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NEWS ANALYSIS

Faculty reacts to papal encyclical

By ETHAN HAYWARD
Associate News Editor

A Vatican statement declaring Pope John Paul II's May 1994 "Ordinatio Sacerdotalis," which stated that the Roman Catholic Church does not have the authority to ordain women priests, to be infallible was issued Nov. 18.

The Vatican statement says the pope's assertion was made through "ordinary" magisterium; that is, the pope's stance

is in alignment with views always held by the Church members and Church hierarchy, and is not "in itself infallible."

Had the pope issued his statement "ex cathedra" as a matter of faith and morals, or through extraordinary magisterium, it would have been in itself infallible, according to



LaCugna

Notre Dame theology Professor Catherine La Cugna.

La Cugna says she finds the statement unclear in reflecting the pope's thinking, since he did not sign the declaration. She also finds it interesting that there has been enough discussion about the 1994 statement to prompt the issuance of last month's document, especially since the latter measure de-

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FACULTY SENATE

Resolution calls for raise in staff pay

By GWENDOLYN NORGLÉ

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News Writer

A raise in staff salaries and a written guarantee of continued coverage for faculty retirees.

These two concerns of the Faculty Senate were expressed in three resolutions passed at its meeting last night.

Two of these resolutions were presented to the Senate by the sub-committee on administration. Both dealt with the Senate's concern for internal equity with regard to staff salaries. Both were passed almost unanimously.

In recent months, the issue of internal equity was the topic of discussion among many campus governing bodies, including the Senate, which generally agrees that action must be taken to advance toward comparable salaries. Last night's specific resolutions were written in response to University President Father Edward Malloy's request in his address to the Senate on November 8 that it officially offer its opinion on the subject.

The first of these resolutions was articulated to the Senate by the Administration Sub-Committee Chair Jean Porter, associate professor of theology. Porter called for the administration to raise the salaries of all its full-time secretarial and clerical staff "to at least

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The Observer/Katie Kroener

Spreading holiday cheer

Decked out in festive attire, the Notre Dame Glee Club sang holiday carols around the women's dorms this week.

Vatican II sparked Church

McGrath praises Latin American role in Council

By MELANIE LAFLIN
Assistant News Editor

Though the former Archbishop of Panama was introduced as a "living witness" to the Second Vatican Council on the Church, Marcos McGrath, prefers to call himself "a holy relic to the Council that's sometimes not so holy."

In his speech entitled, "The Impact of the Second Vatican Council on the Church and People of Latin America with special reference to the 'Preferential Option for the Poor,'" McGrath discussed his experiences as a bishop member of the Second Vatican Council from 1962 to 1965 and as an elected member of the Council's Doctrinal Commission yesterday afternoon in Hesburgh Center.

According to McGrath, the Second Vatican Council seemed to have had a somewhat "abortive birth." The U.S. and European protests in the sixties were contrary to the Church's own movements, destroying many of the decisions of the Council.

"Latin America was blessed by a more methodical, coordinated approach. The Church

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GRADUATE STUDENT UNION

Council to ND officers: Deal with Dome murals

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
News Writer

The Graduate Student Union last night added their support to the Native American Students Association at Notre Dame in their crusade to bring university attention to the murals in the Administration Building.

The Graduate Student Council, the representative body of the GSU, passed a resolution during its monthly meeting last night that called upon the "officers and trustees of Notre Dame to address the issue of the murals on the first floor of the Main Administration Building." The resolution passed by an eleven-to-three margin.

The resolution was written and presented by Quality of Life Committee Chairman, John Davenport.

"I thought it my duty to bring this resolution to the Council as Quality of Life Chairman. Some Prospective Native American Graduate Students might be

put off by the prominence granted these murals by the University," Davenport said. "As teachers of Ethics, Anthropology and Art, we [graduate students], have a vested interest in seeing these murals praised for their artistic value and not for their misrepresented history."

The resolution was passed as a support to similar resolution passed by the Student Senate. The GSU resolution was edited down from one which addressed a particular solution to the problem, to a more broad statement of support for the NASAND position. "I think that this is something that graduate students can support without buying into the entire political ideology," said Davenport.

There were a few, Davenport among them, that believe that the murals ought to be moved to the Snite. Others believe that a simple plaque explaining the problems with misrepresentation of history would suffice.

This is the last issue of The Observer for the semester. We will resume publication on January 17, 1996. The Observer wishes you and yours a safe and happy holiday season.



The Observer/Katie Kroener

Archbishop of Panama Marcos McGrath spoke with students yesterday about the impact of The Second Vatican Council.

INSIDE COLUMN

It's all over but the shouting

August 20, 1992

In reality, that day was 1203 days ago; but it seems like just yesterday that I was sitting in 352 Cavanaugh, sweating to death, having just met my roommates, and eagerly awaiting the start of my Notre Dame experience.



Andy Cabines
Sports Copy Editor

I've barely blinked since then; yet nine days from now, when I walk out of my Intro to American Music final, it will all be over.

Notre Dame's insistence on piling up a huge endowment while students pile up huge debts is cheating me out of a semester, but it, too, would go by just as quickly as the rest.

A couple weeks back, when I began thinking about what shape this column was going to take, I was leaning towards a mushy, sentimental-type good bye. While I am sad to be leaving and I will miss all my friends, I also realize that there is much more about graduating to consider.

In all the time I've spent thinking about how much I'll miss Notre Dame, I almost lost sight of the whole point of coming here: graduating. With all the fun that we have here, it's something that is too easy to take for granted, even by those of us who are piling up huge debts to come here instead of a state school.

What many of us fail to realize is what an accomplishment getting a degree from Notre Dame really is. Those long, sleepless hours aren't spent studying just to make the weekends more enjoyable. I can't count the times I thought that the sacrifice wasn't worth it. At least two different times I seriously considered transferring. I thank God, not only for the opportunity to come here, but for giving me the perseverance to stick it out through some tough times and make it to this point.

I am often asked if I am sad to be leaving. I am, but my sadness is lessened by realizing that I can't stay here forever. Everyone has to leave sometime, and my time is now. As my rector so succinctly put it, "When it's time to get out of Dodge, then it's time to get out of Dodge."

Also, it's time for me to face the "real world." I'm eager to face the challenges that await me. If nothing else, hopefully 3 1/2 years here have given me the maturity and responsibility to make the right decisions.

I think that the best way to deal with the emotions of graduating is to look to the future and not dwell on the past. In all, I see graduating not as something to be sad about, but as something to celebrate. I also want to extend my congratulations to my fellow classmates who are also graduating now. As for the rest of the seniors, that last semester will fly by and Senior Week will be here before you know it.

One last thing that helped me put college into perspective was having a friend die seven months before graduating. It hurts to see someone work so hard for over three years and lose everything so close to the end. If there was ever a cause for an honorary degree, this should be it.

In closing, I want to thank my roommates, past and present, for putting up with me. I don't think I would have made it through without you. You'll always be welcome in my home, wherever that ends up being.

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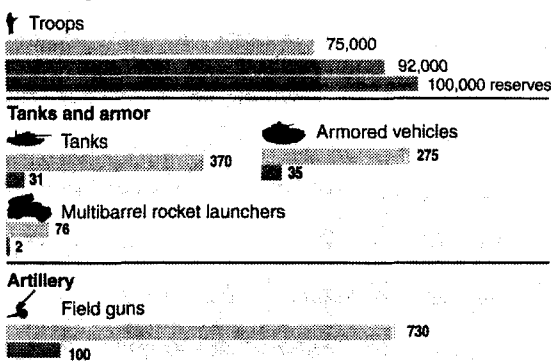
WORLD AT A GLANCE

President seeks support in Bosnia

WASHINGTON
With most Americans opposed to sending troops to Bosnia, President Clinton won important backing Tuesday from former Presidents George Bush and Gerald Ford for the risky U.S. military mission. But even as the White House welcomed the presidential endorsements, another key Republican, Senate GOP Whip Trent Lott, declared his opposition. He said the deployment was "a prescription for potential trouble." The White House readily acknowledged that Americans are "very skeptical." To dispel doubts, Clinton said the 60,000-strong NATO force committed to enforcing the peace in Bosnia will create a climate of security after years of war. "For peace to endure," Clinton said, "the people of Bosnia must receive the tangible benefits of peace." The United States will contribute 20,000 troops to the NATO force. From his home in Houston, Bush said he still has questions about the deployment but argued that the United States' credibility is at stake in going forward. "If the president shifts direction now — or if it is seen that the president does not have the support of the Congress — our standing as leader of the free world and the standing of

Bosnian forces

NATO forces do not expect organized resistance in Bosnia. But both the Bosnian Serbs and government maintain armies.



NATO would be dramatically diminished," Bush said. "That must not happen." -Ford made the same argument. "To undercut America's course of action at this juncture would do enormous damage to U.S. leadership in the eyes of the whole world," the former president wrote. "We would be seen as totally unreliable." Clinton tried to put a human face on the war by meeting in the Oval Office with three families that fled Bosnia and resettled in the United States. "They are the story behind the unbelievable numbers of a quarter-million dead, 2 million people displaced — more than half the population of prewar Bosnia," the president said. "Many of you have actually witnessed and documented the war's atrocities firsthand, the executions, the ethnic cleansing, the rape of young women and girls as a tool of war, the endless lines of despairing refugees," the president said. "The United States can now prevent further suffering, we can now shine the light of justice in Bosnia, we can now help its people build a future of hope." Clinton also vowed that those guilty of war crimes in Bosnia "must be punished because no peace will long endure without justice."

Rockefeller lights tree

NEW YORK

After a bumpy year of bankruptcy and bidding wars, the folks in Rockefeller Center returned to a more traditional pursuit Tuesday evening: lighting their towering Christmas tree for the 63rd time. The evergreen made its debut under high-tech security prompted by last year's brush with tree terrorism. Two drunks tried to set last year's tree on fire, so closed-circuit cameras, a hose and a metal fence were installed, along with extra guards to watch for copycats. The ceremony follows a rocky 1995 for the collection of midtown skyscrapers, starting with a bankruptcy declaration and going through a fierce bidding war for ownership. A group led by David Rockefeller and Goldman, Sachs & Co. eventually outbid the Walt Disney Co. and General Electric for ownership of the historic art-deco office complex.



Man arrested for barking

PORTLAND, Maine

A man who barked at a police dog inside a parked patrol car was detained and ordered to appear in court on a charge of taunting the German shepherd. Johnny Mathis, 20, said he didn't mean to cause trouble when the dog, Zedo, began barking on Saturday and he barked back. "I had finished barking. I had stopped barking, and the police still arrested me," Mathis said. Police said Mathis and a friend started the incident by teasing Zedo with their barking. After a policeman warned them that teasing the dog was illegal, Mathis continued barking, police Sgt. Steve Plympton said. "A dog is a trained animal, a police tool," said Police Chief Michael Chitwood. "God forbid somebody does anything to agitate a dog." According to Cliffwood, "A dog can go through the window. It could create a bad situation," he said. Instead of being a taunter, the guy could quickly become a victim." Mathis was taken to jail and held about an hour. He is scheduled to appear in court Dec. 29 on the misdemeanor charge.

Bobbitt cuts ties with wife

MANASSAS, Va.

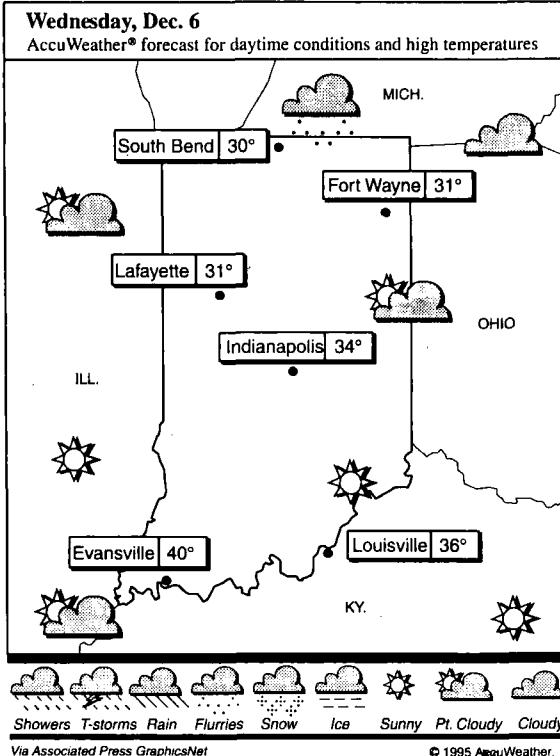
John Bobbitt severed his wedding vows with wife Lorena with a signature and a small sketch of a knife. Bobbitt finally signed a property settlement agreement with the woman who cut off his penis with a kitchen knife two years ago, his lawyer said Tuesday. Mrs. Bobbitt, who requested the divorce two years ago, signed the agreement earlier this year. Bobbitt dawdled. At one point, he attempted to regain her affections, but she refused to see him. When Bobbitt finally signed, he also sketched a small knife on the document — it "expresses his sentiments about this whole thing, I guess," lawyer Gregory Murphy said Tuesday. Mrs. Bobbitt said her husband beat her and that he raped her the night in June 1993 that she cut off his penis with a kitchen knife. Bobbitt's penis was reattached. She was acquitted by reason of insanity of malicious wounding charges. Bobbitt was acquitted of the rape charge, but he has since served jail time for beating up another woman.

Disneyland faces lawsuit

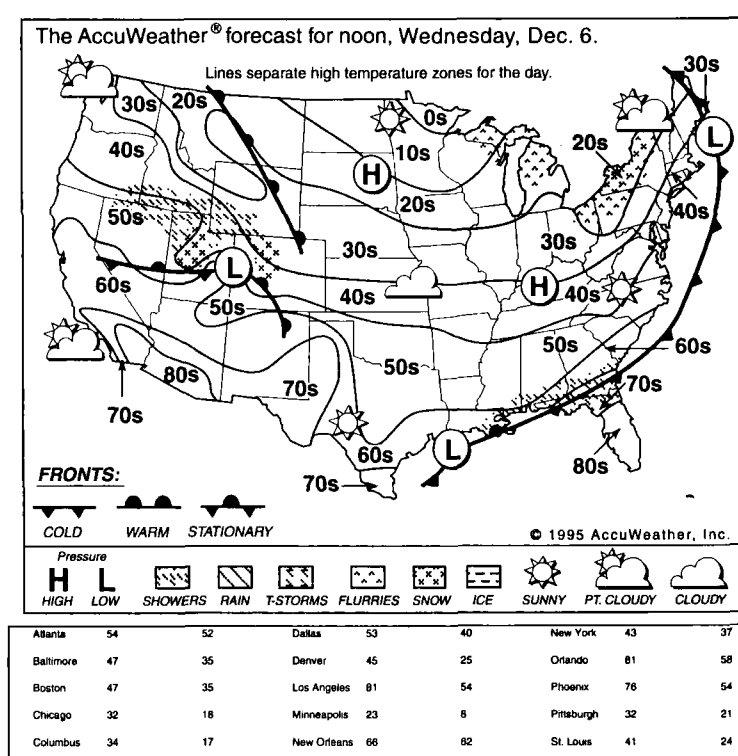
ANAHEIM, Calif.

A former Mouseketeer who was robbed in a Disneyland parking lot is suing the park, claiming her grandchildren were traumatized when they were taken to an office and allowed to see Disney characters disrobe. Billie Jean Matay, 52, was returning to the car with her daughter and three grandchildren after a day in the park Aug. 17 when a gunman robbed them, police said. The robber wasn't caught. In a lawsuit filed last week in Superior Court, Matay contends park security was lax, guards held her family against their will for questioning, and Disneyland workers exposed her grandchildren "to the reality that the Disney characters were, in fact, make-believe." Matay, who appeared on television's "Mickey Mouse Club" and was a member of the troupe that performed at Disneyland's 1955 opening, is seeking unspecified damages for negligence and emotional distress. In 1990, an Idaho couple settled out of court after contending their children were traumatized by seeing Disney characters carrying their costume heads. Disneyland officials refused to comment.

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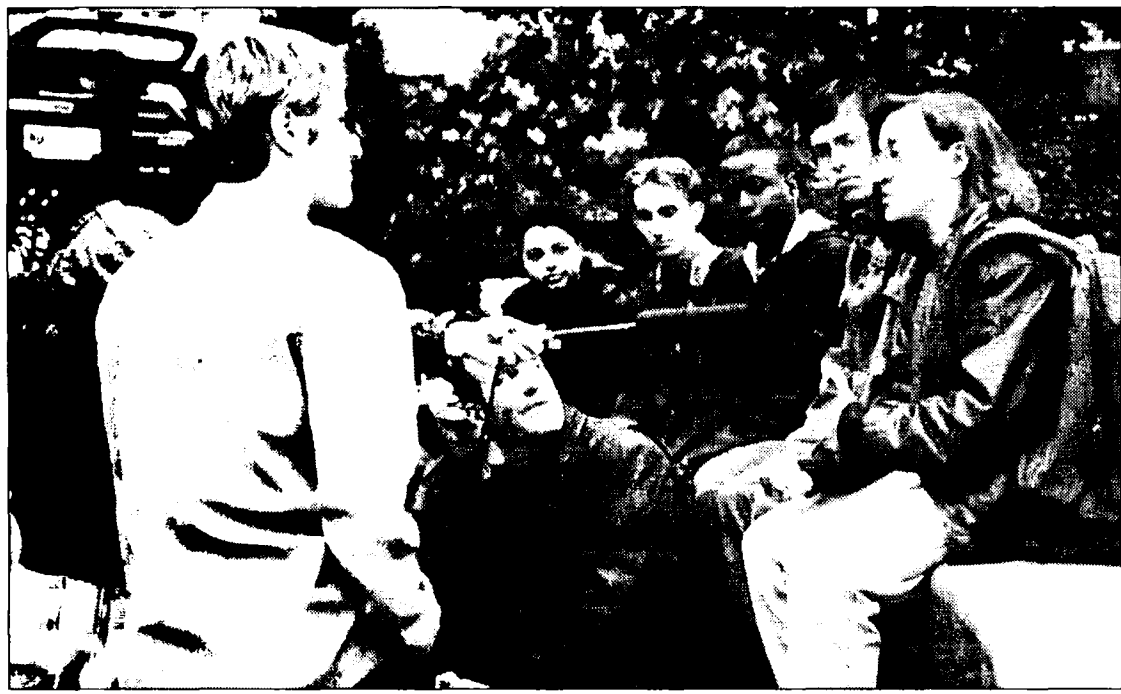


Photo courtesy of Gender Studies Program

In the Life

Host Katherine Linton talks to members of GLND/SMC on the Notre Dame campus as part of the December episode of *In the Life*, a national PBS news magazine series devoted to gay and lesbian issues and culture will feature GLND/SMC and Notre Dame in its upcoming episode exploring issues of homosexuality within Catholic institutions. A premiere screening will be held at 7 p.m. on Dec. 7 in DeBartolo.

MBAs receive award

Special to the Observer

Two graduate students in the University of Notre Dame's MBA program have been named "Campbell Scholars." Awarded two-year full tuition scholarships were Jamie Bautista of Atizapan, Mexico, and Hernan Pagano of San Isidro, Argentina.

The two winners were recognized by David Johnson, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Campbell Soup Company, and John Keane, dean of Notre Dame's College of Business Administration, in a ceremony Oct. 28 in the college's new complex.

"We see these impressive Campbell Scholars as trailblazers to winning broad corporate support for Notre Dame's MBA program. We applaud the University's initiatives to gather extensive top-company support to build upon these beginnings," Johnson said in marking the awards. "We celebrate

these students' achievements and cheer their commitment to personal growth in representing both Notre Dame and Campbell in future successes."

University President Father Edward Malloy called the program "an ideal way to lay the foundation for an educational partnership between Campbell Soup Company and Notre Dame."

"The support of students from Argentina and Mexico seems like a natural for your company and reflects as well a growing international strength of ours," Malloy said.

Keane said, "The business education curriculum at Notre Dame has, from its beginnings, placed a priority on international affairs. We were the first American university to offer a four-year course of study in foreign commerce, and we remain committed to providing our students with a comprehensive educational perspective on the global marketplace."

Number one sign atop Grace Hall falls victim to high winds yesterday

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
News Writer

Nature decided to end the postponed display of the "#1" on top of Grace Hall early on Tuesday morning.

The large, steel symbol was erected to celebrate the national championship the women's soccer team captured this weekend in Chapel Hill, N.C. Building Services planned to

leave it up through the end of the semester.

However, high speed winds battered the structure Monday night. Derek Mullen, a Flanner Hall junior, and his roommates Mike Monks, Tony Schaefer, and Jason Potampa, watched the large numeral as it, "wavered in the wind."

"Then, at approximately 1:20 a.m., the winds finally won the

battle, causing the "#1" to fall.

"We were all shocked that it could withstand the wind, then, next time we checked, it was down," Mullen said.

The numeral fell flat onto the roof of Grace and not over the side. It did, however, suffer some structural damage. This damage is being repaired and Building Services plans on having the symbol back in place on Wednesday.

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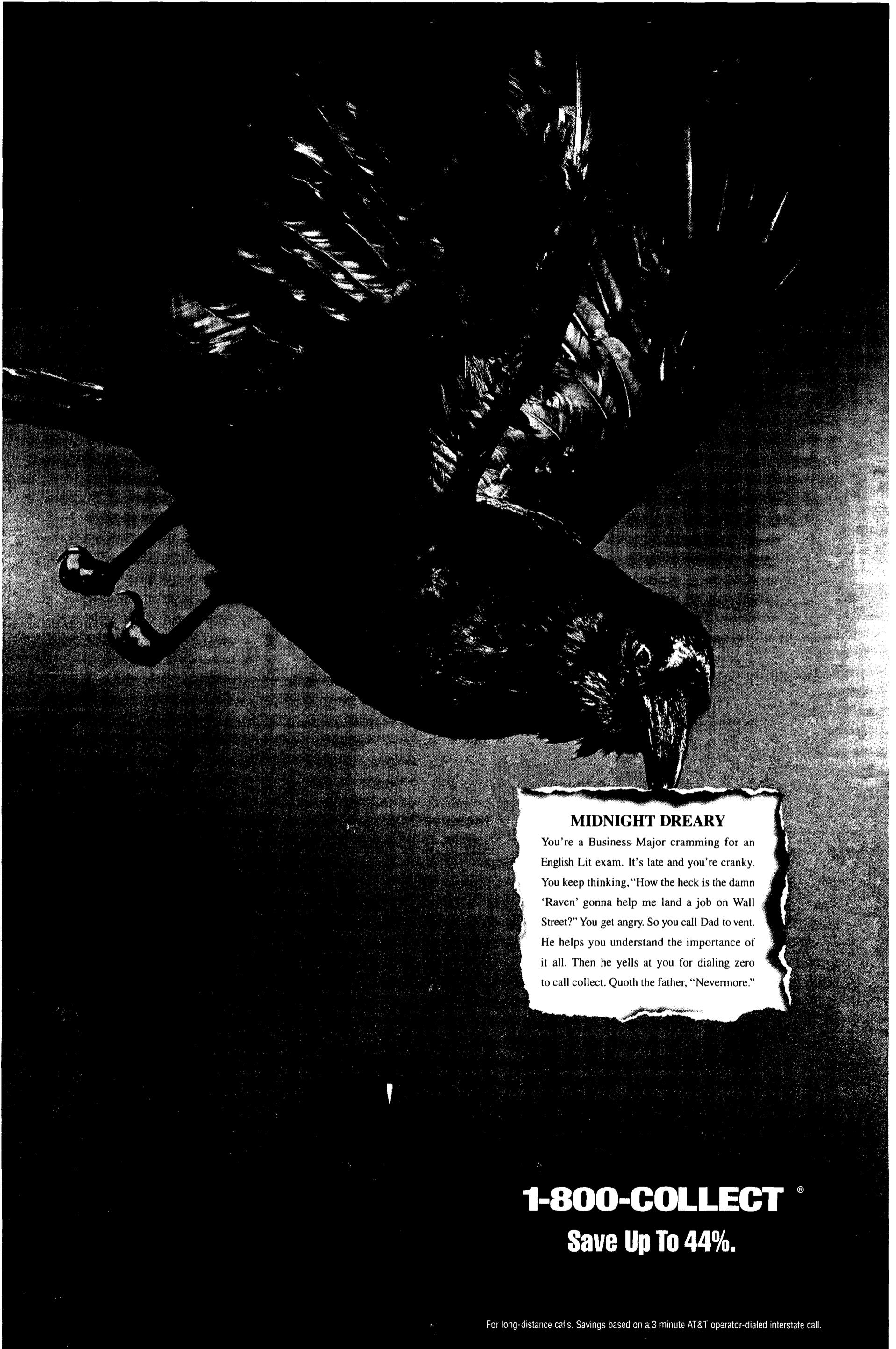
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Recyclin' Irish motivates ND

By DEREK BETCHER
News Writer

With roots in every residence hall, Recyclin' Irish works to educate and motivate Notre Dame to find solutions to environmental problems.

"Recyclin' Irish provides a means of organization for students wanting improve the environmental programs at Notre Dame. On a wider scope, as we educate people here, hopefully graduates will spread healthy environmental habits as they filter throughout the country," said Karen Cardinal, president of Recyclin' Irish.

Recyclin' Irish was formed in 1989 through student initiative. Their formation into an official campus organization strengthened the group's resolve to recycle campus-wide and more importantly signaled strong student concern in the issue to the University.

In 1991, convinced of campus interest, the administration ap-

propriated a truck and a staff worker to aid in the collection and transportation of recyclables. While the University receives a small amount of money for the materials it sells at recycling centers, their aid and cooperation were offered in purely in support of one of Recyclin' Irish's main goals of reducing landfill waste.

Recycling, as students now know it, currently exists in nearly every hall of every dormitory on campus. Ubiquitous boxes marked 'cans,' 'glass,' and 'paper' resulted from the Hall Council's recent decision to recommend that each dormitory have an environmental commissioner on its hall staff.

One of an environmental commissioner's primary duties is to serve as a representative of Recyclin' Irish. Generally, a commissioner will enlist another person from each floor of the building to aid in the collection of recyclables.

Over two tons of materials are

collected every week, which is actually a cause of concern for Cardinal.

She noted that although volunteerism, especially in individual dormitories, has increased in recent years, the two University workers are far overmatched in the sheer amounts of materials they have to collect and transport to the University's support services compound for sorting.

If the University wants to continue to recycle at the current rates (41,000 lbs. of aluminum cans, 156,000 lbs. of glass, and 226,000 lbs. of newspaper last year) more volunteers will be needed to sort materials as well.

Interested students are encouraged to call Sheila Atkinson at 631-5615 to work with the organization.

Luckily, the future of Recyclin' Irish has its bright spots as well. Officers are currently planning an activity fair for Earth Week, March 24-30.

■ HPC

Council supports CLC's request for dialogue

By BILL CONNOLLY
News Writer

The Hall Presidents' Council supported the consideration of a resolution requesting dialogue on the co-residentiality issue discussed at the Campus Life Council meeting on Monday.

The resolution will be submitted to the Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees in the Spring of 1996. The HPC heard many parties were considered for presentation of the resolution to the Board.

The draft of the preliminary resolution included a clause that "urges Patricia O'Hara, the vice president of Student Affairs, to present the option

for co-residentiality for upper-classmen in one or more of the new facilities to the Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees at their next meeting for consideration as an item of action."

However, some members of the CLC suggested that Jonathan Patrick, student body president, serving as the voice of both the student body and the CLC, present the resolution to the Board. The HPC also reviewed the CLC's suggestion of having a few CLC members accompany Patrick in his presentation of the resolution.

In other HPC news, the Council reviewed the subcommittee for advising systems at Notre Dame's research of the effectiveness of departmental advisors in the Colleges of Architecture, Engineering, Business, Arts and Letters, and Science.

Discussion on the effectiveness of advising continues next semester, with the possible planning of a professional, campus-wide or college-wide advising system. The purpose of the discussion is to discover if students are able to properly utilize the advisers available to them.

The HPC also began to plan the dance dates for next semester. On two separate weekends this semester, at least 11 dances were held. In an effort to prevent this from occurring again, the HPC plans to split up the dance dates if too many dorms request to have their dance held on the same day.

HPC hopes less halls will plan dances on the same days since the absence of football weekends will free up the amount of available dates.

Cavanaugh announced that it will hold a Multicultural Forum tonight in the Hesburgh Auditorium at 8 p.m. The panel will be comprised of nine people, including columnists from the Observer, professors, and representatives of multicultural groups.

On Saturday night in LaFortune Ballroom, different Christmas movies will be shown. The movies, including the Grinch That Stole Christmas, will last throughout the night.

WHAT DOES MULTICULTURALISM MEAN TO YOU?

"God bless Columbus and his murals!"

-Fred Kelly

"I don't hate white people. I have the right to, but I don't"

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110 percent of local market average, beginning in the next fiscal year." Currently, the secretarial and clerical staff of Notre Dame are paid at 99 percent of the local market average.

Porter emphasized that this resolution is by no means final; it is merely a starting point for further action to be taken by the Senate.

"This is an immediate response to Father Malloy, endorsing what we on the [administration] committee see as a minimal goal, a first step. More needs to be done," Porter said.

The second resolution, also presented by Porter, made two conclusions:

- that the Senate request Director of Human Resources Roger Mullins "to accede to the request of" the secretarial staff of the College of Arts and Letters, the Law School, the College of Science and the College of Engineering and

- that the Senate request Mullins "to ensure that non-faculty representatives on these committees from other colleges and other constituency groups also be chosen by election by the relevant groups themselves."

This resolution spawned from the fact that the Towers-Perrin review of Notre Dame salaries currently being conducted by Human Resources will require participation by members of the non-academic staff on various committees. Secretaries from the College of Arts and Letters, the Law School, the College of Science and the

College of Engineering have elected representatives to serve on these committees. And 60 secretaries from Arts and Letters signed a petition to Mullins "requesting to appoint its elected representatives to any 'committees appointed to study the hours, wages, and compensation needs of the employees of Notre Dame' appointed in connection with this process," according to the resolution.

A third resolution passed by the Senate was presented by Chair of the Benefits Subcommittee Mario Borelli, associate professor of mathematics.

The resolution concluded that the Senate "instruct its Chair to formally request of Mr. Mullins a written confirmation of his verbal agreement."

The Senate will go on record "as intending to continue pursuing a written guarantee of continued coverage for its retirees which guarantees the Faculty Senate as being unable to obtain from the past three years" as a result of the resolution.

Pope

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women no longer open to debate.

La Cugna does take some contention with the infallibility statement.

"The Church has always thought women could not be ordained, but the issue only came up about twenty years ago. Also, other denominations, like the Anglican Church, do ordain women. I think this could cause an ecumenical problem," she said.

Director of the Center for the Study for American Catholicism R. Scott Appleby also takes issue with the Holy Father's declaration. He claims that very few Church leaders were happy about the statement and that it makes pastoral life in the American Church difficult.

"The statement seems to deny women the status of being effective Church leaders. It seems diminish women in a ministerial capacity," he stated.

Appleby maintains that many

women who serve the Church in a pastoral capacity do not seek ordination, but many who do have already left the Church. He feels the statement could cause some undecided women to leave as well.

Assistant Provost Sr. Kathleen Cannon notes that the Vatican's statement says nothing that has not already been said, and questions as to the impetus for its issuance.

"There must be something behind the statement," Cannon said.

Cannon also says there are a number of women who possess the required training for the ministry who have not had the opportunity to hold leadership positions within the Church, and many of these women might become discouraged by the pope's declaration.

Lyons rector Sr. Kathleen Beatty is concerned with how people will read the Vatican's decree. She says the measure seems reactionary to the continued discussion of the ordination of women.

"People are called to the min-

istry regardless of gender. They can't stop people discussing the issue."

Beatty notes that debate only seems to have proliferated since the pope declared the issue closed. For instance, the Call to Action Conference, which meets annually in Chicago to challenge Church leaders to implement the documents of the Second Vatican Council, has nearly doubled in membership since last year.

Beatty says she knows of several women who have earned their Masters' in Divinity and subsequently joined the Episcopal Church in order to be ordained.

La Cugna believes that the moratorium on debate will probably not cause many women to leave the Catholic Church. She also notes that many seeking ordination have become Episcopalians, but the majority have remained with the Catholic Church. However, many see the pope as no longer credible on women's issues.

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SMC embarks on e-mail project

By LAURA SMITH
News Writer

Nineteen Saint Mary's freshmen in the Religious Studies and Philosophy tandem use e-mail to complete daily assignments and to conduct discussions outside of class this semester.

The program, started by Religious Studies Professor Joe Incandela, is the first of its kind at Saint Mary's College.

Professor Incandela chose to introduce e-mail into a freshman course because he wanted to promote a sense of community for students who are away from home for the first time. "My sense is that using e-mail helped the students get to know each other well," he said.

The tandem is a writing proficiency course. According to Incandela, this makes it a perfect course for using e-mail. "In a writing class, it is natural to have people writing each other," he said, "rather than just verbally discussing issues."

The students have e-mail

assignments one or two times each week. One student answers the assigned questions and the other students respond. They can agree or disagree with one another and debate over e-mail.

Professor Incandela reads all the responses before the following class, allowing for more productive use of class time.

"It's a fun way to do assignments," Incandela said. "It's different and enjoyable."

Professor Incandela's students agree. According to Maureen Gill, "The e-mail assignments are very beneficial. We could write questions about the readings and get responses from other students and the professors."

Another benefit of e-mail discussions is that every student can participate equally over e-mail. "In class discussions some students are quiet and others are aggressive," said Gwynn Murray-Nolan, a student in the tandem. "Everyone gets a fair share of discussion

over e-mail."

"Some students take a while to think of comments," Incandela said. "E-mail gives them a chance to think, formulate comments, and interact with other students."

According to Incandela, this semester's tandem students were guinea pigs for the program. "They are really helpful in letting me know what works and what doesn't," he said. "I've learned a lot about how to use e-mail for classes. I would like to continue to use it and improve."

With the current system available at Saint Mary's, Incandela said, he will continue to use e-mail in his freshman writing class. But he would not use it in a class of 25 or 30 people.

He hopes that down the line more software will be available that will make the use of e-mail easier in a larger class.

"This is the future of education," Incandela said. "The advantages are wonderful."

NATO endorses peace plan in war torn Bosnia

By BARRY SCHWEID
Associated Press

BRUSSELS

NATO's foreign and defense ministers, acting with "unity of purpose," endorsed a plan today to enforce peace in Bosnia with 60,000 troops engaged in a hazardous and historic mission.

In their first joint meeting in 16 years, the ministers said the plan attests to NATO's capacity to fulfill a new mission of crisis management and peacekeeping.

Russia's participation — NATO's former adversary will contribute 1,500 to 2,000 troops — was singled out as "especially significant as a concrete example of our evolving relationship."

Secretary of State Warren Christopher called the peace mission "a coalition of power and principle" and said it would help ensure another half-century of life for an alliance formed to contain a Soviet Union that no longer exists.

Having cast about since the

1991 dissolution for a reason to keep its generals and bureaucrats busy, NATO has found it in the rubble of ethnically torn Bosnia-Herzegovina. The largest deployment in NATO's history began Monday with the arrival in Sarajevo of a scattering of French, British, Belgian and U.S. troops.

"It is a dangerous mission," said Brig. Gen. Stan Cherrie, the first U.S. general to reach the dreary front-line town of Kiseljak, 13 miles northwest of the Bosnian capital.

The troops beginning to pour into Bosnia will run the risk of treacherous weather, snipers, thousands of land mines and potentially hostile militias.

But Christopher emphasized the "noble," unique and historic aspects of the mission. "Most immediately, it means that the killing in Bosnia can stop for good," he said. "It means that the children of a European country will be able to walk to school and play in the streets without having to fear a sniper's bullet or a falling mortar shell."

All the NATO allies will participate in the operation, as well as 14 other countries: Austria, the Czech republic, Estonia, Finland, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Pakistan, Poland, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Sweden and Ukraine, acting NATO secretary-general Sergio Balanzino said.

Three other countries, Bangladesh, Egypt and Malaysia, are being considered, the NATO official said at a news conference.

France gave NATO unity a boost by ending a 29-year boycott of the alliance's military wing. Foreign Minister Herve de Charette said French generals and defense ministers would participate more fully in decisionmaking meetings.

French Defense Minister Charles Millon attended the joint session of NATO foreign and defense ministers. With 10,000 French troops due for deployment in the former Yugoslav republic the sometimes erratic ally is taking on a leading role in peace enforcement.

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McGrath

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had a positive impact on the Latin American nations. The decisions of the Council can be lived out in the modern world," said McGrath.

Before the Council, McGrath feels there was little originality in the Church. "As newer currents of spirituality and pastoral action began to arise, there was generated an intense interest in social justice and, more specifically, in the poor. They were to become the immediate concern of what would subsequently be called the theology of liberation which would take on its own shape and duration in Latin America," said McGrath.

Many theologians consider Vatican II the first truly world council, because it represented every area of the world through the bishops as well as covered many "modern world" topics.

"The Council established a norm for all future councils. The poor, during and after the Council, became more and more a central, driving concern: for the Pope, for the Bishops, for the Church—in a very urgent way in Latin America. Economic and political issues would largely condition the reception and putting into effect of the Council the world over," commented McGrath.

The Council concluded after numerous discussions on peace, avoiding war, and building an international community. "The Pope laid out a bold pastoral plan for the Church of our continent. He placed urgency upon our "solemn commitment" to social

justice for all, with particular attention to the most poor and needy, especially in view of the sharp and profound contrasts existing in Latin America," said McGrath.

"There is without a doubt, thanks to the Council, an awakening in Latin America, in its Church. The social condition there is, if possible, even more desperate now than at the close of the Council: in human and economic terms, due to the hardly encouraging signs of material and social betterment, in the majority of our nations," said McGrath.

Court questions gays in military

By JEAN McNAIR
Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — The Clinton administration's "don't ask, don't tell" policy on gays in the armed forces came under a federal appeals court's scrutiny Tuesday, with some judges musing whether they should interfere with military rules.

All 13 full-time judges of the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of

Appeals heard former Lt. Paul Thomasson's appeal of his dismissal from the Navy, the first challenge of the policy to reach a federal appeals court.

Some judges questioned whether Thomasson's statement, "I am gay," to his commander should have been sufficient to end his career.

"What harm has Mr. Thomasson done to the military?" Judge K.K. Hall asked Deputy Solicitor General Ed

Kneedler, who defended the policy.

Kneedler said the military has the right to discharge an openly homosexual member to protect unit cohesion.

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Whitewater witness backs out

By PETE YOST
Associate Press

WASHINGTON

A former White House lawyer, acting at Hillary Rodham Clinton's instructions, looked into the Whitewater real estate venture as Bill Clinton was considering a run for president, he testified Tuesday.



Clinton

Appearing before the Senate Whitewater Committee, William Kennedy acknowledged examining Whitewater problems for Mrs. Clinton in 1991.

But Kennedy rebuffed Republican attempts to find out about a Nov. 5, 1993 meeting on Whitewater with the Clintons' personal attorneys. Kennedy said he is being di-

rected to remain silent about the two-hour meeting by the Clintons' lawyer, David Kendall, and the White House.

Senate Republicans sharply disputed Kennedy's position, saying a claim of attorney-client privilege is invalidated by the fact that four presidential aides attended the meeting and that a White House spokesman has commented to reporters on two narrow aspects of the meeting.

Lawyers for the White House, the Clintons and the Senate committee are discussing the matter.

The committee is investigating what use White House aides made of information which they busily gathered on the growing problem of Whitewater in the summer and early fall of 1993.

Committee lawyer Michael Chertoff said the Nov. 5, 1993 meeting could be the culmina-

tion of those information-gathering efforts.

"We want to know what use they made of the information," said Chertoff.

In questioning Kennedy, Chertoff produced a May 31, 1991 memo to Kennedy from a paralegal at the Rose Law Firm in Little Rock, Ark., where Kennedy and Mrs. Clinton were partners.

The memo stated that Whitewater real estate agent Chris Wade had taken over the troublesome loan taken out by the Clintons 12 years earlier on the Whitewater land venture in northern Arkansas.

Kennedy testified that he was asked by Mrs. Clinton "to do some...investigation" of Whitewater.

The investigation generated a two-page memo by the paralegal spelling out the financial difficulties that Wade was having in paying off the loan's \$13,000 balance.

Wade had taken over part of the Whitewater property from the Clintons and their partners, James and Susan McDougal. The loan was eventually paid off, but Kennedy says he doesn't know how.

Kennedy said he intended to impart knowledge of his private Whitewater work for Mrs. Clinton at the Nov. 5, 1993 meeting where the Clintons' new Whitewater lawyer, David Kendall, was to be briefed.

In a related matter, Kennedy received telephone calls three months earlier from a Little Rock lawyer who told him that municipal judge David Hale could make Whitewater-related allegations against President Clinton.

ABC announces new 24-hour news service

By SCOTT WILLIAMS
Associated Press

NEW YORK

ABC is joining the growing list of challengers to CNN, hoping the help of its local affiliates will give it a selling point that sets it apart from all-news ventures planned by NBC and Rupert Murdoch.

The network said Tuesday it will launch a 24-hour, all-news channel in early 1997, providing an alternative — rather than a competitor — to the pioneer in the field, CNN.

"We're going to try to take (24-hour news) to a different level," ABC News president Roone Arledge said at a news conference with Robert Iger, president of Capital Cities-ABC Inc.

Iger declined to discuss the cost of the new venture.

CNN, the pioneer in round-the-clock television news, reacted calmly.

"While we respect our colleagues at ABC, we are confident that our record of excellence, the ongoing improvements to our existing services and an exciting array of new services will enable us to compete successfully with their newly announced service," spokesman Steve Haworth said. "The competition with them in 24-hour news will only make us better."

ABC's announcement came less than a week after Murdoch, whose British Sky Broadcasting has a 24-hour news channel, said he planned

a "really objective news channel" to compete with CNN.

Turner said last week that he would squash Murdoch "like a bug."

"The difference in us and Rupert Murdoch is that we have a news organization," Arledge said. "He's got to develop a domestic news organization before he can start thinking of cable."

That advantage is shared by NBC, whose plan, announced in January, for a 24-hour, all-news channel "is still very much on track," said NBC spokeswoman Beth Comstock.

ABC already is a major cable programmer, with its ESPN, Lifetime and A&E networks, but NBC also has established significant cable ventures, including its subsidiary CNBC and America's Talking networks.

NBC News is already an international player with the NBC Super Channel, primarily on cable, in 65 million homes in 44 countries from Iceland to Saudi Arabia.


ABC's service at first will not extend to overseas markets. "We will not really explore international opportunities until the domestic service is up and running and being successful," Iger said.

Iger said ABC News' resources would be combined with those of ABC-owned Worldwide Television News, an international news syndicator, and at the same time provide strong local news through its affiliates.

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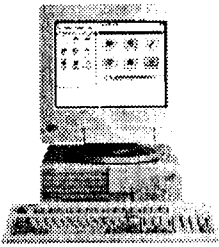
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GOP hopefuls battle over which states vote first

By JOHN KING
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
For now, the biggest fight in the race for the Republican presidential nomination isn't over the budget or Bosnia but a more parochial question that is nonetheless reshaping campaign strategy: Who goes first?

Most Republican candidates are siding with Iowa and New Hampshire, the traditional leadoff states in the nominating contest. But Texas Sen. Phil Gramm vows to campaign aggressively in the states that are mounting a challenge, gambling that he can build an early delegate lead and emerge as the top challenger to GOP front-runner Bob Dole.

The fight involves two separate calendar squabbles: Louisiana's bid to jump ahead of Iowa and hold the first presidential caucuses on Feb. 6; and Delaware's plan to ignore the traditional one-week pause after New Hampshire's Feb. 20 primary and hold its vote four days later.

In both Iowa and New Hampshire, angry state officials have demanded that the Republican presidential candidates pledge

not to campaign in Louisiana and Delaware.

All the major candidates except Gramm have signed Iowa's pledge. Most, including Dole, have also pledged not to compete for Delaware's 12 delegates.

Because of that, the Gramm campaign believes it can win all 33 delegates at stake in Louisiana and Delaware, an early cushion even if Dole wins Iowa and New Hampshire. In the Gramm campaign's view, most other candidates will already be out of money or in deep trouble by this point — the last week of February — leaving only Gramm in a position to compete with Dole in the 30 contests crowded into the next month.

"We think it is a very good calendar for Gramm," his top strategist, Charlie Black, said Tuesday.

The decision has subjected Gramm to intense criticism in Iowa and New Hampshire, where local Republicans have predicted his candidacy would be severely damaged.

"He will pay a big price if he tries to circumvent Iowa in this matter," said Iowa GOP Gov. Terry Branstad, a Dole sup-

porter. "The people of New Hampshire will vote for someone they respect," said New Hampshire Gov. Steve Merrill, also a Dole backer. "And how can they respect someone who tried to


steal something they cherish: The first-in-the-nation primary?"

Gramm was defiant, however, as he filed candidacy papers Tuesday in New Hampshire, suggesting rivals were showing

weakness by catering to Iowa and New Hampshire.

"I think somebody who gets so caught up in pandering that they can't stand up to pressure like this probably ought not to be president," Gramm said.

*Happy 21st
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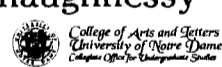
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Citadel to process women's applications

By BRUCE SMITH
Associated Press

CHARLESTON, S.C.

The Citadel is ready to start processing applications from women who want to join its all-male corps of cadets, according to a plan filed in federal court Tuesday.

The college would inform women who meet all other standards that they are eligible to enroll if the courts order women into the corps. Accepted applications would be kept on file until the legal question is resolved.

Women rejected for reasons other than their gender will be informed of those reasons, and the school will inform the Justice Department of its action on individual applications.

There are four applications from women on file at The

Citadel, college spokeswoman Judith Fluck said. One is from Nancy Mellette, who has taken Shannon Faulkner's place in the lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of the all-male corps. They have not been processed.

U.S. District Judge C. Weston Houck told the school last week to file the proposal and scheduled a hearing on it for Thursday.

The 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled the cadet corps at both The Citadel and Virginia Military Institute, the country's only two all-male, state-supported military colleges, can keep their single-sex programs if comparable leadership programs are established for women.

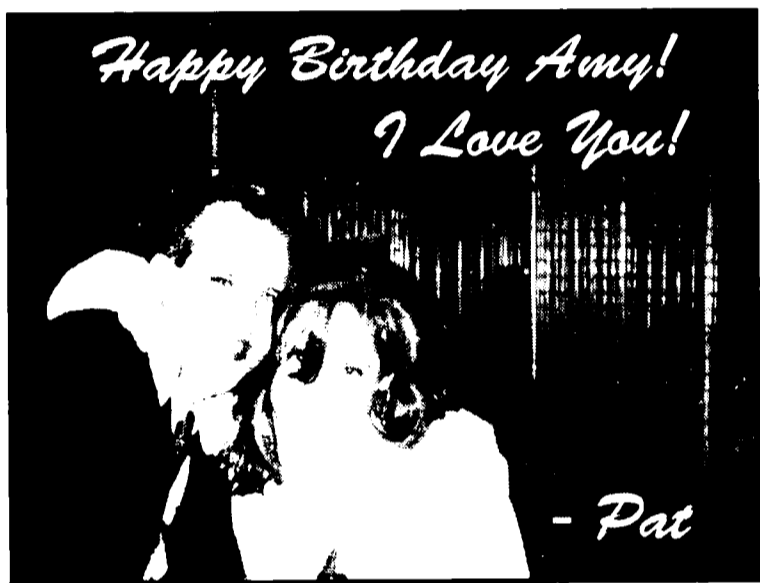
Faulkner began the battle to open up The Citadel's corps to women when she deleted references to her sex from her high school transcripts.



The Observer/Katie Kroener

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Israel ends mourning period for slain Rabin

By DAN PERRY
Associated Press

TEL AVIV
Israeli leaders said a last goodbye to the slain Yitzhak Rabin Tuesday, the same day his confessed assassin was formally charged with murdering the warrior-turned-peacekeeper.

Fighting back tears, Prime Minister Shimon Peres addressed his slain partner at a Jerusalem graveside service marking the end of the 30-day mourning period observed by Jews.

"You were murdered because you were right," Peres said. "The bullets that pierced your chest did not cut down the fruits of your labor — they only revealed them."

"The dawn of peace has broken."

As he finished his speech, Peres, who succeeded Rabin after the Nov. 4 killing, stopped and took off his glasses. Looking as if he might cry, he told Rabin's widow, Leah: "Today, almost all the people are with the Rabin family."

At Tel Aviv's district court, gunman Yigal Amir was formally charged with murder, and his brother Hagai and friend Dror Adani with conspiracy. They are to be brought to court Wednesday to hear the charges.

The three were also charged with conspiracy to attack Palestinians in the West Bank and face additional weapons charges.

The indictment said Amir, a 25-year-old devoutly religious law student, decided sometime after the September 1993 Israel-PLO peace agreement to kill Rabin to prevent its implementation. He recruited Hagai Amir and Adani to help him, it said.

The trio considered blowing up Rabin's car or firing an antitank rocket into his apartment, the charge sheet said. In the end, Yigal Amir decided to kill Rabin with his 9mm Beretta pistol.

On Jan. 22, Amir waited for Rabin at the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial in Jerusalem, but the premier canceled his appearance after Muslim militants set off a sui-

cide bomb that day. On other occasions in April and September, Amir failed to get close enough to Rabin, it said.

On Nov. 4, Amir told Hagai he would try to shoot Rabin at a peace rally in Tel Aviv, the charges said.

Hagai tried to dissuade him, arguing the heavy security at the rally would make escape difficult and suggesting they instead wait and acquire telescopic sniper rifles, the charges said.

But Yigal Amir went ahead with his plan. He loaded his Beretta with six regular bullets and six hollow-point bullets that had been given to him by Hagai, according to the indictment.

Yigal Amir left his home in the Tel Aviv suburb of Herzliya at 7:45 p.m. and took a bus to the rally. He removed his skullcap to avoid standing out among the mostly secular crowd and waited near Rabin's car.

Rabin walked off the stage at 9:45 p.m. and approached his car. As a bodyguard opened its door and Rabin was about to step in, Amir walked up and shot him twice from close range, causing fatal wounds, the charges said.

The Jerusalem ceremony capped a wrenching month of bereavement and soul-searching since the killing, in which Israelis have searched for ways to heal the rift between religious and secular Jews, and supporters and opponents of the peace process.

More than a hundred soldiers in ponchos and full battle gear stood guard by Rabin's grave at the Mount Herzl Cemetery, reflecting the tight security around officials since the assassination.

About 400 people, including family members, Cabinet ministers, opposition leaders, army officers and diplomats, attended the memorial service on a cold, wet afternoon.

Lt. Gen. Amnon Shahak, Israel's armed forces chief of staff, spoke of the "huge empty space" left by Rabin's death.

Rabin was a military man for much of his adult life, serving as armed forces chief of staff and defense minister.

France faces social changes

By CHRISTOPHER BURNS
Associated Press

PARIS
Around wood fires on the picket lines, in strikebound universities and in streets choked with commuters without public transit, France is struggling with its past and future.

It's a far cry from the student-worker rebellion of May 1968 when the issues were mostly ideological. Now, the battle is for jobs, money for higher education and to retain France's generous social benefits.

Powerful unions that have ground much of the nation to a halt for nearly two weeks are in a war of attrition with the conservative government of Premier Alain Juppe.

While they represent less than 10 percent of the work force, the unions are strong in transportation, communication and other key industries in the bloated state sector.

At stake is France's — and Europe's — effort to establish a single currency by 1999 that could help turn the European Union into an economic superpower. Paris needs to slash a \$64 billion budget deficit to meet the requirements, and a Juppe retreat would likely cause havoc in the financial markets.

"There's a moment when a great country like France can't keep putting off reform," Labor Minister Jacques Barrot told a live talk show on French television.

"France is at a crossroads. The golden age for state workers is over," added Ezra Suleiman, professor of international studies at Princeton. "A lot of people will have to give up their privileges, and I think there will be a lot of tension in the short-run."

With cameras trained on state workers in several French towns, a postal worker in

Strasbourg shot back: "They say we're privileged. But we work around the clock. We don't know what's going to happen to us, to our status, our retirement, and our future is blocked."

"What have they possibly got to complain about?" Jean-Marie Golette, a bookkeeper for a small Paris company, muttered as he rode a government-leased bus aimed at breaking the strike. "These people have got everything — decent pay and the best benefits in the world."

If the unions lose the battle, Juppe will proceed with tough reform that would make state employees work 40 years instead of 37 1/2 years before retirement and put others out of a job as state companies are downsized. In the short-run at least, it could add to the 11.5 percent unemployment rate.

The bitterness runs deep among those targeted for the belt-tightening, especially after conservative President Jacques Chirac rode to victory in May with the sign of an apple and the motto "France for all."

"Chirac promised us apples.

We got the cores," read one striker's sign.


The government argues a lower deficit will lower interest rates and stimulate the economy, a supply-side doctrine leftist unions don't buy. And the argument is moot for many middle-age workers.

Juppe also is in a struggle with students and university presidents demanding more funding and teachers for a drastically crowded educational system. Contrasting with 1968, the students are demanding jobs, not revolution.

A wild card in the standoff is whether the private sector joins in the strike, as they did in 1968. Or the two sides could reach a face-saving agreement that could slow the pace of reform.

"The government can see it through if the private sector doesn't follow," said Jean-Dominique Lafay, an economics professor at the Sorbonne. "If they follow, the government will give in."

Despite large student and union demonstrations, political observers don't believe the conflict will be settled in the streets as in the past.




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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Give pep rallies back to students

Dear Editor:

Having spent the weekend on campus for the Boston College game and reading some of the 'Letters to the Editor' which were printed in The Observer on Friday, Oct. 27, I would like to add these comments.

I agree with the other letters in that Notre Dame stadium has definitely changed in the last ten years. The crowd response during the Boston College game was better than the absolute embarrassment of the crowd response at the Northwestern game, which was the other game that I attended this year.

My focus in this letter are the pep rallies. Perhaps many other people have written to the Observer regarding the pep rallies, but I would like to add my viewpoint. I suspect that there is a club or committee made up of students who are in charge of organizing the pep rallies. I hope this letter gets forwarded to them.

The pep rallies, now, strike me as a Hollywood production more than a true pep rally. Maybe this is just where our society is going nowadays. I notice when I attend my children's sporting events at the high school, that the basketball cheerleaders go out on the floor and do routines while people in the audience talk.

When I was in high school (30 years ago), we cheered along with the cheerleaders and tried to drown out the cheers from the other school's students. I guess if the kids nowadays aren't cheering at their high school games, we can't expect them to cheer at college games or pep rallies either.

What is this nonsense with whole sections of the ACC being roped off so that 'dignitaries' can have a special place to sit? I certainly have no problem with such preferential seating and respect being given to the families of our football team members.

But I think some of the reserved seating are for people who just contribute a lot to the University. This is crazy. Can't we live without some of these dollars? Can't the 'high rollers', who come in there in the fur coats, sit up at the back like everybody else has to?

Our pep rallies were in the old field-house. It was hot, sweaty, and for an all male student body, an invigorating experience. I certainly don't expect that the student body of the 1990s would find that to be a pleasurable experience at all. What parents did attend the pep rallies, came in at the back, and were kept away from the pushing and crowding that the student body did, but I will never forget the loud din that went through the field-house when the alma mater was sung.

I suspect that half the people attending the pep rallies at ACC are not student body graduates and don't even know the words to the alma mater. When I sing it, I notice I'm the only one in two or three rows around me whose lips are moving during the singing of our alma mater.

Are students even coming to the pep rallies? I didn't know if they were mixed in with the large crowd that came in to attend the rally, or is there specific seating designated for the students? If there is, it's only seating at the very top, which happened to be left over at around 6:45, when, I believe, some of the students started to file in.

Let's turn the pep rallies back to the students. Reserve the best seating for the students. Encourage the students to come. Get the students back in there. Make the pep rally for them, not glitzy, Hollywood, rotating mirrored-ball-on-the-ceiling effect like we are running some type of a circus.

Get the students in there, and then if there is room for some alumni and other ticket holders, then fine, let them come in, but let's get the students in there.

Maybe I'm just an old graduate who can't get with the modern trends. But I think the pep rally is being turned into a media event, presented for the benefit of subway alumni and rich contributors — who do little more than politely applaud, despite the excellent work of the Leprechaun, cheerleaders, and others who try to ship this crowd into some excitement.

Thank you for listening to my views.

JONATHAN TOCKS, M.D.
Class of '69

Personal views of folk music do not justify remarks

Dear Editor:

In a community which prides itself on the depth of participation in its religious life, I find the flippant dismissal of the contributions of specific choirs here at Notre Dame expressed by Benjamin Evans in the November issue of Right Reason offensive to the utmost degree.

Not only does his article display complete disregard for musical tastes other than his own, (I personally think the music itself [the music sung by the Notre Dame Folk Choir] is of low quality, but I don't deny the reader's right to have bad taste); he also belittles the hard work of both students and paid professional musicians who spend countless hours making sure the music heard at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart is perfect in the smallest detail.

This complete lack of respect for the musicians who serve the University community is unfounded and tasteless in the most disgusting of ways.

While it is true that the foremost purpose of the Mass is meditation on and communion with Christ as present in the Eucharist, a second component of the Catholic tradition is completely missing from Evans' argument: that of worshipping as a community.

In any community, diverse tastes exist. Bonding with Jesus in the Eucharist is an intensely private event; different people go about it different ways. Modern Folk music is in no way less effective in helping a diverse community achieve this goal than the motets of Mozart or the smooth, flowing notes of Palestrina or Scarlatti.

As a member of the Liturgical Choir (whose talented cantors Evans also manages to insult in the article), I admittedly find that this type of music puts me in touch with the Eucharist more thoroughly than that of Haggart and Haugen, but this distinction is an entirely personal one.

Millions of people have discovered Christ through this music which Evans so adamantly rejects. This fact alone legitimizes its use in the modern Mass.

Beyond theological arguments, however, a more personal issue is at heart. Evans' derogatory branding of an entire group's genre of music is highly offensive to those who work so hard to prepare an inspirational Liturgy each week.

I can guarantee that the directors of all Basilica choirs are infinitely more educated in the appropriateness of particular pieces to particular liturgies than is Evans. The texts of the hymns and choir pieces sung in the Basilica are carefully chosen to reflect the theological message of the day.

Such dedication, hard work, and attention to detail in liturgical planning is exceedingly rare in any community of faith anywhere; it should be praised, not derided. Evans' display of contempt of the efforts of campus musicians is appalling to say the least.

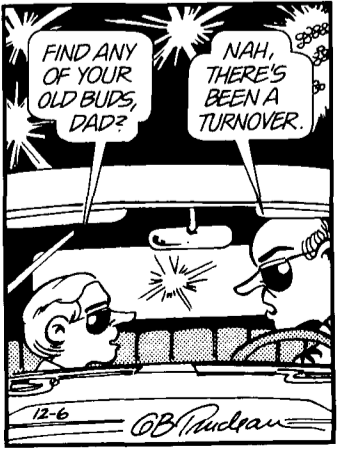
Perhaps instead of criticizing the work of others, the author could join one of the many groups who perform more of the more traditional music he so enjoys. Until then he would do well to keep his derisive comments to himself.

Regardless of Evans' personal views of Folk music the shots taken at the Notre Dame Folk Choir in the article ("... a band of holy rollers which makes noise with everything but the kitchen sink.") were both cheap and uncalled for. It is my belief that an immediate and sincere apology to the students in the Folk Choir and its director is sorely needed.

ROBERT DORTON

GARRY TRUDEAU

QUOTE OF THE DAY



"All or nothing."

—Henrik Ibsen

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Defending Notre Dame's conservatism

Dear Editor:

I am a Senior and I have values that are generally considered to be conservative. I guess the thing that bothers me the most about people in general is they do not use common sense. In last week's edition of Scholastic, I was a little disgusted with not only the writer but the whole Scholastic staff.

In my opinion there is certain duty to responsible journalism. That is you do not publish something unless it is substantiated by fact and you most definitely do not publish something with the sole purpose of inflaming hatred.

Scholastic did not help the Notre Dame community one bit by publishing McMahon's article "Liberalizing Notre Dame" instead, Scholastic helped to breed animosity in our community.

McMahon in his divine and all-knowing wisdom has determined that to be conservative is simply wrong because conservatism is "based upon the principles of exclusion and greed."

Well, I would first like to point out to McMahon that values are each individual's beliefs and although society may say some are right it does not necessarily mean that society is right. In the same context just because some people say the values of society are wrong does not necessarily make them wrong.

The point is values are those of individuals and although society uses these values as a way to govern the whole there is no proof of who is truly right or wrong in some issues.

The second point I would like to make to McMahon is that if you stereotype conservatism as based on "greed and exclusion", how would you then define liberalism? Would it be murderous and sexually promiscuous?

My point here is that liberalism is not based on murder and sexual promiscuity, just as it is ridiculous to believe that conservatism is based on exclusion and greed like McMahon claims that it is. Instead, conservatism is based on values just as liberalism is based on values.

I know many people who are conservative and they help the poor, they offer their time to worthy causes and they tend to stick to morals of years gone by. The people I know tend to be religious and they do not judge someone by their physical traits. Instead people are judged for their values and their own personality.

McMahon, because I am white, conservative and my parents are paying a good portion of my tuition, does this make me "greedy". No! It does not and I am appalled that you would generalize people in this manner and that Scholastic would print such garbage.

My parents have mortgaged their home for me to go to Notre Dame. They are conservative too and my dad just happens to be a Notre Dame grad. Does this make them greedy? Do you honestly believe that Conservatism is based on greed and exclusion.

To start with, conservatives tend to think abortion is wrong which I will touch on in a moment. I tend to live my life as my parents have shown me. That is by treating others fairly and at the same time not compromising your own values.

McMahon, you claim to be "open minded and compassionate" and that is what you say is at the heart of liberalism. McMahon to use your own stereotyping, liberalism tends to support abortion on the whole.

In High School as part of a Sex Education class required of all students, I was presented with many top-

ics on abortion. Is compassion killing a baby before it is born? Have you, sir, ever watched a video of a baby trying to move away from the abortion tools?

Have you ever seen the results of an abortion or even read about them or do you simply live in bliss saying that it is a woman's decision? Abortion is not compassion, it is the torturing and murdering of an innocent life and most, not all, conservatives would agree with me.

I do not like abortion and I do not support it. However, I am not a woman and I recognize that there are times when the mother's life is truly endangered and this type of act is needed.

I am therefore willing to concede in this type of a case that maybe an abortion is justified but I am still not 100 percent convinced.

You claim that this campus is not open-minded because we do not embrace homosexuality. Well, I believe that being gay is wrong. I feel that God intended certain things and being gay is not one of them.

I might be wrong but it is what I believe and it is what my religion believes. This does not mean that I am going to go out and hunt down all the gays on the Notre Dame campus and harass them.

Last year when GLND/SMC had their rallies from what I read there were maybe 100 or 200 people at those rallies. However, for the sake of argument let's say that there were a 1,000. Now, Notre Dame is roughly 10,000 strong in terms of Students and Faculty. This means that only 10 percent of the campus was at that rally at most.

To me this says that the majority of the remaining 90 percent of this community did not care or they supported the University in this matter. Thus McMahon is wrong when he says, "The administration has remained completely deaf to pressing student concerns."

On the contrary the University has made many steps to listen to the concerns of students in this matter with the different committees. What McMahon and other people on this campus fail to realize is that there are certain values that this University supports.

Although you may not agree with these values, you should at least respect them. So this University does not support GLND/SMC because that would be compromising its values.

It is not as if the University is actively running an investigation on every student to find out if they are gay and then proceeds to kick them out. I think the University is one of tolerance not of persecution like McMahon would like us to believe.

I have not once heard the University come out and say that gays are not "human beings". That remark, Mr. McMahon, is completely and utterly ridiculous and I have yet to comprehend why you would say this and why the Scholastic would print it.

McMahon's open-mindedness is truly seen towards the end of his paper. He wants the University to recognize GLND/SMC. He wants the University to give out more scholarships to students. But in the same breath he condemns the murals in the dome.

He condemns that school for running its own business and property. He condemns the University for the CSC building being smaller than the Business School's. He also condemns the ROTC program. Your open-mindedness is overwhelming!

Actually, I am not impressed, McMahon by you, your article or by Scholastic. I find your arguments lacking

in substance. To start with the military has a very important role in the world whether you believe it or not.

Many citizens of our country have died defending it and defending democracy through out the world. Granted politicians make mistakes about how to use the military at times but mistakes will occur. It does not mean something is completely evil.

The military is also one of the greatest sources of leadership our country has. The military teaches people to be leaders, how to make good moral decisions, etc. etc.

I am not one to say everything is completely wonderful here at Notre Dame and with the administration. In fact my biggest complaint is with how the University handles its alcohol policy.

I hear complaints about organizations not being funded. Pure and simple, a University cannot support every student organization. I am appalled at how both you and the Scholastic in representing our University are trying to breed animosity.

You categorized people racially with your comment "well-to-do white folks". You, sir, are doing exactly what you are preaching against.

Do not get me wrong either, this is my fourth year at Notre Dame and I have met some really wonderful people. Not green, purple or orange people but people plain and simple people.

I know there are problems in the world but I also see that Notre Dame graduates of every race, religion, etc. are willing to put out a hand to help where ever and whenever possible. Notre Dame graduates especially look out for one another.

How many other colleges can say they have the family atmosphere that we have at Notre Dame? I have watched perhaps one of the greatest outpourings of love with the Ara Parseghian Foundation.

This foundation is helping thousands of children who are afflicted with Niemann Pick disease and I have seen the flood of love and hope that has been given to this organization. One of my good friends, who happened to be my RA freshman year has been down in Chile helping out at an orphanage for the past couple of years.

These are just a few of the many things I have seen and these are not acts of greed but acts of love.

The Notre Dame community is based on values and tradition. We are not a bunch of closed-minded and greedy people like Mr. McMahon implies us to be.

This University's role is much like our parents' role in teaching us morals and values. My parents have taught me that whenever you want to change something be sure to have the facts straight and in doing so be sure you know what you're talking about.

I will be the first to admit that there are some changes needed at Notre Dame, however, making wild accusations and condemnations does not help one bit.

As a Community, we must not allow people like McMahon and an organization like Scholastic to influence us without giving the facts to back them up.

Clearly there are some problems on this campus but you do not solve them by breeding animosity. If we allow that to happen we are no better than the people who acted upon the animosity Adolf Hitler created toward the Jewish people.

VINCENT MELODY
Grace Hall

America's vanishing melting pot

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to Andrea Jordan's Inside Column from Nov. 20.

The structure of American society has made a one-hundred and eighty degree turn. Decades ago, Americans worked to come together People assimilated with the general population and put their differences aside in order to fit in. America was a melting pot because the nation's various colors merged to form one combination, like different paints running together to form a dull gray. Unfortunately, the best part of each individual was lost in the process.

But in recent years, instead of being a nation that is bound by a common dedication to democracy, we are a nation that is fractionalized, segregated by the very aspects that make us diverse. Gone is the melting pot; in its place stands a bucket of marbles each individual a small, cold sphere that contains only its own colors that cannot be mixed with another's. Americans realized that an important part of their lives was missing. And with due reason; ethnicity is one of the factors that makes a person an individual as well as part of another group.

However, it is not the only component that identifies a person. People have more things in common than they have differences.

Although Andrea Jordan is African-American and I am Caucasian, we are both female Americans both students at the University of Notre Dame. I am assuming we both go to football games, and it is a safe bet that we both believe in God. And I know for sure that we both have strong opinions and a desire to express them. It is this common ground that is important, not our different skin

colors.

I choose to focus on the future, not on the past. Yes, the United States has an ugly past; it is true that white Americans killed Native Americans and enslaved Africans and African-Americans. This is not a trite detail, and it is important to move on and to realize that one is responsible for one's own life now. To focus too much on past injustices is to encourage separatism.

It is important to recall one's past with pride; but, it is more important to look forward to a unified future where success can be obtained. After all, we are moving ahead, not backwards.

Neither the melting pot nor the bucket of marbles worked. It is clear that a separatist society only heightens the tensions between rich and poor, black and white, majority and minority. According to Colin Powell, "Success isn't acting white, it's acting American."

A person gets his or her identity from a unique past that should be cherished and remembered, as both Andrea and I remember and cherish our own pasts; but that past should be used to enrich society as a whole, not to segregate it. If we hope to maintain our society, we must merge to form a mosaic. The mosaic is a work of art as a whole, but individual pieces maintain their identity.

In order for our society to succeed, all factions must come together to form a central group that is dedicated to life, liberty, and equality, and at the same time maintain ethnic and religious identities in the family and community.

STACEY MCNULTY
Sophomore
Farley Hall

The Notre Dame Game

It's autumn time, and all around
the leaves are falling down to the ground.
The ball is snapped, the receivers run,
it's cold outside and we're having fun!

Run receivers, go so fast,
don't stop now—we're having a blast!
After the game has reached its end,
we'll go home and we'll leave South Bend.

I'll always remember this wonderful day,
the Irish have won and we shout "hurray!"
So as I join the Irish cheer,
this is the highlight of my year!

DYLAN SNYDER

(This poem was written by Dylan Snyder, age 11, after the Notre Dame vs. Navy game on Parents Weekend. Dylan is from Temple, Texas, and was on campus visiting his sister, Samantha, who is a freshman in Howard.)

Blood Money

In a quest for cash, Saint Mary's Accent Editor Angie Kelter paid a visit to South Bend's friendly plasma donation center and learned that "blood money" is definitely not "easy money."

By ANGIE KELVER
Saint Mary's Accent Editor

Exactly how far would you go for money? This could be a catchy new advertising slogan for the American Biomedical Center where plasma donations are performed for monetary gain. After visiting the center I considered suggesting this new slogan to them. But, I refrained. Somehow I don't think they would have found it funny.

When I decided to experience plasma donation firsthand, I thought it would be an interesting investigative piece for *The Observer*, not to mention the fact that I was going to be paid \$20 for my plasma. At one low point or another, every student has wailed, "I am so broke that I am just going to have to donate plasma!" But I have only known a few to actually go through with it. Since I consider myself a relatively brave person, I figured I could handle it. I laugh in the face of danger. What's a little pain? A needle? No sweat. Oh, silly, silly girl.

I don't remember the exact moment when I began to realize that I was in over my head. It could have been when the nurse called me and asked me to check for any track marks. (I.V. drug users are not welcome at the American Biomedical Center.) But, I think I became a little apprehensive when I started to fill out the "new donor" questionnaire. By the way, if you are shy, think twice about this experience. They were asking some pretty personal questions regarding sexual experiences, body tattoos and drug history, all of which are necessary but embarrassing.

After I winced my way through the questionnaire, the nurse poked my finger to check my blood type and my protein level which, by the way, was very good. (I do so enjoy my red meat.) I was also weighed and given a Dixie cup for my urine test. After that ordeal was completed, I sat down to wait for my physical. It was at this juncture in my visit that I got a chance to check out the waiting room. The center was a pleasant place with several live potted plants scattered around. These reaffirmations of life calmed me slightly. The Mission Statement was displayed on the wall: "American Biomedical is dedicated to the production and delivery of the highest quality and most effective biological products while maintaining the most stringent medical standards to insure donor safety and customer satisfaction." Now that was all very nice, but it didn't mention anything about sparing the donor from pain and suffering. This omission had me slightly worried.

The nurse called my name and I was ushered into a tiny examining room for my physical. I was poked, prodded, and inspected. After signing some more forms, I talked with the nurse for awhile and this is when I learned the logistics of the actual procedure. At this point I realized whomever it was that said "Ignorance is bliss" is one smart cookie.

Plasmapheresis is defined as a procedure by which plasma, or the liquid portion of your blood is separated from the cellular elements of the blood, i.e. the red cells, white cells, and the platelets. After the separation occurs, they infuse your blood, minus the plasma, back into your veins. Upon hearing all of this, I realized that every experience I have had up until this point did not prepare me. Dissecting the fetal pig and watching *Silence of the Lambs* than once proved to be close.

The center is completely committed to donor and recipient safety. All of the equipment that comes into contact with the donor is disposable; one use only. After the plasma is donated, it is tested for AIDS, hepatitis and drug use. This occurs at every donation so frequent donors get tested every time they come in. Which, by the way, can be pretty often. Plasma is reproduced every two days, so donation is allowed twice a week. So if you are looking for a relatively steady source of income, the American Biomedical Center is the place to be.

I suppose this would be the appropriate time to get into the cold, hard cash aspect of this whole process. You get ten dollars for your first donation in a calendar week. If you eat a lot of Wheaties and are going to complete it a second time during that same week, you receive fifteen bucks. There are also many bonuses and incentive programs. I was allotted an extra five dollars for being a new customer. Plus, if you recruit a new victim I mean, donor, you can get an extra ten bucks. Upon hearing this, I felt almost as if I had just been recruited to sell Amway products.

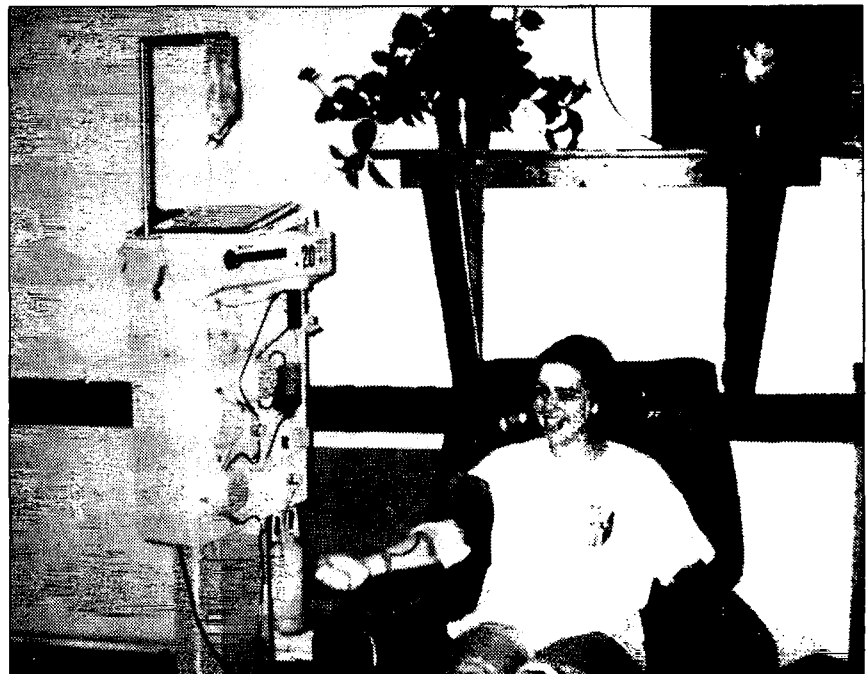
When I was finally ushered into the donation room, I was very surprised. I don't know what I expected, but the place vaguely resembled a beauty salon. I was seated in a black Laz-E-Boy armchair that had a good view of one of the televisions set up for the donors' viewing pleasure. A lab technician was walking around serving fruit punch Gatorade from a silver tray. If it hadn't been for the evil looking machinery beside me, I could have kicked back my Laz-E-Boy, drank some Gatorade and enjoyed *Mrs. Doubtfire*, the movie selection now showing. But, there is no rest for the weary and a very nice man came over momentarily to hook me up to the machine. He told me I had nice veins. I suppose as far as compliments go I should take what I can get. A rather large, evil-looking needle was inserted into my arm and I am not going to lie to you. It hurt. I could have cried but I was surrounded by jaded donors who were watching *Mrs. Doubtfire* very nonchalantly. It was a little difficult to be cool when watching my very lifeblood being sucked out of my veins and whirred through this big machine, but I was determined to try.

Near the end of the 35 minute period I was attached to the machine, I relaxed a little. I even chatted with some of the other donors, and they were all quite friendly. When I was unhooked, my new friends showed some concern. They advised me not to stand up right away because I could faint. At this point I became indignant. They were treating me like some silly college girl who was writing an article for her newspaper or something. Couldn't they see that I was one of them? I had the puncture wound to prove it. So, I stood up with spunk and promptly fell right back into my chair. My knees buckled, and I felt similar to as if I had been run over by a really big truck. I laid there for a moment while they all shared a condescending laugh. Then, I collected my money, went home and slept for three hours straight.

There is no doubt this experience taught me a lot. I learned about the whole plasmapheresis process and I did my part to help a good cause. My plasma goes to aid hemophiliacs, heart surgery patients and burn victims. Despite the warm glow it gave me during this holiday season, I don't think I will be returning to the plasma donation center any time soon. This just was not an easy way to make twenty bucks.



The plasma donation area of the American Biomedical Center has over 25 plasma donation stations like those pictured above. The plasma is frozen after removal and then stored until it is shipped.



Angie was hooked up to her machine for 35 minutes. The result? 690 milliliters of plasma. She sipped Gatorade and watched "Mrs. Doubtfire" to pass the time.



Angie proudly displays her battlescar and her \$20. It took two days for the needle puncture to heal and less than a day for her to spend the \$20.

The Observer/ Angie Kelter

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Phillips on probation yet still available for Fiesta Bowl

By DAVE ZELIO

Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. Nebraska running back Lawrence Phillips was sentenced to one year of probation Tuesday, 11 weeks after he beat a former girlfriend and was suspended from the team. He will be available for the Fiesta Bowl.

Phillips also was ordered by Lancaster County Judge Jack Lindner to attend a domestic violence prevention class and pay \$359 in restitution.

He still is barred from contact with Nebraska basketball player Kate McEwen, whom he attacked Sept. 10.

Phillips, accompanied by attorney Hal Anderson, de-

clined to comment after the sentencing and later at the school's athletic offices.

"I don't know what's fair and what's not fair," coach Tom Osborne said of the sentence. "I know that he'll comply and I feel very good about what Lawrence has done at this point. He's done what he's been

asked to do ... whatever the court says, that's what he'll do."

Police said Phillips broke into the apartment of transfer quarterback Scott Frost and attacked McEwen with his hands. Frost and another man managed to get Phillips away from McEwen after she had been dragged down a flight of

stairs. The incident destroyed the Heisman Trophy hopes of Phillips, who ran for 359 yards and seven touchdowns in Nebraska's first two games. Osborne dismissed Phillips from the team the day of the assault, but later called it an indefinite suspension. Phillips rejoined the team Oct. 24.

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LOST & FOUND

JACKET LOST forest green winter jacket with hood (Eddie Bauer); last seen: Club 23 on Wed. Nov. 29; please call: Nancy 273-6508

Brownish backpack misplaced at SDH Friday morning. Any info. call x3835. No questions asked.

If you wore a DARK TURQUOISE DOUBLE-BREADED jacket to the Keenan/Lewis dance on Friday, you may have grabbed the wrong one after the dance—mine. Please check your jacket if it is this type, or tell your friends to check if they wore this type of jacket. I would be more than glad to make an exchange. Just call x1765 and ask for OPIE.

LOST: silver earring with black stone & French hook in SDH. Please call Kristin at X3534.

LOST: 1 knit glove, light blue with pink stripes. call Kristin at X3534.

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Two genial guys looking for rides home to Eastern Mass. over Christmas break. Will split gas/tolls/etc. If you can only take one of us home, that's fine too. Please call Tom x1173 or Marty x3419 as soon as possible.

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Posse out...

Amy Weiher-Happy Anniversary & Happy Birthday. I Love You! Love Always, Pat

Hey my fellow 3-M'ers! Good luck with Hell week and have a great Christmas. Is that ALL? NO! I'll see ya soon for some fun in the sun. OB — here we come! Love you guys. spazz girl

mcgrath...whipped cream and pistachio nuts? spam and sugar-free jello? canned beets and pineapple chunks? NO SNYDER'S PRETZELS, THAT'S FOR SURE! (a little deprivation never hurt anyone) i say we just go out and get as much head cheese and olive loaf as possible. actually, lucas and tyler will probably wolf it all down. library circle at 5:20? bring your meijer's circular...nannery

To My Accent Staff: You guys rock, in case I've forgotten to mention it. Ash and Ang, what will I do without you? Try telepathy, because I've gotta get your ideas somehow. I will miss you both. And Joey, boy, you are an Accent force to reckon with. You do me proud. Forgive me for getting sentimental, but I love all of you. You've made this semester so awesome. Merry Christmas and remember, my place on Jan 2. Love, krista

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Penthouse: Happy Christmas, merry finals! Thanks for everything! Love, The Bubble Witches from the Drake

K.B.: Oh what a semester we have had! But your departure soon makes me so sad! The hardest core-that has been us.

We've helped the others get on the bus. T.C. recliners will never be the same.

What's that cartoon character? I forget his name. Milk shots, the Slapper, drinking in the rain.

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The Brownson Burning was such a treat. "This is how we do it!" kept us on our feet.

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Hey! Happy Holidays, Wendy, Brenda, Kelly, Esther, Stacy, Katie, Patty, Sarah, Reb, Bridget, Rose, Erin, Kristin, Angie, Megan, the Observer Staff, and especially to the miss (and women) of 2-C. I'll miss you guys! Ethan

"What do you think about the execution of the Chicago Bear's Defense?" —"I'm all for it..."

The bitterness has set in...

KEVV- We're going to make it so hang in there! Just click your heels three times..... -M

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Lorie, "What do Demi Moore and Cindy Crawford have that I don't have? "Bruce Willis and George Clooney, apparently." -Erin

Merry Xmas GAMBLERS you know you rock the house here's to our last semester.. i look forward to your couch —casi jones

HEY T-REX, Don't worry about JACKO. We'll take goooooood care of him while your in the former USSR. HA HA HA

alex & joe-we will miss you love-julie,bridget,ms,katie,&ms. mcguire!!

The Observer News Depratment wishes its soon to be departed comrades the best of luck over seas Ethan Hayward, Amy Schmidt and Tom Moran we'll miss you!!!! Bring us back some cool stuff.

Hey Sherman— We all know what department really drives this paper.. At least we don't wait for the Chicago Tribune to publish before we write something. Two words: Copy Editing! Peace out And Dante sucks too.

To that stellar group of people known as the NEWS STAFF (yes even you Amy) — you guys are the BEST thanks for an incredible semester and helping to return news to its rightful place and the head of this paper. Merry Christmas and remember Nannery's on Jan. 2!!!

The Benevolent Despot, Dave

Kiddo, Well, this is it! Hope you have enjoyed these notes. I am off to bluer pastuers, as it were. Somewhere around the Santa Barbara region. Make sure you say hello to John and get me one of those terri-cloth robes. I miss you lots and will indeed catch a Red Sox game with you this year. - An Illinois Farmer

I bring you toast I've spread my dreams beneath your feet, tread softly for you tread on my dreams. -WBV

They are all normal arkies with diabolical plans to take over the world.

The Common Comorant or Shag Lays its eggs in a paper bag. The reason you will see no doubt it is to keep the lightning out. But what these unobservant birds Have never realized is that herds of wandering bears may come with buns And steal the bags to hold crumbs.

And continue to pluck From time and times to come The silver apples of the moon And the gold apples of the sun. -WBV

The devil lives in my oatmeal.

Clean up your mess!!!

And the last of the Class of '95 is going, going, GONE!!!!!!!

I love the friends I have gathered in this raft. We have constructed pyramids in honor of our passing.

Kelly, My dear old friend did you know I am going to be a second LV in the AF soon and that I have never grown anything other then weeds. I miss California. I bet you do too, seeing as how you are in Boston and have only been here once. - David

Jenny- Here is your stupid thing David

Its as easy as 1-2-3! He may be a dork, but I think he is a sharp dresser!

Margee- On behalf of The Observer staff, I would like to say that you will be greatly missed...Too bad you no wrote me a goodbye message!! I will hve to write myself one...GOODBYE AMY!!! --Your London roomie

HAPPY BIRTHDAY NOONAN!!! Love, Gwen, Heather, and Beth and the entire Observer Staff.

Plum, Thanks for the opening. It was a great way to turn over the year. -M.D.

Lizzy, Hi. From your "no-so-secret" admirer.

Lizzy, for more roses call x4208. (Shhhh!!!).

Aimee, you have a silly hat.

MMM...peppermint schnapp's. Oh wait no!

57 days until Punxsutawney Phil. One of the originals won't be there, but only in spirit. I'll just have to make sure and celebrate Chinese New Year's early enough to capitalize this year!

Wine, women, and cheese...one of these is not like the other. One of these just isn't invited.

Hey Rule, save next time if you're going to use all of Lance's cream.

I'm I don't have to pay for these classifieds.

Jen Lance-Sandy Coleman from North Carolina says hi.

Lauren- You're so cute! I can't wait for Easter weekend to meet fat uncle and not go to church....

■ HOCKEY

Irish mounting new momentum

By MIKE DAY
Sports Writer

They couldn't ask for a better Christmas gift.

With just one game remaining before a three week hibernation, the Notre Dame hockey team would love to start the holidays with a fifth CCHA victory under their belts. And with 5-9-1 Ferris State heading to the Joyce Center on Saturday night, the odds of that couldn't be any better.

"We are definitely playing loose and with a lot of confidence right now," said Notre Dame goaltender Matt Eisler. "When we go out and play like we know we're going to win, then we are pretty tough to beat."

With a 4-7 conference record, the Irish are playing their best hockey of the season. After de-

feating the Bulldogs 4-3 last Friday at Ewingleben Ice Arena, it appears that unless FSU has Santa Claus in their back pocket this time around, Notre Dame will begin the winter break in sole possession of sixth place in the CCHA.

The Bulldogs have lost seven of their last nine games entering the weekend. However, little blame can be placed on an FSU defense that has given up just 3.13 goals per game so far this season. Goaltender Jeff Blashill is among the top goal-tenders in the conference with a 3.44 GAA.

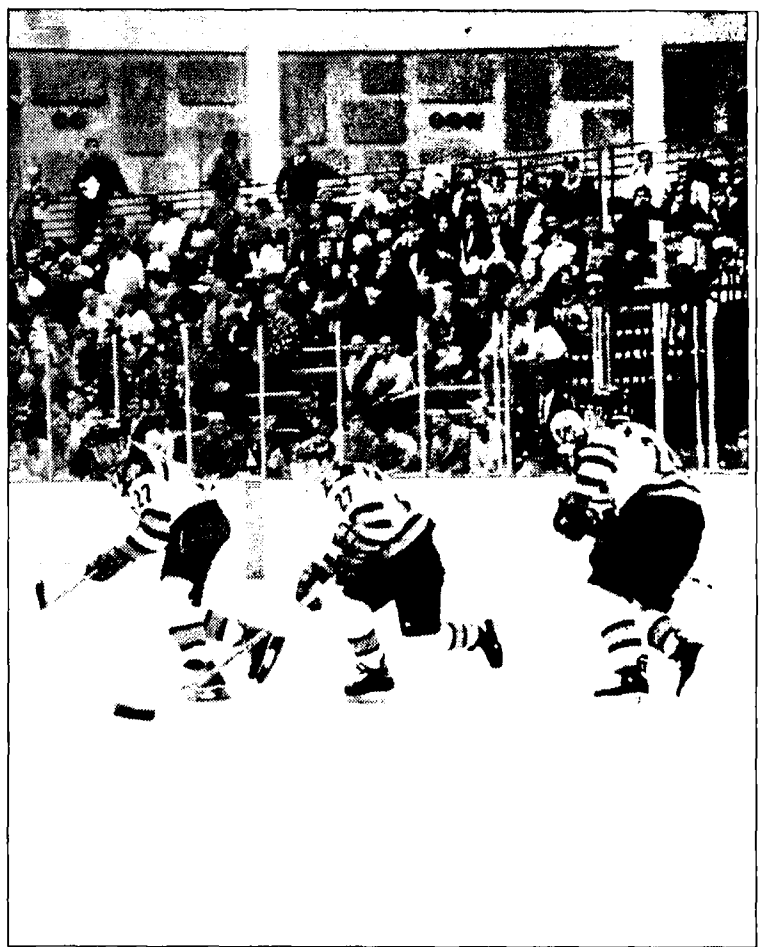
Although they were once considered to be the weak link on a mediocre team, Notre Dame's improved offensive unit should pose serious problems for Blashill. Freshmen forwards Brian Urick and Aniket

Dhadphale have compiled 10 points apiece in just the first 11 games of their collegiate careers.

"They have done a great job for us from day one," said Irish head coach Dave Poulin. "They played strong at the beginning of the season when the rest of the guys were struggling, and they've kept it up as the year as progressed."

As well as the Irish freshmen have played, the senior group is the main reason for Notre Dame's sudden surge in the CCHA. Senior captain Brett Bruininks has scored in each of his last five games, and senior forwards Jamie Ling (10 points) and Jay Matushak (five) have also contributed to the team's improved play.

"We knew that we had to step up and not let the freshmen carry the load all season," said Bruininks. "It was just a matter of time before we got comfortable with the new system and started to produce the results that we knew we were capable of."



The Observer/Brent Tadsen
Steve Noble (22), Ben Nelsen (27), and Brett Bruininks will lead Notre Dame against Ferris State this weekend.

The Bulldog offense has struggled for much of the season, averaging just 3.45 goals per contest. Forwards Derek Crimin (14 points) and Scott Bell (11) along with defenseman Andy Roach (13) have played well, but the rest of the

unit will have to elevate their games to beat the Irish.

"The defense started to pick it up again over the last few weeks," said junior defenseman Ben Nelsen. "It took us a while

to get going at the beginning of the year, but we are starting to understand the new system and the results are getting better." Just in time for Christmas.

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■ NBA

Despite Rodman's injury, Bulls do not miss a beat

By MIKE NADEL
Associated Press

DEERFIELD, Ill.

Dennis Rodman was supposed to bring toughness and rebounding to the Chicago Bulls. He hasn't, but it hasn't mattered.

Even without the injured Rodman and even with the team not playing particularly well during a seven-game road

trip, the Bulls have put together the NBA's best record, 13-2.

The catalyst has been — who else? — Michael Jordan.

"There are some nights when my offensive output has really given the team a lift," Jordan said Tuesday, the day before the Bulls' first home game in almost three weeks. "But that's the purpose of a team, isn't it? On days when some people don't produce, others have to

step up. I would not say I was winning those games by myself."

There's stepping up and then there's stepping up.

Jordan, well on the way to his eighth NBA scoring title, averaged 33 points during the 6-1 road swing. The trip's highlight was at Vancouver against the expansion Grizzlies, when Jordan scored 19 points in the final 6 minutes to turn an eight-point deficit into a pull-away victory.

It was vintage Michael Jordan, who saved the Bulls on many occasions during the 1991, 1992 and 1993 championship runs. He has been much more consistently spectacular than he was last season, when he often looked rusty after ending his 17-month retirement.

"Save the team? I don't know about that," Jordan said. "Just to be able to give the team a lift ... it's fun to know I can still do that. But the ideal situation is not to have those situations evolve."

Despite their lofty status in the standings, the Bulls go into Wednesday's game against the New York Knicks unhappy with how they are playing.

"Michael and Scottie (Pippen) have been carrying us," backup guard Steve Kerr said. "Every once in a while, someone else has a good game, but we've got to be better. We're not even close to being consistent off the bench. Toni (Kukoc) and I need to get going."

The Bulls are so worried about their interior defense and

rebounding that they have been talking to center Sam Bowie, who retired after playing with the Los Angeles Lakers last season.

Much of that defense and rebounding was expected to come from Rodman, who was acquired from San Antonio in October but hasn't played since he strained a calf muscle in the third regular-season game. He said his chances of playing Wednesday were "50-50 at best," and indicated that he more likely would return two nights later against San Antonio.

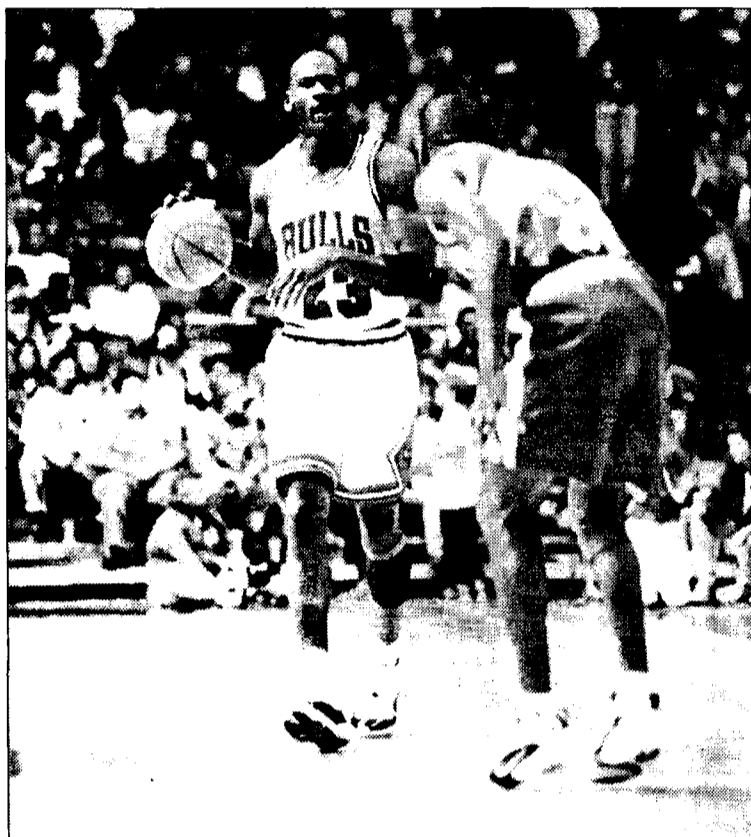
Though he practiced at almost full speed Tuesday, Rodman still hasn't given the thumbs up to coach Phil Jackson, who said he isn't worried about the enigmatic forward's reluctance to return to action.

"It's just Dennis. You don't get troubled by what happens with Dennis," Jackson said.


During Rodman's convalescence, he again changed hair colors — now it's lime green. He also appeared nude in Playboy magazine; in the accompanying article, he said: "I bring excitement. Michael Jordan used to do that. Now it's the Dennis Rodman show."

Not quite. Jordan never needed that kind of, um, exposure to prove his uniqueness.

During the road trip, Jordan delivered plenty of excitement to sold-out arenas. He also delivered victories on the court. And even though he repeatedly had to bail out the Bulls, Jordan didn't echo his teammates' concern about the level of Chicago's play.




Michael Jordan, seen here dribbling up the court, has been the catalyst behind the Bulls 13-2 start which is tops in the NBA.



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UConn

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That's especially true of the Connecticut squad, which returns one of the best backcourts in America. Junior Ray Allen, a first team all-Big East preseason selection, is off to a fast

start and looks to equal last season's 21.1 scoring average. He is joined by senior Doron Sheffer, an Israeli who dished out 80 more assists than turnovers last season.

The antithesis to UConn, Notre Dame is still unsettled in its rotation, as ten players have seen varying minutes thus far in the season.

"We're not as consistent as we need to be," said MacLeod. "We're not locked into any set lineup, and it may take a while to get there because we're playing a lot of young players."

Indeed, five of the top seven scorers for the Irish are underclassmen, headed by forward Pat Garrity (13.3 ppg) and surprising freshman Antoni

Wyche, who has stepped in admirably for injured forward Derrick Manner, registering 10 points per game.

Center Phil Hickey has also contributed valuable minutes, pulling down 18 rebounds in the past two contests. He will have to continue that trend as the Irish triumvirate of Hickey, Matt Gotsch, and Marcus Young attempt to slow Husky center

Travis Knight.

MacLeod also hopes that the season's first big home crowd will give the Irish a boost.

"We're hopeful that there will be a throng in there," he said. "Indiana is a basketball state, and there are a lot of knowledgeable fans out there. Connecticut is a top team coming in; this is all you could ask for."

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The Observer/Brent Tadsen
Irish head coach John MacLeod realizes that his team will need some time to adjust to their new conference.



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■ JOCK STRIP

Championship tournament should determine No. 1

New Coke. EuroDisney. Peter McNeeley. Ninety-nine percent of film sequels produced in Hollywood.

What do all of these have in common? They are all complete failures.

Add one more to the top of the list: the Division 1A college football bowl system.

The solution: a National Championship Tournament.

College football, arguably the most exciting sport ever invented, ends every season in the most confusing, anti-climactic way possible. Who is the best team in the country? Who wins the National Championship? The answer to each of these questions may not be the same.

Last year, Penn State was the best team in the country. In head-to-head competition with Nebraska, Joe Paterno's Nittany Lions would have beaten the overrated Cornhuskers by at least a touchdown. We will never know, however, if this prediction would have been true. Penn State defeated Oregon, while Nebraska squeaked past the Miami Hurricanes to capture the National Championship.

The bowl coalition has slightly improved the bowl system, but several adjustments are necessary. First, the champions of the Big Ten and the Pacific 10 conferences are contractually bound to play each other in the Rose Bowl. Therefore, the best teams from these conferences can never play in a decisive National Championship game unless the top two teams in the country happen to be from the Big Ten

and Pacific 10. Second, the bowl coalition sends the champions from the five remaining major conferences (there will be four major conferences next year when the Big Eight and part of the

Southwest Conference merge), along with an at-large bid that is guaranteed to Notre Dame if they finish in the Top 10 of the Associated Press or CNN/USA Today rankings. If one of the country's two best teams plays in the Rose Bowl, there is no true National Championship game.

Because both conferences and bowl games are very powerful, each would have to play an integral part in a National Championship Tournament. This dream tournament would include champions from the Big Ten, Pacific 10, Atlantic Coast Conference, Big East, Southeast Conference, the newly aligned Big 12, and two at-large bids that would include Notre Dame (if they end the season ranked in Top Ten) and the most highly ranked team that had not earned any of the aforementioned automatic bids.

Teams would be ranked No. 1 through No. 8. The top team would face the eighth-ranked team, the No. 2 team would play the No. 7 team, and so on. The four quarterfinal games would be played on Christmas Eve. The semifinals would take place traditionally on New Year's Day. Finally, an undisputed National Champion would be determined the following week on prime time television that would receive Super Bowl caliber ratings.

Four quarterfinal games + two semifinal games + one championship game = seven total games. Therefore every bowl game would bid for the right to be one of the seven tournament bowl games (much like the Sugar, Orange, and Fiesta earned the right to be Tier 1 bowls in the current coalition). The site of the championship game would rotate every year, so each bowl would host the National Championship game every seventh year.

One of the major complaints of a tournament is that teams would have to play in too many games each season. Under this

plan, however, only four teams would play more than twelve games, which is average for teams who earn the right to compete in a bowl game. The semifinalists would play thirteen games, which is already commonplace for teams who play in preseason games such as the Kickoff Classic. Only two teams in the entire country would have to play fourteen games (possibly fifteen if a finalist has played a conference championship game). By this point, neither team would mind the opportunity to play one more week, especially after an extended break between the

regular season and the playoff tournament.

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■ WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Winless Golden Eagles present opportunity for Irish

By DYLAN BARMMER
Sports Writer

It's not too often that South Bend looks more welcoming in December than Hawaii.

In fact, it's not too often South Bend ever looks more welcoming than Hawaii.

But for the Notre Dame women's basketball team, life is looking a lot more promising here in the cold than it was over there in the sun.

The Irish return from a taxing tournament in Hawaii in which the team went 1-2 with losses to Penn State and Texas A&M to face the floundering Golden

Eagles of Marquette at the JACC this Friday night.

The Eagles limp into South Bend with an unassuming 0-3 record so far this season, with losses to such perennial powerhouses as Eastern Kentucky and Boise State. For the 4-2 Irish, one has to think that this game couldn't have come along at any better time.

"We need to come back with a win to get us back into a rhythm for the season," commented junior center Katryna Gaither. "We've learned from our two losses, and we're ready to pick up a few more wins."

The Irish will be led by junior

guard Beth Morgan, last week's co-Big East Player of the Week. Morgan has had the hot hand as of late, connecting for a career-high 32 points on 12-of-21 shooting in the Irish's 86-77 loss to 12th ranked Penn State last weekend. Morgan's recent sharp shooting has put her atop the Irish scoring charts with a 23.8 points per game average.

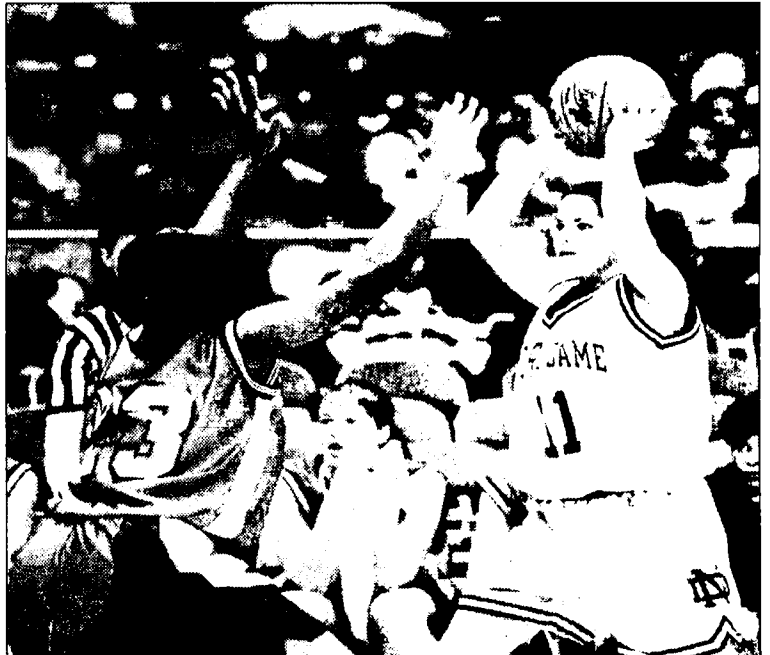
In addition to Morgan, Gaither has also been a huge factor for the Irish once again this season, averaging 19.5 points and 9.8 rebounds per game.

Marquette will be led by 5'11" forward Clare Barnard,

who is averaging 22.7 points and 11.7 rebounds per game.

One aspect of their game which the Irish will be looking to fine tune before they get into the thick of their conference

schedule is their defense. While far from problematic, the Irish defense has not been an iron curtain either, as they have yielded an average of 72.5 points per game



The Observer/Brent Tadsen
Irish guard Jeannine Augustin looks to make an entry pass during Notre Dame's win over Rutgers. She and the Irish will now face Marquette this Friday night.

Morgan honored



The Observer/Mike Ruma
Junior Beth Morgan was named co-Big East player of the week after averaging 27 points in four games last week.

By TODD FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

Beth Morgan, junior co-captain of the Notre Dame women's basketball team, was named co-Big East Player of the Week for her outstanding performances in the Big East opener and the Kona Women's Basketball Classic. The 6-0 junior averaged 27.0 points in four games last week to lead the Irish to a 2-2 record.

Morgan led the Irish to a 66-54 victory against Rutgers by scoring 19 points, including four of nine from the field, two three-point baskets, and nine of ten free throws. She also brought down four rebounds, tallied four assists, and made two steals.

At the Kona Classic, Morgan averaged 29.7 points and 4.3 rebounds in three tournament games.

In Notre Dame's first round loss to 12th-ranked Penn State, she contributed a career high 32 points by connecting on 12 of 21 shots from the field, including three successful three-pointers. Against Washington, Morgan led the Irish to an 80-67 victory with a game-high 23 points.

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■ VOLLEYBALL

Stanford the site for Pacific regional against Oral Roberts

By **BETSY BAKER**
Sports Writer

If the fifteenth-ranked Notre Dame volleyball team wants to ensure a victory over Oral Roberts on Friday night, all it has to do is call the United States Department of Immigration.

Eight of the twelve players on the Golden Eagles roster are not United States citizens.

Still, the 27-6 Irish are willing to take their chances.

The Irish play the Golden Eagles in the first game of the Pacific Regional hosted by Stanford on Friday night with hopes of advancing from the "Sweet Sixteen" round to become one of the "Elite Eight."

Despite an impressive 29-2 record, the Golden Eagles have surprised many, including the Irish, by making it to the regionals. They pulled off upsets against both Loyola Marymount and Washington State last week and now look to upset the Irish.

"Our first thought when I saw Oral Roberts name in the tournament was that Loyola Marymount would beat them," Irish head coach Debbie Brown said. "When they upset Washington State, we realized it was no fluke."

The Irish were expecting to face Washington State in the match on Friday night, but will now readjust their game plan.

"We were gearing up for WSU," Brown continued. "We just have to re-focus."

In all seriousness, the fact that Oral Roberts' roster is mostly foreign could present a challenge for the Irish. Foreign players are usually older, therefore, have more experience. Five of the six starters are from different countries other than the United States, including two players who played for the Croatian National Team.

"We think that four of their six starters are over 23 years

old," Brown said. "They are smart, experienced, and disciplined players."

The Golden Eagles are led by Zvezdana Sirola, a native of Porec, Croatia, who leads the team with 446 kills and 269. Behind Zvezdana is another Croatian, Ksenija Kugler with 338 kills and 242 digs. Oral Roberts' setter Sibeles Theis of Blurnenau, Brazil, has played in every match for the Golden Eagles and is looked to as a consistent team leader.

Still, the Irish are confident heading into to the match and they hope that they can continue to play the consistent and dominating style they have in the last few matches.

The Irish will be looking to their outside hitters Angie Harris, Jaimie Lee, and Jenny Birkner to continue the attack on their opponents, with middle blockers Jennifer Rouse and Lindsay Treadwell making a wall in the middle to make sure that the attack is not returned.

Sophomore setter Carey May will continue to run the Irish offense with Kristina Ervin and Brett Hensel filling in any holes. Sophomore Molly McCarthy could be used as a surprise weapon late in the game. In last week's victory over Iowa State McCarthy served the Irish to game point in the third and final set before the Cyclones forced the Irish to fifteen sideouts before getting the job done.

As Brown said entering the tournament about the team effort, "We need career-best efforts. That doesn't necessarily mean career-best performances, but we need to go out and give the best effort we have ever given."

Career-best efforts are what it is going to take to get out of the regionals, the point at which the season has ended the last three seasons for the Irish. This year, the difficulty will be no exception as the

Irish join Southern Cal and defending national champion Stanford, who will play in the match before the Irish game with the Golden Eagles on Friday night. The Irish beat the USC in their second match of the season, but lost to Stanford over fall break in four games.

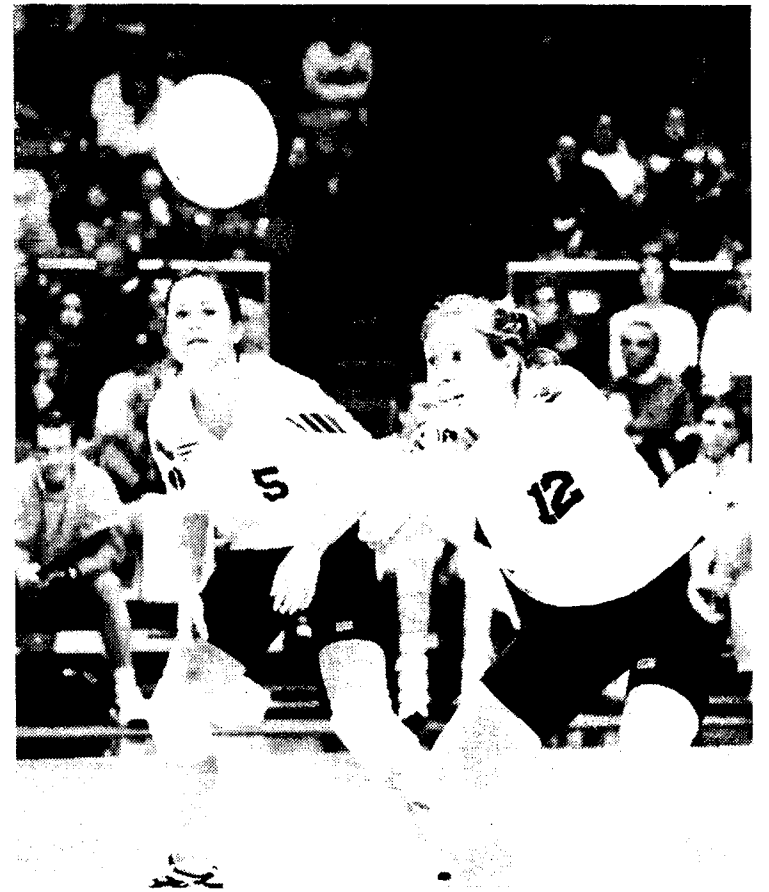
"It has been and will be difficult for us to get out of the regional level," Brown said. "It is just another step in pursuing the goals we set for ourselves at the beginning of the season, which is the going to the Final Four."

The team attitude is optimistic and persistent.

"We are going to take each team one at a time," Birkner said. "We are just going to keep trying and trying until we get the job done."

When asked about the possibility of playing Stanford, Brown felt that if the opportunity were to arise, the Irish would definitely be the underdog.

"There isn't a person in the volleyball world who would pick us to beat Stanford," Brown said. "But who knows, stranger things have happened."




The Observer/Brent Tadsen

Outside hitter Jenny Birkner bumps the ball in the Irish victory over Iowa State last weekend. Along with Angie Harris and Jaimie Lee, Birkner will continue the attack on Notre Dame opponents.


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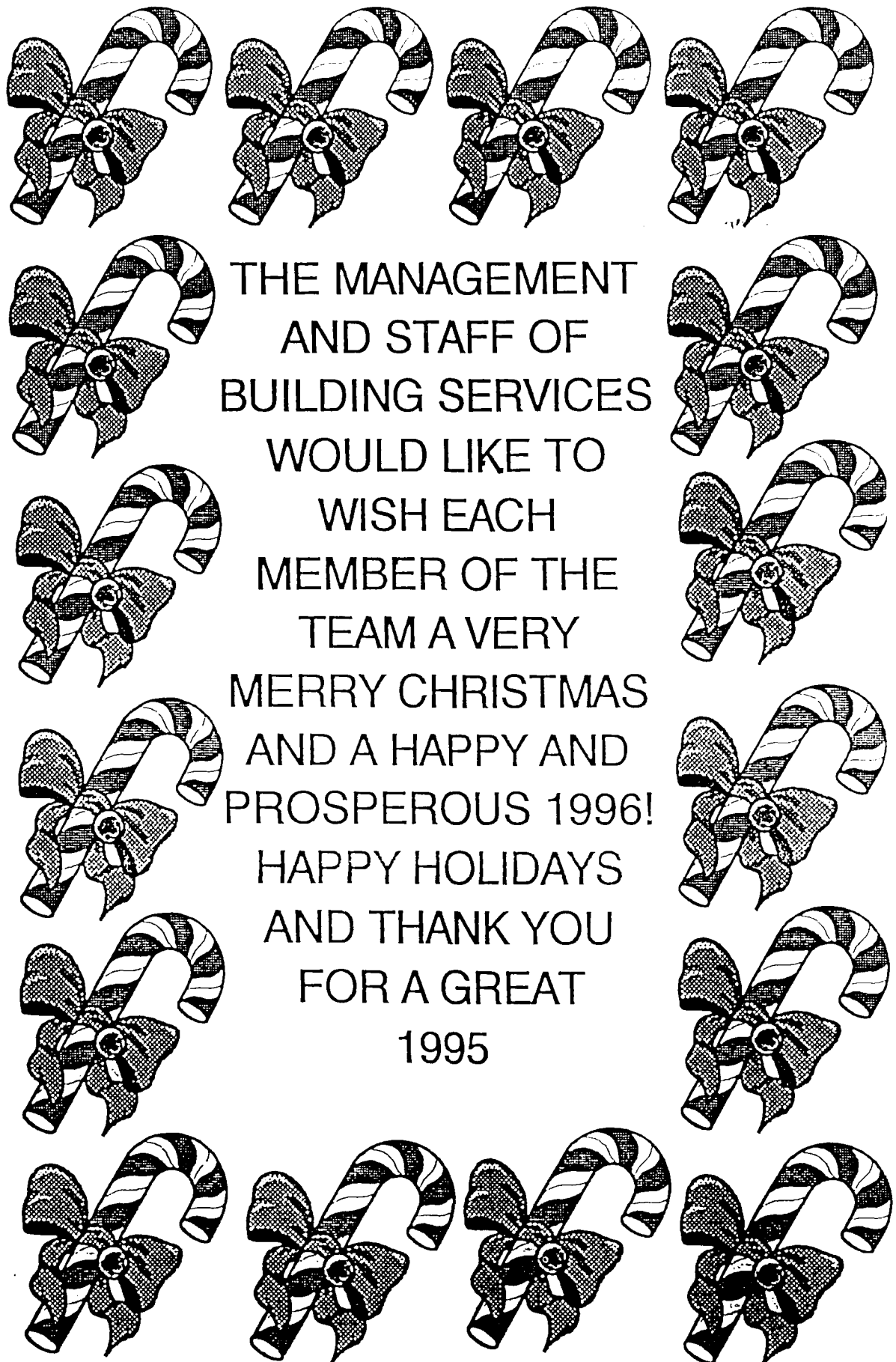
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Treadwell

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"The middle blocker position is a very demanding position," Brown said. "Height is important, but more important is the attitude of never giving up."

"Lindsay has mastered that well."

Treadwell's teammates attribute both athleticism and attitude to her rapid success and improvement this season.

"I think what that makes her a great player is her heart," junior co-captain Jenny Birkner said of the freshman. "She has the attitude that she has nothing to lose, so she goes in and gives it her all."

If Treadwell felt any pres-

sure in the role that she was asked to play, it wasn't apparent. Treadwell's aggressive offensive style covers any lack of confidence that she may be feeling.

"The best thing about Lindsay is that she does what she wants," Birkner continued. "Usually freshmen are shy, but not Lindsay. She says what she thinks and does what she thinks is right."

Brown agreed with this analysis.

"I don't think she ever showed that she was nervous," Brown said. "She has a very good attitude and has stepped in and made some big plays for us."

Treadwell did not feel intimidated following such a highly-touted recruiting class.

Instead, she felt honored.

"I wasn't really scared to be following them, I was more honored to be playing with them," Treadwell said.

In fact, Treadwell acknowledges the rest of the team as helping her to build confidence.

"I have gained a lot of confidence because of my teammates. I can see it in their eyes that they have faith in me."

Brown complemented Treadwell's progress and her ability to acclimate herself to the Irish system.

"She has progressed remarkably," Brown said. "From the first day of practice, we said 'here's the team,' not 'here's the team and this freshman.'"

"We didn't redefine our system, Lindsay just kind of had to catch on. And that is exactly what she's done."



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Head coach Debbie Brown says that Treadwell has "progressed remarkably" this season. Treadwell and the Irish will face Oral Roberts this Friday night in the NCAA round of 16.

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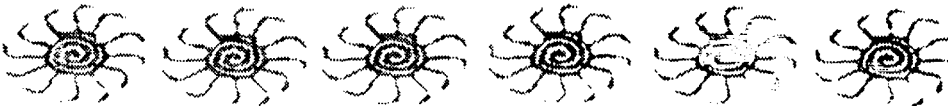
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Holtz

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continues to live up to those expectations, then he is the head coach at Notre Dame for as long as he wants to coach," Wadsworth told the Chicago Tribune.

But while Holtz, whose five-year contract ends after this season, may have the comfort of a lengthy deal in his future, the upcoming month has become slightly more shaky.

Junior tailback Randy Kinder, Notre Dame's leading rusher with 809 yards this season, has been suspended from the team because of university violations.

"I can't tell you anything about it, mainly because I don't know," Holtz said. "Anything that's said has to come from the university."

University policy is not to comment on individual cases, but it has been confirmed that Kinder is still enrolled at Notre Dame. He will definitely miss the Orange Bowl January 1 and might miss spring practice.

Kinder, along with fellow tail-

back Robert Farmer, was involved in another university disciplinary case last year, when they were accused of assault by another Notre Dame student. They were cleared of charges.

The junior's present situation, along with others, have caused a growing concern with the administration as to the type of

athletes the university is recruiting. It was one of the points discussed with Holtz in the meeting Monday.

"The concern is to get kids that fit with Notre Dame," Wadsworth told the Chicago Tribune. "We have a great recruiting coordinator now in Bob Chmiel, and as effective as Bob is, we still need some leader-

ship from the coach to get the proper signals to the rest of the coaching staff."

Notre Dame pulled in the number one recruiting class last year under Chmiel, but had to reject Florida running back James Jackson and West Virginia wide receiver Randy Moss because their grades were not acceptable.



Tailback Randy Kinder will miss the Orange Bowl and may even miss spring practice. The Observer/Brent Tadsen

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was going to be or maybe we can't do this because they had done so much there. Now, I realize what an unbelievable accomplishment it was. It seems a lot bigger right now than when it happened."

After the championship win, people questioned Petrucelli as to why he was not outwardly jubilant during the post-game festivities. He, however, could not help but understand what Portland was going through.

"I went to shake the other coach's hand and the first thing that went through my mind was how bad I felt for them," he noted. "Because we sat on that bench last year and it was an awful experience to get all the way to the end and not get it done. I'm in the middle of their team (Portland) and I'm thinking to myself, 'It's an awful feeling to be them right now.'"

In addition, the win took a great weight off the sixth-year coach's shoulders.

"It was absolute relief when we got it done," Petrucelli added. "The pressure was on for us this year. Everybody expected us to at least get to the final. When we got to the final and we weren't playing Carolina, I'm sure the expectations were there for us to win."

Under this intense pressure, the Irish were still able to have some fun.

"Everybody just enjoyed the experience," Petrucelli noted. "Things were happening at the end of the game Sunday and we were sitting on the bench joking and laughing. It was the same way Friday. They



The Observer/Mike Ruma

During a timeout in the national semifinal, Petrucelli discusses strategy with his team.

(North Carolina) were coming down our throats and we're still kind of having fun."

Petrucelli also had fun viewing how his hard work eventually paid off.

"This is the year we planned for," he said. "Last year when we got to the final I felt like we were a year early. Then to go through the struggles we did was very disappointing.

"But then to turn it around and get better and better, I'm just really proud of the effort these guys put in. This is a team with an unbelievable amount of talent that got better by the end of the year and that's why we won."

To part with this team is to part with a team that will always hold a special place in Petrucelli's heart.

"I don't want it to end," he added. "I wish we had practice today. I wish we had something where I had more time to spend with them. Because once your last game comes around, that's like the funeral for your team. You don't see them that much. You have spring practice and all that, but it's not the same.

"I just wish we could prolong it somehow. It's a special group of kids and a special group of seniors."

For those seniors, the championship marked a long journey since their freshman year.

"When they came here, we were not a good team," Petrucelli said. "We had a good record, but we were not a

good team. We'll miss those guys immensely.

"By the end of the year, Julie Vogel really became a leader. Ashley (Scharff) improved so much from the beginning to the end of the year. I've said this a million times, but Michelle McCarthy is the best dribbler in the country and probably the most underrated player in the country. Ragen (Coyle) has made a great contribution to our program. Rosella (Guerrero) has scored as many goals as anybody. Just because she didn't score as many this year, doesn't mean her presence wasn't felt."

As for the future, once Petrucelli completes the recruiting season, he plans to take about three weeks off before starting all over again in February.

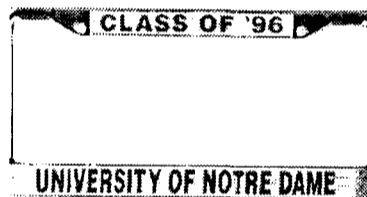
"We're going to come back in February and begin talking about winning again," he added. "Not winning another national championship, but winning a national championship for that team. Every team is different. Next year's team will have its own goals and personality."

For now, however, Petrucelli only wishes to sit back and think about one of the greatest moments in his soccer life.

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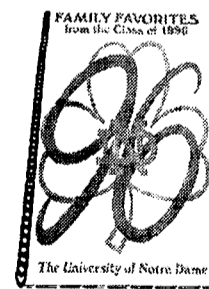
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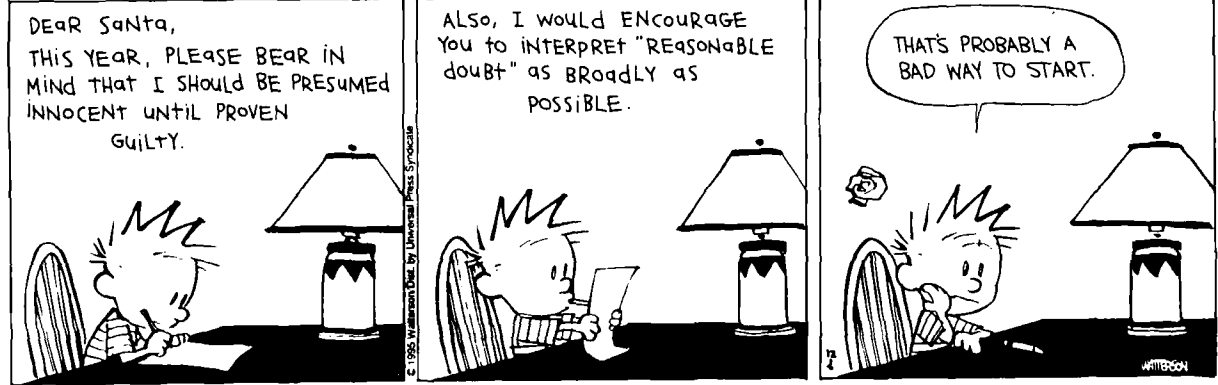
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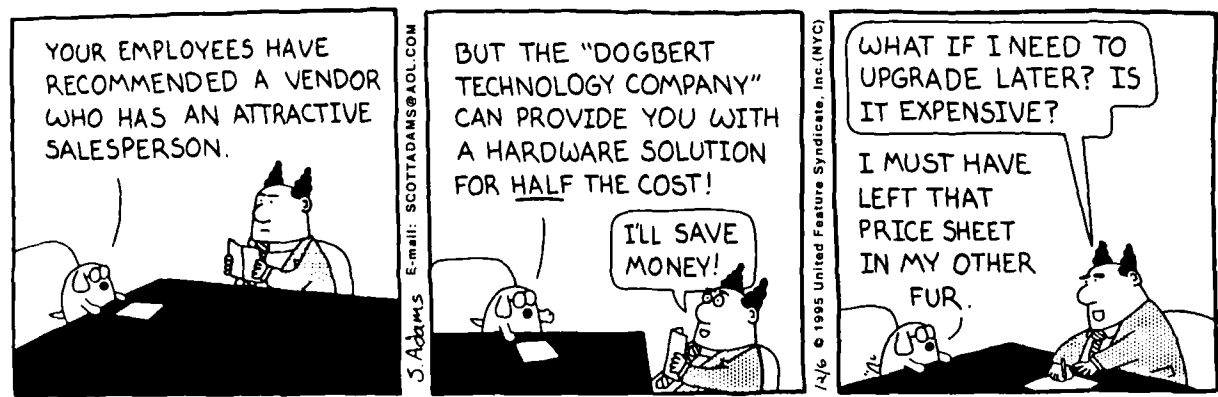
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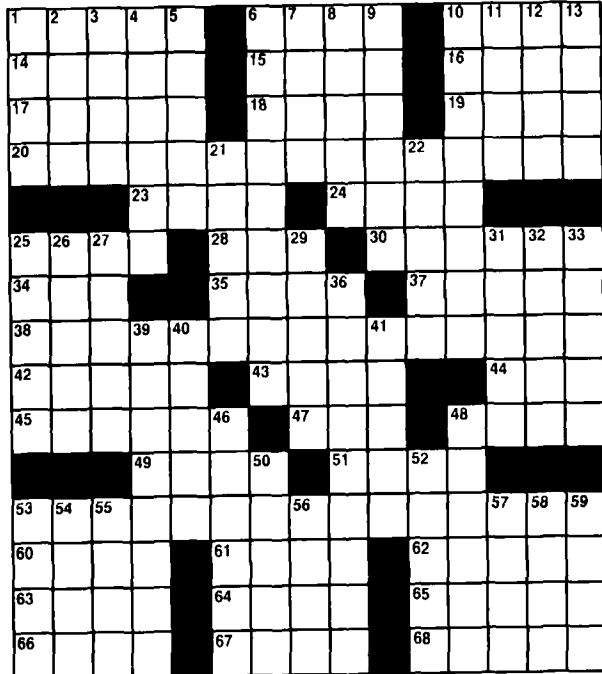
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- ACROSS**
- 1 — chart (horoscope)
 - 6 Soviet news agency
 - 10 Stanley and Davis, e.g.
 - 14 Wear away
 - 15 Killer whale
 - 16 Sound lower than a flute
 - 17 Kind of thread
 - 18 Paltered
 - 19 Tenant's burden
 - 20 1950's science fiction film
 - 23 Prerevolutionary leader
 - 24 Israeli airline
 - 25 Rat trap?
 - 28 Dress (up)
 - 30 National Review pieces
 - 34 Saucer, maybe
 - 35 Dumbo features
 - 37 Creepy
 - 38 1950's science fiction film
 - 42 Public meeting
 - 43 Portico
 - 44 Dock workers' grp.
 - 45 Animated dances
 - 47 Domain of Minerva
 - 48 Ancient Iranian
 - 49 Gets
 - 51 Buster Brown's dog
- DOWN**
- 1 Make a home
 - 2 Mischievous
 - 3 Actress Spelling
 - 4 "— Fideles"
 - 5 1984-88 Olympic track star
 - 6 "Fare" ways
 - 7 Domingo solo
 - 8 Vista
 - 9 Moving seat
 - 10 1942 U.S. naval victory site
 - 11 Above, in Abensberg
 - 12 — l'Évêque cheese
 - 13 Author Kantor
 - 21 Filled
 - 22 Support for the arts



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- 25 Bungles
- 26 In the works
- 27 Noted mark leaver
- 29 Miss Garbo
- 31 Palmer, to friends
- 32 Stockbroker's statistic
- 33 Bristles
- 36 Making the most haughty sounds
- 39 Young fellow
- 40 Rock and Roll Hall of Fame architect
- 41 Suntanning site
- 46 Treaty ratifier
- 48 Dali's "The Persistence of —"
- 50 Type of fork or bar
- 52 Winged pests
- 53 Old Dodge
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- 55 Toolhouse
- 56 Actress Garr
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- 58 Auricular
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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: TV star Dick Van Dyke, boxer Archie Moore, singer Ted Nugent, first lady Mary Todd Lincoln.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Tension could arise over political or religious issues. Keep your distance until turbulence within a group subsides. You and romantic partner should talk more.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): An extended trip could yield valuable information. Even slight differences of opinion between co-workers can put a dent in productivity today. Focus on areas of agreement.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your energy and enthusiasm are contagious now! Productivity rises. Be more practical when Christmas shopping. Investigate stock tips thoroughly before investing. A psychological study offers insights regarding a troubled relationship.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Socializing with the wrong people could be your undoing. Guard your reputation. Professional advice will provide a valuable new perspective. Stay in sync with your spouse or business partner.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Involvement in community affairs proves especially rewarding for seniors. However, a family or relationship problem has you on edge. Playing

Santa Claus to underprivileged youngsters gives you a feeling of contentment. Share the joy.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Be careful not to push too hard when negotiating a new contract. Share your creative ideas with mate or partner. A younger person offers a terrific suggestion. The two of you make a great team!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Romance takes a temporary back seat to career. New alliances are formed. Be careful not to make your mate jealous of a special relationship. Group activities are favored over one-on-one encounters tonight.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You find yourself appointed mediator or negotiator today. Your associates admire your ability to reason things out. An enterprising attitude will help you win financial backing for a special venture.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A sister or brother asks a question that reshapes your thinking on an important matter. Postpone signing legal papers and contracts. Business and sentiment rarely mix well.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): An excellent day to ask for personal favors or apply for a loan. Jot down creative ideas before they are forgotten. Take parents — your own or someone else's — out to dinner. Share family news.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Business travel is favored. Valuable contacts can be made at a conference or convention. Introduce yourself to influential people. Productivity will rise when you learn to delegate more authority.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You can talk to a friend without fear of being misunderstood. Tend to minor health problems before they become complicated. Children's expenses are sorted out. A budget revision may be necessary; seek family members' cooperation.

■ MENU

Notre Dame

- North
- Chinese Noodles with Snow Peas
- Meatless Baked Ziti
- Parslied Potatoes

South

- Meatloaf
- Eggplant Parmesan
- Irish Brown Potatoes

Saint Mary's

- Roast Turkey Breast
- Old Fashioned Beef Stew

■ OF INTEREST

A Children's Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, Dec. 9 from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in The Huddle. All University affiliated families are invited to this children's event, which includes Dave Rudolf's Children's Concert at 7:30 p.m. There will be refreshments and door prizes as well as an appearance by Santa. The event is sponsored by Student Activities, The Huddle, and the Graduate Student Union.

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■ VOLLEYBALL

Treading new waters

**Freshman
Treadwell
filling large role**

By BETSY BAKER
Sports Writer

Entering the 1995 Notre Dame volleyball season, the new recruiting class had some big shoes to fill. Last year's freshmen were deemed the second best recruiting class in the nation and produced a freshman All-American selection in Angie Harris. The pressure was on as the Irish looked for some fresh feet to make an impact on the team.

For Irish rookie Lindsay Treadwell, her's were the only soles for the job.

Treadwell, the lone freshman on the team, has stepped in and made a name for herself, especially late in the season as the Irish continue to role through the NCAA tournament. The 5-10 middle blocker from Austin, Texas will start for the 27-6 Irish as they head west to the Pacific Regional for a

match against Oral Roberts on Friday.

"It was kind of weird being the only freshman on the team," Treadwell said. "There are usually other people who are going through the same thing you are."

"But my teammates made me feel very welcomed."

Treadwell's intelligent and athletic play has made her an offensive weapon for the Irish. Although for a middle blocker, her height is not especially impressive, Treadwell has great jumping ability and a sixth sense in following the opponent's attack. Her 11 solo blocks and 73 block assists makes her second on the team in total blocks behind 6-5 junior Jennifer Rouse, an especially impressive number as she has played in only 88 of the team's total 114 games.

"My height has always been a problem, but I really like playing middle blocker," Treadwell commented. "I get to do everything."

Irish head coach Debbie Brown credits Treadwell with mastering the role well.

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The Observer/Brent Tadsen
Freshman Lindsay Treadwell has successfully stepped into the middle blocking position for the Irish this season.

■ FOOTBALL

Holtz given lifetime extension

By MIKE NORBUT
Sports Editor

Notre Dame head coach Lou Holtz had fun this year, as was his goal. Aside from an opening season loss to Northwestern and a threatening neck surgery, it was a season loaded with a lot more than just football.

"I wanted to have fun this season, and I did," he said. "The players have just been very enjoyable to be around."

And it looks like the Irish coach will be having some more fun, or, at least as much as he wants to.

Holtz met with executive vice-president Rev. E. William Beauchamp and athletic director Michael Wadsworth Monday. They reportedly shook on a deal that would allow Holtz to coach "for as long as he wants to."

"As long as we see eye-to-eyes in terms of the responsibilities of the position and Coach

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■ MEN'S BASKETBALL

UConn to visit in first Big East home game

By TIM SEYMOUR
Associate Sports Editor

Notre Dame head coach John MacLeod has reiterated the same point ad nauseum in the preseason, almost as if he is trying to convince himself of its truth.

"It's great to be in the Big East," said MacLeod for the seemingly thousandth time. "This is the best thing that has ever happened to Notre Dame basketball."

MacLeod has been perhaps the most adamant admirer of Notre Dame's decision to join the Big East, but one wonders if even his faith will be tested as the Irish host their first ever conference game tonight in the Joyce Center, an 8:00 p.m. tip against No. 9 Connecticut.

After all, the difference between the two squads makes Beauty and the Beast seem one and the same.

The 4-1 Huskies are the prototype of the new Big East. They have size, speed, experience, a deep bench, and a demanding press that wreaks havoc with opponents. UConn is also the two-time defending Big East champion.

Although still early to make a definitive judgement, the 1-2

Irish appear to be poised to take their lumps in this first season of conference play. The first lesson was delivered on Saturday in an 86-80 overtime loss at Rutgers. There is a good chance that the second lesson will not be as kind.

UConn's only loss came to a ranked Iowa team. The next night, the Huskies manhandled Indiana, blowing out the Hoosiers by 34. That's the same Indiana team that coasted past the Irish by 20.

While the transitive property might not apply, there is indeed cause for concern in the Irish camp. Notre Dame has 10 more turnovers than assists this season, and the Irish are shooting a horrible 49% from the free throw line.

Growing pains such as these are bad omens for the grueling conference season.

"You have to look at Miami (which joined the Big East in 1991) as a barometer," said MacLeod. "You look at how long it took them to win a game (the Hurricanes were 8-46 during their first three years in the conference), and you realize that you don't just walk into this conference and bowl people around."

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■ WOMEN'S SOCCER

Reflections on a championship

By JOE VILLINSKI
Assistant Sports Editor

As the women's soccer team won their first national championship last weekend, North Carolina's Fetzer Field provided the stage.

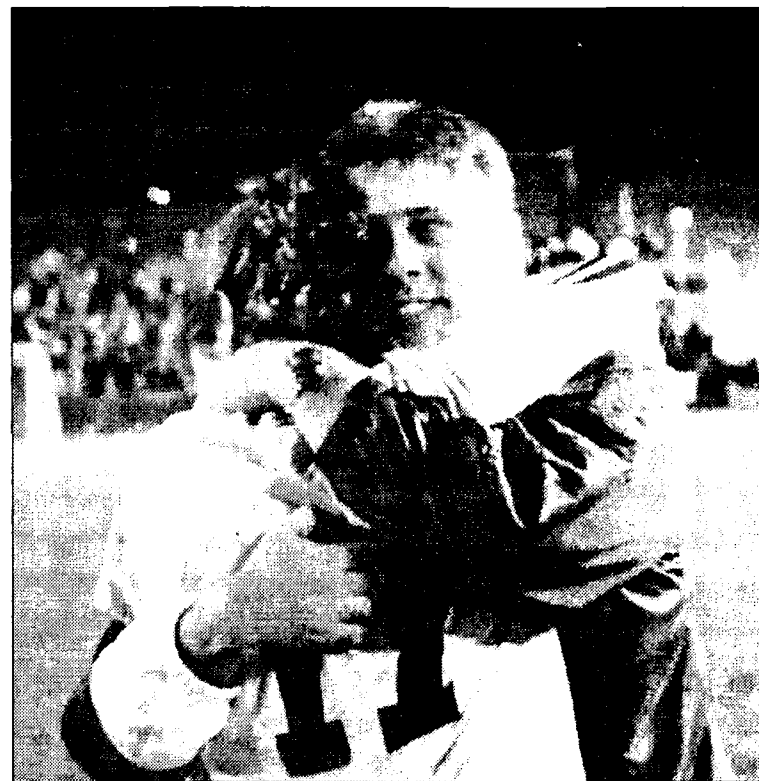
On that stage, the Irish fulfilled their season-long goal in front of a small group of Notre Dame fans who made the trip to Chapel Hill.

Like actresses after a splendid performance, the Irish walked to the side of the field and acknowledged those fans. With hands interlocked, the players took a bow to the delight of their family and friends on Sunday after the 1-0 win over Portland.

Their bows closed the curtain on a season that will take a special place in Notre Dame sports history.

For head coach Chris Petrucelli, the bright No. 1 that set the campus aglow on Monday night helped him to realize this monumental feat.

"For me, it really sunk in last night (Monday) when I was driving home and I saw the No. 1 up on Grace," he said. "That showed to me what we did affected more people than ourselves. Obviously it was a great experience for us, but when I saw it up there it showed people knew about it and cared about it and it was



The Observer/Mike Ruma
Women's soccer head coach Chris Petrucelli embraces goalie Jen Renola after Notre Dame's 1-0 victory over North Carolina in the national semifinals.

an important thing to everybody."

With time to reflect on what assistant coaches Carla Chin and Margaret Jarc and he accomplished during the year, Petrucelli could not help but reveal a little amazement.

"I look back on it now and I wonder how we did it. How did we beat Carolina down there?" he added. "I never thought about that before we left. Before we left, I never thought about how difficult it

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**SPORTS
at a
GLANCE**

Football

Orange Bowl
January 1, 1996

Volleyball

vs. Oral Roberts, Dec 8

Hockey

Vs. Ferris State, Dec 9, 7 p.m.

Men's Basketball

vs. Connecticut, Dec 6, 8p.m.

Women's Basketball

vs. Marquette, Dec 8, 8p.m.
vs. Valparaiso, Dec 17, 2 p.m.

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