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Accused rapist may return to campus

◆ Former ND football player could visit despite alleged 1998 ban

By MYRA McGRIFF
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Former Notre Dame tailback Cooper Rego is scheduled to return to campus this weekend as a member of the West Virginia football team despite being banned from campus in 1998.

According to Notre Dame alumna Kori Pienovi and an August 2001 e-mail from a senior Residence Life and Housing administrator to Pienovi, Rego was banned from campus as part of a disciplinary decision in 1998. The administrator did not deny writing the e-mail.

Pienovi said that Rego was expelled from school and banned from campus for raping her. The reasons for Rego's transfer to West Virginia nor the details of his disciplinary action were revealed in 1998.

West Virginia sports information director Shelly Poe confirmed that Rego is scheduled to play for the Mountaineers, Saturday.

"As far as I know there isn't any issue about it," Poe said Friday.

Calls to Rego's listed number in West Virginia were not returned Sunday night.

Notre Dame officials had no com-



Rego

ment on the situation. Bill Kirk and Father Mark Poorman, assistant vice president of Residence Life and vice president of Residence Life, respectively, did not return several phone calls seeking comment.

Athletic director Kevin White's office declined to comment and referred questions to the General Counsel Office. General Counsel referred all questions to Denny Moore, director of Public Relations.

Moore confirmed that the University has been in contact with West Virginia but Notre Dame is not at liberty to discuss its own position stating that the University is "protected from discussion under federal law."

Disciplinary proceedings are considered private parts of students educational record by federal law.

Moore did discuss Notre Dame's gen-

eral policy on upholding bans on students.

He stated that if a banned student charged with sexual assault were to come on campus and security was made aware of the situation the student would be asked to leave.

He made a distinction for a student banned coming to campus as a group rather than an individual.

"As an individual, security would ask them to leave ... As a group, that is some thing different, something we haven't been confronted with," Moore said.

All banned individuals pose a threat, regardless of group affiliation, according to Pienovi.

"If they knowingly let a rapist on campus then they are knowingly

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AMERICAN RESPONSE

◆ U.S., British air strikes hit Afghan targets as Bush promises victory in war on terrorism

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

American and British forces unleashed punishing air strikes Sunday against military targets and Osama bin Laden's training camps inside Afghanistan, aiming at terrorists blamed for the Sept. 11 attacks that murdered thousands in New York and Washington.

"We will not waver, we will not tire," said President Bush, speaking from the White House as Tomahawk cruise missiles and bombs found targets halfway around the globe. "We will not falter and we will not fail."

The opening of a sustained campaign dubbed "Enduring Freedom," the assault was accompanied by airdrops of thousands of vitamin-enriched food rations for needy civilians — and by a ground-based attack by Afghan opposition forces against the ruling Taliban.

In a chilling threat, bin Laden vowed defiantly that "neither America nor the people who live in it will dream of security before we live it in Palestine, and not before all the infidel armies leave the land of Muhammad." That was an apparent reference to Israel and Saudi Arabia. He spoke in a videotaped statement prepared

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AFP Photo

An F/A-18C Hornet is launched from the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson Sunday in preparation for strikes against al Qaeda terrorist training camps and Taliban military installations in Afghanistan.

◆ Students express mixed reactions to U.S. counterattack

By HELENA PAYNE
Assistant News Editor

Notre Dame students had mixed reactions to the U.S. military air strikes in Afghanistan Sunday. The

air strikes focused on areas suspected to be terrorist training camps were in response to the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11 at the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. On the Notre Dame campus, far from the attacks, many students have responded to the recent events with various levels of emotional attachment to the conflict, but with the common goal of reaching peace swiftly.

Junior Steve Kelly from Massachusetts said he learned about both the terrorists attacks on Sept. 11 and the U.S. retaliation by fellow students in his dorm and has been uneasy about the circumstances.

"I think something else is going to happen," said Kelly. "That makes me real nervous."

The brother of Kelly's best friend is a secret service agent that was

working in the World Trade Center on the day of the bombings. Although he escaped, Kelly said knowing somebody who was directly affected by the bombings has sharpened the impact of the terrorism conflict on his life.

"I'm amazed at how large the reaction is here," said Kelly.

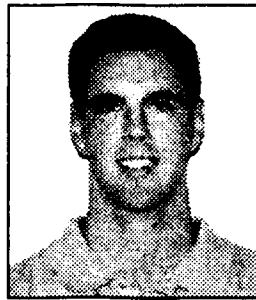
Kelly said he was impressed by

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INSIDE COLUMN

Minestrone Fritos

The other night I was perusing the forum at SFM — the building formerly known as SDH — when I spotted a batch of Fritos sitting inconspicuously at the end of the soup island. Naturally thinking “chili Fritos!” I scooped some up and looked around for the chili. As it turned out, however, there wasn’t any on this particular night. As to what unforgivable managerial blunder is responsible I know not, but let me say, fellow students, that this is less acceptable than the play calling on Saturday. As I scooped up a ladle of minestrone instead, I was reminded of the kitchen scene in the movie “Friday” where Ice Cube lectures his father on the mismatched food selection from which they suffer.



Tom Haight

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This column really isn’t about what hardships I’ve recently endured though, for lo and behold I’ve actually got some useful information to share (Hey, I didn’t believe it at first either, but there is a first time for everything: just ask Bob Davie).

Notre Dame’s student government is on the verge of doing something productive this year (after such an impressive streak to the contrary) by improving the food courts/markets.

One of the awe-inspiring ideas that I felt was right up there with “Plan something-or-other From Outer Space” was the addition of music for dinner. Correct me if I’m wrong, but if I have to yell at my friends three seats down from me now, what’s the addition of Catholic hymns going to help? Do you have any real doubt that the University will eventually take it over?

Even if we would suppose, as they want us to, that the music selection would be left up to us, I really can’t say that I’d enjoy listening to Dave Matthews every night. Don’t get me wrong, there’s nothing wrong with Dave, but after hearing Crash for the 10,000th time it starts getting old.

To the student government’s credit, they are actually trying to get that much-campaigned-on-and-yet-to-be-delivered grab-and-go facility in DeBartolo Hall (a.k.a., Godsend for people with bad DART times). There is also a motion to improve the vegetarian type selection, which I support despite my passion for red meat, since there’s nothing quite like finding that the fresh vegetables more closely resemble the physical properties of rubber than anything else I can find in the back of my engineering textbook (including wood).

Finally, and perhaps most importantly, they are actually trying to change it to where one can, (insert gasp here) use your meals at any time of the day! As we all know, the current method of allowing only one meal over a certain interval is used to cut costs, since they budget on the average number of meals we don’t eat in a week. As a person who’d love nothing more than to grab-and-go my breakfast for the next morning after dinner, I just hope that the University sees this as at least as useful an idea as putting a 10,000 lb. floating marble on display. In other words, despite its practicality, I’m giving about the same odds on it as on Bob Davie’s phone number being listed at the end of the season.

And now I’ll get off my soapbox and go back to eating my Minestrone Fritos, which I must add is not quite as bad as toad-in-the-hole or some of South Food Market’s other prize desserts.

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THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
♦ Lecture: “Beyond MTV: New Resources in Digital Video and Animation,” Peter Terry, Noon, Little Theater	♦ Event: “Colcannon,” Irish band, 7:30 p.m., Little Theater	♦ Theater: “How the Other Half Loves,” 7:30 p.m., Washington Hall	♦ Lecture: “States, Revolutions, and the Case of Columbia,” Jeff Goodwin, 4:15 p.m., Hesburgh Center
♦ Film: “25 Watts,” 7 p.m., Auditorium, Hesburgh Center	♦ Performance: “The Miami Wind Quintet,” 7:30 p.m., Annenberg Auditorium, The Snite	♦ Performance: “A Kiss to Build a Dream On,” 7:30 p.m., Little Theater	♦ Film: “Dr. Strangelove,” 7 p.m., Auditorium, Hesburgh Center

BEYOND CAMPUS

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Michigan prepares biochemical defenses

ANN ARBOR

As nightmares of possible biological and chemical terrorist attacks continue to scare many Americans, University of Michigan researchers push to develop defense techniques against biochemical weapons. Although researchers said they feel the possibility of biological and chemical warfare has been blown out of proportion since the events of Sept. 11, they feel America should be aware of the possibilities.

“I think there is a significant risk,” said James Baker, head of the University Medical School allergy and immunology department. “Certainly there are countries that have these agents, but I don’t think the risk is any different than before Sept. 11. People should prepare appropriately for



these issues, but running around saying the sky is falling isn’t going to help.”

Researchers urge the public to understand biochemical warfare requires sophisticated delivery mechanisms and labs in which to grow the viruses.

“You’d have to spread them across a fairly large geographical area with a large population because they would

denature,” pathology department chairman Peter Ward said. “It is true that if terrorist organizations were able to produce viruses in large quantities, it could be an absolutely devastating event, but it is unlikely that a group would be able to obtain and culture the viruses.”

Ward, whose research involves mustard gas and its extensive damaging effects on the lungs, said he hopes his work will lead to an antidote for people on the battle field and in the general population exposed to the deadly chemical.

“It’s a very cheap compound to manufacture, so if a terrorist group decides they want to expose a population to something like that, it’s not difficult to make,” Ward said. “The trick is how do you distribute it in the air.”

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

Researcher finds new HIV code

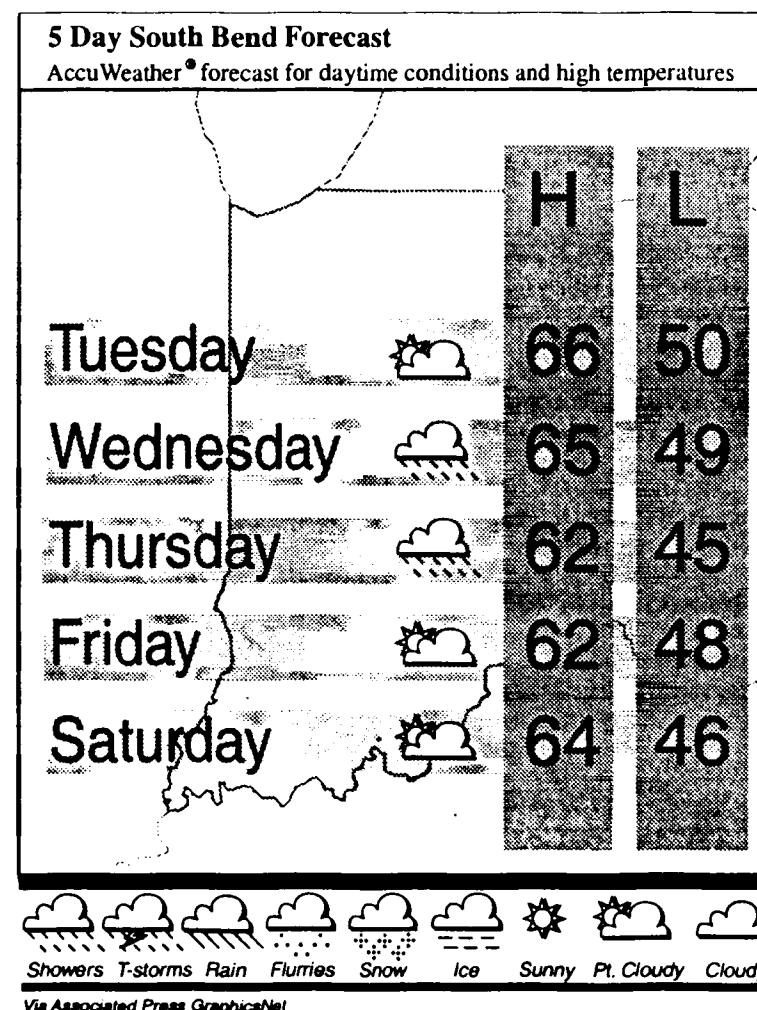
The virus that causes AIDS commandeers a white-blood cell’s own inner machinery, producing more virus particles to invade new cells and spreading the disease. But researchers at the University of Utah have found a key component to a viral particle’s escape from its host cell. This is still “basic research,” said Wes Sundquist, professor of biochemistry. However, the discovery has potential to yield a drug treatment for AIDS. Based on the research, Myriad Genetics is working to develop such a drug, he said. Because strains of HIV resistant to current treatments have sprung up recently, drugs using different mechanisms to thwart the virus must be developed. Doctors need the “next generation” drugs to fight increasing resistance in both bacterial and viral infections. “It’s a constant war,” Sundquist said. HIV, the virus responsible for AIDS, enters a host cell. Acting like a parasite, it causes the cell to produce thousands of copies of the virus’ genetic code.

UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY

Inmates utilize distance learning

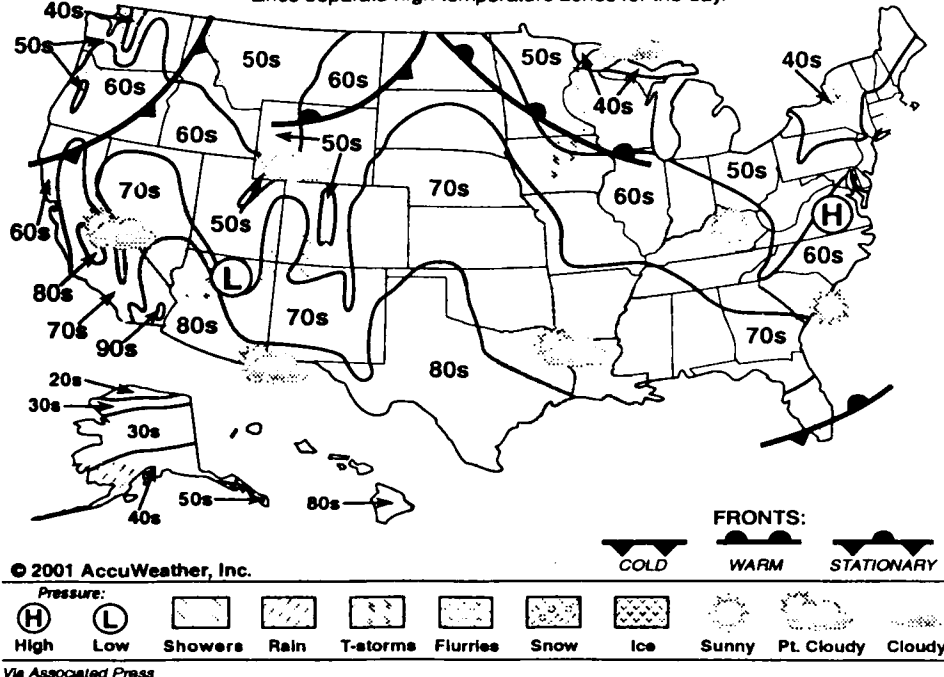
Utah Prison and Jail inmates are given the chance to rehabilitate themselves and better their education through Utah State University’s Extension and Continuing Education department. Vince Lafferty, director of Distance Education, first started a distance learning program for inmates in 1985 when the Utah prison and jail systems approached him with the idea. Now an estimated 150 full-time and part-time inmates are continuing their education every semester. “I felt there was a big need. We could have a tremendous impact not only on the inmates but society as a whole,” Lafferty said. USU offers only specific degrees through this program such as a bachelor’s in business administration, a minor in business information systems or accounting and a bachelor’s in psychology for inmates who plan on attending graduate school. Lafferty said these degrees offer inmates more marketable skills in today’s economy than other degrees offered on campus might.

LOCAL WEATHER



NATIONAL WEATHER

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Monday, Oct. 8.
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Atlanta	74	43	Las Vegas	84	70	Portland	66	55
Baltimore	68	42	Memphis	60	42	Sacramento	68	47
Boston	55	37	Milwaukee	48	23	St. Louis	61	54
Chicago	68	48	New York	45	33	Tampa	76	54
Houston	84	58	Philadelphia	59	39	Washington DC	65	52

ND prayer vigil counters U.S. attacks

By JASON McFARLEY
News Editor

In the weeks following last month's terrorist attacks, members of Notre Dame's Peace Coalition trusted that a counter-attack by the U.S. government was imminent.

The newly formed coalition even had a game plan in the event that U.S. military forces responded to the Sept. 11 attacks in New York and Washington: Meet at 5 p.m. that day on the University's Fieldhouse Mall to protest the violence.

On Sunday, following U.S. strikes on Afghanistan, more than two dozen students gathered at that site for a hastily organized prayer vigil in response to the American action.

"It's not an easy day," said senior Rachel Soltis, a member of Pax Christi and the Peace Coalition. "The reality of violence responding to violence ... it's overwhelming."

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Peace Coalition member

tates us coming together. You just can't be silent ... not as Christians, not as human beings," she said.

Students sat in a circle on the lawn in front of the water fountain popularly called Stonehenge. On the 45-degree afternoon, many wore the "Pray for Peace" T-shirts the Peace Coalition distributed on campus Sept. 22 before the Notre Dame-Michigan State football game.

The people represented mainly other pacifist groups — Pax Christi and the Progressive Student Alliance. They prayed on Sunday for the safety of American and Afghan civilians and a speedy resolution to the conflict before it turned to a full-fledged war.

At one point during the 40-minute vigil, participants joined hands and spoke their prayers aloud.

"It's part of a process of interpreting, reflecting on and reacting to these events," said Aaron Kreider, a graduate student and former PSA president. "[Holding the prayer vigil] makes it a more wholesome type of movement."



KYLIE CARTER/The Observer

Members of Notre Dame's newly created Peace Coalition gathered Sunday for a prayer vigil in response to U.S. and British military attacks on Afghanistan. The coalition was fomed immediately after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in New York and Washington.

"This was something put together at the last minute by people who were brought together by mutual feelings about an issue that affects all of us," said junior Paul Graham,

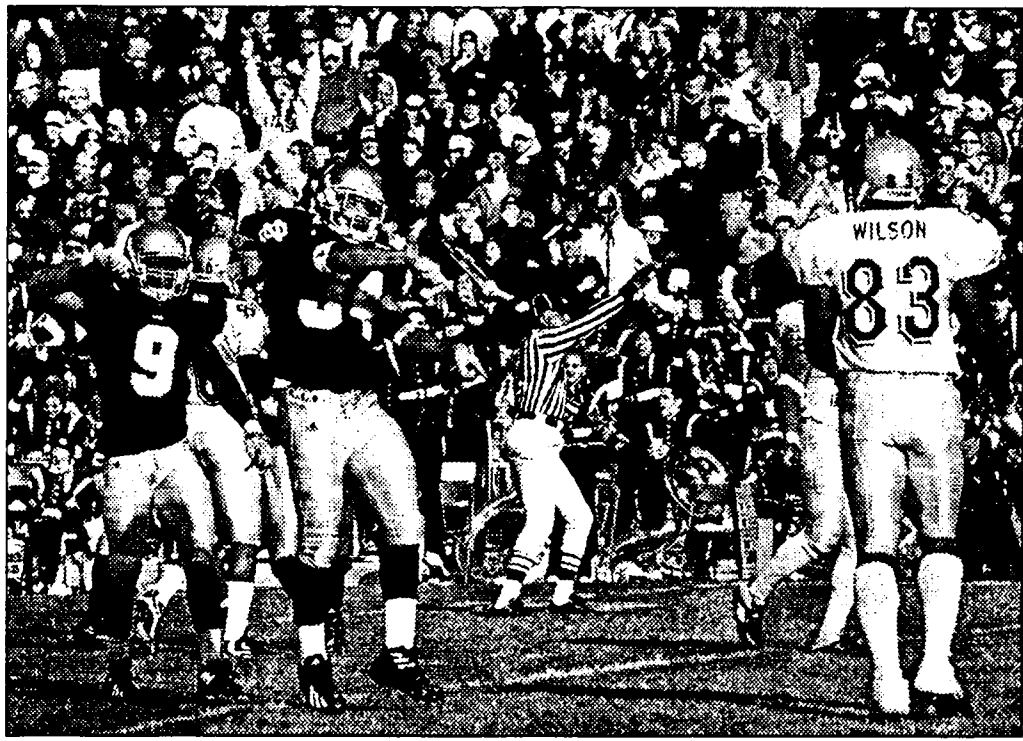
also a PSA member.

In light of Sunday's attacks on Afghanistan, the Peace Coalition organizers expected to "begin meeting now more than ever," Soltis said.

The group next meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the Center for Social Concerns.

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Victory resurrects some fans' confidence



TIM KACMAR/The Observer

Cornerbacks Vontez Duff (34) and Jason Beckstrom (9) celebrate Abe Elam's fumble recovery at the 1-yard line in Notre Dame's 24-7 victory Saturday. It was Notre Dame's first win of the year.

By SHEILA EGTS
News Writer

Although Saturday's 24-7 win over Pittsburgh cannot erase the three consecutive losses to start the season that will go down in Notre Dame football history, the victory was enough to rebuild the confidence of some fans and students.

"I know that people were really down about Davie and the team, but I've noticed a definite turnaround," sophomore student manger Amber Vachon said. "I'm glad we pulled out a win, because I would not want to start seeing empty stands. I think people will be more excited to go now that we've won."

"The win was a breath of fresh air since for those of us who eat, sleep, and live Notre

Dame football. Getting that first win reinvigorated everyone," said junior Patrick Esper.

Shay Jolly thinks the Irish may be able to finish with a decent record if they use this win to their advantage. "Personally, I see the Irish coming back and winning their games. Even though they started out on the wrong foot, I think our team can still make something out of this season," the freshman said.

"I think [the win] will pick them up, but it depends on how well the next team plays. If they come out with the same attitude they did this week, I think they'll do well," said freshman Heidi Schindler.

Freshman Nick Stober said: "It's hard to say how the rest of the season will go, but as long as they focus on the win, they should be alright."

However, sophomore Joe Wyss and other fans are still questioning how the Irish will fare against the tougher teams they have to face in upcoming weeks.

"Even though it was just Pitt, it was finally nice to get something in the win column. But I would expect a win out of them against Pitt, and they will have to step in up to compete against Tennessee, Stanford and USC. I don't want to be a pessimist, but I honestly don't know if they can dig out of the hole that we started the season in."

Students agree that the victory over Pittsburgh heightened campus morale, but there is no significant change in feelings towards Irish head coach Bob Davie. The T-shirts saying "Dump Davie" and "Drinking because we suck" won't be tucked away in closets just yet. The blame for the losses is still

on Davie while the credit for this week's win goes to the team.

"I think this win has done nothing but buy Davie another week and delay the inevitable," said freshman Dan Straka.

"People have made up their minds about whether or not they like Davie. But I think if he can build on the momentum, he might be able to counterbalance how the year started," said Esper.

"I think that the Bob Davie problem goes much deeper than one game. People are really questioning why we aren't getting results from the players. The talent is there but somehow the coaching staff isn't realizing that talent," said Wyss.

But according to sophomore Aldo Tesi, the Davie bashing has gotten out of hand.

"It really angered me when the fans yelled 'Lou' because it's the job of the fans to cheer for the team and the coaches. The boos have got to be getting in Davie's head and can only hurt our chances of having a good season," said Tesi.

The rocky beginning to the season has shown that Notre Dame continues to boast die-hard fans that will support the team regardless of the win-loss record.

"No matter who the coach is or how the team is doing, I'm a fan of Notre Dame football. We should show them we support them despite what is happening on the field," Esper said.

"I'd go to the games whether we win or lose. I love Notre Dame football, no doubt about it. I'm behind the team 100 percent," Vachon said.

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Reaction

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the patriotic reactions of the Notre Dame community mentioning how all the spectators at the Michigan State and Notre Dame football game raised flags during "America, the Beautiful."

"That showed the most humanity I've ever seen," said Kelly.

Although, Kelly saw a positive aspect in the U.S.'s unity during this time of conflict, freshman Meredith Thornburgh said the U.S. retaliations were the extra step needed to respond to the terrorist attacks after almost a month of no military retaliation.

"I feel like Bush probably took a lot of time to think about what would be appropriate," said Thornburgh. "It's just a very complicated issue. It's hard to fight a war against people who aren't afraid of dying."

Although Thornburgh is from Indianapolis, she, like Kelly, knew someone close to her that was in New York City on the day of the attacks. Thornburgh's aunt, an attorney, was in court four blocks away from the World Trade Center when planes crashed into the Twin Towers. Thornburgh didn't hear from her aunt until 10 a.m. on Sept. 12, the day after the attack.

Since Thornburgh heard about the U.S. air strikes in Afghanistan, she said she was finally reassured that the U.S. wasn't going to ignore what happened.

"I definitely don't have a problem with war as long as it's justified," said Thornburgh. "It's just sad that the U.S. government knew what the Taliban was doing long before they took action."

Another freshman, Alicia D'Alessandro from New Jersey, said it has been difficult to be away from home during this period of unrest.

"The only day I felt really homesick was the day of the attacks," said D'Alessandro whose uncle is a police officer for the New York Police Department stationed at ground zero to do relief work after the attacks.

"I didn't know for a couple of hours if my family was OK," said D'Alessandro.

Despite the anxiety caused by the attacks, D'Alessandro said she was glad to have to support that she has found on campus.

"If I had to be away from home, Notre Dame is a great place to be because of the whole religious community," said D'Alessandro.

She also said that although she

would like to see a nonviolent end to the conflict, the U.S. retaliation was a good decision.

"Even though this is drastic, it's better than sitting back and allowing [terrorism] to happen," said D'Alessandro. "I just hope this is resolved as quickly as possible because it's trying for everyone."

Differing from those who want a quick resolution to the tension, even if violent, Josh Berg, a junior at Michigan State who visited Notre Dame friends this past weekend, had a negative reaction to the U.S.'s method of retaliation.

"This was another example of the U.S. retaliating in an unreasonable manner. I don't think it will accomplish anything," said Berg. "The only purpose is so that the public feels we got revenge in some way."

Berg said that the air strikes didn't seem to be the best way to respond to the terrorism attacks.

"We should fight war with peace instead of war with war," said Berg who noticed that many students seemed to support the U.S. retaliation. He also said he considered the Notre Dame student body to be more conservative and therefore likely to encourage a strong military retaliation.

"I think the general consensus in everyone is rallying behind the president. It sort of makes me feel disenchanted with the American public," said Berg.

Like Berg, senior Kate Ponto said she has also been somewhat disillusioned by the recent events connected to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"The talk about retaliation upsets me," said senior Kate Ponto. "I'm just worried about what it'll lead to, who will get hurt, and if it's the best thing."

Ponto, born and raised in Kalamazoo, Michigan, said it is hard for her to feel closely attached to the terrorist attacks because she didn't know anybody affected by them.

"It doesn't seem very connected to my life," said Ponto. "[New York and Washington, D.C., are] part of the very unreal world that comes to me through TV."

Just like the 'unreal world' that Ponto sees on television, she said this new campaign against terrorism has been like yet another saga in American history that has visibly captured the attention of students in a way that she hasn't seen during her years at Notre Dame.

"I don't think I've seen anything quality as dramatic as what has happened," said Ponto.

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Strikes

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before the attacks, but both he and the leader of the Taliban ruling council of Afghanistan were reported to have survived the initial aerial assault.

In a fresh reminder of the potential for renewed terrorist attacks, the FBI said it was urging law enforcement agencies nationwide to "be at the highest level of vigilance and be prepared to respond to any act of terrorism or violence."

Bush gave the final go-ahead for the strike on Saturday, less than four weeks after terrorists flew two hijacked airplanes into the World Trade Center twin towers and a third into the Pentagon. A fourth plane crashed in the Pennsylvania countryside after an apparent struggle between passengers and terrorists on board.

In addition to the Sept. 11 death toll — estimated at more than 5,000 — the attacks dealt a shuddering blow to Americans' feeling of security, and propelled an already weakened economy toward recession.

Bush said the military action was "designed to clear the way for sustained, comprehensive and relentless operations" to bring the terrorists to justice.

"I know many Americans feel fear today," the president added said in his nationally televised announcement from the White House Treaty Room. Signs of heightened security concerns were evident, as officials took Vice President Dick Cheney from his residence to an undisclosed secure location, security was stepped up around the Capitol and government nuclear weapons labs were put on higher alert. The FBI said it was acting on the basis of "the possibility of additional terrorist

activity occurring somewhere in the world."

In Saudi Arabia, the U.S. Embassy remained closed on Monday, and authorities cautioned Americans to "review their own security precautions."

Within hours of the attacks, Bush drew public support from foreign leaders around the world — including a statement from the Russian Foreign Ministry. Congressional leaders chorused their approval, as did the American public.

A crowd of 64,000 cheered the president's words at Veterans Stadium in Philadelphia, where the beginning of a professional football game was delayed so the fans could view Bush's appearance on the big screen scoreboard. Chants of "USA, USA" filled another stadium, this one in Atlanta.

The initial strike involved 50 Tomahawk cruise missiles, launched from American and British ships. Gen. Richard Myers said 15 bombers and 25 strike aircraft, both sea and land-based, also were involved. The assault came at 12:30 p.m. EDT — nighttime in Afghanistan.

Myers, sworn into office as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff less than a week ago, said the attacks included B-1, B-2 and B-52 bombers as well as ships and submarines that have been deployed in the region in the days since Sept. 11.

The B-52s dropped at least dozens of 500-pound gravity bombs on al-Qaida terrorist training camps in eastern Afghanistan, one official said.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said the strikes were designed to eliminate the Taliban's air defenses and destroy their military aircraft. Afghanistan's rulers are known to have a small inventory of surface-to-air missiles as well

as shoulder-fired anti-aircraft missiles.

Afghan sources in Pakistan said the attack had damaged the Taliban military headquarters and destroyed a radar installation and control tower at the airport in the southern Afghan city of Kandahar. Smoke could be seen billowing from the high-walled compound of Mullah Mohammed Omar, the Taliban leader, these sources added.

One Pentagon official said that while highly visible attacks were being carried out, other operations

would not be seen publicly. Officials have said previously that U.S. special forces have been operating inside Afghanistan.

Roughly an hour after the first volley of cruise missiles, Taliban forces came under attack from the northern alliance, Afghan opposition forces who fired multiple-rocket launchers from an air base about 25 miles north of Kabul.

A spokesman at the Afghan Embassy in Tajikistan, a nation that does not recognize the Taliban as rulers of Afghanistan, said that the opposition could make an attempt to enter Kabul, the capital.

Asked when, he said perhaps in days or a week.

Bush spoke less than an hour after the first explosion could be heard in Kabul, followed by the sounds of anti-aircraft fire. Power went off throughout the city almost immediately after the first of five thunderous blasts.

The president said the military strike would be accompanied by the delivery of food, medicine and other supplies needed to sustain the people of Afghanistan. Pentagon officials said the yellow plastic packets, dropped by C-17 cargo planes, are about the size and weight of a hardcover book.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Vatican paves way for sainthood:

Pope John Paul II put seven people on the road to possible sainthood Sunday, beatifying a victim of the Nazis, an Armenian archbishop killed by the Ottoman Turks and five founders or members of religious orders. Thousands of pilgrims gathered in a bright St. Peter's Square and cheered as the names of the beatified were read out and their images unveiled on tapestries hung from the basilica.

Licenses granted for AIDS drugs:

GlaxoSmithKline has granted a generic drug manufacturer a license to produce and market key AIDS medicines in South Africa, a Glaxo official said Sunday. South African company Aspen Pharmacare would be allowed to sell its versions of the widely used AIDS drugs to the public health system.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Marathon record broken:

Kenya's Catherine Ndereba set a women's world best on Sunday when she won the Chicago Marathon in 2 hours, 18 minutes, 47 seconds. Takahashi's time was the first under 2:20 for a female marathon runner.

Emmy awards cancelled:

The Emmy Awards telecast, delayed three weeks by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, was canceled Sunday after United States and Britain launched a military attack in Afghanistan. It was the first cancellation in the awards' 53-year history.

Alaskan pipeline repaired:

Crews on Saturday sealed a bullet hole in the trans-Alaska pipeline, finally stopping a leak that spewed 285,600 gallons of oil over three days. With the temporary repair in place, workers turned their attention to the massive job of cleaning up the two acres of wilderness.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Three dead in Indianapolis:

Three men were found fatally shot, and a teenager was wounded Friday night in a drug-related shooting. The deaths, at an apartment complex on the city's northeast side, were apparently part of a botched robbery, Marion County sheriff's deputies say. "We do know it was planned as a drug robbery that went extremely, tragically wrong," sheriff's Major Mike Turk said Saturday of the shootings at the Sutton Place Apartments. The teen who was wounded was believed to have been an innocent bystander.

AFGHANISTAN



Tanks from the anti-Taliban Northern Alliance were mobilizing following the American plane and missile attacks against Afghanistan. The Northern Alliance is believed to mount an offensive following the American attacks.

ITAR-TASS

World leaders support attacks

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

European governments gave swift and solid backing to the U.S.-British attacks on Osama bin Laden and his backers Sunday, with France saying its forces would also take part.

Iran and Iraq protested the action in Afghanistan. On the streets across the Islamic world, many denounced the attack as an act of war against Arabs and Muslims.

Baghdad called the missile attack and air raids "treacherous aggression." Israel supported them as "the right and courageous decision."

In an address to the nation, President Bush said Canada, Australia, Germany and France have "pledged forces as the operation unfolds," and numerous other countries

have granted air transit or landing rights. Still more nations are providing intelligence, he said.

Bush telephoned several European leaders just before the attacks began, including French President Jacques Chirac.

Later, in a televised address to the French people, Chirac said: "Our forces will participate. At this stage French vessels are associated with this operation."

Until now France had offered airspace and naval logistical support. "In recent days," Chirac said, "the United States made new demands for military participation."

Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien confirmed that his country would meet Bush's request for a military contribution. In a message to the nation he said military units were being told to report for

duty.

Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi put his country on heightened alert and promised that "Italy is by the side of the United States and all who are committed to the battle against terrorism."

Italy has offered troops, as well as use of its ports and airports.

German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder promised Bush his country's "unlimited solidarity."

"There is no alternative to this struggle, which we must win and will win," Schroeder told reporters.

Small anti-war demonstrations were held in some European cities, and some governments expressed regret that military action could not be avoided.

Although those governments mentioned the need to spare civilian lives and get humanitarian aid to Afghanistan, the overall

stress was on supporting Sunday's attack.

Romano Prodi, president of the 15-nation European Commission, said "all Europe stands steadfast with the United States and its coalition allies to pursue the fight against terrorism" and "against those who attack the very foundations of civilization."

Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said on CNN: "We feel part and parcel of this campaign, and if we are asked (to help), everything will be considered seriously and positively."

Iran's Foreign Minister said the "vast U.S. attacks" were "unacceptable," the Iranian news agency IRNA reported. Iraqi TV gave minute-by-minute coverage of the "treacherous aggression."

Other Arab capitals did not immediately comment, but many denounced the attack as an act of war.

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U.S. drops food aid to Afghans

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The U.S. military strikes Sunday in Afghanistan were followed by airdrops of food, medicine and other humanitarian supplies.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said plans called for two C-17 cargo planes to drop 37,500 food packets to starving Afghans on the first day of airstrikes.

The humanitarian aid is meant to underscore the Bush administration's message that the strikes are meant to harm terrorists, not ordi-

nary Afghans.

"To say that these attacks are in any way against Afghanistan or the Afghan people is flat wrong," Rumsfeld said.

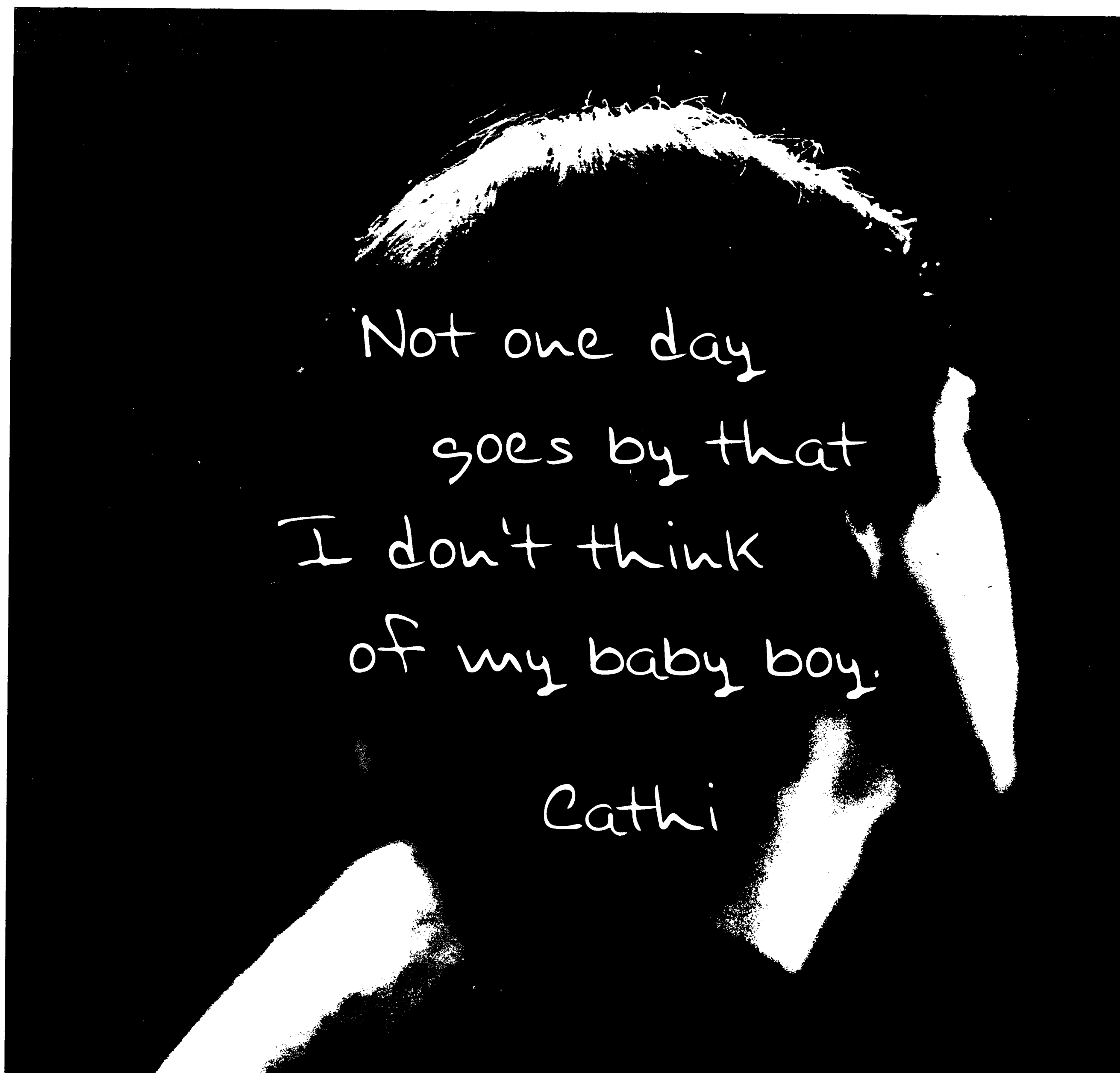
The military also dropped leaflets and made radio broadcasts into Afghanistan to explain the U.S. action, he said.

The airdrops are delivering "humanitarian daily rations," plastic pouches of food enriched with vitamins and minerals to boost refugees weakened by hunger and travel, Pentagon officials have said.

The food, wrapped so that one

packet has enough for one person for one day, does not contain any animal products so as not to violate any religious or cultural practices. Muslims, for example, do not eat pork.

The yellow plastic packets are about the size and weight of a hardcover book. They have a picture of a smiling person eating from a pouch, a stencil of an American flag, a notation that they were made by Rightaway Foods of McAllen, Texas, and this greeting in English: "This food is a gift from the United States of America." The packets provide at least 2,200 calories per day.



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SMC officials open 3 new exhibits at Moreau

By MARY CAMPE
News Writer

Students, faculty, staff and community members joined at Saint Mary's Moreau Galleries Friday to help open three new exhibits. The exhibits included photography, paintings, sculptures, ceramics and collectibles.

"Letters from Camp: An Exhibition Blurring the Boundaries Between Good Taste and Bad," was a collection of work in the Hammes Gallery in the Moreau Arts Center.

The exhibit presents the works of artists who use images or items associated with popular culture, such as Pez dispensers and B-movies.

Some pieces included old movie posters and contemporary political aspects. One artist, Dave Huffman, had his "Art For Your Can" on display.

This included different toilet seats decorated to display different events, images and themes from the past in a style he stated as "inspired from Warhol's Pop Art to John Waters films."

"This is a splendid opening," said Saint Mary's sophomore Daniela Urns. "It is very creative and all gives a very different view of what art can be, aside from just the more traditional type."

The Sistar Rosarie Gallery displayed the photographic works of Detroit-based artist Kamil Antos.

His work included altered photographs that display what he calls "ghosts" from unlikely



JESSICA SLOAN/The Observer

Visitors to Saint Mary's Moreau Galleries Friday view one of three new exhibits the College opened. The exhibits, which include works in photography, painting, sculpture, ceramics and collectibles, will be on display through Nov. 9.

objects.

The Little Theatre Gallery displayed the art of Saint Mary's art department chair Bill Sandusky. His work

included a self-portrait and different paintings displaying familiar organic objects. He has had exhibits nationwide, as well as in the Saint Mary's

community.

The three exhibitions will run through Nov. 9. The Moreau Galleries are open Monday through Friday from

10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

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Rego

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endangering the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community," she said.

Pienovi contacted the school two months ago to determine what actions Notre Dame would take to keep Rego off campus. Notre Dame's indecision makes her uneasy.

"I would not be contacting the media if I was 100 percent

sure that Notre Dame would follow through with what they told me ... It's been two months and they haven't made a decision. I am confused why they are considering it ... what is there to decide?" she said.

Letting Rego on campus does

more than just break a disciplinary decision, for Pienovi it breaks a working relationship she built with the University. Pienovi spoke at freshman orientation meetings about her experiences as a sexual assault victim for her last three years at Notre Dame and made a video that is shown to all freshman so her story would not be forgotten after her graduation in 2001. She worked very closely with Residence Life to improve

sexual assault awareness at Notre Dame since her attack four years ago.

All her work, Pienovi fears, will be jeopardized if Rego is allowed on campus for Saturday's home game.

"If they don't uphold the ban it will make other women more hesitant to come forward in the future," she said.

"It's been two months and they haven't made a decision. I am confused why they are considering it ... what is there to decide?"

Kori Pienovi
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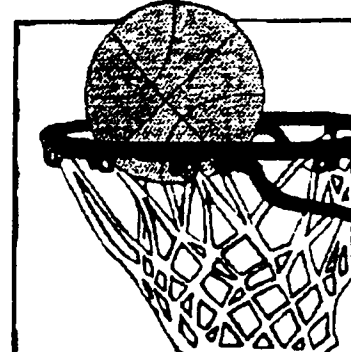
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STUDENT SENATE

Members work for student input

By ERIN LaRUFFA
Associate News Editor

Although working in different parts of the country, student senators Jesse Flores and Jim Ryan each got a similar inspiration from their summer internships — ways to increase communication between the student senate and the student body.

Flores, the senator from Carroll Hall, said he learned an important lesson from community members in Austin, Texas as part of his summer service project.

"The community was really big on getting input before it did anything," Flores said. "The way they did that was through conversation."

So, Flores began brainstorming ways that the student senate could have conversations with the rest of the student body about projects that senators were working on. He finally decided that one way to seek out students was by holding discussion forums in the dining halls.

For Ryan, who represents Dillon Hall, that inspiration came as he worked in the public information office of Dupage County, Ill. While sending local newspapers copies of agendas for upcoming county meetings, Ryan said he decided that the Notre Dame senate should also let its constituents know ahead of time what would be discussed at its weekly meetings.

"I figured, 'why shouldn't we be doing this?'" said Ryan. His idea became a reality two weeks ago, when the senate first published its meeting agenda in The Observer.

Holding dining hall forums and publishing meeting agendas both fit into the senate's broader plan for the year, according to Zahm Hall senator Mark Roland.

"One of the goals of the senate this year was to do a better job of garnering student input," said Roland. "The senate, at its best, is going to be embodying the students' opinions."

However, even though the senate has been publishing its agenda for two weeks now, no students have attended meetings. Nevertheless, Ryan said he remains optimistic that students will come when the senate discusses more controversial issues than the ones they have been talking about so far this year.

"We really want to reach out to students and see what they have to say."

Jesse Flores
Carroll Hall senator

"Then, they're probably going to want to be there, and they're going to want to share their opinions," Ryan said.

The dining hall forums that Flores conceptualized will begin tonight, as representatives from the senate and the office of the student body president will be in both dining halls during dinner, and then in LaFortune from 10 p.m. to midnight.

The senate will be in North Dining Hall from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and in South Dining Hall from 5:45 to 7:15 p.m.

The first dining hall forum will focus on faculty/student interaction. Similar forums on different topics will be held every Monday.

Flores said it was important for senators to go to places where students are, such as the dining halls and LaFortune, to make it as easy as possible for students to talk to their representatives. Roland added that students should have an easy time finding

the tables where the discussions will be held.

"We'll be in a central location so people won't have to search us out, which is basically the whole point," Roland explained.

In part, the point of the forums, according to Flores, is to get student input on important campus issues.

"The whole point is to do what your constituents want," said Flores. "We really do want to reach out to students and see what they have to say."

In addition, he added that student government wants students to know it will listen to their ideas and is willing to work for them.

"A lot of service is about presence and making sure people know you're there," said Flores, explaining that student input could change the way the senate handles a particular issue. Although Flores said student government representatives running the forums will have certain questions planned out, they will not strictly follow those guidelines.

"The people that are staffing the tables will probably have some guided questions in mind," Flores said. "But the people having the conversation could take it somewhere else."

Ryan said that no matter what forums students use, it is important for them to share their ideas with their senators.

"The senate is a resource for pushing the views of the students to the administration," said Ryan. "[Student input] will help us make sure what we're doing is what students want."

In addition, according to Ryan, senators can make a stronger case to the administration when they have a lot of student feedback on a particular issue.

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ND officials issue tailgating citations

♦ Student Affairs, NDSP give record number of tickets

By V. VAN BUREN GILES
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Roughly 60 people were given citations for underage drinking and minor in possession of alcohol Saturday, according to Notre Dame Security Police.

"This is by far the largest amount of tickets we have ever handed out," said Rex Rakow, director of Notre Dame Security/Police.

Police said students from Notre Dame, Saint Mary's, Holy Cross and neighboring high schools were issued citations for tailgating and other drinking related activities. Alumni were also cited and in some cases arrested for disorderly conduct.

"This campus has a problem with alcohol abuse," said Rakow. "Student Affairs, working through the ND Security/Police Department, will do everything in its power to enforce the laws pertaining to those students under and above the legal age for drinking alcoholic beverages."

While many students and fans consider tailgating synonymous with football, Du Lac, the guide to student life at Notre Dame, states that, "No student, student organization, or University housing facility may organize or sponsor tailgaters on campus or on any adjacent fields or parking lots at any time for the purpose of serving alcoholic beverages."

This weekend, this rule was enforced more rigorously than in the past.

Minor in possession was the most popular citation, but tickets were also given for disorderly conduct and public drunkenness.

Police said that some tail-

gaters had more than 100 students in attendance. Excessive drinking was one of the targets of the raid. Students shutgunning and using beer funnels were singled out for citations, according to Rakow.

"So far this year, 17 students have been hauled off to hospitals in cases of extreme drunkenness. We sent a message out at the beginning of the year that underage drinking would not be tolerated. We enforced this rule for the Michigan State game and doubled our efforts for the Pitt game," said Rakow.

One student when administered a breathalyzer test blew a 0.2, far exceeding the legal limit of .08.

"He was obviously drunk so we took him into custody to monitor him for his own well being," Rakow said.

The push to curtail underage drinking is part of a joint effort among law enforcement agencies in the Michiana community. South Bend, Indiana Excise, Notre Dame and St. Joseph county Police were all involved in the coalition to deter students from tailgating.

Rakow and 20 other officers took part in the crackdown.

In some cases, students lied to police thinking that a lack of affiliation with the University would save them from the laws governing the school, police said.

Those who lied were cited for further offenses and were given tickets involving the Indiana state court system.

"We will not tolerate students lying to offices of the law. Students should understand that they in actuality have it easier as the fines they receive usually only involve residence life infractions, which are not as serious as the breaking of Indiana state laws," said Rakow.

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Bowyer named department chair

Special to The Observer

Kevin Bowyer has been appointed the Schubmehl-Prein Professor and Chair of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at Notre Dame.

He joined the Notre Dame faculty in August after previously teaching and conducting research at the University of South Florida.

Specializing in computer vision, image analysis, pattern recognition, data mining and applications to medical imaging, Bowyer also is heavily involved in the study of ethical issues related to computing.

The second edition of his textbook "Ethics and Computing — Living Responsibly in a Computerized World" was published this year.

He has organized a series of National Science Foundation workshops for undergraduate faculty from across the United States on the topic of teaching ethics and computing and presented a keynote address on the topic at the 1999 Information Systems Education Conference.

Bowyer also is committed to improving undergraduate computer science education in the area of handling image data and has twice edited special issues of the International Journal of Pattern Recognition and Artificial

Intelligence on this topic.

In addition to South Florida, Bowyer also has served on the

faculties of Duke University and the Swiss Federal Technical Institute.

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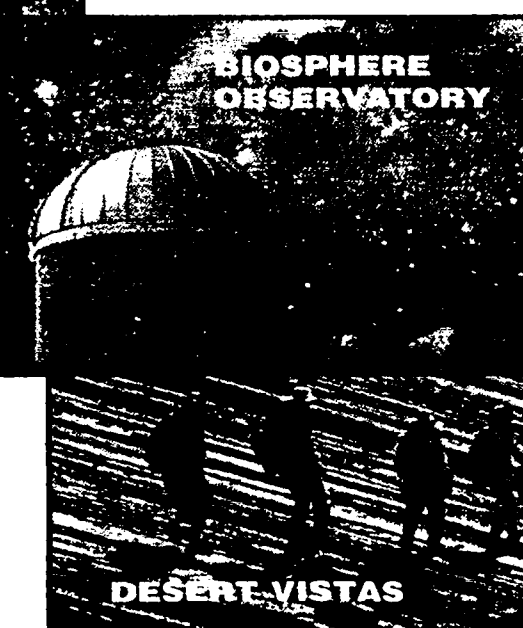
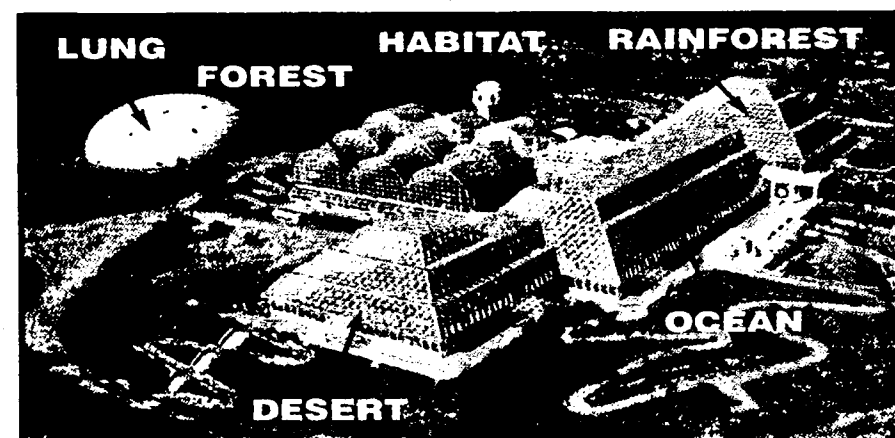
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Belles wrap up Pride Week

By KATIE RAND
News Writer

Saint Mary's students joined together to celebrate their College as Saint Mary's Pride Week ended Saturday. The administration was pleased with this year's student involvement, and deemed the week a success.

During Pride Week, students joined together for many different events with the intent to display and strengthen school pride. Events ranged from a pep rally to ghost stories.

Held on Wednesday, the pep rally honored all fall athletes and students participated in various events to increase class spirit. Classes battled against each other in tug o' wars, wearing blue and white in support of the College.

"I thought the turnout was awesome for this school," said Adrienne Dorbish, school spirit chair of Student Activities Board. "Some great spirit and pride came out, especially from the junior class."

"The juniors won the spirit competition, having the best signs and most spirit overall at the rally," said Alison Joseph, junior class president. "So, our entire class will be getting a pizza party for our efforts."

Following the pep rally, students told ghost stories in LeMans Hall's Stapleton Lounge. Students currently writing a book of Saint Mary's ghost stories started the session off, followed by other students with stories of hauntings in LeMans and Holy Cross, the two oldest residence halls on campus.

Other events scheduled for the week included a cookout

and movie night. The Reidinger Alumnae House was also open for tours for students who had never been inside.

The final event of Saint Mary's Pride Week was co-hosting the Notre Dame pep rally Friday before Saturday's football game against the Pittsburgh Panthers. Students wearing their navy blue Saint Mary's pride T-shirts walked to the JACC as a group, and took up almost an entire section.

"I was very pleased with the turnout; we had a great showing. We could tell when they announced us that we were really welcomed by the other dorms here," Dorbish said. "Especially by Knott when they cheered 'Knott loves SMC chicks.' It was great!"

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Reporter critiques terrorist coverage

By JASON MCFARLEY
News Editor

For veteran journalist Bill Carter, the chief television correspondent for The New York Times, the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks played out like fiction on TV.

"Clearly there were times on television when people were reporting this and they had a lot of trouble even getting it out," Carter told a DeBartolo Hall audience in a lecture Friday. "What immediately struck me was the incredible unreality."

The University's Department of Film, Television and Theatre sponsored the lecture, "America in the Aftermath: Television Since 9/11," to discuss broadcast coverage of last month's terrorist strikes in New York and Washington.

Carter, a 1971 Notre Dame graduate, praised television coverage and networks' cooperation immediately following the attacks.

"Everyone did some very interesting independent coverage," Carter said. "It was pretty responsible for the most part and mostly controlled."

Carter criticized some coverage as misleading and unusually biased. The press was even-handed in its approach to covering Arab Americans and Muslims but failed in other areas, he said.

"There's been such a patriotic fervor in the country, and journalists got caught up in that too," Carter said. "They've abandoned their usual skepticism. I think as days go on, reporters need to revert to their usual posi-

tions. They need to get back to their dispassionate mode."

He also criticized media sensationalism of recent stories about chemical and biological warfare related to anthrax.

In the wake of U.S. strikes on Afghanistan Sunday, some of Carter's words proved prophetic.

In describing media coverage of Americans' reaction to the Sept. 11 attacks, Carter said he was surprised by how patient the public has been.

"I think people want to act, but they don't want another 2,000 terrorists coming after us," he said. "But until there's action, the story is going to be incomplete."

However the conflict unfolds, it will continue to dominate television news broadcasts, according to Carter.

"The TV news is basically doing wall-to-wall coverage," he said. "We're going to see this for a long time. There's never been a story this big."

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Bill Carter
New York Times reporter

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Carter is author of "The Late Shift," a book that details the battle between Jay Leno and David Letterman to host NBC's "Tonight Show." Carter's book "Monday Night Mayhem" chronicles the heyday of ABC's "Monday Night Football."

He wrote movie screenplays for both books and received an Emmy nomination for "The Late Shift" script. "Monday Night Mayhem" is scheduled to air in early 2002 on cable network TNT.

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Holland earns Shakespeare chair

Special to The Observer

Peter Holland, an internationally regarded Shakespearean scholar and director of The Shakespeare Institute at Stratford-upon-Avon, England, has been appointed to the McMeel Chair in Shakespeare Studies at Notre Dame.

Holland's primary appointment will be in the Department of Film, Television, and Theatre, and he will have a concurrent appointment in the Department of English. He also will serve as director of Actors from the London Stage. He will join the faculty in fall 2002.

"Peter Holland's appointment ensures that the University's Shakespeare Initiative will contribute significantly to Shakespeare performance and scholarship in North America," said Mark Roche, I. A. O'Shaughnessy Dean of the College of Arts and Letters.

Holland, also a professor of Shakespeare Studies at the University of Birmingham, England, is a textual scholar whose edition of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" is considered one of finest in modern times.

He also is admired as one of the central figures in performance-oriented Shakespearean criticism, and was one of the first critics to see the central importance of particular actors to the Restoration dramatists' art of composition.

In addition to his Shakespeare scholarship, Holland is considered a pioneer in Restoration

theatre. His book "The Ornament of Action" has served for almost 20 years as one of the most important and influential works in that field.

"Holland is remarkable for his outreach and visibility beyond the academy, for his being one of the creators of the field of theatre studies, and for his understanding of centuries of dramatic performance, reaching even to contemporary film," Roche said. "The appointment should draw international attention to Notre Dame and will be a perfect fit for our developing focus on the performing arts as well as our emphasis on medieval and Renaissance literature."

Holland's wife, Romana Huk, will join the English faculty as an associate professor.

Huk specializes in modern and contemporary British poetry, including Black British poetry.

The McMeel Chair in Shakespeare Studies was established last year by alumnus John P. McMeel and his family.

A South Bend native and 1957 graduate with a degree in business, McMeel is the chairman of Andrews McMeel Universal, the parent organization of Universal Press Syndicate and Andrews McMeel Publishing. He also is president of the board of the Andrews McMeel Universal Foundation.

McMeel has been a member of the advisory council for Notre Dame's College of Arts and Letters since 1997.



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Fools on the left, jokers on the right

I went to a peace rally last weekend. I left convinced that for the present crisis the anti-capitalist left and the religious right are utterly irrelevant.

The rally was held on a beautiful autumn day in Washington, D.C.

Given the setting, the sun and the music this should have been a festive crowd. It was not. It was very angry. Speaker after speaker blamed the massacres of Sept. 11 on the racist, imperialist and fascist policies of the United States.

It got so bad that when a representative of the National Organization of Women (NOW) got up and spoke about the Taliban's human rights abuses, the crowd began to boo. One young man near me waved a placard that read "America: Get a Clue."

The rally also attracted a sizable counter-protest. That crowd was not as diverse or eclectic, everyone seemed to be either dressed in red, white and blue or waving something with those colors. Nonetheless, they were just as angry. If the police had not separated the two groups there would have been bloodshed when anarchists set fire to a dozen American flags.

In all the chaos, what caught my eye was a small group of 10 people gathered under a seven-foot wooden cross. I walked over and asked what they were doing. The man holding the cross said they came to pray for America's repentance. The women next to him added that she believed the attacks were God's judgment on the nation. She said she agreed with the Reverends Jerry Falwell and Pat Robertson who blamed the attacks on abortionists, gays, lesbians and pagans.

I left the rally appalled by what I heard that day. I couldn't decide what was worse: the vile moral equivalence of the peace protesters who equated

terrorists with President Bush or the confused self-righteousness of those who seemed to know the secret will of God. The anti-capitalist left and the religious right stand at the opposite ends of the political spectrum. Ironically, both agree that the attacks of Sept. 11 are judgments for the nation's immorality. They are both wrong.

On the left, the national sins include racism, colonialism and oppression. The monster of terrorism came about, they claim, as a response to America's economic and military might. Thus, the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon can be explained as an act of resistance against the imperialist power. I heard such logic at the rally and read it from left-wing luminaries such as Noam Chomsky, Susan Sontag and Michael Moore.

The anti-capitalist left has become apologists for Osama bin Laden and his Taliban protectors. Most of us already know that the Taliban are brutal toward women, kill homosexuals, hate Jews and want to exterminate even more innocent American citizens. Let's face it, in a perfect world, bin Laden wants to replicate the Taliban across the Middle East. Given the facts, can anyone on the left make a convincing claim that the Taliban are morally equivalent or superior to the United States? Can the evil of Sept. 11 be absolved by the fact that bin Laden opposes corporate globalism and United States military power? I think not.

On the right, Falwell and Robertson make the mistake of equating America with God's chosen people. When the two television preachers criticize all "who have tried to secularize America," the underlying assumption is that there once was a "Christian America," when it met with God's approval as his chosen nation.

As a historian I object to this characterization. From the beginning the

American republic was filled with injustices that surely deserved God's judgment. I agree that America has had an exceptional history — it has been the metaphorical city on a hill. But it was never a Christian nation. Nor has God chosen America for special favors. His chosen people are no longer drawn from one nation or state. Falwell's vision of church and state is historically wrong and theologically unsound.

Falwell and Robertson compound the problems by blaming the terrorists attacks on those whom they have battled over social policy. Assigning evil to one's political enemies is not new but the transparency here is so obvious it is absurd. The figureheads of the religious right have again mixed morality and politics in the wrong amounts.

As clergy they should spend their time ministering to the suffering and spreading the Gospel. As citizens they should be helping to create public policies and institutions that protect the innocent and punish those who take vengeance into their own hands.

On this last task both left and right fall way short. In their indictments of the nation's morality neither provide just and constructive solutions for the present crisis. And, in the process, both excuse the terrorist action by denying the basic idea of all morality: that individuals are responsible for their own actions and should be judged accordingly by all responsible citizens.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"My country, right or wrong' is a thing no patriot would think of saying except in a desperate case. It is like saying, 'My mother, drunk or sober.'"

G.K. Chesterton
writer

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I'm in a New York state of mind

I didn't want to write about the Sept. 11 attacks again.

A lot of people have told me I shouldn't. After all, we're supposed to get about the business of the country again. We have to move on. And there is other news: the Tennessee Greyhound bus attack and the downed Russian airliner have exploded into the headlines because of possible correlations to the World Trade Center and Pentagon attacks and the death of a Florida man due to anthrax has a lot of people frightened about the possibility of bioterrorism. The cop in Cincinnati who shot an unarmed black teen was acquitted, while Andrea Yates was found competent to stand trial for the murders of her five children. And there's also Ripken's retirement, Bonds' 73rd and the Irish finally winning a game.

But even now, nearly a month later, those things seem to carry less meaning. Not only will the Sept. 11 attack be the major news story for the foreseeable future, it will likely be the most important event in our lives. I don't feel right just writing one column about it when I spent three on the presidential election.

Furthermore, this event has struck us on so many levels. To be quite honest, I'm amazed I could summon the journalistic objectivity to write my last column. For several hours, I just turned off the fact that 6,000 people died on that day. I don't think I really dealt with the emotional aspect until last week when I was driven to tears in the middle of the DeBartolo computer cluster by stories and images of incredible sadness and incredible heroism.

My last column was what I thought. This one will be what I feel. And since my feelings have often been spontaneous and inconsistent, I apologize in advance because my writing probably won't be very cohesive. Here goes.

I've been to New York City once. I was there for 20 minutes. I had just turned 13, and we were on a family vacation train trip to the Northeast. There was a 20 minute layover between the train coming from Niagara Falls and the train headed for Boston. So we decided we'd leave Penn Station, just for a few minutes, and see as much of the greatest city in the world as we could. Since the day was foggy, it wasn't much. Our nickel-tour guide was a helpful New York policeman who was guiding pedestrian traffic at 32nd Street and 7th Avenue. He pointed out to us the clearly evident Empire State Building, about three blocks east.

That was about it.

I'd always wanted to go back to New York, just to see if it was everything that it's advertised to be. But I no longer need to. I've seen the proof on television. Countless acts of selflessness, on scales large and small, were covered by news cameras. And this is from the city that's always supposed to have an attitude, a chip on its shoulder, where the unofficial motto, as Rudy Giuliani told the world on David Letterman's program, is "We can kick your city's ass."

But the wonderful response has not been limited to the five boroughs. In Oklahoma City, a place where the wounds of terrorism have only just begun to heal, the population quickly mobilized, sending food and medical supplies. A group of children arranged a donation of teddy bears to children in New York who lost parents to the terror attacks.

We've all seen the united American response. But that same sympathy and solidarity was shown internationally. The picture I saw that moved me the most came from Berlin, where a youth with a bright green mohawk and a dark trench coat was kneeling in tears.

I need to stop myself here, because as I write, news reports are coming in about a joint U.S./Great Britain missile attack against the Al-Qaeda network and the Taliban government. Those black screens with green blobs we all watched during the Gulf War are back again. A multinational ground force is also being assembled in nearby Uzbekistan, where they may work with the Afghan Northern Alliance group as well as other anti-Taliban organizations.

But after the airstrikes, we will, at great risk to our own forces, provide emergency supplies to the Afghan people through airlifts. Because that's the kind of people we are. In times of despair, such as Sept. 11, we found hope. Now, we are giving hope to others. I will continue to watch, and pray, and hope that whatever happens ends quickly, if for no other reason that so those other events that happen to us have a little more meaning.

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Undistinguished Alumnus

GUEST COLUMN

We must remember the innocent people of Afghanistan

PROVIDENCE, R.I.

Three weeks later, and yep, terrorists still blew up the World Trade Center. I know it, you know it and I'm not going to pretend there's another topic in my mind that I think is worth talking about right now. Yes, dining hall food is bad — but thousands of people just died in New York. Sure, student "revolutionaries" are lovably goofy — thousands still died in New York. David Horowitz ran another inflammatory ad? Whatever. The entire island of Manhattan smells like burnt plastic.

Scott Strand

Brown Daily Herald

I didn't know anyone involved, thank God, and my prayers go out to all of those who did. Involved or not, we can all sense the anger and pain in the air. It's not just in New York, it's everywhere; it's floating around the country like a thick fog. It's been depressing Wall Street into a recession. Inspiring racist Arab slurs. Dispatching the Navy. Launching planes. And interestingly, raising American flags. Bringing concerned friends and family together. Silencing partisan bickering. Increasing hugging rates across the nation. The anger and paranoia in the nation is so intertwined with love and hope you can't pull them apart, and it's confusing.

I'm not the only one who's confused. Apparently the President, with most of the nation behind him, thinks bombing Afghanistan into the stone age will be a heroic act — somehow gratifying our anger while bolstering our hope. Every day the country is flooded with news articles on how the United States plans to wage war on the Taliban, bring Osama Bin Laden and the Taliban to justice. Taliban, Taliban, Taliban.

The Taliban are the elite, wealthy rulers of Afghanistan. They have the power there, they have the money. If we go to war with them, how likely do you think it is they'll be on the front lines, shooting at us out of the windows of their Mercedes-Benzes, instructing their personal servants to throw grenades, tying tourniquets with Versace neckties? In case you couldn't tell from the heavy-handed sarcasm of the last question, I think it's about as likely to happen as Osama getting seats behind home plate at a Mets game.

If we make war on the Taliban, they will send out their poor, their young, their helpless to defend their bloated Jabba the Hutt-like regime. The life of your everyday Joe Schmoe Afghan is ... well, awful. Average per capita income is about \$280 a year. The oppression of women might as well be the national sport. Women can't attend school or go out in public without a male relative. In fact, there was a particularly exemplary week when 300 women were beaten every day for "dress code violations." The life expectancy is 46 for men, 45 for women. Television is banned as moral corruption. Music is classified as "suspect" — I hear the "Blink 182 rawks Kabul" concert didn't go so well. According to the BBC, a third of

Afghanistan's despairing population has left the nation in the past few years.

The point is that 26 million starving, beaten impoverished Afghans didn't crash planes into the World Trade Center. They're too busy trying not to die. An elite, wealthy ruling class who has the luxury time enough to play evil games did this. My guess is 50 people, 100 tops, were behind crashing those planes.

Those 50 will not be on the front lines manning the machine guns. They will be fanned by attractive, scantily clad attendants and eat peeled grapes while we pour bullets into innocent Afghans who they've forced to fight for their insane cause. More innocents will die. An eye for an eye for an eye for an eye for an eye until the whole world is blind. I guess a good euphemism for it would be "infinite justice."

OK. So, say we manage to kill enough people to clear a path to the palaces of the Taliban. Say we wade through the bodies, march into bedchambers and haul the bloated, evil leaders off for trial or even execute them then and there. Then, America's righteous crusade being done, we ride triumphantly into the sunset. And try not to trip over the starving, wounded masses we leave in our wake.

Would we just leave, and allow another cruel, oppressive and most likely anti-American regime to rise? Do we transform Afghanistan into a United States puppet state? Do we "send aid," sending doctors and bandages to patch the bullet holes we put there in the first place? We don't have a long term game plan here besides "kill Taliban." We've got to start thinking this through, or we'll have a lot more to deal with down the line. I'm really having trouble understanding what the government is trying to do with this, besides killing many, many innocent Afghans so we can kill approximately 100 Taliban so that this presumably never happens again.

When "kill indiscriminately for justice" has become part of our national dialogue, what happens? Will it stop at Afghanistan? We have a history as a nation of taking human life less seriously than we should — think of the Pacific War, Hiroshima and Nagasaki; think of firebombing in the Philippines; think of Vietnam and My Lai. We have a history of killing thousands of innocents to eliminate a few hundred enemies.

So, my thesis: I am for justice. I am for the elimination of the Taliban. I am not for indiscriminate killing. I believe we are a sufficiently advanced nation to figure out a way to put an end the Taliban without a bloodbath, without making a horrific situation worse. America is a wonderful, well-educated, ultra-modern, strong spirited nation — if anyone can see the course to a proper end to this mess, we can. Let's not sell ourselves, and the world, short and take the easy way out.

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Imagine all the people showering in peace

Call me a snob, call me an elitist, call me a pampered American; it just seems to me that if one country has figured out how to do something well, then everyone else should take a lesson from it.

I know, I know. Cultural differences, preserving ancient traditions, blah blah blah. But let's look at this logically.

Take for example a hypothetical island nation named Napaj. If Napaj were to build fast cars, nice TVs and quality stereos, we'd all probably buy them, right?

And if another nation, Ynamreg, spent years of its history developing great beer, we'd obviously collect its steins, flock like hooligans to its fall festivals and toast to its health.

So if another nation, let's call them "A Bunch of States Situated Between Canada and Mexico," were to develop a system of good water pressure, you'd think that other countries would say, "Hmm, toilets that flush? Showers that work? What a novel concept!"

Wrong. I hate to generalize (no, that's not true, I just have to throw in the disclaimer before I make a bold, sweeping statement), but it seems that most of Western Europe missed that memo.

Now I understand why the natives have earned the unfortunate stereotype of not bathing frequently. It just takes too much blood, sweat and tears to go to the trouble of daily cleaning when your morning routine consists of praying that the water will momentarily pause between Arctic cold and scalding hot and that you won't douse the entire bathroom with the spray (since shower curtains are unheard of), that you begin to appreciate the allure of the sponge bath.

I don't really want to complain (much). But it just seems to me that as a global community, we need to come together and share our technological advances. A big conference to iron out the kinks in this alleged movement towards progress. France could bring the wine, Italy could bring the food, and Britain, well, Britain could just come and inquire about dental care.

It sounds ridiculous at first, but think how much we could still learn from each other. Spain would convince the rest of the world of the wonders of siesta. France could show the workaholics how relaxed a 38-hour work week can be.

And maybe we would finally listen to Japan, oops, Napaj, about how to improve our educational system to the point where high school graduates would actually be able to locate their country on a map. How 21st century of us!

Alright, maybe it will never happen. After all our world has never known a time of such peace and harmony that would give us the free time to argue over who manufactures the best tennis shoes.

But John Lennon put it best: imagine. Imagine if everyone drove on the right side of the road and you didn't have to fear for your life every time you crossed the street in London. Imagine if every country learned to bake bread from the French, and we could all walk to work with \$.80 baguettes tucked under our arms.

Imagine if we all boycotted the monstrosity that is McDonald's. United, we could make way for good and real food across the world. Globalism could become a beautiful thing.

In all seriousness though, the idea of unifying and improving our global community is exactly what drove the European Union to develop the Euro. After New Year's rolls around this winter, the Euro will be the legal currency for 11 countries: Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal and Spain.

Needless to say, each country has faced its own uproar over whether or not to join the Euro train, and France is no exception. All menus and advertisements must now show prices in both francs and Euros.

Starting Jan. 1, francs will no longer be legal tender. Old men gripe about it in cafés and newspapers bemoan the loss of the good ol' franc, but the change will make life simpler in many ways.

Traveling throughout Europe will become a breeze — one stop at an ATM will be all you need. And Americans will no longer have to suffer through all that long division when paying for pasta in Italy or Guinness in Ireland, since the Euro is roughly equivalent to \$1.

Of course, all that pretty foreign money will become nothing but collector's items, but the Euro will make commerce and travel within the European Union infinitely easier.

It will be interesting to see where the new currency takes Europe. Will it become the massive, unified European state that some fear? Or will some countries regret their decision to join? In any case, the Euro seems to be hinting at a new age in Europe. Maybe decent showers aren't far behind.

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FTT presents its first main

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
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The Department of Film, Television and Theatre is almost finished preparing its first main-stage show this year, "How the Other Half Loves" The play, written by the highly acclaimed British playwright Alan Ayckbourn, is a fast-paced farce about lies, infidelity and social class.

"This year we wanted to do either a comedy or a mystery. We choose a comedy because it's something we haven't done in a couple of years," Siiri Scott, the show's director, said.

The play follows three days in the life of Bob and Teresa Phillips, played by sophomore Tom Connor and senior Babs Smith. Bob, an underling in an equivocal firm, has been unhappy with his marriage for quite some time. He has been having an affair with his boss' wife to escape his messy house and neurotic wife. His home life is a constant screaming match.

Meanwhile, Bob's boss Frank Foster and his wife Fiona, played by seniors Brendan P. Geary and Katie Weil, have the all-too-perfect marriage. Their affluent pleasures hide their lost passion. Fiona is bored with the humdrum

life and is seeking thrills with Bob.

Bob and Fiona's affair remains a secret until one evening when they both return early in the morning. When confronted by their respective spouses both lie. Bob says that he is counseling another member of the firm, William Detweiler, played by freshman Ferrell Datcher, on his marriage and Fiona claims to be doing the same for William's wife Mary, played by senior Rachel Jones.

Of course, both Frank and Teresa in the name of being helpful invite the Detweilers over for a dinner party. The Detweilers, ambitious but clumsy social climbers, can hardly refuse. Of course, the fireworks only

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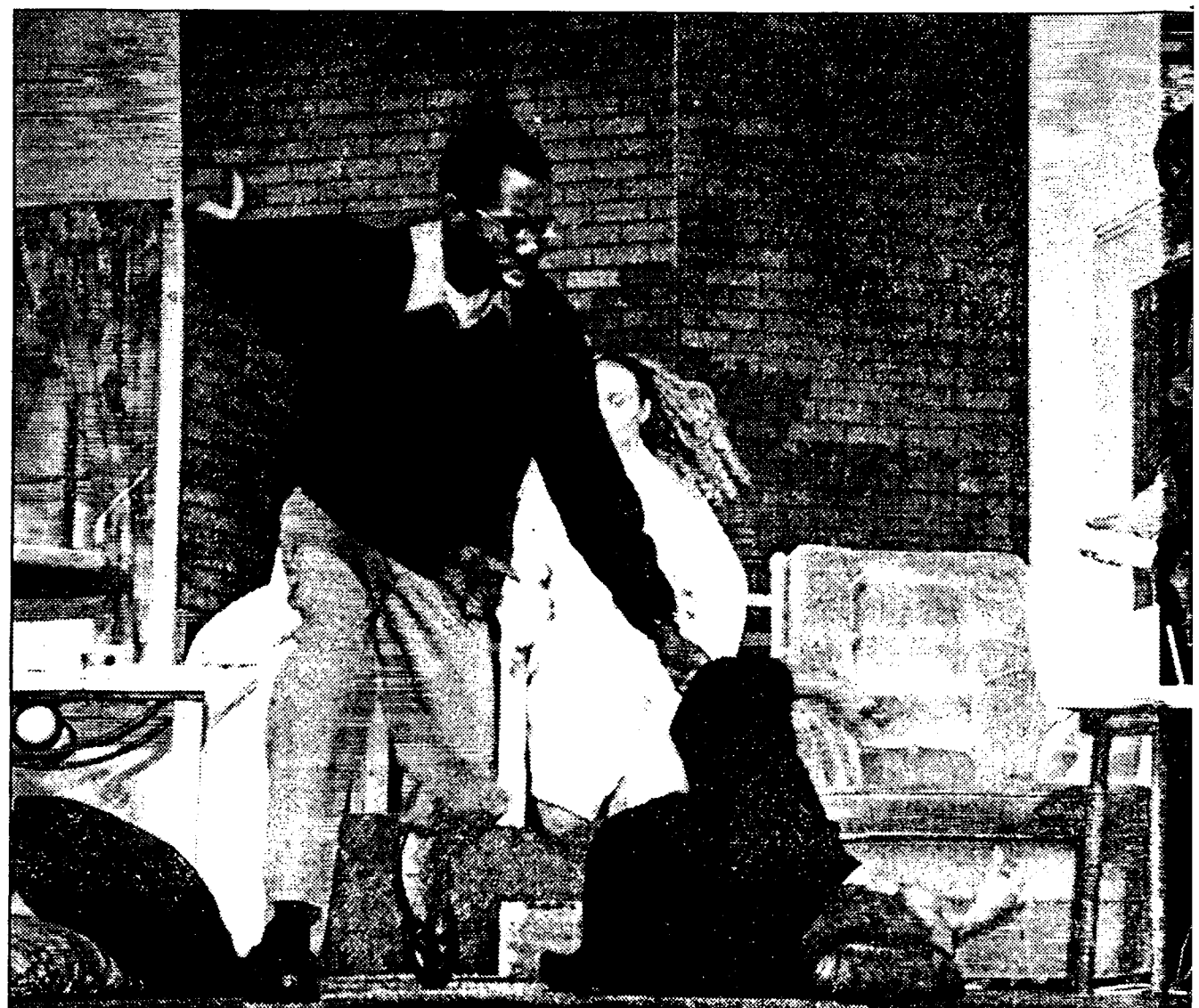
Siiri Scott
Director

begin there.

"How the Other Half Loves" is a typical British farce complete with machine-gun fire bantering, slamming doors and countless props. Untypical is the way the set is designed. The play actually takes place in two places at the same time. With two separate scenes going on right on top of each other.

The set is designed in such a way that it is both a modest and affluent household at the same time.

"We have lots of halves of things.



"How the Other Half Loves" features six actors: one freshman, one sophomore and one senior. Pictured here from left to right are: Farrell Datcher, Babs Smith, Tom Connor and Rachel Jones.

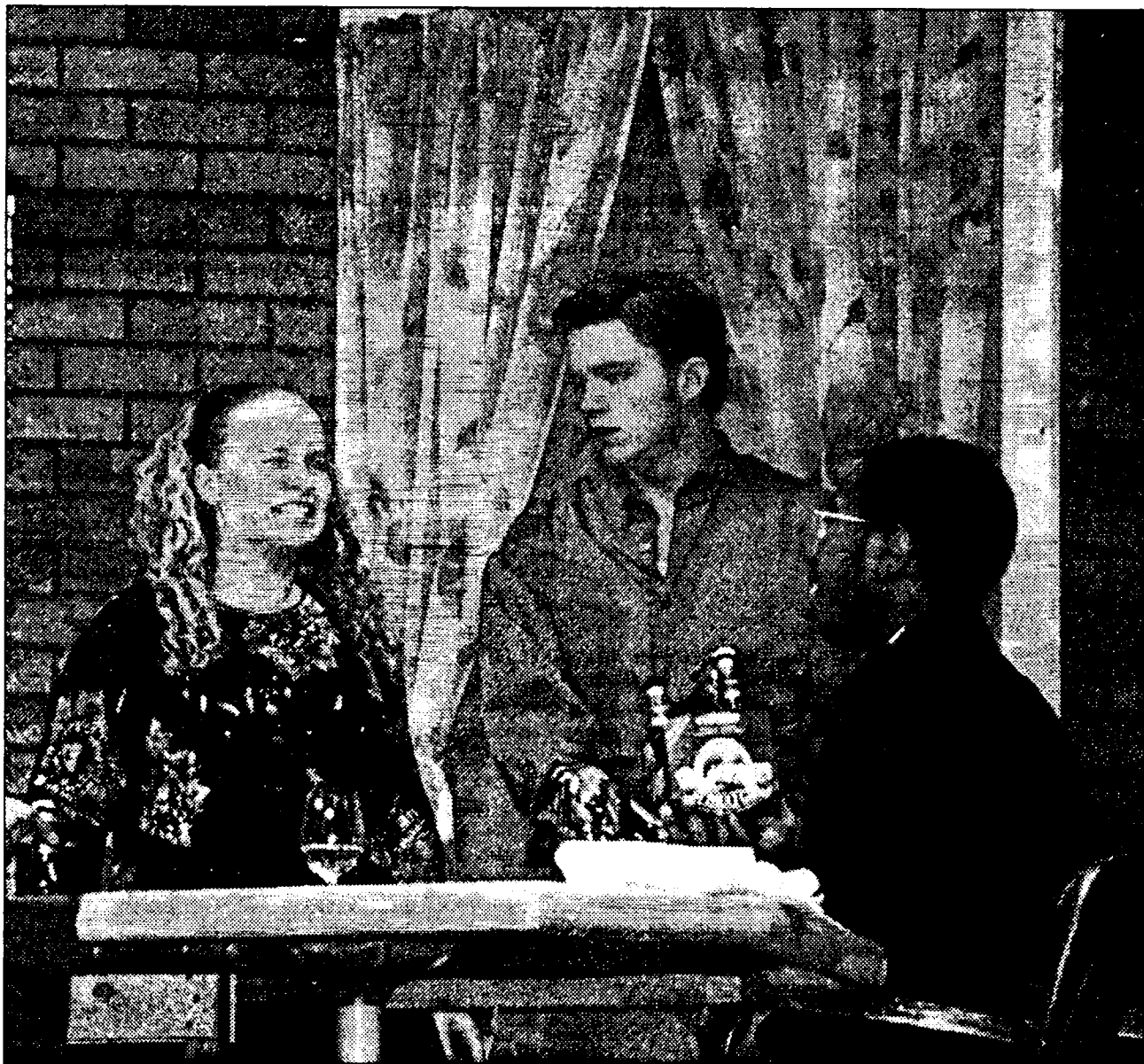
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onstage show of the year, "How the Other Half Loves"



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"How the Other Half Loves" is set in two separate apartments. At one point all the characters have two furious dinner parties simultaneously.

For example, [the] two different [apartments] will have a piece of furniture where half of the furniture belongs to [one couple] and the other half belongs [to the other couple], so that we emphasize things that are different but still the same," Scott said.

Chris Sinnot, the set designer, is a senior at Notre Dame this year and only the third student to design a set for a main-stage production in the last 22 years. His set enhances the way that the actors separate the two scenes. The set completes the strange duality that is characteristic of this show.

The play uses the division of the set and scenes as a metaphor for its underlying themes particularly in regard to social classes. Scott feels that the affair is particularly interesting.

"Normally, when you see this kind of situation, you see a woman, who's in less of a position of power, being attracted to power and having an affair with the guy on top. In this case it's the woman on top having an affair with the guy on the bottom," Scott said.

The intense nature of playing two scenes at once demands a lot of the actors. It requires them to constantly engage the audience to

keep the plotline clear. Giving such energy pays off in the end though. The added benefit of the bizarre time-shift is that it gives the audience a unique perspective on the action on stage.

"The audience knows more than a lot of the characters do, which is really fun for the audience because they get to see the characters find out what they already know," Weil said.

The pace of the show accelerates as the story progresses bringing both stories together in an interesting way.

The zenith of show appears when the Detweilers attend both dinner parties simultaneously on stage. Although the scene is technically difficult the talented cast pulls it off nicely.

Aside from technical demands, this show also gives the cast tough characters to play.

"A lot of the challenge has been in being a real person as opposed to a character ... These are really fairly normal people and it's hard to portray that like they're up on stage rather than actors up on stage," Connor said.

Of course, the real key to any farce is timing and pace. Smith and Connor's banter comes at breakneck speed and serves as a counterpoint to Geary and Weil's overtly banal presentation.

Smith delivers her lines with a shrewish intensity only matched by

Connor's seething rage. Both Smith and Connor lead the show's furious pace, they are the batteries that charge the cast. The always talented Weil is a master of playing off of Geary's carefully constructed idiocy with her deliciously well-timed sardonic jabs.

"This is a really fast-paced play. It's all about timing," Weil said.

Scott thinks the actors have grown a lot from participating in this show.

"They have a tremendous amount of courage to do things that they don't normally do. When you do a comedy you have to put your self out there, out on a limb, and it takes a lot of courage to do that," Scott said of her cast.

"How the Other Half Loves" will be performed in Washington Hall from Wednesday, through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and on

Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for general admission, \$9 for senior citizens, and \$7 for all students. Reserved seats and are available at the door or in advance from the LaFortune Student Center Box Office. To reserve tickets with a MasterCard or Visa orders, call (219) 631-8128.

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Actor Katie Weil plays Fiona Foster in "How the Other Half Loves." The farce relies heavily on timing and pace for comedic effect.

NFL

Williams carries Saints to victory over Vikings

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS

The game plan was simple. Give Ricky Williams the ball and turn the defense loose.

That and John Carney's five field goals lifted the New Orleans Saints to a 28-15 victory over the Minnesota Vikings on Sunday.

Williams ran for 136 yards and a touchdown and had five receptions for 42 yards. He averaged 4.5 yards a carry, helping the Saints (2-1) chew up 32 minutes and 34 seconds and keep the ball away from the Vikings (1-3).

New Orleans harassed Minnesota's offense throughout, forcing the Vikings into intentional grounding and delay of game calls.

What looked as if it would be a 52-yard touchdown by Cris Carter in the second quarter was thwarted when Saints cornerback Kevin Mathis stripped Carter on the 3. Safety Sammy Knight recovered the ball in the end zone.

The New Orleans defense even scored a touchdown when Darren Howard forced Daunte Culpepper's fumble in the third quarter, and Chris Oldham ran it 38 yards to score.

The Saints were so dominating in the first half the Vikings had just 9 yards rushing. Minnesota converted only one

of eight third downs in the game and gained just 31 yards rushing.

The Saints got three of their six sacks of Culpepper in the first quarter and intercepted him once. By halftime, New Orleans had held the football almost eight minutes more than Minnesota.

But it was Culpepper's arm that kept the Vikings in the game.

Culpepper engineered a four-play drive, throwing passes of 20 and 29 yards before hitting Randy Moss for a 29-yard touchdown late in the first quarter to put Minnesota up 7-6.

Williams erased that lead with a 1-yard scoring run to make it 12-7. The Saints failed on a 2-point conversion. Williams' score was the first time New Orleans managed a touchdown in the first half this season.

The Saints led 15-7 at halftime.

Culpepper, who completed 23 of 34 passes for 332 yards, found Byron Chamberlain for a 19-yard touchdown late in the third quarter.

Aaron Brooks was 15-of-30 for 210 yards and one interception.

Browns 20, Chargers 16

Butch Davis doesn't care if it's another 17 years before he sees Doug Flutie again.

Davis, who coached Miami's

defensive line in 1984 when Flutie completed his "Hail Mary" for Boston College, had to sweat out the final seconds Sunday before Cleveland defeated San Diego.

Flutie nearly rallied the Chargers (3-1), throwing two long passes that fell incomplete into crowds in the end zone, and the Browns (3-1) hung on.

Flutie was upstaged by Tim Couch and the Browns, who came up with some early season magic of their own.

Couch threw a 19-yard TD pass to Kevin Johnson with 1:15 left, giving the Browns their first three-game winning streak since returning to the league in 1999.

Under first-year coach Butch Davis, the Browns matched their entire win total from last season and became the NFL's biggest surprise after four weeks.

The Browns' swarming defense made it tough on Flutie, who when he wasn't rolling out of the pocket to avoid the rush, was running for cover.

San Diego's quarterback got roughed up all afternoon and was clothes-lined on a run near the goal line in the fourth quarter by cornerback Corey Fuller.

Trailing 16-13, the Browns got the ball with 3:52 left, and Couch went to work.

He completed a 14-yard pass

to Dennis Northcutt, whose first catch of the season was a big one. Then on third-and-10, Couch made his best throw, hitting Johnson for 13 yards on a perfectly timed out pattern.

The duo hooked up again two plays later as Couch lobbed his TD pass to Johnson, who made contact as he went over cornerback Alex Molden for the catch.

Flutie got the ball back with 1:10 left at his own 17 with one more chance.

On fourth-and-10, Flutie scrambled for 11 yards and then made two completions for 27 yards, getting the ball to Cleveland's 45.

As Flutie's final pass hit the grass, the Browns stormed onto the field in celebration along with 73,108 Cleveland fans who suffered through two years of atrocious football.

Buccaneers 14, Packers 10

Tampa Bay beat Green Bay and ended the NFL's longest winning streak at seven games. They also answered their doubters and regained some of the swagger the team lost after blowing a fourth-quarter lead the week before.

The Bucs (2-1) intercepted three of Brett Favre's passes, and Shelton Quarles returned one of them 98 yards for a touchdown.

A struggling offense did its part, too, putting together the longest scoring drive in team

history to produce the winning touchdown with 6:45 to go.

Mike Alstott, filling in for injured running back Warrick Dunn, found an opening in the left side of Green Bay's top-ranked defense and lumbered 39 yards for the touchdown with help from two blocks by Bucs receiver Keyshawn Johnson.

The Packers (3-1) led 10-7 after Favre threw a 67-yard, second-quarter touchdown pass to Bill Schroeder, and Tampa Bay's only turnover set up Ryan Longwell's 35-yard field goal in the third quarter.

The Packers, who have outscored opponents 59-7 in the second half, nearly made the three-point lead stand with help from a passive Tampa Bay offense that rarely tested Green Bay with deep passes and had difficulty running the ball until Alstott broke his TD run.

Keyshawn Johnson had nine receptions for 82 yards for Tampa Bay. Brad Johnson was 23-for-29 for 184 yards, but most of his completions came on short and intermediate routes that drew boos from the crowd of 65,510.

Meanwhile, the Bucs contained the Packers' Ahman Green, who was limited to 59 yards rushing on 15 carries. Alstott finished with 77 yards on 15 attempts for Tampa Bay.

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Yeah, Barry hit 73. But how good could Rafael Belliard have been if he'd have played in the days of Andro, deflated pitching and juiced balls?

Watch out for the one-eared rabbit. He and the swan are in cahoots. I'm pretty sure they engineered the tailgate busts.

This weeks sign of the apocalypse: Maryland is ranked 20th in the AP poll. ND didn't even get a vote.

wow - first time doing classifieds and soooooooo far left to go.

Thats ok - I dont need sleep till Thursday anyway.

You think Davie's in the hot seat - how about Knott Hall football's fall from grace. Runners-up last year...0-3 now.

But thats only because they won't let Rocky, Vontez, Abram, Preston, Lorenzo, Brian, and Corey play. Now that would be one awesome interhall team.

Leanne, the "fall festival" isn't run by the cult is it? -S

FYI: Kerry whipped Mark in MarioKart Sunday, a mere week and a half after he taught her how to play. And she didn't even need the orange smoke. Rob and Geoff, watch out, rumor has it you're next!

And let's can the speedo idea.

SWIMMING

Irish fall short of Panthers at ND Relays

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Byline Title

When the head coaches from Notre Dame and Pittsburgh men's swimming teams chatted after the Notre Dame Relays Friday, Chuk Knoles, head coach for University of Pittsburgh breathed a sigh of relief.

Even though Pittsburgh swam its way to a 226-166 victory at the relay meet, it wasn't easily accomplished.

The Irish nipped the Panthers' toes in several events, chasing the 2001 Big East Champions to 14 victories. But even though Pitt had a clean sweep of the meet winning all 11 relays, the Irish came in second in every event, with finishes as close as .50 seconds of the Panthers' times.

"I think I held my breath more than [the swimmers] did," Knoles told Notre Dame head coach Tim Welsh.

The Relays — a meet traditionally dominated by both the men's and the women's teams — was a measuring stick for the team at the beginning of the season. While defeating Pitt wasn't a likely goal going into the Relays, the chance to evaluate Big East competition early was valuable, Welsh said.

"It clearly helps to race the conference champions early in the season," Welsh said. "The fact that several of the races were close is a wonderful sign."

The Irish diving duo of Joseph Miller and Andy Maggio posted the Irish's only win on the day, taking first in the three-meter synchronized diving event.

Notre Dame Women

Friday afternoon was a double victory for the Notre Dame women's team, which chalked victories against Pittsburgh in a dual meet and then again at the relay meet.

The Irish outswam Pittsburgh, winning easily 223-77, and winning 14 of 16 events.

Fifth-year senior Carrie Nixon returned to collegiate competition for the first time since spring 2000, after sitting out last season due to a shoulder injury. Her first college competition since the NCAA Championships a year and a half ago, Nixon won four races in the dual meet and posted more victories on two relay teams.

Nixon won the 50- and 100-yard freestyles as well as competing as a part of the 100- and 400-yard freestyle relay teams.

"We're really excited about Carrie Nixon," women's head coach Bailey Weathers said. "This is probably the fastest she's been before Christmas, ever."

The team also clinched the only remaining meet record not held by Notre Dame at Notre Dame Relays, winning the 400-yard freestyle relay in 3 minutes, 27.01 seconds, 10 seconds off the previous record held by Illinois State.

The team of freshman Katie Eckholt, sophomore Danielle Hulick, Nixon and senior Kelly Hecking was also a second off the team record.

"Even in a dual meet, that would be a really good swim," Weathers said. "It was really unexpected ... it's by far the best start we've ever had."



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Notre Dame swimmer Carrie Nixon races freestyle during the ND Relays on Friday. Nixon returned this season after sitting out since the spring of 2000 due to a shoulder injury.

Saint Mary's

Only four points behind Marquette University, the Saint Mary's swim team fell into last place at the Notre Dame Relays after two disqualifications Friday.

But that's just evidence of "young mistakes," said first-year coach Gregg Petcoff.

Powered by nine freshmen on the roster, the Saint Mary's squad, did, however, squeak past some Division I teams. The 800-yard freestyle relay team of sophomore Megan Ramsey, junior Lane Herrington, junior

Lauren Smith and sophomore Maureen Palchak placed fourth in 8 minutes, 29.02 seconds, ahead of Valparaiso, Washington and Marquette.

The 200-yard medley relay of freshman Molly Maloy, Smith, freshman Lindsay Markin and sophomore Chloe Lenihan also beat out Valparaiso and Marquette in 2 minutes, 3.78 seconds.

The Belles used the Relays as a warm-up for two Division I meets on their schedule in November.

The team will face both Texas

Christian University and Western Ontario early in the season, the first time the Belles have competed against Division I competition in the regular season.

But the presence of the Division I teams at the relays wasn't an issue in the Belles' performance Friday, Petcoff said.

"They did fantastic," Petcoff said. "There are some things we need to work on ... but it's early in the season."

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Irish freshman Kevin Goldthwaite crosses the ball Friday night against Georgetown. Notre Dame defeated the Hoyas 3-1 and improved their conference record to 2-2.

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Georgetown goalie Brian O'Hagan and found its way into the net, giving the Irish a 1-0 lead with 2:33 left in the first half.

The Irish received a bit of a scare early in the second half, as Georgetown came back to tie the game.

After a shot by Hoya forward Kaiser Chowdhry was blocked by Sawyer, Chowdhry passed the deflection to teammate Kenny Owens, who found the right corner of the net just eight minutes into the second half, evening the score at one goal apiece.

However, as the second half wore on, the Irish slowly took over the game. With just under 22 minutes left in the second half, Riley drove undefended down the right side of the field. He then launched a lead pass to a wide-open Braun, who shot a bullet from 15 yards out to the top right corner of the net.

"It was a great effort by the team tonight, not giving up after getting [our] first goal," Braun said.

Just 10 minutes later, Riley made another lead pass, this time to Detter, who redirected the pass past O'Hagan from point blank range to provide the final goal for the Irish.

"It was a great victory because

it gets us back on track for the Big East," Clark said.

The win landed the Irish in seventh place with six conference games remaining.

The Irish face a key stretch of their schedule up ahead, with their next three games on the road, including a match-up with in-state rival and national powerhouse Indiana on Oct. 17.

Next up for the Irish is Big East rival West Virginia from Morgantown, W.V., Thursday at 7 p.m.

Notes:

♦ At halftime of Friday's game, a memorial was dedicated in memory of late Notre Dame men's soccer coach Mike Berticelli. Berticelli passed away on Jan. 25, 2000 from a heart attack.

At the ceremony a plaque was presented to Berticelli's widow, Cinda, and children, inscribed with the words that appear on the memorial that now stands at the entrance to Alumni Field.

Notre Dame captains Griffin Howard and Andreas Forstner also presented Mrs. Berticelli with bouquets of flowers. The ceremony was originally scheduled for the Mike Berticelli Memorial Tournament on Sept. 14 and 16; however, those games were cancelled due to the terrorist attacks on the United States.

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goalie Liz Wagner.

Llyod struck again, this time unassisted, just two minutes later. The forward was able to place the ball in the upper corner of the net, just out of Wagner's reach, to put Notre Dame down for good.

The only offense Notre Dame could muster came from the defense in the form of junior defender Vanessa Pruzinsky. The former high school striker took the ball up the middle of the field in the 16th minute of the first half, finding herself at the top of the penalty area, and fired a long range shot past Scarlet Knight keeper Christine Caldwell.

The goal was Pruzinsky's first in her Notre Dame career.

After the flurry of scoring early in the game, the teams settled into a tense game dominated by the Irish, with 21 shots to Rutgers' nine, and punctuated by strong goal-keeping by both Wagner and Caldwell.

But the equalizer would never come for the Irish.

While Friday's game was

uncharacteristic for the 2001 Irish, Sunday's game followed a common pattern for this season, with Notre Dame relying on a very late goal from sometime defender, sometime forward Chapman to take down Seton Hall.

Senior midfielder and captain Mia Sarkesian struck first for the Irish, dribbling in the box before putting a shot past Pirate goalie Leah Miller.

The Irish allowed the equalizer on Seton Hall's only first half shot. Emily Fischer was able to loft a shot over Wagner to tie the score in the 43rd minute.

The speedy and athletic Chapman, who moved to forward midway through the second half, was able to win the game for the Irish with eight minutes remaining when she was able to free herself from Pirate defenders long enough to fire a shot past Miller.

The late, game-winning goal has become somewhat expected for the Irish. Notre Dame need timely goals to defeat Villanova, West Virginia, and Indiana earlier in the season.

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CHRISTINA REITANO/The Observer

Saint Mary's sophomore Stephanie Artnak attempts to steal the ball from an opponent. The Belles have won five of their last six games to move into fifth place in the MIAA.

Belles

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game and we won," Concannon said. "I think it showed that we can adjust just as well as other teams."

With a first year head coach, 13 freshmen and an 0-5 start, things were looking bleak for the Belles. However, with six games left in the season, the Belles are improving.

Concannon was named

offensive player of the week in the MIAA last week and junior captain Heather Muth was nominated for the same honor this week.

The Belles are now ranked fifth in the MIAA with a record of 5-6, 3-4 in the MIAA, with all five wins coming in the last two weeks.

"The beginning of the season was a transition," junior captain Heather Muth said. "We had a new coach and a lot of new players but things are coming together now."

The Belles continue their string of away games on Tuesday against third-ranked Calvin College at 4 p.m.

This will be the second match up between the Knights and the Belles. Saint Mary's is looking to avenge the 1-3 loss from earlier in the season.

"We're excited coming off this win," Muth said. "We're really pumped for the rest of the season."

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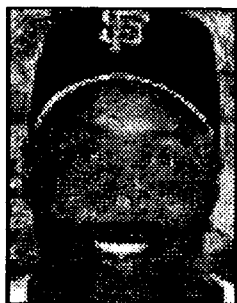
Bonds tops own record with 73

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

Barry Bonds hit his 73rd home run Sunday, further extending the major league record he broke two days earlier.

In what could be his final game with the San Francisco Giants, Bonds connected in the first inning off Los Angeles' Dennis Springer.



Bonds

The Giants won the game 2-1.

"This was a great, great way to end it with a victory and a home run. You can't ask for anything better," Bonds said after the game. "I never thought I could do it."

Bonds, who broke Mark McGwire's record by slugging two homers on Friday night, homered in his first at-bat Sunday after taking a day off on Saturday. He singled in the third, popped out in the sixth and flied out in the eighth.

Instead of feeling the pressure in the final few games of the season, Bonds finished the year in style. He hit four homers in his final three games.

Bonds shook his head and shrugged his shoulders, almost in disbelief at what he has accomplished this season, as he took the field for the top of the second inning.

When McGwire set his record of 70 homers in 1998, a mark then thought unbreakable, he hit two homers on the final day of the season and five in his final three games.

Bonds' homer, onto the arcade above the right-field fence, was the 567th of his career — leaving him six behind Harmon Killebrew for sixth all-time. Bonds started the season 17th on the career list.

The ball was grabbed by Patrick Hayashi, 36, from

nearby Santa Clara County, after a scrum among fans on the arcade.

Bonds' 73rd home run also wrapped up another major league record for the Giants' left fielder. He finished the season with a slugging percentage of .863, easily surpassing the record of .847 set by Babe Ruth in 1920.

And it also secured another record for Bonds — he homered every 6.52 at-bats this season, breaking the record of a homer every 7.27 at-bats set by McGwire in 1998.

The solo homer came on a full-count knuckleball from Springer. It gave Bonds a career-high 137 RBIs.

Fans accustomed to Bonds' heroics this season gave him a standing ovation, and he stepped out of the dugout for a quick curtain call.

Before his second at-bat, fans chanted "Five more years!" — a reference to comments by Bonds' agent that he will seek a five-year deal after this season.

Even though Bonds had one of the greatest offensive seasons in major league history, he may not be back in San Francisco next year. He is eligible for free agency after nine seasons with the Giants, who may not be able to afford his demands.

Bonds, 37, earned \$10.3 million this season in the last year of a three-year, \$22.9 million contract extension. His agent, Scott Boras, is expected to seek a contract worth perhaps \$20 million a year starting in 2002.

Bonds would like to return to the Giants, the team of his godfather — Willie Mays — and one of the teams his father, Bobby Bonds, played for. He made that clear Friday night in a ceremony following his record-breaking homer.

"I don't know what my future is," he said. "I love San Francisco and I love you fans. My family knows, God knows, I'm proud to wear this uniform."

But the Giants have a pro-

jected payroll of \$66 million next season, and signing Bonds would mean committing nearly a third of that amount to one player. Also, the Giants may not be prepared to offer the five-year deal Boras apparently is seeking.

"It's a simple equation," general manager Brian Sabean said. "We'll only pay him what we can pay him to put a competitive team on the field. If he's looking to break the bank, our chances to sign him diminish."

And Giants owner Peter Magowan, serenaded with chants of "Sign him! Sign him!" during Friday night's celebration, said it's not such a simple situation.

"It sounds like a stupid question — are your chances to win better with Barry or without him," Magowan said. "But the biggest question is, depending on what we have to pay him, how much do we have left over to win with?"

"Barry has said all the right things. His primary motivation is to win, and he doesn't want to saddle the Giants with a number that would prohibit us from having that chance. He has said that money is not the most important thing. But Scott Boras hasn't said that, and it remains to be seen what comes out of the negotiating process."

"I'm sure he'd take less to stay here," Magowan added. "How much less, who knows."

Bonds again said Sunday he's not eager to leave San Francisco.

"This is my home. It's been my home since 1968 when my dad came here. It's always been my home," he said.

"My relationship has been up and down, but for the most part has been good. This year it's been exceptionally good," he added. "You walk into a store, and you run into little old ladies who've never seen a baseball game before in their whole life, telling you what a great accomplishment you have."

SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Belles race to 6th place finish

By KATIE McVOY

Associate Sports Editor

Rain, mud and nearly freezing temperatures are not ideal conditions for a runner. But the Belles flourished in Friday's conditions, beating out 24 Division III teams to take a sixth place finish in the Benedictine Eagle Invitational.

With a course that was half concrete and half puddles, deciding what shoes to wear and how to adjust running style loomed large at the beginning of the race. But when they crossed the finish line, the Belles felt that they had made the right decision.

"It was rainy, the course was wet. We had a lot of decisions to make and we made the right ones."

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Nicole Prezioso
captain

"It was rainy, the course was sopping wet," captain Nicole Prezioso said. "We had a lot of decisions to make and we made the right ones."

Sophomore Jackie Bauters led the pack again with a personal best. Despite unfavorable conditions, she finished the race in 20 min. 36 sec., six seconds better than the 20:42 that was previously her best time, leaving her in 24th place overall.

"Every race I've been improving," Bauters said. "I think our training has increased and we're working a lot harder now. I'm just adjusting to running on different terrain."

The rest of the Belles turned in solid performances. All five top runners finished the race in less than 22 minutes.

"The majority of the team ran a really good race," Prezioso said.

Freshman Kristen Zaininger finished in second place for

the Belles, recording a 36th place finish overall with a time of 21:08. Sophomore Jessica Kosco came in third for the Belles with a 21:19, followed by freshman Amy Blue and sophomore Caitlin Gillen who finished 53rd and 56th respectively with times of 21:54 and 21:57.

The bad conditions did affect the team's ability to run in a pack.

Head coach Dave Barstis has been looking for the top five runners to finish within 30 seconds of each other.

Puddles and mud made the split 1:19.

"I think its going to take us some practice to get us there," Bauters said.

"Everyone adjusts to the course differently with the hills and the mud and the puddles. It's hard to run as a group all the time because people handle it differently."

The Belles faced solid competition from the rest of the runners. With 30 Division III teams, it encouraged hard running but at the same time the level of competition was something Saint Mary's knew it could live up to.

"We knew it was pretty level," Bauters said. "It gives you incentive to run faster because you know you can compete against these girls."

St. Joseph University took home the meet title with a team total of 51 points.

The Belles run next at the Manchester Invitational on Saturday.

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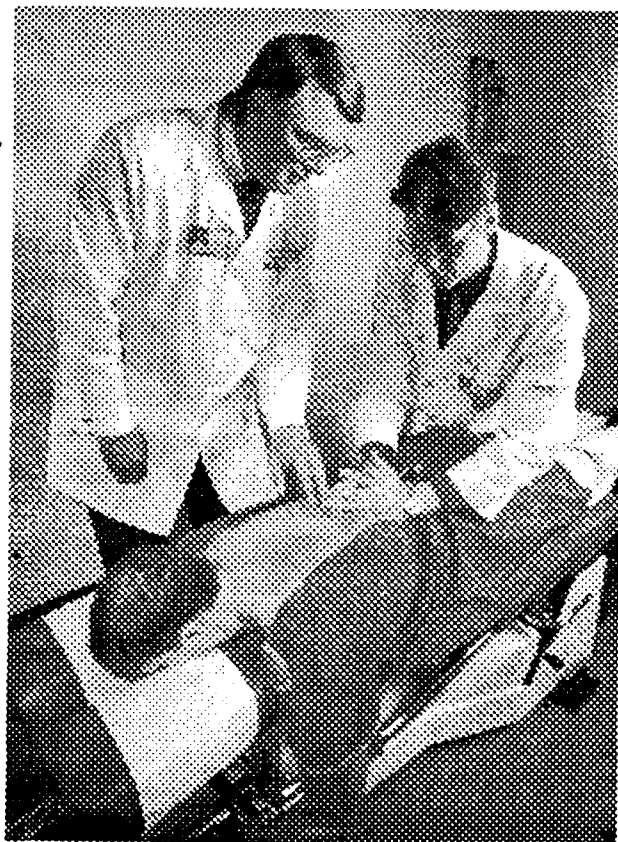
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ND WOMEN'S GOLF

Challenge awaits Irish at Shoot-out

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

After a disappointing fourth place finish among a less competitive field at its home course last week, the Notre Dame women's golf team is faced with an even tougher challenge at this week's par 72, 5874-yard Shoot-out at the Legends Tournament in Franklin, Ind.

"This is probably one of the toughest fields we're going to have," said coach Debbie King.

The competition includes Indiana, Kent State, Purdue and Penn State. Just by the numbers, the competition seems formidable. Golfweek rated Kent State 23rd, Purdue 35th, Indiana 36th and Penn State 42nd in its performance ratings. The publication ranked Notre Dame 93rd.

"I don't think any of us were [pleased with last weekend's performance]," King said. "We were rather disappointed."

In order to prevent another disappointing finish the Irish have worked very hard at practice this week and have made some changes to their line-up.

"We have had very conducive practices," King said. "Half of the team was qualifying. Half of the team were practicing."

Today's line-up will consist of Lotta, sophomore Shannon Byrnes, senior Kristin McMurtrie, senior Lauren Fuchs and sophomore Jeanne Murphy. Fuchs replaces junior Terri Taibl.

King believes that for the most part that all of the golfers are equal in capability. The line-up was determined by the strength of the golfers' play at the Notre Dame Invitational last weekend.

"I let the numbers speak for themselves," King said.

With the new line-up and intensive practices, the Irish want to bring home a win. Freshman Karen Lotta, who led the Irish last weekend with her ninth place finish is optimistic about this week's tournament.

"I think we can perform to our potential this tournament," said Lotta, who was winner of the California southern section golf title as a high school senior. "We're ready now. We're back into the groove of things after our first tournament."

King is confident in Lotta's ability to put last week's low finish behind her.

"Lotta doesn't let anything bother her," King said. "She's a go-getter."

At the Notre Dame Invitational last weekend, Lotta fired 85, 79 and 80 to finish with a 54-hole total of 244. Byrne finished a place behind the freshman, with a total of 246. The rest of the

top five finished in 16th, 25th, and 36th places at their home course — which hurt the Irish.

Because of the numbers and the strength of the competition, the Shoot-out will pose a considerable challenge to the Irish.

"You wouldn't be much of a coach if you didn't say they could win every time they go out there," King said. "But I will say ... the field is much tougher than the field we had for our own tournament [last week]."

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MEN'S GOLF

Irish make line-up change

♦ Marshall, Richie complete Irish squad in hopes of championship

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

The Irish will juggle their line-up again this week at the Xavier Invitational at King's Island in Mason, Ohio. Last weekend a line-up change helped the men's golf team finish eighth.

"Our expectations are to go in there and compete for the championship," said head coach John Jasinski. "I think we're developing quickly here."

So far, the Irish have exhibited an improvement from the beginning of the season, when they finished last in a field of 19 at the Earl Yestingmeier Invitational.

Veterans Steve Ratay and Brandon Lunke, as well as freshman Steve Colnitis will remain in the line-up. Lunke finished third overall last week.

Freshman Ryan Marshall and senior walk-on Kevin Richie will complete the Notre Dame squad for the tournament taking place on Monday and Tuesday. Richie, who will be playing in his first collegiate tournament, replaces junior Chris Whitten in the line-up.

But the arrangement is not set in stone for the rest of the season.

"I think [the lineup] is going to rotate between seven or eight guys," Ratay said.

According to Jasinski, the competition at King's Island will not be as tough as last week. The Irish will mainly be competing against middle-of-the-road teams from their district — the teams they must beat in order to advance to the N C A A Regionals.

Notre Dame has beaten most of the teams it will be playing, with the exception of Michigan. The Irish lost to the Wolverines by a single stroke last weekend.

Because of the rainy conditions at the end of last week, practice had to be altered.

"We've just been working on short game," Lunke said. "The course was under water [at the week's end]."

Practice was also mainly on an individual basis for the team, especially for Lunke, Ratay and Colnitis who, because of the performances last weekend, had already qualified to represent the Irish at the Xavier Invitational.

The rest of the golfers had to compete for the remaining two slots. The only time the entire team met this week was at a team meeting.

The Irish golfers are stressing that they are in a building phase right now, and that phase includes both increasing performance and confidence.

"Our performance level right now is developing. We're heading toward more consistent scoring pattern," Jasinski said. "There's a lot of positive momentum going on in our program right now."

"We're starting to play a little better. We're starting to feel more confident," Ratay said.

"Right now, I think we're more anxious than we are confident," Jasinski added. "Confidence is a goal that we're building into. The confidence is going to become with the success on the field ... We have to prove to ourselves that we deserve to be confident."

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles errors lead to loss

By KATIE McVOY
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Errors and teamwork were the names of the game during the Belles 3-0 (30-14, 30-17, 30-18) loss to the Knights of Calvin on Friday. Saint Mary's had the errors and Calvin had the teamwork. A solid Knights team forced Saint Mary's into errors, but the Belles were their own worst enemy.

"I think we could have done better, but Calvin is a very strong team," head coach Julie Schroeder-Biek said. "We made a lot of our own errors. They did force some errors on us, but we forced them on ourselves."

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Where the Belles lacked team cohesion, the Knights were a solid unit. Led by senior setter Sara Ahrenholz and a strong middle block, Calvin formed a tight offense and an even tighter defense.

"We're not one unit like Calvin," Shevik said. "Calvin is a really team-oriented team." "They don't have the one dominant player," Schroeder-Biek said. "They are strong all the way around."

Despite the loss, Saint Mary's did see some improvement from the last time these two teams faced off. The

Belles had better control over the Knights middle block that dominated in the last contest.

"There was a success," Schroeder-Biek said. "Our outside attackers were on because our middles were pulling the block up with them ... the middles didn't get a lot of glory in the kill department but the things they did helped us as a team."

Junior Elizabeth Albert led the Belles with nine kills and 12 digs. Shevik added seven kills and seven digs.

Saint Mary's faces off against Olivet at Olivet on Tuesday.

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"It's mainly not talking enough and not confirming to their teammates that 'Yes, I'm here,' or the set communication," Schroeder-Biek said.

"Our communication is fine in the beginning of the game and it's not there at the end when we need it to pull through and win the match," sophomore Alison Shevik said.

The later half of the game also continues to be a problem. In all three games the Belles played, they were point for point with the Knights for the first 10 points. But Calvin runs late in the game left them digging themselves out of a hole.

"We were with them point to point, but if they had a spree where they scored a lot of points it got away from us," Schroeder-Biek said. "If they made more than three points on us we lost confidence."

Halfway through the match the communication lines broke down. Calvin's took advantage of the breakdown and managed to win all three matches by at least 12 points.

"A lot of times we're lacking the intensity to win the entire match," Shevik said. "We're up at the same level as the other team to 20 points and then they pull away from us."

ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish take two on the road

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Editor

With everybody contributing to the offense, the Notre Dame volleyball team (10-3, 5-0 in the Big East) added two road wins to its undefeated conference record this weekend, sweeping Boston College on Saturday before toppling Connecticut in four games Sunday.



Kreher

In Sunday's match against the Huskies, Big East preseason player of the year Kristy Kreher proved her mettle against one of the tougher conference opponents. Kreher totaled 20 blocks in the four games for her eighth career 20-kill match. Only four other Irish volleyball players have ever had more 20-kill contests. Kreher's success was made possible by the smart decision-making of sophomore setter Kristen Kinder, who finished with 56 assists.

"Kristen did a good job of spreading things around today," Irish head coach Debbie Brown said of Kinder. "Getting the ball to Kristy Kreher more than anybody else was important. She was definitely on today and had a very good match for us."

Kreher wasn't the only one spiking well against the Huskies. Kim Fletcher added 14 kills, while Malinda Goralski and Emily Loomis each added 12. Fletcher posted a .455 hitting percentage and led the Irish with seven blocks.

"I think that's really important for us when we can have the numbers like that across the board," Brown said. "I would just say that all the hitters are carrying a good strong load offensively."

Notre Dame won a close 30-27 match in game one, but fell in game two when the Connecticut took control. The Huskies totaled 22 kills, hitting .302 compared to Notre Dame's .146 hitting on 13 kills.

The Irish came back strong as the Connecticut offense proved inferior in the final two games. During Notre Dame's 30-21 victory in game three, UConn hit just .135 to Notre Dame's .324 clip. In the deciding fourth game, Notre Dame hit only .237 but the Huskies made as many hitting errors, 13, as kills scored to finish with a .000 percentage.

"I think we rebounded real well in game three," Brown said. "In game four it was really our serving and blocking that was really strong in that game and held Connecticut to a zero hitting percentage."

Notre Dame performed well on the block in both weekend games. The Irish finished with 13 total blocks in each contest. In fact, blocking, serving and defense proved the keys to victory in Chestnut Hill on Saturday as the Irish won all three games (30-23, 30-17, 31-29) despite hitting only .214 in

the match, including a .077 mark in the third game.

Malinda Goralski led the way against the Golden Eagles with nine kills on a .368 hitting percentage while Kreher and Fletcher each added seven kills. But Notre Dame won the match with a strong defensive effort.

Notre Dame held Boston College to .035 hitting, digging 57 attacks. Defensive specialists Christa Moen and Janie Aldrete each reached double-digit digs, Aldrete with 13 and Moen with a career-high 10.

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"They both played very well," Brown said of the defensive specialists. "I think Boston College is a very strong defensive team. That is certainly one of their strengths. I thought we really hung with them well in that area, did a lot of scrambling, got a lot of balls up."

Despite the fact that no Irish player reached double-digit kills in the match, Brown was satisfied with her team's effort.

"I think we scored a lot of points on our block and serve, not so much on our kills," Brown said. "We just got more points in other ways."

Notre Dame continues its Big East season Friday at 4 p.m., hosting Villanova in the Joyce Center.

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MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Watson makes history at ND Invitational

♦ Senior becomes first since 1978 to win invite for two consecutive years

By KATIE HUGHES
Sports Writer

It was a dreary day to make history.

But as the rain made Notre Dame Golf Course slippery and muddy, senior Luke Watson led the Irish to their first victory at the Notre Dame Invitational since 1995.

Watson became the first person to win the Notre Dame Invitational two years in a row since Marc Hunter of Cleveland State in 1978, taking the title in 24 min. 6 sec.

"We went out really fast," said Watson. "That put me in oxygen debt for the rest of the

race."

Watson, senior Ryan Shay and sophomore Todd Mobley stayed together and pushed each other for most of the race. Shay, who won the National Catholic Invitational on the same course earlier this season, finished second in 24:25, and Mobley, who won the Valparaiso Invitational, finished right on Shay's heels, also in 24:25.

"Ryan and Luke were both feeling a little sick," said senior Marc Striowski.

"The mud takes a lot out of you," Mobley said. "But I tried to stay up with Ryan and Luke."

As a deep crowd of fans who came out despite the rain cheered on the Irish, Striowski had one of the meet's closest finishes, kicking in the last 100 yards but being narrowly edged out by Utah State's Mitch Zandel.

Striowski finished fifth in 24:38, making this the second meet in a row where the Irish have finished 1-2-3-5.

"I felt like I could have beat [Zandel]," said Striowski. "I didn't have as good of a kick as him."

Senior Sean Zanderson ran his best race of the season to finish as the fifth runner for the Irish in 25:00.

"This meet just shows that we have pretty good depth. Even though our regular fifth man didn't run well, Sean did," Striowski. "There are people who will step up. Inevitably someone might always not run well, but we can be confident that our team will run well no matter what. Everyone is looking forward to Pre-Nationals."

Sophomore David Alber finished 38th in 25:25, and junior John Keane finished 53rd in 25:37. Senior Pat Conway finished 70th.

Notre Dame's "B" team busted up the muddy competition as well, taking first in the Gold division race. Sophomores Mario Bird and Brian Kerwin took second and fourth, respectively.

"For the seniors, it was nice to win our last race at Notre Dame," said Striowski.

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A Notre Dame runner pulls away from the competition at the Notre Dame Invitational on Saturday. The Irish won the meet.

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ND WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Irish bring home victory

By KATIE HUGHES
Sports Writer

It was a mud spattered and momentous meet for the Irish.

Running its full team for the first time this season, including freshman Lauren King, the team took an authoritative victory at the Notre Dame

Invitational on Friday, winning the "Blue" division race with 58 points.

Michigan was the closest competitor of the next 16 teams, with 104 points.

King, a native of Toronto, Ontario, finished in 17 min. 20 sec. in her first collegiate cross country meet to take the

title.

"I was nervous before the race, but really excited," King said. "I was excited all week to wear this jersey."

King, who finished 26th at the World Junior Cross Country Championships last year, did not run in earlier meets because her track season extended into midsummer. She and the rest of the team had to contend with a sloppy, rainy day and a muddy course.

"It was a great day for cross country," King said.

Junior Jen Handley took home third place in 17:28.

"I just put my head down and ran," Handley said. "I just hung in for the last mile. And having [Lauren] totally felt like this is when our season gets rolling."

Sophomore Megan Johnson was next for Notre Dame in 10th place, followed by freshman Christi Arnerich (20th) and junior Jennifer Fibuch (24th). Sophomore Julia Schmidt finished 54th, and Junior Muffy Schmidt finished 50th.

"It was awesome. Finally our team is together," Handley said.

The rainy day didn't keep the football weekend crowds away from watching the meet at Notre Dame golf course.

"It was awesome having our parents and friends here," Handley said.

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WOMEN'S INTERHALL GOLD LEAGUE

Pyros burn Purple Weasles in 6-0 win

♦ PE claims Apple Cup with its victory over PW

By PHIL KOESTERER and KEN CHAMPA
Sports Writers

Mod Quad's "Civil War" lived up to its name. The Pyros of Pasquerilla East defeated the Purple Weasels of Pasquerilla West 6-0 in a rainy, hard-fought game Thursday night on West Riehle Field.

Penalties against PW and big plays from PE were the difference in a contest that remained scoreless until the final minutes.

Following an Erin Schulte interception deep in PW territory late in the half, the Purple Weasels were unable to put together a drive. PE forced PW to punt, but a penalty for not wearing flags against the Pyros on the punt return gave the ball back to PW. The Weasels could not take advantage of the second opportunity, however, and punted the ball back to the Pyros.

On its next possession, PE quarterback Lindsay Terifay scrambled for the game's only touchdown.

"One of the biggest plays of the game came when center Tara James prevented a PW punt returner from scoring a potential touchdown," said PE coach Stephen Gillespie. "The other was [Terifay's] touchdown."

The first half began slowly for both teams. A muddy playing field and steady rain were not conducive to extended drives for either offense.

The Weasels had several chances to score in the second

half, but were unable to capitalize on the opportunities.

Schulte opened the second half by intercepting Terifay and returning the ball to the PE 10-yard line. The Purple Weasels were unable to convert, however, and turned over the ball on downs.

On their next drive, the Weasels took it to the end zone with a crisply executed hook-and-ladder play that was called back because running back Kristin Boyd was not wearing flags. Quarterback Leslie Schmidt was intercepted on the next play.

PW coach Mike Canfield was displeased with the officiating.

"It was the biggest injustice since the U.S. played the Soviet Union in the '72 Olympics," Canfield said referring to the

first time the Americans lost the gold medal in men's basketball.

The Weasels just couldn't get the job done.

"They made two big stops in the red zone," said PW coach Jack Palma. "We couldn't convert."

The Pyros will now take possession of the Apple Cup, a trophy given each year to the winner of the Pasquerilla East-Pasquerilla West game.

Welsh 6, Badin 0

In a game that promised to be a battle of the defenses, the best defender of all proved to be the cold, steady rain falling on West Riehle Field. The Welsh Family Whirlwinds were able to work around the rain and defeat the Badin Bullfrogs.

Welsh's offense was relatively successful in the first half, moving the ball enough to pick up two first downs. The much-touted Welsh defense, with help from a slippery football, prevented the Bullfrogs from

gaining so much as a single first down.

"Obviously the weather was a big factor in the game," said Badin coach Casey Wendeln. "It was hard for our quarterback because she had no grip on the ball."

Welsh was able to control time of possession allowing no turnovers and forcing Badin to punt on every drive.

"By stopping them and not turning the ball over, we were able to win the game with a couple big plays," said Welsh coach Joe Blaney.

Although completing passes proved difficult, Badin had moderate success running the ball. Amy Marshall and several other members of the Bullfrog backfield gained significant yardage with the option and the reverse.

The big break for Welsh came on the opening drive of the second half. The Whirlwinds opened the half with a pass for the first of three first downs on the drive. Freshman quarterback Lauren Hoeck connected with three different receivers, including sophomore Jamie McEldowney.

"We were throwing short passes, just enough to get first downs and move the ball," said Hoeck. "The rain was just an extra challenge."

Hoeck scrambled for a touchdown on the 13th play of that drive, but the play was called back for flag guarding.

On the next play, however, she connected with McEldowney for the game's only touchdown.

Despite the promising performance of its running backs, Badin was unable to answer with a score of their own.

"The weather played a factor, but we usually play pretty well in the rain," said Badin senior Beth Rimkus. "I think it was mostly a mental problem, because Welsh is a really good team and they came into the game undefeated."

"Our defense was great," added Wendeln. "Welsh was averaging something like 18 points a game, and we held them to one touchdown."

Breen Phillips 7, Pangborn 0

The Katie McFarland show was on as Breen-Phillips beat the Pangborn Phoxes. On a cold, windy, rainy night, McFarland, the Babes quarterback and team captain, dodged the raindrops as she ran for nearly 100 yards, a touchdown and six first downs.

"Katie played awesome, she was amazing out there tonight," said Babe Freshman Lindsey Walz, one of McFarland's favorite targets.

McFarland scored early in the first half on a 20-yard option keeper.

"Scoring early allowed us to focus a lot and improve of other parts of our game," MacFarland said. "There are still little things we need to do [to win]."

In addition to running through the Phoxes, McFarland was able to complete four of her eight passes.

Walz, along with receiver Kelly Landers made life terrible for the Phoxes' defense, coming up with one big catch after another.

"[The rain] makes our offense harder to run," McFarland said. "But our receivers ran great routes tonight, it made it easier for me."

In addition to putting points on the board, the Babes dominated by controlling the ball almost the entire second half.

"The defense played great. They dominated. They [the Phoxes] barely had the ball in the second half at all," said Walz.

The game was kept close by the bend don't break defense of Pangborn. Twice BP took the ball to the Phoxes' 1-yard line, and twice came away with nothing.

But Pangborn's focus just wasn't there tonight.

"Our timing was off on offense and we made a lot of mental errors on defense too," said Phox sophomore receiver and tailback Tia Vonil.

Pangborn just couldn't stop McFarland's running.

"We just couldn't get the flags, we just couldn't do it tonight," said senior Pangborn captain Katrina Paulson.

There were some bright spots

for Pangborn in this game as well. Freshman quarterback Charlotte Troupis completed seven passes, five of them to Vanil.

"Charlotte did a nice job for us tonight," added Paulson.

After the game, BP indicated that it is looking towards the post-season already.

"Our goal is to win every game, we're hoping to make the playoffs," Walz said.

Pangborn remains optimistic as well moving towards the end of the season.

"We're using every game as a steppingstone, we will definitely be ready to play our next game," Vonil said.

"Scoring early allowed us to focus a lot and improve on other parts of the game. There are still little things we need to do to win."

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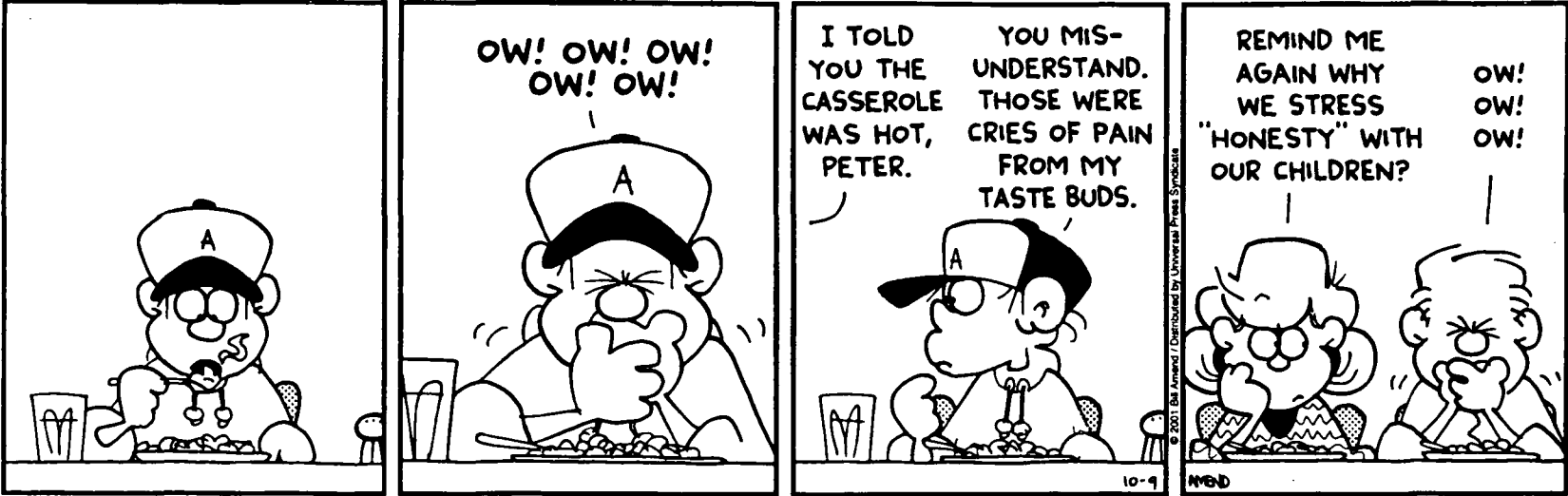
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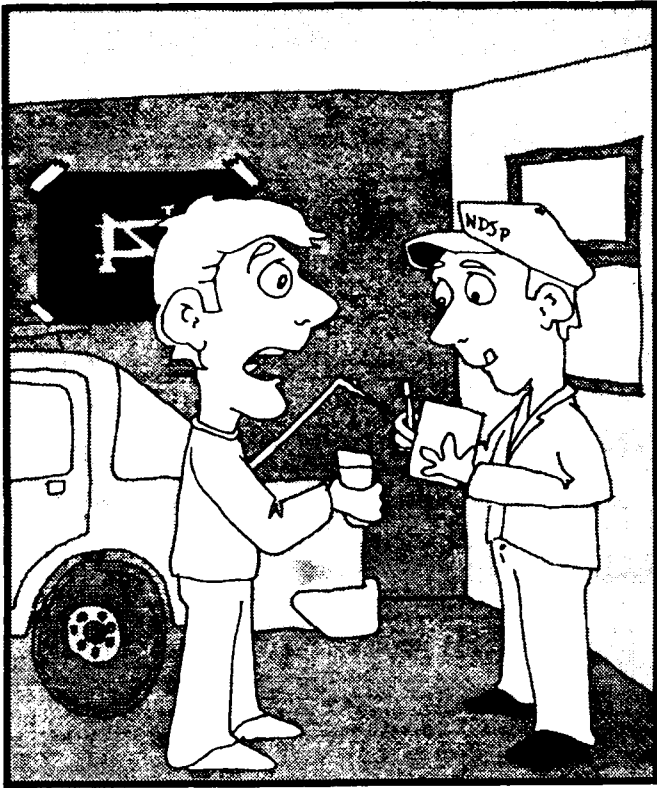
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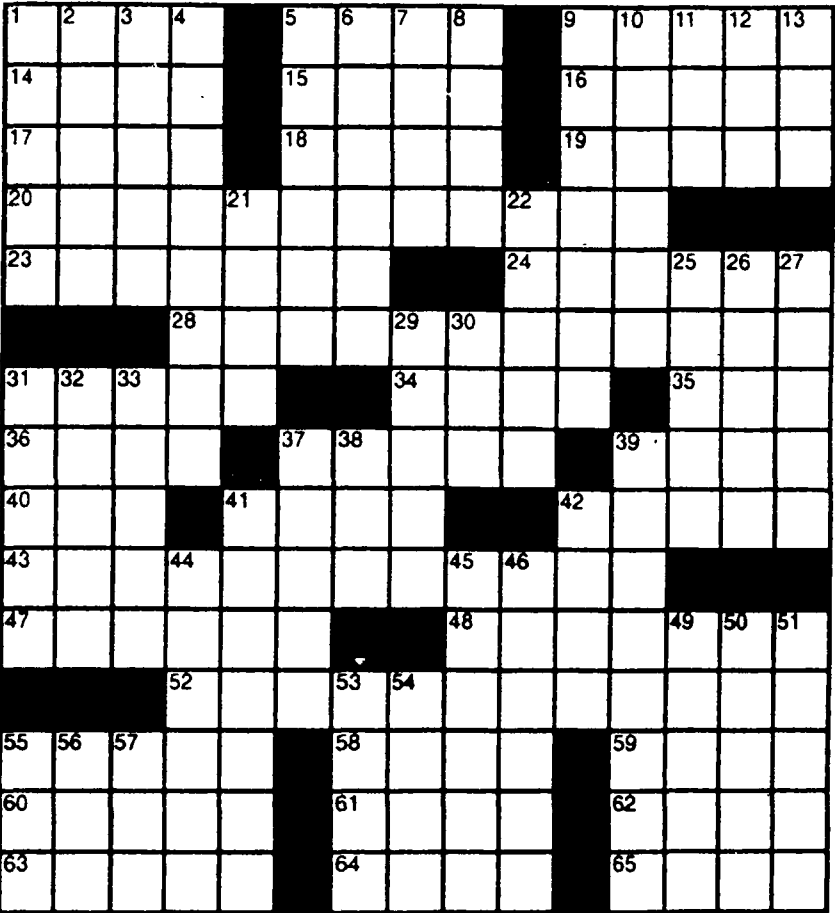
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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Irish split conference games

By JEFF BALTRUZAK
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It was a weekend of things both familiar and unfamiliar for the third-ranked Notre Dame women's soccer team. The Irish experienced a rare loss in Big East play on Friday night at Rutgers 2-1, dropping only their fourth Big East game since joining the conference in 1995. Sunday's 2-1 win at Seton Hall saw a recurring theme for Notre Dame, namely a late, game-winning goal in a game the Irish clearly dominated throughout.

"[The loss] was a wake-up call," freshman forward Candace Chapman said. "We'll be able to bounce back from it. I think it was good in that it showed us what could happen if we don't put teams away and [create] more urgency in scoring."

Just getting to New Jersey on Friday proved to be a struggle. The team missed its connecting flight in Pittsburgh Thursday night, and was forced to catch a few hours of quick sleep in an airport hotel before flying to Newark early Friday morning.

"I think we should be ready for every game no matter what happens before," Chapman said.

The Irish opened up the Rutgers game with uncharacteristically soft defense. Scarlet Knight midfielder Carli Lloyd victimized the Irish backline for two goals within the first ten minutes, putting Notre Dame in a quick 2-0 hole, a hole the Irish offense could never fill.

"[They scored] right off the bat ... that was really surprising," Chapman said.

Lloyd scored her first goal off a set corner play by Erica Schubert. Schubert put the ball in play with a low kick that made it through the Irish defense and found the freshman



RICO CASARES/The Observer

Notre Dame freshman Mary Boland leaps to block the kick of a West Virginia player earlier in the season. The Irish lost to Rutgers 2-1 Friday, but came back to defeat Seton Hall by the same score Sunday.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Irish muzzle Hoyas

By BRYAN KRONK
Sports Writer

Half the battle for the Notre Dame men's soccer team on Friday was enduring the elements and conditions brought on by Mother Nature. The other half was enduring a pesky Georgetown offense.

Battling wind-driven rain and a game time temperature hovering in the low 40s, a large crowd at Alumni Field saw the Irish defeat the Hoyas in a key Big East showdown, 3-1.

Irish forward Erich Braun scored two goals and midfielder

Justin Detter added another to round out the Irish scoring. Chad Riley contributed two assists for Notre Dame.

"It was a great game tonight, and we had a great defensive effort as well," Braun said. "The [final two] goals we scored were just like drills in practice. I think Coach will be proud of us."

Irish goalie Chris Sawyer finished with six saves for the Irish, one shy of his personal best of seven, set earlier this season against Seton Hall. Sawyer, a freshman, has made three consecutive starts in goal for the Irish.

"[Sawyer] has done a terrific job," Irish head coach Bobby Clark said. "He's getting better every game, and I'm very pleased with what he's been doing."

The Irish opened the scoring just before halftime, when defender Kevin Richards took possession after two Hoya defenders collided.

Richards, taking advantage of a seemingly frozen Hoya squad, passed to midfielder Kevin Goldthwaite, who found Braun in front of the net. Braun's shot grazed off the hand of

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SMC SOCCER

Belles set down Flying Dutch

By KATRINA KALASKY
Sports Writer

Saturday's 1-0 victory was a sweet one for Saint Mary's. The Belles not only brought home another win, they also defeated a Flying Dutch team that beat them by one goal earlier this season.

After an early goal, the game was a defensive struggle.

Freshman Jen Concannon

scored the goal 12 minutes into play. Although Hope had more shots on goal, Saint Mary's freshman goalie Maureen MacDonald managed to hold off the Flying Dutch throughout the entire match.

The last time the two teams faced off, Hope took the game 2-1 at the Belles home field.

The Belles seem more comfortable on the road, however.

"It was our second away

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Finally

Irish make big plays and get big breaks as they earn their first win of the season

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Editor

With a little more than three minutes remaining in the third quarter Saturday afternoon, everything seemed destined to fall apart once again for the Irish football team.

With the Irish leading 10-7, Pittsburgh quarterback David Priestley completed a 20-yard pass to R.J. English to give the Panthers first-and-10 at the Irish 26-yard line.

The next play, Priestley hit English at midfield with nothing in front of him but the endzone. But then, with Pittsburgh just a yard away from taking a 13-10 lead, something happened.

The football slipped away from English's hands mid-stride and fell right into the hands of Irish defensive back Abram Elam at the 1-yard line.

"At that point they were going in there for the go-ahead touchdown," Irish head coach Bob Davie said. "The next thing you know, we're going the other way with the ball."

Three plays later, Irish quarterback Carlyle Holiday slipped through the Panthers' defense, broke two tackles and sprinted 67 yards into the endzone to give the Irish a 17-10 lead.

"They sort of stretched the offense out and I just sort of cut back. I thought I was down, but I just kept on going, rushing out of there," Holiday said. "It caught me by surprise."

Notre Dame added a fourth-quarter touchdown by Julius Jones, his second of the game, for a 24-7 victory, Notre Dame's first of the season.

"I told our team, 'Sometimes it gets worse before it gets better,'" Davie said. "Let's face it, that's what this game is. Strange things can happen. Momentum's a funny thing."

For an Irish team coming into Saturday's game 0-3 for the first time in its storied history, the change in momentum was just what the doctor ordered.

"After the game, you don't need to say much," Davie said. "Those hugs and those smiles say about all that needs to be said. I'm not going to get too dramatic about it; we're a 1-3 football team. But it's a heck a lot better than being an 0-4 football team."

The positives began on Pittsburgh's first possession of the game. In each of Notre Dame's three losses, the opposing team scored on its opening drive. Saturday, Pittsburgh got only three plays of before Priestley's deep second-and-18 pass fell right into Elam's hands.

Elam's interception would be the first of five turnovers converted by the Irish offense on the afternoon. Elam's recovered fumble, along with interceptions by Shane Walton and Anthony Weaver and a recovered fumble by Courtney Watson provided the Irish with solid field position and kept a potentially potent Panther offense away from the end zone.

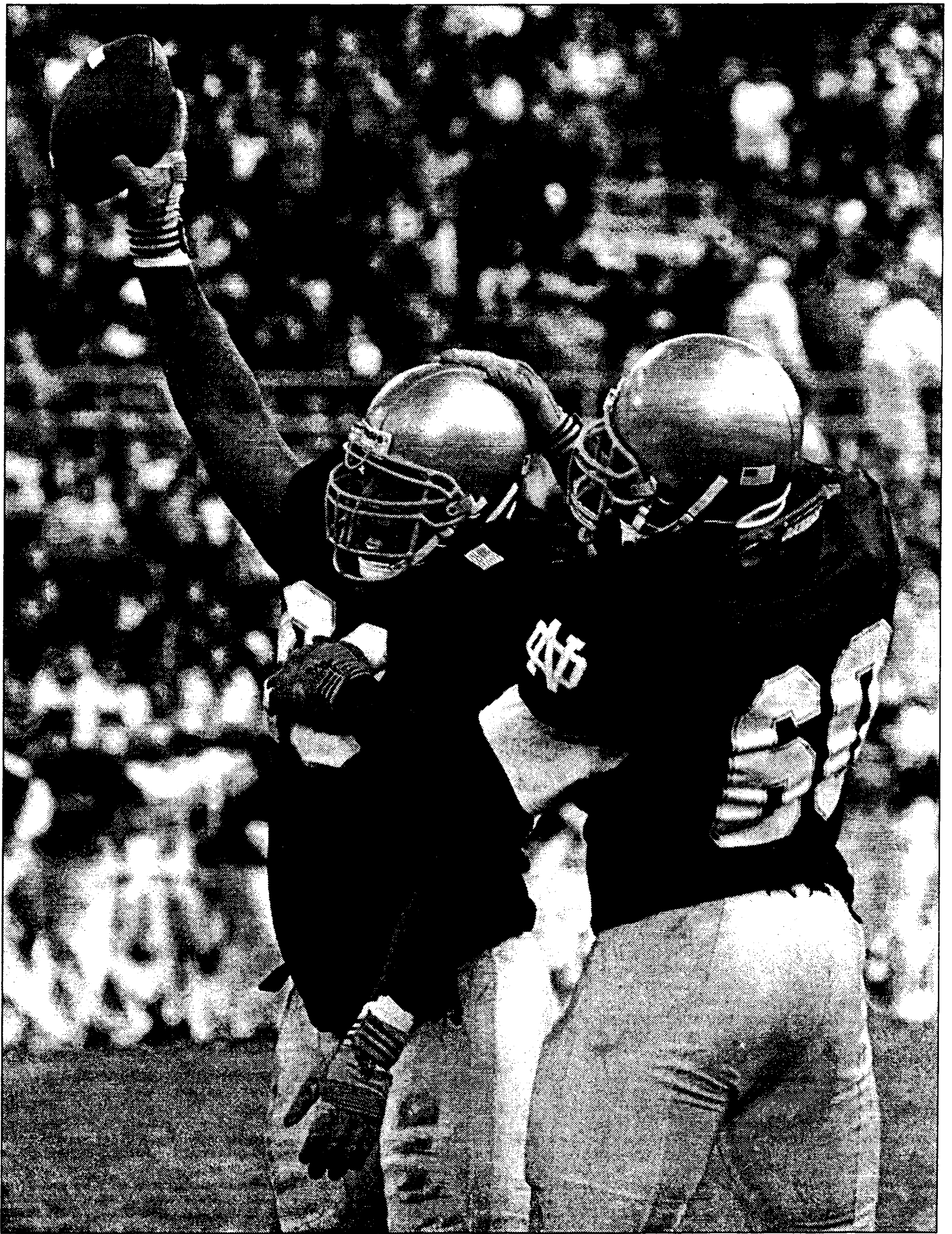
Weaver added three tackles for a loss and one of Notre Dame's three quarterback sacks.

"For us, it's about creating turnovers on defense," Davie said. "When you play two straight games without a turnover, I think the offense — they're not going to back away from the heat they've got ... But we deserve on defense a bunch of that heat because we didn't generate any turnovers. It was good to see that happen. Guys made plays."

On the offensive side of the ball, Holiday provided the Irish with a spark both with his arms and his legs while taking every snap in his second start. The sophomore rushed for a game-high 122 yards on 19 carries while completing 10 of 13 pass attempts for 70 yards.

"I felt pretty comfortable at the start" Holiday said. "As the game went on, I started to slow things down a little bit when I was out there. It sort of got me going."

While Holiday stressed the significance of the victory



TIM KACMAR/The Observer

Notre Dame defensive tackle Darrell Campbell congratulates Anthony Weaver after Weaver intercepted Pittsburgh's David Priestley's fourth quarter pass.

for the team and the Notre Dame community as a whole, the Irish quarterback felt the weight of getting his first career victory off his back.

"It's a big win," Holiday said. "It's my first win. I've just got to keep moving on from here. It took a lot off me as well as the team."

Davie simply saw the win as evidence that a team he has touted as the "most talented" in his five years as

Notre Dame's coach has the ability to come out on top.

"I think it's pretty simple to see what kind of plan we have to have to win a football game," Davie said of his team's ability to make plays and not turn the ball over. "As you look back over the beginning of the season until right now obviously this is the first time that we've been able to follow the plan."

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player of the game

Carlyle Holiday
The sophomore quarterback looked like a different, more mature player. He threw the ball well, ran it well, and sealed the game with his 67-yard touchdown jaunt.

quote of the game

"At that point they were going in there for the go-ahead touchdown. The next thing you know, we're going the other way with the ball."
Bob Davie
Irish head coach

stat of the game

5 turnovers
Hands down, the defense won the game for the Irish. They caused key turnovers that killed Panther drives left and right — including a fumble on the Irish 1.

report card

A

quarterbacks: Holiday looked mature — he threw the ball away instead of taking the sack. He was effective running the ball and his 67-yard dash was the clinching score.

B+

running backs: Aside from Fisher's big run, the tailbacks didn't do anything special. But Fisher and Jones did average 3.6 yards a carry.

B+

receivers: They only dropped one pass all day, but they didn't make a big play. Of course, most of their routes were short eight-yard patterns.

B+

offensive line: They were shaky early, allowing Holiday to take pressure. But as the game wore on, the offensive line simply manhandled Pitt's defensive front.

A

defensive line: When Weaver gets an interception, you know things are going well. The defensive line simply shut down Pitt's running game, giving up only 81 yards.

B

linebackers: Since the Irish used nickel and dime packages, the linebackers weren't on the field much. But when they were, they played aggressive and swarmed the ball carrier.

A-

defensive backs: Two interceptions and a hand in a pair of fumble recoveries is the sign of a good day. Although poor coverage allowed Bryant's touchdown, they controlled Pitt's passing game.

B-

special teams: Hildbold shanked his first punt and the return game was once again a non-factor. But Setta was solid again, this time drilling a 40-yarder.

B+

coaching: For the first time this season, the Irish looked well coached and well prepared. Using more than four defensive backs was a good move to contain Pitt's passing game.

3.41

overall: The Irish played well, but it's hard to say how well because Pitt played horribly. Harris' play calling made Davie look like a genius.

adding up the numbers

number of points the Irish had scored before Saturday's game

23

24

number of points the Irish scored Saturday

number of turnovers Notre Dame's defense forced before Saturday.

2

5

Number of turnovers the Irish forced Saturday.

Number of Irish defenders on the field when Pittsburgh scored its lone touchdown

10

67

number of yards Holiday ran for on his touchdown — the longest by an Irish quarterback since 1980

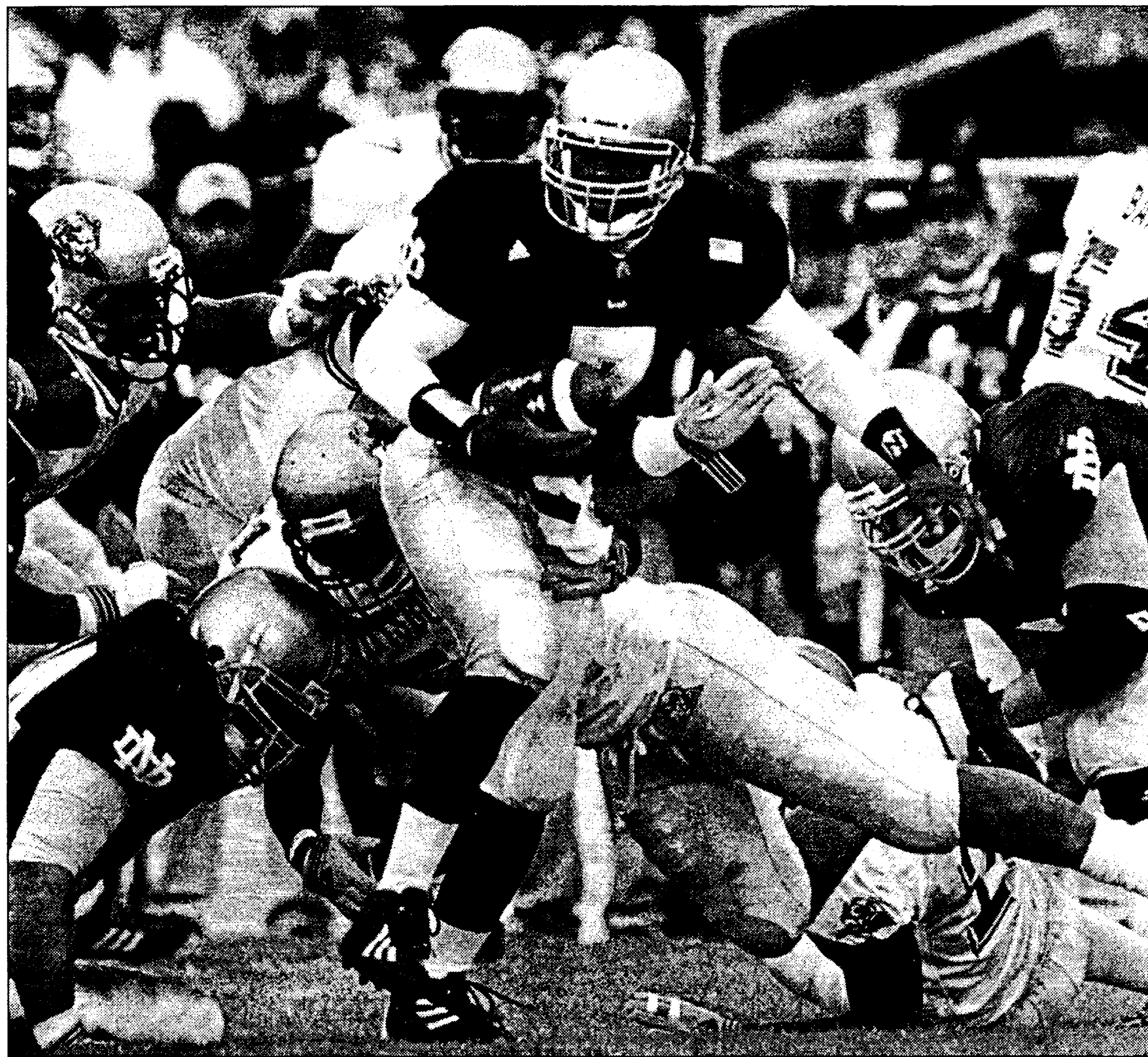
yard line where Notre Dame recovered English's fumble

1

131:29

time elapsed since Notre Dame last held a lead before scoring first Saturday

INSIGHT



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Notre Dame quarterback Carlyle Holiday breaks through the line on his way to a 67-yard touchdown run, the longest play from scrimmage the Irish have executed this year.

Irish finally make The Big Plays

They finally found The Big Play. And they didn't find just one. They didn't find two. They found a whole bunch of them.

Who knows where they came from? Was it Bob Davie sitting in on the offensive meetings? Did he reach behind Kevin Rogers' ear and pull out A Big Play? Or was it divine providence that caused R.J. English to flat out drop the ball on the 1-yard line?

Nobody. Nobody cares. The Big Play happened, and that's all that mattered.

All season long, the Irish had been missing The Big Play. They hadn't completed a pass for more than 20 yards. They only had one run for more than 30. And the defense had caused a whopping two turnovers.

But that all changed Saturday.

Who could explain what happened when English caught the ball, turned for the endzone, and simply dropped the ball? He wasn't hit. He wasn't even touched. But when the ball popped out of his hands and into the hands of Abe Elam, the Irish finally made a Big Play.

"I felt like we won the game there," Tyreo Harrison said. "That was definitely the momentum-changing play. Abe was in the right place at the right time. Sometimes the sun shines on you."

"At that point they were going in there for the go-ahead touchdown," Davie said. "The next thing you know, we're going the other way with the ball. Let's face it,

that's what this game is. Strange things can happen."

How important are those Big Plays the Irish were dearly missing? They fire up a team. They rile up an offense. They jack up a defense. They excite a crowd.

In short, they change the course of the game.

So when Tony Fisher took the handoff three yards deep in his own end zone and blasted through the Pittsburgh secondary, the Irish had another Big Play on their hands. There was nothing between Fisher and the longest rushing play in Notre Dame's 113 years of football except for 80 yards of slightly trampled grass — and a bum knee which brought him tumbling to the ground around the 30 yard line.

After the game, Fisher wasn't upset he was caught from behind. He wasn't upset that he was hurt. He wanted to make The Big Play.

"We need big plays as possible," he said. "Carlyle could do it, I could do it, anyone could do it. It doesn't matter who does it as long as it helps the team."

Two plays later, Holiday did it.

He broke through the defensive line, twisted his way past the linebackers, powered through the secondary, and was off and running. Sixty-seven yards later, the Biggest of Big Plays was in the history books.

Everyone wanted a piece of Carlyle's Big Play. As soon as he saw Holiday take off down the field, Javin Hunter raced down the field, throwing a block on a safety that should have been called a clip. David Givens was throwing blocks on everyone and their mothers. The Notre Dame sideline erupted. Davie actually smiled during a football game.

"I felt a little bit of a surge on the sideline during that third and fourth quarter," Davie said Sunday

afternoon.

That's what The Big Play does. It creates momentum shifts. It alters games. It demoralizes and inspires players.

"Momentum's a funny thing," Davie said. "Momentum you can all talk about and plan. But momentum comes your way when you have guys step up and make big plays. That's what happened today."

There were other Big Plays besides the fumble and the big runs. Elam's interception in the first quarter marked the first time an opponent didn't score on their first drive this season. A play after officials blew a fumble call, Shane Walton forced Antonio Bryant to fumble the ball, killing another interception scoring drive. Weaver's interception in the fourth quarter unnerved the Panthers. Walton's pick in the fourth quarter sealed the game for the Irish. A grand total of five — count 'em, five — turnovers.

"That's the one thing our defense was missing this year," said Rocky Boiman. "We hadn't really created any turnovers or any sparks out there, and we did that today."

By making those Big Plays, the Irish shut down the Panthers. By making those Big Plays, the Irish gained confidence. By making those Big Plays, the Irish looked like a football team again.

By making those big plays, the Irish won the game.

But then again, that's the nature of The Big Play. It wins games.

You can't coach it. You can't prepare for it. You can only hope to find it.

Saturday afternoon, the Irish did.

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Keys to success don't change from year to year

By JEFF BALTRUZAK
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The date was October 6, 2001, but it might have well been October 6, 2000.

With a win against Pittsburgh, the Notre Dame football team finally returned to its 2000 formula: win the turnover battle, let the defense make big plays and run the ball until opposing linebackers are seeing Julius Jones and Tony Fisher in their nightmares.

"This is the first time we've followed the plan," said head coach Bob Davie. "It was a lot like last year's team."

Turnovers

One of the most quoted statistics concerning Irish football this season was the team's poor minus-seven turnover margin. Notre Dame only turned the ball over an NCAA record-tying eight times last year.

"For us, it's all about forcing turnovers," Davie said after the game. "The offense has been taking most of the heat, you know the defense deserved some heat because they weren't generating any turnovers."

Before Saturday, the Irish defense had created just a pair of turnovers. Strong safety Abram Elam had two turnovers alone against Pittsburgh.

"We got back to the style of defense we played last year, we got back to that this year and forced some turnovers," said senior defensive end Anthony Weaver.

While the defense hasn't been the turnover machine they were last year, the offense hadn't done its part controlling the ball either. The Irish offense had been averaging three turnovers a game, a figure even great defenses have a hard time matching to keep the turnover margin equal.

Notre Dame's turnovers played into the emotion and momentum of the game, just as they did last year. When Elam recovered Panther receiver R.J. English's fumble at the goal line, Pittsburgh was about to

take the third quarter momentum as well as a four-point lead against an Irish team that is, put lightly, offensively challenged.

"I was just trying to show emotion to get everybody fired up to go out and win this game," said Elam.

Elam accomplished his mission. The Irish then drove 99 yards in what Pittsburgh coach Walt Harris recognized was the turning point of the game.

"We came right back very strong on the drive after Notre Dame took the lead on their field goal," said Harris. "We still found ourselves coming up short ... the momentum went to them."

Big Plays on Defense

Weaver took making plays on defense to a new level against the Panthers. In addition to harassing Pittsburgh's quarterbacks on almost every play, Weaver made the one of the most athletic plays the Irish have made this season, leaping up to pick off David Priestley's fourth-quarter pass.

Priestley was as surprised as anyone that it was even possible for Weaver to make the play.

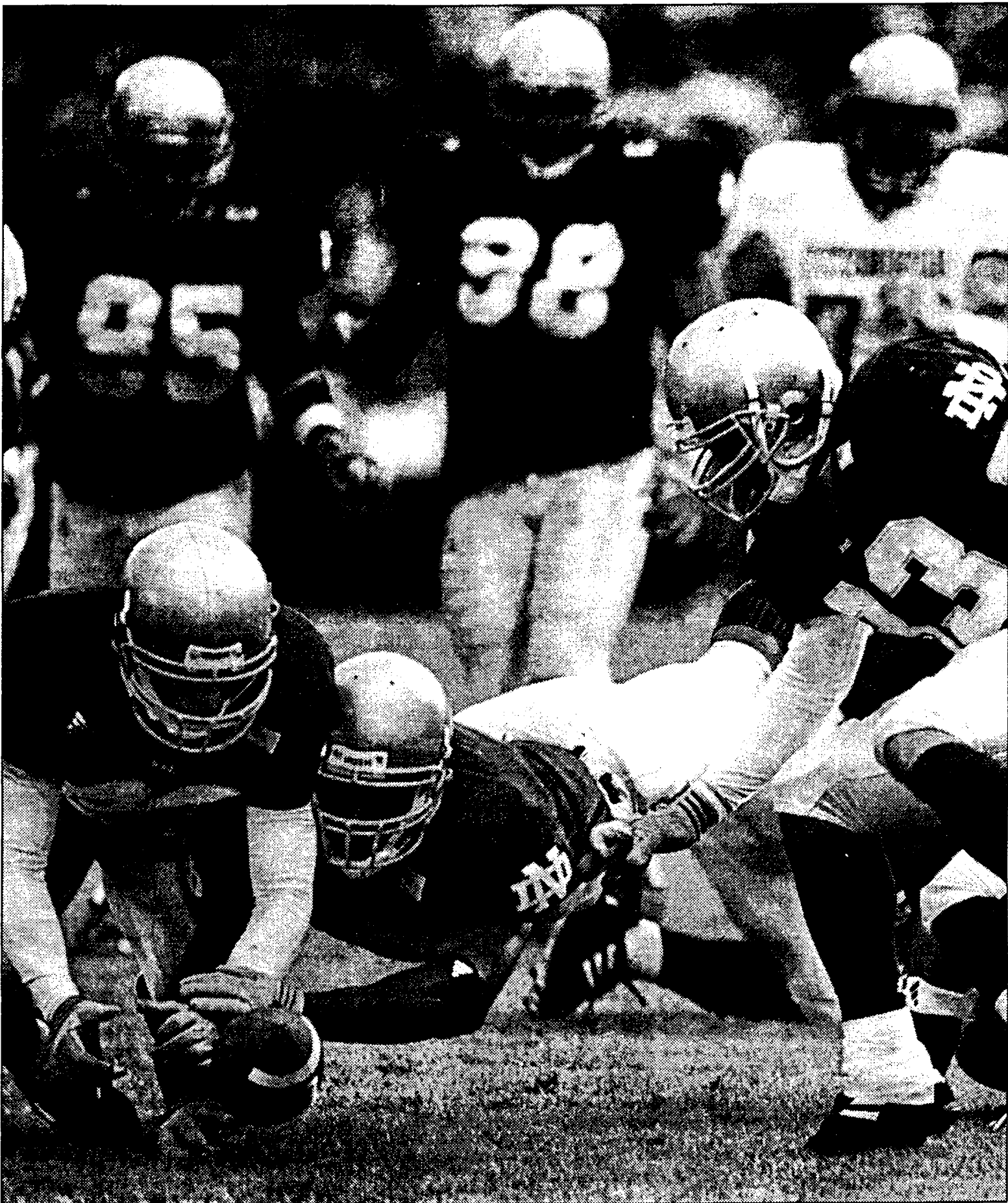
"You don't account for those guys," said Priestley. "He just made a hell of a play. I couldn't believe it when it happened."

With the Panthers driving in the second quarter, senior cornerback Shane Walton had another standout big play. Pittsburgh receiver Antonio Bryant caught the pass over the middle, but Walton was able to knock the ball loose to be recovered by Courtney Watson on the type of play that was common in 2000, when the Irish forced 19 fumbles, but not one year later.

Running the Ball

Last year, Notre Dame was a running team. The Irish relied on the running game to set up an efficient, controlled, first-down orientated passing attack run by a first year starter.

Against Pittsburgh, it was much of the same. Notre Dame had a dominating 249 yards on



Irish defenders scramble for the ball seconds after Notre Dame defensive back Shane Walton forced Pittsburgh wide receiver Antonio Bryant to fumble. Courtney Watson, right, recovered the ball.

the ground and just 70 in the air. Carlyle Holiday missed just three passes the whole game and converted on key plays, like his eight-yard strike to David Givens on fourth-and-six.

But for most of the game, the Irish did not have to rely on Holiday's arm, just his feet. For the most part, the Irish ran the

option effectively, with consistent four and five yard gains.

The Irish did not rely so much on 40 yard explosions down the sideline as Fisher and Jones being unremarkably effective gaining four and five yards.

"It was all about going out there and establishing the run and the pass," said Fisher.

"Today, we just went out there and executed a heck of a lot better than we had in the previous games."

And they looked like the 2000 Irish that went 9-2.

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AP poll

	team	record	points
1	Florida (30)	5-0	1,739
2	Miami (23)	4-0	1,719
3	Oklahoma (16)	5-0	1,700
4	Nebraska (2)	5-0	1,577
5	Oregon	5-0	1,437
6	Virginia Tech	5-0	1,421
7	UCLA	4-0	1,369
8	Fresno State (1)	5-0	1,240
9	South Carolina	5-0	1,160
10	Washington	4-0	1,148
11	Texas	4-1	1,128
12	Michigan	4-1	978
13	Tennessee	3-1	790
14	Florida State	3-1	756
15	Georgia Tech	4-1	670
16	Clemson	3-1	529
17	Purdue	4-0	509
18	BYU	5-0	480
19	Georgia	3-1	443
20	Colorado	4-1	39
21	Ohio State	3-1	381
22	Maryland	5-0	360
23	Stanford	3-0	299
24	Kansas State	2-2	247
25	Texas A&M	5-0	203

other leading vote getters: Northwestern 192, Washington State 172, Toledo 156, LSU 49, Michigan State 43, Illinois 29, NOTRE DAME 0

scoring summary & stats

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Notre Dame	7	0	10	7	24
Pittsburgh	0	7	0	0	7

	team statistics	ND	PITT
first downs		18	15
rushes-yards		57-249	26-50
passing yards		70	182
comp-att-int		10-13-0	11-22-3
return yards		4-48	5-59
punts-yards		6-196	4-184
fumbles-lost		2-0	2-2
penalties-yards		6-52	2-8
time of possession		37:23	22:37

individual statistics

passing
ND — Holiday 10-13-0
PITT — Priestly 10-19-2, Rutherford 1-3-1

rushing
ND — Holiday 19-122, Jones 25-71, Fisher 10-57, Howard 2-3, Lopienski 1-0
PITT - Kirkley 19-36, Rutherford 3-19, Priestly 4-(-5)

receiving
ND — Givens 5-39, Hunter 3-23, Jenkins 1-10, Fisher 1-(-2)
PITT — Bryant 6-95, English 2-45, Wilson 2-32, Vaglia 1-10

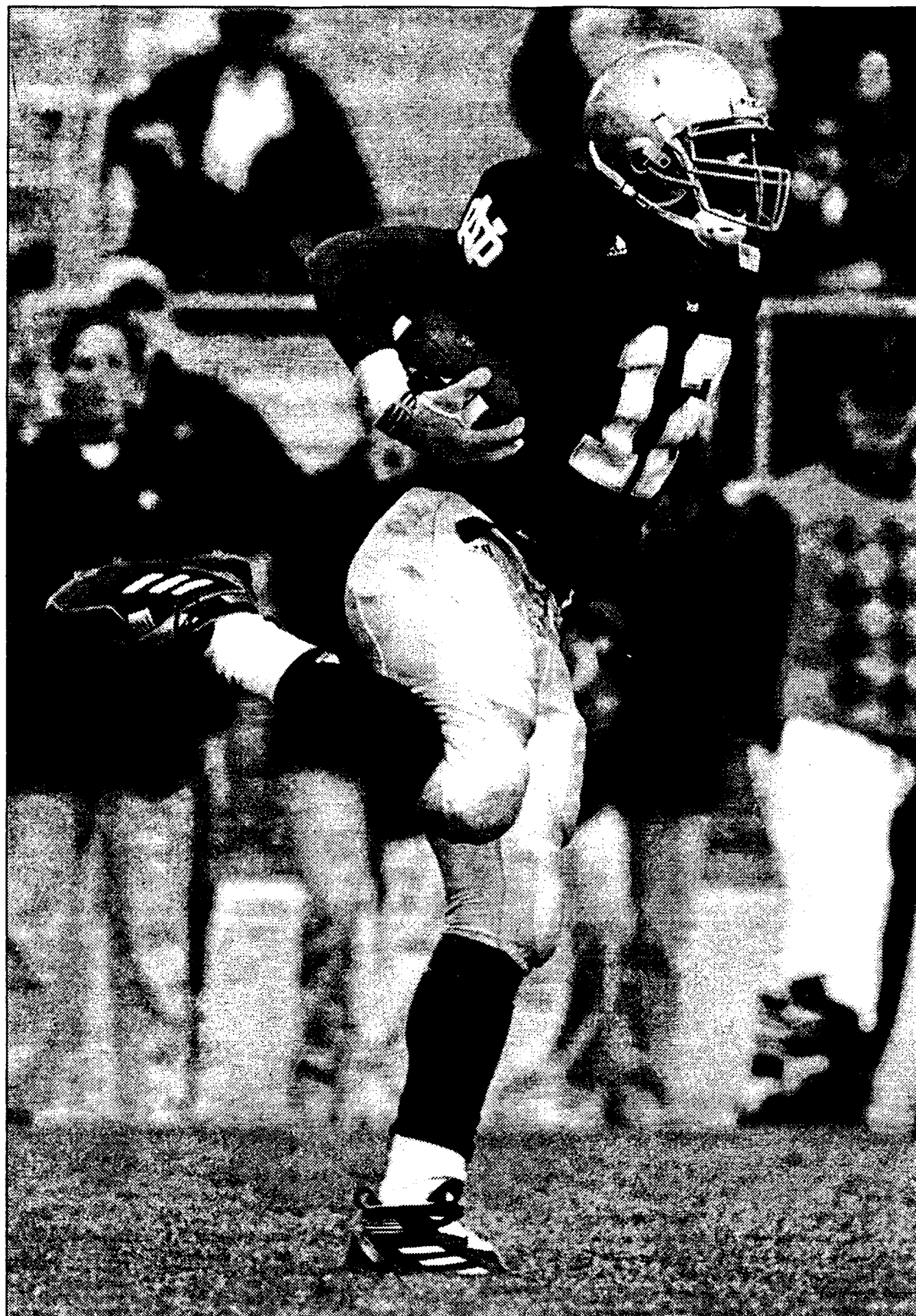
leading tacklers

ND — Harrison 6, Weaver 5, Earl 4, Watson 4, Walton 4, Campbell 4
PITT — Walker 10, Purifoy 8, Hayes 7, Knight 6, Ponko 6

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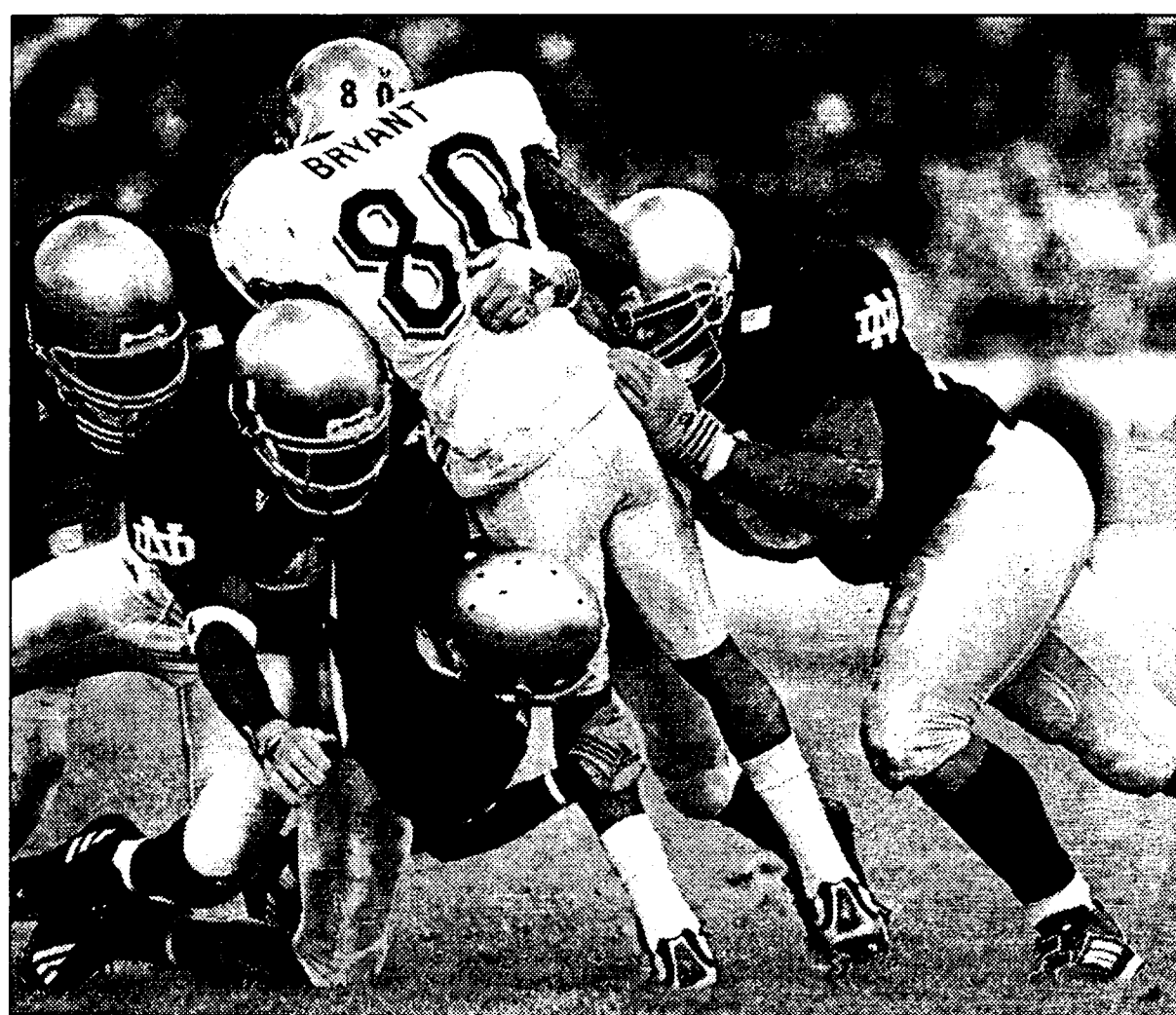
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4	Nebraska	6-0	1,325
5	Virginia Tech	5-0	1,225
6	Oregon	5-0	1,184
7	UCLA	4-0	1,131
8	Washington	4-0	1,061
9	South Carolina	5-0	930
10	Fresno State	5-0	927
11	Texas	4-1	906
12	Michigan	4-1	812
13	Florida State	3-1	759
14	Tennessee	3-1	650
15	Georgia Tech	4-1	618
16	Purdue	4-0	548
17	BYU	5-0	515
18	Clemson	3-1	388
19	Texas A&M	5-0	329
20	Maryland	5-0	298
21	Kansas State	2-2	215
22	Stanford	3-0	210
23	Toledo	5-0	193
24	Northwestern	3-1	177
25	Ohio State	3-1	171

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LISA VELTE/The Observer

Notre Dame tailback Tony Fisher grimaces as he runs down the field. Fisher hurt his knee on the play. Had Fisher scored, it would have been the longest touchdown play from scrimmage in Notre Dame history.



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Pittsburgh receiver Antonio Bryant gets hit hard by four Notre Dame defenders after catching the ball.

BIG PLAYS EQUAL BIG WIN

Three plays into Pittsburgh's first offensive drive, Abe Elam intercepted David Priestly's pass, setting the tone for the rest of the game. When the clock hit 0:00, the Irish had forced five turnovers, including a momentum-changing fumble on the Notre Dame one-yard line. The offense also played well, racking up 319 yards in total offense and putting 24 points on the board — doubling their season total.



TIM KACMAR/The Observer

Pittsburgh running back Raymond Kirkley barrels through the Irish defense as Anthony Weaver, left, and Gerome Sapp try to tackle him.