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FIRST SNOWMAN OF THE YEAR



Students welcome the first snowfall of the year to come to Notre Dame as they build snowmen in front of Dillon Hall late Sunday night.

NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Law students protest decision

By HELENA PAYNE
News Editor

A group of law students held a protest Friday to denounce Notre Dame's decision not to allow third-year student Jennings Wong to spend her last semester at the New York University School of Law to be with her fiancé, former Notre Dame law student Rich Kohlberger.

"A Catholic University that espouses traditional family values would not have a policy that would keep people apart," said third-year law student Aaron Bernard, who organized the protest.

He and other students in the Law School are planning to challenge a section in the school's Hoynes Code that allows the dean to waive the six-semester requirement for law students who were not transfer students.

"The bottom line is that the law school basically requires that courses be taken at the school for the purposes of earning a law degree," Notre Dame spokesman Matt Storin

said.

Section 4.5.2.2 of the Code gives the dean power to waive the requirement in "extraordinarily compelling reasons," which Wong and Kohlberger thought included the reuniting of spouses.

Julissa Robles, a second-year law student who attended the protest, said she and a group of friends have written letters and plan to press the issue until the law school reevaluates the clause.

"A lot of students are so busy and the administration knows we're only in transition," Robles said. "They expect us to be really complacent and to not make any waves."

Following Wong's July engagement to Kohlberger, the couple asked law school Dean Patricia O'Hara if she could spend two semesters at NYU and still get a Notre Dame law degree. Initially, Wong wanted O'Hara's approval so the couple they could spend more time together and have an August wed-

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Libraries integrate online systems

By KATE DOOLEY
News Writer

The Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Bethel College campus libraries have implemented a new system that allows users to renew materials online.

The three schools and Holy Cross College, which plans to implement the system in the future, formed a cooperative through a system called Aleph that connects to each school's online catalog. It uses the ID barcode as well as the last four digits of your social security number to process the renewal. Administrators hope the new system will help to streamline the process of using materials through the libraries.

"The reasoning behind the renewal system is to offer students, faculty and staff the convenience of renewing books online," said Kate Ward, collection manager and systems librarian at Saint Mary's. "This service allows you the comfort of renewing your book at three in the morning while sitting in your dorm room wearing your pajamas."

The system allows patrons to see what they have current-

ly checked out on their record and then renew materials or cancel any hold requests that are no longer needed. Brochures are available at all the libraries that explain the online renewal process step by step and provide the Web addresses for each of the libraries.

Each school's system keeps track of its own collection individually so students must go to that specific library's online catalog to renew material, said officials. Most students' materials will be renewed for 28 days, whereas faculty and graduate students have a longer time period for renewal.

Ward said public libraries have offered this service for some time now, but use in a university setting is a relatively new concept. They had to make sure that people's record would be secure and private. Ward instructs users to change their verification pin to something other than their social security number as well as logging out when done to protect your privacy.

"We are committed to your privacy and your First Amendment right to read what you want to read," she

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Jaguar displayed at Notre Dame

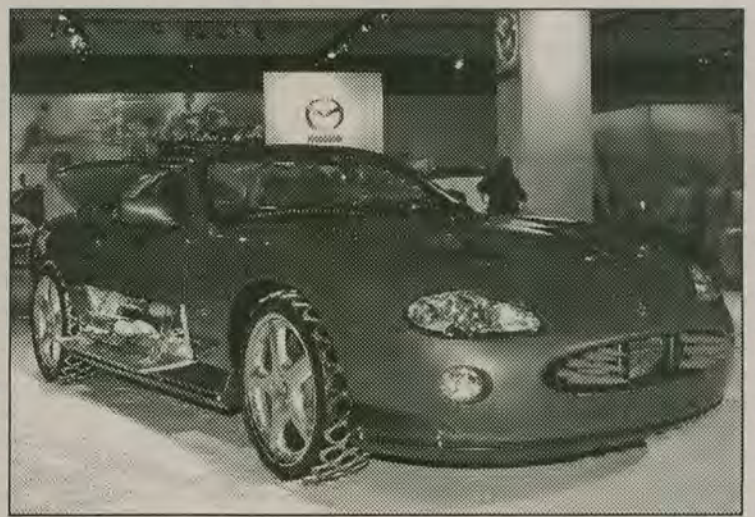
By CHRISTINA CEPERO
News Writer

As part of a presentation on changes in the automotive industry, one of the eight Jaguar XKRs used in the recent James Bond movie, "Die Another Day," was on display at the Mendoza College of Business last Friday. Mike O'Driscoll, president of the Aston Martin, Jaguar and Land Rover North American division, gave a talk about recent changes and industry developments in his company.

O'Driscoll discussed the increasing recent democratization of luxury. Among the newest changes in the automotive industry include aggressive growth of premium car sales in the past seven years, brand proliferation, broad product portfolios and the strengthening of distribution networks, where automotive dealerships have become full-service destination points, said O'Driscoll. He also explained how the merger of three separate companies has affected his company.

"We put Aston Martin, Jaguar and Land Rover together to take on the competition," said O'Driscoll.

Luxury vehicles are also more affordable now because of consumers' increase in affluence and willingness to take on debt and leasing, said O'Driscoll. Luxury automotive companies have in turn aimed to promote



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Another version of the XKR Jaguar that was on display at the Mendoza College of Business Friday. The XKR that was on display represented one of the Jaguars used in the new James Bond film.

brand awareness, publicity and media exposure, answer consumer preferences, create product extensions and enhance product performance.

"If you could take one car to your high school graduation, this would be it," said O'Driscoll.

The other three major automotive companies are BMW, Mercedes Benz and Lexus, explained O'Driscoll. The demand for different categories of luxury items has also increased rapidly, and these brands face many of the same challenges.

The challenges of brand democratization include preserving authenticity, perfor-

mance and striving for a balance between the business growth attained by volume and the brand integrity achieved by exclusivity, said O'Driscoll.

O'Driscoll also explained how company has evolved from Lyons' Swallow Side Car Company in Coventry, England to one of the world's largest luxury automotive companies. Jaguar will launch the newest model of its XJ flagship brand next year, according to O'Driscoll.

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INSIDE COLUMN

I am my hometown's expert

I've successfully made it through the first three months of my college career. And as Thanksgiving approaches, I reflect on this semester and the classes I've had, the things I've done and the people I've met.

And one thing has really stood out to me, besides the fact that professors always seem to hand out the big papers and exams on the days that have already gone really badly.

Maureen Reynolds

News Wire Editor

Everyone, no matter who they are or where they're from, becomes an expert on their hometown or state when they enter college.

Think about it. When you meet someone in a class and ask them where they're from they will come up with some sort of trivia to qualify their hometown. For example: "Where are you from?" "Dayton, Ohio. You know, Martin Sheen is originally from Dayton."

My friends and I are no exception. Through various late-night conversations, I have discovered that Emily knows all about the Minnesota Twins, Sarah can tell me the places various Hollywood stars hang out in Los Angeles, Meg is the resident expert on the Mafia in New Jersey and Nora has become our very own South Bend sage. Want to know a great place to eat or shop in South Bend? Ask Nora. Which crime family had each of its wives mysteriously die while washing windows? Meg knows.

Being from Chicago, I myself have become a meteorologist of sorts for the area surrounding Lake Michigan. My forecast never changes: it will always get colder. No matter what the temperature is now, it will always get worse. While my friends from warmer climates huddle in their big winter coats, I am determined to boycott my own winter coat until snow accumulates on the ground (which, by the way, will not be until early December).

I think that we do this because each person, when they enter college, wants to show that their hometown is just as interesting as everyone else's. Either that or we just enjoy one-upping everyone else's stories.

Now freshmen, I'm going to bet that the same thing is going to happen when we go home for Thanksgiving this week. All those friends that we haven't seen since August are going to come home with all sorts of stories about their own schools. And we, in turn, will become experts once again, but this time on Notre Dame history, dorm life, off-campus parties and everything else about life here. And if it turns out that we are just trying to one-up each other, we have the consummate line to one-up friends from almost any other school.

Just ask them what their football team's record is.

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In the sixth and final talk of the Saturday Scholar Series Professor Merideth Gill focuses on religious inspiration in art.	In a letter addressed to the U.N. Sunday, Iraq claimed that the recent U.N. resolution could allow the United States a pretext to begin a war in the country.	Representatives from Tyson Foods announced they would not accept a \$100 million fine from the U.S. Justice Department.	Notre Dame alumnus Stephen Snchaz considers the problems associated with homosexuals in the priesthood.	Scene critiques a recent performance of traditional Irish dance held Saturday evening at the Morris Performing Arts Center.	Siegfried and Pasquerilla East take home the interhall championships Sunday afternoon at Notre Dame Stadium.
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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

- ◆ College Bowl Semi-Finals
6 p.m. at LaFortune Ballroom
- ◆ Mass
12:15 p.m. at Sacred Heart Crypt

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

- ◆ Beaded Watches Workshop with Linda Topash Yazel
5:30-7:30 p.m. at Reignboux Lounge, LeMans Hall
- ◆ WWII Questions and Answers
12-1 p.m. at Welsh Parlor, Hagggar College Center
- ◆ Sophomore Board Meeting
8-9 p.m. at Room 304, Hagggar College Center

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

Bike rider collides with golf cart

A student riding his bike near the north side of Notre Dame Stadium reported that he collided with a student driving a golf cart Friday afternoon.

Visitors stopped for soliciting

NDSP stopped two visitors selling holiday gifts in Grace Hall Friday afternoon. The visitors were identified, issued non-contractual interest forms and released.

University decal confiscated

NDPD confiscated a University parking decal from a University employee near lot A9 on Friday morning.

compiled from the NDSP crime blotter

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Cheese and mushroom spinach tortellini, Italian sausage marinara, Mexican beef pizza, pretzel sticks, Polish sausage, sweet and sour cabbage, Polish kluski noodles, potato and cheese pierogis, green beans, apple crisp, grilled tuna with lemon, asparagus cuts, wild rice, cream of wheat, scrambled eggs

Today's Dinner: Cheese and mushroom spinach tortellini, Italian sausage marinara, Mexican beef pizza, pretzel sticks, roast top round, sauteed herbed mushrooms, green bean casserole, baby carrots, apple crisp, spinach quiche, orzo portobello and cream, Italian-blend vegetables

South Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Beef ravioli, spinach fettuccine, pesto sauce, tomato pizza, apple turnovers, BBQ beef sandwiches, shrimp spaghetti, rotisserie chicken, oriental vegetables, roasted rosemary potatoes, red beans and rice, corn dogs, fishwiches, crinkle fries, soft pretzels, stir-fry beef and peppers, chicken fajitas

Today's Dinner: Buffalo chicken lasagna, spinach fettuccine, pesto sauce, tomato pizza, apple turnover, vegetables marinara, capri-blend vegetables, baked turbot jardiniere, beef bourguignon, kluski noodles, Bourbon-baked ham, baked sweet potatoes

Saint Mary's Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Orzo meatball soup, cream of tomato soup, sausage pizza, cheese pizza, turket tetrazzini casserettes, California burgers, eggplant parmesan sandwiches, french fries, bean and cheese burritos, seasoned corn, vegetable kabobs, green beans

Today's Dinner: tomato and pesto pizza, cheese pizza, fried pork fritters, french fries, vegetarian lasagna, garlic bread, beef stroganoff, peppercorn muffins, stuffed zucchini, orzo meatball soup, cream of tomato soup

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Gill discusses religious art

♦ Religious art aids in understanding the divine

By MARIA SMITH
News Writer

In the last talk of the College of Arts and Letters Saturday Scholar Series, Meredith Gill, assistant professor of art at Notre Dame, discussed religious inspiration in various artworks in her talk entitled, "Art and the Religious Imagination."

Gill explored the methods used in religious art and what meaning lay behind the artists' endeavors.

"Thomas Merton once said that a saint is a sign from God. The saint is a sacrament, a sign of mediating grace," said Gill. "Can a work of art operate in the same way, as a sign of mediating grace?"

Gill emphasized the special role artists have in making religious experience more accessible to their audience. "Artists offer us a way to imagine the unimaginable," said Gill.

"Artists can then be [a] special witness to the faith and works of art can be special witnesses."

Gill discussed two main methods — identification and vision — for creating art that connected viewers with a religious experience.

"Here the Roman martyr, Sebastian, is located in the Arno Valley of Florence, the artist's home town," said Gill, when describing Italian

Antonio del Pollaiuolo's artwork "St. Sebastian" which depicts the saint being pierced by arrows for the crime of being a Christian. "Seeing this evoked quite literally on one's own doorstep had to allow the viewer a way into understanding this grueling death," she said.

Gill also discussed the painting "St. Augustine in His Study," a depiction by the Italian artist Vittore Carpaccio of the Catholic theologian and saint as a scholar.

"In this painting, he appears not as [a] theologian so much as a professor in his study," said Gill. "Here, I think that identification has to do with imagining an Augustine for the times."

Gill said insights such as these were a positive aspect of identification in religious art.

"The departure from historical truth tells us about the continuities of faith by giving us new stage sets and new kinds of heroes," said Gill.

However, she also emphasized the more disturbing side of identification in art.

"There is a deeper aspect to identification which plays into a very deep theme in Christianity," said Gill. "A work of art can prod us to imagine the worst of torments, torments worse than

death itself."

Gill referred specifically to German artists Matthias Grunewald's painting "Temptation of St. Anthony," which shows the saint suffering from the disease known as St. Anthony's Fire, a fungus which caused lesions and gangrene. The painting hung in a ward for patients suffering from the disease, said Gill.

"Perhaps the patients identified with his suffering," said Gill. "And perhaps too they thought about their repentance as the hours of death approached for hell might indeed look like this."

Gill also described the visionary in art. She referred specifically to the Cornaro Chapel in Santa Maria della Vittoria, Rome. Gianlorenzo Bernini's statue "St. Teresa in Ecstasy" depicts St. Teresa in awe before an angel. The work stands in a richly painted alcove in the Italian Church, while light from a hidden window above the alcove illuminates the scene.

"Bernini has represented the purely invisible and the purely spiritual through purely physical means," said Gill. "I think that we really could say, here, that we have a work of art as a sign of mediating grace."

Gill's lecture was the sixth and last talk in the Saturday Scholar Series, a project of the College of Arts and Letters that presents lectures on various topics the morning before each home football game.

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assistant professor of art

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Students participate in annual food drive

By LAURA CORISTIN
News Writer

In order to help provide needy families with food for the holidays, students at Saint Mary's helped organize a food drive benefiting the Food Bank of Northern Indiana from Nov. 11-22. The Island Oasis Smoothie Company, the board of Dalloway's Coffeehouse and Sodexo Food Services, the College's food service company, sponsored the drive. For every four cans or perishable food items donated, students received a coupon for a free smoothie that could be redeemed at Dalloway's Coffeehouse.

Bill Carnegie, director of the food bank, said they are running out of food everyday.

"The big picture is we provide food to over 300 local charities, and they have basically cleaned us out of food," said Carnegie. "We are being forced to turn away agencies."

The Food Bank of Northern Indiana serves about 90,000 people per month in 10 counties in northern Indiana, said Carnegie. He pointed out that many members of the community are unaware of how many people in the local area

go hungry every day.

"A lot of people don't realize that and don't look beyond fences and streets," said Carnegie. "They go where they need to go without realizing that they are so close to people who need so much."

Susan Almeda, a student manager at Dalloway's, said she is pleased with the results of Dalloway's food drive and with the generosity being shown throughout the Saint Mary's community.

"I feel that every little bit helps because the Food Bank of Northern Indiana is in such desperate need of food," said Almeda. "Any contribution that we can make can help, and because there are other food drives going on for the Food Bank of Northern Indiana, the college is doing a really good job of collecting food as a community."

Carnegie added that the Food Bank of Northern Indiana would accept both food and monetary donations. Every \$500 raised brings in a truckload of food worth approximately \$6,000 of donated food, she said.

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SOUTH KOREA

Firebombs hurled at U.S. military base

Associated Press

SEOUL

Dozens of activists hurled firebombs into a U.S. military base early Monday, protesting last week's acquittals of two American soldiers involved in

the deaths of two Korean teenagers.

The attack on Camp Gray in Seoul, a small warehouse management facility manned mostly by South Korean employees, caused no property damage or injuries, the U.S. military said.

South Korean police said one activist was arrested.

"It's understandable for people to express their views and opinions, but we will not condone violent demonstrations which could cause injuries and damage to facilities," said Lt. Col. Steven Boylan, a military spokesman.

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Protest

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ding, but they changed the date to December because of the delay it took at the beginning of the year to talk to deans in the law school.

"We didn't want to get married and be separated," Wong said.

In their letter to O'Hara, Wong and Kohlberger explained how they had grown accustomed to studying with one another before Kohlberger's transfer to NYU for his second year of law school. Even after the two were separated, they traveled every other week to visit one another, which they said put a financial and emotional strain on them.

Kohlberger said he began talking with people at NYU about Wong's chances of acceptance while Wong began consulting with deans Vincent Rougeau and John Robinson about leaving Notre Dame.

The couple claimed they were given a verbal confirmation by an NYU administrator that Wong could enroll at NYU as long as Notre Dame approved.

In cases where students visit for a semester, Yvette Bravo-Weber, assistant dean for stu-

dent affairs of NYU's law school, said NYU has to get the permission of the school where the visiting student will receive his or her degree.

"It's more Notre Dame's decision," Bravo-Weber said.

Wong and Kohlberger both argued the reuniting of spouses would merit an exception, but after attempts to meet with Robinson, the two were finally rejected in separate meetings with Robinson and O'Hara. Wong also claimed that both Robinson and O'Hara said they were "comfortable with keeping a husband and wife separate."

Robinson would not comment on the situation and O'Hara did not return phone calls left by the Observer.

"This is a Catholic school. Of all the places [where] marriage should be supported and embraced I thought that Notre Dame would support me in my wedding," Wong said.

At this point, Wong said there is no guarantee that she would be able to register for the two classes she needs to graduate even if she did get Notre Dame's permission to go to NYU. However, she and Kohlberger have not changed their December wedding.

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Library

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said.

The library hopes that the system will serve the patrons as well as cut back on their late fees. Earlier in the semester, Saint Mary's library began to e-mail late notices as opposed to mailing them.

Now, coupled with the renewal

online, when patrons receive a late notice, they can go right to the Web site and renew the book or magazine, making it easier to avoid late charges.

Ward said that the library has received positive feedback on the renewal system but will continue to identify and implement any needed improvements.

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Priest returns to his former parish

Associated Press

NEWTON, Mass.

Monsignor Michael Smith Foster made an emotional return to his former parish Sunday for the first time since he was cleared of child sexual abuse allegations.

"By your prayers you clothed my spirit. By your concern through letters and calls and action you welcomed me into your lives when I felt like I had been cast into prison," he said.

Foster was one of the highest ranking clergy members accused of abuse since the crisis erupted in January, when court documents revealed that the archdiocese shuffled abusive priests between parishes. He is the presiding judge of the archdiocesan tribunal that handles annulments and canon law issues.

The Mass at Sacred Heart church was packed with those who steadfastly supported the priest when he was accused of sexual abuse and twice suspended before being reinstated last month.

As he made his way up the aisle toward the altar, shaking hands and greeting parishioners, the congrega-

tion broke out in applause for about 30 seconds.

"You stopped what was happening in your lives and gave your time and support to me. I am overwhelmed by your loving support," he told former youth group members and altar servers, who countered the abuse allegation from a former altar boy.

The archdiocese is "delighted" to have Foster back in full ministry, said spokeswoman Donna Morrissey. "We're going to work together to make sure we maintain and respect his good name," she said.

Foster's case revealed deep wounds within the church, spurring accusations from both clergy and laity that the archdiocese mishandled Foster's case and has failed to protect its priests.

In August, former altar boy Paul Edwards accused Foster of sexually molesting him in his rectory bedroom at Newton's Sacred Heart parish between 1980 and 1985.

Foster then took a leave of absence and was suspended from his pastoral duties. But the charges were placed in doubt after acquaintances of Edwards pointed to factual errors in his account.

Shuttle reaches space station

◆ Astronauts are excited about mission

Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla.

Space shuttle Endeavour chased after the international space station Sunday, bringing a relief crew for its three longtime inhabitants.

The astronaut who will take over as the space station's next commander, Kenneth Bowersox, said it was hard to believe he was finally on his way after five long years of training.

"I can't wait," he said in an interview with The Associated Press on Sunday night. "I've seen two or three sunrises during the last couple days and I can't believe how many more I've got ahead of me. But I think every day is going to be precious up here."

Bowersox and the six others aboard Endeavour will arrive at the space station Monday afternoon.

American astronaut Peggy Whitson and Russian cosmonauts Valery Korzun and Sergei Treschev have been aboard the space station for almost six months. Their mission was supposed to last 4 1/2 months, but all of the space shuttles were grounded after they moved in because of cracked plumbing. Then, Endeavour ran

into other trouble that further delayed liftoff.

The long wait ended Saturday night with an ear-splitting launch. "You really rocked the house with that ascent," Mission Control radioed.

Bowersox said he took advantage of the last two weeks of delay to catch up on sleep. So did his crew-mate Donald Pettit.

"It gave me an opportunity to try to put on a few pounds before flight," Pettit said. "So I did a lot of eating. And then I did a lot more sleep after that. And then, of course, we have to go to the gym."

The postponements pushed the shuttle flight into normal daytime working hours and because of that, the astronauts said they felt in better shape. "Physically, I think the delays helped us," Bowersox said.

Being in orbit over the holidays may intensify the space station experience, said Bowersox, the father of three young sons.

NASA made sure turkey

breasts were aboard Endeavour for Thanksgiving.

As for Christmas, Bowersox noted: "I can't think of a whole lot better place to spend Christmas than up in Earth orbit looking down, trying to find Santa Claus."

Earlier Sunday, Bowersox and

shuttle commander James Wetherbee gave Endeavour's robot arm a workout as the shuttle drew closer to the station. The job took on added significance because of the damage that workers inflicted two weeks ago during oxygen-leak repairs; they accidentally hit the arm with scaffolding.

Despite the 2-inch bruise near the shoulder of the 50-foot crane, it operated fine in orbit, although a wrist joint was sluggish. Mission Control said recently applied lubricant may not have had a chance yet to work its way into that joint.

The arm will be used Tuesday to lift a giant girder from the shuttle payload bay for installation on the space station.

Endeavour will spend a full week at the space station and return to Earth, with Whitson and her two station crewmates, on Dec. 4.

Bowersox, Pettit and Russian cosmonaut Nikolai Budarin will remain aboard the orbiting complex until March.

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Kenneth Bowersox
astronaut

"I can't think of a whole lot better place to spend Christmas."

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IRAQ

Iraq claims U.N. resolution has unfair pretext for war

Associated Press

BAGHDAD

In a point-by-point protest, the Iraqi government complained to the United Nations Sunday that the small print behind the weapons inspections beginning this week will give Washington a pretext to attack.

The new U.N. resolution on the inspections could turn "inaccurate statements [among] thousands of pages" of required Iraqi reports into a supposed justification for military action, Foreign Minister Naji Sabri said in a letter to U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan.

"There is premeditation to target Iraq, whatever the pretext," Sabri said.

His lengthy letter, a detailed commentary on the Security Council resolution, was not expected to affect the inspections, which resume Wednesday after a four-year suspension. Iraq had accepted the resolution in a Nov. 13 letter from Sabri to Annan.

Preparations moved steadily ahead on Baghdad's outskirts Sunday, where technicians at the U.N. inspection center worked to establish a "hot line" with liaisons in the Iraqi government. The first working

group of 18 inspectors arrives Monday on a flight from a U.N. rear base in Cyprus. Their numbers are expected to swell by year-end to between 80 and 100 at a time in Iraq.

In seven years' work after the 1991 Gulf War, U.N. experts destroyed large amounts of chemical and biological weapons and longer-range missiles forbidden to Iraq by U.N. resolutions, and dismantled Iraq's nuclear weapons program before it could build a bomb. The inspections were suspended amid disputes over U.N. access to Iraqi sites and Iraqi complaints the United States inserted spies in the inspection teams.

A new focus on Iraq by the Bush administration led to adoption of Resolution 1441 and the dispatch of inspectors back to Iraq with greater powers of unrestricted access to suspected weapons sites. Washington alleges Iraq retains some prohibited weapons and may be producing others.

The resolution, adopted unanimously Nov. 7, demands the Iraqis give up any chemical, biological or nuclear weapons, or face "serious consequences."

It requires Iraq to submit an accounting by Dec. 8 of its



REUTERS

Chief U.N. disarmament expert Hans Blix, left, meets with Iraqi Foreign Minister Naji Sabri in Baghdad last week. In a letter he submitted to the U.N. Sunday, Sabri claimed the U.N. weapons inspections resolution contains a pretext to wage war on Iraq.

weapons programs, as well as of chemical, biological and nuclear programs it claims are peaceful. Any "false statements or omissions" in that declaration could contribute to a find-

ing it had committed a "material breach" of the resolution — a finding that might lead to military action.

The Bush administration has threatened war to enforce Iraqi

disarmament, with or without U.N. sanction. But other governments, including France, Russia and China, say that decision can be made only by the Security Council.

KUWAIT

Latest attacks on U.S. citizens spark fear in Middle East

Associated Press

KUWAIT CITY

In Kuwait, two American soldiers are shot on a quiet stretch of desert highway. In Lebanon, an American nurse is murdered at a clinic. In Jordan, a U.S. diplomat is gunned down in his front yard.

As U.S. soldiers prepare for possible war with Iraq, and as violence continues in American-allied Israel and the Palestinian territories, a series of attacks on Americans in the Middle East has sparked fears that even

friendly nations like Kuwait are no longer enclaves of safety.

"The thing that is scary, that's different this time, is that it seems more organized," said Felix Reinberg, an American engineer who has spent 11 years working in Kuwait. He spoke days after the U.S. soldiers were injured in the highway shooting Thursday. "They've never really targeted Americans or Westerners in Kuwait."

The Kuwaiti government, eager to keep good relations with Washington, has portrayed the shooting as the act of a single, mentally ill man, not a reflec-

tion of broad anti-American feelings. But local press reports say the suspect, Khaled al-Shimmiri, told investigators he hated Americans and Jews.

Many here fear the attack — Kuwait's second in which American soldiers were shot — will not be the last.

"It's obvious these incidents will happen, and will continue to happen," said Abdullah Sahar, a political scientist at Kuwait University. "Kuwait is a very small society, and this is a very small country, and the Americans are everywhere: You go to the markets and you see Americans, you go on the street

and you see Americans, maybe your neighbors are Americans."

Kuwait is, in many ways, emblematic of how complicated America's image problems and security concerns can be in the Middle East.

The vast majority of this oil-rich nation is pro-American, grateful to the U.S.-led coalition that drove out Saddam Hussein's army in the 1991 Gulf War. Thousands of American workers and more than 10,000 U.S. soldiers have been welcomed.

Even America's harshest critics want those troops to remain — though they insist a deep hatred lies beneath the

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Israeli troops occupy West Bank mosques:

On the first Sunday since Israel reoccupied Bethlehem, troops barred Christians from worshipping at the Church of the Nativity, one of Christianity's most sacred shrines. Soldiers in another part of the West Bank searched four mosques for suspected militants. There were no signs that the Israelis were near an end to the operation in the biblical town, despite a State Department call for troops to leave as soon as possible, with Christmas just a month away. Christian tradition holds that Jesus was born in a grotto under the Bethlehem church. Israeli forces rolled into Bethlehem, in the West Bank just south of Jerusalem, early Friday after a Palestinian suicide bomber from Bethlehem blew himself up on a Jerusalem bus a day before, killing 11 passengers and injuring more than 40 other people. The army has been conducting house-to-house searches for militants there. Soldiers arrested a local Islamic Jihad leader on Sunday, the military said.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Senate urges probe on money trail:

Lawmakers pressed for answers Sunday on a possible Saudi money trail in the Sept. 11 hijackings and said regardless of whether one exists, the kingdom must stop its "duplicitous" coddling of terrorists. Saudi officials spent the weekend having bankers pore over the records of Princess Haifa al-Faisal, wife of their ambassador to the United States, to see how thousands of dollars from her account might have ended up in the wrong hands, said Saudi foreign policy adviser Adel al-Jubeir. But he said it was "crazy" to suggest she had done anything intentionally to support terrorism. Lawmakers said the FBI's investigation should pull no punches, and the Bush administration should be open about the findings, despite the risk of offending an important ally with whom relations already have been strained.

Shelby predicts al-Qaida attacks:

Sen. Richard Shelby, an eight-year veteran of the Senate Intelligence Committee, warned Americans on Sunday to expect another major attack from al-Qaida terrorists. "Oh, absolutely. It's going to happen," Shelby said on NBC's "Meet the Press." He said he based his opinion partly on a warning of a spectacular attack contained in an audiotape, broadcast Nov. 12 on al-Jazeera television in the Persian Gulf emirate Qatar. U.S. intelligence experts attributed the tape to Osama bin Laden, the Saudi-born fugitive who leads the al-Qaida terror network. "There were several messages there," said Shelby. "One, to all of his supporters, and to us, that he is alive, and he's kicking, and he's going to be around. And I think he also sent the message he's going to attack us and attack our allies." Shelby, R-Ala., who is leaving the intelligence committee in the new Congress convening in January, has been known for years as a leading Senate authority on national security.

Mold in schools draining budgets

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn.

To protest a menace in their school, nearly 1,000 students at East High School in Memphis skipped homeroom one day.

Across the state, another 1,000 students spent a month at Bristol Motor Speedway not watching NASCAR races, but studying in the skyboxes while a threat was removed at Sullivan East High School.

In each case, the problem was the same: mold.

Nationwide, school districts are finding allergy-inducing mold in walls, on carpets and near ventilation systems. While one report blames aging buildings and mold-promoting construction techniques, one expert says it's due to a lack of proper ventilation in newer schools.

"It's a growing problem, and it's one of the more high-priority issues that schools are dealing with," said Ericka Plater, indoor air quality manager for the American Association of School Administrators.

Mold has forced some administrators to shut down schools and make millions of dollars in repairs. Others face lawsuits from students and staff who claim moldy buildings caused long-term health problems.

In Austin, Texas, voters approved a \$49.3 million bond issue in February to pay for mold removal and preventive maintenance in 91 schools. In Fort Myers, Fla., several teachers sued county school officials last week, accusing them of failing to fix mold problems.

In Tennessee, just before the Bristol students were forced out of their school, teenagers at Heritage High School about two hours away in Maryville got an unexpected four-week vacation when mold was found there. The repair estimate: \$1 million.

Memphis school board members called an emergency meeting after hundreds of students there refused to enter East High, which some parents described as a "mold-infested hazard."

About 600 students received medical screenings after Donald Criss Mister Jr., 17, died Nov. 16 following an asthma attack. So far, no link has been found between the death and mold in the school, but the school board hired an environmental consultant, and federal inspectors with the Environmental Protection Agency will tour it Monday.

Sonji Wright, the mother of a student, told Superintendent Johnnie B. Watson that bringing in experts wasn't enough.

"My baby is on a respirator, Mr. Watson," she screamed through a white mask that covered her nose and mouth in a sign of protest. "She cannot breathe, and what are you going to do about it?"

Mold problems usually go unnoticed until people become ill. No federal agency regulates or monitors air quality in schools, and few states inspect for it.

In Tennessee, no state agency monitors mold in schools.

"It's really everybody's problem because it's such a new issue," said Judith Morgan, the state Education Department spokeswoman. "That's why it seems to be falling kind of

between the cracks."

Tennessee's education department sent e-mail to school officials statewide Friday and directed them to an EPA Web site that offers guidance on air quality issues.

Plater said a federal report suggests old, dilapidated schools might be more susceptible to mold. Others say the Gypsum wallboard and carpeted floors that replaced plaster and wood make newer schools a greater target because they soak up more moisture.

David Weekley, president of Knoxville-based Environmental Consulting and Testing, said the 1970s energy crisis prompted construction of more airtight schools. Less natural ventilation is part of the problem, he said.

Another factor is the tendency of cash-strapped districts to delay maintenance and patch leaks, he said.

Mold occurs naturally and can grow almost anywhere that's warm and damp. Experts have identified more than 100,000 species of mold; at least 1,000 are common in the United States.

While the most common molds generally aren't hazardous, some types are blamed for headaches, fatigue and respiratory problems.

Sullivan County Schools director John O'Dell said the Bristol high school was shut down for about six weeks and \$600,000 worth of repairs after children became ill and several classrooms tested positive for black mold, or *Stachybotrys chartarum*, which can cause breathing problems.

The mold there was primarily around poorly insulated pipes that carry cold water throughout the building to cool classrooms. The pipes created condensation that dripped onto porous ceiling tiles, providing a breeding ground for mold.

"I think we're all more sensitive to it now," O'Dell said. "We've told the principals and custodians to keep an eye out for any discolored tile and then replace it immediately."

AUSTRIA

Conservatives make gains in parliamentary elections

Associated Press

VIENNA, Austria

Chancellor Wolfgang Schuessel's conservative party made large gains to dominate parliamentary elections on Sunday, but coalition partner Joerg Haider's anti-immigration party was pounded at the polls, according to initial results.

Preliminary results released by state television showed Schuessel's People's Party captured more than 42 percent, the Interior Ministry said. That is 16 percentage points better than its performance in 1999 elections.

Haider's Freedom Party stood at just over 10 percent, down nearly two-thirds from the 27 percent it captured in the last elections.

"There will be no [Freedom Party] crash."

Alfred Gusenbauer
leader of the Social Democrats

The Social Democrats also gained but appeared to have been outpaced by the People's Party. They were listed at just over 37 percent, more than three percentage points more than in the last elections. The environmentalist Greens stood at around 9 percent, little changed from their results two years ago, the preliminary results showed.

Official results were expected in December after absentee ballots are counted.

If the figures remain unchanged the People's Party surge would reflect the strongest gains by any party since the end of World War II. Conversely, the Freedom Party losses, if confirmed by the final results, represent the largest drop in popularity of any party since the end of

the war.

If the final results confirm the People's Party in first place, that would put them above the Socialists in terms of popularity for the first time since 1966.

Despite their poor showing, however, the Freedom Party remained in position to extend its government role into the next legislative period.

Although the Social Democrats and the People's Party have buried differences in the past to govern in a "Grand Coalition," it was unclear whether the Social Democrats could opt to again cooperate with their

traditional rivals. Their leader, Alfred Gusenbauer, had expressed confidence that his party would win at the polls, and it was unlikely that he would allow the People's Party to dictate coalition terms from a much stronger position.

With political differences great and mutual suspicions strong between the Greens and the People's Party, that left a renewed coalition between the Schuessel's conservatives and Haider's rightist a likely option.

Haider, casting his vote in Klagenfurt, capital of the southern Carinthia province he governs had defied predictions his party left in shambles after months of infighting between rightist supporters and moderates would do badly.

"There will be no [Freedom

Party] crash," the Austria Press Agency cited him as saying.

But some of those preparing to vote under slate-gray skies in Vienna Sunday were clearly bent on depriving the

"I can only prevent a coalition that includes the Freedom Party by backing the Greens."

Barbara Steiner
Austrian citizen

Freedom Party of another term in power.

"I can only prevent a coalition that includes the Freedom Party by backing the Greens," said Barbara Steiner, 32.

When Haider's party came to power in 1999, the European Union imposed seven months of diplomatic sanctions on Austria, alarmed by then party leader Haider's anti-foreigner stance, veiled slights of Jews and open admiration for some of Adolf Hitler's policies.

Israel recalled its ambassador and hasn't yet returned him.

But EU officials now concede that sanctions were a mistake that only strengthened Haider among those convinced that the rest of the world was against them and that Austria was being punished for making a democratic choice.

The Freedom Party's success turned out to be the harbinger of a trend in Europe that saw right-wingers and anti-immigration mavericks make gains in France, the Netherlands, Denmark and elsewhere.

But the Haider-instigated infighting which led to resignations of several popular Freedom Party ministers from government and Schuessel's call for elections more than a year ahead of schedule left the party in chaos.

Attention Juniors!

Junior Parents Weekend is around the corner and hotels are going fast.

The Morris Inn will be holding a lottery to reserve a spot for the weekend. Lottery numbers can be picked up at The Morris Inn front desk.

Deadline: Monday, December 2nd

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TOP 5 VOLUME LEADERS

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BROCADE COMM SY (BRCD)	-27.47	-2.00	5.28
CISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO)	-2.30	-0.35	14.89
LUCENT TECH (NDRU)	+10.22	+0.14	1.51
NASDAQ-100 INDEX (QQQ)	-0.04	-0.01	27.72
SUN MICROSYSTEM (SUNW)	+2.38	+0.09	3.87

IN BRIEF

Qantas gets part of Air New Zealand

Qantas Airways will acquire 22.5 percent of Air New Zealand in a deal that caps nearly a year of talks between the two airlines.

The deal announced Monday calls for Qantas to invest as \$550 million New Zealand dollars (\$272 million) into the New Zealand airline, which is 82 percent owned by the government after a bailout last year.

The Qantas purchase will allow the airlines to rationalize their operations and international services to form a strong Australasian airline group, Air New Zealand said.

"This is a major decision that will shape the future of Air New Zealand ... and an initiative which will bring tremendous economic gain to New Zealand," Air New Zealand chairman John Palmer said.

The combined operations would be controlled by the New Zealand carrier. Qantas will assume two seats on Air New Zealand's board.

Kentucky nursing home fights closure

Lawyers for the nursing home whose owner had an affair with Gov. Paul Patton go to court Monday to defend the facility against state efforts to shut it down.

Attorney Fred R. Simon said he would call employees of Birchtree Healthcare and relatives of the home's residents to testify about the quality of its care. He also hoped to have results of a private inspection.

"This is the first opportunity to dispel all the innuendo about 'immediate jeopardy' this facility has supposedly placed its patients in," Simon said last week.

The state's Cabinet for Health Services has compiled a thick dossier on the nursing home, with allegations of alleged deficiencies that include for conditions that allegedly put residents in jeopardy.

The state is trying to revoke Birchtree's license for "continued and substantial failure" to meet minimum requirements for a nursing home.

Tyson officials refuse fine

◆ Food company will not accept government deal

Associated Press

CHATTANOOGA

Meat-processing giant Tyson Foods Inc. is not backing down.

The Arkansas-based company, which paid a price four years ago for getting too cozy with the Clinton administration, is caught in a high-stakes, "politically charged" game of chicken with the Justice Department.

Eleven months ago, a federal grand jury indicted the company, two of its executives and four former managers on charges of conspiring to smuggle illegal immigrants from Mexico, Guatemala and Honduras to work in its poultry plants.

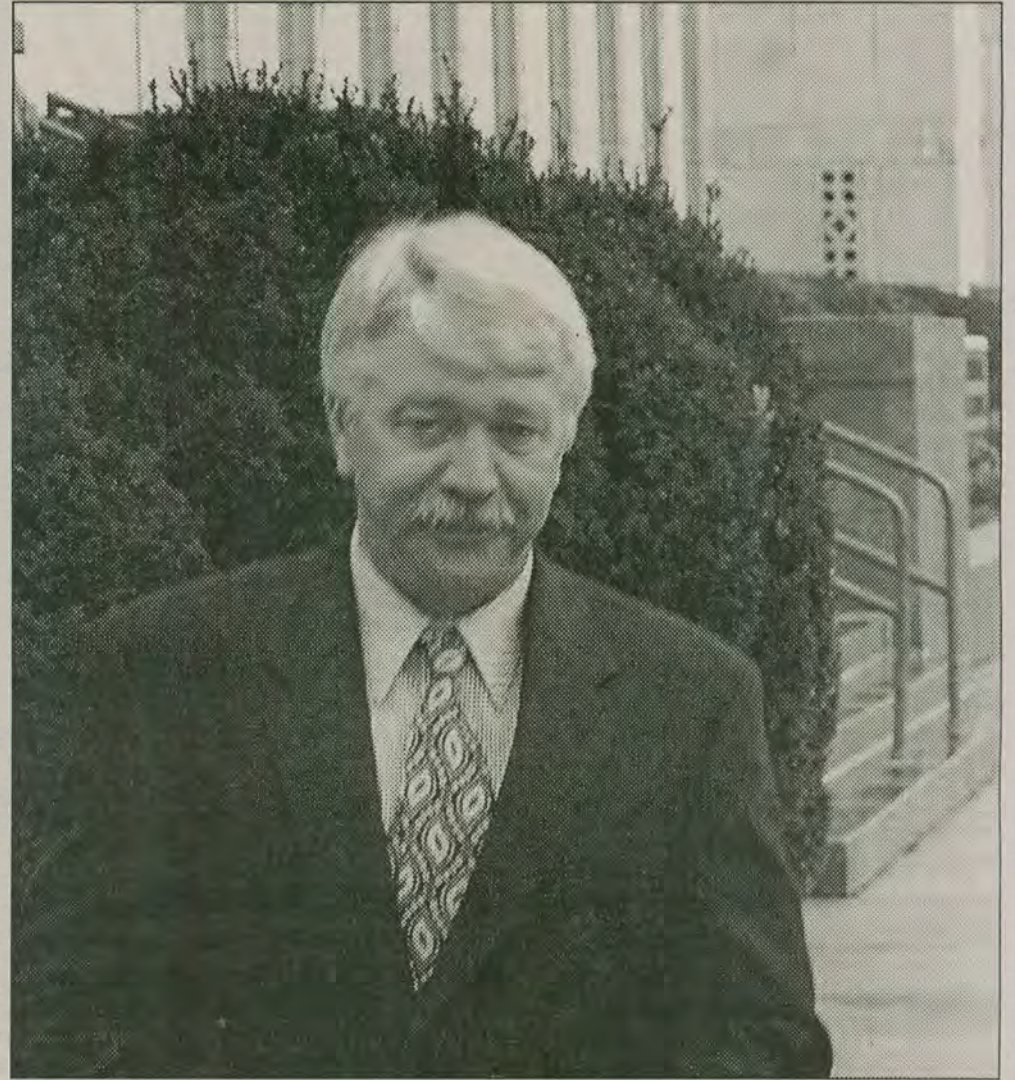
The government told Tyson it could avoid prosecution by paying a \$100 million fine, company attorneys say. But Tyson calls the fine excessive and accuses the government of using undercover agents to entrap Tyson employees.

The deadline for plea agreements is Dec. 6, but attorneys on both sides don't expect any. Motions filed in Chattanooga earlier this month also indicate defense attorneys are prepared to go forward with a trial Feb. 4 rather than pay any fines. U.S. District Judge R. Allan Edgar expects the trial to last at least six weeks.

The stakes at trial could be high for the world's largest poultry, beef and pork processor. Tyson employs 120,000 workers and recorded sales of \$25 billion last year.

Assistant U.S. Attorney John MacCoon said the government would have an expert witness assess the company's financial benefit from the alleged conspiracy, although he declined to provide an estimate.

Jay Barth, chairman of



GETTY

A Tyson attorney leaves the federal courts building in Chattanooga, Tenn. in January. The meat-processing giant called the court's fine excessive and refused to pay.

the Department of Politics at Hendrix College in Conway, Ark., said the government knows it has a case that will send the corporate world a message.

"If you go after the biggest fish then others will become aware of the risks of engaging in behaviors of this sort," he said.

The indictment implicated 15 Tyson plants in nine states — Tennessee, Alabama, Indiana, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Texas and Virginia — as part of a conspiracy to defraud the government.

Prosecutors contend immigrants worked for lower wages than legal workers at Tyson's plants, allowing the company to

cut costs and boost production. The company paid smugglers to transport at least 140 immigrants to its plants and provide them with false documents so they could work, prosecutors say.

For example, prosecutors say, a Tyson manager once told an undercover agent that the company would pay \$200 for each "illegal Mexican alien delivered."

Government evidence includes undercover audiotapes and videotapes and subpoenaed company documents.

Tyson contends "a few managers" acted outside company policy at five of its 57 poultry processing plants. Three of those managers worked at a plant in Shelbyville, a

rural town northwest of Chattanooga that is home to Tennessee's highest concentration of Hispanics.

Manager Jimmy Rowland, 36, committed suicide after the charges were made public. Former managers Spencer Mabe, 50, and Truley Ponder, 58 were charged along with Gerald Lankford, 63, of North Wilkesboro, N.C., a former human resources manager in the retail fresh division.

Robert Hash, 49, of Greenwood, Ark., vice president of the retail fresh division and Keith Snyder, 42, of Bella Vista, Ark., who worked as a manager at Shelbyville and Noel, Mo., remain on administrative leave from Tyson.

Dockworkers reach agreement

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

West Coast dockworkers and shipping companies reached tentative agreement on a contract that could end the drawn-out labor dispute that shut down the coast's major ports for 10 days and prompted the president to intervene.

The six-year contract would provide wage and benefit improvements for union members, plus technology and dispute-resolution improvements that the companies needed, said Peter Hurtgen, head of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

He praised both sides, saying lead negotiators "demonstrated statesmenlike leadership, which made this agreement possible."

The agreement, reached late Saturday, still must be ratified by a majority of the 10,500 members of the International Longshore and Warehouse Union. A caucus of about 100 union members will meet Dec. 7 to vote on the contract, and the entire rank-and-file will probably vote on it in early January, according to union president Jim Spinosa.

The major sticking points in the negotiations had centered on the desire by the Pacific Maritime

Association, the industry group, for computerized cargo tracking systems that will make dockside work more efficient, but also cost jobs. The union, in return, wanted increased compensation and pension benefits.

"With this contract we are ushering in a new era of modernization," Joseph Miniace, president of the PMA, said Sunday.

"Workers can harness technology and make it work for them," said AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer Richard Trumka, who joined the negotiations. "They can bridle it, saddle it and ride it to job, pension and economic security."

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Homosexuality presents problem to priesthood

I was disappointed, though not surprised, to see Richard Friedman's Nov. 21 article attacking the Church for reiterating its teachings on the priesthood and reiterating the position that the Sacred Congregation for Religious pronounced in 1961 that homosexuals should not be ordained as priests. This is not a new policy, only the reiteration of one that has been mostly ignored for the last 40 years. I am sure that I will draw the ire of some in the Notre Dame community for this letter, but I think it important for some clarification.

Let's start by understanding that the very nature of the priesthood is sacrifice. Priests are not supposed to be glorified social workers. Their primary duty is to administer the sacraments. Their life is a sacrifice in service. Contrary to popular belief, no one has the right to be a priest, not even heterosexual men. The priesthood is a service you are called to, by Christ, through a bishop.

No one can be positive they have a vocation to the priesthood until a validly consecrated bishop, in communion with the Church through the Pope, lays hands on the candidate and ordains him. The Church did not create the priesthood, it is only the custodian of the tradition which Christ founded. This is why the Church has always stated that it does not have the authority to ordain women. The Church has given a form to the fundamental, but it has not created it. She must be careful to

guard it against distortion, and cannot add or subtract from its meaning.

The priesthood is also a position of teaching and therefore authority. This does not mean that the priest has power, but rather responsibility to be an example and an educator of the teachings of the Church. It is here that homosexuality is most evidently a problem if allowed in the priesthood.

The fact is, no one who understands the issue blames homosexuality for pedophilia. However, most of the cases in the current scandal are not pedophilia but rather sexual acts with teenagers who had reached, at least biologically, sexual maturity. A 17-year-old being abused is not the same situation as a 7-year-old being abused.

Most of the perpetrators of sexual abuse that have been brought to light have been cases where adult homosexual men, from 25 to 50 years old, have shown a preference for teenage boys. The most unfortunate part of the scandal has been that a clerical culture where homosexuals make up a significant minority has encouraged sexual immorality and covered up its most atrocious instances.

I am not trying to say that persons with a homosexual orientation necessarily advocate sexual immorality. However, any time people who are inclined to a particular activity find themselves in the company of others in like mind, the activity tends to occur. This is why you can go to the

Rock on a weeknight and find yourself participating in a pick-up basketball game if you are so inclined. The tradition of Alcoholics Anonymous has the same understanding.

When a group of people who are trying to deny their learned inclination to drink get together, they can encourage each other in their restraint. But they must avoid situations where drinking occurs, or that they associated with drinking previously, until they can be sure the pressure will not be too much. They also are encouraged to find ways to relieve their lives of stress, since a high-stress life tends to discourage the healthy pressure to reform their lives for the better.

Courage, a support group for homosexuals trying to live chaste lives, strongly advises against a person with a homosexual inclination entering a seminary to become a priest. Homosexuals cannot escape the temptations of the world by becoming priests. The priesthood is not a place to run from your problems.

It is not an easy way to live out your life chastely. It is not something you do because you can't do something else. The priesthood, by its nature, is not equipped to deal with a significant number of men who suffer from the same serious afflictions. This is why alcoholism has been such a problem for the priesthood and often priests have to spend many years away from their duties to learn how to live sober lives.

It's also why former alcoholics, or recovering alcoholics, are carefully, and sometimes painfully, scrutinized before they can become priests. And even then it is an exception, not the rule, to ordain such a person. Still, if an alcoholic were to succumb to the bottle it is not the case that his action would likely result in the scandal and pain of something as serious as what we have seen over the last year.

Unfortunately, I think it can be said that we have seen over the last year the effects of a homosexual subculture in the priesthood that has destroyed the lives of many people. The problem, even then, is not persons with a homosexual orientation. It is the unfortunate culture of dissent that holds a strong sway in the Church.

It has become commonplace for priests to disagree with that or another teaching of the Church. Not only have "little ones" been led astray by this, but some have also been terribly scarred. I find it hard to imagine that this problem of pederasty would have had such a strong effect if faithfulness to the teachings of the Church and fraternal accountability had been the norm rather than "hush-hush cronyism" and dissent from teachings on sexuality.

Stephen R. Sanchez
class of 2001
Staten Island, NY
Nov. 22

GUEST COLUMN

Macho man attitude perpetuates stereotypes

He stands tall with his shoulders spread wide. He inhales deep breaths and exhales loud grunts as he scratches himself. He watches football by day and drinks beer by night, all the while staring intently (and lustfully) at beautiful women or wrestling with his buddies in the mud.

This is the picture of the stereotypical male.

John Krasting

We see it day in and day out.

Television programs such as Tim Allen's "Home Improvement" and Jimmy Kimmel and Adam Carolla's "The Man Show" are just two quintessential examples of what the typical man is supposed to be like. Their shows illustrate the love of power-tools, flannel shirts and girls on trampolines. These shows, along with other forms of media like Maxim magazine, promote male bonding and pride.

This sense of pride dates way back. The American man has always stood for independence and defiance, even from the days of the revolutionary war. We were a bunch of dissenting rebels who took charge and settled this country.

While that war was fought with muskets, today's power struggle is waged with testosterone. Some men aspire to be leaders controlling their surroundings with excessive displays of aggression and force. The quest to be the most powerful male is often referred to having an "Alpha Male Complex."

Experts argue that this emphasis on power and control is a natural instinct governed by that primitive limbic system that subconsciously makes us belch in an attempt to make our presence known.

Being an Alpha Male in today's society, however, is a tough gig. It requires constant supplies of alcohol and sports channels. All of these external influences give us

pause to think how much of the male dominance is actually influenced by our culture.

What happens when men don't fit the stereotype of the genital-adjusting dude in a tight white T-shirt? To put it bluntly: he is often walked all over.

Some individuals even find it hard to be socially accepted among other men and have a difficult time gaining their respect and attention. More sensitive men may be labeled shy, weak or gay.

This is a complete fallacy. There are many men in America with passive personalities who just don't think a good beer is their thing. If an individual doesn't fit into the category of a typical male, it is absolutely no indication of his strength, goals or sexuality.

There are also some men who take their testosterone well beyond the legal limit — and I mean that quite literally. The truth is that this excessive display only leads to problems. Men seek psychological highs when they attempt to control women or commit crimes. The Beltway snipers are prime examples of two men who enjoyed controlling the police and the American people with criminal acts and intimidation. These men have issues that deal with insecurity and believe that they can find the answer by playing

the role of a dominant male.

There is no doubt that this nature versus nurture controversy has solid arguments for both sides. While there is a biological link to the excessive displays of "manliness," there is also an obvious and

clear influence from within our society — what is perceived to be the normal expected behavior for men.

Keep in mind,

however, that there are many more ways to be a leader and stand out from the crowd — and being a leader is not dependent on a person's sex. I know countless women who are strong and fearless, and they demonstrate those qualities in a very dignified and classy way. If you're a man, explore your sensitive side

— listening to people can often achieve just as much respect and admiration from others. Unless there is a burning uncontrollable urge from within, try to keep the macho man to yourself.

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'Dance' is flat w

Michael Flatley's Irish dance success 'Lord of the D

Photo courtesy of www.lordofthedance.com

Michael Flatley's "Lord of the Dance" fuses traditional Irish dancing with dazzling rock opera-style stage effects.



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In "Lord of the Dance" the Dark Lord challenge the Lord of the Dance to a dance fight for control of the universe.

By CLAIRE KELLEY
Scene Writer

Music blaring. Lights flashing. Hearts pounding. Twenty-four dancers are on stage, each tapping out quick complicated rhythms with their feet touching the floor at exactly the same time. This is Michael Flatley's rock dance fusion "Lord of the Dance," a spectacular experience of an accelerated version of traditional Irish Dancing that showed Friday and Saturday at the Morris Performing Arts Center. Although the show's original creator no longer performs as the lead, the dance goes on.

The mystical performance begins with a troubled dream of the Spirit, a magical fairy, who senses an evil presence that has come to challenge the Lord of the Dance. In a vague good versus evil plot, the Spirit travels through time to help the Lord of the Dance protect his mythical people from the Dark Lord. A series of dance numbers introduce each main character and their dancing followers who represent each moral extreme and work their conflicts out through dance.

An evil temptress dances with a sexy suggestive flair, while the pure and fair heroine glides through the air with a delicate elegance. But the show is at its best when the entire company is out on stage dancing. The age-old elements of an Irish celebration stimulate the audience with an adrenaline pumping combination of infectious Irish music and energetic dancing.

"Lord of the Dance" combines traditional choreography to light jigs and beautiful patterns of customary group dances with glittering costumes, thunderous sound and fluorescent strobe lights to create a modern Irish spectacle that invades the senses. Sometimes the glitz is overwhelming and the hard shoe taps are so suspiciously over amplified that they sound pre-recorded.

The dancing numbers are broken up with Celtic songs performed by a woman who has a beautifully clear voice. But her songs take away from the momentum of the show and do not contribute to the plot at all. In fact, they seem completely random. Another musical break in dancing features a pair of violinists who play to taped supplemental music that distracts from their talented performance.

The story comes to a climax with a dance off between the Lord

of the Dance and the Dark Lord. Of course, goodness prevails and the Lord of the Dance magically repairs the Spirit's flute and banishes evil. The incredible "Planet Ireland," a celebration of dance, caps off the show.

At one point during the show, the dancers tear off costumes that resemble traditional dresses to reveal skimpy black tops and spandex shorts. This dramatic gesture symbolizes the show's departure from the rigid traditions of historical Irish dancing. Michael Flatley, the show's creator believes that Lord of the Dance brings a new passion to Irish dance. A passion that he felt was missing in the contemporary Irish Dance scene. The immense public response proves that his vision is a magical triumph.

Today, Michael Flatley is a world superstar. But even before "Lord of the Dance" he had a history in the spotlight. A Chicago native, he became the World Champion Irish Dancer in 1975 at age 17 — the first non-European to win the title. He broke the world record for fastest tap dancer with 35 taps per second. A featured dancer and flutist, Flatley traveled with the famous Irish musical group The Chieftains in the early nineties. But Flatley was destined for massive mainstream success.

Many of Flatley's achievements can be attributed to his competitive attitude and his



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Notre Dame 42, Rutgers 0

The offense's turn

Irish explode for 28 third-quarter points in rout of Rutgers

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

The Irish offense finally had more fight than fright as No. 8 Notre Dame slammed 1-9 Rutgers 42-0 Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium.

Carlyle Holiday tied a Notre Dame school record with his four touchdown passes as the Irish notched their tenth win of the season, making head coach Tyrone Willingham the winningest first-year coach in Notre Dame history.

"You don't get many shutouts in your career," Willingham said. "So being able to start with a shutout and ending at home with a shutout is special when that day comes and you sit down and reflect on it. Our team carries an understanding of what we can be and our team is excited about the brand of football we have been playing and that we are having fun."

With his team now 10-1, Willingham surpassed Terry Brennan's and Ara Parseghian's previous first-year records of nine wins in a season. However, the freshman Irish coach did not wish to discuss that.

"I can't talk about that," he said. "That is not anything about Tyrone Willingham, it is about our team — our assistant coaches and our players."

Under Willingham, this Irish squad made the biggest one-season turnaround since 1964, when Parseghian transformed a previously 5-6 team into a 9-1 power.

The offense took time to get started in the first quarter against a lowly Scarlet Knights squad that had entered Saturday's game allowing 198.1 rushing yards per game.

In the second quarter, though, Notre Dame put its first points on the board after Holiday's 38-yard touchdown pass to Arnaz Battle. Then Shane Walton gave the Irish their eighth non-offensive touchdown of the season as he followed a disputed interception of a Ryan Hart pass with a 45-yard return to the end zone. It was Walton's seventh interception of the season.

Replays showed Walton trapped the ball on the ground, and Rutgers coach Greg Schiano vehemently protested the touchdown.

"That was huge for us," said linebacker Mike Goolsby, who made seven tackles for the Irish. "The defense, the whole team, prides itself on displays like that.



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Irish receiver Arnaz Battle makes a catch and turns up field for more yardage against Rutgers. Battle grabbed two of Notre Dame quarterback Carlyle Holiday's four touchdown passes. Omar Jenkins and Maurice Stovall caught the other two.

That's what we've been doing all year. It's good to finally get back to it."

The third quarter was when Notre Dame gave reason for its high-ranking. During the second play of the half, Battle scored his second touchdown of the season after catching a 63-yard pass from Holiday.

The Irish went on to score on their next three possessions, with Holiday throwing touchdown passes of 37 and 26 yards to Omar Jenkins and Maurice Stovall, respectively, and with Ryan Grant running 28 yards into the end zone.

It was Holiday's first career four-touchdown game.

"I said that I believe that at some point the offense would begin showing some of its potential," Willingham said. "Today it

did that. The passing was exceptional in that stretch in the third quarter, really for the whole game to be quite honest about it. I thought that they did a great job in playing in a way that I think they can play."

While Willingham said he did not say much at halftime, the players said he challenged them to step up their efforts.

"We came out Coach Willingham presented a challenge to us at halftime," Jenkins said. "We answered the challenge, basically we saw what can happen when we execute fully, and that's what happened."

While Holiday said it was the offense's best performance of the season, he still acknowledges that there is work to be done before the Irish take on No. 6 USC next Saturday.

"I don't know if we're back on track," Holiday said. "I know we came out second half how we wanted to play and how we thought we could play, but this should carry on for the rest of the season and until the bowl game, we just have to keep that there."

Saturday's domination of the Scarlet Knights still serves as a confidence boost for the Irish, especially after the near-loss to Navy and the upset by Boston College.

"It's a big momentum builder," Holiday said. "It shows we can put points on the board, put our game together, what we can do those kind of things for our team, it's a big confidence booster for us."

The Scarlet Knights' coach acknowledges the improvements the Irish offense has made.

"If Holiday can throw like that and they can run routes like that, they are going to be pretty tough to beat," Schiano said. "Because that has been something that hasn't been a big part of their offense, and certainly it was today."

While the offense showed its potential, the Irish defense remained strong as ever, with second-string players entering the game in the season's final game at Notre Dame Stadium.

"I think that we added some offense to it makes it impressive," Willingham said. "Our defense has been extremely consistent all year in not giving up a great deal and today is no difference."

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player of the game

Carlyle Holiday

The Irish quarterback was 13-of-25 for 270 yards, no interceptions and four touchdowns, including a 63-yard bomb to Battle.

stat of the game

42

points Notre Dame scored Saturday — the most against an opponent since beating Rutgers 45-17 in 2000.

play of the game

Arnaz Battle's 63-yard touchdown in the third quarter

The second Battle touchdown put Notre Dame up 21-0 the Irish offense and was the first of four third quarter scores for Notre Dame.

quote of the game

"We smell blood and just go and get it"

Courtney Watson
Notre Dame linebacker

report card

- A** **quarterbacks:** Holiday had his best game of the season, throwing for 270 yards and tying a school-record with four touchdowns, including a 63-yarder.
- B** **running backs:** The running backs didn't do anything exceptional, but they didn't have to. They averaged over four yards a carry and Grant broke the 1,000-yard mark.
- A-** **receivers:** Battle ended his Irish home career in style with two touchdowns while Jenkins and Stovall each added another score. Eight different receivers had catches for the Irish.
- B+** **offensive line:** The line did a decent job of opening up holes for the running backs and only allowed one sack. They also gave Holiday ample time to throw for the most part.
- A-** **defensive line:** The line held Rutgers to only 18 yards on 27 attempts — and that included a 17-yard run in the second half.
- B+** **linebackers:** The linebackers did a nice job helping stop Rutgers running game, but did allow the Scarlet Knights tight ends to get open.
- B+** **defensive backs:** Walton's interception return for a touchdown gave the Irish some momentum in the first half. The backs also held Rutgers to completing only 40.8 percent of their passes.
- B** **special teams:** Hildbold didn't have his best game and Setta didn't attempt a field goal, but did make his extra points. The return teams and coverage teams didn't do anything bad or outstanding either.
- A** **coaching:** The coaches exploited Rutgers' weaknesses on defense and it paid off as the Irish offense had its biggest game of the season. A good halftime speech sparked a solid second half as well.

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overall: The coaching staff had the team ready for Rutgers and it showed. The offense clicked, the defense was suffocating and the seniors got to play.

adding up the numbers

points Notre Dame scored in the third quarter Saturday — a new Irish record for most points in the third quarter of a game **28**

24 inches Rutgers averaged per rushing attempt Saturday, one inch more than the Scarlet Knights averaged in their last five games

combined seconds of Notre Dame's first three touchdown drives in the third quarter **100**

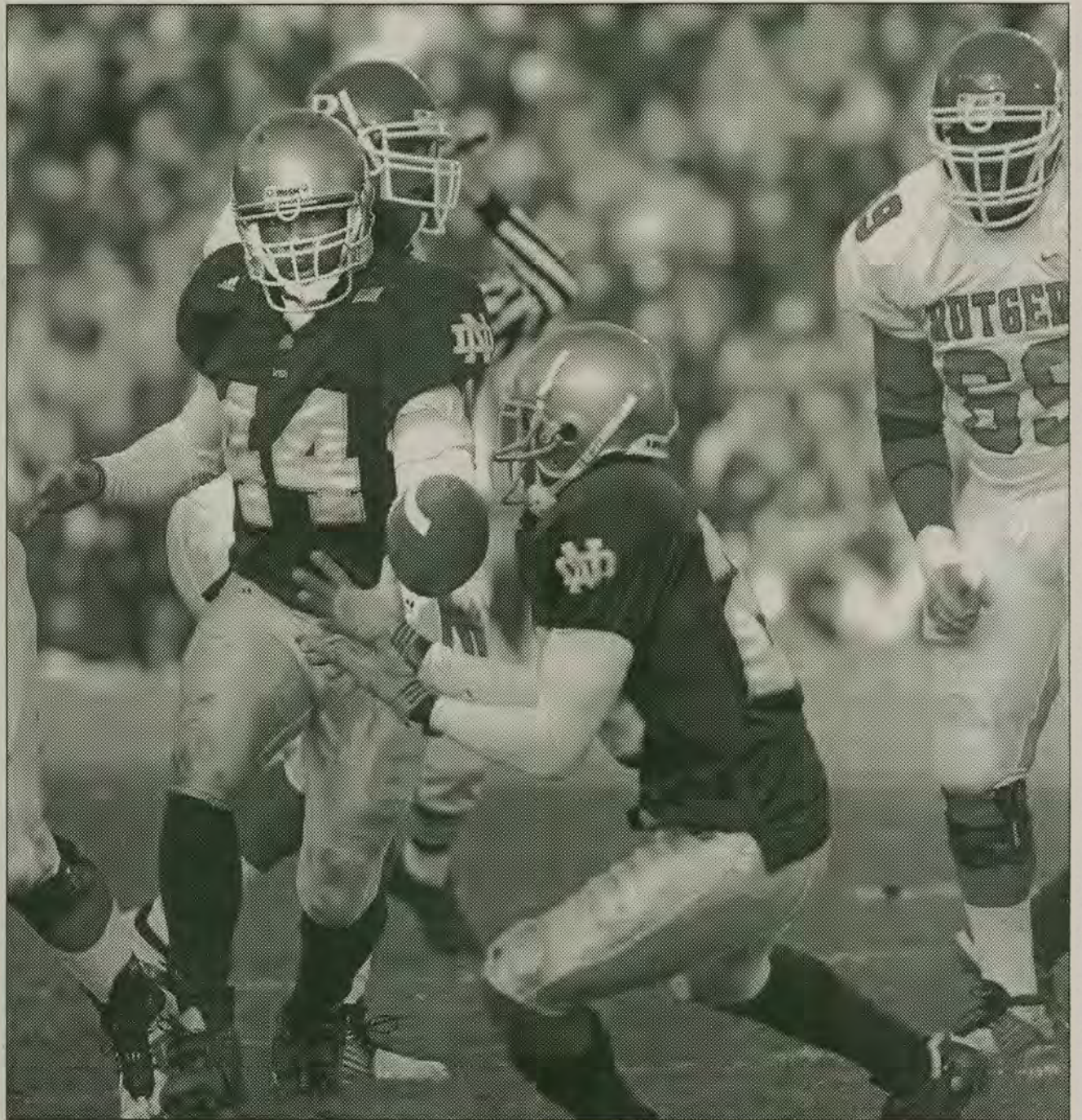
6 number of Notre Dame running backs to reach 1,000 yards in a season before Ryan Grant reached that milestone Saturday

days passed since Carlyle Holiday last threw an interception in a game **44**

1996 last time Notre Dame recorded two shutouts in the same season

wins Willingham has this season — an Irish record for a first-year head coach **10**

1 number of times an associate sports editor accidentally dropped his press pass in a urinal



TIM KACMAR/The Observer

Irish cornerback Shane Walton intercepts a pass against Rutgers Saturday. Walton returned the pick 45 yards for a touchdown. It was Walton's seventh interception of the season.

Seniors enjoy last game

They didn't want to leave. Their teammates had filed out, the band started playing the alma mater and the fans were heading toward the exits.

But seniors Arnaz Battle and Shane Walton, roommates, best friends and teammates, paused to soak it all in one last time before they walked through the tunnel for the last time with their Notre Dame uniforms on.

They started by signing autographs for a few eager fans in the end zone. They ended it by tossing gloves into the stands. And in between, they humored a student leaning over the brick walls asking for a photograph and posed for a picture.

Battle and Walton better try to get a copy of that picture. A picture of the Irish Guard dancing with 42-0 shining on the scoreboard. A picture of two grinning Irish seniors who helped a 5-6 team turn into a 10-1 squad.

A picture that captured their last moment on Notre Dame Stadium, with thousands of fans roaring their approval.

After the game, the pair said they weren't crying. But they might have been before, each added with a smile.

"Before the game, I felt a little teary-eyed," Walton said. "But now it's done and it's over."

It's over. Most would kill to get the chance walk-on Dan Novakov had, to take a handful of snaps in garbage time with a gold helmet on your head and 80,000 fans cheering you on. Most

would give both arms and both legs to run out of the tunnel before every game. Most would cry tears of happiness if given the chance to play one year for Notre Dame.

What Battle and Walton experienced in college defies explanation. They couldn't have imagined what would happen when they first entered Notre Dame, Battle as a quarterback, Walton as a soccer player.

But five years, three coaches, two losing seasons and one return to glory later, neither could have imagined a better way to walk out of Notre Dame Stadium.

At one point in Saturday's 42-0 thrashing left the Knights scarlet with embarrassment, all of Notre Dame's points had come courtesy of the residents of the Battle-Walton house.

Battle got the Irish on the scoreboard first by catching a short screen from Carlyle Holiday and scampering 38-yards Michigan State-style through Rutgers' Swiss cheese of a defense.

Later in the second quarter, Walton prevented a deflected pass from hitting the ground twice by grabbing it and scampering 45 yards for an interception return.

Then, on the second play of the second half, Battle caught an under-thrown pass, sprinting 63 yards and juking a safety to make the score Battle and Walton 21, Rutgers not a chance.

Offensive coordinator Bill Diedrick said the first 10 plays of the second half were scripted and he thought the Irish could get a score on play No. 2.

The script Diedrick wrote worked to perfection. But he, or anybody else

for that matter, couldn't have scripted a better home finale for Notre Dame's seniors.

None of them wanted to start the game on the bench. Yet none of them seemed to mind that they finished the game on the bench, watching Tim O'Neill run rampant over Rutgers.

"That was definitely the way I wanted to go out," Battle grinned. "It was nice to see other guys get the ball."

The seniors aren't finished yet. Even as Tyrone Willingham praised them for the tremendous leadership they demonstrated this season, he reminded them they still have more work to do.

Looming ahead this week is a road trip to USC, where the Irish will face another ranked opponent this season, where the Irish will probably be underdogs once again, where the Irish will have their chance to lock up a BCS berth.

Then there's a bowl game against one of the top teams in the country, where the seniors will make sure to remind the rest of the team — as if it needs to be remembered — about the Fiesta Fizzle two years ago.

But for a moment on a sunny afternoon at Notre Dame Stadium, as Battle and Walton walked off the field, away from autograph seekers, away from camera toters, away from one of the most dominating victories of the season, away from thunderous roars, everything seemed perfect.

Picture perfect.

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Irish
Insight

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Arnaz Battle
Irish receiver

Holiday, offense exceptional in victory

By JOE HETTLER
Associate Sports Editor

The coaches said it would take time. The players said it would take time. They all said the Irish offense would take time to click with a new system.

The time finally came Saturday against Rutgers.

Carlyle Holiday and the Notre Dame offense had their most impressive performance of the season, gaining 468 yards scoring 42 points in a shutout victory over the Scarlet Knights.

"We believed that at some point this season our offense would show its true potential," coach Tyrone Willingham said. "Today our offense did exactly that. Obviously, Carlyle Holiday's performance passing was exceptional in the third quarter, and truthfully, throughout the game. Our offense did a great job of playing the way I think they can."

Holiday was 13-of-25 for 270 yards passing and a Notre Dame record-tying four touchdown passes. He also led the Irish to four third quarter touchdowns in less than 10 minutes, with three of those drives taking a combined 100 seconds to finish.

Holiday credits his improvement to learning the new West Coast system more each week.

"I'm at a stage right now where I know what I did wrong or I know what I was supposed to do and I think [offensive coordinator Bill Diedrick] sees that and he laughs about it sometimes," Holiday said. "He sees it as a good sign and I do too. It's just more comfortable to know that when you had something there, you can just go back and know what you have the next time."

Holiday turned heads against Navy by throwing the deep ball effectively and racking up a career-high 272 yards passing. However, because the effort came against the 1-8 Midshipmen, Holiday wasn't given as much credit for his improvement.

But when he did it again this week, Holiday showed something he had been missing his entire career — consistency.

"I don't know if I erased [anybody's doubts], it's shown that I could throw the deep ball," Holiday said. "I feel a lot more comfortable, I know what I can do, the fakes are better, ball placement, I feel a lot better."

The most surprising aspect of Notre Dame's offense Saturday was their ability to not only score, but score quickly. The four touchdowns in the third quarter were the most ever by an Irish team during that quarter in Notre Dame history.



ANDY KENNA/The Observer

Irish quarterback Carlyle Holiday throws a pass against Rutgers Saturday. The Notre Dame signal-caller threw a record-tying four touchdown passes.

"Like coach said it felt like a knockout punch," Holiday said. "After that second touchdown, I think they quit a little bit because you look over at their sidelines and some of them have their heads down. Then to come out the next play and score a touchdown, I think that took all the energy out of them."

Holiday threw touchdown passes of 38, 63, 37 and 26 yards — two went to Arnaz Battle and one each to Omar Jenkins and Maurice Stovall. Saturday, Holiday completed passes to seven different receivers. More importantly, he did not throw an interception for the fifth straight game. Holiday has only picked off two times this season, once again Michigan and Pittsburgh.

"I like no interceptions," Holiday said. "I hate throwing interceptions. I have to run for them, so interceptions are a killer. Plus

I have to make the tackle which I'm not good at."

Willingham said that the entire offense has improved and learned the new system better and this has been one of the biggest keys.

"Each week, Carlyle has gotten better, and better, and better," Willingham said. However, it must be noted that it can't be just Carlyle. It has to be the offensive line, it has to be improvement, the running backs have to be improving, the receivers have to be improving, the overall understanding of our system has to be improving. If we are doing that then we have the chance to get better as a passing unit. And I think our guys have done that."

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scoring summary

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Notre Dame	0	14	28	0	42
Rutgers	0	0	0	0	0

First quarter
no scoring

Second quarter

Notre Dame 7, Rutgers 0
 Arnaz Battle 38-yd reception from Carlyle Holiday with 11:17 remaining (Setta kick)
 Drive: 10 plays, 80 yards, 4:13 elapsed
 Notre Dame 14, Rutgers 0
 Walton 45-yd interception return with 7:25 remaining (Setta kick)

Third quarter

Notre Dame 21, Rutgers 0
 Battle 63-yd reception from Holiday with 14:16 remaining (Setta kick)
 Drive: 2 plays, 80 yards, 0:44 elapsed
 Notre Dame 28, Florida State 0
 Omar Jenkins 37-yd reception from Holiday with 12:21 remaining (Setta kick)
 Drive: 1 play, 37 yards, 0:07 elapsed
 Notre Dame 35, Rutgers 0
 Ryan Grant 28-yd run with 8:50 remaining (Setta kick)
 Drive: 2 plays, 35 yards, 0:49 elapsed
 Notre Dame 42, Rutgers 0
 Maurice Stovall 26-yd reception from Holiday with 5:36 remaining (Setta kick)
 Drive: 6 plays, 49 yards, 2:14 elapsed

Fourth quarter
no scoring

statistics

total yards

NOTRE DAME	478
RUTGERS	172

rushing yards

NOTRE DAME	190
RUTGERS	18

passing yards

NOTRE DAME	288
RUTGERS	158

return yards

NOTRE DAME	22
RUTGERS	70

time of possession

NOTRE DAME	27:42
RUTGERS	32:30



41-190	rushes-yards	27-18
14-28-0	comp-att-int	20-49-2
6-206	punts-yards	10-450
3-2	fumbles-lost	4-1
8-72	penalties-yards	12-68
20	first downs	15

passing

Holiday	13-25-0	Hart	12-25-1
Dillingham	1-3-0	Cubit	8-24-1

rushing

Grant	16-68	Facyson	8-35
O'Neill	6-52	Pittman	4-8
Holiday	5-51	Barnes	1-(-1)
Powers-Neal	6-25	Jones	1-(-2)
Wilson	2-1	Hart	5-(-10)
Lopienski	1-1	Cubit	8-(-12)
Novakov	1-(-2)		

receiving

Battle	3-108	Hobbs	5-43
Jenkins	3-61	Marlin	5-30
Stovall	2-39	Smith	4-28
McKnight	2-27	Tucker	2-21
Shelton	1-18	Facyson	2-10
Lopienski	1-17	Pilch	1-16
Wilson	1-10	Carty	1-10
Grant	1-8		

Grant reaches 1,000-yard milestone

Observer Staff Report

No one said much about Ryan Grant breaking the 1,000-yard mark this season — and that's just fine with Grant.

The Irish running back gained 68 yards on 18 carries versus Rutgers Saturday, giving him 1,001 yards this season. Grant became the seventh running back in Notre Dame history to reach such a feat and the first since Autry Denson did it in 1996.

"It was one of my goals, it means a lot to me, but I understand the perspective that at this position, I kind of rely on other people," Grant said.

Grant had been criticized over the last few weeks for fumbling the ball too much. He didn't fumble Saturday and feels his game is back on track.

"I don't take [not fumbling]

as a relief," Grant said. "I did what I'm supposed to do. That's my job to not fumble."

Offensive coordinator Bill Diedrick was also pleased with Grant's performance. He felt the back returned to his old style of running the football.

"I thought he was back to running a lot more aggressive," Diedrick said. "The best run that I was pleased with was when he made the one guy miss, broke the tackle and got his TD and I think that, to me, that was a little more of a signature of what he's done."

Seniors' Day

With such a big lead late in the game, many of the seniors got their chance to finally reach the field at Notre Dame stadium.

The highlight of the reserves play was when Tim O'Neill busted a 42-yard run down the Irish sidelines late in the fourth quarter.

"I think you want to always think end zone when you're running with the ball," O'Neill said. "I'm quick but I'm not fast. I guess they caught me. [My teammates] were ribbing me a little bit about it in the locker room."

Willingham was actually worried when O'Neill had that long run.

"Obviously, when he got in, everyone on the team was excited about him being on the field, and since he does play so hard, we were fearful that he might score," Willingham said.

Another highlight of the reserves' play was when Carlos Pierre-Antoine's sack in the fourth quarter.

Battle moves up on list

Arnaz Battle moved up to ninth place on Notre Dame's all-time receptions in a season list with 46 on the season after his three catches Saturday. Battle moved past Tim Brown

and Bobby Brown on the list. Tom Gatewood, who had 77 in 1970, holds the record.

Battle also became the first Irish player to have two touchdown receptions since Joey Getherall did it against Air Force in 2000.

Setta continues streak

Nicholas Setta made all six extra points against Rutgers, giving him 86 straight extra points made. That's good enough for second on the all-time Notre Dame list. Craig Hentrich holds the record with 136 straight extra points converted.

Saturday's captains

Game day captains for the Irish were John Crowther, Jeff Faine, Courtney Watson and Ryan Roberts. All 31 seniors were on the field for the coin flip, with the other 27 standing a few yards onto the field.



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Notre Dame is led onto the field by many of its seniors Saturday against Rutgers. The game marked the last home contest for this year's senior class. Notre Dame won 42-0.

SENIOR DAY

Notre Dame played its most complete game of the season en route to pounding Rutgers 42-0 in the seniors' final home game. Irish quarterback Carlyle Holiday threw a record four touchdown passes, and Arnaz Battle and Shane Walton each scored for Notre Dame. The Irish scored 28 points in the third quarter to break a school record.



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Irish quarterback Carlyle Holiday drops back to throw a pass Saturday. Holiday led the Irish to 35 points on offense against Rutgers.



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Mike Goolsby (41) and Ryan Roberts (95) sack Rutgers' quarterback Ryan Hart during the first half of Saturday's game. The defense recorded five sacks on the day.



ANDY KENNA/The Observer

Irish running back Tim O'Neill breaks off a 42-yard run against the Scarlet Knights Saturday. O'Neill had 52 yards rushing on six attempts.

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Without the Lord

ance' dazzles and disappoints Saturday

determination to achieve perfection. But he has also been criticized for being a strict authoritarian and a power hungry egomaniac.

This reputation emerged when he left the Irish dance phenomena "Riverdance" in which he was a lead dancer and choreographer. "Riverdance" exploded on the world scene as a seven-minute piece in the Eurovision Song Contest in 1994. But Flatley had to share the spotlight and after six months he left the show blaming issues of artistic control. He claims the producers of "Riverdance" wanted to incorporate all different nations into the show, while Flatley believed that an all Irish show could stand on its own. Unable to agree on any settlements, Flatley sued the producers of "Riverdance" for a percentage of the revenues that he believed were rightfully his.

When Flatley began to envision his own project, he knew that he wanted the successor to "Riverdance" to be more of a rock concert than a theatrical performance. With an original score by Ronan Hardiman and talented Irish dance champions from all over the world, Flatley began to see his detailed vision come to life. With his name above the title in "Lord of the Dance," Flatley became the star of the show — oiled, bare-

chested and performing as the hero and savior of Irish dance with two beautiful women competing for his attention in a flashy,

male fantasy world.

Since its world debut in Dublin on July 2, 1996, "Lord of the Dance" has met extreme international success. It broke London's famous Wembley Arena's performance record, selling out 21 shows. Opening in the United States at Radio City Music Hall where it sold out its first 13 performances, "Lord of the Dance" went on to perform at the 1997 Academy Awards. As a result of the success of the show, Flatley can afford to get over any hard feelings he had for "Riverdance" since he has his own revenue sensation. In 2000, with an exhausting schedule and rumors of failing health, Flatley performed in a final show of his tour "Feet of Flames," a magnified version of "Lord of the Dance" he created to draw attention to his final performance.

Today, Flatley serves as artistic director and continues to oversee all aspects of the show and the numerous "Lord of the Dance" troupes. There are two permanent dance troupes, one is currently touring Europe and the second is touring the United States. Flatley also recently signed a \$250 million deal for the show to remain in The Venetian hotel and casino in Las Vegas. With an incredibly successful video and soundtrack CD, as well as overpriced merchandise — a dinky program costs \$15 — total gross for Lord of the Dance is fast approaching \$100 million.

While Flatley has lived his life with an attitude of extreme confidence, he has introduced the world to the power of Irish dancing. He is a hero for many Americans as a purveyor of Irish pride. Flatley awed the world and carried the show to its extraordinary success because of his incredible talent, but without his commanding stage presence as Lord the show seems to become nothing more than an extravagant money-maker.

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Two traditional Irish violinists are included in "Lord of the Dance." Unfortunately, taped supplemental music distracts from their performance.



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With two touring companies already, Flatley has signed a \$250 million deal to bring "Lord of the Dance" to The Venetian hotel and casino in Las Vegas.

NFL

Lions' odd coin toss call helps Bears to OT victory

◆ **Detroit wins toss and goes with wind; Bears get ball and Edinger kicks game-winning FG**

Associated Press

CHAMPAIGN, Ill.

Detroit took the wind and Chicago got the win.

Sore-armed Jim Miller came off the bench to rescue the Bears, who benefitted from Detroit's unconventional overtime strategy Sunday to beat the Lions 20-17 and end an eight-game losing streak.

Miller, playing with a sore right elbow, led the Bears to 10 points in the final 2:33 of regulation, featuring two great catches by Dez White, and Chicago (3-8) forced overtime on Paul Edinger's 22-yard field goal on the final play.

After winning the coin toss to start overtime, the Lions (3-8) decided to play defense first with a strong 17 mph wind at their backs instead of taking the ball.

But given the ball first, Miller moved the Bears from their own 35 to the Detroit 22, hitting third down passes of 14 and 15 yards to Marty Booker and then connecting again with a 5-yarder to White on fourth-and-3 from the Detroit 30 to get Edinger in position for the game winner.

Patriots 24, Vikings 17

The New England Patriots outlasted a Minnesota team that can't win on the road and can't hang onto the ball anywhere.

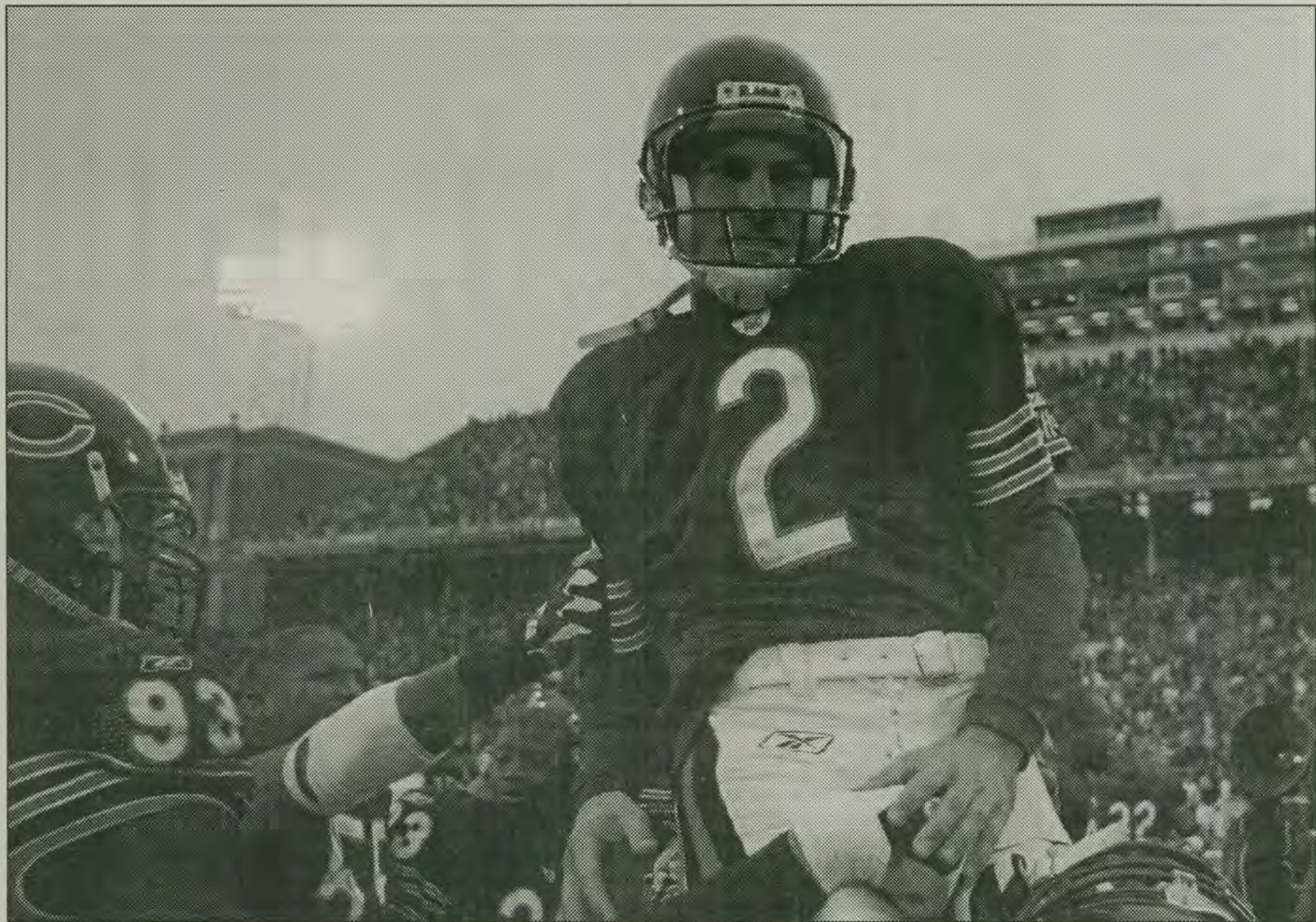
Tom Brady threw three touchdown passes in the first half and the Patriots held on for a 24-17 win Sunday over the sloppy Vikings.

Minnesota lost three fumbles and forced no turnovers, increasing its league-worst turnover differential to minus-19.

The Vikings have lost 16 straight on the road and haven't won since Thanksgiving Day 2000 in Dallas.

The Patriots (6-5) led 21-0 and got the ball back at the Minnesota 31 when Richard Seymour recovered Randy Moss's fumble with 2:14 left in the half.

But the drive ended at the



KRT PHOTO

Members of the Chicago Bears carry kicker Paul Edinger off the field after he kicked the game-winning field goal in the Bears' 20-17 victory over the Lions Sunday. The Bears were able to kick the field goal when the Lions refused the ball after winning the coin toss.

39 with an 8-yard sack on fourth down, and the Vikings got a 6-yard touchdown from Bates with 19 seconds left in the half.

They had no such problems a week earlier when they upset Green Bay 31-21. That night, the Patriots failed to score an offensive touchdown in a 27-20 loss in Oakland.

The Vikings cut the lead to 21-17 early in the fourth quarter. But the Patriots' defense held, and Adam Vinatieri added a 34-yard field goal with 11:09 remaining.

Buccaneers 21, Packers 7

Brett Favre was no match for the NFL's top-ranked defense.

Tampa Bay intercepted Favre four times and Brad Johnson threw two second-half touchdown passes Sunday as the Buccaneers beat the Packers 21-7 in a meeting of the teams with the best record in the league.

Favre was sacked three times and had little success against the vaunted Bucs defense after taking advantage of Tampa Bay's only turnover to give the Packers (8-3) a 7-0 lead in the first quarter.

The Bucs (9-2) are off to their best start ever and thrust themselves into position to make a run for home-field advantage in the playoffs, which would be major for a franchise that's never won a postseason game on the road. Johnson returned from being poked in the right eye to throw TD passes of 4 yards to Joe Jurevicius and 3 yards to Ken Dilger. Martin Gramatica kicked field goals of 38 and 51 yards for the Bucs, who trailed 7-3 at the half.

Brian Kelly had two interceptions, setting up Tampa Bay's first TD and stopping another drive deep in Bucs territory with Favre working feverishly to try to wipe out a two-touchdown deficit in the

last five minutes.

Ronde Barber stepped in front of a slant pass intended for Terry Glenn to turn back another threat and Dexter Jackson's interception and 58-yard return to the Green Bay 5 led to Johnson's TD pass to Dilger.

Favre, who dropped to 0-5 at Raymond James Stadium, finished 20-of-38 for 196 yards. Johnson was 15-of-25 for 134 yards with no interceptions.

Browns 24, Saints 15

The running back scampering down the Superdome field was not Deuce McAllister.

With New Orleans' star watching from the sidelines, Cleveland rookie William Green ran for 114 yards and a touchdown to spark the Browns to a 24-15 victory over the Saints on Sunday.

It was the fourth victory in five games for the Browns (6-5), who have climbed back

into contention in the AFC North after a poor start. Cleveland trails Pittsburgh by a half-game.

The Saints (7-4) have lost three of four to fall into third place in the NFC South. McAllister, the NFC's leading runner with 950 yards rushing, was active but never got into the game because of a sprained right ankle.

New Orleans struggled without him, gaining just 74 yards rushing and scoring just one touchdown on six trips inside the Cleveland 20. Cleveland forced three red-zone turnovers — two interceptions and a fumble by Aaron Brooks — and twice held the Saints to field goals.

Brooks completed 23 of 40 passes for 318 yards, but threw three interceptions and no touchdowns.

Couch was 12-for-21 for 182 yards and a touchdown for Cleveland. He was intercepted twice.

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my goodness, this was a busy sports weekend.

Way to go Mod Quad for dominating the Interhall finals this weekend.

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Buckeyes ready to 'Fiesta' after defeating Wolverines

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio
Go ahead, Ohio State. It's safe to exhale.

The Buckeyes escaped yet another tight jam Saturday with a 14-9 victory over rival Michigan.

A season of hope has turned perfectly magical for the second-ranked Buckeyes (13-0, 8-0 Big Ten), who are on their way to the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl to play for a national title on Jan. 3.

"The way they've won has been great for college football," said Buckeyes coach Jim Tressel, now 2-0 against Michigan. "We have a scrappy, tough, talented, smart bunch of folks who want to achieve."

Sweating out every last tick of the clock, the Buckeyes finally got past the Wolverines and will play for a national championship they've been chasing since 1968.

Maurice Hall scored on a 3-yard run with 4:55 left and the Buckeyes survived two late drives by Michigan (No. 9 ESPN/USA Today, No. 12 AP).

"We might not go out and score 50 points. We might not hold teams to 10 yards," said Buckeyes running back Maurice Claret, "but we make the plays when we have to."

Will Allen intercepted John Navarre's pass just short of the end zone with 0:00 showing on

the clock for the bend-but-don't-break Buckeyes, who have won six games by seven points or fewer this season.

But coming against the hated Wolverines (9-3, 6-2), this nail-biter was sweeter than all the others.

"When Will made the catch, I just started crying," said safety Michael Doss, who decided to put off an NFL career by staying for his senior season. "We had faith we could win every game, that's what makes this team so special."

The Buckeyes earned a share of the Big Ten title with No. 5 Iowa (11-1) and can now sit back and wait to see who they'll play in Tempe, Ariz.

"It's time to party," said defensive end Kenny Peterson. "Fiesta, Fiesta ..."

With Michigan controlling play and clinging to a 9-7 lead after three quarters, Ohio State seemed destined for more heart-break against the Wolverines.

The Buckeyes had undefeated seasons and their national title hopes wiped out in 1995 and 1996 by Michigan.

But this team found a way to win — just as it did early this season at Cincinnati, in overtime at Illinois last week and with a fourth-quarter comeback at Purdue two weeks ago.

"This is a huge win," said Tressel, who accepted a Fiesta Bowl invitation after the game.

Washington 29, Washington State 26

Washington's John Anderson kicked five field goals, including the game-winner from 49 yards out in the third overtime, and Kai Ellis forced and recovered a disputed fumble to secure Washington's 29-26 thrilling victory over No. 3 Washington State on Saturday night.

"When you get on a little bit of a roll, the goal posts get bigger," Anderson said. "You want to be out there."

The loss spoiled Washington State's chance to secure a Rose Bowl berth. Now the Cougars (9-2, 6-1 Pacific-10) must win at UCLA on Dec. 7 to capture the conference title, and it's not known whether quarterback Jason Gesser will be able to play.

Gesser was knocked out in the fourth quarter with a high ankle sprain on his right leg.

Washington (7-5, 4-4) had the ball first in the third overtime, and after a sack and two incompletions by Cody Pickett, it was up to Anderson. He trotted out for the 49-yard attempt, and a collective groan arose from Martin Stadium when his kick sailed true.

"I just wanted to make sure I made it," Anderson said. "I knew our defense would get the job done."

The Cougars took over, and it was all over on their first play.

Matt Kegel, Gesser's replacement, dropped back and tried to throw. The ball came loose, and Ellis leaped on it.

"I intercepted it, then I dropped it," Ellis said.

The ball hit the turf, but Ellis grabbed it, and the Huskies sprinted off the field to celebrate the victory.

Not so fast, though.

The celebration slowed as officials huddled near a pile of players at the 40-yard line. After about one minute, a hush went over the crowd when referee Gordon Riese snapped on his microphone.

"The ruling on the field was that it was a backward pass. Washington recovered that pass, and the game is over," Riese announced.

The ruling was that Kegel had thrown the ball to his left, away from the line of scrimmage, making it a live ball. So when it hit the turf, it wasn't an incomple-

tion. "It was a backward pass, therefore a fumble, and we ended up with the ball. So the game was over," Washington coach Rick Neuheisel said.

Cougars coach Mike Price didn't see it that way.

"That was just a bad pass. It was a forward pass," he said.

USC 52, UCLA 21

Whatever chance UCLA had of upsetting crosstown rival Southern California dissolved in

the opening 10 minutes Saturday at the Rose Bowl.

Carson Palmer has his coaches' endorsement for the Heisman Trophy.

Carson Palmer threw a 34-yard touchdown pass to Kareem Kelly on the first play from scrimmage following one of UCLA's many devastating mistakes, and that got No. 7 USC off and running to a 52-21 victory over the Bruins (No. 24 ESPN/USA Today, No. 25 AP).

"The first play was huge. It gave us momentum for the whole game," Palmer said after passing for 254 yards and four touchdowns. "Before the game, we were talking about putting up 50."

"It's an awesome feeling to beat these guys the way we did."

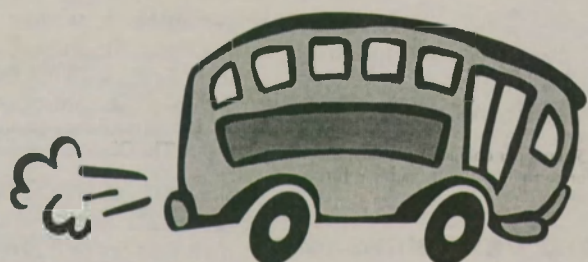
Palmer and Kelly hooked up after Tab Perry fumbled the opening kickoff and Grant Mattos recovered, putting USC on top after 16 seconds of play.

USC also scored touchdowns on its next two possessions for a quick 21-0 lead. UCLA scored early in the second quarter to draw within two touchdowns before the Trojans ran off 31 straight points.

The 52 points were the most scored by either team in the series since USC defeated UCLA 52-0 in 1930 — the second meeting between the teams. The year before that, the Trojans beat the Bruins 76-0.

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AROUND THE NATION

College Football Polls

AP		Coaches	
rank	team	rank	team
1	Miami (71)	1	Miami (60)
2	Ohio State (2)	2	Ohio State (1)
3	Oklahoma	3	Iowa
4	Iowa	4	Oklahoma
5	Georgia	5	Georgia
6	USC	6	USC
7	NOTRE DAME	7	NOTRE DAME
8	Kansas State	8	Kansas State
9	Washington State	9	Washington State
10	Texas	10	Texas
11	Penn State	11	Florida
12	Michigan	12	Penn State
13	Colorado	13	Colorado State
14	Alabama	14	Michigan
15	Florida	15	Colorado
16	Colorado State	16	Boise State
17	Pittsburgh	17	LSU
18	LSU	18	Pittsburgh
19	Boise State	19	Virginia Tech
20	Auburn	20	North Carolina State
21	North Carolina State	21	West Virginia
22	Virginia Tech	22	Florida State
23	Florida State	23	Maryland
24	West Virginia	24	Hawaii
25	Maryland	25	Auburn

COLLEGE FOOTBALL



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Florida State quarterback Adrian McPherson is tackled by North Carolina State's Andre Maddox in the Wolfpack's 17-7 victory Saturday. McPherson was only 8-for-20 passing for 80 yards in the game.

Bowden rekindles quarterback controversy

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. Florida State coach Bobby Bowden has opened up the competition at quarterback again after watching Adrian McPherson struggle against North Carolina State.

Bowden said Sunday he will decide whether McPherson or Chris Rix will start the finale against No. 15 Florida after he watches them practice.

The Seminoles lost 17-7 to the Wolfpack on Saturday and dropped nine spots to No. 23 in the latest AP Top 25. FSU failed to score an offensive touch-

down, and McPherson went 8-of-20 for 80 yards.

"I don't like doing it, but I think the situation, the play of our quarterbacks, requires me to take a strong look at both of them," Bowden said.

Rix came into the game with a little more than two minutes left and effectively moved the Seminoles down the field before throwing an interception in the end zone with 8 seconds remaining.

"The way he moved the football team in the brief time he was in there was enough make you think that we better let these kids fight this out another week and decide if we need to

make a change," Bowden said.

McPherson took over for Rix after the Seminoles lost 34-24 to Notre Dame on Oct. 26. Rix struggled and turned the ball over three times before giving way to McPherson, who led Florida State to two scores at the end of the game.

McPherson led Florida State to victories over Wake Forest, Georgia Tech and North Carolina. Though his numbers through those three games were not spectacular — 51-of-98 for 654 yards — McPherson threw one interception while throwing eight touchdowns.

"I feel like [McPherson]

was making progress and just needs experience," Bowden said. "I felt like he was gaining it, and he wasn't losing games for us, but this last week he took a few steps backward."

Bowden also would not rule out rotating Rix and McPherson — pulling out a trick former Florida coach Steve Spurrier used to beat the Seminoles in 1997 when Doug Johnson and Noah Brindise played.

"If everything else fails, we would try anything, even that," Bowden said. "Steve Spurrier did that to us and beat us that way, but most of us don't know how to do it that way."

NFL

AFC East

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Miami	7-4	.636	24.2	17.3
NY Jets	6-5	.545	21.4	22.1
New England	6-5	.545	25.7	21.7
Buffalo	5-6	.455	25.2	28.8

AFC North

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Pittsburgh	6-4-1	.591	25.3	22.4
Cleveland	6-5	.545	23.3	20.9
Baltimore	5-6	.455	17.9	20.6
Cincinnati	1-10	.091	16.5	28.0

AFC South

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Indianapolis	7-4	.636	21.6	18.5
Tennessee	6-5	.545	22.1	23.5
Jacksonville	5-6	.455	21.2	18.7
Houston	3-8	.273	14.0	24.5

AFC West

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
San Diego	7-4	.636	21.2	21.6
Denver	7-4	.636	24.4	21.5
Oakland	7-4	.636	29.8	21.6
Kansas City	5-6	.455	29.2	28.4

NFC East

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Philadelphia	7-3	.700	27.2	16.7
NY Giants	5-5	.545	15.7	16.8
Washington	5-6	.455	18.1	23.0
Dallas	4-7	.364	12.6	17.6

NFC North

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Green Bay	8-3	.727	26.8	16.7
Minnesota	3-8	.273	23.1	16.8
Detroit	3-8	.273	18.5	23.0
Chicago	3-8	.273	19.8	17.6

NFC South

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Tampa Bay	9-2	.818	22.5	11.9
Atlanta	7-3-1	.682	26.0	17.0
New Orleans	7-4	.636	29.3	25.5
Carolina	3-8	.273	13.2	19.5

NFC West

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
San Francisco	7-3	.700	23.7	19.7
St. Louis	5-6	.455	21.1	21.1
Arizona	4-7	.364	17.3	24.0
Seattle	4-7	.364	20.0	22.6

IN BRIEF

Phillies sign third baseman Bell to 4-year deal

The Philadelphia Phillies don't have to worry about their new third baseman's relationship with manager Larry Bowa.

David Bell, who helped the San Francisco Giants reach the World Series last month, agreed to a \$17 million, four-year deal with the Phillies on Sunday.

Bell hit .261 with 20 homers and 73 RBIs last season. The free agent will replace All-Star third baseman Scott Rolen, who was traded by Philadelphia to St. Louis in July.

Rolen and Bowa had opposite personalities and feuded often during their 1 1/2 seasons together. Bell and Bowa got along well when they were together in Seattle from 1999-01.

"I know Larry, and I really like Larry," Bell said. "I look forward to playing for him."

Bowa, a coach with Seattle when Bell was there, likes his approach

and attitude.

"His work ethic is second to none," Bowa said. "He's always prepared, plays the game the way it's supposed to be played. He's very unselfish, knows how to play and has come from winning teams."

Top-ranked Duke blows out No. 2 Tennessee

Duke's first week at No. 1 was a rousing success.

Alana Beard had 22 points, nine rebounds, seven assists and five steals to power the top-ranked Blue Devils over No. 2 Tennessee 76-55 Sunday in the inaugural women's Jimmy V Classic.

It was the 35th meeting of No. 1 vs. No. 2 in women's college basketball. Tennessee, with six national titles, has been involved in 19 such matchups and dropped to 4-6 when ranked second.

"This was a great opportunity for us to show the nation that we were here to play," said Duke coach Gail

Goestenors, whose team won its opener over East Carolina by 62 points Friday. "This hopefully proves to people that not only were we here to play, but we're here to stay."

Epstein to become youngest GM with Red Sox

The Boston Red Sox will hire Theo Epstein as their general manager, a team source told The Associated Press on Sunday night.

Epstein, 28, will be the youngest GM in baseball history when the team makes the announcement, which is expected to come Monday. Randy Smith was 29 when he was hired by the San Diego Padres in 1993.

The Red Sox have been without a permanent general manager since Florida financier John W. Henry bought the team in spring training and fired Dan Duquette. Mike Port was named interim GM for the season and was a candidate for the long-term job that went to Epstein.

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NFL

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MENS BASKETBALL

Irish blowout Bucknell, 73-42

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

The way Torin Francis looked at his performance Saturday, the Irish freshman was just doing his job.

But if his job includes setting freshman records, the Irish won't mind making sure Francis gets more work.

Francis grabbed 20 rebounds against Bucknell, the most any Irish freshman recorded since LaPhonso Ellis grabbed 18 in 1989, as the Irish rolled to a 73-42 victory Friday night.

"That's just part of the game," said Francis, who finished with 11 points. "It's just something you have to do."

It was the third straight game the Irish played where their defense completely shut down their opponent, but it helped that they were facing a team that was horribly out-matched. Bucknell struggled to find the basket all night, only making 21.1 percent of their shots.

The 42 points Notre Dame allowed were the fewest since 1999, when they gave up 42 to Valparaiso. And over their first three games, the Irish have allowed just 135 points, the fewest they allowed in the first three games of a season since 1947.

But it helped that the Irish played a team that made more free throws (15) than field goals (12).

The Irish were never seriously challenged, scoring the game's first seven points. Bucknell only got as close as five points with seven minutes left in the first half before the Irish reeled off a 16-point run to pull comfortably ahead.

"I do like what we're doing defensively," Irish coach Mike Brey said. "We're working on that end and trying to defend."

The game was a coming out this season for Chris Thomas, who seemed to be much more noticeably absent during Notre Dame's first two games. Thomas scored a game-high 20 points, the most he's scored all season, to key the Irish offense.

Thomas was fearless coming out of the locker room at half-time, scoring eight of Notre Dame's first 10 points to stretch a 40-21 halftime lead to a 50-24 lead.

"I just felt like the last couple of games I've been passive," he said. "There's nothing wrong with that, but tonight as a team, we struggled offensively."

Torrian Jones also had his most prolific scoring performance of the season. The junior guard finished with 13 points in 21 minutes played,

often scoring on penetrating drives or when his teammates found him flashing underneath the basket.

"I was patient, and it was a night where my drives were there," Jones said. "Guys were turning their backs on defense and I was picking my spots and finding them."

Matt Carroll added 13 points and Dan Miller chipped in 12.

Tom Timmermans returned to the Irish lineup after sitting out the first two games with back spasms. He played nine minutes, grabbing three rebounds and failing to score, and Brey said the Irish center wasn't quite back to 100 percent.

The Irish have another quick turnaround, as they prepare to face Furman in the semifinals of the Guardians Classic tonight at 9:30 p.m. The Irish will then face either Creighton or IUPUI in the final or consolation round Tuesday night, depending on whether or not Notre Dame wins tonight.

By Tuesday, the Irish will have squeezed in five games in 10 days.

"Playing the games is great," Brey said. "But the slippage you get is you haven't practiced much in the last week."

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ND WOMENS CROSS COUNTRY

Irish expect strong finish at NCAAs

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

For the first time in school history, the Notre Dame womens cross-country team has a chance to finish in the top 10 in the NCAA Championships.

Led by sophomore Lauren King and freshman Molly Huddle, the Irish have qualified for the national championships for the fourth time in the program's history, and their depth and performances this year have earned the team its place as the fifth ranked team in the nation.

On Monday, at Terre Haute, they will attempt to conclude the season in the same manner they have run each of their previous races.

"We're going in there on a pretty high note," Irish coach Tim Connelly said. "I thought our kids ran their best race of the season at [the regional finals in West Lafayette, Ind.]. We believe we have a shot at placing really high."

The team has seen steady improvement throughout the season, both in their races and workouts.

"We know that the team is working really well and has

been really good," King said. "Everyone's fit. The workouts have been going great. We know we're ready for this level of competition."

Unlike past years, Notre Dame has expected success from the outset of this season.

"I might not appreciate it as much as some of the upper-classmen, who know what the team has done before and how it's such a big improvement compared to where we've been," Huddle said. "The freshman class, our first season all we know is the best Notre Dame has been so far."

Huddle is one of three freshmen that will run for the Irish today.

"If you ask anyone of those freshmen, they'll tell you that they expected to be in the NCAAs when they decided to come to Notre Dame," Connelly said.

Veteran Irish runner Jen Handley is the lone senior among the team's competing top runners.

The Irish are fresh off the program's first victories at the Great Lakes Regional and the Big East Championships.

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Pyros

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halftime, the rejuvenated Chaos came out firing in the second half.

When a Coons pass intended for Follmer was picked off in the end zone, Cavanaugh gained the momentum and the window of opportunity they had been waiting for.

After a completions by Meg Myers to Jenny Nokes and Melissa Marcotte, the Chaos drove down the field. A 40-yard reverse by Lisa Ruffer set up and 11-yard touchdown pass by Meyers to Laurie Hohberger with 45 seconds remaining.

But the extra point pass was knocked down and PE ran out the clock to claim the championship. Coons and the Pyros were joined in celebration by a sea of red that chanted "I love Abbey" after the game.

"I couldn't ask for anything more as a senior," an elated

Coons said. "Our team probably had the most fun of every team, and we won. It was a great season, with great coaches."

Coons wasn't the only senior quarterback that played exceptionally well. For Cavanaugh, Meyers was 10-of-18 for 132 yards with one touchdown.

For the Pyros, Kristin Marcuccilli caught three passes for 26 yards, and center Allison Ferber was on the receiving end of two passes as well.

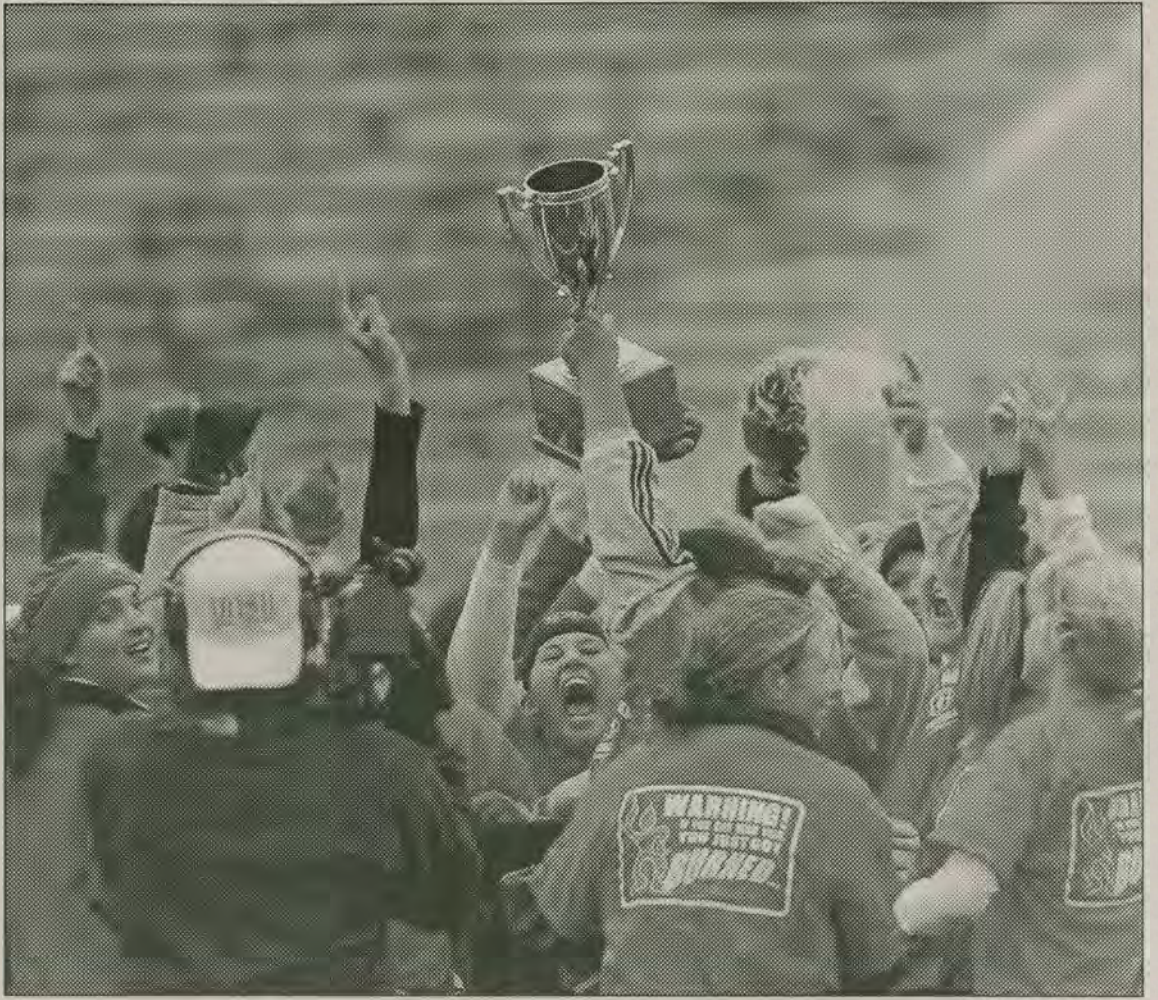
She, like Coons, played both ways as quarterback and defensive back. In a game where the star players negated each other's performances, the story was of the role players who came up big in the end.

"We were probably the last team people would have thought would win, but we did it," Coons said. "We've just grown so much this year."

"I couldn't ask for anything more as a senior. Our team probably had the most fun of every team."

Abbey Coons
Pyros quarterback

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LISA VELTE/The Observer

The Pyros of Pasquerilla East hoist the Interhall Football Championship trophy into the air after their 7-6 defeat of Cavanaugh in the womens interhall finals at Notre Dame Stadium Sunday.

Ramblers

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"Bill had some nice offensive play calls," said Siegfried coach John Torgenson.

Bingle, Torgenson notes, has a keen knowledge of the game and calls all of the plays from the line of scrimmage.

Alumni scored first on its second drive of the game. Running back Alex Roodhouse broke a 50-yard run on first down from the Dawgs 9-yard line. Roodhouse, who had 86 yards rushing and 14 yards receiving on the day, ended the drive with a 2-yard touchdown run, putting Alumni up 7-0.

The Alumni defense that had hardly given opponents a whiff of the end zone all season stood strong in the first half, letting Bingle and the Ramblers drive downfield, but stopping Siegfried short of the end zone twice on fourth down.

The Dawgs had trouble in the second half when Siegfried elected to spread the field and throw.

"I was kind of surprised how easily we could pass," said Bingle. "They've been shutting everyone out, and we haven't been throwing quite so much the past couple games. Our receivers made some real good plays. Jack Kaup, Nate Ratchke, and Mike Wall, they're all over the place."

Kaup, Bingle's go-to-guy all season, caught a 17-yard strike from Bingle in the back of the end zone to tie the game at 7-7 in the third quarter. On the drive, Bingle completed five of five passes, including three to Kaup.

On the following touchdown drive, Bingle connected with Ratchke for 26 yards on a great diving catch to set up a 15-yard Tim Breitbach touchdown run.

"Bill makes us look good as

receivers," said Ratchke. "He's a great quarterback."

Alumni coach Steve Keppel saw an opportunistic Siegfried team that would not quit.

"I think it was just them making big plays," Keppel said. "They were driving the ball on us [in the first half] but our defense was able to stop them. They just made some amazing catches towards the end. And their defense stepped up in the second half."

Like its defense, the Alumni offense struggled as the game went on.

The Alumni offensive output of the day more or less ended with the first-half touchdown. Bingle and Siegfried's offensive took over and kept the Dawgs offense off the field. When Chris Cottingham and the Alumni offense returned to the field, the Ramblers defense entered the game well-rested and shut the Dawgs down.

A Pat Muzin sack on third down late in the fourth quarter all but ended the hopes of the Alumni faithful.

"Our first drive, we were moving the ball pretty well," said Keppel. "There were penalties and some mental mistakes that kind of hurt us in the second half. But games like this go by pretty fast. You need to take advantage of your drives, and we really didn't do that in the second half."

A holding call on Alumni's first drive and a clipping penalty on the punt return to set up the Dawgs' final drive proved crucial to the game's outcome. The Siegfried defense buckled down after the first touchdown and did not let up.

"We should have won by a lot more," said Bingle. "We pretty much dominated the game. We punch those first couple in and I don't think they'd have been around at all."

For now, the Siegfried

"This is a dream for everyone, to come out here and be victorious in Notre Dame Stadium. You get the shivers, you know?"

John Torgenson
Siegfried coach



LISA VELTE/The Observer

A Siegfried player breaks a tackle during the Ramblers' 14-7 victory over Alumni Sunday afternoon at Notre Dame Stadium.

Ramblers finally hold the trophy after losing in the finals to Dillon last year.

"It's just great to be out here. It's a great experience," said Ratchke. "To come in here and win after last year, getting smoked by Dillon. We got down 7-0, but all year we didn't give up, we kept our heads up. We just got the job done. It's a good feeling."

"This is a dream for everyone, to come out here and be victorious in Notre Dame Stadium," said Torgenson. "You get the shivers, you know?"

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Revenge

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defeated Miami 30-19, 31-29, 27-30, 30-19 to win its third consecutive Big East Tournament title.

"We absolutely wanted to play Miami for the title," outside hitter Emily Loomis said. "They really fired us up with their comments at the banquet."

Loomis capped off the conference season by winning the tournament's Most Outstanding Player award. Against the Hurricanes, the sophomore from Fort Wayne, Ind. recorded game-highs in kills with 21 and hitting percentage of .462.

The Irish (23-8) got off to a fast start, hitting an incredible .606 in game one and committing only one attack error. Loomis led the Irish with eight kills in the game.

After dropping the first game in Saturday's 3-1 semifinal win over Connecticut, Notre Dame coach Debbie Brown knew her team needed to start strong.

"It was really big for us to come out and play well in game one

after dropping the first game [against Connecticut]," Brown said. "It was a confidence boost for the team. To hit .600 in one game is amazing. We were really on."

Keeping the pressure on in game two, the Irish held a comfortable margin throughout the game. The Hurricanes were down 29-25 and facing a 2-0 disadvantage. Getting a block, two kills and capitalizing on an Irish passing error, the Hurricanes tied the game at 29.

But the top blocking team in the country used two of its 10 blocks in game two to win the last two points and take a two games to none lead in the match.

"The blocking was huge at the end of game two, especially if you look at the way we won the game," Brown said. "Ten blocks in a game is another amazing statistic."

In game three, the Irish found themselves down 18-15 after a three-point Hurricane run. Closing the gap to one point three times, the Irish could never break through and were forced to a game four.

Wanting to avoid a decisive game five, the Irish jumped on the Hurricanes (25-5) quickly scoring the game's first eight points and built a 20-8 lead. Miami forced Brown to use a timeout by scoring the next four points.

Out of the timeout, the Irish scored five straight to regain control of the game. Loomis closed out the match with her 35th kill of the weekend.

Freshman middle blocker Lauren Brewster recorded a double-double against the Hurricanes with 15 kills and 12 blocks. Fellow freshman Lauren Kelbley had her second straight 15-kill match against the Hurricanes.

The Irish used their imposing front line to force the Hurricanes into hitting .158 for the match. Big East Player of the Year Valeria Tippianna had 11 kills for the Hurricanes but hit only .025.

With the win, the Irish qualify for their 11th consecutive NCAA Tournament, which begins in two weeks.

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Smiles

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having fun."

Even when Kelbley makes one of her rare mistakes, she doesn't get mad. Instead she walks back to the team huddle with a smile. Brown doesn't yell at her players and get mad at them for making a mistake. She challenges them. In game three on Sunday, the Hurricanes built a five-point lead and looked to be running away with the game and grabbing the momentum.

But Brown got off the bench and asked her team, "Are we gonna get this kill?"

While the Irish lost the game, they got that kill and stayed confident and happy.

"The team is out there having fun and the captains have been a big part of that," Brown said.

Maybe the smiles come from setter and captain Kristen Kinder who had to be told to settle down on the court by Brown numerous times because she was getting too excited. Maybe

this confidence comes from the team seeing Brown questioning the officials on a debatable call and not jumping off the bench and earning a yellow card as two Miami coaches did Sunday.

Maybe the smiles came from the fact the Irish saw Connecticut players with the deer-in-the-headlights look as the Irish won the last three games Saturday by 13, eight and 12 points. And when they accepted their Big East Tournament Champion T-shirts and plaques for the third straight year, the smiles got even bigger.

"I'm just having some much fun out there," Loomis said.

The Irish hope to continue having fun and get past the second round of the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 1995. And if not, there's a good chance Loomis will still be smiling.

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MENS CROSS COUNTRY

Irish prepare to surprise nation in NCAA Championships

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

Last year, the Notre Dame mens cross-country team entered the NCAA Championships after victories at the Big East and Great Lakes Regional Championships and ultimately finished fifth in the finals. This year circumstances are a little different for the Irish, who lost three All-Americans due to graduation.

Notre Dame just barely qualified to run in today's national

championships, which will be held in Terre Haute, Ind., by receiving the final at-large bid. Last year, they were automatic qualifiers.

"We just want to go out there and prove to everyone that we belong there," Irish sophomore Todd Mobley said. "We were the last spot in, so people question whether we deserve to be there. After Monday, I think they will know that we do."

Ever since an injury four weeks ago, Mobley has not been able to turn in his usual team-leading performances. Freshman Tim

Moore finished first for the Irish in both the Big East and Great Lakes meets. Mobley, who still has not fully recovered, believes he will be able to match or better his individual performance from last year's national championships, when he finished in 38th place and earned All-American honors.

"I am not 100 percent," Mobley said. "I am well enough that I think I can challenge for as well as I did last year, if not better."

Despite Mobley's injury, the team feels that they are ready to challenge much of their competi-

tion, and the Irish are hoping for at least a top-15 finish.

"We're the most ready we've ever been all year," Moore said. "There's really only one race. Every work out, every race has been preparing us for this."

The Irish are set on proving their worth to the other teams that will be competing for the national title.

"Our goal was to get here," freshman Eric Morrison said. "We were really focused on that last race. A lot of teams are counting us out. I'd like to go out there and show them what the

Irish are made of."

According to Mobley, the key to Notre Dame's success will be in the team's ability to focus only on what they can do, rather than worrying about their competition.

"We want to go out there and not get caught up in who we are racing and perform to our abilities for the first time this season," Mobley said. "We'll surprise a lot of people in doing so."

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MENS SWIMMING

Irish fall to Purdue, but see improvement

Observer Staff Report

After their comeback victory at Texas Christian the week before, the Notre Dame mens swimming and diving team had momentum and high expectations coming into their meet against Purdue Friday night.

The 18th-ranked Boilermakers proved worthy of their ranking, handing the Irish a disappointing loss. The Irish were defeated 175-123 in the dual meet at Rolfs Aquatic Center and are now 4-3 on the season.

The 400 medley relay team of Jason Fitzpatrick, Frank Krakowski, Tim Randolph and Doug Bauman continued their winning streak, coming out on top for the Irish in the first event of the meet and earning their best finish of the season. The Irish took control of the tightly-contested race in the last leg, winning by .07 of a second with a time of 3:27.19. However, the Boilermakers quickly took over the contest by winning the next three events.

For the Irish, Randolph had a very strong day, winning the 100 breaststroke in 58.31, his best time of the season. Randolph also placed second in the 100 freestyle with a time of 47.26, losing by less than one second to Purdue's Louis Paul.

Purdue dominated the dual

meet by taking first in 11 events on the evening. However, the 400 freestyle relay team of Krakowski, J.R. Teddy, Randolph and Matt Obringer again turned in a winning effort, touching the wall first with a time of 3:09.39, another record for the season.

Three more swimmers had their best finishes this year, as freshman Patrick Davis came in second in the 1650 freestyle with 16:03.37. In the 200 freestyle, junior Matt Obringer swam 1:42.14, just a tenth of a second behind Paul to place second. Junior Lucas Wymore came in a close third in the 200 butterfly and qualified for the Big East championship with a time of 1:54.96.

"We knew Purdue was good, and to be 50 points away shows our team is improving so much from last year," said Wymore. "Our team has really come together, and our transition to becoming a national powerhouse is starting."

Notre Dame's Joseph Miller won the three-meter diving event with a score of 325.35. Miller finished second in the one-meter contest.

The Irish will look to turn in a good performance at the Notre Dame Invitational. Notre Dame will host the meet December 6-8 at the Rolfs Aquatic Center.

MENS SOCCER

Garcia scores 2 in 3-1 rematch victory over Akron

By BRYAN KRONK
Sports Writer

Rafael Garcia has been getting scoring opportunities all season long. For some reason, he just hasn't been able to convert them.

Until Friday, that is. A senior playing in what may turn out to be his last game at Alumni Field, Garcia scored two goals for the Irish and fellow senior forward Erich Braun added a late insurance goal, as the Irish advanced into the second round of the NCAA Tournament with a 3-1 victory over Akron Friday night.

"It was probably my last home game here, and I just wanted to come out and show them what I had and end it on a good note, and help my team advance to the next round," Garcia said. "I just wanted to come out here and win the game. Whatever it took ... I'm a team player. Tonight was my night to put the goals in and take us to the next round."

With the two goals Friday night, Garcia doubled his goal output on the year.

Notre Dame opened the scoring just under 15 minutes into the game, as Greg Martin drove down the left side of the field and booted a cross pass directly in front of the net. Garcia found the ball, and headed it on the ground towards the net. The ball bounced low to the ground and squirted between Akron goalie Dan Pinho's legs to give the Irish a 1-0 lead.

"I think when he got that first goal he got a lot of confidence," Notre Dame coach Bobby Clark said. "He played a terrific game tonight."

After an Akron goal 15 minutes later tied the game heading into halftime, the Irish took the opening kickoff of the second half and headed directly for the Akron goal. A breakaway for the Irish led to an Akron defender clearing the ball across his own net and nearly into the net, almost giving the Irish a lead

just 15 seconds into the half.

Both goalies were tested, as both Pinho and Irish goalie Chris Sawyer faced a barrage of shots on net. Halfway through the second half, a shot by Akron after a Notre Dame foul deep in its own end needed an acrobatic tip-out by Sawyer to prevent the Zips from taking the lead.

"That was a phenomenal save," Clark said. "That's the difference, because suddenly, you're 2-1 down, but instead of 2-1 down it's still 1-1."

Pinho finished the game with 10 saves while Sawyer grabbed six.

With just under 22 minutes to play, the Irish broke the stalemate. Chad Riley sent a pass from along the left side to a charging Justin Detter down the middle of the field. Detter passed to a streaking Garcia in the right corner of the field, who fired a low shot past a charging Pinho and into the net.

"It was amazing," Garcia said. "I just saw the goalie slip and fall as the ball went [past the goalie and] into the side netting."

The Irish added to that lead less than 12 minutes later. After an Akron turnover deep in the Irish defensive side of the field, the Irish mounted a breakaway. After bringing the ball to just past the midfield line, Detter booted a pass to Braun, who slipped past an Akron defender and chipped the ball over Pinho — who was caught out of position and well away from the net. The ball eventually rolled into the net to give the Irish a 3-1 lead.

"[Braun] was very cool and calm [on the play]," Clark said. "I know it looked like an easy opportunity, but anyone who plays soccer knows that's not an easy one. He did that well, and it took the pressure off coming down the line, because if it had stayed at a one-goal game, it was going to be very hectic, and that kind of took the wind-out of their sails."

Braun's goal was his 11th of the sea-



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Notre Dame forward Erich Braun gets a shot off against Akron in the first round of the NCAA Tournament at Alumni Field Friday night.

son. Once again, the Irish defense stepped up as the clock ticked down, preventing any last-minute letdowns. Kevin Richards knocked away a potential last-minute goal opportunity for the Zips, and preserving the two-goal margin of victory.

"I thought all the seniors stepped up [tonight]," Clark said. "I thought [midfielder Justin Ratcliffe] had been struggling in the last few games, but he really had a very good game, and of course

Erich Braun's finish was very good."

With the win, the Irish, after not achieving a victory in their first eight matches with Akron, have defeated the Zips in both matchups this year.

Now the Irish advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament, a place it has not been since 1996. This time around the Irish will battle in-state rival Indiana Wednesday at 7 p.m.

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WOMENS SOCCER

Irish fall to top-ranked Cardinal in Sweet 16 on late goal

By ANDY TROEGER
Sports Writer

Stanford's womens soccer team came into their third-round match with Notre Dame having allowed only four goals all season and the No. 1 ranked Cardinal showed why Saturday night, ending Notre Dame's season with a 1-0 victory.

The underdog Irish played evenly with Stanford for 80 minutes thanks to brilliant play by goalkeeper Erika Bohn and gutsy play from a short-handed Irish squad. But Stanford's Marcia Wallis scored the game winner for Stanford with nine minutes left in regulation.

Notre Dame lost All-American candidate Candace Chapman from the defense early in the first half, while junior midfielder Randi Scheller was forced from the game in the final minutes as the Irish continued to suffer

from the injury bug that has hurt the team all season.

"Candace is a very special player who adds so much of a different dimension," said Irish coach Randy Waldrum.

Waldrum. "When she went out of the game, that was a big blow for us."

We were just piecemealing the group together at the end, and the depth just caught up with us."

Freshman Maggie Manning replaced Chapman in the lineup.

Manning entered in the midfield with sophomore Mary Boland moving back to the defense.

The Irish came out in a different formation in the second half, dropping one of the forwards back into the midfield to make up for the loss of Chapman.

"If we could have kept playing with three up front, we felt like we could throw something at them that they weren't used to seeing," said Waldrum.

Despite the injuries and strong opponent, the Irish, who came out in green jerseys for the first time since the 1999 College Cup semifinals, battled Stanford equally throughout. The Cardinal held only a 6-5 advantage in shots on goal, with a 7-4 advantage in corner kicks.

Stanford's score came off an Irish goal kick. Midfielder Callie Withers passed to Wallis who hit from 16 yards out.

"If they did get shots, they were from pretty far out," said junior defender Melissa Tancredi. "That was our game

plan, but one slip cost us."

Stanford will ride a 14-game winning streak into the quarterfinals, having recorded 12 shutouts during that streak.

"Stanford has a great team that is capable of winning it all," said Waldrum. "We have gone through an incredible year with

as many as six or seven key people out ... and for us to make a run at the end of the year like we did, I'm really proud of our kids. They have been incredible."

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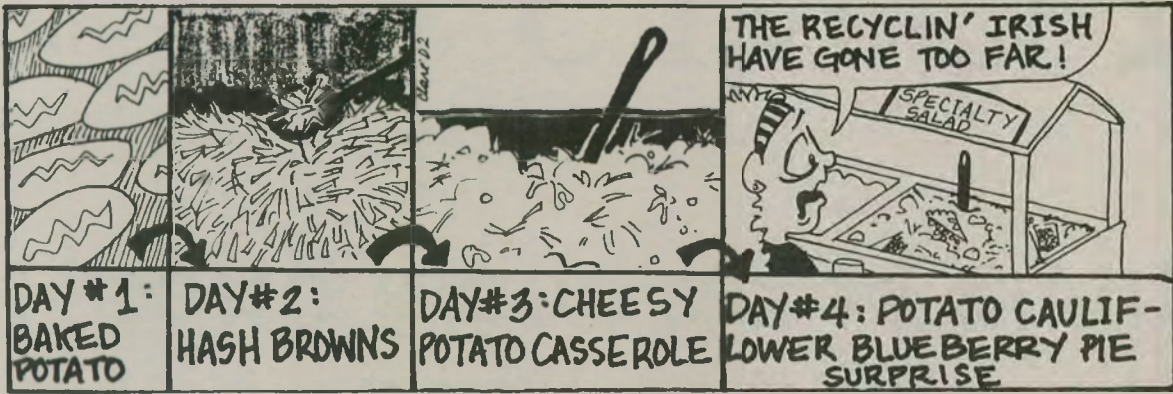
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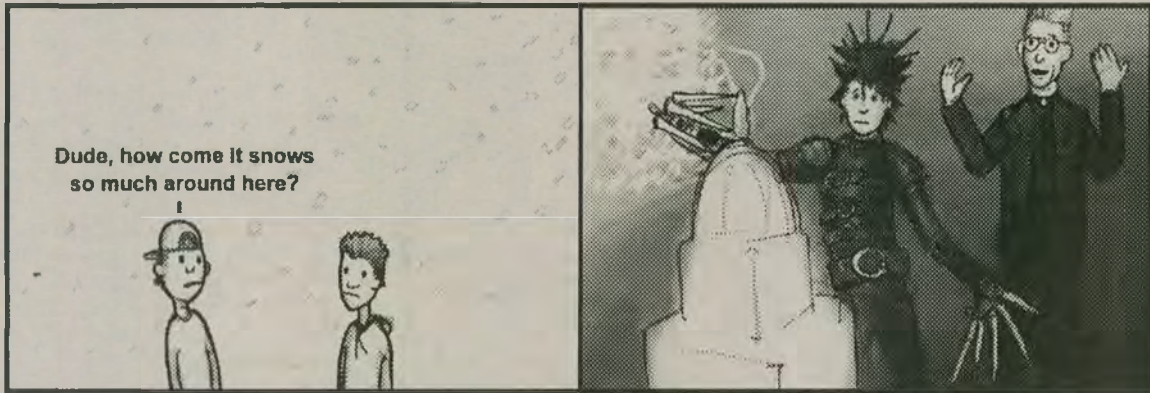
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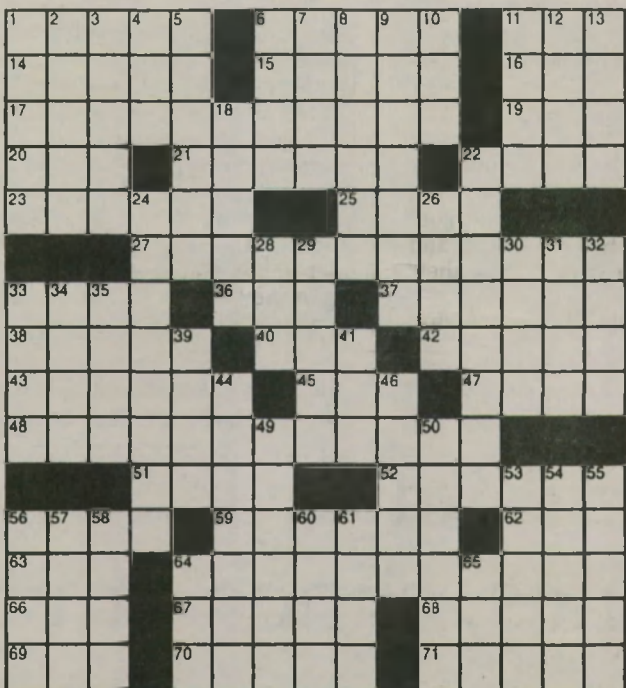
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 - 6 Sounds worked on by speech therapists
 - 11 With 69-Across, a film with 27- and 64-Across
 - 14 Appliance maker
 - 15 Immobile
 - 16 Wire service inits.
 - 17 27- and 64-Across film, with "The"
 - 19 Wager
 - 20 W.W. II area: Abbr.
 - 21 Principles
 - 22 Risqué
 - 23 A nonmusician may have one
 - 25 Exude
 - 27 Half a famous Hollywood duo
 - 33 Place for a breath of fresh air?
 - 36 Wiggly fish
 - 37 Precisely
 - 38 Give ___ time
 - 40 Mo. with Columbus Day
 - 42 Giant
 - 43 Dummies
 - 45 Rankle
 - 47 Unhip person
 - 48 27- and 64-Across film
 - 51 Certain legal protection
 - 52 Difficult experience
 - 56 Outlaws
 - 59 "___ Fideles"
 - 62 Untruth
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- 1 TV comic Bob
 - 2 Celebrated Italian violinmaker
 - 3 Apply, as a coat of wax
 - 4 Epilogue
 - 5 Rum cocktail
 - 6 MGM symbol
 - 7 Regarding
 - 8 Pie chart part
 - 9 Arrange by ZIP code, e.g.
 - 10 Fr. holy woman
 - 11 Oompah instrument
 - 12 Assn. with many Gulf members
 - 13 Feel sorry for
 - 18 "From the Earth to the Moon" writer
 - 22 Put on again, as weight
 - 24 Appetizers with sweet-and-sour sauce
 - 26 Kind of suit
 - 28 1980's-90's car name
 - 63 "Who ___ we kidding?"
 - 64 Other half of the Hollywood duo
 - 66 Half a dozen
 - 67 Go out with ___
 - 68 Bury
 - 69 See 11-Across
 - 70 Pianist Hess and others
 - 71 Poor



Puzzle by Bette Sue Cohen

- 29 Spanish hero who died in 1099
- 30 Suffix with cigar
- 31 Behind
- 32 Transmit
- 33 Boys
- 34 "This looks bad"
- 35 Nothin'
- 39 Meat slicer site
- 41 ___-la-la
- 44 Believe in wholeheartedly
- 46 Ship speed units
- 49 Make beloved
- 50 Obtuse one
- 53 A-list types
- 54 Broadcast
- 55 Apprehensive
- 56 Big party
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- 58 Cashier's cry
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SPORTS

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INTERHALL FOOTBALL

Pyros, Ramblers bring home titles

◆ Senior QB Coons leads PE to 7-6 victory over Cavanaugh

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Writer

Senior quarterback Abbey Coons led Pasquerilla East out of the tunnel on Sunday and then led her team to victory on the field.

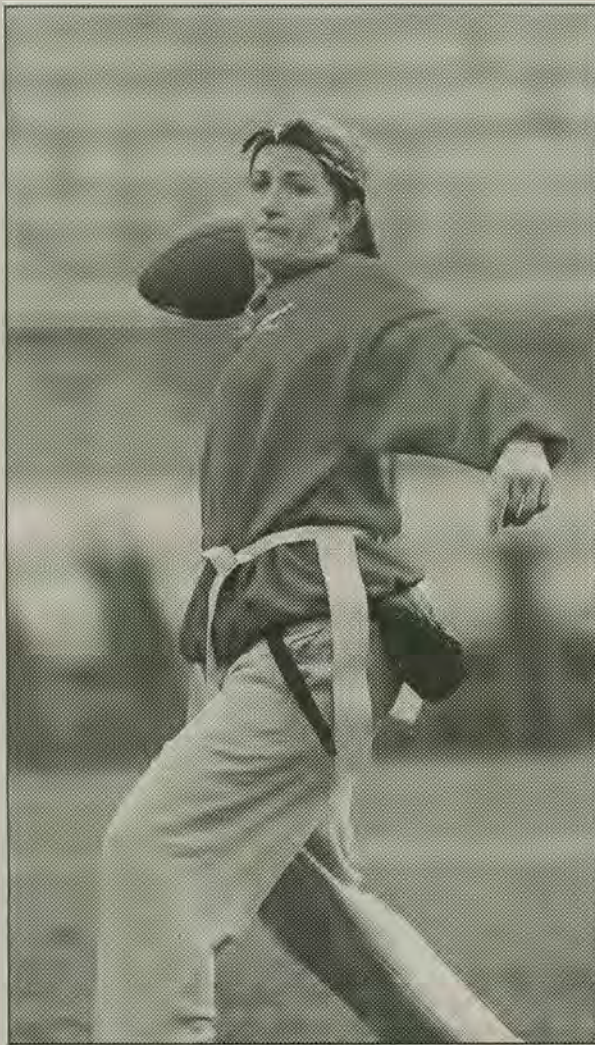
Coons was 13-of-23 passing for 135 yards and a touchdown to lead the Pyros over the Chaos 7-6 in an exciting interhall finale Sunday that went down to the wire.

PE's only touchdown was scored by Kathryn Lent in the first half, who made an outstanding grab of a pass that was batted around in the end zone. Leslie Follmer caught the extra point.

"It was a play that was drawn out very well," Coons said. "I had great protection from our offensive line, and I was waiting for something to open up. Kathryn slipped behind the defense, and luckily she caught it."

It took more than luck to beat a Cavanaugh team that didn't give up after the first half touchdown. And after

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LISA VELTE/The Observer

Pasquerilla East quarterback Abbey Coons fires a pass in the Pyros' 7-6 victory over Cavanaugh.



LISA VELTE/The Observer

Siegfried quarterback Bill Bingle scrambles with the ball during the Ramblers' victory over Alumni.

◆ Bingle leads Siegfried over Alumni, 14-7

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

Siegfried would go where Bill Bingle took them. He took them all the way.

Bill Bingle dismantled the well-respected Dawgs defense and the Ramblers finished the season undefeated with a 14-7 victory over Alumni to win the 2002 mens interhall championship.

The Siegfried Ramblers threw the ball for over 150 yards and scored 14 points on an Alumni defense that had given up only 13 points all season.

Bingle, who played wide receiver and back-up quarterback last season for the Ramblers, captained the offense this year and took control of his team's destiny.

He threw for 161 yards on 13-18 passing in the deciding game with Alumni, and his seven rushes for 50 yards were also crucial, and two scrambles of 21 and 22 yards jump-started separate Siegfried drives.

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VOLLEYBALL

Irish top Hurricanes, clinch 7th Big East crown

◆ Irish tell cocky 'Canes who 'better team' is with win

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

PITTSBURGH

At the Big East awards banquet Friday night, a Hurricane volleyball player told the crowd "the better team won" when her Miami team ended Notre Dame's 43-game Big East regular season winning streak last weekend.

In Sunday's Big East Tournament Championship, the seven-time Big East regular season champs taught the league's newcomer a little lesson about respect.

A determined and confident Notre Dame volleyball team

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BRIAN PUCEVICH/The Observer

Notre Dame player Janie Alderete digs the ball during the Big East Tournament. The Irish won the tournament Sunday.

◆ Irish stay calm, have fun in winning

PITTSBURGH

In Saturday's Big East Tournament semifinal similar to the regular season match-up between the teams, the Irish dropped game one to Connecticut and gave the underdog Huskies a chance to pull the upset.

But the Irish were smiling.

"We knew after game one that we were better than them

in all aspects of the game," Big East Tournament Most Outstanding Player Emily Loomis said.

Loomis led the Irish in kills and smiles this weekend.

Every time she recorded one of her 35 kills, she turned to her teammates, threw her hand in the air and smiled.

But Loomis was also smiling when the Irish couldn't make the block, committed a service error or when Irish coach Debbie Brown replaced her with defensive specialist Keara Coughlin in the back row.

This smile comes from the attitude the Irish have built since day one.

"The captains set the tone for us when we came in," Big East Rookie of the Year Lauren Kelbley said. "We are out there

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Matt Lozar

Sports Columnist

SPORTS AT A GLANCE

MENS SWIMMING

Purdue 175
Notre Dame 123

The Irish hoped to use momentum from two road wins last week, but fell short against the Boilermakers Friday.

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MENS SOCCER

Notre Dame 3
Akron 1

Seniors Rafael Garcia and Erich Braun scored all three goals to advance the Irish in the NCAA Tournament.

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WOMENS SOCCER

Stanford 1
Notre Dame 0

The Irish fought valiantly in the third round of the NCAA Tournament, but fell on a late Cardinal goal.

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MENS BASKETBALL

Notre Dame 73
Bucknell 42

Torin Francis set a freshman rebounding record with 20 boards against the Bisons Friday.

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CROSS COUNTRY

Irish at NCAA Championships Today

The Irish men and women compete for the national title.

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FOOTBALL

Notre Dame 42
Rutgers 0

The Irish broke open a 14-0 halftime lead to notch their second shutout of the season and improve to 10-1.

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