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A NEW TERM, THE SAME QUESTIONS

This is the first of a three-part series examining the role of student government at Notre Dame.

Officers respond to controversy surrounding elections

By TIM LOGAN
News Editor

As student body president Micah Murphy and vice president Michael Palumbo prepare to lead Notre Dame's undergraduate population for the next year, they face a number of questions about student government's effectiveness and responsiveness to student concerns.

A reputation as government insiders and their close association with former student body president Peter Cesaro and vice president Andréa Selak — who were criticized for relative silence on controversial issues while in office — make Murphy and Palumbo a likely target for continued frustration with what many see as the irrelevance of Notre Dame student government.

This frustration was manifested in the February elections for student body president. The 10 tickets which Murphy and Palumbo defeated generally agreed that student government, especially the office of the president, could do far more to connect with the students it represents and more effectively advance their concerns to the administration.

"It seems very exclusive at times," said Wally Poirer, a Zahm Hall junior who has run for student body president twice but is not involved beyond the hall government level. "It doesn't always represent students as well as it could."

Acknowledging the perception that student government is often exclusive, the new administration hopes to combat this problem, according to Palumbo.

"If we become self-interested, if we become exclusive, we shut out student opinion," he said. "If we're supposed to be representatives of the students, we need to be willing to listen to students. If we become exclusive, we're not doing our job."

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MICHAEL PALUMBO
STUDENT UNION VICE PRESIDENT

Some say that will be difficult, however, given the very nature of the organization.

"I think the problem with student government is that it's sort of rotten at the core," said Luke White, who finished third in the election on a campaign that played largely on satire and a proposal to kill swans. White said that elected student leaders focus too much on consensus building and are thus unable to make serious progress on advancing student concerns.

"I think student government is lacking idealism," he said. "It has the bureaucratic structure, but it lacks the force behind it."

Other candidates agreed that student

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The Observer / Joe Stark

Critics have claimed that Student Government does not accurately represent the student body. Most meetings, such as this meeting of the Student Senate, are open to the public.

Panel announces new leprechauns

By FINN PRESSLY
Assistant News Editor

After a grueling series of tryouts on Friday, O'Neill Family Hall sophomore Michael Brown was named next year's varsity leprechaun, while fellow sophomore C.J. Lanktree will represent the olympic squad leprechaun.

Brown

"I'm so excited. I'm just happy to represent the University to the best of my ability," said Brown, the first African-American chosen to serve as Notre Dame's leprechaun. "You represent the University, the students, the alumni and fans all over the world."

While Brown was active in supporting his high school teams from the stands, this will be the first time he has taken to the field to show his support.

"It's something I didn't plan on, until I came here and felt the spirit here," he said.

"He's the most explosive, energetic person I've ever seen. He has a magnetic charisma about him that I think will encourage the crowd to cheer," said Jo Minton, head coach and program director of cheerleading.

Lanktree said he has had the desire to act as the mascot for more than a decade.

"This is something that dates back to 1988, when my father and I travelled to L.A. and I met the 1988 leprechaun," he said. "My sister encouraged me to go out and show my enthusiasm. "

"I'm very excited," Lanktree said. "I'd love to take the opportunity to represent the University, and I can't wait to show my enthusiasm for ND."

Competition for the position was especially tough this year.

"We had nine candidates try out, which was unusual, but speaks well of the program," said Minton.

Each candidate's tryout followed the same format. They first met individually with a panel of six interviewers, representing everyone from the cheerleading coaches to the alumni association.

In addition to delivering a pep rally address, the candidates are also judged on their ability to face the press amid the simulated distractions of a real game.

"After the game situation is a media interview. The media interview is a radio or TV personality who approaches the candidate and drills him with questions," Minton explained. "This year they were asked questions regarding if a little girl could try out for leprechaun, and they had to respond with the proper response – that anyone can try out and that it's just the one with most spirit and the most energy."

Minton said that the media interview is one of the most valuable parts of the selection process.

"We try to simulate what it's like for the leprechaun," she said. "By putting them through this process, you can tell which one can handle the situation and which one can get the crowd going at a pep rally."

Observer, Dome take top honors

Observer Staff Report

The Observer and Dome received recognition as Newspaper and Yearbook of the Year, respectively, at the Indiana Collegiate Press Association's annual conference Saturday in Greencastle, Ind.

The association also recognized Scholastic Magazine as the third place overall magazine in the news magazine category.

Winning in the daily newspaper category, The Observer shared the honor with Ball State University of Muncie, Ind. The University of Pennsylvania's editorial board, winner of the Associated Collegiate Press 1999 Pacesetter Award, judged the contest and considered entries in over 20 categories to determine the winners.

The Observer also had several individual category winners.

The staff of "Pride at Notre Dame," an April 1998 three-part series that looked at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's gay and lesbian students and faculty members, received special commendation as the best investigative story at the awards ceremony.

"If possible, I would give this amazing series first, second and third places. Wonderful profiles, great photos. An in-depth look at Notre Dame's gay and lesbian community," said vice president of newspapers Melissa Vogt, citing judges comments.

The staff included Michelle Krupa, Rob Finch, Heather

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■ INSIDE COLUMN

Blame it on the rain

I'd like to blame it on the rain. Or the wind. Or the fact that we were playing under the lights and not under the bright sunshine.

I'd like to think that my bookstore team could have won under different circumstances. I wish I could believe that it was poor weather conditions and not poor shooting that spelled our doom. I want to say that because the ball was wet, I put up enough bricks to construct another building that some rich alumnus can slap his name on.

Mike Connolly
Associate Sports Editor

Maybe I should blame my teammates. I should tell everyone how great I played. How I pulled my weight by scoring three of our 12 glorious points. I should tell everyone how I was held back by my teammates. They didn't give me the rock enough. They didn't call out the screens or switch up on defense. They missed too many shots and didn't get enough rebounds.

It's all their fault.

Maybe it's the other team's fault. They had to reschedule the game. They wanted to play at night instead of our regularly scheduled time. We were ready to play at 12:30. It's because we had to play seven hours later that we lost. Yeah, that's it. It's all their fault.

Or maybe, I should shut up and accept my defeat.

I should accept the fact that I have no game. The closest I will ever get to dunking is when I eat Oreos. When I leave the Rock after a night of basketball, the maintenance crew has to come out and repaint and straighten the rims from my shots clanking off all night.

Yeah that's it. I stink so my teammates had to step up and they didn't. It's really their fault.

I would blame the refs but there weren't any. Maybe there should have been refs. It's the Bookstore Commissioners' fault. They didn't provide the refs that were needed. If we had refs, we would have won.

Maybe I should remember the words of Lou Holtz in "The Fighting Spirit:" "There are 1,000 reasons for failure but not a single excuse."

It's easy to make up excuses. It's easy to blame others or concede defeat because the going was tough.

If you look hard enough, there is always a reason why you won't succeed. Anyone can tell you why you aren't good enough, fast enough, smart enough or strong enough. If you listen long enough you can always convince yourself that the blame belongs on others.

Reasons for failure are a dime-a-dozen. But if you don't put these reasons behind you and just do your job, you will never succeed. The more you look for excuses, the more likely you will find them.

It is when we ignore these excuses and battle past our faults that we succeed.

I accept our defeat. I accept that we got crushed. We got out-shot, out-rebounded and out-dribbled. I took some awful shots, made bad passes and had too many turnovers. I was a part of the team and I accept responsibility for my team's defeat.

But I wouldn't trade my team for any other team in the world. Other teams shoot better, dribble lower and play stronger defense. But I love my team. I wouldn't trade our glorious defeat for all the wins in the world.

But next year, there is always next year. Nobody will stop us next year.

And if we go down in the first round again, there will still be no excuses.

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Outside the Dome

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Yale undergraduates prefer to function with less sleep

NEW HAVEN, Conn.

Sleep was named the "new status symbol" for business executives in a recent article in the Wall Street Journal.

Perhaps students will embrace this idea as they enter the business community, but as undergraduates, many say that they prefer to get by on as little sleep as possible.

In order to be fully alert, college students require about nine and a half hours of sleep, said Dr. James Maas, a psychologist at Cornell University. Most college students get six hours of sleep, he said, making them "walking zombies."

Many Yale undergraduates say they can function on four or five hours, and that sleep is just not a priority for them.

"You can do three things when you come to Yale," said freshman Allan Roth. "You can sleep, work or have a social life." Usually, he said, he chooses the two latter activities.

Roth said he does notice that he is less able to concentrate in class when he does not sleep. Sophomore Elliot Lewis, who gets between five and six hours of sleep each night, also said that his work is impacted by his sleeping patterns.

"I don't think that I work at 100 percent," he said. "But I'm functional for a period of time."

Maas, the author of "Power Sleep," a book on sleep and work performance, said he questions just how functional students who sleep so little really are. "Without nine and half hours of sleep," he said, "it means you have your body in the classroom, but your mind is on your pillow."

While he said that some people are genetically capable of getting slightly less sleep, he has tested students who sleep little and say they are not tired. Thirty-four percent of those tested, he said, were "in the twilight zone."

Freshman Roberto Sabater said he usually gets a good amount of sleep, but there are weeks when he sleeps for only a few hours over several days. He said that he is still able to concentrate in class, however.

Kirsten Boyd of the National Sleep Foundation said erratic sleep habits like Sabater's are very damaging to people's ability to function properly.

"You must establish a regular bed time and wake schedule," she said.

■ UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Religous groups targeting students

LINCOLN, Neb.

They were friendly, hugged him and told him that he belonged. But Christopher Measel didn't know that belonging would cost him so much. Last spring, Measel, a freshman biology major at the time, attended a service of the Greater Church of Christ in Omaha. He joined the church, which meets at the Westside Community Center in Omaha, and became an active member. That, he said, is when the problems began. "They had too much control over people's life," Measel said. "They were with me constantly." College students such as Measel are an easy target for cults and other religious groups because they are in a new environment, said Rev. Bill Steinbauer, pastor at the University Lutheran Chapel. Hugh Whitt, a University of Nebraska-Lincoln sociology professor, called the university setting a "religious marketplace" for religious groups trying to recruit new members.

■ UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA- LAS VEGAS

STD testing increases after spring break

LAS VEGAS

Staff at the Student Health Services Center are gearing up for an increase in tests for pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases typical two to three weeks after spring break. "We just kind of expect it from experience," said Lori Winchell, director of Student Health Services. Human Immunodeficiency Virus testing booms shortly after spring break, according to Jason Butts, UNLV health educator. The test requires a short HIV class which goes from an estimated average of 10 to 12 people per class during the year, then jumps to 18 to 20 people after spring break. "That's like clockwork. The Tuesday and Thursday (class) after spring break is loaded with people," he said. UNLV statistics show that chlamydia and pregnancy testing were highest during April 1997. Spring break that year took place during the last two week of March.

■ UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

FBI probes possible espionage in labs

BERKELEY, Calif.

Chinese spies may have stolen top-secret neutron bomb designs from another University of California laboratory — marking the second report of possible nuclear technology leakage in less than a month. A United States spy stationed in China told officials in 1996 that he heard Chinese intelligence officials boasting that U.S. nuclear secrets stolen from the UC-run Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory aided their development of a neutron bomb, the New York Times reported Thursday. According to the report, China, using stolen technology from the Livermore lab, had attempted to build and test the neutron bomb in the 1980s. The 1988 attempt failed, however, and Chinese spies returned to the United States in 1995 and stole more confidential information from the laboratory, the report said.

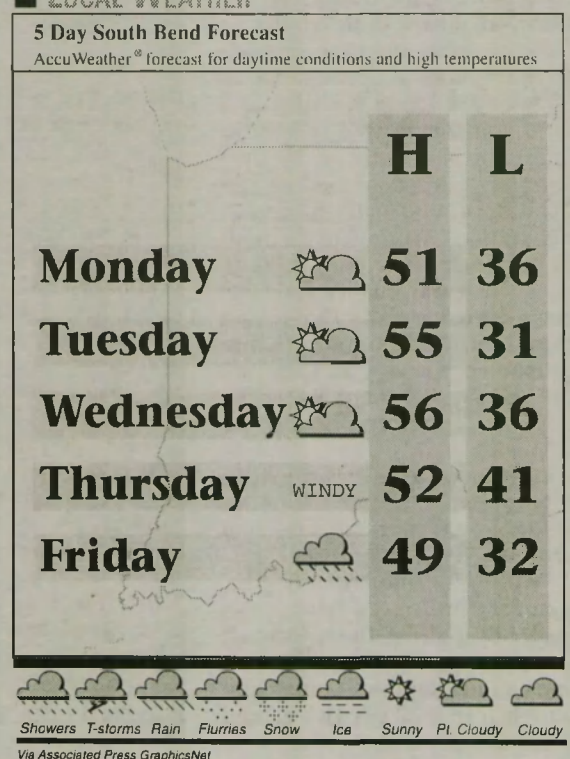
■ NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Students prepare for College Jeopardy

EVANSTON, Ill.

Like many Northwestern University students, Whitney Owens and Paul Marchegiani have spent years impressing their friends and family by shouting out the right questions while watching "Jeopardy!" But this weekend, they won't just be shouting at a screen. Twenty-five thousand dollars will be on the line, and they'll be asking their questions to Alex Trebek. Owens, a Weinberg senior, and Marchegiani, a music major, each beat out more than 1,500 other college students nationwide to win one of 15 spots in the "Jeopardy!" College Championship this weekend at the Rosemont Theatre. "I'm really stoked about it," Marchegiani said. "The whole thing is kind of surreal." Owens said she is particularly excited about appearing on "Jeopardy!" because it's her favorite game show. "One of my friends said he was tired of me beating him and his roommates at Nintendo 'Jeopardy!'" Owens said.

■ LOCAL WEATHER



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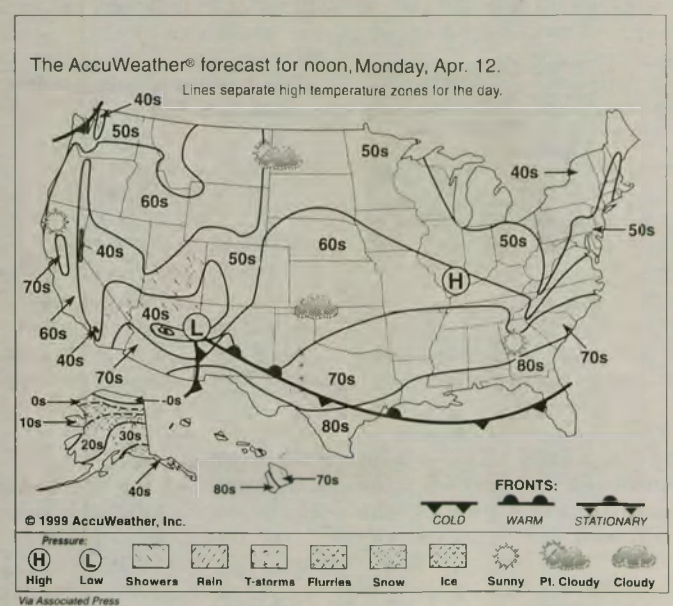

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Chicago	56	38	Lexington	64	42	New York	70	60

Former Dutch Prime Minister addresses democracy

By ERICA THESING
Associate News Editor

Christian democracy can only have a future when it recognizes that humanity must confront changes in technology, economics and other principles of globalization, said Ruud Lubbers, former prime minister of the Netherlands, Friday.

Lubbers, who delivered the keynote address at the weekend's Christian Democracy in Europe and Latin America conference, explained that the concept of globalization includes worldwide communication via technology, worldwide trade and investment, and changes in political ideology.

He added that that something needs to be done to address continued cynicism and marginalization.

"We need a new architecture to cope with those problems," he said.

Lubbers urged his audience to focus less on the shortcomings of politicians and more on how each person can contribute to the solutions.

"Be present in society, defend and practice values, pressure institutions like business to humanize mankind," he said.

While both cynicism and indifference are troublesome, Lubbers said that he is more concerned with indifference. He urged Christian democrats to return to their roots and strengthen themselves for the future.

"The future is always about change," he said. "The only way to do so is to accept that we have to change ourselves and we have to change together."

Lubbers also expressed optimism about technology such as the Internet that connects people from all over the world. He said that this should lead to a respect of cultural differences and an appreciation of diversity.

"There is enormous opportunity in cultural diversity," Lubbers said. "There are such riches in the diversity of this world."

He said Christian democracy should never be afraid to listen to others or to reach out to a variety of people.

"I think it's doable," Lubbers said.

Lubbers also explained that there are deficits to democracy, especially in the regards to security, and that there are social and environmental factors that contribute to the problem.

After World War II, security meant preventing violence between nation-states, he said. Violence within nation-states, however, was something in which other nations did not become involved.

"Today we talk about Kosovo and we are really confused," said Lubbers, who explained that such international intervention is different from previous understandings of security.

Part of this relates to cynicism, he explained. Lubbers used the example of a family watching the news and seeing devastation in Kosovo and then criticizing their politicians for not becoming involved. Three weeks later, Lubbers said, the same family hears that their president has initiated bombing raids in that country and they criticize their leaders for naiveté.

Lubbers also discussed the role of non-governmental organizations (NGO) in the new world structure. He said that globalization leads to new institutions.

"By institutions I mean that people organize themselves. For example, in non-profit organizations we see enormous growth around the world," Lubbers said, adding that this is especially true in mature market economies.

He explained that these organizations have a role in improving quality of life. While their organizational skills are important, there is another factor.

"What we see today as well is that they have to start to pressurize, to put pressure to, the transnational companies," Lubbers said.

In this way, the NGOs play a role in holding corporations responsible for their actions around the globe. This is especially true as globalization becomes more prevalent, Lubbers noted.

In the past, companies were only responsible to the law of the country in which they operated. With the advent of world conferences on environment and labor standards fostered by NGOs, however, that is changing, Lubbers explained.

"Now companies are becoming a little bit scared," he said. "Now they have to do a little bit better than that."

Lubbers also discussed a recent emphasis on fundamental values. He said that all religions share certain values, such as the Golden Rule.

"People have started to react against the prime movers of globalization. ... They start to stress emotional values as well," Lubbers said. "It's interesting that people talk more [now] than 20 years ago about specific values."

Lubbers currently teaches globalization studies at the University of Tilburg in the Netherlands and at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. He was the Netherlands' longest serving prime minister, holding office from 1982 to 1994.

The Nanovic and Kellogg Institutes sponsored the conference.

A night in the islands

The Observer / Duffy Arnoult

Students demonstrated traditional Hawaiian dance Saturday night at Na Lei Hali'a, a celebration of Hawaiian culture.

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Conference stresses importance of service learning

By CHRISTINE KRALY
Assistant News Editor

Service learning is phenomenal, said Rebecca Petit, a representative from the South Bend Juvenile Justice Facility, at the America's Promise Conference Friday.

The conference, titled SEEDS [Supporting Experiential Education development for Students], brought together representatives from local community service organizations and student interns, to encourage student participation in experiential learning.

"[Service learning] is a great learning environment," said Kregg Van Meter, representing the Boys' and Girls' Club. Van Meter, who works with students from Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Holy Cross, has nearly 85 volunteers and eight work-study students.

"If you're on campus, you're putting books away in the library or pouring coffee for people," said Mary Finley, a senior work-study student at the Boys' and Girls' Club.

Working at the Club, she said, is great because the hours are flexible and she can interact with the kids.

Finley said people are surprised when she tells them of the 14 hours per week she works at the club, mostly because many people don't realize the options of doing work-study off campus.

A problem Van Meter sees in getting students to volunteer off campus is not lack of interest but lack of transportation. Though some students use vans provided by the Center for Social Concerns and others carpool, the biggest problem in drawing students off campus is the inability to get to and from volunteer sites.

Petit, who only takes on students willing to commit two semesters of work, said that service learning is "the most exciting" part of her job. From the beginning, Petit treats her student workers as employees rather than volunteers, issuing them job descriptions, employee business cards and offices.

"We want to put students in a situation where they can be successful," she said, noting that she places students in jobs relevant to their academic interests.

Petit, like Van Meter, tries to incorporate students into leadership roles as much as she can. While Van Meter allows students to lead art classes and coach the children's athletic teams, Petit has students run free counseling sessions for students visiting the facility.

Student workers are invaluable to a community agency because they bring enthusiasm to the job, said Petit. Students are curious and active and gain a "greater sensitivity for the bigger picture [of homelessness and crime]" by working with real caseloads.

'WE WANT TO PUT STUDENTS IN A SITUATION WHERE THEY CAN BE SUCESSFUL.'

REBECCA PETIT
SOUTH BEND JUVENILE JUSTICE FACILITY REPRESENTATIVE

"Students come and they are current," she said, adding that students are usually up-to-date on the newest programs in their fields of work.

Rosie McDowell, a representative from the Logan Center who facilitates nearly 75 students, said that having students reflect on their service connects their experience to classroom learning and gives them a chance to talk about their work with others.

"Reflection is the [actual] thing that makes a difference," said McDowell. "[Reflection] is what defines service learning as service learning."

Chapin Street Clinic representative Michelle Peters agreed with McDowell.

"Reflection will make their service so much better," she said. "If you can make it mandatory, make it mandatory."

Peters, too, said that having students reflect on their service opportunities helps them to realize the importance of what they are doing.

McDowell and Peters gave tips on successful reflection including keeping the reflection times at a minimum, as to not wear down the students, and to provide food at the meetings.

While students, through service learning opportunities, are helping those in their community, Petit says an important part of their experience lies in learning about themselves.

Petit keeps her two-semester quota so students can not only be properly trained to take on individual caseloads but also so that they can develop a "better understanding of themselves."

Before you can help others, she said, "you have to get your stuff together."

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Cocks, Matthew Loughran and John Daily.

In writing, Observer staffers Loughran, Allison Krilla, M. Shannon Ryan, Christian Pierce and Cocks won first place awards for best news story, best sports story, best sports feature, best entertainment review and best editorial column, respectively.

Joey Cavato won third place for best sports feature and Ryan took third in the best feature story category.

In photography, Kevin Dalum won first and second places, respectively, for best news photo and Finch took second and third places for best feature photo and best photographic art, respectively.

Jeff Hsu took first place in the best sports photo category.

Ryan Meinerding won first place for best non-photographic art, and Dan Sullivan took first for best editorial cartoon.

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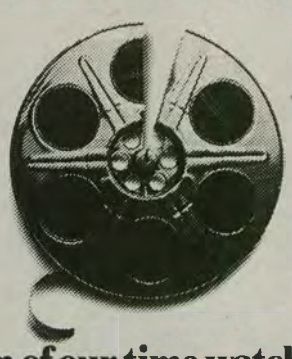

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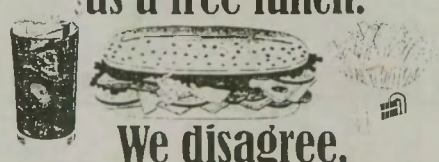

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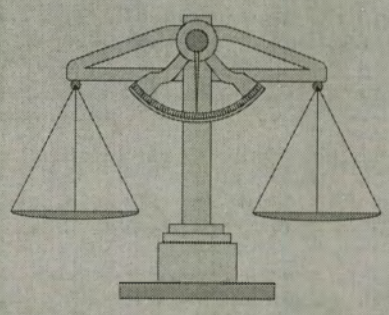

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World & Nation

■ World News Briefs

Iraq: Allied planes kill two

BAGHDAD

Allied planes struck civil and military targets in southern Iraq Sunday, killing two people and wounding nine others, the Iraqi military reported. The U.S. Central Command confirmed that American planes had attacked Iraqi missile batteries 100 miles south of Baghdad, but gave no word of casualties. The attacks were in retaliation for anti-aircraft fire and a surface-to-air missile attack on "coalition aircraft," the Central Command said in a statement from its headquarters in Florida. In Baghdad, the Iraqi air defense command said allied aircraft had bombed "civil installations and weapons positions." Two Iraqis were killed and nine others were wounded in the attack, including two women from the province of Qadissiya, the official Iraqi News Agency quoted the command as saying. Qadissiya is 125 miles southeast of Baghdad.

Two die from taxi station bomb

KAMPALA, Uganda

A bomb blast in a crowded taxi station in the Ugandan capital killed at least two people Sunday and injured eight others, government officials said. The attack took place just 200 yards from another taxi station that was attacked Saturday. Police, who gave no details of the attack, cordoned off the streets near the station and kept reporters away from the station that was littered with smashed bottles and broken crates. No one immediately claimed responsibility for the attack. Witnesses at the station said they saw two men dead on the ground. Eight other people were taken to the hospital, government officials said. Witnesses said one of the injured died on the way. Bombs planted on inter-city buses and in bars and restaurants in Kampala have killed more than three dozen people in the past two years.

Candidate promises peace

JERUSALEM

A top candidate for Israeli prime minister said Sunday that he would schedule a referendum on a final peace settlement with the Palestinians if he is elected in May. Ehud Barak, the head of the Labor party, has promised to resume the peace process, which Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu froze several months ago after accusing the Palestinian Authority of failing to fulfill its commitments. "We will bring a final agreement to a referendum, if it is reached," Barak told Channel 2 TV. Barak said that he was sure that the peace policies of his government would "receive the overwhelming support of the Israeli public." Final negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians were slated to be completed by May 4, but have yet to begin. The talks are to deal with the conflict's most sensitive issues.

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■ Algeria

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Supporters of presidential candidate Abdelaziz Bouteflika danced with guns in Tamarasset, approximately 1,330 miles south of Algiers. Algerians will vote Thursday for a new president to succeed outgoing president Liamine Zeroual who stepped down last September, 19 months before the end of his five-year term.

Presidential elections provide hope

Associated Press

PARIS

Upcoming presidential elections are prompting hopes for change in Algeria, mired for more than seven years in an Islamic insurgency and for more than three decades in a system that has bred corruption, despair and economic decay.

From seven candidates, Algerians will choose their first civilian leader since the nation's first president, Ahmed Ben Bella, who was ousted in 1965.

The question is whether the powerful military that has been the source of power in Algeria since its independence from France will ensure a fair vote in Thursday's election, then bow out. If no one wins an outright majority, the election would be decided in a run-off.

Since 1992, more than 75,000 people have died, including civilians, security forces and Islamic insurgents trying to install a state based on their interpretation of Koranic law. The "jihad," or holy war, and the brutal army offensive have redefined life in the North African nation prized by the West for its abundant natural gas and oil reserves.

An army coup that aborted January 1992 legislative elections the Islamic Salvation Front was winning triggered the insurgency.

National reconciliation is the byword of the campaign, with all seven candidates stressing the need to suture the wounds of a divided nation.

Even the banned Salvation Front, which called for boycotts in past votes, has asked people to turn out for the vote to replace retired Gen. Liamine Zeroual, who is stepping down 18 months before the end of his five-year term.

The election marks a "critical turning point," the Salvation Front said from its exile base in Europe.

It called on voters to back former Foreign Minister Ahmed Taleb Ibrahimi, 67, who has Islamic sympathies and wants reconciliation through dialogue with all who do not support violence.

The election "is extraordinarily important to Algeria," said former U.S. ambassador to Algeria, Ronald Neumann, now deputy assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern affairs. It has the potential to bring new legitimacy and authority to the nation's leader, he said.

"If it goes badly, obviously, that would be a considerable step back," he said in a telephone interview.

Despite the array of candidates, there are fears only one counts: Abdelaziz Bouteflika, portrayed by many as the army' s man.

The army is blamed for Algeria's rampant corruption and high unemployment. Claims of human rights abuse, including torture and disappearances, have compounded a pervasive sense of hopelessness.

Air Force tries to rescue satellite

Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla.

A $250 million missile-warning satellite that was left stranded in a useless orbit had the Air Force scrambling Sunday in an attempt to rescue it.

"They haven't given up," said Patsy Bomhoff, a spokeswoman at Schriever Air Force Base in Colorado. "They're working around the clock."

The Defense Support Program satellite was launched Friday aboard an Air Force Titan rocket. It was the first flight of a Titan IV since a spy satellite was destroyed in a $1 billion explosion shortly after liftoff last August.

If the satellite cannot be salvaged, the failed mission will have cost taxpayers $682 million, including the rocket cost.

The Titan did its job in its long-awaited return to flight. But an upper-stage motor apparently malfunctioned and left the satellite in a highly lopsided rather than circular orbit.

Air Force officials said the Boeing-built motor separated as planned from the satellite seven hours after liftoff,

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Patty Bomhoff
spokeswoman
Schriever Air Force Base

but it was unclear whether it fired properly.

Ground controllers worked throughout the weekend, trying to figure out what went wrong. They were in contact with the satellite but unable to determine its condition, Bomhoff said.

"They're trying to get the satellite in a position where they can work with it and control it," she said. "They're trying to come up with solutions, trying different things."

The satellite was intended for a 22,300-mile-high orbit, where it was to have joined other Defense Support Program spacecraft in detecting missile and rocket launches as well as nuclear detonations. The 2 1/2-ton satellite is equipped with 6,000 infrared sensors.

Air Force officials insisted before Friday's launch there was no rush for the new satellite, even with the conflict in Yugoslavia. They said the existing Defense Support Program network is providing complete, worldwide coverage.

The satellites were instrumental in tracking Scud missiles during the 1991 Persian Gulf war.

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leaders lack the ability to be a strong voice for the students. This problem comes largely from their poor communication with the greater student body, according to Poirer.

"Responsiveness would improve the decisions made," he said. "Student government is putting forth a lot of effort to no avail on things that may be impractical or undesirable. With some input from students, maybe they'd see this."

Palumbo agrees to some extent with this sentiment, stressing that student leaders need to remain open to the voices of those they represent.

"We need to seek the best people with the most wide range of opinions," he said. "You have to be big enough to ask, you have to be ready to listen to everything."

Other campus leaders echo this idea, but stress that students must take the initiative, because it is impossible to gauge campus opinion without a wide range of voices.

"Student government tries to make itself available, but I think that students have to realize that, if they want change, they have to take the initiative," said Pangborn Hall senator Susan Roberts.

While a range of different students took that initiative in running for president, the student body chose the ticket with experience and a commitment to many of the same programs and policies that guided the Cesaro/Selak administration.

Murphy and Palumbo had more experience with Notre Dame student government than any of their competitors. Murphy served as Keough Hall president and, before that, secretary of the Class of 2000, and Palumbo was the Student Union secretary.

Only one other pair, Chana Jayme and Dan Peate — both hall presidents — had worked in the Student Union. Murphy and Palumbo's victory, and the way the Election Committee handled their late entrance into the race, only fueled the notion of exclusivity, other candidates said.

"The way I saw the elections, student government had final say over just about everything," said Sean Deschene, who finished fifth in the voting. "They're basically picking their own successors."

Murphy and Palumbo entered the race on separate tickets, but both of their running mates chose to drop out. The two then paired up, but it was several days after the entry deadline. Despite protests from other tickets, they were placed on the ballot. Deschene pointed to this as an example of student government exclusivity.

"In [the election committee's eyes], there was only one serious ticket," he said. "They said, 'We'd do everything we could to help them get elected.'"

Nicole Borda, Judicial Council vice president for elections, disagreed.

"We would've done exactly the same thing for any other candidates," she said.

Given the late withdrawal of Julie Reising, Murphy's initial running mate, for personal reasons, the Election Committee decided to approve the addition of Palumbo to the ticket. Borda said, under the circumstances and with the unclear nature of election bylaws, the pair could not be barred from the race.

"There was really no way we could tell the candidates that they can't switch tickets," Borda said. "We handled it in what we felt was the best way possible."

Much of the confusion which arose when tickets were switched in February came out of unclear bylaws in the Student Union constitution. Candidates were unsure of the rules regarding election laws.

"A lot of problems arose because of obscurities in the bylaws," said Judicial Council president Kelly Folks, who noted that signature deadlines and exceptions to the rules would be addressed. "I'm working with the vice-president of elections and rewriting them as best we can so that they're coherent and easy to follow and a lot clearer."

The debate over student government exclusivity during the election brought about the positive result of helping open up the process, according to Palumbo.

"[The other candidates] brought attention to the problem," he said. "Often, perception is reality, and if students are perceiving it and students are saying it, then, yes, there is a problem."

He pledged to try to alleve this situation in the coming year, in the hopes that student government at Notre Dame will improve.

"We've got to want to bring people in here and seek other opinions," Palumbo said. "The more people are involved, the better it becomes."

Professor to receive grant

Dennis Jacobs was named one of 29 Pew Scholars

By KRISTEN FITZPATRICK
News Writer

Dennis Jacobs, associate professor of chemistry, has been named one of the 29 nationwide 1999-2000 Pew Scholars for his achievement in documenting and implementing better teaching techniques in the classroom and tackling teaching challenges in his field.

Jacobs submitted a proposal to the scholarship board. After being chosen as a finalist, he created a project, performed it and submitted the results to the scholarship board, he said.

In his project, Jacobs designed a chemistry course which offered additional help to students with lower than average math SAT scores. These students tend to have a higher failure rate than others, according to Jacobs.

His program provided assistance in the form of weekly, 50-minute tutorials. Students took the same tests and used the same material as their peers who do not attend the tutorial. The students in the project were also required to turn in homework for grades and to work in groups on challenging problems, he said.

Jacobs found that the grades for students in the project improved throughout the semester. The students' failure rate decreased to the average level.

He attributed the project's success to integrating more problem solving into the classroom.

"So many students have difficulty with problem solving and they don't get the attention that they need. It's not just teaching well, but reflecting on what you're teaching," said Jacobs. "We want this class to help them not just in chemistry, but in problem solving in general."

He noted that students' attitudes about chemistry improved as well as their performance and retention.

Jacobs is currently tracking the long-term effect on his class by "monitoring the grades of chemistry students who have completed [the course]."

As a Pew Scholar, Jacobs will receive a $6,000 cash prize, which he said he plans to use for further educational endeavors.

"It's really more of a fellowship than a scholarship. I'll probably buy a laptop and use the rest to subsidize my salary during the summer months when I do research," he said.

The results of the project will be circulated among other institutions of higher learning so that other instructors may learn about the benefits of this teaching method, he said.

The Pew Scholarship Program is directed by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. The scholarships are awarded to professors of all disciplines, including three awards this year in chemistry.

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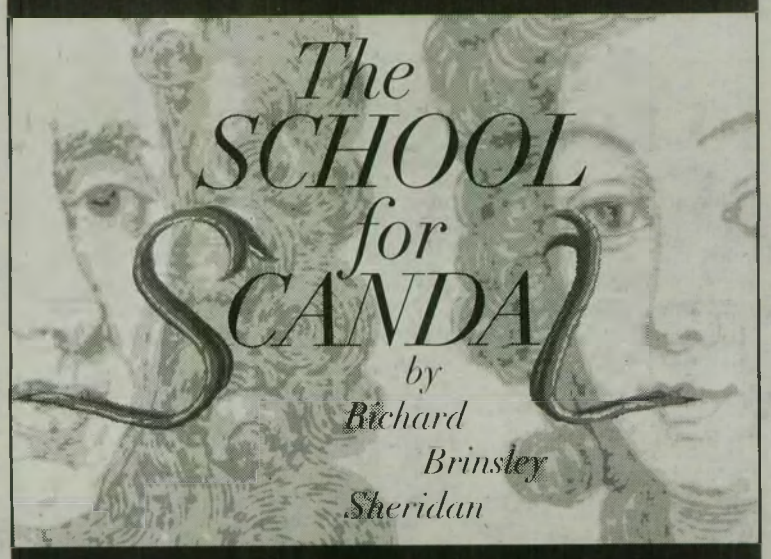

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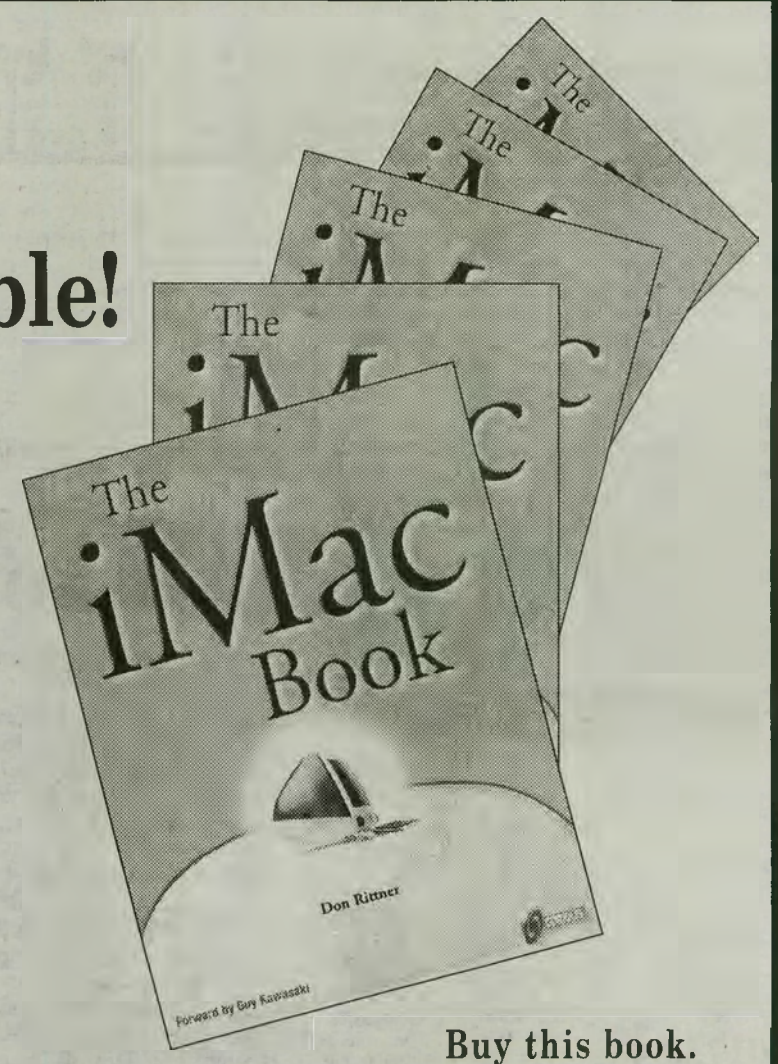

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Environmental group says cities threatening rivers and wildlife

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Urban sprawl in Atlanta, Seattle, Chicago and other cities is draining and polluting water and posing new risks to some of the United States' rivers, an environmental group reports.

The portion of the Snake River that runs through Washington state topped American Rivers' 14th annual annual list of the nation's 10 most endangered rivers, which was being released Monday.

The environmental group said four 100-foot-high federal hydropower dams on the Snake have helped diminish salmon runs by 90 percent since the 1970s, which has led to the fish's placement on the federal threatened and endangered species lists.

"Every year we spend millions more on bizarre schemes to try to save these fish, and every year fewer and fewer fish return to spawn," said Rebecca Wodder, president of American Rivers.

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PRESIDENT, AMERICAN RIVERS

Group members urged federal officials to breach the four Snake dams but said other troubles in rivers could be solved if state and local governments did a better job of controlling sprawl.

Atlanta is growing so swiftly that water managers have proposed building and modifying dams on the Coosa and Tallapoosa rivers, which threaten marine life in the rivers and prompted a No. 3 ranking for the Coosa-Tallapoosa-Alabama River system, American Rivers said.

Growth in Sierra Vista, Ariz., is partly to blame for taking water from an aquifer faster than it can be replenished, thus threatening the San Pedro River. Sprawl in Seattle poses risks for the No. 6-ranked Cedar River salmon runs, and wasteful water practices in Salt Lake City are reducing flows in the Bear River and damaging a bird refuge, the group said.

Other sprawl threats include sewage and suburban runoff in the Chicago area, which are polluting the Fox River and threatening drinking supplies for 200,000 people, American Rivers said.

The fastest-growing county in California, Monterey County, is threatening wildlife and habitat by increasingly taking water from the Carmel River to serve the population growth, the group said.

Some rivers, among them the Hanford Reach of the Columbia in Washington state and the Pocomoke in Maryland, were mentioned prominently last year but are off this year's list. The Snake and No. 2-ranked Missouri River, which the group said suffers from too many channels and poor grazing practices, both were on last year's list.

Environmentalists say removing earthen portions of the four Snake River dams would allow water and salmon to flow freely past the dams. Industry groups complain such breaches also would render the dams useless.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is expected to complete a study next year on whether breaching the dams is the best way to help salmon.

Breaching the dams would increase power rates by $150 million per year and force exporters to seek other ways to ship about $400 million in goods every year, said Bruce Lovelin, executive director of the Columbia River Alliance, which represents shippers, utilities, and farmers.and other groups.

"It is obvious that this is simply kind of a political drive by these groups to raise some attention," Lovelin said of American Rivers' list. "The fact is ... we have improved the way these dams are operated."

Other rivers on the annual list include the Yellowstone River in Montana and North Dakota, which environmentalists say is turning into an "armored channel" because of flood control work that is harming wildlife habitat; and the Coal River in West Virginia, threatened by the largest mountaintop strip coal mine ever proposed in the state, American Rivers said.

■ YUGOSLAVIA

NATO strikes persist on Orthodox Easter

Associated Press

BELGRADE

Saying it showed restraint in deference to the Orthodox Easter holiday, NATO nonetheless hammered Serb targets in Kosovo on Sunday. Western officials, meanwhile, expressed growing alarm over reports of atrocities in the province and said a possible mass grave site had been spotted.

Shortly after nightfall, a missile struck a residential area of the northern city of Novi Sad, the official Tanjug news agency reported. The independent Beta news agency quoted Caslav Popovic, a city official, as saying a military barracks had been targeted. There were no causalities, he said.

Part of an oil refinery was hit near Pancevo, northeast of Belgrade, Beta quoted Mayor Srdjan Mikovic as saying. A car factory in the central Serbian town of Kragujevac that was seriously damaged last week was targeted again Monday, Tanjug reported. Nearby Batajnica, where a military airport is located, was also targeted, Tanjug and Beta reported.

British Harrier jets raided a fuel storage depot in Kosovo late Sunday, Group Cpt. Glenn Edge said.

Air-raid sirens also sounded in the capital Belgrade and the cities of Nis and Cacak.

In Belgium, NATO spokesman Jamie Shea showed aerial photographs of a site in Pusto Selo, southwest of the Kosovo capital, Pristina. He said from the air it appeared the ground had been freshly turned over, and that the site looked "somewhat similar" to aerial shots of mass graves seen during the war in Bosnia.

"I suspect ... that we are going to find more and more evidence of mass graves, mass executions, some pretty horrific stories," Defense Secretary William Cohen said on ABC's "This Week."

About 400,000 people have fled their homes and are hiding in forests and mountains, terrified of Serb forces, British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook said Sunday after talking to an ethnic Albanian political leader in Kosovo. Cook said NATO holds Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic responsible for these "victims of his ethnic cleansing."

British officials also said about 100,000 ethnic Albanian men are apparently missing. The estimate, based on fewer than expected men turning up among refugees crossing into Macedonia and Albania, revived speculation that the men had either been massacred by Serbs, joined the rebel Kosovo Liberation Army or were being held hostage.

Many of the refugees managing to get across intermittently open borders — more than half a million, all told — tell of their villages being burned and emptied.

In what was apparently a grim aftermath of a frenzy of violence, tape obtained but not filmed by Associated Press Television News showed a burned, deserted village just over the Macedonian border. Ethnic Albanians said it had been emptied in a recent assault.

What looked to be a bloodied T-shirt lay among clothing scattered on the ground and dangling off fences. Two sheep had been shot in the head and thrown in a stream, apparently to contaminate the water.

NATO says the bombing campaign that began March 24 will go on until Milosevic withdraws Yugoslav and Serb units sent to Kosovo as part of his crackdown on the separatist KLA.

Shea, the alliance spokesman, said it was "a night of relative restraint" on the airstrikes.

"We were mindful of the Orthodox Easter celebrations," he said.

In Belgrade, skies were gloomy and streets and squares nearly empty on Sunday. Most people stayed home for the traditional Easter meal of roast lamb and a salad of new onions and radishes.

Belgrade was unscathed in overnight air attacks, but 50 bombs hit in and around Pristina.

The city's Slatina airport was hit more than two dozen times, the Serb-run Media Center said.

Shea said targets that were hit by NATO bombs and missiles included a fuel depot in Pristina, ammunition depots, bridges, communications facilities and air defense installations.

Yugoslavia's telecommunications system was beginning to collapse "because of the extensive damage inflicted on it" by the airstrikes, Tanjug quoted Dojcilo Radojevic, the telecommunications minister, as saying Sunday.

Yugoslavia reported six civilian deaths and 23 injuries in Sunday morning's strikes. Tanjug said civilian areas were hit in northern Kosovo and in the Serbian town of Kursumlija, 125 miles south of Belgrade. It said the dead included a father and his 1-year-old daughter in the village of Mirovac, near the northern Kosovo town of Podujevo.

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■ BELGIUM

Milosevic angered as Albright shifts policy

Associated Press

BRUSSELS

Arriving for talks intended to bolster NATO unity, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said Sunday the Serbian onslaught against ethnic Albanians in Kosovo means fewer Serb troops will be permitted to remain in the province than previously proposed.

And in another policy shift bound to anger Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic, Albright did not rule out partitioning Kosovo as part of a settlement, provided there are ways to protect Orthodox holy sites.

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MADELEINE ALBRIGHT
SECRETARY OF STATE

"Lots of parts of Rambouillet have been overtaken by events," Albright said of the accord, negotiated outside Paris, that was rejected by the Serbs and accepted by the Kosovar Albanians last month.

Albright said "there has to be recognition" of the Serb offensive that has forced the expulsion of more than one-third of the ethnic Albanians in what the Clinton administration has denounced as a "scorched-earth" campaign.

But earlier Sunday, John Podesta, the White House chief of staff, said in Washington on NBC's "Meet The Press" that "the partition of Kosovo is not on the table." And Defense Secretary William Cohen, on ABC's "This Week," said: "Partition is out the question. Partition would simply be a reward to Milosevic and what he has set out to do."

Albright planned to meet Monday with the 18 foreign ministers of the allied governments.

Before leaving Washington on Sunday morning, she spoke with each by telephone.

"The alliance is wedge-proof" she told reporters on the trans-Atlantic flight.

Besides strategy for Kosovo, they will discuss the NATO summit meeting set for next week in Washington. Albright said among the new tasks the alliance will consider is coordinating assistance directly to displaced civilians in Kosovo.

Albright on Tuesday will try to mend fences with Russia, which has denounced the NATO bombardment of Yugoslavia, now nearing the end of a third week. Russian President Boris Yeltsin on Friday warned that if NATO sent ground troops to Kosovo to "make it their protectorate, we cannot allow this."

Albright, downplaying the disagreement, said "there is a possibility" that Russia, one of the six nations behind the rejected Kosovo peace plan, could be "re-engaged" in trying to formulate a new settlement. But, Albright said, the Russians "clearly ... are troubled" by the NATO attacks on the Serbs.

"This is an issue that has to be worked and worked," said Albright, who was to meet in Oslo, Norway, with Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov.

Albright said the United States expected Russia to adhere to the international arms embargo against Yugoslavia and not take "counterproductive" actions.

Later, a senior U.S. official said "we are watching very carefully" to see whether Russia was providing weapons or other equipment to the Serbs. The official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said that possibility was "a major problem" for the Clinton administration.

The Rambouillet accords call for the withdrawal of Serb troops, paramilitary and police units. A total of 5,000 troops could remain — 2,500 along the border, thereby assuring Kosovo remained part of Serbia, and 2,500 police who could remain for one year. Some would be absorbed into a local police force.

Asked if these terms still applied, Albright said "there has to be reconsideration. Lots of parts of Rambouillet have been overtaken by events. We have to be realistic and flexible as we look to the future."

The senior official said, meanwhile, that "all the signs point to fewer and fewer troops" from Serbia being left in Kosovo once hostilities end.

The accords drawn up at Rambouillet would have given the ethnic Albanians self-rule but not independence. Kosovo was due to remain part of Serbia, at least for threes, under the accords.

Clinton administration officials have spoken recently of Milosevic losing his grip on Kosovo. On Sunday, Albright took that a step further by declining to rule out partition stripping the Serbs of all but a northern region where the Serbs have their shrines and are more predominant in a province about 90 percent ethnic Albanian.

■ INDIA

India tests nuclear missiles

Associated Press

NEW DELHI

A new missile capable of carrying a nuclear warhead soared into the skies over India on Sunday, defying U.S. appeals for restraint in weapons testing and raising fears of a new arms race with neighboring Pakistan.

India's Defense Minister George Fernandes said the successful 11-minute test flight of the Agni II missile marked a "great day for India," while Pakistan said it would decide in the next two or three days how to respond.

Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee said later in a nationally televised address that the Agni proved India's determination to strengthen its national security.

"In a rapidly changing security environment, India cannot depend on others to defend her. We have to develop our own indigenous capabilities. Agni is a symbol of that resurgent India," he said.

"India is on the move. And no one can hinder our progress if we remain unwavering and determined," he added.

The launch came nearly a year after India conducted a series of underground nuclear tests, prompting its rival, Pakistan, to respond with tests of its own. The two countries have fought three wars since they were carved from a British colony in 1947.

The white, two-stage missile lifted off Sunday "without a hitch" from a new test site on India's eastern coast, carrying "a substantial payload," Fernandes said.

Indian naval ships and ground stations tracked the rocket as it soared from its rail-mounted launch pad into the sky, leaving a trail of thick white smoke. International shipping and airlines had been warned away from the test zone.

Fernandes said the range of the Agni was "in excess of 1,240 miles" — an increase of 310 miles over an earlier version of the rocket. Both models are capable of striking targets deep inside Pakistan and nearby China.

The Agni — which means "fire" in Sanskrit — was last test-fired in February 1994. With the Prithvi ("Earth") missile, it is expected to form the mainstay of India's nuclear delivery system. Both rockets can carry conventional and nuclear payloads.

Speaking to reporters, Fernandes brushed aside questions about the political fallout of the test.

India will not compromise its national security with anyone, he said, adding: "We don't need to be told by anybody about restraint."

Pakistan was given advance warning of the launch, under an agreement signed in February when the Indian prime minister traveled overland to the Pakistani city of Lahore to meet his counterpart, Nawaz Sharif.

In the Pakistani capital of Islamabad, Foreign Minister Sartaj Aziz confirmed his government had received the warning Saturday. "We are disappointed and concerned," he told The Associated Press after the test. "We had decided on restraint."

Pakistan will have to decide in the next two or three days "how to respond to the Indian tests," Aziz said.

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■ LEBANON

Israeli missiles raid Lebanon

Associated Press

SIDON

Israeli warplanes fired at least 10 missiles in three raids Sunday on suspected guerrilla bases in southern Lebanon, Lebanese security officials said.

The first two attacks targeted the village of Mlita in the highlands of Iqlim al-Tuffah province, a stronghold of the Hezbollah guerrilla group. Mlita is 12 miles southeast of Sidon and faces the Israeli-occupied zone.

Less than an hour after the first raid, Israeli jets fired at least two more missiles at suspected guerrilla targets in a valley between the villages of Jebal al-Botom and Zibqine, nine miles southeast of Tyre.

In Jerusalem, an Israeli military spokesman confirmed the attacks and said all planes had returned safely to base.

Iranian-backed Hezbollah guerrillas are fighting to oust 1,500 Israeli soldiers and 2,500 allied militiamen from the Israeli-occupied zone, which Israel set up in 1985 to protect its northern territory from cross-border attacks. Officials said they had no word of casualties. They spoke on customary condition of anonymity.

In a related development, the Hezbollah group said in the Lebanese capital of Beirut that its guerrillas attacked an Israeli outpost at Blatt, a few miles north of the Israeli border, scoring "direct hits."

There was no independent confirmation.

Sunday's attacks brought to four the number of Israeli air raids on southern Lebanon in less than 24 hours. Israeli warplanes fired three missiles late Saturday in the Jebal al-Botom and Zibqine area. There were no casualties.

Meanwhile, the head of the Israeli army said it has begun withdrawing some troops from areas in southern Lebanon.

But Lt. Gen. Shaul Mofaz said the troop withdrawal did not signify the start of a pullout.

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Buffalo prepares for abortion protesters

Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y.

One week after October's sniper killing of Dr. Barnett Slepian, a prominent obstetrician who performed abortions, abortion opponents said they would target his clinic and others with major protests in six months' time.

Their Operation Save America is now just days away, and hundreds of demonstrators are expected to show up outside clinics, bookstores and high schools in upstate New York from Buffalo to Rochester.

'I THINK GOD HAS CHOSEN BUFFALO AS A BATTLEGROUND WHERE HE'S GOING TO FIGHT ABORTION WITH GREAT STRENGTH.'

REV. ROBERT BEHN
DIRECTOR, LAST CALL MIMISTRIES

"I think God has chosen Buffalo as a battleground where He's going to fight abortion with great strength," the Rev. Robert Behn, director of Last Call Ministries, said in his announcement last fall.

Local and national organizers have sent out 60,000 invitations and Operation Rescue has encouraged people to "storm the gates of hell" in Buffalo from April 18 to 25.

Leaders say the event also will denounce what they consider other ills of society, such as teen sex, pornography and school violence.

Local participants are being encouraged to take a more prayerful approach than they didduring the raucous clashes of the 1992 Spring of Life, which resulted in about 625 arrests. But there's no way to know if out-of-towners will follow suit, and law enforcement officials are taking no chances. Erie County has built a temporary jail in an armory to hold any demonstrators who refuse to give their names so they can't be taken before a judge to have bail set.

Police have spent months making plans, studying tactics used at other demonstrations and gathering intelligence.

"We would prefer to deter problems," said Police Commissioner Rocco Diina.

Since the 1992 protests, violence against abortion providers has escalated markedly from trespassing and minor altercations to clinic bombings and shootings. Besides Slepian, whose Oct. 23 killing remains unsolved — although a rifle was found buried on his property last week — eight other doctors have been shot at since 1993. Two of them died: Dr. David Gunn in 1993 and Dr. John Bayard Britton in 1994, both in Pensacola, Fla. Several nurses, receptionists and security officers also have been killed or injured.

Many blame the violence on restrictions — such as the 1994 Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act —which they say keep peaceful demonstrators away from clinic doors while prodding the more radical abortion opponents into violence.

New York state Attorney General Eliot Spitzer is seeking even stronger restrictions on protesters: buffer zones of up to 60 feet from clinic doors as well as limits on the use of megaphones or bullhorns. A federal judge is considering the request.

Some leaders of the 1992 Spring of Life have softened their approach, saying it's time to find a new way to deliver their message. The Rev. Robert Schenk said the time of blockades and linking protesters with chains has passed.

But there has been no softening of the approach of Operation Rescue National, the anti-abortion group which has been promoting the demonstrations in Buffalo as "a flash point for the battle."

"The giant of child killing will never come to an end by political resolution or building bridges to the enemy's camp," a January newsletter said.

On the other side of the issue, abortion-rights advocates have been holding "clinic defense training" sessions.

"We're well-trained and we're ready," said Carolyn Taggart, who led a recent session.

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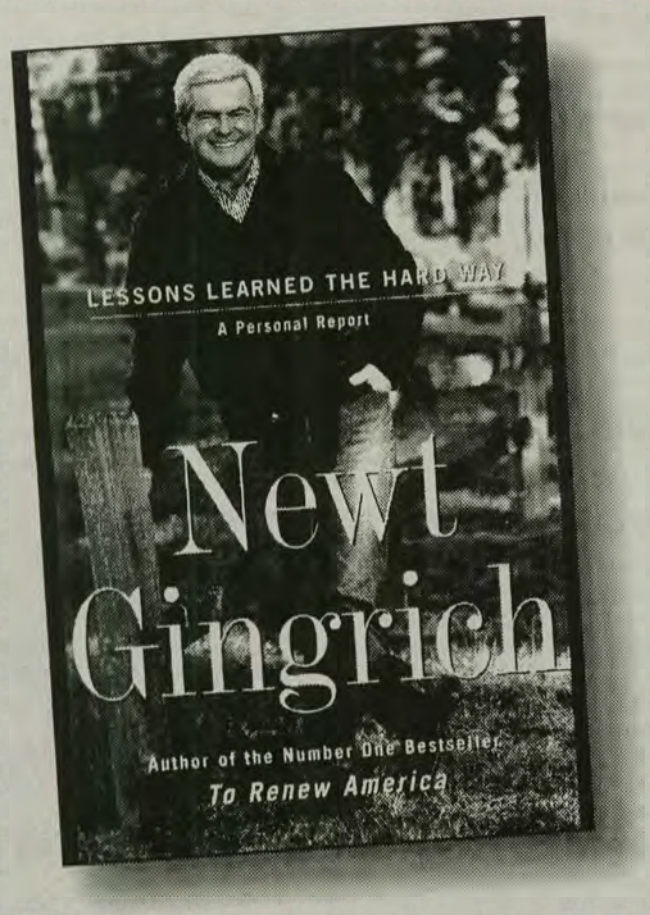

"Reporters, after all, have the right to ask any questions they want to. For one thing, it's what they are expected to do by their editors. But we have no obligation to answer them. 'No comment' beats a dumb comment every time."

– *from Chapter 3, Learn to Keep Your Mouth Shut*

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■ CAPPY'S CORNER

With So Many Stars There Is No Room For Whiners

Cappy Gagnon

I recently turned 55. Hard to believe that I have out-lived Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Buddy Holly, Elvis and Alexander the Great (I put Al in so it wouldn't look like the limit of my knowledge is baseball and old rock-and-roll).

I actually don't feel as old as I formerly thought one had to feel when one survived this long. I can think of only three signs that I'm entering my dotage.

The first sign was "the squint." In the early part of 1988, I started using my BIG magnifying glass — the one I use to read the Baseball Encyclopedia — to read *everything* else.

The second sign recurred a week ago. I was bending down to pick up my K-Mart glasses (two for $9.98). For some reason, I forgot to factor the corner dresser into my bending equation. As my forehead struck the sharp point of the edge of the dresser, I knew the pain Evander Holyfield must have felt during the pummeling he received from Lennox Lewis ... which was almost as bad a beating as Lewis took from the newly-bankrupt New Jersey woman Don King selected as ring judge.

My third sign of aging is the subject of this column. I get cranky.

Not cranky about the world at large, because life has been good to me (I have two wonderful daughters, two sons-in-law I can beat in Trivial Pursuit and two fantastic grandsons). No, I find myself being cranky about WHINERS. Did I miss "The MEMO"? The one which decreed that whining (and/or slamming ND) would be compulsory for most Observer letter-writers and every member of the South Bend Tribune Sports Section (except for old pro's Joe Doyle and Forrest Miller)??

At the risk of losing my Journalism Card, I would like to say some nice things about Notre Dame. I love it here. It's not a perfect place, but I've visited more than 100 colleges and I haven't found one I prefer. Monk and Father Bill are doing a great job. The results of their leadership are obvious to anyone who's paying attention. We have great facilities, a great faculty, wonderful students (although I might want to put a few whiners on the waiver list), and a beautiful campus in immaculate condition.

And enough freedom that all those people who think they are oppressed seem to find all kinds of University-sponsored forums to yack about their gripes. Keep up the good work, guys. Stay the course.

Father Sorin created Notre Dame with excellence as his guiding vision. The wonderful presidents who followed Sorin have all adhered to the same vision. Notre Dame is not for everyone.

We have marvelous athletic facilities, maintained with great care. We have dynamic coaches. And, we do things the right way.

Someone recently wrote The Observer that there is nothing exciting going on after the football season. This guy has obviously never seen Muffet McGraw's team slaughter Duke and UCLA. He's never seen "The Ruth" dominate a game or Danielle and Niele terrorize opposing guards.

This guy has never seen a lacrosse match (sort of like soccer as interpreted by hockey players). He's certainly never seen Dave Poulin's pucksters. Write it down — you heard it here first — the Irish will be in the Frozen Four next year. This guy has not seen Liz Miller's softball team, which has "gone yard" more than any team in Irish softball history. This guy has not seen Michelle Dasso, with the heart of a tiger, or Ryan Sachire, with his rocket serve, compete for our top-20 tennis programs. This guy has not seen Notre Dame's track team and stars like Joanna Deeter, Jennifer Englehardt, Dore DeBartolo, Liz Grow, Emily Bienko, Patty Rice, et. al. This guy has never seen Marshaun West fly down the track in the 200 or up in the air in the long jump. And does this guy know that pole vaulter Mike Brown was an inch and a half short of 18 feet at the NCAAs?

Mr. Nothing To Do has REALLY not seen Paul Mainieri's baseball team. How about Jeff Wagner, returning after sitting out three weeks with a stress fracture, and jacking three homers (1,300 feet worth) in a double-header!

Jeff and Brant Ust, who is merely the best player in the Big East for the second year in a row, are battling to see who will break Mo Vaughn's career Big East home run record. If those guys are not interesting enough for Mr. What Do I Do After Football, how about Aaron Heilman? All Aaron did last year, as a FRESHMAN relief pitcher, was lead the NATION in ERA Coach Mainieri put Aaron in the rotation this year and Aaron is doing his best Kerry Wood impersonation. When Aaron and his 93 mph heater are on the mound, there are enough scouts in the stands that catcher Paul O'Toole probably glows in the dark from all the radar guns aimed at the back of his tools of ignorance.

Steve Stanley runs like the wind, is a classic leadoff batter and flags down every thing in the center garden. Fellow freshman Andy Bushey is a throwback to Pepper Martin and the Gas House Gang, battling at the hot corner and banging at the plate. The Irish have to pay extra to get his uniform cleaned.

Streak hitter Jeff Felker is good for a 10-15 stretch each year, when his dad drives out from Baltimore. "Felker's Fools," his off-beat cheering section, which manages to stay barely on the north side of good taste, provides inspiration. Alec Porzel could become another Ust.

Unsung players like Ben Cooke and Jeff Perconte are rally starters. And Matt Nussbaum is a perfect model for all that is great about America's national game. Matt was oh-for-career after two years as a fill-in player. Through hard work and an off-season fitness program, Matt has built himself into a very productive hitter. He has hit four homers and has been a key part of several late-inning rallies.

Some whiners' feelings were hurt because we didn't hire Rick Majerus (and sidekick Sonny Vaccaro) to coach men's hoops. NOBODY doubts that Rick would have filled the Joyce and won lots of games, but I, for one, am glad that we remain committed to winning with class. Majerus brags about trading in his Catechism for "Playboy," admits to sympathy for academic cheating, and has spent the past few years traipsing around the country looking for new worlds to conquer (which must make the Utah AD feel like Hilary Clinton when Willie is interviewing interns). Majerus and Sonny Vaccaro (boy, is he aptly named!) may appeal to the "Animal House Crowd," but it's not the Notre Dame way.

Notre Dame is not perfect, but we won't get better because of people who carp from the sidelines. Take a long look at the Notre Dame jar — it's half full, not half empty.

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■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

'From your parents you learn love and laughter and how ot put one foot in front of the other. But when the books are opened you discover you have wings.'

—Helen Hayes

■ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Will Kosovo Be Another Vietnam?

Vietnam means a host of things to different people, clearly, but when the military and political pundits on CNN compare Kosovo to Vietnam, what do they mean? Quagmire, debacle, human misery, a place populated with peoples with last names difficult to pronounce? These undoubtedly represent some of Vietnam's rhetorical appeal. But Vietnam also brings to the fore important issues of morality in U.S. foreign policy. What does it mean to drop bombs on foreigners?

This is a question many Americans may care to raise now that the U.S. and NATO have begun bombing Yugoslavia. It is not, however, the one to which most pundits refer when invoking whatever similarities exist between Kosovo and Vietnam. The history of Vietnam has been written several times, but in its most recent version, it presents a compelling scenario of the U.S. overextending itself in defense of the august principles of human rights and democracy. This comes as a shock to the readers of the Pentagon Papers; to the readers of Kissinger's "White House Years," though, it seems about right. At any rate, referencing Vietnam has the effect of halting any effectual inquiry into the morality of the present military campaign; it is simply taken as a given that the U.S. in Kosovo is pursuing a moral cause the end of which justifies military action.

All the criticism of the Clinton administration confirms this impression. The criticism in the press thus far attacks the administration for poor strategy and poor military planning, but not for a morally suspect position. That some moral concerns motive U.S. and NATO appears incontrovertible; the human misery in Kosovo is very compelling. So compelling in fact that even the French, a people who it seems are genetically programmed to dislike all things associated with the U.S. government, have jumped on the bandwagon of NATO intervention. This being the case, however, might the moral force of the bombing not be questioned? And yet in a political context where the brutality of the Vietnam war can be given a moral spin, where does one begin?

To return to the question with which I began, "Is Kosovo another Vietnam?" The answer is a resounding no. No, they are not the same because the motivating principle is different in each case. The principle behind Vietnam was not moral in character; U.S. goals in Vietnam did not involve anything like making the world safe for democracy. What they did involve would require more space then is presently available, but if one can conclude that the Vietnam war was immoral — an opinion, mind you, shared by the majority of Americans — then comparing it to Kosovo does not follow effortlessly. If it happens to be the case that bombing Yugoslavia is morally justified, it must be established independently of Vietnam. Moral concerns can not simply be assumed to exist as a matter of fact, for if the lessons of Vietnam teach us anything, they teach us that international relations resemble at best a Hobbesian state of nature.

So, what can one say about U.S. and NATO policy? To begin, the moral question must be examined. What does moral action require? Aquinas says that one ought to do good and avoid evil; somewhat more emphatically, we might say that one ought not only to do good, but must also prevent evil whenever possible. This may or may not be a sound maxim for foreign policy, but it may serve as a useful premise for what it means to act in a morally responsible manner. Moreover, it accords well with the definition articulated by President Clinton. He said that while the U.S. cannot prevent all human misery, it must do what it can. Preventing the Serbs from massacring the Kosovars is presumably something that the U.S. can do, and, if we take Clinton to be sincere, it is precisely what the U.S. is doing in Yugoslavia. But what of this claim? The action by the U.S. and NATO has thus far only intensified Serbian committed atrocities in Kosovo. According to Wesley Clark, supreme allied commander of NATO, this was entirely "predictable." Once the bombing started, it was a well known fact, at least among military planners, that the Serbs would intensify the ethnic cleansing of Kosovo. So in the short term, at least, the bombing has increased the repression. The U.S. and NATO are then very far from preventing evil. To the contrary, it appears that the world is a little more evil today than it was two weeks ago. Now in defense of Clinton and company it may be argued that the Serbs, no matter what action was taken, would have expelled the same 400,000 plus Kosovars at any rate. But this is purely speculative. Until two weeks ago, the most reliable reports suggested that Serbia had killed approximately 2,000 ethnic Albanian Kosovars. And this, it ought to be noted, was done over a series of months. This is no minor tragedy, but it is by no means of the same magnitude as the tragedy we see before us today.

The implications for the region and for U.S.-Russian relations are also noteworthy. The region as a whole has been greatly destabilized, with Macedonia, Montenegro and Albania all bearing the brunt of the mass exodus of ethnic Albanians from Kosovo. Furthermore, the situation in Russia, while already bleak, seems particularly disturbing. The economy is in tatters, the leadership frail and disorganized and the military despondent about its diminished role in the world. These problems are not new, but why exacerbate them? Does Russia really need the additional harassment? Has not the IMF already performed this task admirably? From a geopolitical standpoint, therefore, it appears that the U.S. and NATO have done little good while they have introduced the potential for much greater evil in the world. Once more, if we apply the rough outline for moral action mentioned above, the U.S. and NATO do not appear to be acting in a morally responsible manner.

Lastly, the one military measure agreed upon by every pundit, including the former Supreme Commander of NATO, is that bombing Serbia can not and will not bring peace to Kosovo. If peace is a real objective, then it is argued that the U.S. and NATO must commit to the use of ground forces. But this has been categorically ruled out by Clinton and company. In fact, to the incredulity of many retired military personnel, Clinton and company have not even performed basic battle assessments! How compelling can the moral cause of a nation be if its leaders are not willing to pay the political price of putting its own citizens in harm's way? So to put it bluntly, if Clinton and company were in military school, they'd have received an "I" for incompetence; if enrolled in a Thomistic Academy for moral instruction they'd have received an "I" for immoral behavior — although, given Clinton's status as a politician, perhaps he ought simply get an "I" for impeachment.

The media have been especially critical of President Clinton, but the premise that this military campaign is morally justified goes unquestioned. At times, the question itself seems beyond the political horizon of the vast majority of media pundits, Democrat and Republican alike. Personally, I am amazed at how poorly planned the military campaign has been; the failure to plan for the deployment of ground forces is simply baffling; and the surprise that many have expressed about the enormity of the refugee crisis is stupefying. Clinton has had grand success running the country with one hand flapping in the wind, sensing the ever-subtle patterns of public opinion, and now he's doing the same with many lives at stake. Considering some of these events, it is appropriate to question the moral basis for the bombing. Simply because an evil exists does not confer on all those who oppose it a moral status. Moral action requires consideration of consequence. If more evil is produced as a result of action, it is OK to stand back and take no forceful action. Diplomacy remains always an option however, even though it may seem utterly futile.

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April 9, 1999

Baseball '99 — The Fat Get Fatter

I've watched exactly three innings of baseball this season, and already the theme of '99 is screaming out in my head. It's excess, a condition that like a burgeoning waistline was getting bad while nobody noticed. Kind of like the Kansas City Royals. By the time we arrived at where we are now, there was no way of controlling the beast's gluttonous splurge. Lots of people complain about the game and some are sick of hearing it. Nothing in this world is perfect, least of all baseball, but this season, it seems the abuses are more than out of control. Somehow, between the birth of rotating backstop salesmen and the annual ritual of what we like to call "the firesale," we became far too comfortable with this excess. Or at least too immune to it. We as fans have leant our silent approval, to say the least.

I'm not just talking about the salaries either; that one goes without saying. The players make too much. We know they make too much. Let's move on. As long as we head to the park or turn on the TV, the salaries will continue to climb. That's not baseball, it's economics. You don't like it talk to Adam Smith, Big George can't do anything for you. Instead of the salaries, then, the focus should be on some of the game's other problems, the ones I found most glaring from innings one through three of the Opening Day tilt between the Dodgers and Arizona. Even the marquee makes me long for the good old days when L.A. was the baseball frontier, but that's a whole other story.

The aesthetic of baseball is the first thing area in need of dire repair. Way back before the San Jose Sharks brought teal to pro sports, any fan could color the logo of his favorite team with a basic eight piece pack of crayons. This single file could illuminate the entire league from New England to the Northwest. Now the younger generation needs to do its best Rainbow Brite imitation, enlisting the services of the 64-member spectrum in the great Crayola army. The way I see it, there's entirely too much teal and tope in today's game. And black — way too much black. It was a lot easier to just glance at a game when the home team wore white, the roadies gray and the UMPIRES black. No longer. Now we're graced with 6-foot-10 Randy Johnson, already a challenge to the naked eye, clad in colors that I can't even name. Such a problem might be inherent in the fact that not many know exactly what a diamondback is, much less its color. But the name battle is another to the list that I won't even address. These gripes have left me too weary.

Issue number two is not so much baseball's fault as it is the clowns who bring it to us. The details of the game have grown too lacy and frilly and in the process, pushed our attention away from the diamond. (That's the place where the players stand. The guys with the gloves. Right.) The fact that I now know Jay Bell garnered an average of 4.15 pitches per at-bat last season frightens me. Imagine then how I feel when I realize that this was third in the major leagues. In their endless quest to squeeze interest out of areas that just don't have it (the number of "m"s in Zimmer for instance) baseball producers have made the game far more mundane that exciting. The triple crown stats on both sides of the mound — that's all we need to know. All the rest is mere fodder for arbitrators and minutia for rotisseries. Give me the play-by-play and some color sure, what I don't need to know is everything else.

Finally is the beast conceived equally by the fans and the media. Though it stems from one man, I in no way blame him. I'm sure if you could ask Mark McGwire, he wouldn't argue. Focusing every effort of every medium on the 24 activities of Big Mac's daily life not only insults the rest of the game's superstars, but shortchanges more the man and his accomplishments. McGwire launched a star for us, but we just can't seem to let it shine. I weep for the day, coming soon to a broadcast near you, when a vital regional pennant race (say Houston and Chicago) is pre-empted nationwide by the Cards and Brewers live from County Stadium. They gave it to us in April's equal home run standing, why not in September when McGwire's race against himself heads for home? The late Joe DiMaggio was often criticized for what fans and the media saw as an arrogant exclusiveness. Having seen firsthand the birth of McGwire's monster, few can blame the Clipper, a comparable icon of his era, for such hermitesque behavior. Roger Maris once said that breaking the record was the worst thing to happen to his career. Here's hoping we blessed fans don't make it the same for McGwire.

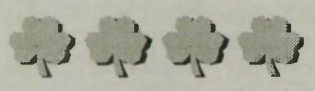
That I'll give my heart to the Mets again this summer, probably for them to come up short of the series this fall, is the least of my baseball worries this year. For a pared-down game, one with fewer colors, stats and exploitation of all (but especially some), I make my most powerful birthday cake wishes. I would use them on the Mets, but this situation seems a little more desperate than even no playoffs in the last 10 years. My hopes for a streamlined pastime, at this point anyway, far outweighs my prayers for another game six. My patience for the Mets will always last until next year; it's the other stuff I'm not so sure about.

Paul Camarata
Freshman, Dillon Hall
April 10, 1999

Ready. Set. 'Go.'

"Go"

Director: *Doug Liman*
Starring: *Katie Holmes, Scott Wolf, Jay Mohr and Taye Diggs*



(Out of five shamrocks)

By CHRISTIAN PIERCE
Scene Movie Critic

go 1. to move along; proceed: going by bus. 2. to move away from a place; depart: Go before I really get mad. 3. the extraordinary new film by director Doug Liman

That's right. Director Doug Liman, who debuted with the critically acclaimed "Swingers," has released a new film, "Go."

The film is a rather large but worthwhile gamble for Paramount Pictures due to the imagination and creative genius of Liman. Many in the industry seem to wonder if Liman has what it takes to make it because he doesn' t abide by all the rules.

Photo courtesy of Columbia Pictures
Scott Wolf stars as Adam in "Go."

As the advertisements have displayed, a Liman film is not a typical Hollywood production. Liman is kind of a wild man, willing to take a few risks in the interest of constructing a better movie.

This style paid off with his independent film "Swingers," but does he have the skill to fashion another film of the same caliber?

Paramount seems willing to take the plunge, but will the rest of America?

Well, this weekend many questions were asked about Doug Liman. Through his film, Liman replied with absolute brilliance.

"Go" is an incredibly fast-paced story that follows three groups of people during a late-night adventure. Liman opted to construct the film by focusing on three different points-of-view, an interesting option that truly paid off.

The film begins by following Ronna, a struggling supermarket clerk played by Sarah Polley. Ronna needs cash quickly because she is about to be evicted from her apartment.

As luck would have it, an opportunity arises when Simon (Desmond Askew) needs someone to cover his shift. Ronna seizes the hours for some extra cash, but still needs a little dough.

While working the checkout, Adam (Scott Wolf) and Zack (Jay Mohr) ask Ronna where they can find Simon.

Simon, as the audience discovers, uses the grocery store as a front for his drug sales, but now that he is in Las Vegas, his regular customers have no where to turn. Ronna takes only a moment to contemplate the situation: She will get them their drugs and earn enough money to keep her apartment.

As the night continues, the viewer learns of this incredible rave that is taking place — a Christmas party not to be missed. With a rave one sees a proliferation of drug sales; the dealers are rather busy.

Ronna contacts Simon's supplier and convinces him to cut a deal. She does a little sweet-talking and gets the stuff for Adam and Zack, but the plot thickens.

Adam and Zack require some Ecstasy for the rave, or so they lead Ronna to believe. Actually, Adam and Zack are in some trouble with the law, but if they cooperate with Officer Burke (William Fichtner), then all charges will be dropped.

Ronna smells a trap and is suspicious when she finds three guys looking to score some Ectasy in an empty house. Their body language is a little weird, so Ronna decides to flush the evidence.

But wait. She doesn't make the sale, so she has no money and will be evicted.

Well, Ronna is a crafty person who won't give up that easily, especially since she still owes the drug dealer a considerable amount of money and her friend Claire (Katie Holmes) is still with him. At any rate, the film goes on to reveal how all the characters are intertwined.

The film begins by following Ronna, then Simon and finally Adam and Zack. Each sequence is an invigorating bit of film making, particularly the events that go down in Las Vegas with good ol' Simon.

Amazingly, everything they do has some effect. Liman shows the viewer the repercussions of one's actions, those that result from a night of sex, drugs and violence. To reveal any more of the plot would do injustice to Liman and his film. Just know that this is a wild ride — with incredible camera work, superb acting by a rather young cast and an extraordinary soundtrack.

Photo courtesy of Columbia Pictures
Katie Holmes plays Claire in the fast-paced film, "Go"

Doug Liman again has proven his worth in the industry. This talented, young director knows what it takes to capture an audience and truly excites his viewers.

With only his second film, Liman is revolutionizing the industry. He does not make the same Hollywood garbage that is seen overflowing theaters. Instead, Liman takes a few risks and pushes the medium of film to an amazing, new level. This film is highly recommended. It is a film that will be talked about for months to come.

This is no "Swingers," rather a unique idea that proves Liman's ingenuity. This is a director to look for in the future, one that I feel will soon receive the respect and admiration he deserves. Basically, the advice here is to go see "Go."

Ten reasons not to see these 'things'

"10 Things I Hate About You"

Director: *Gil Junger*
Starring: *Heath Ledger, Julia Stiles and Joseph Gordon-Levitt*

(Out of five shamrocks)

By JENELLE WILLIAMS
Scene Movie Critic

"How do I loathe thee? Let me count the ways."

A quote from Shakespeare, right?

Not quite.

It is actually the slogan for the latest "coming-of-age" movie — a film brimming with unrequited love, teen angst and a totally unrealistic prom scene. What an original idea!

While "10 Things I Hate About You," allegedly based on "The Taming of The Shrew," attempts to put the age-old story into a modern context so it appeals to a new generation, its shallow characters, unoriginal and nonsensical dialogue and unforgivably predictable ending only serve to butcher Shakespeare.

The film starts with a new kid in town. Cameron, an army brat who has attended numerous high schools, is a normal-looking guy, kind of small for his age, but still adorable. The scene opens with young Cameron entering his first day at yet another school.

After the token visit to the guidance counselor, he gets the grand tour of his newest educational institution from the stereotypical dorky guy. During this get-acquainted stroll, the new kid is introduced to all the intricacies of high school life that he has no doubt seen at every other school he has attended. But then, he sees "her."

The music slows and the camera focuses on the solitary beauty moving in slow motion across the lunch area. As the breeze gently blows through her hair, there is a sort of angelic glow surrounding her radiant smile. Indeed, it is love at first sight — at the age of 16. So of course, Cameron and his tour guide-turned-sidekick must come up with a plan to get this vision of loveliness to date the lowly newcomer, since unconventional means are too banal.

But no!

It is not even that easy, for Bianca is not even allowed to date. Her overly protective father, so fearful of pregnancy, places an absurd restriction on his blooming daughter's social adventures. She cannot date until her older sister Kat decides to do so.

Kat, however, is no princess of popularity or socialite but the girl that everyone hates. She spends her time reading, playing soccer, keeping to herself and generally not caring about anyone or others' opinions. The last thing this independent, introverted woman wants to do is date some childish high school boy.

So if Cameron wants to get the girl, he has to make Kat a "normal" teenage girl by breaking her out of her anti-social mindset. To do so, he simply needs the right guy. Not to worry — he has a plan.

From here the plot twists and turns, adds some completely predictable conflict to the already idiotic plot and eventually comes to the biggest scene in the movie — the prom.

Must every movie about teenagers involve a prom scene?

The characters in no way make up for the lack of suspense or intrigue. They can be differentiated into two groups: shallow main characters and shallow random characters.

Photo courtesy of Buena Vista Pictures
Heath Ledger (left) stars as Patrick in "10 Things I Hate About You."

Main characters include Cameron, Bianca, Kat, Joey and Patrick. Cameron is the would-be hero who actually gets shoved aside from the spot light as the plot thickens. He is always accompanied by his loyal sidekick.

Bianca is the popular girl in school. Every guy wants her, but none can have her. She is superficial and selfish. Of course, Cameron only likes her for innocent reasons, like her love for humanity and her intelligence.

Joey is the brainless teen model who Bianca lusts for, and who plans to sleep with her as a "challenge."

Patrick is the guy everyone hates. He sticks to himself, wears black and has long hair. Of course, he is rumored to have spent time in prison. Is he really as tough as he pretends? This is one of the movie's great mysteries.

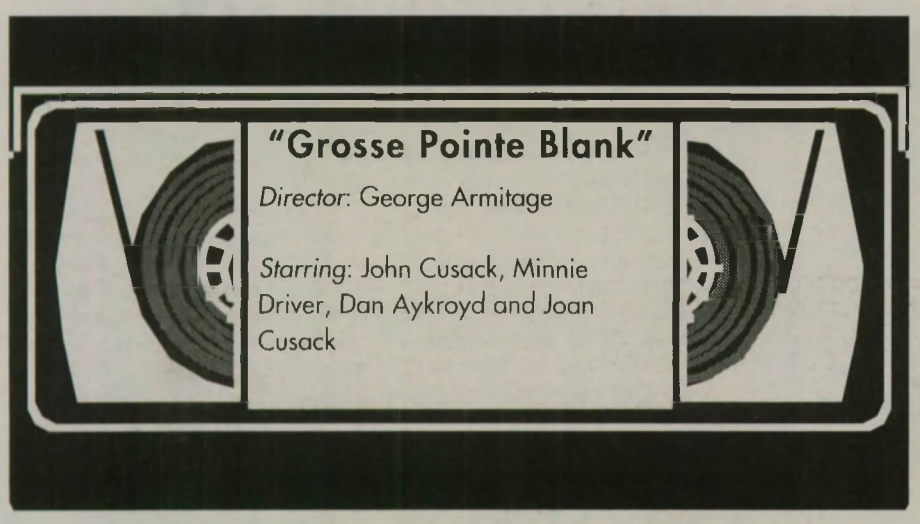
The random characters are even more annoying than the main characters. It is difficult to decipher exactly what their role in the movie is. Comic relief would be a justified guess, however, their appearances are anything but humorous.

The setting is unrealistic and even absurd. The school is much like a palace, complete with an oceanside view. Within its walls lie the typical composition of students portrayed by movies such as this one — a bunch of stereotypical cliques. Who could really walk through his high school and clearly distinguish the different groups? To say the least, this setting is exaggerated.

The themes or morals of the film are not only childish but almost offensive. It uses shallow definitions of love as the basis for every relationship portrayed. It suggests that people are only happy when they have a significant other and that not to have one is a character flaw.

The only redeeming quality of this film may be its soundtrack, although even that is questionable. And it in no way compensates for the other crucial elements which fail to form a decent movie. It is not worth the high price of a theater visit; and it's only worth renting if its the last movie left on the shelf.

Video Pick of the Week



By JULIE HAMILTON
Assistant Scene Editor

Convincing Martin Blank to attend his 10-year high school reunion is no easy task.

How can he return to his hometown and explain that he "freaked out, joined the army, went into business for [him]self and became a professional killer?"

Welcome to Grosse Pointe High School's Class of 1986 reunion, the setting for the dark comedy "Grosse Pointe Blank." This is a film that humorously approaches the topics of high school reunions, things left behind and long-lost loves.

Socializing with former classmates in his old gymnasium is not on Blank's list of things to do; he is a man whose friendly ice-breaker would be: "Hi, I killed the President of Paraguay with a fork, how have you been?"

Martin (John Cusack) just hasn't been himself lately. His assistant, Marcella (Joan Cusack), inquires, "If you don't mind me asking, sir, is it the job? Is it getting to you?" Martin simply shrugs off the emotional consequences of killing people by stating "It's not me" if ever confronted face-to-face with the victim. He figures there's a reason he was hired to kill them. It's just a job.

Photo courtesy of Buena Vista Pictures
John Cusack stars in the dark comedy "Grosse Pointe Blank."

As if he doesn't have enough identity issues, add the beautiful Debi (Minnie Driver), Martin's high school girlfriend whom he hasn't seen or spoken to since the night of their senior prom, when he never arrived to pick her up. Even though he left her in the past, Martin hasn't forgotten about Debi. He has recurring dreams about her on a weekly basis, which qualifies him as "obsessive." (Remind anyone of Ben Stiller in "There's Something About Mary?")

So Martin ends up in Grosse Pointe on the weekend of the reunion by coincidence; he's been assigned to a "job" there.

He returns to the scenic city to find his childhood home replaced crudely by an "Ultimart" convenience store. To say the least, he is shocked, asking the clerk in amazement, "What are you doing here?!"

The job that Blank has been sent to complete was originally assigned to his hyperactive competitor, Grocer, portrayed by Dan Aykroyd. Grocer is furious that Blank has edged his way onto his job and decides to make Martin his target instead. Now it is only a matter of time before a showdown erupts between the two killers.

When Debi and Martin finally come face-to-face, the most humorous conversation opportunities in the film result. Debi is shocked to see Martin as he casually enters her broadcasting booth at the local radio station. She can't believe that her "long, lost love" has returned.

But Debi doesn't let him off that easy. She grills him on air about the emotional damage he caused her by leaving on the night of the prom without explanation.

Martin concentrates on Debi so intently that he hasn't even done the job yet. The night of the reunion arrives and the clock is ticking. Martin has to decide what he's going to do: Make the kill or get the girl?

The chemistry between the former lovers returns substantially and is visible at the reunion. Unfortunately, the inevitable happens, and Martin's career interferes with the outcome of the evening.

"Grosse Pointe Blank" is an entertaining and humorous film that doesn't necessarily fit into the mold of most movies as a strict comedy, drama or romance. For something different but satisfying, rent Grosse Pointe.

Photo courtesy of Buena Vista Pictures
John Cusack and Dan Aykroyd, who portray competing professional killers, face off in "Grosse Pointe Blank."

Chart-Toppers

Keanu 'speeds' at the box-office

Photo courtesy of warner Bros. Pictures

Top Ten Weekend at the Box Office

	Movie Title	Gross Sales
1.	The Matrix	$ 22.2 million
2.	Never Been Kissed	$ 11.7 million
3.	The Out-of-Towners	$ 5.3 million
4.	10 Things I Hate About You	$ 5.2 million
5.	Analyze This	$ 5.1 million
6.	Go	$ 4.7 million
7.	Forces of Nature	$ 3.7 million
8.	Twin Dragons	$ 2.8 million
9.	Doug's First Movie	$ 2.3 million
10.	Foolish	$ 2.3 million

Source: Associated Press

Top Ten Last Week's Video Rentals

	Movie Title
1.	There's Something About Mary
2.	Ronin
3.	The Waterboy
4.	The Truman Show
5.	Bulworth
6.	What Dreams May Come
7.	Snake Eyes
8.	Pleasantville
9.	Rush Hour
10.	Practical Magic

Source: Billboard Online

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Lost and Found, starring David Spade and Sophie Marceau

■ SOFTBALL

Irish stay undefeated in conference

The Observer/Liz Lang

The Irish softball team hung onto its undefeated conference record this weekend with a doubleheader sweep over Rutgers.

By MATT OLIVA
Sports Writer

Two weekend wins against Rutgers helped the Notre Dame softball team hang onto its undefeated conference record (4-0) and gave head coach Liz Miller her 800th career victory.

The historic win came with the second game and moved Miller's coaching record to 800-272, a .746 career winning percentage.

In the first game, the Irish, who moved to 25-15 on the season, defeated the Scarlet Knights 4-2. Jennifer Sharron (9-6) earned the victory on the mound for the Irish, striking out 11.

Sharron held Rutgers off the scoreboard until pitcher Juliette Brooks hit a solo home run for the Scarlet Knights in the bottom of the sixth.

They added another run in the bottom of the seventh after the number nine hitter singled in a runner from second with two outs. The Irish ended a final inning threat on the same play when the runner on first tried to stretch it to third and was gunned out by catcher Kris McCleary.

The Irish offense lit the spark in the third inning with Amy Laboe's solo home run, her third of the year. The run set an all-time team record — 18 home runs in a season.

Notre Dame added two more runs in the fourth inning with the help of three Rutgers ' errors. The fourth run came in the fifth inning when Laboe double and later scored on a sacrifice fly by McCleary.

The second game lasted only five innings as Notre Dame defeated the home team 9-1. Angela Bessolo picked up the victory, moving her record to 8-5.

She struck out five and allowed the only one run in the top of the second inning. For the week, Bessolo has two wins and a save in three appearances and a 0.60 ERA. She pitched the entire game for her second complete game in a row and fifth this year.

Mel Alkire hit a home run to deep center with one out in the third inning and Jenny Kriech added her first career home run in the fifth inning. The two home runs increased their school record totals to 20 home runs each in a season.

Seven batters had hits for the Irish, led by Alkire and Jarrah Myers who each went 2-for-3. Notre Dame scored three runs in the second, one in the third and five in the fifth for the eventual 9-1 outcome.

The Irish were supposed to take on Villanova on Sunday but both games were rained out. The games were rescheduled and will be played today at noon.

Sharron is expected to start game one while Bessolo is the expected starter for game two.

■ PGA

Olazabal wears green jacket

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga.

Side by side they walked up the 18th fairway — Jose Maria Olazabal poised to claim his second Masters, and Greg Norman wondering if he would ever win one.

Olazabal could have marched alone and accepted the ovation he earned with remarkable play that separated him from a dozen other contenders at Augusta National.

Instead, he waited for Norman, with whom he has more in common than their number of green jackets might suggest.

Both were seeking redemption — Olazabal from a crippling injury that he feared would end his career, and Norman from the mental anguish that Augusta has heaped on him over the years.

"I think he deserves the jacket as much as anybody else," Olazabal said.

On Sunday, it belonged to Olazabal.

From the depth of his depression, he would cry himself to sleep and wonder if he would ever walk again, let alone play another round of golf.

The tears he shed Sunday were those of a Masters champion.

"It's very difficult to express how I feel at this particular moment, especially after what I went through," he said. "To stand before you in a green jacket is an achievement I didn't even think about."

Just three years ago, he was confined to a couch with what was later diagnosed as a lower back that left his feet hurting so badly he thought his career was over. Olazabal secured victory Sunday with a brilliant back-nine performance that left Norman with yet another Masters disappointment.

Just when it appeared Norman might finally redeem himself from three past failures with a 25-foot eagle putt on the 13th hole, along came Olazabal, who had his own measure of redemption to fulfill.

He rammed home a 20-foot birdie putt on top of Norman to pull into a tie, then showed off the brilliant short game that carried him to the 1994 Masters — just like then, he didn't have a three-putt over 72 holes.

More importantly, Olazabal didn't make a bogey over the final 13 holes. He closed out his one-under 71 with a 4-foot putt for par, and donned a green jacket once again.

And then he cried.

Asked about his family, who couldn't bear to watch when Olazabal had to crawl around their house in Spain, the 33-year-old put his hand over his face and began to sob.

"When I was at my lowest, I never thought about this happening again," he said. "I will embrace my family, for sure."

He won by two strokes over Davis Love III with a 280, the highest winning score in the Masters in 10 years. Norman, playing in the final group at a major championship for the eighth time, finished third at 283.

When Olazabal won in 1994, the gallery was pulling for Tom Lehman. Once again, the cheers belonged to someone else — Norman, the sentimental favorite.

As usual, the groans also followed Norman.

"It was a successful week, and a sad week, all rolled up in one," Norman said. "It's not a heartbreak. Don't make a mountain out of a molehill on this one."

This wasn't nearly as shocking as his collapse in 1996, when Norman squandered a six-stroke lead to Nick Faldo in the final round. Norman simply didn't make the shots that Augusta requires of its champions on the final holes.

Olazabal and Norman became close friends through their time away from golf.

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Noah luvs Dylan 4-eva! Dylan McKay is soooooo hot, don't you agree?

I Love Kathleen. These are all for you. You can't tell, but they are.

I love it here. It is too fun. I can't take it anymore.

I have nothing to say. Nothing.

The sports department is a bunch of 90210 haters.

None of them has ever experienced the physical joy that runs through my body as Dylan comes on the screen.

SCARY. VERY VERY SCARY.

And if you think production assistants with weird FOX TV fetishes are scary, you should see copy editors at 3 a.m.

Hi Paul. You are awake. So am I. Isn't this great?

Dillon boys - I love you all, even though you think I diss you, which I DO NOT. You know that we love you. Don't try to deny it.

But back to the matter at hand, this week on 90210 Dylan and Matt find common ground in the pool hall.

He will ask Kelly who she would want to be stuck on a desert island with... can you guess her answer??

This all of course is simply a way of living one's life through fictitious characters. It is in fact a very sad way of admitting one really needs a woman. Hey, i'm really nice too, i got a car, DVD player great manners... call me

Abortion, euthanasia and capital punishment demean the lives of countless individuals in our society.

Gather with us in Eucharistic Adoration to pray for an end to the culture of death.

Jesus is here with us in the Eucharist to give us answers—answers that will lead us to truth, happiness and peace. In this culture of death, it is easy for people to become weary and indifferent to God and His gift of life. People often fall short of their obligation to care for and nurture the spiritual and physical lives of themselves and others. Eucharistic Adoration gives a person the opportunity to nurture his own spiritual life, as well as the spiritual lives of others (through prayer for them.) Prayer also protects the physical lives of those endangered by abortion, euthanasia and other forms of violence. It is only through the grace which comes from prayer that others' hearts can be changed from seeking death to loving life. Christ gives us the strength to press on in our battle for life. In order to be Christ-like in our service to preserve life, we must be filled with His life through prayer.

We ask you to join us in prayer for life at Eucharistic Adoration.

What is Eucharistic Adoration?

God is present to us in many ways in our world, but He is especially present to us in the Eucharist. As Roman Catholics, we believe that Jesus Christ, who lived 2000 years ago, is truly present in the Eucharist. In Eucharistic Adoration, the Host is placed in a monstrance, in order for us to be able to come and pray. Jesus is always hidden in the tabernacle, but in adoration He is exposed so that we can come and kneel before Him, face to face, and speak with God. When Jesus is exposed like this, **He can never be left alone.** Thus, people sign up to be responsible to come and pray with Him for a certain amount of time (usually $^1/_2$-1 hour) every week.

Why should I go?

If Jesus were to come to the JACC, wouldn't you come and stand in line for hours just to talk to Him for a minute? Even if you weren't Christian, wouldn't you be at least interested in this God so many people talk about? Well, Jesus is truly present here on campus—in the Eucharist. **IN ADORATION YOU HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GO AND SPEAK WITH GOD FACE TO FACE.** You can confide in Him, plead with Him, question Him. And if you sit quietly enough, He will inspire you with answers.

What do I do when I am there?

When you enter the chapel, you should genuflect as a sign of reverence to Jesus. It is common practice during Adoration to genuflect on two knees, instead of just one (like you do whenever you enter a chapel.) You can stand, sit, or kneel—whatever helps you pray. And then you pray. There are many ways to pray: you can do spiritual reading; you can pray a rosary; you can sit in silence; you can even just talk to Jesus—like you would to a friend. The most important thing is that you love Him and allow Him to love and strengthen you.

What does the Church think?

"Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, whether in a pyx or a monstrance, is a recognition of the wondrous Presence of Christ in the sacrament and stimulates us to unite ourselves to Him in a spiritual communion. It is, accordingly, eminently in harmony with the worship which we owe Him in spirit and truth..."

—Post-Conciliar (Vatican II) Document, S.C.D.W.

"I make a holy hour each day in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. All my sisters of the Missionaries of Charity make a daily holy hour as well, because we find that through our daily holy hour our love for Jesus becomes more intimate, our love for each other more understanding, and our love for the poor more compassionate..."

—Mother Teresa

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■ FOX SPORTS... ALMOST

Corporate presence in sports too much, must stop

By TED FOX
Sports Columnist

Watching the Detroit Red Wings and Pittsburgh Penguins do battle from the Joe Louis Arena Sunday, the thing I noticed most was not the hockey or the teams.

It wasn't the crowd noise or even the little "Fox Box" in the upper-left corner. No, what I noticed was on the ice, but it had absolutely nothing to do with the game being played.

What stuck out the most for me was an on-ice advertisement.

Now normally, seeing this would not catch my attention. Everything in sports is sponsored by someone now, so seeing a "Phil's Bar & Grill" logo that's bigger than the Red Wing doesn't really come as much of a surprise.

However, this ad was different for one special reason: It was for Sea World.

You know, Sea World, the aquarium that tries to act like it's some sort of an amusement park with a whole bunch of fish and that whale of a whale, Shamu, but fails miserably because there really aren't any rides — unless you like being thrown off Shamu's snout into some seriously dirty water.

These two small pieces of the ocean pie can be found in Aurora, Ohio and Orlando, Fla.

Notice neither one of these places was Somewhere, Mich. For some reason, that really bugs me.

The corporate presence in sports is already bad enough. Every jersey has a logo; Every piece of board bears a sign.

The halftime shows are brought to you by NASDAQ and the trivia by AFLAC.

People watch the Super Bowl to see what those frogs are going to croak out before a disgruntled lizard named Louie tries to make them croak.

You can take the official aspirin of NASCAR and drink the official non-carbonated beverage of the NBA all while eating the official pizza of the Detroit Pistons and watching golfers at The Masters hit the official ball of players born between September 10, 1950, and December 2, 1977.

You can sit down after New Year's and watch the AT&T Rose Bowl or the Nokia Sugar Bowl. Or maybe you like the Toyota Gator Bowl or the Insight.com Bowl.

The NBA is on NBC and boxing runs on pay-per-view for the price of a small car, while you end up watching two rounds.

Major League Baseball on Fox has the base cam and the catcher cam and the Skoal dip can and the fan in section 126, row 13, seat 2 cam.

Heck, if the prohibitionists were still having rallies, I wouldn't be all that surprised if they were sponsored by Budweiser, or maybe O'Doul's (because, hey, that's what they drink when they're not drinkin' beer).

Speaking of beer, when they used to show it, I know I got more into the Bud Bowl during the Super Bowl than the real game. I mean, a "real live" football game between Bud and Bud Light beer bottles broadcast during every commercial break! If that wasn't heaven, I don't know what could be.

What's the point of all this rambling? I'm not really sure either, but I think it goes something like this.

Dear Corporate Sponsor:

We can accept your sponsorship of just about everything there is in sports today, but please don't advertise the main attraction of another city in our hometown arena. The line has to be drawn somewhere.

I don't know about you, but I don't want to go to the JACC to see a big University of Michigan logo plastered on the floor because they gave the university some money. I don't want to go to a Bulls game and see the Pistons horse on the sideline because they paid for a skybox at the United Center.

If a team or an organization is going to allow every aspect of its existence to be sponsored by someone, at least make it something relevant to the city that the team is in. That at least makes sense.

Maybe I'm way off base on all this. A lot of people probably don't care what they see advertised or where it is displayed.

For me, though, whenever I see that Sea World sign, I always wonder "Why?"

I guess I'll never know.

Unless, of course, Sea World offers to pay to melt the rink for the weekend to give Shamu a place to swim, forcing the Wings to go an extended road trip.

I guess I could understand then.

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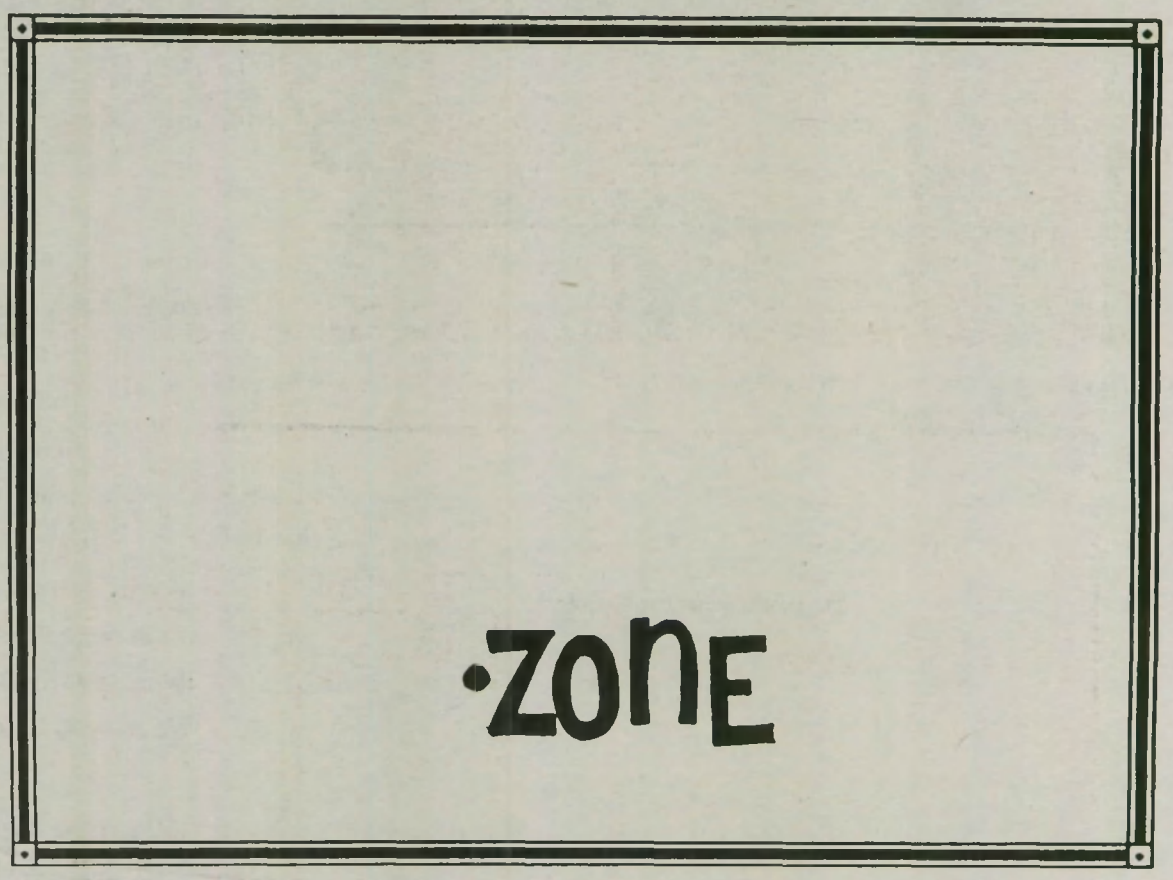

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■ WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish upset high-ranked William and Mary

The Observer/Job Turner

Senior Marisa Valesco won 6-2, 6-3 at No. 3 singles in her final career home contest Saturday versus William and Mary.

By WES JACOBS
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women's tennis team pulled off its biggest win of the year yesterday, beating No. 9 William and Mary 5-4, advancing its record to 18-6.

"We played very intense — our kids knew William and Mary was a tough match, since they're top 10," said coach Jay Louderback. "We really want to finish in the top 12 teams, and we knew that we needed to win this. It's exciting; we put ourselves in a real good spot with the win."

Fifteenth-ranked Notre Dame won four of six singles matches and raced to an 8-0 win at No. 1 doubles to clinch the victory. Irish seniors Jen Hall and Marisa Velasco, playing in the final home matches of their stellar careers, provided the spark that the Irish needed.

Since losing to UCLA in the National Team Indoor Tournament on Feb. 21, the Irish have won 12 of 14 matches, with their only losses coming against top 10 teams Arizona State and Tennessee. With Sunday's loss, 9th-ranked William and Mary fell to 17-6.

Velasco equaled her biggest win of the year, beating 38th-ranked Carolijn van Rossum 6-2, 6-3 at No. 3 singles.

"Marisa played her best match of the year. She lost to this girl last year in three sets, and I could tell that she didn't want to lose again," said Louderback.

"It was good getting to play her again and get some revenge," said Velasco. "I was fired up — it was my last home match. I didn't make too many errors and pulled out the win."

Hall teamed with sophomore Michelle Dasso as Notre Dame's eighth-ranked No. 1 doubles team smashed William and Mary's 14th-ranked Tari Ann Toro and Laura Tsaggaris 8-0 to clinch the win with a 5-2 Irish lead. The Tribe went on to win the final two matches at No. 2 and 3 doubles to close the gap to make the final margin 5-4.

"I didn't feel like I played my best in singles, so I wanted to redeem myself. We knew that all of their doubles teams were tough, so we just came out fast and went from there. It was a fun match," said the two-time All-American Hall.

Notre Dame sprinted out of the gate in singles, winning four matches in straight sets. Junior Kelly Zalinski and freshman Becky Varnum gave the Irish a quick 2-0 lead. Zalinski beat Lindsay Sullivan 6-2, 6-1 at No. 5 singles, while the 69th-ranked Varnum beat 79th-ranked Delphine Troch 6-3, 6-1 at No. 4 singles. Jessyca Arthur gave the Tribe its first point of the match with 6-2, 6-3 win at No. 6 singles over Irish sophomore Kim Guy.

Velasco won her match to put the Irish up 3-1, and when Dasso won, the Irish were feeling good at 4-1. Dasso edged 42nd-ranked Toro in a tight match at No. 1 singles. She served for the first set at 5-3 but Toro saved set points for a service break and then held serve to rally to 5-5.

Dasso won the final two games of the set. In the second set, it was Toro who went ahead, leading 4-1 before Dasso rallied to force the set into a tiebreaker, which she won 7-4 for Notre Dame's fourth team point of the match.

In the day's only three-set singles match, Carlijn Buis kept William and Mary alive beating 62nd-ranked Hall 6-3, 4-6, 6-4 at No. 2 singles.

After Notre Dame closed out the match, the doubles teams of Troch and van Rossum and Buis and Sullivan beat Irish foes Varnum/Velasco and Lindsey Green/Zalinski 8-6 and 9-8 (7), respectively, to make the final margin.

"When push comes to shove, we're ready to play on match day. We knew we had to win, so give us credit," said Velasco.

The win over the ninth-ranked Tribe marks Notre Dame's second win over a ninth-ranked team this year. On March 6, the Irish defeated Wake Forest 7-2.

In addition, William and Mary beat No. 2 Duke earlier this year, the one team to defeat Notre Dame on its home courts.

Notre Dame closes out its regular-season home schedule with a 10-1 record, the one loss coming against Duke. The Irish have won at least four singles matches for the 19th time in 24 dual matches and boast a 97-40 dual singles record.

On Friday, Notre Dame won six singles matches in straight sets and swept doubles on their way to a 9-0 win over the BYU Cougars.

Winners in singles for the Irish were Green, Zalinski, Dasso, Varnum, Hall and Velasco.

BYU's Brooke Leavens rallied from 0-5 in the second set and saved two match points in the tiebreaker before Irish senior Velasco held on for a 6-4, 7-6 (7-5) win at No. 3 singles to complete the singles sweep for Notre Dame, marking the eighth time in 23 matches this year the Irish have won all six singles matches.

In doubles, the teams of Varnum/Velasco, Dasso/Hall and Green/Zalinski were victorious to complete the 9-0 sweep for the Irish, the third shut out in four matches for Notre Dame.

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Baseball

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when sophomore Ben Cooke hit a two-out single past the Panther second baseman, stole second and scored off a single by third baseman Jeff Perconte.

The Panthers got on the board in the fifth inning after leftfielder Chris Delsignore tripled to start off the inning and scored on a sacrifice bunt by fellow outfielder Stuart Rykaceski.

In the bottom of the inning, however, the Irish scored two more runs off of doubles by designated hitter Jeff Wagner and first baseman Jeff Felker. Those runs proved to be all the Irish would need, as Heilman kept the Panthers' bats stagnant for the victory.

Heilman pitched his fifth complete game of the season and improved his record to 7-1 on the season. In the process, he lowered his career ERA to 2.03, well below the Irish record of 2.36 set by Nick Palinhich from 1959-61. John Schultz took the loss for the Panthers, dropping his record to 2-4.

'I HATE TO SOUND LIKE A BROKEN RECORD, BUT WHENEVER ONE OF OUR PLAYERS GETS INJURED FOR US, SOMEONE'S ABLE TO STEP UP.'

PAUL MAINIERI
BASEBALL HEAD COACH

In the nightcap, the Irish took the first lead of the game in the sixth behind a double by Perconte down the left field line, a bunt single down the middle by Stanley and a double-play ball by O'Toole. In the eighth, the team added an insurance run off a sacrifice fly by Stanley that scored Cooke.

The Panthers' bats were silent until the top of the ninth inning, when senior first baseman Steve Dickinson hit a two-run homer to tie the game. In the bottom of the inning, however, Ust got on base quickly after a full-count walk before advancing to second off a Wagner groundball.

A hit by Felker to the shortstop advanced Ust to third before a two-out hit by Matt Strickroth brought the run home to win the game, 3-2.

It was another balanced offensive performance for the Irish, with seven starters collecting hits in the nightcap, headed by Felker's 3-for-3 performance with an RBI and a double.

"I'm still proud of our team," Mainieri said, "because it's one thing to lose a lead in the ninth, but it's another thing to give them the lead in that inning."

Right-hander John Corbin got the win for the Irish, improving his record to 4-1 on the season. Corbin's success came on the shoulders of righthander Alex Shilliday, who allowed three hits over six innings while striking out six. Freshman Drew Duff provided the interim support in the seventh, striking out two of the three batters faced.

The series ended Sunday with a noontime match-up between pitchers Tim Kalita and Josh Knauff. As in their last game, it took another comeback by Irish batters to win the game and sweep the series, 9-8.

After struggling at the start by giving up four runs over the first three innings, Kalita was able to settle down and give a solid seven-inning performance, striking out seven while allowing only three walks and five earned runs.

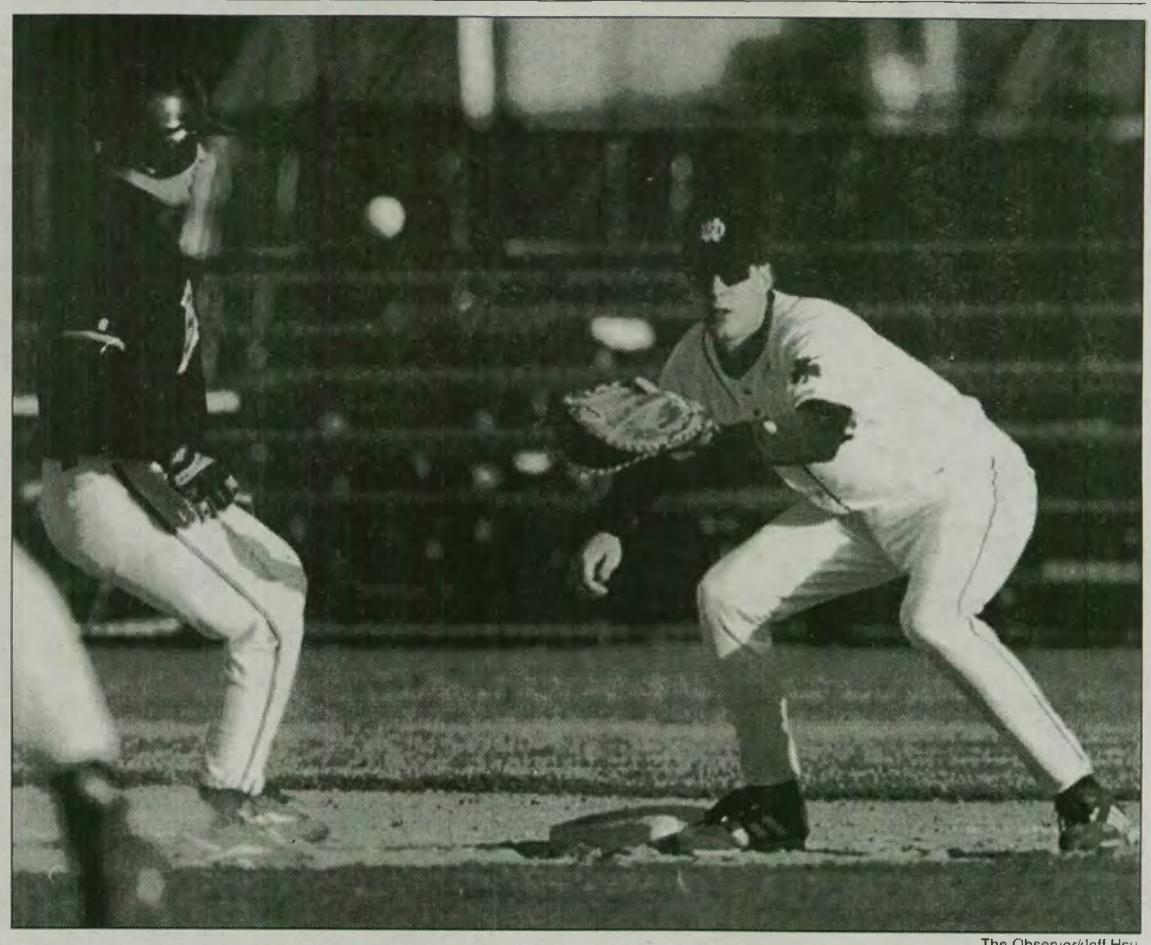
On the offensive end, O'Toole recorded solo home runs in the first and third innings to close the score to 3-2. In the fourth inning, Ben Cooke scored to tie the game after reaching base on a fielder's choice, advancing on a line drive to left field and a double-steal with Porzel, and scoring on a grounder by Perconte to the second baseman.

A four-run fifth inning by the Irish broke the game wide open, marked by pop fly by Ust that scored O'Toole, a run by Porzel off a wild pitch, and a two run homer by Strickroth. The left fielder took first base for the afternoon as a substitute for Felker, who was out for the game due to a wrist injury on Saturday.

"I hate to sound like a broken record," Mainieri said. "but whenever one of our players gets injured for us, someone's able to step up. Take Strickroth, for example. He got two base hits and a home run, and that turned out to be one of the deciding factors for us."

After scoring two runs in the seventh, the Panthers used one more rally in the top of the ninth, tying the game on a two-run single by Dickinson. After a quick pitching change, however, Duff retired the side on a quick strikeout.

On the first pitch of the bottom of the inning Alec Porzel wasted no time by hitting the game-winning home run deep into leftfield.



The Observer/Jeff Hsu

Irish first baseman Jeff Felker doubled and drove in a run in the bottom of the fifth inning of game one Saturday versus Pittsburgh.

"We'd been getting curves and sliders all weekend," Porzel said. "I was just sitting there waiting for that, and he left one right over the middle of the plate."

It wasn't the only time this season Porzel stepped up in late in a game. Last weekend against Detroit, he hit a game-winning home run in the eighth inning. Still, Porzel would have rather finished the series on the field instead of in the batter's box.

"As good as I feel now," he said. "I'd much rather win it in the top of the inning by shutting them down."

Duff earned the win for the Irish, lifting his record to 3-1 on the season, while Vickroy took the loss for the Panthers.

With the sweep, the Irish improve to 25-8 on the year and 12-1 in the Big East, while the Panthers drop to 7-5 in the conference, good enough for third place in the standings, and 18-14 overall.

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■ MEN'S LACROSSE

Irish blow big lead, drop Big East matchup to Hoyas

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Associate Sports Editor

The men's lacrosse team saw its four-goal, first-quarter lead evaporate under the pressure of a strong Georgetown attack and the anguish of mental errors as Notre Dame fell 12-8.

The Hoyas improved to 6-2 on the year while the Irish lost their second straight to fall to 5-4.

"We learned what it takes to make plays at a high level," head coach Kevin Corrigan said. "The combination of mental errors and not finishing the opportunities we had is the difference between winning and losing. There isn't much room for mental errors at this high of a level."

For 14 minutes, 41 seconds, the Irish played flawless lacrosse. Controlling the ball on the offensive zone and forcing Georgetown turnovers at midfield, the Irish jumped out to an early four-goal lead.

Anytime that the Hoyas did manage to get a shot off in the first quarter, Irish goalie Kirk Howell stopped them cold. Howell made 17 saves on the day while allowing only 11.

'IF WE CAN PLAY SMART DEFENSE AND LIMIT THE OTHER TEAM IN THE KIND OF SHOTS THEY GET, THEN WE ARE GOING TO BE FINE.'

KEVIN CORRIGAN
MEN'S LACROSSE COACH

"Kirk is an outstanding goalie," Corrigan said. "If we can play smart defense and limit the other team in the kind of shots they get, then we are going to be fine because Kirk is going to make plays. He is going to make the plays he should make and he is going to make some great saves too."

Brad Owen opened the Irish scoring with a goal just 58 seconds into the game. The senior midfielder blew past his defender on the left side of the goal beat Hoya goalie Brian Hole to the far post.

The Irish lit the scoreboard again with eight minutes to go in the first quarter. Tom Glatzel took a Todd Ulrich pass and found the back of the net for his 18th goal on the year.

The Irish struck again when Stedman Oakley flipped a loose ball past Hole to give the Irish a 3-0 lead.

Glatzel scored for the second time with 2:16 to go in the second quarter. His goal would represent the high water mark for the Irish as Georgetown began its comeback.

The first mental error of the day came with 19 seconds left in the first quarter. Irish goalie Kirk Howell came out of the crease to assist in bringing the ball up the field. Howell attempted to pass the ball over top of a Georgetown's Keith Baker, but Baker intercepted the pass and took advantage of the empty net, putting the Hoyas on the board for the first time.

Georgetown dominated the second quarter as the Hoyas reeled off three more unanswered goals to go into halftime tied.

"We kept them from having the ball in the first quarter," Corrigan said. "They didn't have the ball enough to get many scoring opportunities. In the second quarter it was exactly the opposite. We didn't have possession enough so we came out even at halftime."

The Irish got the first goal of the second half to regain the lead. David Ulrich came from behind Hole and wrapped the ball past his right side for a goal.

The Irish lead would be short-lived, however. Scott Urick combined with first team all-American Greg McCavera just 10 seconds later to tie the game. Urick and McCavera teamed up again two minutes later to give the Hoyas a 6-5 lead.

One minute later, the Hoyas struck for their third-straight unanswered goal. Greg Hubschmann beat Howell on a high, hard shot.

Steve Bishko and the man-up unit stopped the bleeding for the Irish with 6:28 left. Bishko got an assist from senior Ned Webster on the goal.

Webster joined with senior captain Chris Dusseau to tie the game with less than five minutes remaining in the third quarter. The goal marked Dusseau's 100th of his Notre Dame career.

The Hoyas pulled away with three more goals while holding the Irish scoreless for close to 17 minutes. The Hoyas defensive strategy stopped the Irish from executing the way they need to, according to Corrigan.

"They played us in a way where one guy has to step up at a time," he said. "They shut people off around the ball. We are a team that has to get ball movement on offense. They took that away from us and said 'Beat us man-to-man.' They took us out of the rhythm of our offense and we didn't recover in time to make plays."

John Flandina ended the offensive drought for the Irish when he scored with 3:17 remaining in the game. Bishko picked up his fifth assist of the year on the goal.

Georgetown got two late goals to finish the game leading 12-8.

While the Irish offense was not quite up the challenge of eighth-ranked Georgetown, the defense held yet another high powered attack below their yearly average.

The Hoyas came in averaging close to 18 goals per game and have twice scored 22 goals in a single game. Corrigan, however, still sees room for defensive improvement.

"We have the potential [to be one of the best defenses in the country]," he said. "But we still make too many mental errors. If we play mentally as hard as we play physically, then we will be one of the better defenses in the country."

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■ BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL

Round of 512 begins with coconut bras, baskets

The Observer/Peter Richardson

Co-ed teams clashed this weekend during the 27th annual Bookstore Basketball tournament.

By KERRY SMITH
Sports Writer

Despite the cold weather and gray skies, the Stepan basketball courts were host to a Hawaiian luau Sunday afternoon during Bookstore Basketball's round of 512.

In one of the day's most entertaining games, Aloha Means ... "We Suck" came prepared for its match-up with Risky Business, bringing a grill, a chef and wild outfits.

Decked out in grass skirts, Hawaiian shirts and coconut bras, the team of Holt Zeidler, Rob Mallory, Steve "Coco" Torchen, Mike Perrone and Lance LeClere looked confident before the start of the game. They went through organized rebounding and shooting drills, while taking time out for several photo opportunities with fans.

Risky Business, with team members Kevin Calcagno, John Curry, John Gorsica, Tim Riely and Geoff Kammerer, got down to business as soon as the game began, quickly putting Aloha Means ... "We Suck" on the defensive. The inside shooting and no-look passes by Risky Business were too much for the challengers to handle, as Risky Business advanced to the second round 21-9.

"Our extra size helped us," said Calcagano. "We were able to crash the boards and get a lot of rebounds."

John Gorsica led Risky Business on the offensive with eight baskets and Kammerer pulled down a team high 10 rebounds.

Aloha Means ... "We Suck" was disappointed with the outcome of the game and blamed the loss on the slow cooking of its personal chef Kevin Weinisch.

"We had nothing to eat at halftime," said Mallory. "If our chef had the food ready, then we definitely would have won."

Weinisch did manage to get the grill going and the shish-kabob cooking before the end of the game so the team could enjoy a post-game snack.

LeClere thought the non-traditional basketball attire had something to do with the disappointing final score.

"It was fun, but our coconut bras kept getting in the way," he said.

Zeidler, who scored a team-high five points agreed, adding that they "felt a little exposed wearing grass skirts."

In one of the final games played Sunday, Mushroom on a Stick put forward a solid performance against Women Scorned. The teams matched up evenly in the beginning, breaking with Mushroom on a Stick out ahead 11-8 at the half.

The second half told a different story, as Mushroom on a Stick quickly increased its lead, holding Women Scorned, led by captain Charlie Roth, to only two points.

"We're a second-half team," said Mushroom on a Stick point guard Timmy O'Neill. "We played with a lot of heart."

The quick passes and dominance in the paint gave Mushroom on a Stick a big edge and the 21-10 win.

Matt Murphy led the team, lighting up the court with 11 baskets.

"We have really solid players and we ran the court well," said Murphy. "We had some good transitions, but we need to work on our outside shooting."

Roommates O'Neill and Murphy said their friendship off the court had a lot to do with their teamwork on the court.

"I know what Murph's going to do before he does," said O'Neill. "When he zigs, I zag. It's like poetry in motion."

In other tournament action Sunday, Team 15, led by captain Jordan Raniszeski, squared-off against Shiny Happy Naked People. Team 15 controlled the game from the outset and quickly disposed of its opponent 21-4.

Along with Raniszeski, team members Errol Rice, Jon Reither, Andy Marshall and Andy McBride combined tough defense with strong inside play for the win.

"We were just trying to play a solid game," said Raniszeski. Looking ahead to the team's next game, he added, "Hopefully we'll be able to test ourselves more in later rounds, face some tough competition and win by playing well."

Raniszeski led Team 15 offensively with 12 buckets and tallied five defensive rebounds.

Several of the top-32 teams took to the court over the weekend, easily disposing of their challengers. In a field of hundreds of teams, there may be a few cinderella teams waiting for their chance at an upset and a run for the finals.

Bookstore Basketball XXVIII Results-to-date

Friday: Preliminary Round

4 Jocks & a Pollock defeats Get Shorty (21-3)
Team 83 defeats Flat Chested Tap Dancing (21-17)
ND Authority defeats Hot Damn! (21-10)
Dopalishus defeats If you can't beat us on the court... (21-5)
The Big Ten Should've... defeats Points in the Paint (21-13)
The Bismarks defeats The Thundering Turd (22-20)
The Goat defeats Team SSM (21-2)
Brother & Sister News Team defeats Pinkation (21-15)
No Skills III defeats the Ganesh Goddesses (21-14)
SFR 4 defeats One Night Wonders (21-13)
Small Woodland Creatures defeats Flatulence at its greatest (forfeit)
Penetrate & Shoot defeats Queen & Crew (21-5)
PN COM defeats Left-Overs (forfeit)
Please Don't... defeats Pang Gang (21-4)
Froelke & the Blowfish defeats The Playboy Mansion (21-17)
The Irish Curse defeats Teguh's Business (21-12)
No Limit Soldiers defeats Nothing But Net (21-9)
Suckiest Bunch of Sucks... defeats Teen Wolves (21-6)
Levitieus 18:22 defeats Smokey & the Bandits (21-7)
The Chickens defeats Don't Ask Questions (21-10)

Saturday & Sunday: 512 Round

57 defeats 168 (21-9)
Mourningwood defeats Neo-Stoics (21-8)
Moneyballs defeats Archy's Iayin' Bricks (21-9)
548 Majesties defeats 578 Fifty-Fo (22-20)
Don't Feel Bad, Everybody Can't Win defeats I Got Beef Jerkey to Eat (21-3)
Kamikaze Squirrels defeats Jommy Hats or Drunker Than the Kennedy's (21-19)
Regular Size, Small Wank... defents The Electric Shag (21-16)
Ballz Up defeats Kandis and the Firefighters (22-20)
Weber State defeats 9 Legs and a Stump (21-9)
Eminent Domain defeats Levitieus 18:22/Smokey & the Bandits (21-17)
5 Guys who area all about Mrs. Ortega defeats Purging Gerbils (21-4)
Le Moyen Age defeats Greg Loves Sour Posse (21-1)
5 Used Concubines defeats A-Dawg and the Pretenders (21-17)
Broke-Ass Crunksters defeats TANG (21-10)
5 Models in 475 (21-7)
Seven Minute Abs defeats PW Staff: Women who will keep you from scoring (21-5)
Walking Inebriation defeats We'll Shoot on You... (26-24)
Risky Business defeats Aloha (21-9)
Soup Nazis defeats Explorations in Musonry (21-11)
Hung Jury defeats Beghie's Boys Team (25-23)
Mushroom on a Stick defeats Women Scorned (21-10)
Ball Ticklers defeats Garfield and Friends (22-20)
Plums & Teabags defeats Crisco, Lather & Boot (21-8)
Hook it Up defeats Hot Carls (21-3)
Somebody's Mom defeats A Hooker & 4 Pimps (21-17)
Team 203 defeats 3.5 Grams (21-9)
Spud Webb, Bob Dole & 3 other Guys who have trouble scoring (21-11)
Deuteronomy 23:1 defeats Two Thick, Two Thin, and One Wrinkle (21-6)
Chuckers defeats Give me an eye (forfeit)
Team 15 defeats Shiny Happy Naked People (21-4)
Options w/o a future defeats Fill's Girls (21-12)
Penetration defeats Courtdoctors (21-18)
Watch the Hook defeats Raging Milk Maid (21-6)
Great White Hope defeats Phil and the Four Skins (21-4)
The Chosen defeats Team 391 (21-2)
So Anyway, I'm at the Bank defeats Maybe Nick Can Score (21-19)
Loosy Guse defeats You're Terrible, Muriel! (21-8)
Drop a Deuce defeats Selma Heyek F.C. members and a tap dancer (21-7)
4 Jocks and a Pollack defeats Unleashed Manatees (21-17)
The Coalition defeats It's not as much fun if we don't come (21-10)
Free Ballin It defeats Swedish Meatballs (21-14)
Jimmy Chitwood's defeats Las Gringas (21-13)
Flat Chested Tap Dancing Freaks defeats Generations – The Team (21-6)
Morally Casual Attitude defeats Evil Petting Zoo (21-16)
Jimmy's Chicken Shack defeats Johnny Scavenger and the . . . (21-19)
Our Short Girl Wants Bret/Crackers defeats I'd Rather be Shopping (forfeit)
White Chocolate and 4 Others defeats Stay-Puffed (forfeit)
They Forfetied defeats Money (forfeit)
I Swear, Officer, She Looked Fourteen defeats Team 63 (21-15)
Texas High School Football. . . defeats Haslett (21-7)
It Would Be Cool To Get Shot By An Arrow defeats Joe E. Tat's Hairy Nipples (21-12)
The Swedish Bikini Team defeats Bobunk! Bobunk! Bobunk! (21-7)
Pull Hair, Groin Stuff defeats Shawn Kemp's Illegitimate Children (21-14)
Team 424 defeats Father John D's (21-4)
Dogs in the Bathtub defeats Vandelay Industries (21-5)
Squirrel Nuts defeats Too Short?. . .Like a Fox (23-21)
Amazing Grace and Chuck defeats Servin No Blarney (21-10)
The Bismarks defeats Fitz Connection (21-10)
Rough Riders defeats Corleone Family (21-12)
The Misfits defeats Bob Chupski & . . . (21-3)
Second Round or Bust defeats Yohandsome's Harem (21-8)
Daisy's Dukes defeats Small Woodland Creatures (forfeit)
ND Authority defeats Stroke and Dribble (21-18)
Froelke and the Blowfish defeats Flagrant Bludgeoners (21-3)
If Only They Gave Points for Heart defeats We Don't Let Anybody Shoot (21-8)
Whistler Binky's defeats Team 415 (21-5)
Four Guys Who Play with a Pooch defeats No Ka'oi (21-1)
Lanny and the Dateless Wonders/4 Drunks Who need a Fifth defeats The Wok (21-10)
Suck It! defeats Looks Like a Pump. . ./ The Worst Team Ever (21-8)

The Observer/Scott Hardy

The Observer/Jeff Hsu
Sophomore Tony Driver, competing with two others for the running back position, replaced Tony Fisher in the lineup after just three plays Saturday.

Football

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number one position on the depth chart.

Tony Fisher started the game with the first team offense, but Tony Driver subbed for him after three plays. Both tailbacks looked strong all day with Fisher scampering for a 20-yard run against the first team defense on the fourth series and Driver consistently running north-south up the field between the tackles.

The third back in the lineup probably will be Terrance Howard, who originally came to Notre Dame as a safety. Howard saw some action with the second team offense and did not disappoint, with a couple of nice gains.

The quarterbacks had trouble throwing the ball in the scrimmage.

However, Jarious Jackson, Arnaz Battle and Eric Chapell ran the option well all day, with Battle running a keeper on the option for a long touchdown against the first team defense. Jackson had a 50-yard completion to Joey Getherall, otherwise he struggled with the passing game, overthrowing receivers and having a few balls dropped by his wideouts.

"He struggled. It's a combination of things. Number one, it was extremely windy, and number two, there were some differenet breakdowns," said Davie of his starting quarterback. "He'd be the first to tell you that he wasn't near as accurate or as sharp as he should be."

Many other positions made noteworthy contributions during the scrimmage.

The young offensive line is starting to come into shape.

Jordan Black (left tackle), Jim Jones (left guard), Mike Gandy (right guard) and John Teasdale (right tackle) have been starting alongside center John Merandi, the lone returning starter from the unit.

The fullback position seems to be loaded with Joey Goodspeed and Tom Lopienski seeing the bulk of the work with the first team.

Highly regarded sophomore Mike McNair saw limited action in Saturday's scrimmage. Davie was excited about his top two fullbacks: "I'm impressed with our fullbacks. Joey Goodspeed has really had a good spring and I think some of that has to do with Tommy Lopienski breathing down his neck."

On the injury front, receiver Jay Johnson fractured his right thumb in practice on Friday and fullback Jason Murray is out with a rib injury. Cornerback Donald Dykes has been out all spring with a sprained ankle but will return to practice this week.

Junior cornerback Brock Williams, suspended for breaking an unspecified team rule, may come back this week, according to Davie.

"He's got a couple of criteria he's got to reach for me but he's coming close," he said.

Sophomore Shane Walton, the leading scorer on the men's soccer team in the fall, has been practicing with the team as a backup cornerback. He also has been returning punts, along with Raki Nelson, Javin Hunter and Joey Getherall.

Davie is unsure if they have a starter at that position as of yet, based on the inexperience and also the fact that they haven't been tested because of the lack of an aerial attack thus far.

Deveron Harper and Lee Lafayette started in the scrimmage with Walton, Clifford Jefferson and Ron Israel as the key backups. With the return of Dykes and Williams and incoming freshman Gerome Sapp, Albert Poree and Jason Beckstrom, there will be heavy competition once the fall rolls around.

First team linebackers Ronnie Nicks, Anthony Denman and Rocky Boiman have all been impressive in the spring drills. Nicks, a senior who has battled nagging injuries throughout his career, has had two huge hits, one on Wednesday against Raki Nelson and again on Friday against Driver.

Denman, a junior and a backup for Jimmy Friday the past two years, has taken a leadership role on the defense, according to Davie. Davie also mentioned senior strong safety A'Jani Sanders and senior defensive end Lamont Bryant as leaders for the young defensive unit.

Senior walk-on Mark Rule is seeing action as the number four quarterback, although he didn't play in the scrimmage.

Gary Godsey, an incoming freshman, who was recruited as a tight end and possible defensive end, will also get a look at quarterback in the fall. However, the 6-foot-7, 255 pounder from Tampa, Fla., may be better suited to play his former positions.

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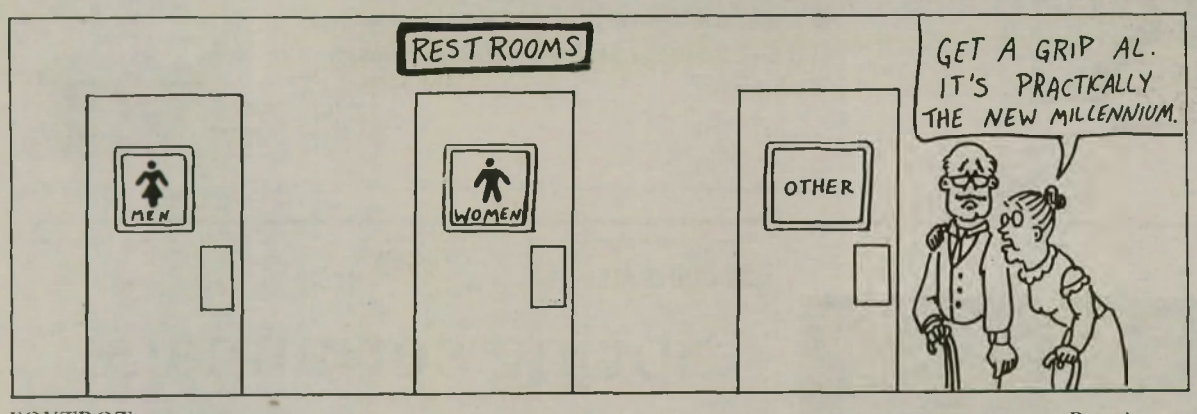

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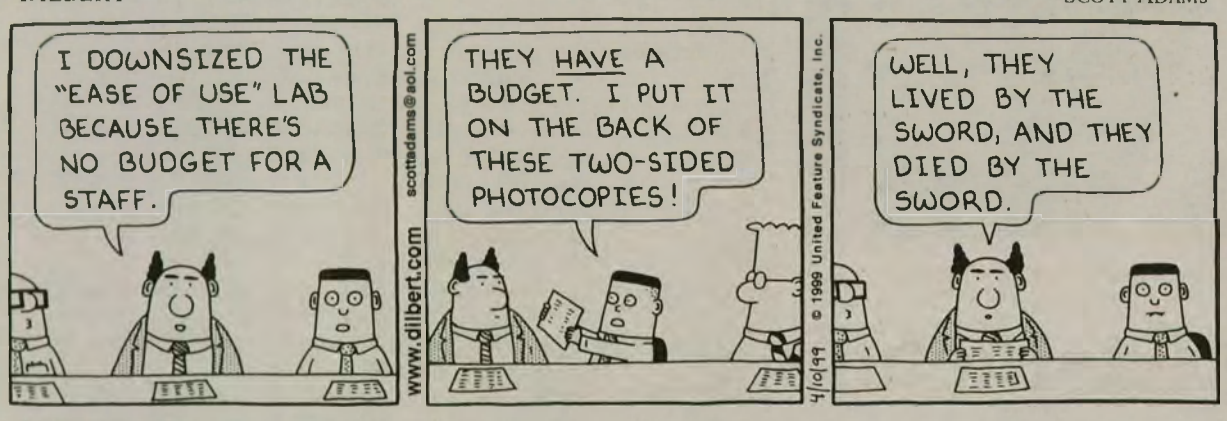

HOROSCOPE — EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: David Letterman, Shannen Doherty, David Cassidy, Vince Gill, Montserrat Caballe, Andy Garcia, Ann Miller

Happy Birthday: You have to speak out and let those around you know exactly what you want. Your ideas are good and so are your intentions, but if you keep letting others rule your world, you are likely to become dissatisfied. The more you assert yourself, the happier you'll be. You're ready for a change and need to know that you can make a difference. Your numbers: 3, 6, 22, 29, 31, 40

ARIES (March 21-April 19): What a great day to travel. Get involved in projects that will enable you to move around. You need a change of scenery if you want to keep life exciting and fulfilling. ✪✪✪✪

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't spend too much on a luxury item. Your partner will not be pleased with your extravagance. Stick to a tight budget for the time being. Your financial state is still not that stable. ✪✪

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You'll get caught if you stretch the truth today. Anger will erupt with loved ones if you haven't spent enough time with them. Get your priorities straight before you're left out in the cold. ✪✪✪✪✪

CANCER (June 21-July 22): It may be tempting, but you mustn't get involved intimately with someone at work. You'll will have problems with co-workers if you aren't doing your share of the work. ✪✪✪

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Emotional ups and downs will occur at home if you are under stress. Try to change your attitude. Things don't have to be perfect in order to be satisfying and make you happy. ✪✪✪

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take time to sort out the mess you left at home. You may want to check over your personal papers and make whatever changes are required. ✪✪✪

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Relatives will not want to listen to your excuses. You may want to keep your opinions to yourself. You will be taken the wrong way if you insist on pushing your beliefs on others. ✪✪✪✪✪

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Instant romance will be passionate and enticing. However, if it involves someone from work, put on the brakes. The problems that result from this tempestuous fling will not be worth it. ✪✪✪

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will have plenty of opportunities for romance if you want them. Don't wear yourself out trying to please everyone. You need to make some choices instead of trying to do everything. ✪✪✪

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your involvement in groups may overload your plate. Exhaustion is evident if you aren't careful about the way you handle yourself and your commitments. ✪✪✪

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Communication will be necessary if you don't want to have problems with someone you love. Social activity will be favorable, providing you include the one you love. ✪✪✪

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You'll be facing emotional discord if you haven't done your share of the work at home. Don't take on other people's problems before taking care of your own. ✪✪✪

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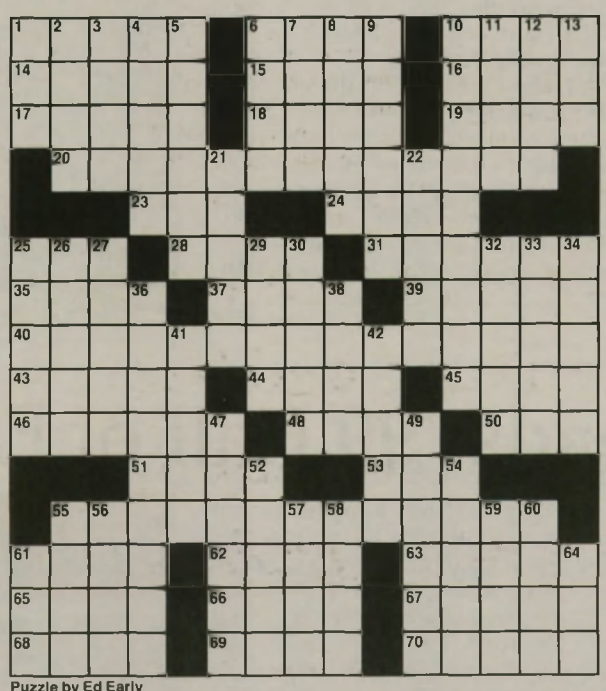

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Hoopin' da books

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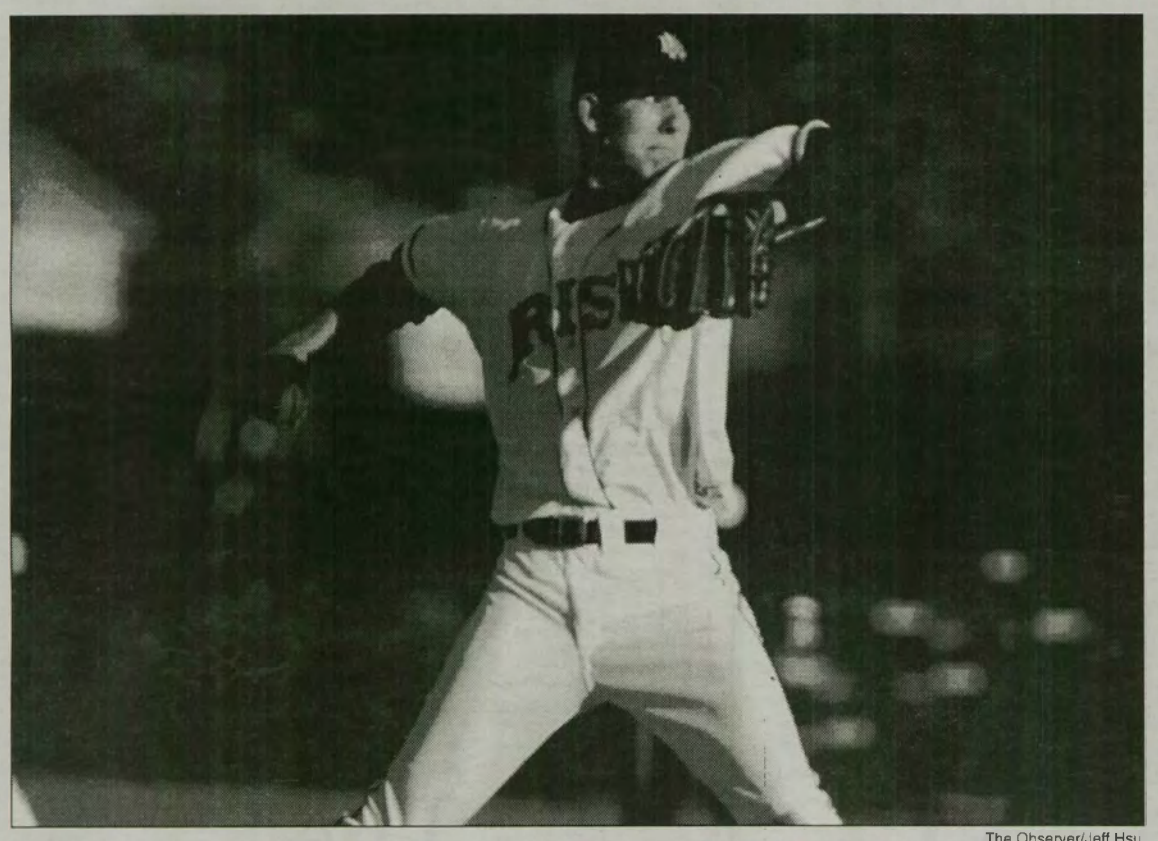
■ BASEBALL



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The Irish pitching staff performed admirably during Saturday's doubleheader sweep over Big East rival Pittsburgh. Notre Dame pushed its record to 18-14 on the year.

Sluggers take Big East lead

By BILL HART
Associate Sports Editor

Weekend skies cleared, allowing the Irish baseball team to take a commanding grip of first place in the Big East standings by sweeping conference rival Pittsburgh.

"We had a lot of guys playing hero for us," head coach Paul Mainieri said, "and that's what I would call a total team effort."

The Irish got the ball rolling Saturday afternoon with sophomore ace Aaron Heilman on the mound for the first game of a doubleheader. The offense provided more than enough insurance for the right-hander, earning the 4-1 win in the seven-inning matinee.

Notre Dame put the first runs on the board in the third, after freshman center fielder Steve Stanley converted a one-out bunt single, stole second and took third off a throw by Pittsburgh catcher Doug Caraway into center field. Catcher Paul O'Toole then singled up the middle to score Stanley and take a 1-0 lead.

The Irish added another run in the fourth,

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■ FOOTBALL

Spring scrimmage builds foundation

By TIM CASEY
Sports Writer

Notre Dame head coach Bob Davie and his staff had a chance to see where their team stands last Saturday in the first of three scrimmages scheduled for the spring session.

Davie stressed the importance of building a foundation in the spring and building upon that foundation in the summer and fall.

"The intent of a scrimmage like this is not to make this a pretty scrimmage. I think what you're trying to do right now is to build a foundation," said Davie on Saturday. "I think we can take some positives out of this, in terms of a foundation. By no way are we close to being a finished product but we don't have to be a finished product yet."

The practice began with an emphasis on special teams, an area which Davie had planned to concentrate on since day one of practice.

David Miller and Jim Sanson look to be the punter and kickoff men as of now, but the job is wide open come fall when highly regarded recruits Nick Setta and Joey Hildbold will challenge the upperclassmen.

Gerald Morgan, not the prototypial punter at 6-foot-4, 261 pounds, and James Caputo, a senior walk-on, also saw action punting the ball. Miller also kicked off and attempted field goals.

Davie said that by spending extensive time on field goal and extra point protection has proven helpful. He said will implement kickoff coverage into the game plan this coming week.

"We had some good work early in the punting game. We came out and tried to put a lot of pressure on our punters and our protection," said Davie. "The same thing with field goal/extra point. We did some of that full-speed rush-that wasn't too bad. It was about how I expected it to be."

The scrimmage focused on the running game and option game. With the wind swirling and the need to establish a running attack in the absense of graduated Autry Denson, the aerial attack did not get called upon often.

"We wanted to really emphasize the running game and the option game today. The next step for us is to start to throw the football a liitle more efficient than we did today," said Davie.

The highlights of the game were the three running backs who are challenging for the number one position on the depth chart.

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■ COLLEGE FOOTBALL

'77 grad Browner leads '99 Hall of Fame inductees

By ANTHONY BIANCO
Associate Sports Editor

Having received numerous awards as the Irish defensive end from 1973 to 1977, Ross Browner's latest accolade — election to the National College Football Hall of Fame — proved his career among the nation's best.

The two-time unanimous all-American was officially elected Friday along with 14 other players and coaches. As a four-year starter, Browner played on the defensive line of both the 1973 and 1977 National Championship teams.

Between the two trophy wins, the Warren, Ohio, native won the Outland Trophy, which honors the nation's top interior lineman, as a junior in 1976.

As a senior, he added the Lombardi Trophy as the nation's most outstanding college lineman, the Maxwell Award as the most outstanding college football player, the United Press International Lineman of the Year award and finished fifth in the Heisman Trophy voting.

"This is symbolic that it was all worth it — all the hard work, all the desire, all the sacrifice, all the crying," Browner told the South Bend Tribune at Friday's announcement at the College Football Hall of Fame in South Bend.

It wasn't long after Browner first suited up for the Irish in 1973 that he became a starter — one practice, to be exact. All that then head coach Ara Parseghian and assistant Joe Yonto needed to be convinced of Browner's ability was proven in that first outing.

"At the first practice, Coach Yonto said, 'Just get me in there and hurt 'em,' and that was the last time I played on the freshman team," Browner said, according to the South Bend Tribune.

Aside from his gridiron achievements, it was his commitment to education that drew Browner to Notre Dame. When Parseghi: promised Browner a chance to play as freshman, he also assured him a good education.

Browner said it was the selling point that kept him from instead playing at Ohio State.

Browner graduated in 1978 with a degree in economics before playing from 1979 through 1986 first with the Cincinnati Bengals, where he was drafted in 1978 as the eight overall selection in the first round. He later played for the Green Bay Packers.

The journey as one of the top defensive linemen at Notre Dame also had its share of setbacks for Browner.

After an outstanding freshman season that saw him rank third on the team in tackles, he missed the 1974 campaign for disciplinary reasons. Far from a stumbling point, Browner insists that it also helped shape him.

"That was one of those hurdles I talk about," he said. "You analyze it — how it happened, why it happened — and make sure it does not ever happen again. You learn."

This year's 12 player and three coaching inductees will be formally inducted next December at a ceremony in New York.

The Observer/Kevin Dalum

Former Irish defensive end Ross Browner signed an autograph at the College Football Hall of Fame in South Bend. Browner headed a list of 15 inductees this year.

SPORTS AT A GLANCE

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