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US - USSR summit still possible Soviet says

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze accused President Reagan yesterday of harboring "evil designs" for a first strike with the Star Wars system, but he said a "realistic possibility" still existed for a superpower summit.

In an address to the 41st General Assembly, Shevardnadze called President Reagan's U.N. address Monday "regrettable" and "propagandistic."

He mixed conciliation with an attack on U.S. strategic arms policies.

"Whatever is done to conceal it, the so-called defensive space shield is being developed for a first strike," Shevardnadze charged.

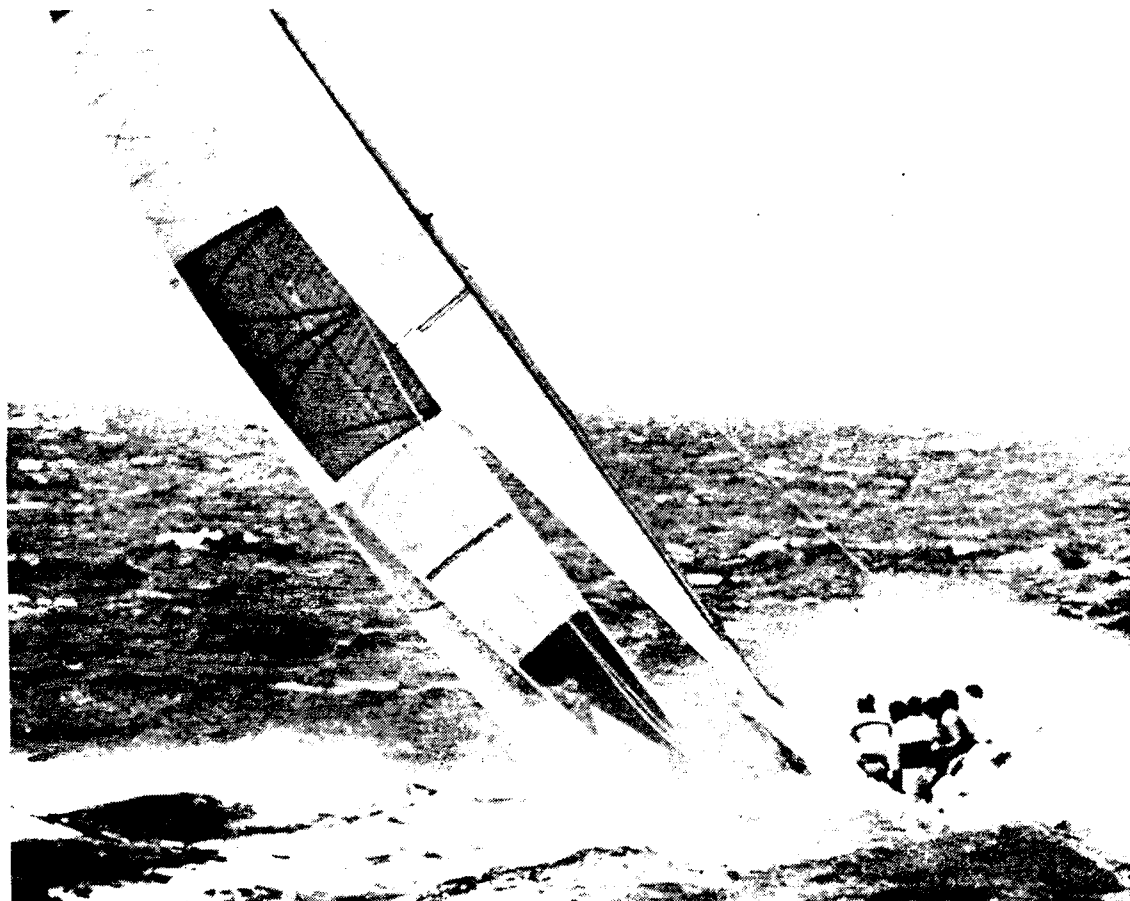
"Evil designs are being passed for good intentions, and a sword for a shield," he said.

Before his speech, the Soviet foreign minister had an unscheduled 45-minute meeting with Secretary of State George Shultz, apparently to discuss the confinement of American reporter Nicholas Daniloff in Moscow on spy charges.

Neither side issued a statement afterward.

Shevardnadze did not mention Daniloff in his speech, but the Soviets have been saying without elaboration that Daniloff, Moscow correspondent for U.S. News & World Report magazine, could be freed "very rapidly" if the U.S. administration took the right course.

Shevardnadze addressed the General Assembly on the second day of its so-called "general debate," an annual event which gives heads of state and government, foreign ministers and other officials of the 159-member world body a chance to deliver policy statements for their governments. Yesterday's speakers included British Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe and Japanese Foreign Minister Tadashi Kuranari. Both expressed the hope for another superpower summit this year.



AP Photo

Sailing, sailing

The U.S.S. Conner's Choice makes headway in the rough seas off Australia. The yacht, skippered by Dennis Conner, is slated

to start in the Foreign Elimination Races beginning October 5th.

Goldrick meeting planned by HPC to discuss informal dances, SYR s

By J. CHRISTOPHER MURPHY
News Staff

Hall Presidents' Council members will meet later this week with Associate Vice President for Residence Life John Goldrick to discuss over-21 parties, SYRs and non-alcoholic functions, said HPC Co-Chairperson Joanie Cahill at last night's HPC meeting.

Members hope Goldrick will clearly define the University's policy on these events, Cahill said. The meeting will be closed to the public, she said.

Several members said the meeting is necessary because their rectors and they are unclear on what the University policy states in regard to non-alcoholic events, informal dances, SYRs and over-21 parties in party rooms.

Cahill said an HPC committee

will be formed to develop a specific agenda of topics to be covered as requested by Goldrick.

The agenda will allow for a discussion as well as an open forum for members' questions, she said.

In other business, HPC Secretary Bill Jelen said the University forced the return of kazoos that were supposed to be distributed at a football game last year.

Jelen said the kazoos had to be returned because "Budweiser" was imprinted on them. He noted game programs are sold which feature advertisements of the same company.

No action was taken by the HPC in regard to the kazoos' return.

In other action, Cahill announced that a representative from the county prosecutor's office will speak about students' rights at off-campus parties at 7 tonight in Room 127 Nieuwland

Science Hall.

Alumni Hall President John Convery said the representative is better qualified to answer questions on legal rights than a South Bend police officer.

Bruce Lohman, executive officer to the student body president, addressing HPC members, advised them to join a committee being formed to write a comprehensive report on residence life.

The report will be submitted to the Board of Trustees, he said.

Lohman said HPC members are needed to join other student government officers to produce the report. Possible issues to be addressed include social activities, the role of rectors and the University's use of the dormitory system.

The report is to be presented as a study and not a denunciation or recommendation, Lohman said.

Fired RA won't contest her citation

By ROB HENNIG
Senior Staff Reporter

Former Lewis Hall resident assistant Anne DeWald, cited by police for furnishing alcohol to minors, has decided to perform community service rather than contest the citation in court.

Former Keenan Hall resident assistant Kurt Petersen, cited on the same charge as DeWald, has made no final decision on his plea.

DeWald and Petersen were dismissed from their jobs by Associate Vice President for Residence Life John Goldrick after they received the citations at a Sept. 5 off-campus party.

Saint Joseph County Prosecuting Attorney Michael Barnes said DeWald and Petersen have three options available in regard to their citations.

DeWald and Petersen could plead guilty, enter the pre-trial diversion program or contest the allegation and force a trial, said Barnes.

DeWald said she has decided on the pre-trial diversion program.

According to Barnes, the pre-trial diversion program is "a program specifically designed for first-time offenders."

Under the program, the offender enters into a contractual agreement with the prosecuting attorney's office and agrees to community service, a user fee and no repeat offenses, said Barnes.

Counseling or other special requirements may also be required under the agreement, he said.

After a specific period of time in the program in which the terms are met, the offense is removed from the person's record, he said.

DeWald said she and Petersen contacted the Saint Joseph's County Prosecuting Attorney's Office and spoke with Pre-trial Diversion Program Director Linda Scopeletis. DeWald said they discussed the pre-trial diversion program.

DeWald said she chose this option because the citation would

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Israel divebombs targets in Lebanon after border move

Associated Press

BEIRUT, Lebanon - Israeli jets divebombed Palestinian guerrilla bases in the hills east of Beirut yesterday, setting at least four targets ablaze, police said.

The raid came one day after Israel massed troops along the border with Lebanon in an apparent warning to Shiite Moslem guerrillas to cease their attacks in south Lebanon, near Israel. The border situation was quiet yesterday.

Syrian President Hafez Assad was quoted as threatening a "stunning retaliation" if Israel invades Lebanon.

Police said huge clouds of smoke billowed from the bluffs of Bayssour, Keyfoun, Eilat and Shimlan, 12 miles east of Beirut, after strikes that began at 5:30 p.m. It was the 10th Israeli air raid in Lebanon this year.

Israel's military command in Tel Aviv said all planes returned safely and reported hitting bases used for attacks on Israel by the Abu Moussa guerrilla faction and the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

The Abu Moussa Fatah-Uprising, which broke away from PLO chairman Yasser Arafat's Fatah, said in a communique in Beirut that its bases east and

southeast of Beirut sustained considerable damage in the air raid.

The Abu Moussa group said no Palestinians were killed or injured. Police said two militiamen from Druse warlord Walid Jumblatt's Progressive Socialist Party, which controls Lebanon's central mountains, were wounded.

The party is allied with Palestinian guerrilla groups backed by Syria.

The Israeli planes made at least four bombing runs in 40 minutes, with eight jets taking part in each sortie, police said. The pilots released red balloons

that distracted the guerrillas' shoulder-fired, heat-seeking SA-7 missiles.

Beirut International Airport was closed for 30 minutes during the attacks, with one commercial flight diverted to Cyprus and four other flights delayed, aviation officials said.

But tension lessened yesterday at the Israel-Lebanon border. Israeli troop and tank reinforcements rushed there Monday, poised for a thrust into south Lebanon to put down a surge of guerrilla attacks by Iranian-backed Shiite extremists.

The threat raised fears of a new military collision between U.S.-

supplied Israel and Soviet-equipped Syria on Lebanese soil for the second time in four years.

"If it (Israel) attempts a new invasion, the retaliation will be stunning. It will be a surprise to all," Assad was quoted as saying by the leftist Beirut newspaper Al-Hakika.

It said Assad's remarks were made Monday in Damascus, the Syrian capital, during a meeting with Lebanese politicians.

Israel humiliated Syria in a 1982 invasion of Lebanon that drove Syrian troops and Palestine Liberation Organization guerrillas from Beirut.

In Brief

Lights will be installed sometime next week to complete the Notre Dame War Memorial fountain, according to Don Dedrick, director of physical plant at Notre Dame. Dedrick also noted that the water jets have been adjusted to spray inward so as not to drench students sitting on the fountain's marble base. He added, however, that some mist is inevitable on windy days.

As the school year begins, there is mixed news for the 1986-87 crop of college graduates. The Job Opportunity Index (JOI), published in the September issue of Business Week Careers magazine, predicts a 2 percent rise in total job offers. But no increase is expected in starting salaries. Accounting and business majors have the best prospects, with a prediction of a 3.5 percent rise in job opportunities. Liberal arts graduates should also fare better than last year, with retailing and food service as prime markets. The outlook for engineering graduates is spotty. Offers will be plentiful for those in computer science, electronics and avionics. But few offers are anticipated for petroleum and mining engineers. Management and administration graduates also face some hurdles, as cost-conscious companies are hiring less trainees. -The Observer

Of Interest

Student rights at off-campus parties will be discussed at a second forum tonight at 7 in 127 Nieuwland Science Hall. This forum will be conducted by an official representative from the county prosecutor's office and will focus specifically on the legality of using breathalyzers. -The Observer

Father Theodore Hesburgh, University president, will speak on the international dimension of Notre Dame tonight at 7 in the library auditorium. Everyone is welcome to this event sponsored by the International Student Organization. -The Observer

Women and the Bible will be the topic of today's Saint Mary's series: "Issues Facing Women in the Church." Speaking will be Rita Burns of Saint Mary's from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m. in LeMans Hall's Stapleton Lounge. -The Observer

"Central America: Roots of the Crisis" will be the topic of a presentation by Joel Mugge, director of the Center for Global Service and Education. The lecture will be held at 3 p.m. today in the Coffee House of the Center for Social Concerns. -The Observer

Contestants in the Business Plan Contest have a mandatory meeting at 4:15 p.m. tomorrow in 122 Hayes-Healy Center. Jay Jordan will speak. -The Observer

Peace Corps representative Dan Smolka and Gail Lettman will conduct a film seminar tonight at 7:30 in the Center for Social Concerns. The representatives will return to Notre Dame and interview interested seniors at the Careers and Placement Office next Monday and Tuesday. -The Observer

Weather

Today features a 60 percent chance of thundershowers with highs in the mid to upper 70s. Business should be "booming" in the skies tonight with a 50 percent chance of thundershowers. Expect lows in the upper 60s. A 40 percent chance of afternoon thunderstorms tomorrow with highs in the low to mid 80s is on the way. The Associated Press



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Relative's death provokes reflections on faith

My great uncle Bobby died last February while my parents were on campus for Junior Parents' Weekend.

My dad went down to the Grotto to light a candle for Great Uncle Bobby. He was his father's brother.

My mom went along, too, because she wanted to see the Grotto. My mother is not Catholic. She goes to Mass only when my father's Catholic sense of ritual requires it: marriage, baptism, first communions and the like. She waited patiently on the side while my father pushed open the wrought-iron gate and entered the Grotto, scowling in concentration at the instructions about how to light a candle for the dead.

In the Grotto there are iron plaques embedded in the walls, plaques that say things like "In Thanksgiving For Favor Granted. Aug. 3, 1954 - M.H.M." Miracles have occurred here. Miracles! The earth should have been shaking.

Yet the moment was still as my mother, with no particular religious affiliation, stood there watching my father light his candle, as if by studying his example she could figure out how to participate in the mechanism of faith.

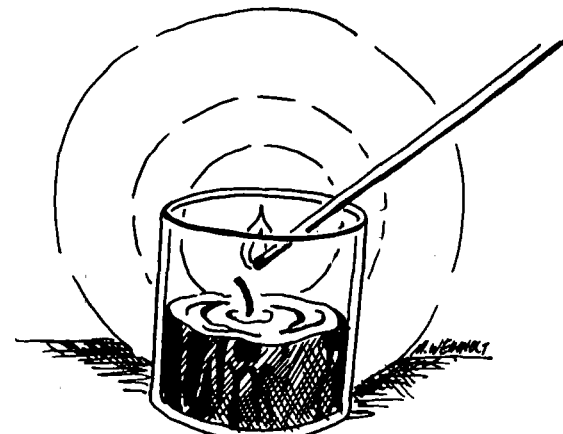
And what exactly is faith? If you're not sure, don't worry. There are many groups out there today willing to explain it to you. From Southern fundamentalists to conservative Catholics, Americans of all colors are worried about the non-believers and the evil effects they are supposedly having on society.

When Notre Dame expels a student for a parietals violation, the University displays (although it will never admit it) a fear that students are not obeying its rule against pre-marital sex. Or take for example the television evangelist Jimmy Swaggert, who believes rock music publications help lead teenagers down a path of drugs, violence, sexual promiscuity and general mayhem. He names the country's fastest-growing retailer, the Wal-Mart discount chain, as contributing to America's moral degeneration by selling rock publications. Shortly thereafter Wal-Mart pulls all rock-related magazines, including Rolling Stone, from its shelves.

It is sad that people feel compelled to force others to believe exactly as they do. Perhaps it is more reassuring, more a confirmation of a religion's position, to have others ascribe to the same tenets.

But what if my father had demanded that my mother participate in his particular set of beliefs? I doubt they would have remained married for these 21 years. The Grotto and all it embodies may mean little to someone like my mother, who

Mary Jacoby
Accent Editor



cannot accept a faith manifested through objects and rituals. She must find something else to serve as a vehicle of faith.

But to my father, the Catholic church with its prayers and masses does mean something. I think it must provide him with a structure - something which he can actually see and touch - that will support a concept such as belief that has no tangible shape, form or explanation.

My point is therefore very simple. I don't think it matters exactly *what* you believe in, but rather *that* you believe. Faith, although all-important, is extremely personal. Thus it also has many forms. A person can't believe in something he or she cannot fundamentally accept.

But mankind with all its history of inquisitions, religious discriminations and general intolerance will never be content to allow people who need it the luxury of their own belief.

Back at the Grotto, my dad stood looking at his candle. "Great Uncle Bobby - third row from the front, eighth slot from the left," he repeated, trying perhaps to give shape to a concept like death which goes beyond human understanding.

My mother nodded absently, and then we left. My dad was mumbling something reassuringly practical about maybe the four little candles for 25 cents each being a better buy than the one big candle for a dollar.

Clarification

A column in yesterday's Viewpoint section contained incorrect information. The Column by Lou Sarabando was written before Fisher Hall's SYR.

The SYR was held last Friday and was Fisher's first of the fall semester.

The Observer apologizes for this copy editing error.

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Friendship chemistry

Juniors Christine DiDonato, left, and Karen Hauson indulge in some serious study in the Saint Mary's Science Hall. They are

waiting outside the office of Chemistry professor Dr. Pamela Plouhar, preparing for a chemistry test.

Rockworld contest comes to SMC

By GREG LUCAS
News Staff

Saint Mary's will participate in a Rockworld contest, according to an announcement at last night's programming board meeting.

Christine DiDonato, Haggar College Center commissioner, announced the contest in which both Saint Mary's and Notre Dame students will be encouraged to watch videos every day at 9 a.m., 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. at Haggar College Center.

Videos will be shown in hour-long segments, and new videos will be added each week.

Students will then submit entry blanks concerning the videos.

The college or university which sends in the highest number of student entry blanks will win an expense-paid music video party from Rockworld.

Students can enter more than once, and are eligible for individual prizes.

More than 550 institutions are participating in the contest.

The programming board also

announced that Barbara George, an antinuclear activist, is scheduled to speak on Tuesday, Oct. 28. George uses a humorous format to get across her message.

Sarah Cook, vice president of student affairs, expressed enthusiasm for the speaker and reported hearing excellent reviews of George's performance.

In other business, Lisa Lawler, traditional events commissioner, expressed a need for people 21 and over to serve beer at Fall Fest on Oct. 8th and 9th.

Former prisoner here to act, teach students

By TIM CLARK
Staff Reporter

A former San Quentin prison inmate, here to perform in "Krapp's Last Tape," wants to not only perform but also share his unique perspective with aspiring actors.

Former San Quentin inmate Rick Cluchey will perform Samuel Beckett's "Krapp's Last Tape" tonight, tomorrow and Friday at 8:10 p.m. in Washington Hall.

The veteran of three Beckett plays, Cluchey thinks he lends a unique perspective to Beckett's plays.

"In prison, I underwent suffering and punishment day in and day out, much like the characters in Beckett's plays," he commented. "Ultimately, however, my experience uniquely prepared me for the New York drama critics," he added.

In the play, Cluchey takes the role of Krapp, an old man who regretfully looks back on his life. "The play is basically an anagram of light and dark," said Cluchey.

Despite the depressing theme, Cluchey adds a touch of comedy to the play and finds that many hopeful youth attend his performances. He said, "I generally see about a 50-50 split between young and old at the off-Broadway performances."

"Others simply want to see the play as directed by its author and understand how Beckett views his own work," he commented.

Cluchey enjoys a unique relationship with Beckett, who inspired Cluchey to act and then later discovered him. Cluchey described the playwright as "demanding yet kind, generous and warm."

Cluchey first became interested in acting after seeing Beckett's "Waiting for Godot" while in San Quentin. "I rushed to the prison library afterward, but both copies of the play were gone so I had to wait and the desire grew."

While in prison, Cluchey wrote "Cage," a play that showed the reality of life in prison. "The piece did a great deal for the cause of prison reform," he said.

Cluchey will offer workshops, advice and lectures on Beckett and his work for aspiring actors and interested people at 12:15 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on the day of each performance.

Tickets for the performances are \$6 main floor and \$5 balcony with student and senior citizen discounts tonight and tomorrow. All workshops and lectures are open to the public and free of charge.

Service award given to alumnus Scannell

Special to the Observer

Robert Scannell, president and dean of Pennsylvania State University's System of Continuing Education and Commonwealth Campuses, has been named this year's recipient of the Notre Dame Alumni Association's Harvey G. Foster Award.

Scannell, who graduated from Notre Dame with a bachelor of science degree in 1957, joined Penn State's faculty in 1961 after

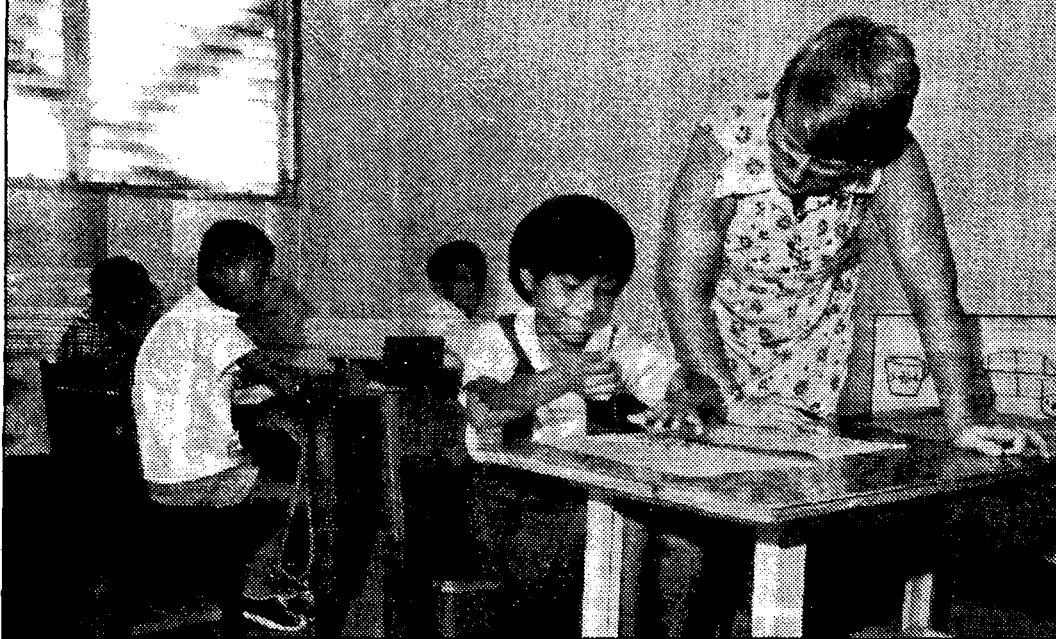
serving for three years as a teacher at John Adams High School in South Bend.

The Alumni Association award will be presented to Scannell on Oct. 11 in halftime ceremonies during the Notre Dame-Pittsburgh football game.

The award is given annually to distinguished alumni for community or University service, in memory of Harvey G. Foster, a Notre Dame alumnus and football star of the class of 1939.

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Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon called for by UN Security Council

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS - The Security Council passed a resolution yesterday demanding that Israel withdraw all of its forces from Lebanon, but Israel had announced earlier that it would not comply.

The resolution passed 14-0 with the United States abstaining.

It instructs the secretary-general to arrange for the deployment of U.N. peacekeeping forces into the buffer zone in southern Lebanon now held by Israel "and solemnly calls on all

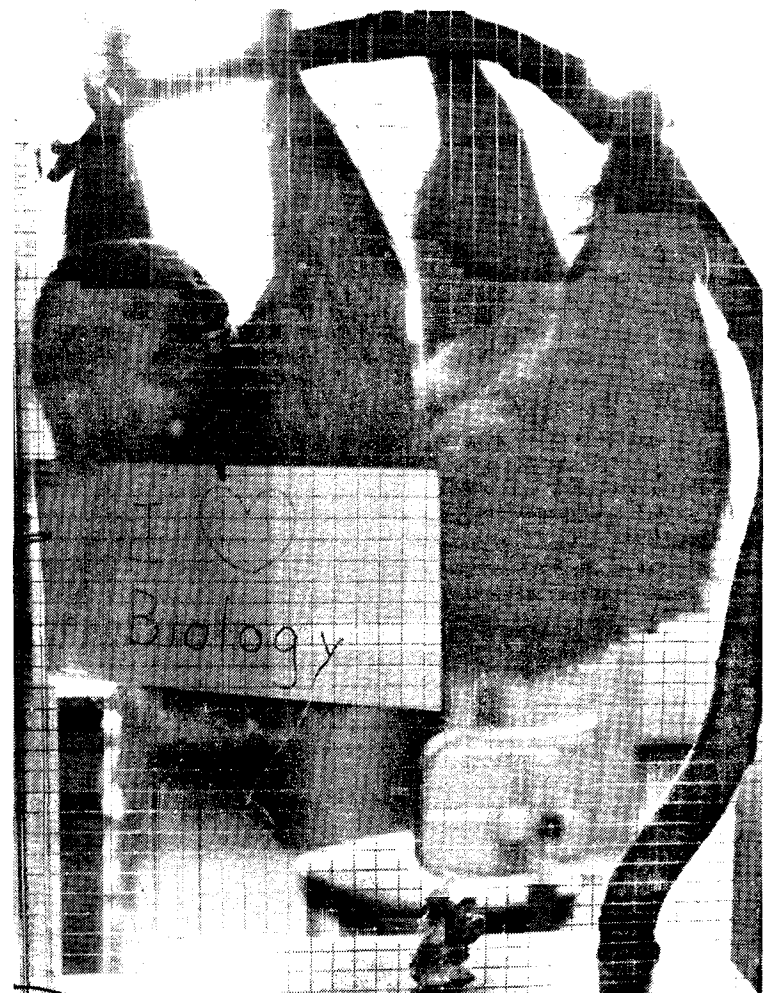
the parties concerned to cooperate in the achievement of that objective."

U.S. ambassador Vernon Walters said the resolution was flawed because no solution is possible until all the parties in southern Lebanon reach agreement on security arrangements. But the United States did not use the veto, which it has as one of the five permanent council members.

The resolution asks Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to report back to the council in 21 days on the implementation of the resolution.

It condemned attacks made upon members of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon, or UNIFIL, over the past month, with the French contingent being the main target. Four French soldiers and an Irish officer have been killed since Aug. 11 in attacks by Moslem extremists who consider UNIFIL an obstacle to their aim of attacking Israel.

Israel told the council Monday it would not withdraw from the "security zone" that it set up along the border in southern Lebanon after it withdrew the bulk of its forces in June 1985



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Hangin' around

This animal, a sloth, hangs from a branch in its cage. The sloth resides in the office of Biology professor Dr. Thomas Fogle, in the Science Hall at Saint Mary's.

AMA says doctors should disclose drug addict names to authorities

Associated Press

NEW YORK - Doctors who discover that their patients threaten public safety because of drug abuse or other problems should set aside doctor-patient confidentiality and tell authorities, the American Medical Association says.

A doctor otherwise could be held legally liable for any harm that results, B.J. Anderson, AMA associate general counsel, said yesterday.

The Pittsburgh Press reported Sunday that at least 23 airline crew members, including a pilot near death from a cocaine overdose, had been treated at Pittsburgh hospitals for medical crises related to drug abuse. Hospital officials said confidentiality laws prevented them from reporting the drug abuse.

Anderson said yesterday that while chemical abuse programs that get federal money are prohibited from revealing the names of participants, the legal ban does not extend to medical treatment outside such programs.

But Lou Gable, spokesman for the Hospital Association of Pennsylvania, said a 1972 state law forbids such disclosure even outside formal rehabilitation programs.

That puts medical people in a difficult spot in cases like those of the airline workers, he said. If they don't disclose names, "there's a possibility for catastrophe. If they do tell somebody, they're liable to be sued or prosecuted," he said.

Some way should be found to let medical people report such

cases "without it coming back and biting them," he said.

Normally, Anderson said, doctors have an ethical obligation to keep medical information about their patients confidential.

But "physicians recognize the moral obligation under certain circumstances to report because of the overriding consideration for public safety," Anderson said.

Neither the issue nor the problem of drug abuse in positions crucial for public safety is new, she said.

The AMA's council on ethical and judicial affairs has stated, "The obligation to safeguard patient confidence is subject to certain exceptions, which are ethically and legally justified because of overriding social considerations."

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be removed from her record once she completed the pre-trial program.

She said paying the fine for the citation would still leave the citation on her record.

Lewis Hall rector Chris Mengucci said a new resident assistant has been selected from last semester's alternates.

Keenan Hall rector Brother Bonaventure Scully said he has selected a candidate and has sent the name to Student Affairs for approval.

"We took all the seniors in the dorm and considered them (for the job)," Scully explained. "It really was a consensus of myself and the RAs and the assistants," he said.

Although DeWald and Petersen's dismissals mean that they must move out of the resident assistants' rooms, both will be permitted to stay in their same dorms.

DeWald said she plans to continue to reside in Lewis.

Petersen said he was unsure whether he would remain in Keenan.

Correction

In yesterday's Student Senate article, the information about the forum on students' rights at off-campus parties was incorrect. It will be conducted by a representative of the county prosecutor's office at 7 tonight in Room 127 of Nieuwland Science Hall. The article was also unclear about a resolution about parietals. It must be approved by the Campus Life Council and Vice President for Student Affairs Father David Tyson before it can take effect.

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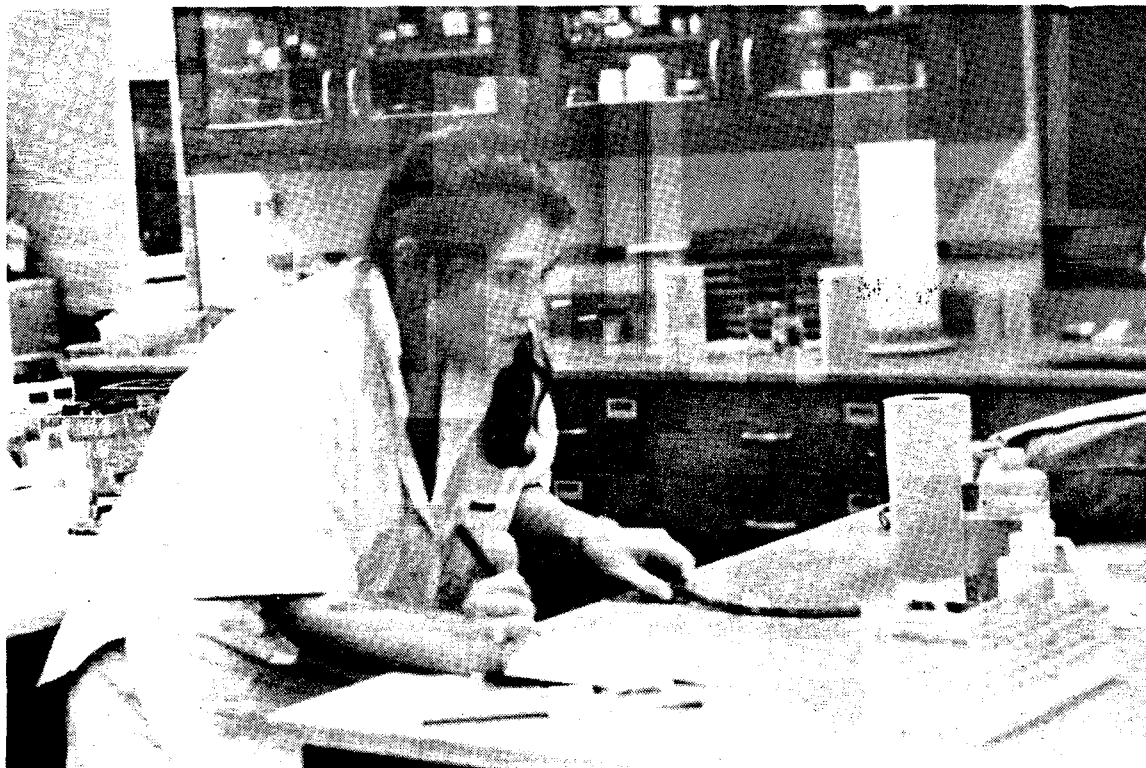
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Scientific method

Senior Colleen Walker attends to the delicate procedure of staining slides. She is shown here working in the laboratory of the Science Hall at Saint Mary's.

Police search for Midwest killer who murdered two during spree

Associated Press

WRIGHT CITY, Mo. - A fugitive who allegedly killed two people and abducted several others during a three-state rampage eluded a dragnet yesterday, and authorities said a third slaying might be the work of the same gunman.

Some residents of this small town kept their doors locked and guns loaded, as more than 100 heavily armed officers using dogs and helicopters conducted the hunt for Michael Jackson, 41, of Indianapolis.

Jackson had vowed not to be taken alive, the Indianapolis Star said. He was believed to be armed with a sawed-off shotgun and a pistol.

Missouri Highway Patrol Capt. John Ford said there had been few leads. But he said authorities suspected Jackson was still in

the area because there had been no reports of stolen vehicles and Jackson apparently fled on foot after a gun battle with a local police officer.

"We've got nothing, but everyone is still out and that will continue until he's caught or it's determined that he's out of the area," Ford said.

Officers carrying automatic weapons stopped cars and searched passing freight trains. A man with an appearance similar to Jackson's was picked up hitchhiking in the area, but later was cleared and released.

Police announced that a man initially thought to have died of head injuries when his car crashed into a light pole along Interstate 70 late Monday in St. Peters, about 20 miles east of Wright City, had actually been shot to death.

Investigators said further examination found that Earl Finn,

47, of O'Fallon, had suffered fatal gunshot wounds to the head, said Lt. Mark Grimmer of the St. Peters Police Department.

Investigators would release no further details, but said they were examining evidence that might link Jackson to Finn's death. They pointed out that based on the sequence of other events, Jackson would have been in the St. Peters area at the time Finn died.

Some residents of this community of 1,200 people heeded warnings to stay home.

"I'll guarantee you I had all the doors locked, all the lights on and all the guns loaded," said Brenda Luecke, 38, a mother of two small children. "It was a very tense night. It's also been very noisy for such a small, quiet town, with helicopters buzzing over you and police cars roaring by."

Children face bigger problems today, survey discloses

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Three out of four American adults think the problems facing today's children are more severe than when they were growing up, and even more are willing to pay higher taxes for better schools, drug treatment, and other services for kids, according to a Louis Harris survey.

The comprehensive poll demonstrates that "the United States in the 1980s may be the first society in history in which children are distinctly worse off than adults," said Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., who joined Harris at a news confer-

ence yesterday.

At the same time, Moynihan added, it "gives us hope that the grown-ups are finally recognizing the problem."

The first national survey of public attitudes toward the problems of children found that drug abuse is perceived as the most serious, with 52 percent of adults putting that at the top of the list.

The survey, based on half-hour-long telephone interviews with 1,254 adults, showed the vast majority believes a wide range of other problems facing children, including hunger, kidnapping, sexual assault, parental abuse, suicide and prostitu-

tion, have increased in recent years.

The survey, commissioned by the Westinghouse Broadcasting Co.'s Group W, found that less than half of the public believes that most American children are basically happy (48 percent), or get a good education (40 percent), or live in a safe neighborhood (36 percent).

Other findings in the July 29-August 7 survey:

Only 43 percent felt schools are doing a good job meeting their responsibilities to children.

Forty percent said hunger is on the rise among children.

Government criticized for Lebanon handling

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - U.S. military commanders ignored warnings which could have spared the lives of many of the 241 killed in the 1983 attack on Marine headquarters in Beirut, the Pentagon's former top counter-terrorism official has charged.

Instead of paying attention to the warnings of a five-member Special Forces team which recommended ways to make the Marines safer, "the report was swept under the rug," wrote Noel Koch.

The commanders were more worried about bureaucratic infighting, said Koch, who resigned earlier this year as principal deputy assistant secretary of defense for international security affairs. In that position, he oversaw the Pentagon's counter-terrorism efforts.

Koch's charges are contained in a letter sent to several members of Congress in support of proposals to unify the Pentagon's special forces within a single military structure, rather than keeping them scattered throughout the services. The letter was made available yesterday to the Associated Press.

Robert Sims, the Pentagon's chief spokesman, said yesterday he was sure Koch's allegations would be reviewed by the Defense Department and the Joint Chiefs of Staff, but said the former official seemed primarily interested in "influencing legislation on Capitol Hill."

"Noel Koch's advocacy for the Special Operations Forces is well known," said Sims. "I suspect whatever he has written is aimed at gaining support for legislation."

Koch wrote that he had never before spoken about about the Beirut bombing "because it could only cause more pain to people already suffering the unbearable pain of the loss of people they loved."

The attack came shortly after

dawn on Oct. 23, 1983, when a suicide terrorist drove a bomb-laden truck into Marine headquarters near the Beirut airport, killing 241 U.S. military personnel.

Six months earlier, on April 18, 1983, a similar suicide car bomb attack destroyed the U.S. embassy in Beirut, killing 63 persons, including 17 Americans.

After the embassy attack, Koch wrote, he headed a Pentagon team sent to Beirut to review the safety of the Marines who were at the airport as part of a multinational peacekeeping team.

Koch said, "I satisfied myself that we had serious shortcomings, particularly in managing intelligence related to the terrorist threat."

A five-man team went back later in the summer of 1983 to Beirut, wrote Koch, who maintained members of that unit were not taken seriously because the team was created outside the normal chain of command.

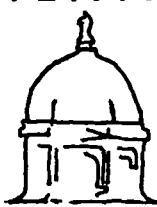
Ten weeks after the bombing, a Pentagon commission criticized flaws in the military chain of command and security at the Marine barracks. But its criticism was nowhere near as strong as Koch's.

The team sent to Beirut by Koch made a number of specific recommendations, according to the source. Chief among those recommendations were improved communications among the various military agencies in Beirut about terrorist threats. "There was a lot of specific stuff, but it wasn't getting to the right people," he wrote.

Marine officials complained after the attack that the intelligence was not specific enough, but the former team member said the warnings were far more specific than U.S. military officials have admitted.

Koch's letter was written in support of a proposal pending before the Senate, which would consolidate all the Pentagon's special forces.

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Cluchey: from inmate to actor

LAURA LINDNER
features writer

Ex-San Quentin inmate and world-renowned actor Rick Cluchey brings playwright Samuel Beckett to Notre Dame this week. Cluchey will be performing Beckett's play, "Krapp's Last Tape" "as a teaching model for theatrical students," he said.

Cluchey's internationally acclaimed acting expertise is not based on childhood aspirations; rather it is directly related to his experience as an inmate in San Quentin from 1955 to 1966.

Cluchey was introduced to the theater in 1957 when the San Francisco Actors' Workshop visited San Quentin with a performance of "Waiting for Godot." As a result of this experience a group of inmates founded an acting troupe, the San Quentin Drama Workshop. The San Francisco Actor's Workshop was the audience for their first production, "Waiting for Godot," leading to an exchange of professional guidance for their productions of Beckett's "Endgame" and "Krapp's Last Tape."

During this time Cluchey wrote three plays, one of which, "The Cage," is based on a stage image in "Waiting for Godot." After seven productions of Beckett's plays in almost four years at San Quentin, "The Cage" premiered in regional and university theaters and was produced Off-Broadway. "It was a crusade for penal reform, a means to educate college students about prisons," said Cluchey of the play.

In 1966 Cluchey was paroled, along with other members of the troupe, for his skill as an actor, director, and playwright.

Cluchey finally met Beckett in 1974. The San Quentin Drama Workshop was performing "Endgame" at the Edinburgh Festival and critics raved about the performance. When the troupe was later performing the play in Paris in Beckett's honor, the playwright sent his friends to the production. They returned to Beckett with high praises, leading to a meeting between playwright and actor.

Cluchey eventually joined Beckett's company for the playwright's own production of "Waiting for Godot." Beckett later directed "Endgame," "Waiting for Godot," and "Krapp's Last Tape" for the San Quentin troupe.

The San Quentin Drama Workshop has just completed its sixth European tour which included performances in Germany, Denmark and France during March, April and May in honor of Beckett's 80th birthday. Presently Cluchey is performing Beckett's plays Off-Broadway, and the version of "Krapp's Last Tape" that Cluchey brings to Notre Dame was directed by Beckett.

Cluchey was the first American to win the Italian critics award "Primo Critica" in 1985. Cluchey also won an Obie, Off-Broadway's highest award, in 1982 for David Mamet's "Edmond," his only performance of non-Beckettian drama.

It is this background that has given Cluchey unique insight into the understanding of Beckett's absurdist style. It has been widely commented in both books and lectures that Beckett's characters in his novels and



Cluchey in "Krapp's Last Tape"

plays reach a point of departure.

For Cluchey Beckett's characters are "disenfranchised in some way; they are bleeding meat, people in the extremities of life, people who might inhabit prisons or loony bins." Cluchey relates this concept to the image of Winnie swallowed by the earth in "Happy Days," the blind and raging Ham of "Endgame," the two tramps in "Waiting for Godot" who are waiting in a tree for fear of being beaten and Krapp's confrontation with himself at an early point in his life as a failed lover and alcoholic in "Krapp's Last Tape."

"These people, alone and devastated in some way, are locusts who are entrapped in the bizarre journeys of life and the human condition," said Cluchey.

Although Beckett plays are difficult for even the most sophisticated theater audiences, prison inmates have no trouble comprehending his message, according to Cluchey. The San Quentin inmates, while viewing "Waiting for Godot," found personal points of reference in that prison auditorium, although for most, it was their first exposure to the theater. "I saw myself as Lucky with the rope around my neck and the two tramps were the audience around me," said Cluchey. "We were all waiting and this is what theater is all about. You arrive at the theater, wait for

the performance, wait for the end and then you leave."

Cluchey has trained his entire life to fulfill the demands of Beckett characters as they attempt to search for meaning in absurdity and doggedly struggle for answers or at least alternatives. Along with characterization, Cluchey must deal with Beckett's style and various dramatic techniques.

Every Beckett play centers on human confusion and this "alienation, in a Beckettian sense, applies to dramatic structure," said Cluchey. "Happy Days" encompasses this dramatic element. In Act One Winnie is seen engulfed in a mound of earth to her waist as though it is devouring her. Beckett speaks about

this reduction and compression of the 20th century which is leading the individual to conformity and the mound of earth is his metaphor. In Act Two we have the searing vision of Winnie buried up to her neck but still buoyant.

Because Beckett is reducing mankind and distilling the human spirit there is inactivity in his plays. "Every action is converted to inaction," Cluchey said. Winnie is swallowed by the earth in 40 minutes. In Act One her arms are free, in Act Two she is buried to her neck and Beckett ends with the metaphor of a stone. In the final dramatic form the essentials are stripped, confined to a certain point and the initial action is now inaction.

Beckett's use of "searing images, haunting and cosmic in resonance, as he strips down and refines allows him to make use of his incredible dramatic faculty in his relationship to his actors and actresses," said Cluchey.

Contrary to what many critics believe, Beckett allows an area of dramatic license within the context of his play. Cluchey uses "Krapp's Last Tape" as an example. Beckett gave Cluchey the tonal relationship and physical spine but Cluchey was instructed to find the internal character, specifically the anger of a man confined to a den, work table and the shadows of life.

Samuel Beckett is always the master in control of his work, not the emotionally unstable person suffering from the disabilities indicated by his characters, but his art is rooted in personal experience, according to Cluchey. "Life is imitating art, and art is imitating life, for we always report creatively upon ourselves. Whether we are writing poetry, fiction, novels or plays we embellish our own life but in the work itself, we are masked," said Cluchey.

Cluchey once asked Beckett his method of writing. Beckett replied, "I begin with a blank page, close my eyes and hear a voice. I write what he says, put it away and later apply my critical intelligence. I take no sides. I am interested in the shape of ideas. There is a wonderful sentence in Augustine. 'Do not despair; one of the thieves was saved. Do not presume; one of the thieves was damned.' That sentence has a wonderful shape. It is the shape that matters." The key for Beckett is St. Augustine and his words are used in "Waiting for Godot." Beckett has often been labeled a negative theologian but according to Cluchey this does not apply. "Beckett suffers visibly from all images of world pain and his works focus on the wretchedness of man without God; therefore he is not a godless man. Beckett is definitely a private person because he is not going to interfere in anyone's opinion or take a position, and for this reason the critics have taken advantage of him," said Cluchey.

Now revenge is coming to Beckett. Everyone is returning to one of the 20th century's greatest playwrights. His Off-Broadway productions continue to sell out despite criticism in New York. Cluchey can't envision a more wonderful way for the great playwright and close friend to round off his career.

Cluchey will be performing "Krapp's Last Tape" at Washington Hall Sept. 24-26 at 8:10 p.m. Tickets are available at the Washington Hall ticket office.

The Observer

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University ignores alcohol policy on game day

Recently, I wandered out to Green Field on a sunny Saturday morning to stretch my legs and escape the pressures of college life. Expecting to be alone, I instead found myself in the midst of a wild frenzy of drunkenness, swearing, and other non-social behavior.

Mark Dickinson

guest column

I stared in disbelief and asked myself how this could be happening at a University which so clearly states no one can drink a beer outside the dark confines of his own closet. I knew the University wasn't joking since many of my friends had written checks to pay for the hideous crime of walking in a hallway with a beer.

Worse, I had seen students shipped off to unknown offices in the Administrative building, sent for psychological treatment, and told to perform a community

service as penance for some of the same alcohol induced behavior I was now witnessing.

Then I remembered. This was a home football game.

I shuddered to think of the army of security personnel that would be thundering down upon this gathering if it were taking place on a Tuesday afternoon. Today none were around.

What was different about today? Why was it suddenly fine to drink to excess in public? The students were the same. DuLac was the same. The only noticeable difference was the presence of alumni. Yet how could they change the interpretation of the rules?

I thought about why the University chose to ignore its stance on alcohol this day and decided the rules just couldn't be enforced, but I knew that was a cop out. Only one answer remained - the University chose to ignore the situation for fear of upsetting these benefactors of the

University. Rather than stepping on toes by telling the alumni to put away their alcohol, the Administration provided a Saturday Alcohol Policy Escape Clause.

This was the only way I could justify such a blatant discrepancy between what I knew existed in DuLac and what I was witnessing.

I tried to get another opinion from an alumnus wearing a class of '64 T-shirt but he was too busy trying to maintain his balance and keep his breakfast down to help me with my senseless questions.

Mark Dickinson is a senior American Studies major.

P.O.Box Q

Security's jurisdiction comes under fire

Dear Editor:

Notre Dame Security has informed the two alumni that were mugged on Green Field at 8:30 p.m. after the Michigan game that they will do all that they can. But what can Notre Dame Security do? Recent events have led me to question their ability and jurisdiction. Either Rex Rackow has not clearly defined Notre Dame Security's role or he has disregarded its traditional role. In either case, questions remain concerning what Notre Dame Security can and cannot do for students, faculty and staff.

I do know what Notre Dame Security cannot do for us. They are consistently unable to prevent VCR, stereo and bicycle theft from dorms on campus. They cannot prevent numerous counts of vandalism and burglary of cars. They also cannot prevent muggings on Green Field. My dorm alone has been burglarized on at least 5 separate occasions in the last 3 years. Two friends have had car win-

dows broken and the stereo stolen. This is not to mention my friends who were mugged.

In spite of Security's inability to keep the Notre Dame campus secure, they have extended their power off-campus in what I believe to be a breach of jurisdiction. Of course, we have been given explanations such as "protection of Notre Dame students," "observation," and my favorite, that of the Notre Dame Security person who was looking for her husband who was involved with a raid as a member of the Roseland Police Department. All, some or none of these reasons may be true. In any case, Security's presence raised questions during and after the raid. Notre Dame Security may have jurisdiction at these raids. If so, Rex Rackow should clarify this policy with us. If not, we still deserve a reasonable explanation. Furthermore, Notre Dame Security should concentrate on keeping the campus safe and secure before they extend themselves off-campus.

Anthony D. Watson
Sorin Hall

Warnings of another Vietnam illegitimate

The debate among U.S. citizens and political operatives over American funding of the 'contra' rebels seeking to dispose of the Ortega government has become an emotional issue for all involved. Those who see reasons of national security as justification for American military involvement in Central America are in bitter conflict with warnings of impending U.S. involvement on a level resembling that of Vietnam.

Robert Kuehn

Under a Different Light

A combination of limited success due to inexperienced handlers, extreme climate and concerns over possible Soviet retaliation has caused a temporary hold on the operation. Facing escalation in that Country's war of wills with the Soviet Union over continued supply of U.S. equipment through Pakistan and given doubts about U.S. commitments to defend Pakistan against Soviet aggression, leaders of that country are uneasy. Should Soviet retaliation become a reality, a direct American-Soviet confrontation may well be inevitable.

The fact is that talk of U.S. intervention on Pakistan's behalf directly against the

Soviet Union has not raised concerns of activists, as their attention span is solely on the contra issue which possesses a level of intensity and potential for confrontation nowhere near that resulting from our tie with Pakistan.

The congressional and activist criticism over Nicaragua concerns a country with which our military involvement is quite modest and where chances of escalation to superpower confrontation are quite slim. Such criticism is misplaced and inconsistent when considering the blatant American military connection with such Third World countries as Pakistan where danger for escalation is much greater.

While I do not question the sincerity and motives of the grassroots peace movement against 'contra' funding, I do question those political and social leaders who sound a rallying cry and warn of another Vietnam. Such warnings are illegitimate and illogical when considering American activity elsewhere. If it is indeed dangerous policy to combat communism on a small military scale in a tiny country in our own backyard, surely it must be dramatically more so for a large, complex military operation in the Soviet's backyard.

Robert Kuehn is a sophomore aeronautical engineering student and is a regular Viewpoint columnist.



Doonesbury



Garry Trudeau

Quote of the day

"If Jesus Christ were to come today, people would not even crucify Him. They would ask Him to dinner, and hear what He had to say, and make fun of it."

Thomas Carlyle
(1795-1881)

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Sports Briefs

The SMC tennis team beat St. Francis by the score of 6-3. Winners for SMC were Kate McDevitt, Shaun Boyd, Charlene Szajko, and Buffy Heinz in singles. Doubles winners were the teams of Heinz and Kim Drahota, and Boyd and Sandy Hickey. -The Observer

A pep rally for the Notre Dame-Purdue game will be held this Friday, September 26, at 7 p.m. in Stepan Center. All pep rallies for the rest of the year will be held in Stepan Center. -The Observer

The Gymnastics Club will have a meeting today at 4 p.m. at Angela Athletic Facility. All members who signed up as well as current members should attend. For more information call Robert Lee at 283-1872. -The Observer

The ND-SMC Sailing Club will have a meeting tonight at 6:30 at the boathouse on St. Joseph's Lake. Members are reminded to bring proof of insurance. For more information call Tony Fink at 283-1082. -The Observer

Stepan Center court time requests are now available in the Student Activities Office, third floor of LaFortune. Deadline for applying is Friday, September 26. -The Observer

Officials for interhall soccer, grad football, and women's interhall flag football are still needed. If interested call the NVA office at 239-6690. -The Observer

The Domer runs are coming! Deadline to sign up for the Domer runs is today. Teams may enter individually or as a whole. Sign up at the dining halls tonight or at the NVA office. -The Observer

Non-Varsity Athletics announces that it is offering two evening aerobics classes. "Late Night at the Rock" meets every Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday nights at 10 p.m. at the Rockne Memorial. The other class meets Tuesday and Thursday nights at 8 p.m. in Gym 1 of the ACC. Registration may be done at the NVA office. A complete listing of aerobics classes may be obtained by calling the NVA office at 239-6100. -The Observer.

Sox number remains three

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE - Rick Manning hit a three-run homer and Paul Molitor went 3-for-4 with two RBI to boost the Milwaukee Brewers to an 8-5 victory last night over the American League East-leading Boston Red Sox.

Boston's magic number to clinch its first division title in 11 years remained at three because New York and Toronto, tied for second place, both won.

Tim Leary, 10-12, gave up eight hits and four runs in five innings for his first win since Aug. 12.

Correction

The volleyball pictured on yesterday's back page was incorrectly identified as Kathy Baker. It was actually Zanette Bennett. The Observer regrets the error.

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Johnson likes his chances against top-ranked Sooners

Associated Press

CORAL GABLES, Fla. — Just like last year, University of Miami Coach Jimmy Johnson believes his football team is superior to the top-ranked Oklahoma Sooners.

Last year, Johnson kept his opinion to himself until after the Hurricanes beat the Sooners 27-14 at Norman, Okla. This time, Johnson is being a little brasher before the game.

"I felt like we had the better football team last year," Johnson said Tuesday. "I feel like we have the better football team this year."

Johnson then offered further pregame comments about this clash between the No. 1 and No. 2 teams in the country.

"It's going to be a very, very close game between two great teams and I think it will come down to which team makes the fewest mistakes," he said.

This is only the 20th time the two top-ranked teams in The Associated Press poll have met, the most recent being the Oct. 19, 1985 game between No. 1 Iowa and No. 2 Michigan. Iowa won that game 12-10, giving the top-ranked teams a 14-3-2 record in the matchups.

"For every football fan, player and coach, this is the absolute ultimate in excitement," Johnson said. "You have the defending national champions

playing the team that gave them their only loss last year. You've got No. 1 playing No. 2. I know the adrenaline will be flowing for everybody."

But just moments later, Johnson changed his tune.

"This is just our fourth game," he said. "We've won three and we're looking to win four."

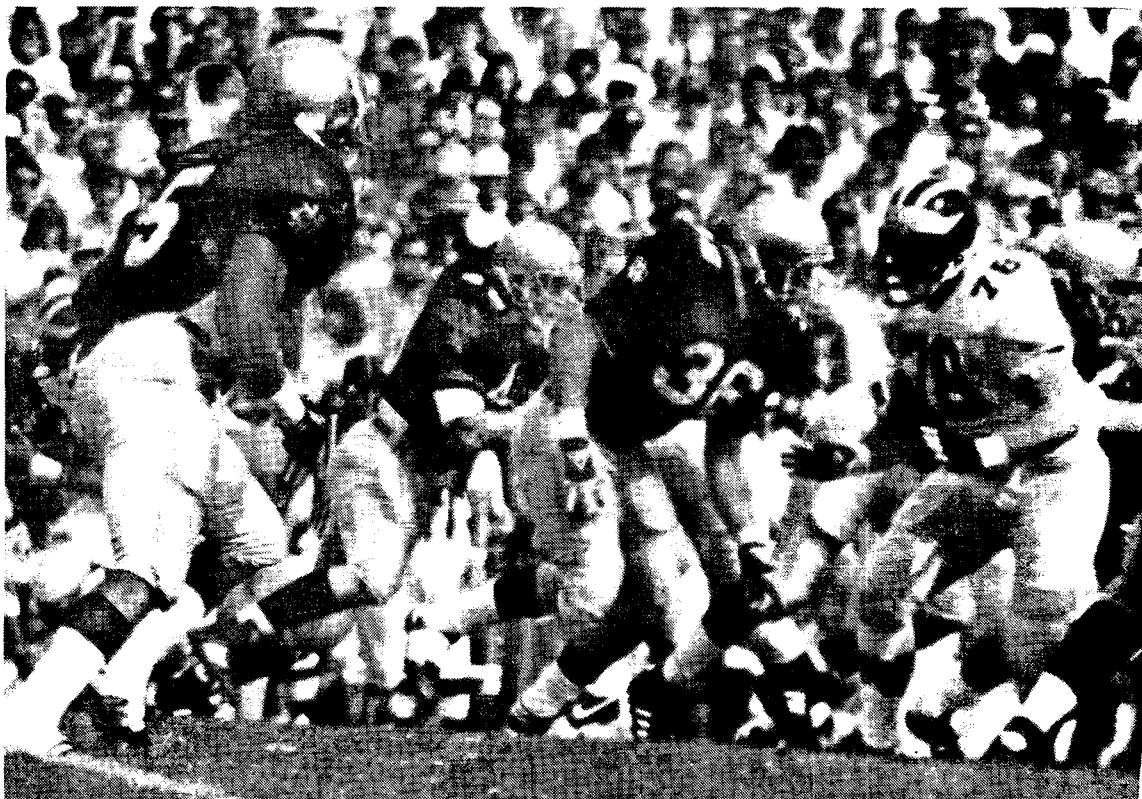
He said for the Hurricanes to beat the Sooners, they need to slow down the Wishbone attack directed by sophomore quarterback Jamelle Holieway.

Last year, Holieway wasn't sharp when he took over after the Hurricanes knocked out starting quarterback Troy Aikman. But Holieway went on to lead the Sooners to eight straight victories and the national championship.

The maturation of Holieway isn't the only reason the Sooners may be better this year than last, according to Johnson.

"I think this year, more than others, they have tremendous talent in the offensive line," he said. "They are more physical and quicker. They've always had great talent in the backfield, but now they have that kind of skill behind one of their best lines ever."

Meanwhile, Miami quarterback Vinny Testaverde said, "There are things to be concerned about with Oklahoma, but I wouldn't say we're worried."



The Observer/Jim Carroll

Ron Weissenhofer, shown here in action against Michigan, has recovered from injury

to earn a starting spot for the Irish. Mike Chmiel profiles the senior linebacker below.

Weissenhofer makes strong return

By MIKE CHMIEL
Sports Writer

Despite dropping their first two games of the young 1986 campaign, the Irish have a new, positive attitude that will translate into a good season, according to Irish linebacker Ron Weissenhofer.

"I see us having a good season," says Weissenhofer. "We're 0-2, but that doesn't knock us out of post-season play."

"After we lose, it's not like a loss. We feel like we're going to get back on the winning track. Last year, it seemed like people were giving up. This year, it's totally opposite. It's nothing like last year at all."

Coming into his fifth year, Weissenhofer is confident that he will finish his Notre Dame career on a positive note with this new Irish attitude and a starting role. After recovering from a broken wrist and backing Tony Furjanic for two years, Weissenhofer has finally earned a starting role for this season at inside linebacker.

"He's done very, very well," says Notre Dame Defensive Coordinator Foge Fazio. "He's done a great job for us. He's not a flashy ball player, but he does his job. He's one of those unsung heroes that just keeps pluggin' away."

For the Irish, the 6-3, 221-pound, Weissenhofer calls the signals on defense. He concentrates his efforts in the middle of

the line and keys the defense against the run.

"He's our might linebacker," Fazio says. "He's got to plug the middle up, and he's got to be excellent against the inside run."

"(Senior Mike) Kovaleski is the linebacker that is going to make most of the tackles," continues Fazio. "He plays in a position where he is protected and doesn't have to clog up the middle or hold his area down like Ron does. Ron's linebacker position is one that has to plug the

honors. He earned four letters in football at the high school level and was recognized among the best incoming freshmen in 1982 by Football News and The Sporting News.

After filling in on specialty teams during the 1982 season, Weissenhofer broke his wrist in two-a-day workouts just prior to the start of the 1983 season and was sidelined for the year. With this year off, he was awarded his current year of eligibility.

"I wanted to come back and play football for another year under Lou Holtz," says Weissenhofer. Last May, Weissenhofer earned a degree in Marketing. Currently, he is enrolled in an MBA program in the Notre Dame College of Business.

Following a year off, Weissenhofer assumed an increasing role on the Irish defensive unit. In 1984, he played in nine games and started against Colorado, South Carolina, and Navy. Overall, he totaled 35 tackles, including 16 solos, made 48 specialty team appearances, and worked his way back to a top reserve role.

Last year, Weissenhofer played in all but one game against LSU. In his 10 outings, he had one start and made 41 tackles. He also made 70 specialty team appearances.

Fazio is also pleased with the inside linebacker and his performance which has netted 13 tackles, including one incredible drop for a loss against Michigan State.

"He really played very well in the third quarter versus Michigan State," says Fazio. "He made a play that was the best to date."

In replacing Furjanic as the signal caller, Weissenhofer feels no pressure to duplicate Furjanic's statistics. Weissenhofer does, however, feel comfortable in his position.

"I definitely enjoy defending against the run . . . taking on blocks, getting off blocks, and making the tackle," says Weissenhofer. "It's like the good old Catholic League Style of play."

Overall, the veteran likes what he sees in the new coaching staff and believes that the Irish will continue to improve.

"I'm pretty impressed by Coach Holtz," says Weissenhofer. "His coaching staff is one of the best in the nation."

"There's always room for improvement and I think we're coming along pretty well. If we could alleviate the turnovers, we'd be 2-0 instead of 0-2 right now."



Ron Weissenhofer

middle, hold down an area, and be very disciplined."

Weissenhofer's rise to defensive signal caller does not surprise those who have followed his career through the rough, run-oriented Chicago Catholic League. At Saint Rita High School in Chicago, Weissenhofer was a standout linebacker who won consensus prep All-American

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Aurelio Lopez and the Houston Astros are all smiles these days as they close in on the National League West title. Mike Scott is

also closing in on Fernando Valenzuela for the Cy Young Award. See story at right.

AP Photo

Wilkins agrees to deal with Hawks

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Atlanta's Dominique Wilkins, the NBA's top scorer last season, Tuesday signed a new five-year, \$6.3 million contract with the Hawks that he negotiated without the help of his agent.

"We're happy to announce that Dominique has signed a contract that secures the Hawks' future for the next five years," Hawks' President and General Manager Stan Kasten said at a news conference. "It will provide Dominique with lifetime security."

The 26-year-old Wilkins, who came to the news conference with his mother, Gertrude Baker, said his signing without an agent was "not unprecedented."

He said he had discussions with his agent, Patrick Healy, but "wanted to get it over with."

"It's not unusual," Wilkins said. "Guys are getting much smarter

after they've been around a few years."

The 6-foot-8 Wilkins was drafted by the Utah Jazz in 1982, then traded to Atlanta for John Drew, Freeman Williams and cash.

The former University of Georgia star, who has become known for his exciting drives to the bas-

ket and remarkable leaping ability, has averaged 24.1 points in four years, including 30.3 last season when he led the league and was named by league coaches to the Eastern Conference All-Star team.

"It's great to be able to play the next five years with security," Wilkins said.

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National League pitchers battle for Cy Young honors

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Los Angeles' Fernando Valenzuela, the National League's first 20-game winner this season, and Houston's strikeout ace Mike Scott appear to be the top candidates for the NL's Cy Young Award.

The Dodgers are pushing Valenzuela, who pitched a two-hitter against the Astros Monday night to reach the 20-victory mark for the first time in his career. He's also the first Dodgers' 20-game winner since Tommy John in 1977 and the first Mexican-born major leaguer to win 20 games in a season.

The Astros, commanding leaders in the National League West, are boosting Scott, 17-10, who leads the league with 285 strikeouts, in earned run average with 2.33 and in innings pitched with 259 1-3.

"It depends on what you emphasize," Scott said. "If you go by earned run average and strikeouts, I've got a pretty good shot."

Valenzuela, who won the award as a rookie in 1981, said he's not worrying about winning again.

"I've got nothing to do with the Cy Young voting," Valenzuela said. "All I can do is pitch my best. But I'd much rather be in this clubhouse than theirs."

Astros third baseman Phil Garner thinks the voting will be close.

"You've got to look at Scott's ERA and strikeouts and be impressed," Garner said. "My vote goes to Scott. But Fernando never beats himself. He pitches well, hits well and cuts off a lot of hits with his glove. He's just one tough pitcher."

Valenzuela, 20-10, and Scott could be pressed for the award by Pittsburgh's Rick Rhoden, 15-10.

With no chance of winning the division title, the Dodgers have turned their attention to helping Valenzuela win the Cy Young honor.

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Professor Winner, a leading scholar in the field of technology studies, is the author of *Autonomous Technology: Technics-out-of-Control as a Theme in Political Thought* (MIT, 1977) and *The Reactor and the Whale* (Univ. of Chicago, 1986).

Tiger

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"I just wanted to pay some people back, so I passed instead of taking the shot," he says. "But Randy missed all his shots, and Kevin Kade told me coach was getting upset, so I had better shoot."

"So the next time I got got the ball, I just took it myself and scored. Kevin wanted the assist on the goal."

Against Northwestern, McCourt recorded the first hat trick on the team since Rich Herdegen did it on the last game of the 1984 season.

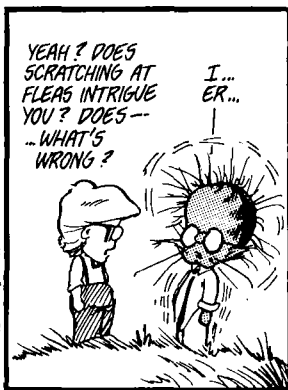
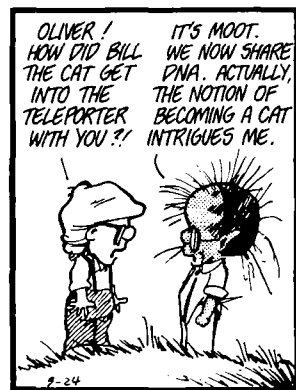
"I just missed it in the Michigan game, so I was glad to finally get it," he says.

Besides having confidence in his scoring, McCourt is also one of the most colorful characters on the Irish squad. His nickname, Tiger, was given to him by his uncle who was a Missouri Tigers alumnus.

On the field he is not afraid to try a bicycle kick on goal. This year he has not connected on several attempts, though he did score on one last year.

"I'm glad he has the confidence to try something like that," says Grace. "I'd rather he do other things, but I'm happy that he has the confidence that the shot will go in."

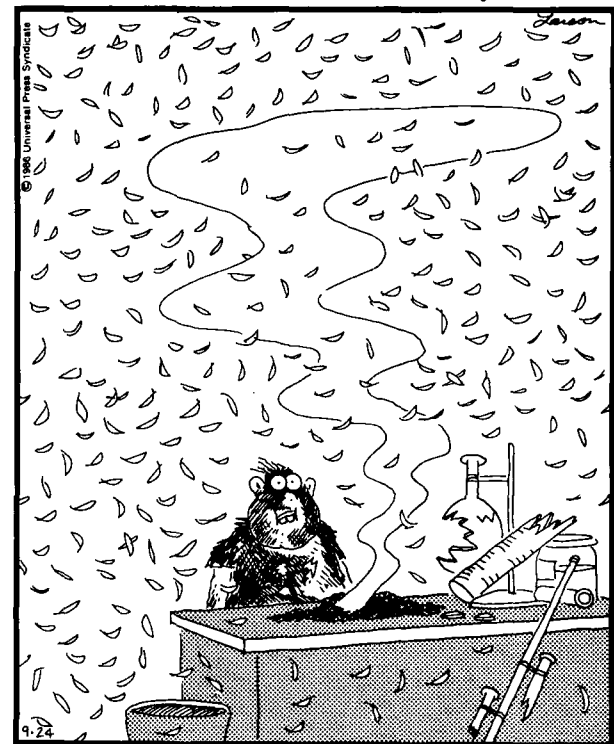
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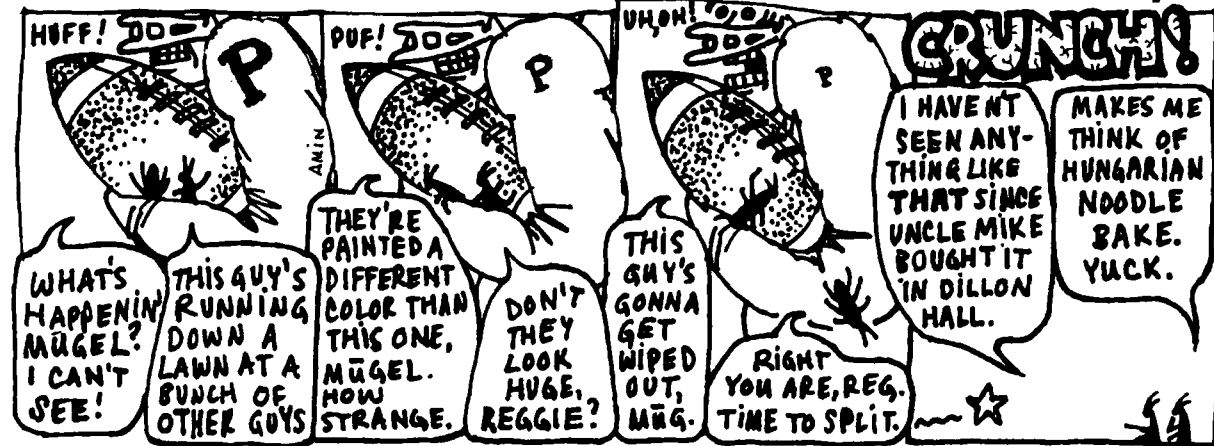
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Gary Larson



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 12:10 - 1:00 p.m.: Closed meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous, Holy Cross House

12:15 - 1:15 p.m.: Center for Spirituality, Fall 1986 Series, Stapleton Lounge, LeMans Hall, Saint Mary's College
 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.: Interviews, Joel Mugge, director, Center for Global Service & Education, Center For Social Concerns
 3:00 p.m.: Lecture, Topic: "Central America: Roots of the Crisis", Center for Social Concerns

3:00 p.m.: Saint Mary's Tennis, SMC vs. St. Joseph's College, Rensselaer, SMC tennis courts
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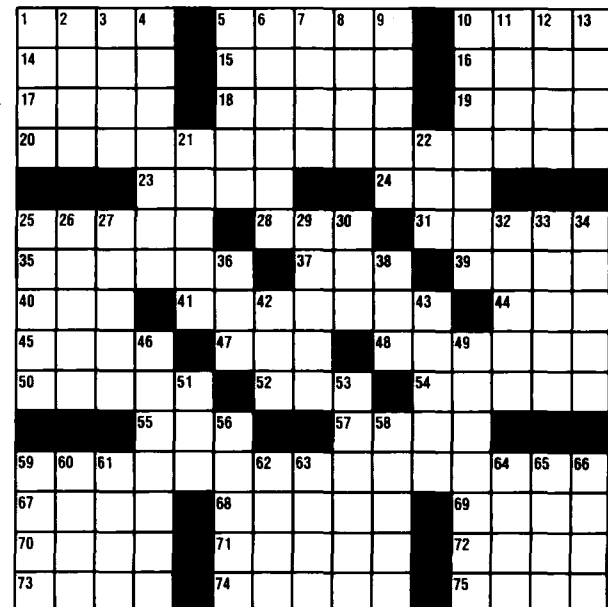
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7:00 p.m.: Wednesday Night Film Series, "Touch of Evil", O'Shaughnessy Loft
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 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.: International Student Lecture Series, Speaker: University president Father Theodore Hesburgh Memorial Library Auditorium

7:30 p.m. Lecture, Exxon Distinguished Visiting Scholar Series; Annenberg Auditorium
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 - 17 Leavings
 - 18 "— Limits"
 - 19 Pile of hay
 - 20 Start of quote
 - 23 Aid and —
 - 24 Hospice
 - 25 "Butterfield 8" author
 - 28 So soon
 - 31 Quebec peninsula
 - 35 Reversible fabric
 - 37 Steal from
 - 39 "Whatever — wants..."
 - 40 Sash
 - 41 Author of quote
 - 44 Singer Cole
 - 45 Outer coat of cheese
 - 47 Jolly: Fr.
 - 48 Scold
 - 50 Shopping spot
 - 52 Alphabet run
 - 54 Evita
 - 55 Tree
 - 57 De — (superfluous)
 - 59 End of quote
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 - 68 Gay —
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 - 73 Boulder Dam lake
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 - 75 Sensible
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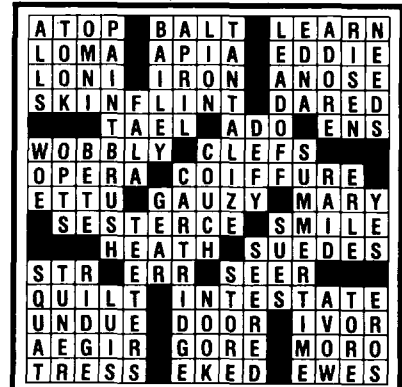
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Bruce "Tiger" McCourt is flying high these days as the leading scorer of the Irish soccer

team. Pete Gegen features the forward in his story below.

McCourt goes after scoring mark as soccer team faces Blue Demons

By PETE GEGEN
Assistant Sports Editor

The Notre Dame soccer team's offense has found a solution to last year's lethargic offense - unleash a Tiger at the opponents.

This year sophomore forward Bruce "Tiger" McCourt has terrorized opponents, registering nine goals and three assists in eight games this season. In fact, his total of 21 points is just four points shy of matching the top point total of any player last season.

Ideally McCourt would like to reach that plateau this afternoon when Irish face the Blue Demons of DePaul at 3 p.m. at Alumni Field. Last year he scored his first goal of his collegiate career against DePaul, so he thinks it would be fitting to reach another milestone against the Blue Demons.

A native St. Louisian, McCourt and his family moved several times before settling in South Bend eight years ago. At St.

Joseph's High School, he was the team's most valuable player all four years. He also set the school scoring record with 81 goals and 30 assists.

Head Coach Dennis Grace had spotted McCourt in a summer camp. But before he could get McCourt, he had to wait a year.

"Tiger had it in his heart to be at Notre Dame," says Grace. "So he spent a year over at Holy Cross."

Because Holy Cross had no soccer program, McCourt was out of competition for an entire year. So when he transferred to Notre Dame last year, the adjustment to collegiate-level soccer was a little harder.

"Tiger had to make a big adjustment to play the way we play," says Grace. "But going day in and day out against good competition helped him."

McCourt ended up playing in all 22 games last year. He scored six goals, one the game-winner against North Carolina-Charlotte.

However the team suffered through an offensive slump. The team's leading scorer, forward Joe Sternberg, had just 25 points in 22 games. The team also set a record for lowest goals-per-game average with two.

"The ball would always hit the crossbar last year," says McCourt. "Luck was definitely not on our side. This year, they're just going in."

Through eight games this season the team has scored 25 goals. Forwards Dan Augustyn and Randy Morris have also been instrumental to the scoring revival.

Randy and Dan always take it to the end lines," explains McCourt. "When they beat the last guy, I turn my guy's back to the play and make a run."

It is true that McCourt tends to score goals more than he does assist on goals. But as Sunday's game against Tri-State proved, he should stick to goal scoring.

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Notre Dame faces Bowling Green Lambert pleased with progress

By BRIAN O' GARA
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame volleyball team seeks to continue its winning ways tonight as the Irish face Bowling Green.

This match will be a tough early-season test for the young Irish squad, which is off to its best start in recent years with a 7-4 record.

"We are coming along very well, right on schedule," says Coach Art Lambert. "I feel very good about the team's progress these past few weeks."

The Irish have won the Rice Tournament and placed second in the Hoosier Classic and the Bradley Tournament.

Notre Dame-Bowling Green volleyball games have provided for some exciting moments in recent years.

In 1984, the Irish pulled out a slim victory at home in a barn-burner (13-15, 16-14, 17-15, 16-14). Last season Bowling Green pulled out a victory at home, defeating the Irish (4-15, 5-15, 15-6, 9-15).

"We played bad in that match and just couldn't get out of it," said junior setter Kathy Morin. "We really want to get them back."

The Irish have a great opportunity to do just that. With the addition of two outstanding freshmen, Taryn Collins and Kathy Cunningham, the continued improvement of four sophomores and four juniors, and the leadership of seniors Mollie Merchant and Karen Sapp, the Irish have come a long way since last fall.

Without hesitation, Lambert

claims, "This is the best team since I've been here. No doubt." Lambert's prediction for tonight's game?

"It's anybody's guess really. I'm pleased with our play and improvement, but Bowling Green is a very competitive team."

This one has the makings of another exciting match between the two teams as they clash tonight in the ACC Pit at 7:30 p.m.

After tonight's game, the Irish travel to western Indiana to do battle with Valparaiso University on Thursday at 7 p.m. Although the Irish have handily defeated them in the past few years, Valparaiso recently defeated highly-ranked DePaul, a good indication that they will be ready to give the Irish a fight Thursday evening.

Close is not enough as Irish stay winless

Close, but no cigar.

This time-worn expression is the story of the young football season for the Irish.

Notre Dame has outgained both of its opponents this season, scored first in both games, and has had a chance to win both games with late scores. But it has failed to do so both times.

Head Coach Lou Holtz is definitely not pushing the panic button yet, and neither should Irish fans. But Holtz also was not predicting a quick remedy to the problem.

"We've been in both games right down to the end, so there's no reason for our players to feel down," he said. "We've just got to do better until we win in those situations."

Rick Rietbrock

Irish Items



"I'm not down on this team or down on any of our players. I've said all along that we will be a good team, I just don't know how long it will take."

The problem of being close, but not coming through in the end is visible in the Irish offense. It has piled up yardage between the 20-yard lines, but once it penetrates the opposition's 20, the movement ceases.

Coming away with only a field goal is sometimes disappointing, but it is better than nothing. Six times this season, the Irish have moved inside the opponent's 20, and come away empty. No points. Zero.

Against Michigan, two fumbles and an interception thwarted the Irish scoring bids.

Last Saturday, the culprits were a missed field goal, a fumble, and an interception.

The result of all this is that Notre Dame is 0-2 when it easily could be 2-0.

That all sounds innocent enough, but it has been a long time since the Irish have been 0-2. This is only the third time in this century that the Irish have lost two straight to open the season, and only the fifth time in history.

The last time it happened, and don't get all excited about this, was in 1978, and the Irish went on to win eight straight and capture a Cotton Bowl win over Houston.

Before Notre Dame dreams about going on a winning streak, however, they must win one. They have a chance to do that against Purdue this week.

Purdue has been a bad dream for the Irish the past two meetings. Two years ago, the Boilermakers defeated the Irish at the Hoosier Dome, 23-21. Last year, Jim Everett completed 27 of 49 passes for an Irish-opponent record 368 yards to lead a 35-17 romp over Notre Dame.

At least we can take heart in the fact that Everett has gone to the greener pastures of professional football. Or can we?

You see, the Boilermakers, never a team weak at quarterback, have Jeff George at the controls now. You may recall him as the most highly-sought high school quarterback in the country last year.

He is the man to stop for Purdue, since saying he carries most of the offensive load would be a terrible understatement. Purdue averages 267.5 yards per game offensively. All but 16 have come through the air.

The Irish secondary will need an outstanding performance to keep the freshman in check. So far, the defense has contained the opponents' primary weapons fairly well, but Purdue quarterbacks have traditionally been a trouble spot for the Irish.

Another trouble spot appeared in last week's game. The running game, which piled up 192 yards against Michigan, managed a meager 82 yards against Michigan State.

Compounding the problem with the running game was the inability of the special teams to perform.

Dan Sorenson finally got some game action, but the line seemed to be setting up a screen pass as a host of green jerseys put heavy pressure on. The Irish caught a big break when one kick took a huge Notre Dame bounce.

The punting game provided some more thrills later on when Sorenson had to make a leaping one-handed grab to field a snap and get the ball off.

Unfortunately, the punting game provided more excitement than the kickoff return team, and that is never a good sign.

Poor communication and shoddy blocking put the Irish in the hole on several occasions. That is doubly bad news when the offense must rely almost exclusively on the pass.

At last week's press conference, Holtz said that a team usually improves the most between the first and second games of the season. If that's true, I hope the Irish do not "improve" any more this season.

They looked impressive in the opener and lost by one. They looked unimpressive in last week's game and lost by five. One week confident, the next week incompetent.

It does not matter. The results were the same.

They do not get lovely parting gifts, or even a heartfelt snap of the fingers from Vanna White to show she feels bad about it, too.

Just an 0-2 record.

Close, but no cigar.