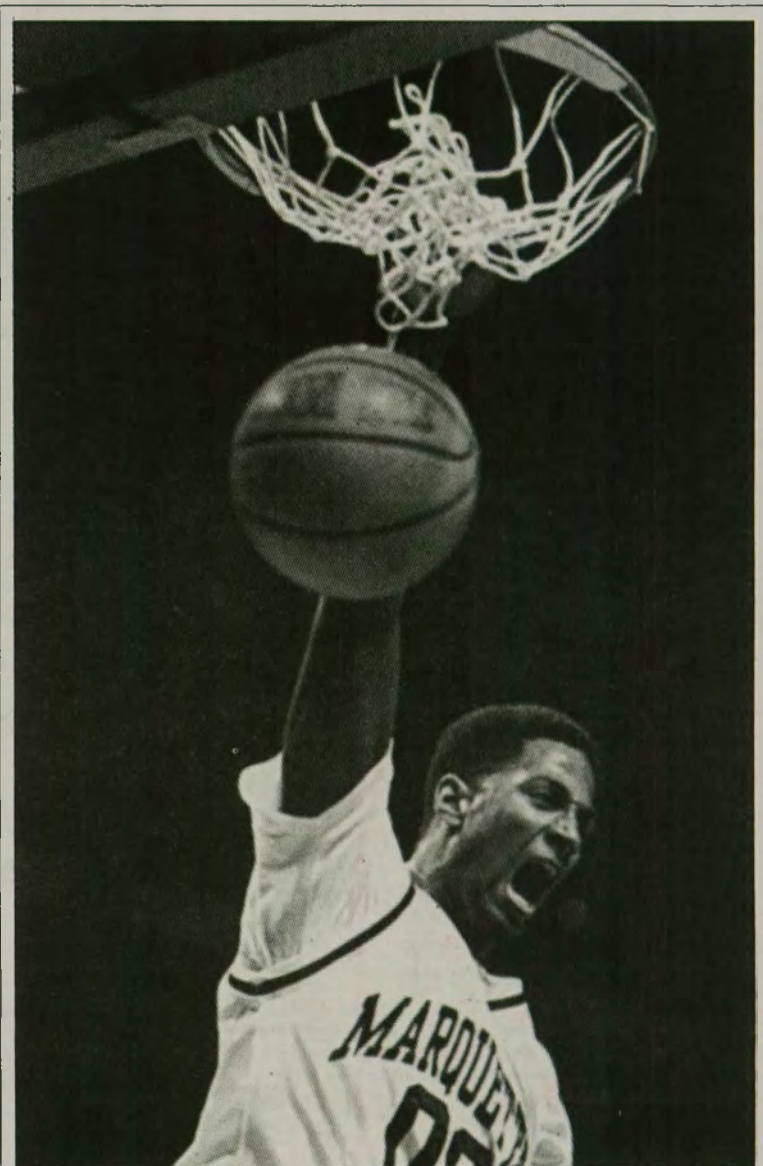


Photo courtesy of Marquette Sports Information
Center Amal McCaskill leads Marquette and the nation's second best scoring defense into Conference USA's inaugural conference tournament. While Conference USA does not have an automatic bid, five teams are expected to be invited to the NCAA tournament.

Conference USA

Wednesday, March 6	Thursday, March 7	Friday, March 8	Saturday, March 9
	(4) Louisville		
	1 p.m.		
	(5) Tulane		
	(1) Cincinnati		
	3:30 p.m.		
(9) St. Louis	(9) St. Louis		
(8) Southern Miss			
	(3) Marquette		
	7:00 p.m.		
(6) Alabama-Birm			
(11) South Florida			
	(2) Memphis		
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(7) North Carolina			
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ACC hopes to play larger role in tourney

By TOM FOREMAN Jr.
Associated Press

GREENSBORO, N.C. It has been 22 years since the NCAA expanded its postseason tournament field to allow more teams to compete for the national championship. So why are so many Atlantic Coast Conference coaches in a sweat?

About to begin the 43rd annual tournament, nerves are a little on edge because observers feel the list of favorites to win the ACC championship is nearly as long as the league standings. If top seed Georgia Tech wins the tournament, it could help bring as many as four other teams into the NCAA field.

Put the name of a longshot on the title trophy and someone could get slighted, like the Yellow Jackets, whose 18-12 record in 1995, including an 8-8 ACC mark, didn't sway the NCAA selection committee. That's why coach Bobby Cremins came up with a suggestion this week to make sure no ACC clubs suffer such a slight again.

"We need to get at least eight to 10 more teams" in the NCAA tournament, Cremins said Tuesday during the ACC's weekly teleconference. "I know 64 is a perfect number for TV. But, again, when you finish fifth in the ACC at .500 and have 18 wins and you don't get into the tournament ... then, there's a problem."

It could be a problem for several ACC teams to ponder as the conference tournament opens. Thursday night's first-round game is between Florida State (13-13, 5-11) and North

Carolina State (14-15, 3-13). Essentially, those two teams are the longest shots and need to win the tournament title to advance to the postseason.

Friday's quarterfinals open with a pair of teams whose NCAA hopes may hinge on their success in Greensboro. Duke (18-11, 8-8) meets Maryland (16-11, 8-8) in the noon showdown.

State-N.C. State contest.

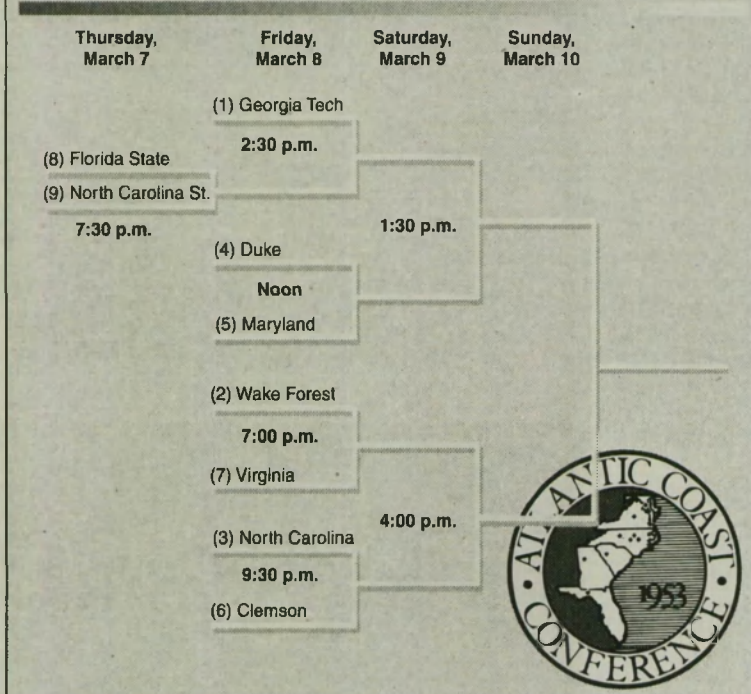
The night session begins with another team that expects an NCAA invitation against a team that is the third of the league's three long shots. Second-seeded Wake Forest (20-5, 12-4) goes against Virginia (12-14, 6-10). The Cavaliers need a three-game run of luck at the Greensboro Coliseum to get to the NCAA.

The final game brings its own set of dynamics. North Carolina (20-9, 10-6) meets Clemson (17-9, 7-9) in what league officials hope will be a peaceful meeting between Tar Heel coach Dean Smith, going for his 22nd NCAA straight tournament appearance, and Tiger coach Rick Barnes, who is trying to break Clemson's five-year absence from the field.

Neither man is commenting about past squabbles between the two that apparently were settled at ACC commissioner Gene Corrigan's house late last month. Barnes has basketball on his mind and he knows there is only one thing that will get his team on the NCAA's list next Sunday evening.

"I know at this time of year, everybody starts politicking," Barnes said. "The only thing that can assure you of getting to the NCAA tournament at this time of year and where we are right now is to win basketball games."

Atlantic Coast Conference



Duke may have aided its cause with a late-season victory over UCLA, part of a five-game winning streak that was halted in the regular-season finale against North Carolina.

Maryland was picked to win the ACC title by the region's sportswriters and broadcasters, but the Terrapins needed a strong finish just to get a fourth-place tie with Duke.

"I would hope that both of us have bids," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "I'm not confident about anything until I see it. I think both our squads are most deserving of bids."

Krzyzewski even went so far as to say he expects five or six ACC teams to get NCAA invitations.

Georgia Tech (20-10, 13-3) has the 2:30 p.m. game Friday with the winner of the Florida



Photo courtesy of Carolina Court Magazine
Guard Dante Calabria and North Carolina are considered a lock to take part in March Madness, but there are several ACC teams who may be on the bubble as the selection committee prepares its decision.

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- 2:30 p.m. Atlantic 10 Quarterfinal - ESPN2
- 5 p.m. North Atlantic Championship - ESPN2
- 7 p.m. BIG EAST Quarterfinal - ESPN2
- 7 p.m. Conference USA Quarterfinal - Sports Channel
- 7:30 p.m. ACC 1st round - ESPN
- 9:30 p.m. BIG EAST Quarterfinal - ESPN
- 9:30 p.m. Atlantic 10 Quarterfinal - ESPN2
- 9:30 p.m. Conference USA Quarterfinal - Sports Channel

Friday:

- Noon: ACC Quarterfinal - ESPN
- 1 p.m. Big Eight Quarterfinal - ESPN2
- 2 p.m. ACC Quarterfinal - ESPN
- 3 p.m. Big Eight Quarterfinal - ESPN2
- 4:30 p.m. Northeast Championship - ESPN
- 7 p.m. BIG EAST Semifinal - ESPN
- 7 p.m. ACC Quarterfinal - ESPN2
- 9 p.m. BIG EAST Semifinal - ESPN
- 9 p.m. ACC Quarterfinal - ESPN2
- 11:30 WAC Semifinal - ESPN2

Saturday:

- 11:30 a.m. Mid-American Championship - ESPN
- 12:30 p.m. ACC Semifinal - ESPN
- 2 p.m. Big Eight Semifinal - ESPN2
- 3:30 p.m. ACC Semifinal - ESPN
- 4 p.m. Big Eight Semifinal - ESPN2
- 6:30 p.m. Atlantic 10 Championship - ESPN
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■ BIG EAST BASKETBALL

Pirates shock Mountaineers

By HAL BOCK
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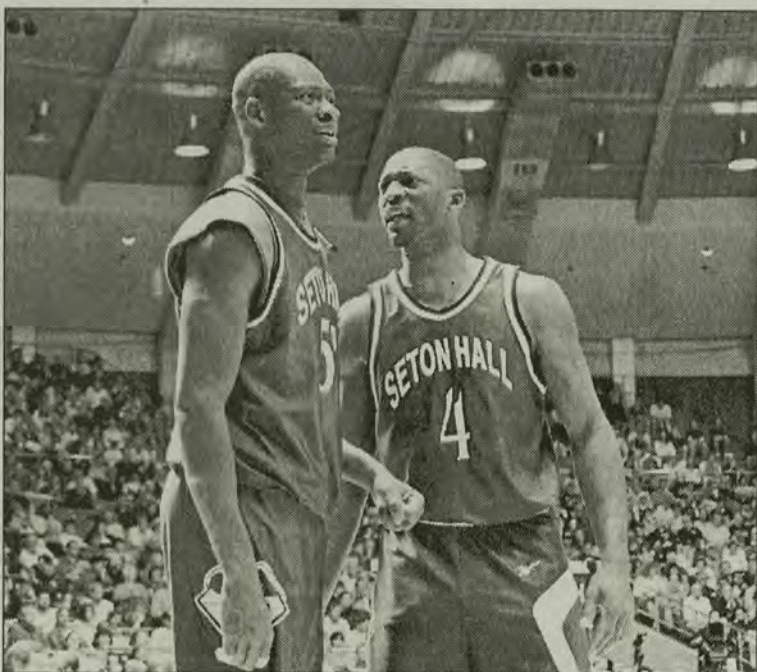
Seton Hall has been struggling lately with eight losses in its last nine games, so when it came time to win its Big East tournament opener on Wednesday, the Pirates had a tough time again.

"We haven't won in awhile," coach George Blaney said after the Pirates escaped with an 80-78 victory over West Virginia. "We didn't know how to win today. We had 10-point leads two or three times and let them back in."

In the end, Adrian Griffin rescued the Pirates, driving for the winning basket with one second to play. "I didn't want to end my career losing to West Virginia," Griffin said.

He almost did, though, because Seton Hall kept letting West Virginia off the hook.

The win earned the Pirates a quarterfinal date against top-seeded and third-ranked



Seton Hall forward Adrian Griffin (right) drove for the winning score with one second left to play to propel the Pirates over West Virginia.

Connecticut on Thursday.

Seton Hall (12-15) led 44-35 at halftime but twice allowed big leads to get away in the second half against the

Mountaineers (12-15). After West Virginia, in its first Big East tournament, pulled within a point at 65-64, Donnell Williams led a 10-0 Seton Hall run to restore an 11-point lead. Williams had 8 points in the run including a pair of 3-pointers.

But West Virginia wasn't done. Cyrus Jones scored seven straight points and the Mountaineers were within three at 78-75 in the final minute. After a Seton Hall turnover, Gordon Malone hit a 3-pointer to tie the score 78-78.

Seton Hall called a timeout with 18 seconds left to set up a final shot and Griffin got it, driving from the right side to hit the layup for the victory.

West Virginia coach Gale Catlett blamed himself for Seton Hall's winning basket.

"I called the wrong defense," he said. "We left the middle open and Griffin was able to penetrate. It's my fault."

Griffin finished with 18 points, leading five Seton Hall players in double figures. Bayonne Taty had 15, Danny Hurley 12, Williams 11 and Levell Sanders 10.

Damian Owens led West Virginia with 17 points while Malone had 16. Seldon Jefferson had 14, including 10 of 14 free throws.



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Guard Tony Delk and the Kentucky Wildcats will put their No. 1 ranking on the line this weekend when they compete in the Southeast Conference tournament. The top seed receives a bye in the first round.

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1:00 p.m.	(2) Mississippi St.		
(7) Vanderbilt	3:15 p.m.		
(9) Auburn			3:00 p.m.
3:15 p.m.	(4) Arkansas		
(5) South Carolina	7:30 p.m.		
(12) LSU			
7:30 p.m.	(3) Georgia	3:15 p.m.	
(6) Alabama	9:45 p.m.		
(11) Tennessee			
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■ BIG EAST BASKETBALL

Hurricanes, Friars advance

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Kevin Norris is Miami's distributor, burdened with getting the ball to the right place at the right time. On Wednesday night, he became the right place at the most important time.

Norris cut short a Rutgers comeback by scoring 11 straight points down the stretch, leading the Hurricanes to a 77-67 victory in the opening round of the Big East tournament.

The win moved Miami (15-12) into Thursday's quarterfinals against No. 6 Georgetown (24-6).

Coach Leonard Hamilton knows the Hurricanes face a tough assignment in Georgetown, the tournament's second seed.

"That's the most prestigious team in the league," he said. "To win the Big East, you have to go through Georgetown and Connecticut. We might as well get them now."

Norris knows it will be tough against the Hoyas' Allen Iverson, the Big East's leading scorer and Defensive Player of the Year.

"I'm in for a dogfight," he said.

He set up the confrontation with his streak scoring down the stretch against Rutgers.

"I was open for shots because my teammates executed well," Norris said.

Rutgers trailed by 15 points in the first half and 41-32 at

halftime.

The Scarlet Knights (9-18) were down 56-40 in the second half when they rallied behind the long range shooting of Geoff Billet.

He finished with 25 points and helped Rutgers draw to 63-62.

Then Norris got hot. The 5-foot-9 point guard scored consecutive baskets, one a 3-pointer, and then connected on six straight foul shots.

Rutgers' only points during the run was Billet's seventh 3-pointer of the game. By then, though, Miami had restored its lead to 10 points and the Hurricanes were never threatened again.

"Miami deserves credit," Rutgers coach Bob Wenzel said. "They played a good game with strong defense. I'm sad because we played a bad game in our last game of the year. I'm annoyed because we didn't play our best."

Norris finished with 20 points and seven assists.

Miami's Steve Edwards added 17 points, including five 3-pointers, and Tim James had 12 points.

For Rutgers, completing its first season in the Big East, Billy Gilligan scored 14 points and Andrew Kolbasovsky had 11.

Providence 80, St. John's 72

NEW YORK

Austin Croshere and Ruben Garces each had 17 points, and

Providence closed the game with a 13-4 run for an 80-72 victory over St. John's on Wednesday night in the opening round of the Big East tournament.

The sixth-seeded Friars (17-10), who probably clinched themselves an at-large berth in the NCAA tournament, play third-seeded and ninth-ranked Villanova on Thursday in the quarterfinals.

Providence, which dominated the boards, especially on the offensive end, led 61-50 with 12:04 to play only to see St. John's (11-16) take the lead at 68-67 with 4:12 left on a 3-pointer by Felipe Lopez.

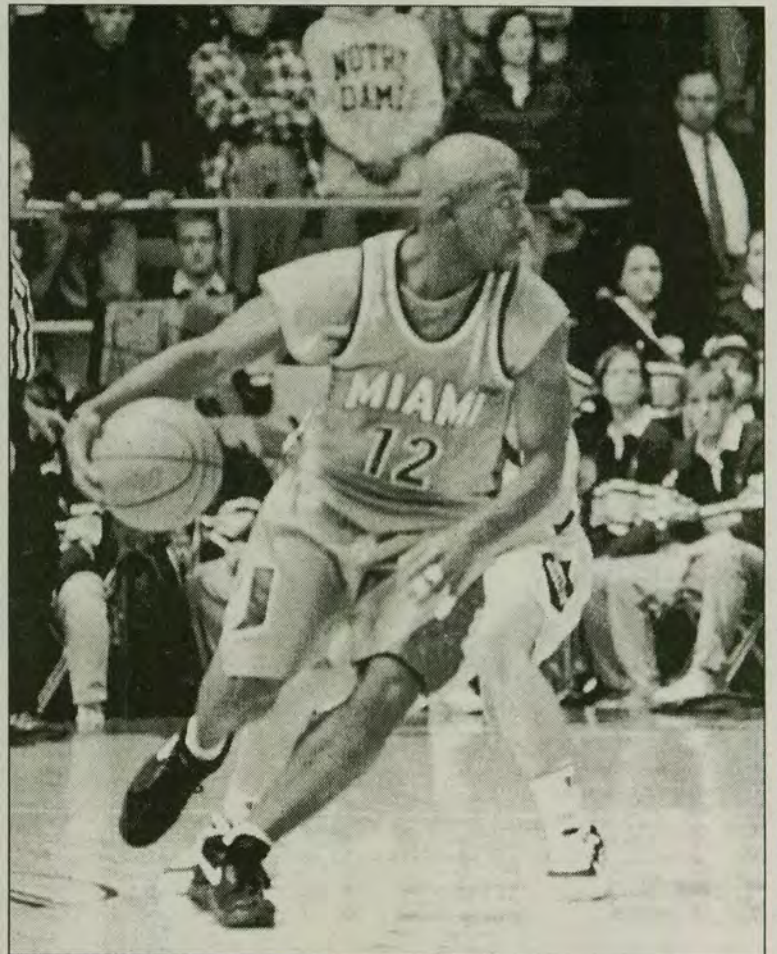
The Friars got the lead back for good 24 seconds later on a rebound basket by Jamel Thomas and they expanded it on consecutive possessions by hitting shots as the shot clock wound down.

Michael Brown made a 3-pointer with three seconds left on the 35-second clock to make it 72-68, and Thomas made a foul-line jumper that barely beat the buzzer with 58 seconds to play. That made it 74-68.

Zendon Hamilton led the Red Storm with 20 points, while Lopez had 18.

Providence finished with a 44-29 rebound advantage, 27-8 on the offensive end. Garces and Thomas each had nine rebounds, while Croshere finished with seven. Thomas had 15 points.

The Friars closed the regular season by winning seven of 10,



The Observer/Brent Tadsen

Point guard Kevin Norris scored 20 points and added seven assists as Miami rolled to a 77-67 victory over Rutgers. The 5-foot-9 playmaker scored 11 points down the stretch to help the Hurricanes set up a showdown with No. 6 Georgetown in Thursday's quarterfinals of the Big East Tournament.

while St. John's lost 10 of 13.

The Red Storm were playing under speculation that coach Brian Mahoney may not be

back next season. Mahoney has a 56-58 record in his four seasons since replacing Lou Carnesecca.

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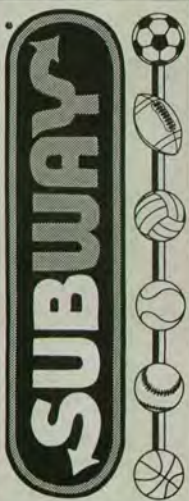
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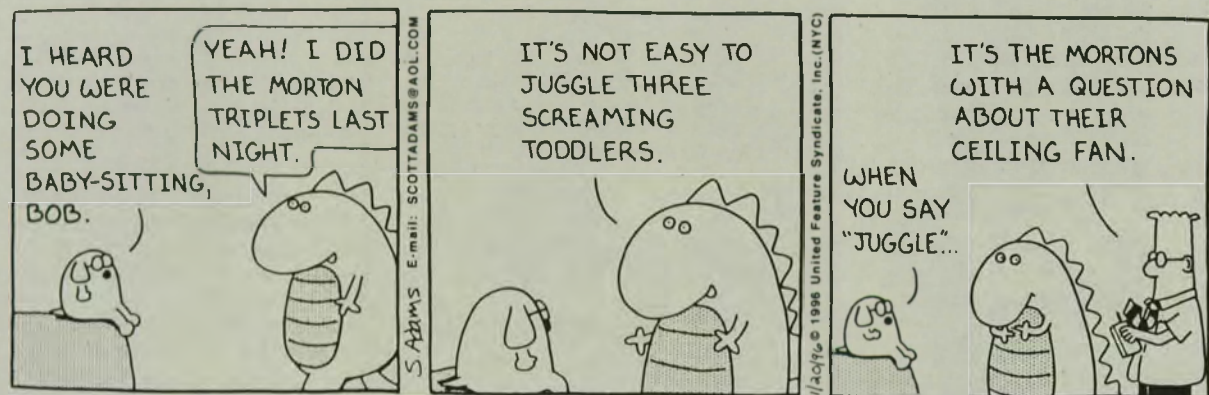
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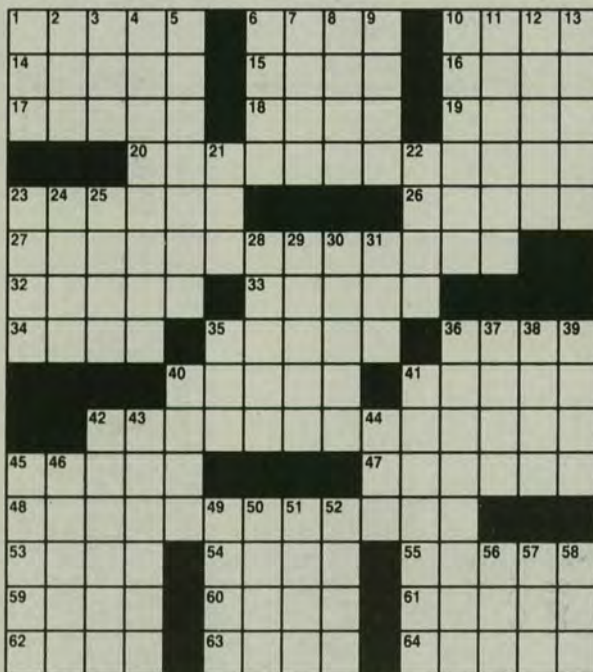
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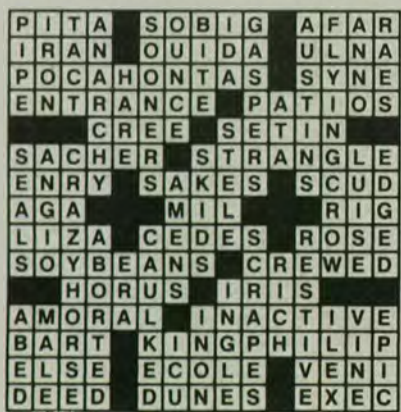
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 - 6 Four Tops leader — Stubbs
 - 10 Breakfast cereal
 - 14 City near Utah Lake
 - 15 Leave
 - 16 First name in country
 - 17 Muslim group
 - 18 "Anything —"
 - 19 Southwest California town
 - 20 Curtain call that never ends?
 - 23 Philip Sidney's "Astrophel and —"
 - 26 Teases maliciously
 - 27 Object to a squelching remark?
 - 32 Revival shouts
 - 33 Whence the phoenix rose
 - 34 Foxx of "Sanford and Son"
 - 35 Admit
 - 36 Sound frustrated
 - 40 Lend —
 - 41 Actress Picon
 - 42 Tenement?
 - 45 Proust hero
 - 47 Conceptualize
 - 48 Pilot's joke to passengers?
 - 53 Parts
 - 54 Not straight
- DOWN**
- 1 Speed letters
 - 2 Man-mouse link
 - 3 1937 play "High —"
 - 4 Make too great an advance
 - 5 City founder of legend
 - 6 Kind of blocks
 - 7 Nebraska Senator James
 - 8 Perspective
 - 9 " — wrap!"
 - 10 Evening news anchor
 - 11 Answer, legally
 - 12 Toward the stern
 - 13 Artless ones
 - 21 Softness provider
 - 22 80's mergers, for short
 - 23 Pentagon
 - 24 Break, in a way
 - 25 Made (out)
 - 28 Ancient: Prefix
 - 55 Answer to "Who did this?"
 - 59 Island necklaces
 - 60 Ground —
 - 61 Minolta rival
 - 62 Old slave
 - 63 Onetime Hagman co-star
 - 64 Zuni home



Puzzle by David J. Kahn

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- 29 Soc. Security Act, e.g.
- 30 Prickly item
- 31 Water droplets
- 35 " — the Angels Sing" (1939 hit)
- 36 Motor coil
- 37 Actress Chase
- 38 Oversupply
- 39 Publicity
- 40 — regni (in the year of the reign)
- 41 "Truth or Dare" subject
- 42 Collect, as bucks
- 43 Disquiet
- 44 Repartee
- 45 Used
- 46 Merchandise
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JEANE DIXON

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Financial assistance for a college-bound teen-ager puts you in a cheerful mood. Protect the value of your home by making timely repairs. A problem involving an elderly person is less serious than expected.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A great day for getting to the heart of a problem or impasse. A marital or business partnership can be strengthened if you employ tact. An older person helps you cut through red tape.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Something you read in the newspaper could give you a business idea. Investigate at once but keep your findings to yourself. A message concerning money could be garbled.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Look beyond the immediate. A special relationship may need reevaluation. Are you getting what you really need? Spend time alone thinking things through. Singles need to be open-minded.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Be diligent. A financial question merits prompt attention. If necessary, con-

sult an accountant or attorney. Discuss any differences of opinion with your partner in a constructive manner.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Something that meant a lot to you in the past, no longer matters. Breathe a deep sigh of relief. Better days lie ahead! If romance is on your agenda, pursue it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Important news arrives today. Remaining in a ho-hum job or relationship would be a mistake. Investigate other avenues. You can widen your network of business contacts by joining a professional group or social club.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You can make a dream come true if you continue to work hard. A friend offers assistance with a delicate situation. Focus on becoming more independent.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A friend with a case of wanderlust tries to persuade you to travel to an exotic locale. Although you like the idea of immersing yourself in a different culture, the timing may not be right.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): The news from afar may be disappointing. Avoid delegating a job you should handle personally. Bargain airline or train fares can be obtained if you act quickly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your ability to make short work of a problem will dazzle an employer or client. Refrain from giving unsolicited advice. Refuse to let a former lover hold your heart hostage.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Others make tough demands; hold your ground. Contracts signed today will make your financial future more secure. Do not sell yourself short. Learn to play a waiting game in romance.

■ Of Interest

■ **Jeff Molitor**, a clinical psychologist with a degree in human sexuality and Chairman of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance of Cincinnati will present: "Coming Out, Coming In, Coming Out," a lecture on gay and lesbian topics. The lecture will be at 5 p.m. in the Haggar Parlor at Saint Mary's.

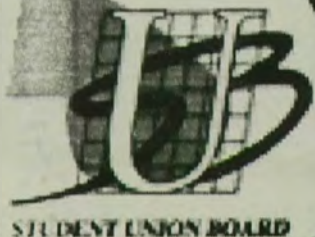
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No tomorrow for Irish

Wallace, Syracuse spoil Notre Dame's Big East debut

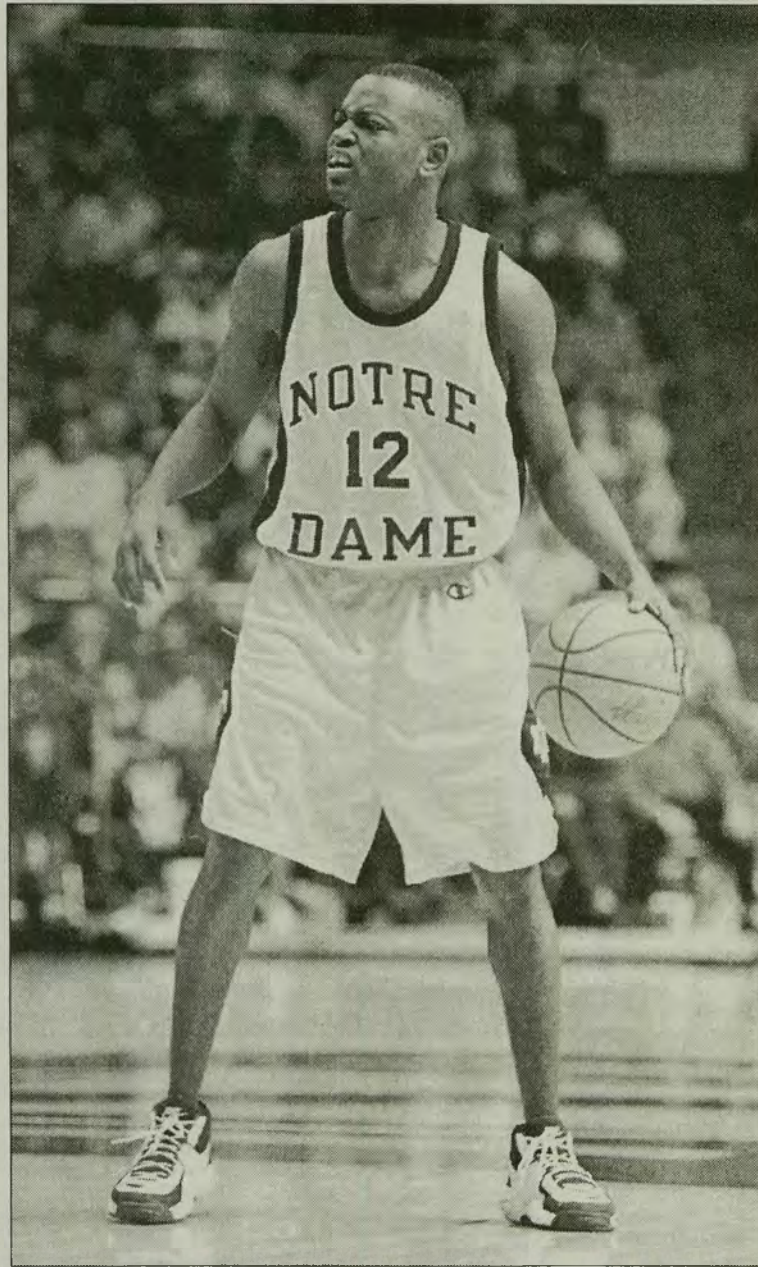
By TIM SEYMOUR
Associated Sports Editor

NEW YORK, NY
The Big East Conference and college basketball in general considered it a significant victory when Syracuse star John Wallace turned down NBA riches to return for his senior season.

Notre Dame will not be sorry when Wallace does depart the league next season.

Wallace spoiled the Irish's Big East Championship debut, scoring 32 points as Syracuse advanced past the first round for the first time in three years with a 76-55 victory Wednesday afternoon.

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The Observer/Rob Finch
Despite a strong effort, guard Admore White and the Irish were unable to unseat the No. 4 seed Syracuse in the opening round of the Big East tournament. The game was closer than the 21 point margin indicated.

JOCK STRIP

Irish hope to build on tournament

NEW YORK, NY

Senior captain Ryan Hoover is Notre Dame basketball through and through. He even has the interlocking 'ND' tattooed inside a shamrock on his shoulder.



TIM SEYMOUR
Associate Sports Editor

For Hoover, Notre Dame's decision to join the Big East provided an interesting sidelight to his senior season. But unlike the rest of his teammates, conference affiliation was destined to be only a one-year romance for Hoover.

That did not prevent him from ruminating on the significance of his first and only post-season tournament experience after his career came to a close in Wednesday's 76-55 loss to Syracuse.

"This is the best conference tournament there is," said Hoover. "You can't get a feel for it in these play-in games."

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Big East Conference

Wednesday, March 6	Thursday, March 7	Friday, March 8	Saturday, March 9
	(1) Connecticut		
(9) Seton Hall	Noon		
(8) West Virginia	(9) Seton Hall		
	(2) Villanova	7:00 p.m.	
(6) Providence	9:10 p.m.		
(11) St. John's			
			8:30 p.m.
(4) Syracuse	(4) Syracuse		
(13) Notre Dame			
	2:30 p.m.		
(5) Boston College	(5) Boston College		
(12) Pittsburgh		9:00 p.m.	
	(3) Georgetown		
	7:10 p.m.		
(7) Miami			
(10) Rutgers			



TRACK AND FIELD

Irish claim sixth at Cambridge

By BETSY BAKER
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's track team ended its indoor season last weekend with a bang at the ICAAAA Championships in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The Irish finished an impressive sixth place out of the hundred-plus east coast schools represented.

"It was a good performance," commented Irish head coach Joe Piane. "Not a great performance, but it was a good finish to a good indoor season."

Five was the lucky number for the Irish as they placed in the top five in five events, including a second place finish by senior shot putter Mike Fleisch with a throw of 57'03.75". Fleisch, who will be one of three Irish athletes to continue their indoor season, will compete for the first time

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The Observer/Mike Ruma

Pat Gorman and the Irish distance medley team placed third in the ICAAAA Championships in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Overall, Notre Dame finished sixth in the final meet of the indoor season.

SAINT MARY'S TRACK

Davis sets sights to improve at Nationals

By STEPHANIE BUEK
Saint Mary's Sports Editor

While most students rely upon planes, trains, and automobiles to transport them to tropical destinations next week, Stacy Davis needs only her own two feet to take her where she wants to go.

With a pair of spikes and a qualifying time of 7:36 in the 55 meters, the Saint Mary's College sprinter heads for the Indoor National Tournament in North Hampton, Massachusetts March 7-8.

Though 7:36 is her best time to date in the 55 meters, Davis's goal is to improve that mark at Nationals.

"I would like to run in the high sixes or low sevens at Nationals," Davis said. "I hope

to place very high."

Whatever her time and rank at Nationals, Davis has already set records at Saint Mary's.

Not only is the freshman the sole member of this year's team to qualify for the National Tournament, but, according to SMC Head Track Coach Larry Szczechowski, Davis is the first runner to qualify for Nationals since he began coaching at Saint Mary's 12 years ago.

"It's an exciting time for all of us," Szczechowski said. "I've never been to Nationals. This is a first, and I'm really excited. (Davis) will be running against the best Division III athletes in the country."

Her teammates agree that, though a first-year college competitor, Davis has already

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SPORTS at a GLANCE

Softball

at South Florida Tournament,
March 8-10

Baseball

vs. Lewis-Clark State in Seattle, March 8
vs. Long Beach State in Seattle, March 9

Men's Tennis

at Pennsylvania, March 11, 2 p.m.

Lacrosse

at Maryland-Baltimore County
(Annapolis, MD), March 9, noon

Women's Tennis

vs. Kansas State, March 9, 10 a.m.
vs. Drake, March 9, 4 p.m.

Track

at NCAA Championships, March 8-9

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