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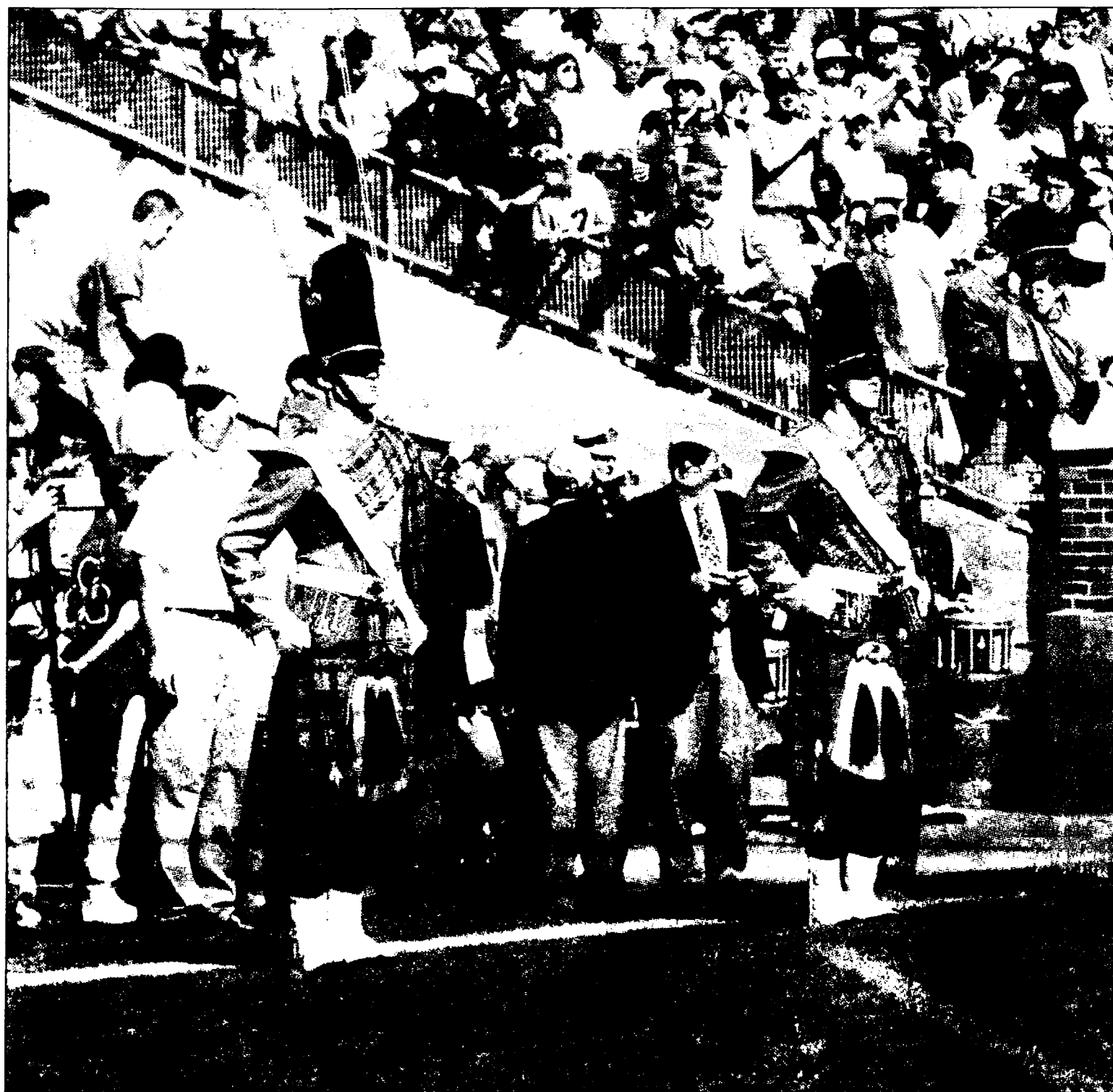
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Irish Guard won't march Saturday



Members of the Irish Guard stand at attention in the end zone before last Saturday's Notre Dame-Stanford game. The Guard will not be on the sidelines at this weekend's game after television crews captured some Guardsmen sleeping during the game.

CHRISTINA REITANO/The Observer

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
Assistant News Editor

The legendary Irish Guard will not be on the Notre Dame sidelines at Saturday's game against Pittsburgh after University officials who watched footage of last Saturday's Notre Dame-Stanford game were upset with what they called lackluster behavior by the Guard.

ESPN's SportsCenter and NBC ran footage of some Guardsmen sleeping on the sidelines during Notre Dame's 31-7 victory over Stanford. David Moss, assistant vice president for Student Affairs, did not

say what specific behavior caused University officials to suspend the Guard, but he did say the video clips played a role in Notre Dame's decision.

"At this point the plan is to not have them on the field," said Moss. "We were a little concerned with their behavior."

No decision was made regarding whether the Guard will be present at the remaining home football games against Rutgers and Boston College. Moss said the University, along with the University Band office, will continue to investigate the matter following this weekend's game.

A member of the Irish Guard contacted by The Observer

declined to comment on the suspension. Messages left by The Observer with band director Kenneth Dye were not returned.

"I suppose the unit has to take some responsibility for their performance," associate vice president for news and information Matt Storin said.

This is not the first time members of the Guard have been suspended for misconduct.

Following a 1986 game against Penn State, the Guard was dis-

banded for alcohol consumption and misconduct while in uniform. And in 1992, the University disbanded the Guard after receiving reports of alcohol violations

and improper orientation activities. In both instances, the Guard did not appear at football games for the rest of the season but returned the next year.

The Guard, originally founded as the Irish Pipers in 1949, consisted of a group of bagpipers. In 1951, the Guard was created to protect the band on their pre-football game march to the Notre Dame Stadium. The Guard is a fixture at Notre Dame football games and is known for cheering on the sidelines, marching with the band and performing the Irish jig after the Irish score.

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David Moss
Notre Dame official

Student lives up to the challenge

◆ Professor inspires student to start an online business

By JIM GAFFEY
News Writer

Inspired by professor David Hayes' Introduction to Entrepreneurship class, Joseph Shepherd, 2001 Notre graduate, started his own business by selling his own campus photography online.

During the spring semester Professor Hayes is famous for his "\$20 challenge," in which students are charged with the task of growing \$20 worth of capital into at least \$150 by the end of the semester.

When presented with the \$20 challenge, "everyone in the class was shocked," Shepherd said. He thought, \$20 is hardly enough money for dinner for two, much less to start a business.

But finding a creative low-cost business concept was a challenge Shepherd was willing to undertake. After struggling for a month, inspiration

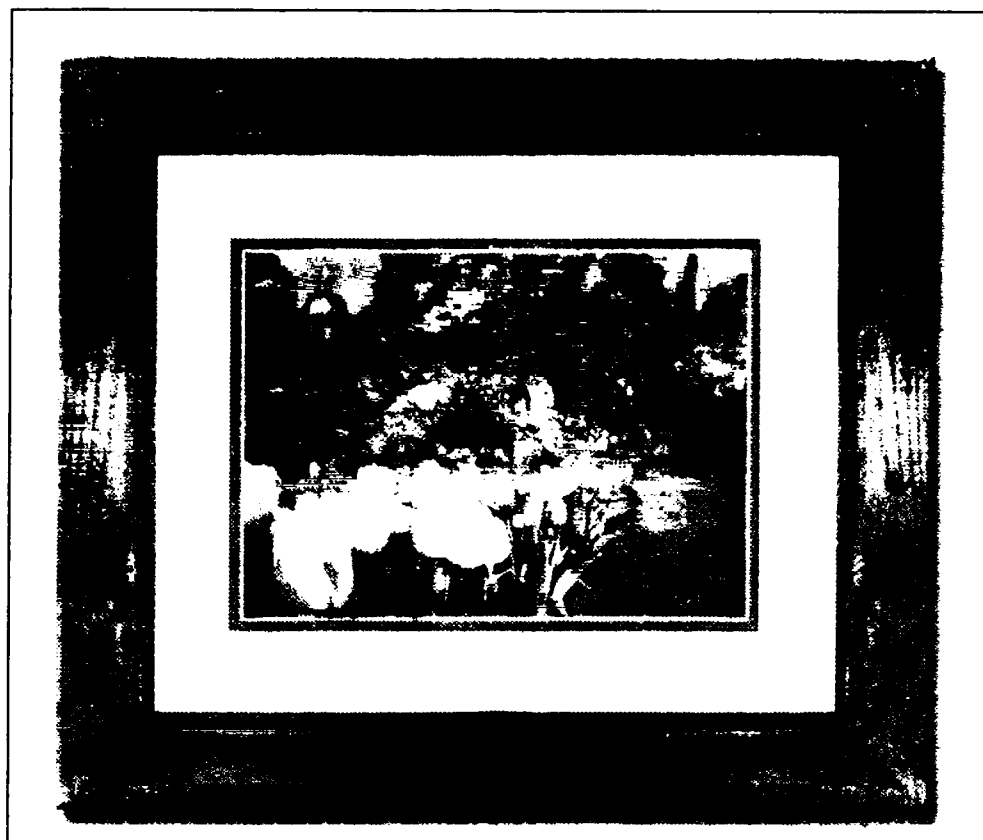


PHOTO courtesy of Joseph Shepherd

Joseph Shepherd won the "\$20 challenge" by selling this framed photo of the Grotto over the internet.

hit: sell photography of Notre Dame's campus. Shepherd already had a stockpile of hundreds of shots of the campus that he had been collecting since freshman year. From there it only took a trip to Hobby Lobby for framing

supplies to turn his artwork into a finished product.

Shepherd marketed his photography online during the semester-long class, and the orders started rolling in — 40

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LaFortune changes to be completed in Nov.

By CALLIE WHELAN
News Writer

When students return from fall break they will be welcomed with a new addition to the basement of LaFortune Student Center.

The newly renovated basement will be complete with the opening of Sbarro, a pizza and pasta eatery on Monday, Nov. 4.

Students such as sophomore Maggie Novario are lauding the renovations.

"[In the current conditions, the basement is] not very welcoming, and the poor light quality makes it an insufficient space for studying or socializing."

To combat the poor lighting quality and dreary atmosphere, the entire LaFortune basement lounge will be gutted and freshly painted, carpeted and lighted. New booths will be added to appease students' comfort wishes.

"The purpose of this project

is to draw students into LaFortune," said Mary Edgington, assistant director of facilities and Student Activities. "Hopefully in the end, it'll be much better for studying, eating and socializing."

Sbarro hopes to open Nov. 4 for a "practice mode" trial, during which students will be invited in for free samples of pizza. It will open officially for business Nov. 5.

Sbarro will occupy the space where Allegro was formerly located. To fulfill students' late night pizza cravings, it will be open until 2 a.m. Sundays through Wednesdays and four a.m. Thursday through Saturdays.

Like other food venues on campus, Sbarro will be operated by University Food Services and will provide more jobs for student employment.

"We are looking for student workers who possess some expertise in tossing pizza dough," said Dave

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INSIDE COLUMN

Looking back,
remembering
what was

Jason McFarley
Editor in Chief

The panoramic picture is nearly torn in half now, the corners folded and the once-glossy sheet wrinkled so that it rises and falls in waves for 30 inches across my desk.

It's three-and-a-half years old but already is fading; time and poor care have served a double-whammy on the 1999 picture of my former classmates and me. Layers of dust hide some of the 250 faces underneath; still I find myself easily enough, sitting on the far right in the front row while 11 other rows stretch behind me and up the South Bend Riley High School gymnasium bleachers.

Emily Hollister is five people over from me. She's sitting cross-legged on the gym floor, dressed in jeans and a long-sleeve white T-shirt, her bright smile plastered on for the occasion. Her mom, one of the class parents, is two rows back, beaming the same grin as Emily and with shoulders turned as if gazing down on her daughter with parental pride and excitement.

Beneath us all, at the very bottom of the photo and in reverse white type are the words: "Riley High School Class of 1999." The "1999" ends conveniently under Emily, like a numeric cushion she's seated on top of.

I never paid attention before to that detail. I never scanned the photo for much besides silly facial expressions, bad outfits or obscene gestures toward the camera. A few months after it was taken, the class picture found its way into the bottom of my closet and became little else than a snapshot of faces I would soon forget and names that were already beginning to escape me.

Three years ago today, I vowed to never forget Emily. She died in an Oct. 10, 1999, accident near Texas A&M University. She and five friends were killed walking along the highway to a fraternity party when a pickup truck driver fell asleep at the wheel and plowed into them.

Emily was 18 and fewer than two months into her freshman year at Baylor University. She was going to be a doctor. The local television news brought me word of Emily's death the next morning. In the aftermath of the accident, the enduring media image of the tragedy was video footage of a brown leather sandal — Emily's sandal — strewn in a field off the Texas roadside after its owner was apparently knocked from it.

The image is hard to shake. Even tougher to forget, though, are the positive memories of Emily: Working on student council projects together, taking two years of French with "Mademoiselle," sharing the English award at the school honors assembly. The Emily I remember was captain of the softball team and a National Honor Society member. The Emily I remember was bubbly enough, talented enough and influential enough to make everyone who knew her even in passing to mourn her death and grieve the loss of her youthful potential and ambition.

The Emily I remember sits five people over from me in a taped-up, dusted-off old class photo that will hang on my bedroom wall from today on out.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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CORRECTIONS

In Thursday's Senate article, "Security on heightened alert for alcohol-related activity," Jake Teske was misidentified as the Keough Hall Senator, when he is a Dillon Hall Senator. The Observer regrets this error.

WHAT'S INSIDE

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Nobel Peace Prize nominee spoke at SMC	Palestinians march in funeral procession	FCC rejects proposed merger	Placing public service over personal feelings	FTT puts on "The Mandrake"	Moonlight Madness kicks off season
Kathy Kelly spoke Thursday night in hopes of bringing the message of the Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership to the table.	Police and militamen marched in a funeral procession for a police colonel Thursday.	The Federal Communications Commission blocked a proposed \$18.8 billion merger of EchoStar and Hughes Electronics Corp.	Gary Caruso, of Capitol Comments, speaks out on White House Administrations.	Scene reviews FTT's production of Niccio Machiavelli's, "The Mandrake."	Irish mens basketball kicks off season with its first official practice tonight.
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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

- ◆ Book signing, Khalil Matta, professor of management, Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore, 3 - 5 p.m.
- ◆ Mens swimming v Kalamzoo, Rolfs Aquatic Center, 7 p.m.

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

- ◆ Board of Trustees, Stapleton Lounge, Hagggar College Center, Welsh Parlor and campus wide, all day.
- ◆ Abroad student pizza party, Hagggar College Center, 4:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

Two students injured

A student was injured at Rolfs Sports Rec Center Thursday afternoon. The student was transported by NDPD to University Health Services for treatment. Another student also suffered a sports injury at Stepan Field Thursday. This student was transported by ambulance to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment.

Employee involved in confrontation

A University employee was involved in a verbal confrontation at an off campus location on Wednesday. NDPD has closed the case.

Employee loses money clip

A University employee reported losing his money clip somewhere on campus Wednesday between 8 a.m and 5 p.m.

compiled from NDSP crime blotter

Suspicious person reported at Grotto

A University employee reported a specious person at the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes between 4 a.m and 5 a.m. on Wednesday.

Employee lost Kontrol Kard

A lost Kontrol Kard was reported lost by a University Employee on Wednesday. The employee lost her card at an off campus location.

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall

Today Lunch: Chicken and seafood gumbo, tomato soup, shrimp spaghetti, apple turnover, walnut-plum chicken breast, beef & pepper stir-fry, cheddar-crumbed scrod, scrambled eggs, sunshine french toast and California eldorado casserole

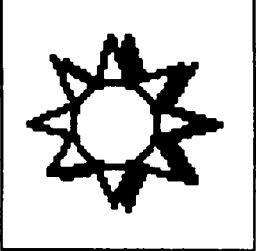
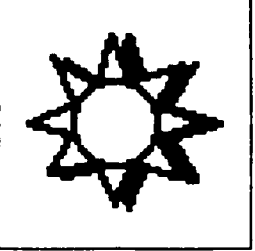
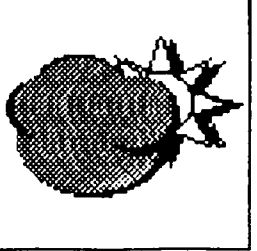
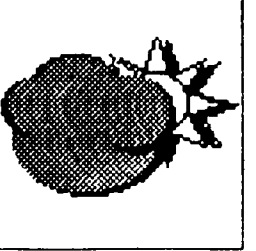
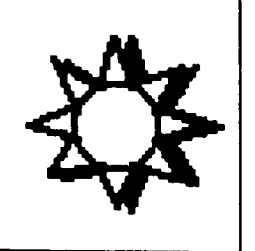

Today Dinner: Tomato soup, chicken and seafood gumbo, shrimp spaghetti, apple turnover, honey-glazed ham, baked beans, mixed vegetables, apple cobbler, seafood medley stir-fry, mushroom quiche, vegetables marinara and corn dogs

South Dining Hall

Today Lunch: Linguine with vegetables, Puerto Rican pasta sauce, rotisserie chicken, winter-blend vegetables, boulangere potatoes, herb-baked pollack, wild rice with pine nuts, honey-orange glazed carrots, tangy grilled chicken, steakhouse fries, soft pretzel and Hawaiian pizza

Today Dinner: Cauliflower au gratin, zum zum potato salad, grilled ham steak, beef potato pie, sauerbraten rice, valencienne lemon-baked perch, BBQ chicken, steakhouse fries, soft pretzel, beef and pepper casserole, roasted corn and peppers and BBQ Caribbean chicken

LOCAL WEATHER

	TODAY	TONIGHT	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
						
HIGH	75	75	75	49	55	56
LOW	54	54	40	31	44	46

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Nobel Peace Prize nominee visits SMC

By MELANIE BECKER
News Writer

Kathy Kelly, a nominee for the

Nobel Peace Prize, spoke at Saint Mary's Thursday in hopes of spreading the message of the Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership.

Meredith Sarkees, director of CWIL, felt that Kelly would be able to bring the message of CWIL to campus.

"Kelly highlights awareness

on intercultural dialogue and specific women's leadership in this dialogue." Sarkees said, "She exemplifies women's leadership in educating the public on foreign policy and fosters leadership among the next generation."

Originally from Chicago, Kelly holds a bachelor's degree from Loyola and a master's in religious education from the Chicago Theological Seminary. For years, Kelly worked as a teacher in high schools and community colleges.

Kelly was one of the founders of the organization Voices in the Wilderness. The organization campaigns to end the sanctions that have been placed against Iraq by the United Nations and the United States.

In the past 12 years, Kelly has traveled to Iraq 16 times to study the effects of war on the Iraqi people. Much of Kelly's time was spent with young children who have spent their entire lives in poverty without adequate medical care for the injuries that have been inflicted on them by warfare.

Since the Gulf War there has been a rise in cancer and deformities among children that is believed to be linked to the materials used by the United States on Iraq during the Gulf War.

Kelly argued that economic sanctions used by the United States and the United Nations have been the cause of added deaths of hundreds of thousands of Iraqi children since the Gulf War. Putting pressure on Iraq to do as we wish has punished

innocent Iraqi civilians.

"It is the need to control another nation's precious resources in which we are so dependent on," Kelly said.

Kelly asked the members of the audience to examine George Bush's words, "The American way of life is non-negotiable." High consumption and material possessions has, Kelly argued, led to the United States forcing its will on other nations and terrorizing the people in them.

While the United States has been consumed with the events of Sept. 11, it does not realize the terrorism that has been imposed on other nations and peoples as a result of war and its foreign policy.

"People that would understand the grief of Americans in New York are the people I know from Iraq," Kelly said.

Voices in the Wilderness are dedicated to speaking out and encouraging an American life that includes simplicity, service, sharing and an avocation of non-violence. The members of Voices in the Wilderness believe that if Americans do not learn to look into alternative energy sources, America will not be able to escape global terrorism that it is creating.

"She [Kelly] made us socially aware of our own country as well as countries similar to Iraq. By comparing the Gulf Veterans to children in Iraqi hospitals she brought the point home," senior Laura Porto said.

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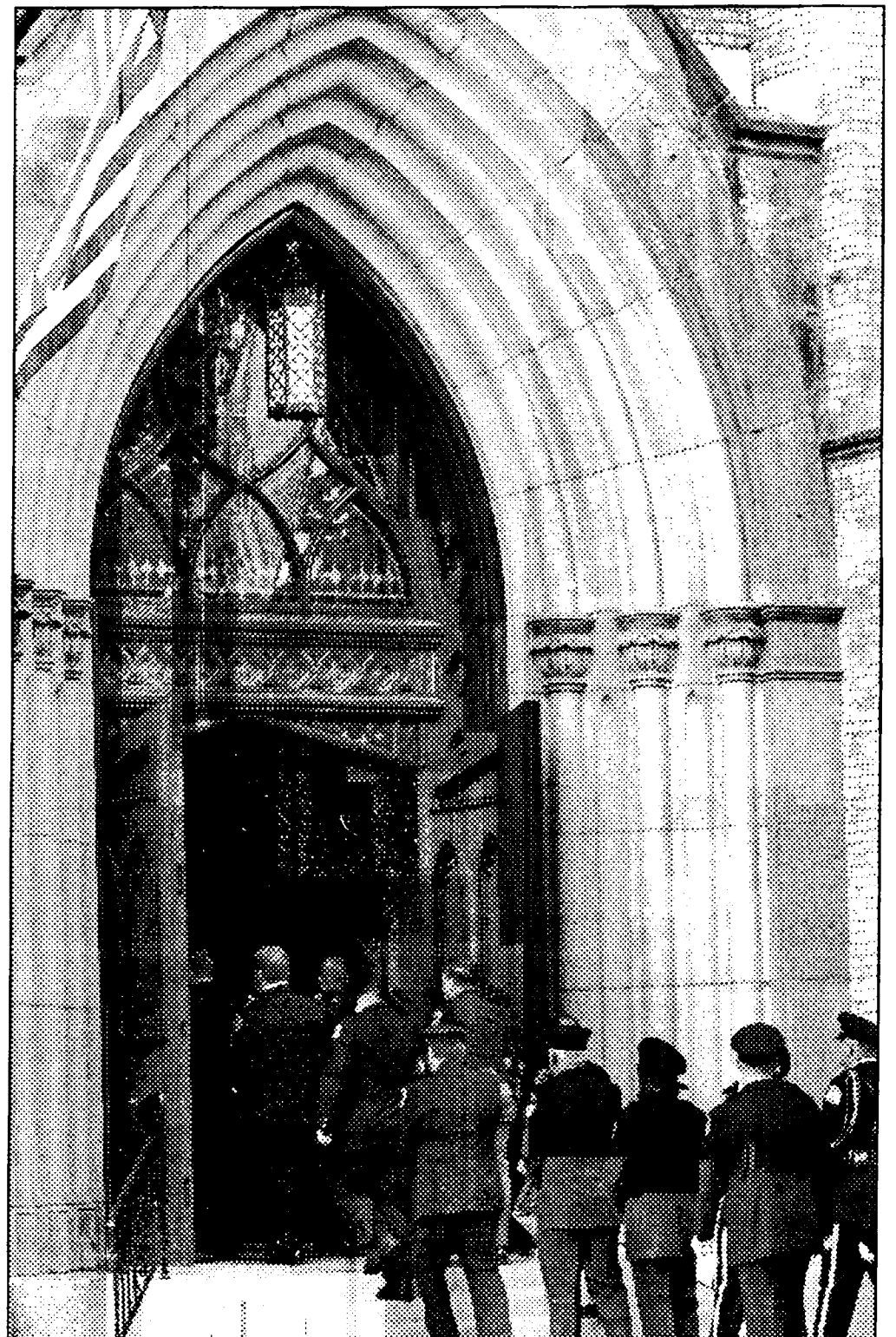
Join us for all upcoming Saturday Scholar presentations:

Nov. 2, 11 a.m. — "The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict" with Alan Dowty, professor of political science and a faculty fellow in the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies.

Nov. 23, 10 a.m. — "Art and the Religious Imagination" with Meredith Gill, assistant professor of art, art history and design and a historian of the Italian Renaissance.

Further information on Saturday Scholars is at
<http://saturdayscholar.nd.edu>

CELEBRATING THOSE WHO SERVE AND PROTECT



STEPHANIE GRAMMENS/The Observer

Firefighters, policemen and emergency medical technicians file into Sacred Heart Basilica Thursday for the Second Annual Blue Mass. The mass also honored the firefighters and policemen that perished in the Sept. 11 attacks.

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Challenge

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orders total, and he was swamped trying to keep up with them. Shepherd spent many late nights packing the framed pictures so that they would ship safely. It was a struggle to keep up with other coursework, he said. Despite the long hours, Shepherd contends, "It was a thrill."

By the end of the semester, Shepherd had turned his \$20 into \$6,000, leaving his classmates far behind in the class competition to see who could make the most money. For his success, Shepherd's name was inscribed on a plaque that hangs in the Gigot Center for Entrepreneurial Studies.

One year after graduating from Notre Dame and professor Hayes' class, Shepherd now works for Los Angeles-based Intercontinental Art, the nation's largest artwork manufacturer. His interest in producing pictures of Notre Dame hasn't died out. One day Shepherd approached his CEO and asked about the possibility of selling some of his photography. She agreed, and since then, Shepherd's second online start-up business has taken off.

His first mass-produced photo of Notre Dame, a shot of the grotto with both the dome and basilica in the background, is now available for purchase on his website at www.QuickArtwork.com. Shepherd hopes that this is his first of many photographs to be sold from his website. In conjunction with this article, Shepherd is offering a special discount for students, parents and alumni at QuickArtwork.com/observer.

Since graduation Shepherd has remained in contact with professor Hayes and the Gigot Center. Shepherd's success is a source of pride for Hayes. "He brags about it," Shepherd said. "If it wasn't for his class, I would never have thought of the idea," Shepherd admits. In the future Shepherd wants to continue producing college artwork, which he sees as a vast untapped market for artwork.

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Prentkowski, director of Food Services. "Interested students can pick up an application in the Huddle."

"Pizza delivery will hopefully be set up by January 2003," said Edgington.

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NORWAY

Jimmy Carter wins Nobel Peace Prize

Associated Press

OSLO
Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter won the Nobel Peace Prize on Friday "for his decades of untiring effort to find peaceful solutions to international conflicts, to advance democracy and human rights, and to promote economic and social development."

The Norwegian Nobel Committee cited Carter's "vital contribution" to the Camp David Accords between Israel and Egypt and his efforts in conflict resolution on several continents and the promotion of human rights after his presidency.

"In a situation currently marked by threats of the use of power, Carter has stood by the principles that conflicts must as far as possible be resolved through mediation and international co-operation based on international

law, respect for human rights, and economic development," the citation said.

The award is worth \$1 million.

"I don't think there's any doubt that the Nobel Prize itself encourages people to think about peace and human rights," Carter told CNN.

"When I was at the White House I was a fairly young man and I realized I would have maybe 25 more years of active life," Carter said, adding that he decided to "capitalize on the influence I had as the former president of the greatest nation of the world and decided to fill vacuums."

The secretive, five-member

committee made its decision last week after months of secret deliberations as it sought the right message for a world still dazed by the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks, the war on terrorism that followed and concern about a possible U.S. military strike against Iraq.

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Jimmy Carter
former U.S. President

Last year's award was shared by the United Nations and its secretary-general, Kofi Annan.

The peace prize announcement

capped a week of Nobel prizes, with the awards for literature, medicine, physics, chemistry and economics already announced in Sweden's capital, Stockholm.

The Norwegian Nobel com-

mittee received a record 156 nominations — 117 individuals and 39 groups — by the Feb. 1 deadline.

The list remains secret for 50 years, but those who nominate sometimes announce their choice.

Many known nominees, including former New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, reflected the 2001 terrorist attacks on the United States and their aftermath.

President Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair were nominated, but their chances for winning seemed doubtful at a time when they are poised to launch a military strike against Iraq.

The first Nobel Peace Prize, in 1901, honored Jean Henry Dunant, the Swiss founder of the Red Cross.

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GAZA

20,000 Palestinians march in funeral procession

Associated Press

GAZA CITY

Twenty-thousand police and militiamen marched in a funeral procession for a police colonel Thursday in the biggest Palestinian display force in years and a clear warning to the slain officer's Hamas killers to end their challenge to Yasser Arafat's government.

In violence Thursday, two Palestinian youths died in Gaza clashes and an Israeli woman and Palestinian attacker were killed in a Tel Aviv suicide bombing.

The funeral was a show of force by Arafat's police and security after a flare-up of violence that started when members of a Hamas militia kidnapped and killed a senior Palestinian police officer on Monday.

It came at a time when Arafat's power was already greatly eroded by Israeli military incursions into Palestinian areas. Hamas is regarded as the second strongest Palestinian political faction after Arafat's dominant Fatah movement. Hamas leaders distanced themselves from the killing, calling it an individual act of vengeance, but many Fatah activists blame Hamas itself.

A light blue flatbed police truck adorned with three floral wreaths and packed with armed

security officers in military-style uniforms led the funeral procession of Col. Rajeh Abu Lehiya, head of Palestinian riot police. Abu Lehiya's coffin, draped with a Palestinian flag, lay on a second police truck.

Thousands of men followed, many of them armed, representing all the secular Palestinian factions and security units, a demonstration that Arafat's backers still have much more firepower than does Hamas.

Some mourners fired pistols and rifles in the air, but the procession was otherwise strangely quiet compared with funerals of activists killed by Israeli troops, when the air reverberates with calls for revenge.

Among the banners carried by the crowd was one that read: "All factions have to respect the Palestinian Authority, the only legitimate authority," referring to Arafat's government.

The family of Hamas activist Emad Akel has said that he killed Abu Lehiya in revenge for his brother's death at the hands of police during a Gaza City demonstration against the U.S. attack on the Taliban regime in Afghanistan last year.

On Monday, Palestinian gunmen disguised as police officers set up a fake roadblock and abducted Abu Lehiya when his car stopped, later killing him with 10 gunshots.



AFP Photo

Palestinians march with a body during mourning ceremonies at Rafah refugee camp. Israeli soldiers shot dead a 12-year-old Palestinian boy and a teenager during a tank raid into a refugee camp in the Southern Gaza Strip on Thursday.

In clashes that followed, police killed two Hamas members while trying to arrest the killers in Gaza City. Two other people died when police fired on a pro-Hamas protest in the Nusseirat

refugee camp, where the Akel family lives. It was the bloodiest flare-up between the two rival forces in years.

Hamas does not accept the concept of a Jewish state in the

Middle East and opposes Arafat's attempts to make peace with Israel in exchange for a Palestinian state in the West Bank, Gaza Strip and the Arab section of Jerusalem.

Police link another death in Virginia to D.C. sniper

Associated Press

MANASSAS, Va.

The death toll from the Washington-area sniper rose to seven Thursday as authorities said ballistics evidence had linked the killer to a man gunned down at a Virginia gas station.

Dean Meyers, 53, of Gaithersburg, Md., was felled by a single shot Wednesday night, moments after filling his car's tank. Six other people have been killed and two have been wounded since the attacks began Oct. 2.

Prince William County Police Chief Charlie Deane said the results of an autopsy on Meyers and ballistic evidence had linked the cases. He pleaded for the killer to give up: "There's enough damage been

done."

Police earlier said they were searching for a white minivan seen leaving the gas station in this bedroom community, but Deane said the van's occupants had a reasonable explanation of their actions. He refused to say whether there were surveillance cameras at the station, but said some cameras were in the area.

"It's a difficult case but we are developing more information as the minutes go by," Deane said.

Manassas is about 35 miles southwest of the Maryland suburbs where most of the attacks happened. The shooting is the second in Virginia: A woman was wounded by the sniper Friday in Fredericksburg, 30 miles south of here.

Police in yellow slickers walked shoulder

to shoulder through a drizzling rain, looking for evidence near the gas station. Deane did not say whether they had found anything, but said there had been no communication from the killer.

A tarot death card with the taunting words "Dear policeman, I am God" was found near a shell casing outside a school in Bowie, Md., where a 13-year-old boy was critically wounded by the sniper Monday. Authorities have refused to discuss the card or any other evidence.

Investigators say the sniper, or snipers, fired from a distance with a high-powered hunting or military-style rifle. Like Meyers, all the victims were felled by a single bullet.

The slayings have heightened fear across the densely populated suburban

area around Washington, with schools keeping children inside and residents warily watching over their shoulders in public.

More than 80,000 people are expected at FedEx Field in Landover, Md., for Sunday's football game between the Washington Redskins and the New Orleans Saints. The stadium is less than 10 miles from where the boy was wounded.

Police refused to disclose security details for the game. Fans' bags are searched before entering the stadium.

At a news conference, Commonwealth's Attorney Paul Ebert said he would seek the death penalty against the killer. He said a new Virginia law allows the death penalty in killings "in which the perpetrator tends to terrorize the general public."

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Pro-Taliban groups win Pakistan vote:

A coalition of pro-Taliban religious parties swept the frontier provincial legislature near the Afghan border, in the first solid results Friday in Pakistan's election. Campaigning on a strong anti-American platform, that called for an end to Pakistan's support for the U.S.-led war on terror in Afghanistan, the coalition of six hard-line parties had a clear majority in Pakistan's North West Province legislature, the election commission said.

Officials see Yemen blast as terror act:

U.S. and French officials concluded Thursday that a fiery explosion aboard a French oil tanker in the Arabian Sea was the result of a deliberate attack on the ship. The Americans said it was an act of terrorism most likely carried out by people with links to al-Qaida. Investigators from France, Yemen and the United States had been trying to determine what caused the blaze Sunday on the Limburg that killed one crew member and sent 90,000 barrels of oil pouring into the Gulf of Aden.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Bridge collapses in upstate New York:

A pedestrian bridge under construction collapsed Thursday as concrete was being poured onto its steel girders, killing one worker and injuring at least nine others, authorities said. One of the injured was in critical condition, and two were under evaluation with severe injuries. The workers were standing on the bridge when the girders crashed onto an unfinished highway 20 feet below, said Paul Obernesser, regional construction engineer for the state Transportation Department.

School bus and truck collide in Mich.:

A truck hauling steel coils crashed into the side of a school bus taking youngsters on a field trip Thursday, injuring more than three dozen children and adults, eight critically. The impact sent the bus, carrying kindergartners and first- and second-graders on a field trip, spinning across the road and threw at least five children onto the pavement and into a yard.

House passes Iraq war resolution:

The House voted 296-133 Thursday to give President Bush the broad authority he sought to use military force against Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein — with or without U.N. support. The Senate was poised to do the same and to deliver Bush a major national security policy victory. "The House of Representatives has spoken clearly to the world and to the United Nations Security Council: The gathering threat of Iraq must be confronted fully and finally," Bush said immediately after the vote. Senate sponsors later succeeded in defeating all efforts to weaken the proposal, opening the way for a final vote late Thursday or early Friday. "It is clear that we have lost this battle in the Senate," said Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., the most outspoken Senate foe of the resolution. Byrd accused Congress of "handing the president unchecked authority." While Bush hailed the strong showing, a majority of House Democrats voted against the resolution — even though their leader, Dick Gephardt of Missouri, was one of its authors.

Slain prosecutor's family is frustrated

Associated Press

SEATTLE

A neighbor heard the late-night gunshots and saw the assassin hustle to his car, leaving behind spent shell casings and a dying federal prosecutor.

But a year later, despite a high-profile investigation and the promise of a \$1 million reward, the FBI doesn't know who killed Assistant U.S. Attorney Thomas Crane Wales, or why. The apparent lack of progress in the case has frustrated those who knew him.

Wales, 49, was slain as he sat at a computer in the basement of his home the night of Oct. 11, 2001. The gunman fired at least four shots through a window, striking Wales in the torso and neck.

The investigation has led agents on a tour of Wales' personal and professional relationships. They've looked into dozens of white-collar crime cases he handled, and at his work as president of Washington CeaseFire, a gun-control organization.

"The lack of progress in the criminal case has made any type of closure impossible," says Mark Bartlett, a prosecutor who had worked with Wales since 1985 and once climbed Mount Rainier with him.

Despite their work looking for potential terrorists following the Sept. 11 attacks, FBI officials in the agency's Seattle office say they have made the case a top priority. Four agents and support staff are dedicated to solving it. In fact, the agency lists it as a "major case" -- a designation given to fewer than 200 cases in the FBI's 94-year history.

"Obviously this is a real concern to us, and as such, it will be solved," said FBI

spokesman Ray Lauer. "We have full confidence in this."

Investigators have eliminated many potential suspects. But, Lauer confirmed, among those who have not been eliminated is a 41-year-old commercial airline pilot from Bellevue.

The pilot, who owned several guns, was involved in a business that sought to build civilian helicopters using military parts. Wales had prosecuted the company and the pilot for fraud. Eventually, the company pleaded guilty, but the charges against the pilot were dropped.

The pilot then sued the government, seeking to recover more than \$125,000 in legal fees for its "mean-spirited, collateral attack" on his character.

A U.S. District Court judge denied the claim. The pilot is appealing the case to the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

In his pleadings, the pilot wrote that the case had taken over his life.

"My house was searched in 1997 by several armed agents," he wrote. "As a result, my reputation within this tiny community has already suffered a great deal."

In response, the government called his claim a "transparent attempt to obtain information concerning the identity of all witnesses who would have testified against him," and said some witnesses had made reference to his "violent and retributive nature."

FBI agents believe the pilot may have been further angered by a television appearance Wales gave two weeks before his death. In the interview, which aired repeatedly on Northwest Cable News, Wales argued against arming airline pilots, and, without mentioning anyone by name, said he knew pilots who weren't qualified to carry guns in the cockpit.

House OKs \$355 billion bill

♦ Bush can't stall Congress' defense budget any longer

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The House overwhelmingly approved on Thursday a compromise \$355.4 billion defense bill brimming with money for new destroyers, helicopters and missiles and granting President Bush most of the Pentagon buildup he requested following last year's terrorist attacks.

While the day's spotlight shone on the congressional debate over authorizing Bush to use force against Iraq, the massive defense spending package — one-sixth of the entire federal budget — underlined the bipartisan consensus behind beefing up the military. Quick Senate approval was also expected, and White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said Bush looks forward to signing the measure into law because it will "ensure that we provide our troops in the field with the resources they need to fight terrorism and defend freedom."

The bill's 409-14 passage, less than four weeks before congressional elections, also reflected a desire by Democrats to head off campaign-season accusations by Bush that they had delayed a measure urgently needed in the U.S. effort against terrorism. Most of Congress' budget work has been stalled because Bush wants to spend less than Democrats and even some Republicans want.

The bill's popularity was also a tribute to the billions it would spend from coast to coast for

weapons and other equipment. Included was \$3.3 billion for 15 Air Force C-17 transport aircraft — \$586 million more than Bush requested — which the Boeing Co. has been building in Long Beach, Calif.; and \$270 million for 19 Army Blackhawk helicopters — seven more than Bush sought — built by the Sikorsky Aircraft Corp. of Stratford, Conn.

As lawmakers sorted through a pile of legislation in hopes of recessing soon for the elections, the House approved a \$10.5 billion military construction bill, 419-0. The Senate later passed the measure on a voice vote.

By 272-144, the House also approved a bill keeping federal agencies open for a n o t h e r week, a measure necessitated by the spending battle between Bush and Congress. A later Senate voice vote sent the bill to the president for his signature. And it voted 357-48 for a measure to help state and local governments revamp their voting systems.

For now, all was colored by the Nov. 5 elections, when control of the House and Senate for the next two years will be decided.

Hoping to focus voters on issues that could help Democrats, the party's leaders invited press coverage of a forum they were staging Friday on retirement security, corporate responsibility and whether

the economy is on the right track.

To counter that, House Republicans were preparing a tax-cut package that includes bigger breaks for stock market losses and for people trying to rebuild depleted individual retirement accounts and 401(k) plans.

"For the next four weeks there's going to be a lot of debate about the economy," Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., told reporters. "Once we get this question of Iraq behind us, I

think the American people are going to focus even more."

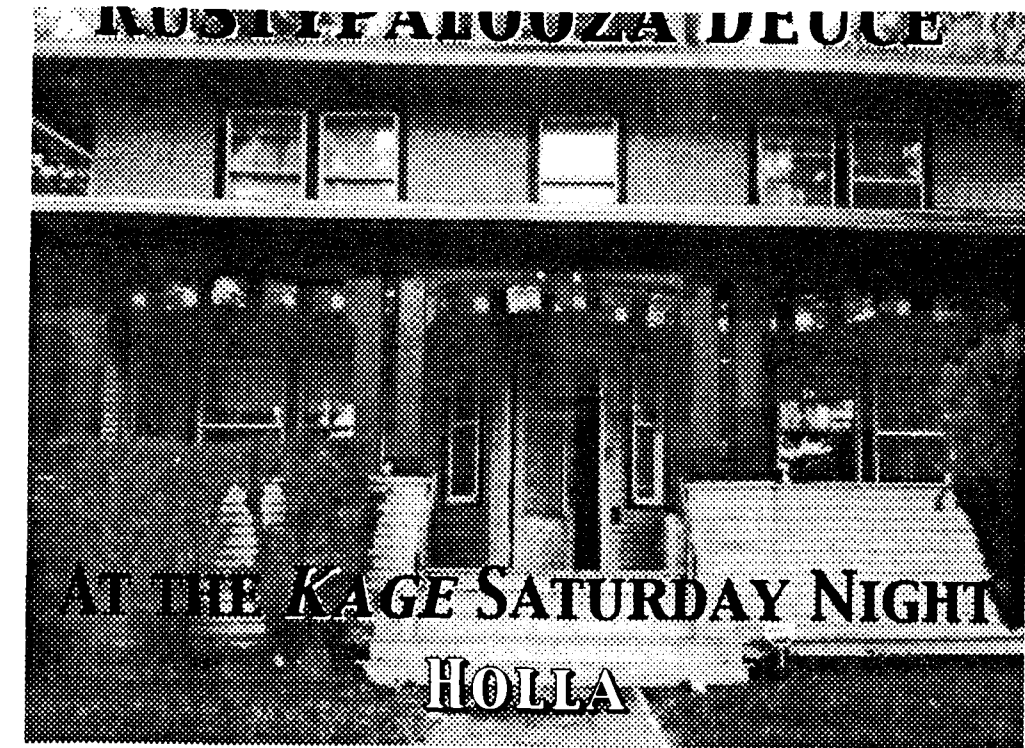
The defense bill, for the federal budget year that started Oct. 1, represents a \$34 billion, or 11 percent, increase over last year. Bush sought \$367 billion, but ran into bipartisan distaste for his


proposal for a \$10 billion fund he could tap without congressional input for combating terrorists overseas.

From weapons procurement and research to the costs of training troops, virtually every category of Pentagon spending is being beefed up. Included in the bill was money for a 4.1 percent pay raise for military personnel, for two more AEGIS destroyers and a new attack submarine, and nearly all of the \$7.4 billion Bush requested to keep developing a national missile defense system.

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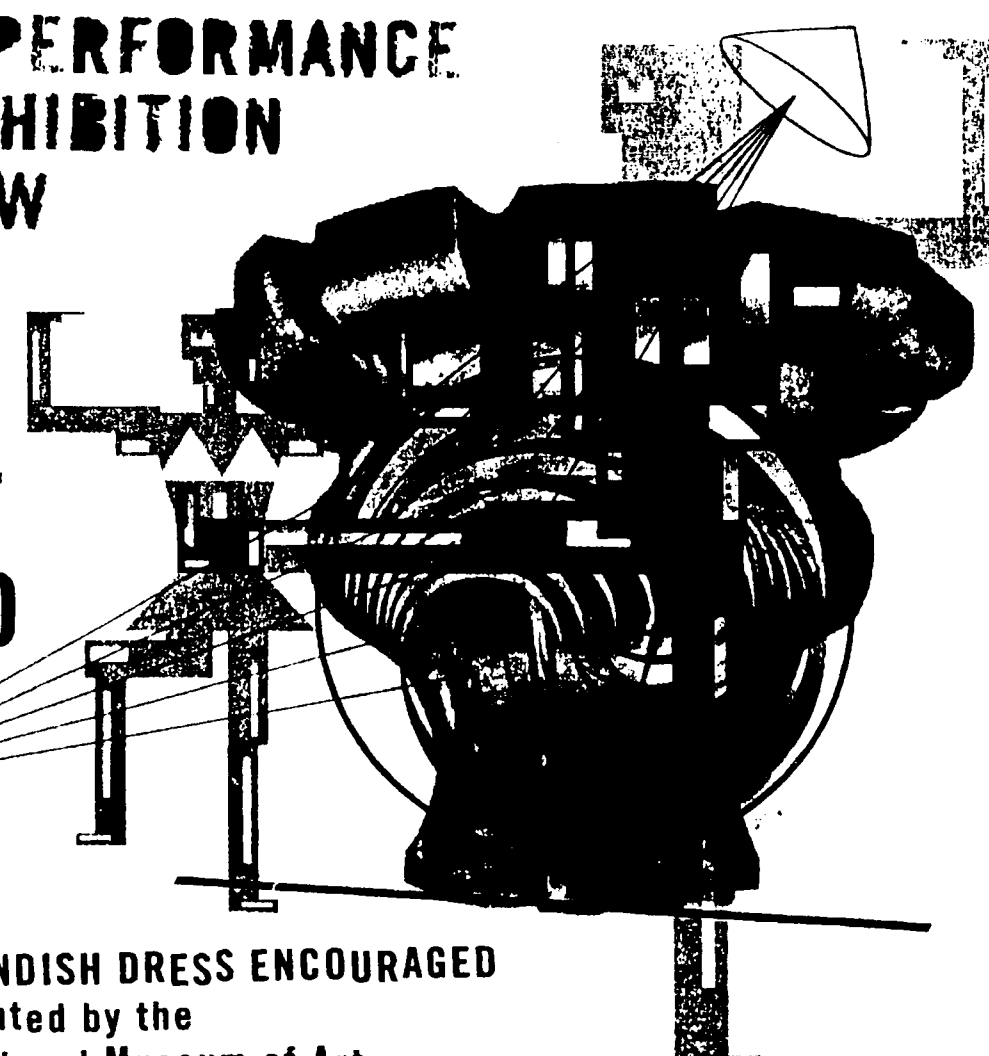
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IN BRIEF

EchoStar, Hughes merger blocked

The Federal Communications Commission on Thursday blocked a proposed \$18.8 billion merger of the two largest satellite TV companies: EchoStar Communications Corp. and Hughes Electronics Corp. said they would revise the deal to try to win approval.

The FCC voted 4-0, saying the deal would create a virtual monopoly that would be particularly hurtful for millions of Americans without access to cable television.

It was the first time the commission had blocked a major media merger since 1967.

The commission gave EchoStar and Hughes 30 days to amend their proposal. The companies also are continuing negotiations with the Justice Department, which is scrutinizing whether the deal conforms with antitrust laws.

"Everyone is going to put forth best efforts to get this deal and all the companies want to see this merger approved. We're still moving in that direction," said Hughes spokesman Richard Dore.

Two more WorldCom execs plead guilty

Two more WorldCom executives pleaded guilty Thursday to charges stemming from a federal probe of the company's multibillion-dollar accounting scandal, bringing to four the number of officials at the Mississippi-based telecom who have admitted to wrongdoing.

Betty Vinson, the former director of management reporting, entered her plea to charges of conspiracy to commit securities fraud and securities fraud in U.S. District Court in Manhattan before Magistrate Judge Andrew J. Peck.

Later in the day, Troy Normand, the director of legal entity accounting, pleaded guilty to conspiracy and securities fraud before Judge Gerard Lynch for his part in the same scheme.

Normand, 35, and Vinson, 47, were top executives in the company's general accounting department, overseeing financial record-keeping.

West Coast dockers back to work

◆ Ports are open but report work going slow

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. West Coast ports creaked back to life Thursday, but resentment simmered as managers watched for slowdowns and dockworkers accused them of looking for an excuse to drag the dispute back to court.

The Pacific Maritime Association spent the day poring over data from shipping companies and terminal operators at the nation's 29 major ports in Washington, Oregon and California, looking for any sign of slacking on the part of the dockworkers.

A spokesman for the Pacific Maritime Association, which represents shipping lines and terminal operators, first described work as "adequate," but as Thursday wore on, was more pessimistic, saying the pace had become "sluggish."

"We're certainly not where we wanted to be today," association spokesman Steve Sugerman said. "We're hoping to see improvement tomorrow."

The 10,500 dockworkers began returning to their jobs Wednesday after President Bush obtained a court order ending the 10-day shutdown that caused cargo to pile up and cost the U.S. economy as much as \$2 billion a day.

U.S. District Judge William Alsup's original



AFP Photo

Longshore men conduct a safety meeting before going back to work at the Port of Oakland. Dockworkers returned to their jobs Wednesday because of a court order.

order was to expire Oct. 16, when he would determine whether to extend it into an 80-day "cooling-off period" under the Taft-Hartley Act. On Thursday, the International Longshore and Warehouse Union and government lawyers agreed to extend the order for the 80 days without going back to court, lawyers for the union and association said.

On Thursday, Gap Inc. became one of the first major retailers to reveal the impact of the shutdown. The clothing chain said shipping delays could shave as much as \$60 million from its holiday season profits.

Officials at a Mitsubishi plant in Normal, Ill., said production would remain suspended through at least Friday as workers await key parts.

The shutdown began when the maritime association locked out the longshoremen, complaining that they were engaged in an illegal slowdown.

After the docks reopened, both sides acknowledged that the work pace is likely to be slower initially because of the mountains of cargo and other problems, such as misplaced containers and equipment.

If the association sees evidence of a slowdown, it can go to a federal judge and ask that union mem-

bers be compelled to work at a normal pace.

Union spokesman Steve Stallone said he expects the association to seize on statistics from the least successful port reopening and run to court with claims of a slowdown.

"What they're doing that for is to come up with something they can use to press the case," he said.

Officials at the International Longshore and Warehouse Union have promised to work as hard as they can without sacrificing safety.

Even under ideal circumstances, it will take weeks to ease the bottleneck. Perishable products have first priority.

Shopping slump dims holiday cheer

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Shoppers, jittery about their own job security and the shaky stock market, continued to penny pinch in September, dimming prospects for a solid holiday season.

As the nation's retailers reported weak sales Thursday for the critical fall selling period, many department stores and mall-based apparel retailers again languished. But even lower-priced stores like Wal-Mart Stores Inc., Target Corp., TJX Cos., and Kohl's Corp., which have been the beneficiaries of a difficult economy, posted disappointing results.

There were a few exceptions such as Limited Brands and Saks Inc., both of which announced sales that exceeded Wall Street expectations.

While unseasonably warm weather played a role in hurting apparel sales, consumers appear not to be in the mood — or too cash-strapped — to shop.

"I'm broke. I'm working two jobs to try and keep all the bills paid," said Robert Miles, a 40-year-old Philadelphia resident, who works as a hairdresser and housekeeper. "I stick to what I need, not what I really want."

Major chains had warned of disappointing sales over the past few weeks on the heels of a dismal back-to-school showing. But the latest results further cemented a bleak outlook for the holiday shopping season, the industry's most important.

"This has made it more certain that holiday will be lousy," said Michael P. Niemira, vice president of Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi Ltd.

In fact, several merchants, including Talbots Inc., TJX, and Federated Department Stores Inc., reduced their earnings outlook.

September is the third most important month in a retailer's calendar, behind December and June.

The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi Ltd.'s survey of sales at stores open at least a year, known as same-store sales, was up only 1.5 percent for September. That was the weakest performance since the year-ago period, when sales, derailed by the terrorist attacks, were up only 0.9 percent.

The September sales figure was in line with Niemira's reduced projections, which he had pared down several times over the past month and a half from an original forecast of a 6 percent gain.

The results came as the Labor

Department offered a dose of optimism when it announced that new claims for jobless benefits unexpectedly dropped last week to the lowest level in nearly two months.

For the work week ending Oct. 5, new applications for unemployment insurance fell by a seasonally adjusted 40,000 to 384,000, the lowest level since the beginning of August.

Many analysts expected jobless claims to rise.

Still, Niemira was not encouraged. "One week doesn't change the broader uncertainty that's out there," Niemira said.

He expects same-store sales for the combined November and December months will be up no more than 3 percent as consumers remain tightfisted when it comes to buying holiday gifts.

Adding to retailers' headaches is the 10-day shutdown of West Coast ports that left mounds of holiday merchandise backed up on docks and on ships. While the ports were reopened temporarily Wednesday night, a leading industry organization expects it will take four to six weeks to get the merchandise onto store shelves. That's barely in time for Thanksgiving and the traditional start of the holiday shopping season.

Napster negotiates emergency loan

Associated Press

WILMINGTON, Del. Napster Inc. is in talks with prospective buyers on an emergency loan to keep the company afloat until it is sold.

The defunct online music-sharing service continued an emergency hearing to consider approval of the loan Thursday after it said it needed more time to work out the specifics of the proposed \$200,000 interim and \$350,000 final loans with Napco Lending LLC.

Napco Lending is the just-created lending arm of the prospective purchaser, whose name hasn't been revealed.

Napster is also in talks with other prospective purchasers for sale deals that would include a loan, said William E. Chipman Jr., an attorney with Greenberg Traurig LLC, the firm representing Napster's committee of unsecured creditors. The creditors' committee and a court-appointed Chapter 11 trustee are leading the sale effort.

Chipman said Napster hopes to submit a loan agreement next week. In the meantime, the company is considering selling some of its hard assets to generate cash flow for the Chapter 11 estate.

The trustee, the creditor panel, secured creditor Bertelsmann AG, several music publishers and record-

ing companies will meet Friday to discuss the sale and loan deals, Chipman said.

Napster said it also hopes to reach an agreement to use Bertelsmann's roughly \$400,000 in cash collateral. Napster needs the cash to pay some worker-related expenses, including a bonus for its lone employee, Chipman said.

To date, Bertelsmann has balked at allowing Napster to use its cash collateral.

On Sept. 3, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Wilmington barred the sale of Napster to Bertelsmann, a German media giant, after Napster failed to demonstrate the \$92 million deal was made in good faith.

Days later, Trenwith Securities began soliciting bids for a sale while Napster's committee of unsecured creditors fought to keep the company in Chapter 11 bankruptcy instead of Chapter 7, which entails liquidation. A handful of unidentified bidders emerged at the Trenwith Securities auction. The bidding started at \$6 million.

Redwood City, Calif.-based Napster attracted millions of fans and numerous copyright infringement lawsuits after its launch in 1999. It suspended operations in July 2001 and started work on a legitimate, fee-based subscription service that was never officially launched.

Simon regrets allegation

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

Republican gubernatorial candidate Bill Simon expressed "sincere regret" Thursday over his now-disproven allegation that Democratic incumbent Gray Davis illegally accepted a campaign check in the state Capitol.

Simon did not apologize to Davis or directly accept responsibility for making the false claim.

"I find it necessary to express to everyone my sincere regret for the way this matter was handled," Simon said in a Los Angeles speech. "You may have seen my last commercial where I say I am not perfect, and that's indeed true. And now we know of course my campaign is not perfect."

Simon continued to defend himself for making the allegation after a debate with Davis on Monday. The claim was based on photographs released by California Organization of Police and Sheriffs.

The photos showed Davis, then lieutenant governor, taking a campaign contribution. COPS and Simon contended the transfer took place in Davis' Capitol office in Sacramento. It is illegal to give or receive a campaign contribution in a state building.

It became clear almost immediately, however, that the pictures were not taken in the Capitol, and the law enforcement group later retracted its allegation.

Davis had called on Simon to drop out of the race. Simon's aides said he'll continue to run.

The governor's aides said Simon's regret wasn't enough.

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"Some people on our campaign thought this was a silver bullet. I think it was a bullet, I think we put it in a gun wrong and shot ourselves in the head," Rollins said.

confirmed it was the setting of the photo.

Al Angele, the former executive director of COPS who was shown giving Davis a check in the photograph, demanded an apology Thursday from Simon and the group.

His attorney said he was considering legal action against Simon and COPS.

COPS did apologize to Angele and Simon late Wednesday. The group had yet to provide the written, personal apology Angele demanded.

Ed Rollins, Simon's senior strategist, apologized to both Davis and Simon on Thursday

and took the blame for the episode.

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EchoStar's CEO fights for top competitor merger

Associated Press

LITTLETON, Colo. Federal regulators may have quashed his attempted acquisition of his top competitor, but EchoStar Communications Corp. head Charlie Ergen may not be ready to walk away from the fight.

Ergen, chief executive of the No. 2 satellite company, might just keep going, analysts said.

"I would imagine at this point, Charlie is not saying he lost," Lehman Brothers analyst William Kidd said. "I imagine he's still trying to make it work, no matter how daunting that seems."

EchoStar said it would keep trying for merger approval after the Federal Communications Commission on Thursday unanimously rejected its \$18.8 billion deal to merge with DirecTV parent Hughes Electronics Corp.

Win or lose, Ergen's proposal for Hughes has kept DirecTV out of the hands of Rupert Murdoch's News Corp., and it's given EchoStar a closer look at its rival, SG Cowen Securities analyst Thomas Watts said.

"It was brilliant of him to try it," Watts said.

EchoStar is working to amend its FCC application in the next 30 days and plans to present the Justice Department with changes on Oct. 28 that are aimed at easing antitrust concerns.

One possibility could be divesting enough assets to allow a new

satellite company to compete, an idea FCC Commissioner Kevin Martin called "interesting."

There isn't much time, though. Ergen has until Jan. 21 before Hughes can officially abandon the deal and Murdoch could step in.

Ergen has been on the ropes before. In 1997, a failed merger plan with News Corp. left EchoStar scrambling for cash. After emptying his pockets and threatening News Corp. with a \$5 billion breach-of-contract lawsuit, Ergen walked away with broadcast licenses and assets.

But after Jan. 21, Ergen could be socked with a \$600 million breakup fee and have to buy Hughes' stake in PanAmSat for \$4 billion in cash and stock — payments EchoStar would most likely try to dispute, analysts said.

Over the long term, to compete with cable TV, Ergen will have to find a way to offer more local TV stations and deploy Internet, high definition television and video-on-demand services that EchoStar has argued would be staggering to do on its own.

"They have to really figure out how to address those issues without having a deal happen," Janco Partners analyst Matt Harrigan said.

In the meantime, Ergen's company is growing faster than rival DirecTV. In the second quarter, EchoStar added 295,000 net new subscribers.

Pregnancy bill loses support

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The Bush administration says it no longer supports legislation adding pregnant women to a government health care program. It's no longer needed, administration officials say, because they've accomplished the same thing by providing health coverage directly to the fetus.

Last month, the Department of Health and Human Services ruled that "unborn children," from the moment of conception, are eligible for health care under the State Children's Health Insurance Program.

HHS brushed off complaints from abortion rights supporters who argued the administration was trying to lay legal groundwork establishing independent rights of the fetus as a step toward abolishing abortion.

The only goal, the administration said, was to offer critical prenatal care to more pregnant women. Because CHIP, as the program is known, is aimed at children, it does not typically cover parents or pregnant women.

Legislation has been pending in the Senate to change that, overtly giving states the option of including pregnant women in their CHIP programs. And HHS Secretary Tommy Thompson has said repeatedly that he supports that effort.

Early this year, Thompson defended the proposal by saying that he also supported the legislation in Congress, arguing that his ultimate goal was prenatal care.

But when proponents tried

this month to move their legislation through the Senate, Thompson sent word that he had changed his mind.

"The proposed legislation, which has been pending in Congress for some time, would amend SCHIP law so as to duplicate what we have already established as administration policy," Thompson wrote Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla., this week. "I believe the regulation is a more effective and comprehensive solution to this issue. Therefore, there is no need for the Senate to pursue this legislation now."

Supporters of the legislation are outraged, saying it is disingenuous for Thompson to reverse course.

"I'm baffled," said Sen. Blanche Lincoln, D-Ark., who joined other Democrats in a letter to Thompson Thursday demanding an explanation.

In protest, Sen. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., put a hold on the nomination of Mark McClellan to head the Food and Drug Administration, stalling any Senate action on the matter.

The legislation has bipartisan support; its co-sponsors include Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle and Minority Leader Trent Lott.

Abortion politics aside, Lincoln argued that the Senate bill is considerably more comprehensive. Under the HHS regulation, postpartum care isn't covered, so a new mother who had hypertension or complications from an episiotomy would be on her own.

The regulation also makes clear that care aimed at the pregnant woman, but without benefit to the fetus, is not covered. Lincoln said that could put doctors into a terrible position of fearing that they wouldn't get paid if they do treat a particular problem, but fearing they would face a malpractice lawsuit if they didn't.

But the regulation is more comprehensive in other ways, said HHS spokesman Bill Pierce.

He noted that under normal CHIP rules, many immigrants

do not qualify for coverage. Under this regulation, the unborn children of immigrants do qualify because they will be citizens once they are born.

Pierce said the secretary's earlier support of the legislation must be considered "in context."

At the time, he said, the HHS regulation had not been finalized. He added that the Senate has had almost an entire year and has yet to approve the legislation on its own.

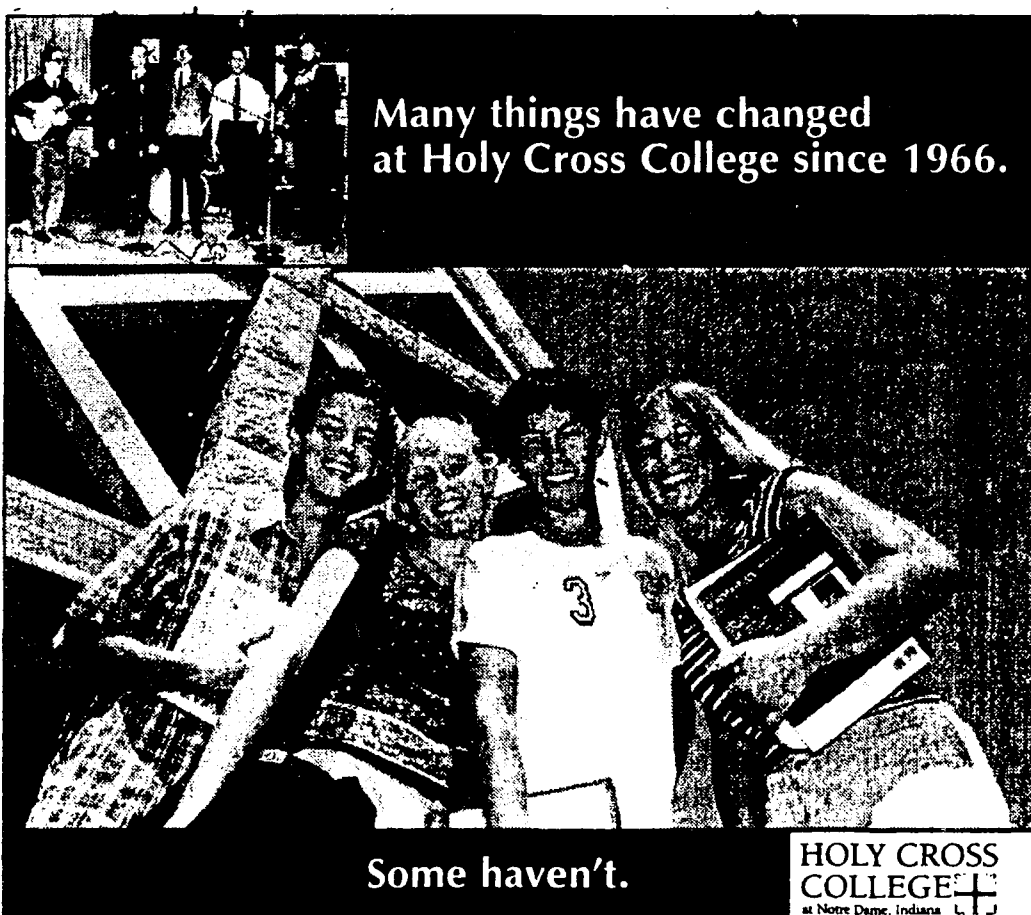
And despite Thompson's letter, Pierce said the department still supports flexibility for the states. "We're just trying to give them more options," he said.

There has always been another option. States can get special permission to include pregnant women in CHIP — something two states, New Jersey and Rhode Island, have already done.

Abortion rights groups said the reversal confirmed what they already believed.

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Harvard professors take case to high court

By NURA HOSSAINZADEH
Harvard Crimson

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. Harvard University Law School professors Charles R. Nesson and Jonathan L. Zittrain argued before the U.S. Supreme Court Wednesday that a congressional act creating stricter copyright laws is unconstitutional and hinders academic progress.

The case — *Eldred v. Ashcroft* — will determine the constitutionality of the 1998 Sonny Bono Copyright Term Extension Act, which prevents the free dissemination of copyrighted material for 20 more years than past legislation had. Under the act, new copyright terms will last the life of a work's author plus 70 years; renewed copyrights will last 95 years.

Nesson, who is Weld professor of law, and Zittrain, Berkman assistant professor of entrepreneurial legal studies, are long-time advocates of easier public access to intellectual works — especially through the Internet. They see such access as necessary for progress in the arts and sciences.

Along with co-counsel Lawrence Lessig, a Stanford professor who used to teach at Harvard Law School, they told the court that CTEA violates the Constitution's Copyright Clause, which states that the work of authors and inventors may be protected by government copyrights only for "limited terms."

Multiple extensions of copyright terms over the past 40 years, they said, have caused the terms to be closer to unlimited than limited.

Society's right to benefit from intellectual advancements is being compromised, they said.

"The only thing being promoted is the continued wealth of corporate copyright holders," said Donna Wentworth, an affiliate of the Berkman Center for Internet and Society, an institution founded by Nesson and Zittrain.

"Not only is the public domain of ideas — our shared cultural history — robbed, but the public has to pay a 'copyright tax' to make use of creative works that, barring Congress' repeated extension of copyright, would already have been theirs."

Nesson and Zittrain could not be reached for comment in Washington, D.C. Legislators counter that extensive copyright terms support intellectual progress by protecting authors and inventors and making American copyrights comparable in length to international terms.

They contend that CTEA does not make copyright terms "unlimited," only extended.

The current case came about when CTEA prevented New Hampshire computer administrator Eric Eldred from publishing copyrighted literary works on his website for an additional 20 years, prompting him to challenge the act.

Sex columnist creating a stir at U. Kansas

By AARON PASSMAN
University Daily Kansan

LAWRENCE, Kan. Meghan Bainum never thought a little sex would take her this far.

Bainum's weekly sex column in The University Daily Kansan has garnered her unexpected attention from media outlets such as Inside Edition, Playboy.com and The New York Times.

The column, which started in fall 2001, grew out of a journalism class project on fetishes and turn-ons. The Topeka senior said she had to "beg" Kansan editors for an entire semester before they finally caved and gave her the column.

"The University needed more sex in the paper," Bainum said. "It shouldn't just be a once in a while thing."

Bainum's media exposure bloomed last semester with an article by the Kansas bureau of

The Associated Press, followed by a Chronicle of Higher Education story in June and another Associated Press article in September.

"After that it just kind of exploded," Bainum said.

Within the last month The New York Times, Fox News, Inside Edition, Playboy.com, Esquire Magazine, radio stations in Mexico and Spain and student papers nationwide have all done stories on her.

"It's crazy because I'm really kind of a shy person in real life," Bainum said. "I prefer to be behind the media rather than being the focus of it."

But Bainum was in front of the cameras Tuesday when Inside Edition came to Kansas to film an interview with her for an upcoming segment on their program.

Alanna Stack, Inside Edition story coordinator, said the idea for the segment came from a recent New York Times story featuring Bainum, but his show

had been planning a program on college sex columnists for a while.

"We found it representative of a growing trend towards more open discussions of sexuality," Stack said. "Obviously college has always been a very sexual place, but what's interesting here is that it's basically a University sponsored discussion."

Bainum said she wanted to help people become more comfortable with their sexuality and end discrimination against those that didn't have "normal" sex lives.

She said her family was proud of her, though sometimes her column made them a bit uncomfortable.

"It's made people look at our family a little bit differently," said Bainum's freshman sister, Amy. "But nothing in our family has really changed. She's still just who she always was."

Amy said her sister's campus notoriety had brought her

attention, but stressed the two had different personalities.

"It leads to some interesting comments from my friends each Thursday," Amy said. "I get a lot of 'Viva la vulva!' and the fisting article, too — I haven't heard the end of that one yet."

Bainum said she hoped to keep working as a sex writer after graduating in December, but was open to anything.

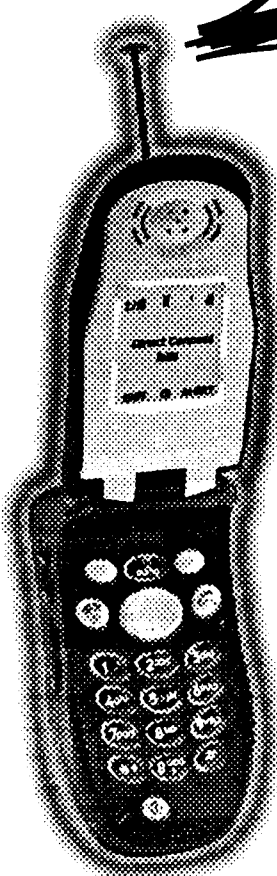
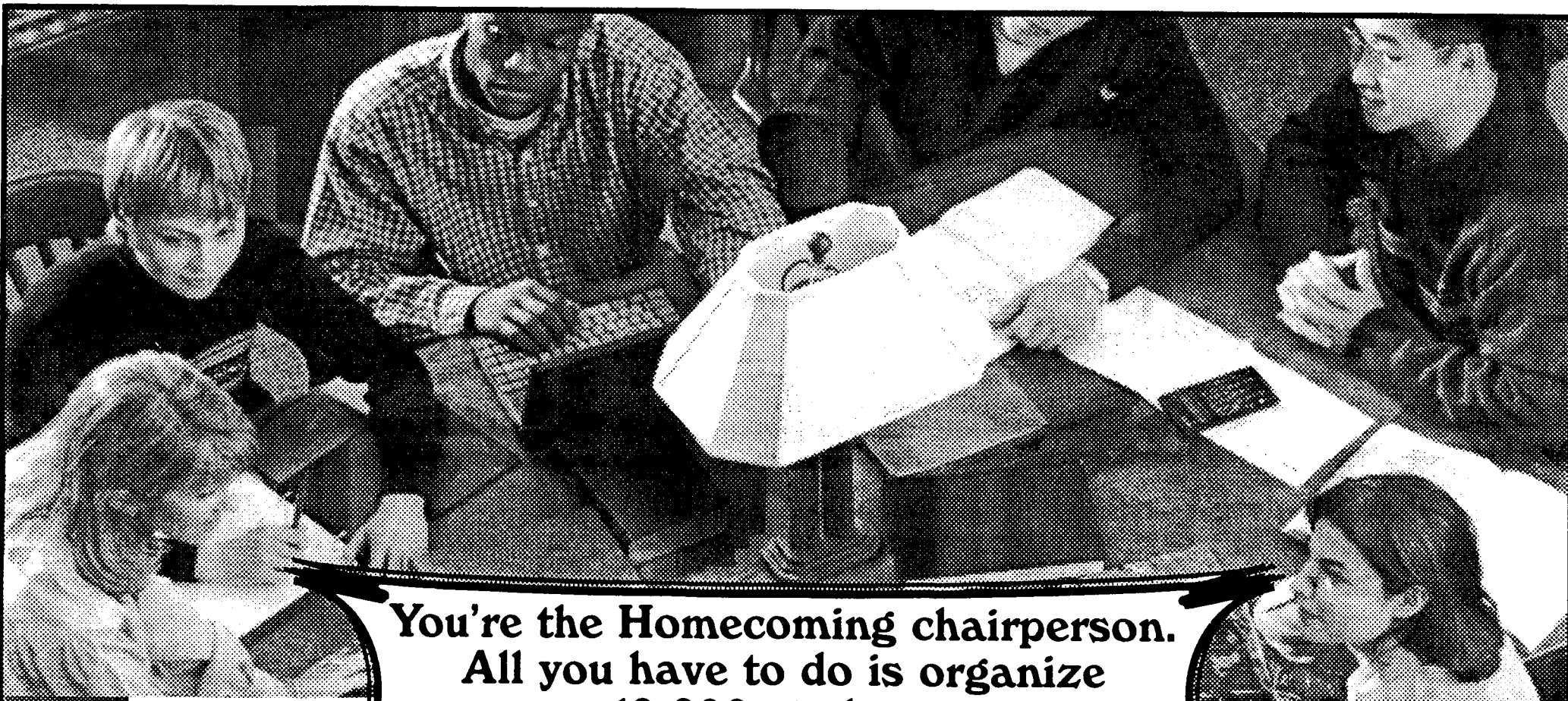
"I'll write for anything that would let me be experimental," she said.

Bainum will fly to Chicago later this month to do a shoot for Playboy.com.

She said she would be paid \$1,500 for the shoot, but would get "substantially more" if the pictures ended up in the magazine's print edition.

Bainum, however, wasn't sure if she would end up totally nude in those pictures.

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'Anti-intimidation' pledges causes stir on college campuses

By RACHEL RUBENSON
Tufts Daily

MEDFORD, Mass. Tufts University President Larry Bacow refused to sign a statement pledging to keep campus "intimidation-free" that has been circulating among college presidents for the last week, saying it was "cast far too narrowly." The six-paragraph statement was drafted in August by former Dartmouth President James Freedman and several other university presidents in response to a clash between pro-Israeli and pro-Palestinian protesters. It calls for colleges to maintain "academic standards in the classroom and ... sustain an intimidation-free campus." However, a portion decrying "death threats and threats of violence" against Jewish students and supporters of Israel has caused many in higher education to feel that the pledge is too exclusive.

"Other groups besides Jewish students have also been subject to intimidation on college campuses," Bacow said. "I believe Martin Luther King, Jr. said that we cannot prioritize incidents of injustice since injustice anywhere is injustice everywhere."

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Larry Bacow
president

Bacow's stance separates him from 15 other New England college presidents who signed the statement, including the presidents of Brandeis, Boston University, Wellesley, Amherst, Bowdoin, Clark, and the University of Massachusetts at Boston. Brown University was the only Ivy League school to sign.

At Tufts, leaders in the Jewish, Muslim, and Arab communities praised Bacow's decision not to sign the pledge, saying that the statement divides communities in a time when they should be uniting.

"Post Sept. 11, there has been a rise in intimidation attacks on Arabs and Muslims" in the United States,

Arab Students Association President

Abdul-Wahab Kayyali said. The pledge is "a kind of segregation -- saying that some people deserve protection from intimidation and some don't."

Students also say there is no need for an "anti-intimidation" pledge at Tufts, as the University already maintains an open and accepting atmosphere.

"Disagreement exists between different groups on campus, but it is usually handled in a respectful, productive manner," Hillel President Erika Robbins said.

Both Robbins and Rabbi Jeffrey Summit point to the dialogue between Jewish and Arab students that has been going on for two years as an example of how the Tufts community has used intellectual dialogue to set the norm that violence is not a way to resolve differences.

Muslim chaplain Imam Nourredine Hawat agreed that this dialogue is the right way to solve problems of intimidation.

"Dialogue is the only way where people can express their minds," he said. "Dialogue is the only solution to solve problems."

Kayyali, the chaplains, and Bacow agree with the assessment of the atmosphere at Tufts.

"Our Jewish, Arab, and Muslim students have, to date, modeled the kind of behavior we would hope to see elsewhere," Bacow said. "While students have strong views which they express passionately, they have also done so respectfully."

Other college presidents, however, felt it was necessary to sign the statement — despite a lack of problems on their campus — to show support for students around the country and as a preventive measure for the future.

"Jewish students are being intimidated and harassed on many campuses in the country, and I felt that this should be brought into the open that this is not something for a few Jewish organizations to deal with," Brandeis President Jehuda Reinharz said.

Reinharz defended the para-

graph on Jewish students, saying that they have been "systematically intimidated" throughout the country and attention needs to be brought to the issue. The last paragraph of the statement, he said, showed that it applies to all groups.

There have been several incidents of intimidation of Jewish students on college campuses in the last year. When pro-Israel and pro-Palestinian protesters at San Francisco State University clashed in August, one student allegedly said that Hitler should have killed all Jews.

Additionally, faculty at Harvard and MIT circulated petitions last semester asking that their universities' endowments not include investments in Israel until the country complied with United Nations human rights resolutions, while 16 people at Tufts signed a similar statement. In a speech that sparked much controversy in higher education, Harvard President Lawrence

Summers called such actions "anti-Semitic in their effect." These incidents prompted the drafting of the statement that is currently being circulated. Over 300 college presidents have signed it so far, according to

Kenneth Brandler, the Director of Communications for the American Jewish Committee, which circulated the statement around the country and published it in a New York Times advertisement on Monday.

Though Summers has been outspoken on the issue of anti-Semitism in recent months, he did not sign the statement. His decision had nothing to do with the wording of the text, but with the fact that he generally does not participate in mass signature drives, according to Harvard Director of News and Public Affairs Joe Wrinn.

"He has certainly made his opinion known and his views very clear on it," Wrinn said.

But these incidents do not merit singling out one group for special protection, he said. "I don't believe that anti-Semitism is on the rise ... This country is probably more relaxed about race, religion, and ethnicity than it has ever been."

But Brandler, the AJC spokesman, called the response to the statement positive. "I would not read anything into the large number of presidents who have no signed the statement," he said. "It's an amazing return."

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Erika Robbins
Hillel president

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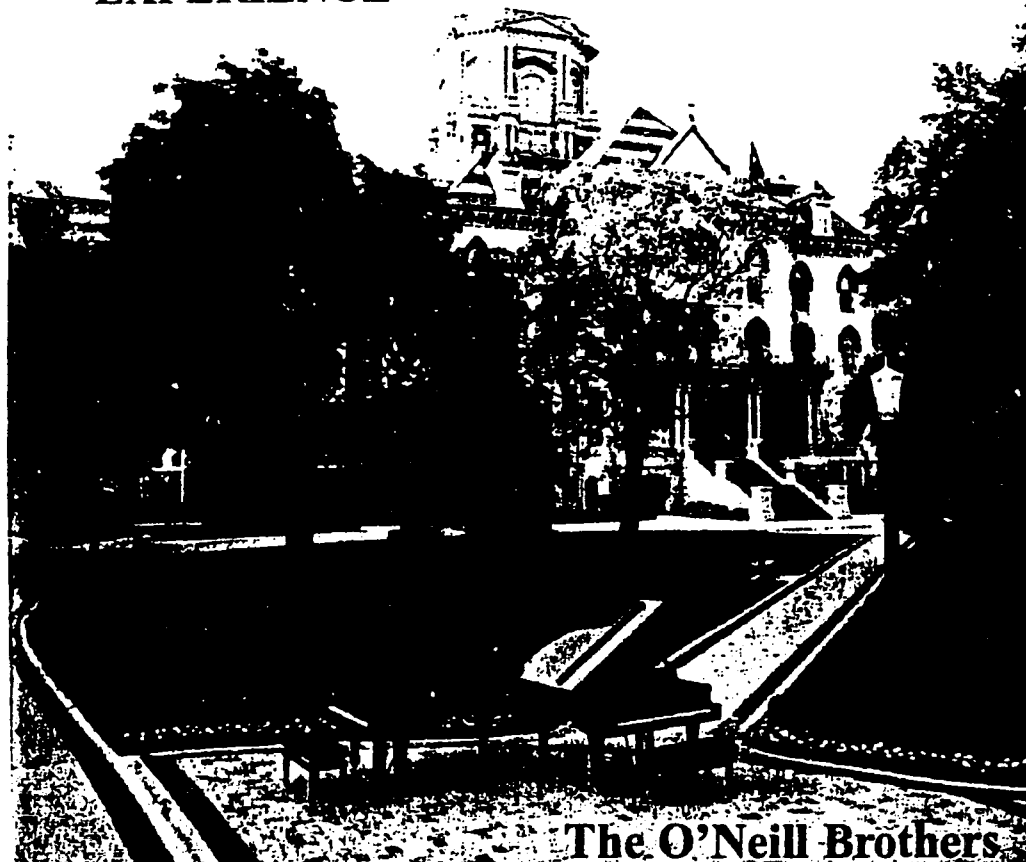
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Rooney slams NFL sideline reporters

Associated Press

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. Have you ever noticed those sideline reporters at NFL games? Andy Rooney has, and he's as cranky about them as he is about everything else.

Rooney was interviewed on MSG Network's "Boomer Esiason Show" last week and said, "I'm not a sexist person, but a woman has no business being down there trying to make some comment about a football game."

When the Journal News of White Plains called the curmudgeonly "60 Minutes" commentator to ask him about the remark, Rooney didn't back

down, and added that he doesn't think much of male sideline reporters, either.

Rooney's comments got back to Martha Burk, chairwoman of the National Council of Women's Organizations, who's also leading a fight to have a National Golf Club to admit its first female member.

"Mr. Rooney has proven by his remarks he is indeed sexist."

Martha Burk
NCWO chairwoman

"Mr. Rooney has proven by his remarks he is indeed sexist," Burk told the

Journal News.

Don Hewitt, executive producer of "60 Minutes," told the paper he was unaware of Rooney's comments and wasn't interested in hearing them.

"I'm interested in what Andy says on this broadcast, which I edit. I'm not his father or his mother," he said.

SWEDEN

Hungarian wins Nobel Prize

Associated Press

STOCKHOLM

After Auschwitz, to write poetry is barbaric, a philosopher once concluded. A long line of poets and novelists have thought otherwise, and on Thursday, the Nobel Prize in literature went to Imre Kertesz, a Hungarian novelist and Auschwitz survivor.

Honoring the 72-year-old Budapest Jew for his uncommon, single-minded gift for saying the unsayable, the Swedish Academy singled out his 1975 debut novel, "Sorstalansag" ["Fateless"], about a young man who is taken to a concentration camp but conforms and survives.

"For him Auschwitz is not an exceptional occurrence," the academy said. "It is the ultimate truth about human degradation in modern experience."

Kertesz was deported in 1944 to Auschwitz in Nazi-

occupied Poland, then to the Buchenwald concentration camp in Germany, where he was liberated in 1945. Of the 6 million Jews killed in the Holocaust, some 600,000 were Hungarian.

Kertesz is the first Hungarian to win the award, worth about \$1 million.

"My immediate reaction is one of great joy. It means very much to me," he told The Associated Press in Berlin, where he is on a teaching scholarship.

"There is no awareness of the Holocaust in Hungary. People have not faced up to the Holocaust. I hope that in the light of this recognition, they will face up to it more than until now," he added.

Since the end of World War II, writers and scholars have debated how to make art out of the Holocaust and whether they even can and should. "To write poetry after Auschwitz is barbaric," the philosopher Theodor Adorno wrote in 1949.

But Primo Levi, Elie Wiesel and Paul Celan are among many survivors who turned their experiences into acclaimed literature. Even some Jews who were spared the Holocaust, such as Cynthia Ozick, and non-Jewish authors such as William Styron ["Sophie's Choice"], have written highly regarded books.

Approaches vary in style and format. Wiesel's "Night" is an autobiographical novel, while Levi's "Survival in Auschwitz" is a philosophical memoir. The telegraphic violence of Celan's poem "Death Fugue" mirrors the madness of the camps ["he whistles his Jews into rows has them shovel a grave in the ground"].

Aharon Appelfeld, a Romanian-born Israeli, has written about the prelude and aftermath of the Holocaust but has shied from recording his experiences of the concentration camps, likening them to a flame you dare not touch.

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Ex - Grateful Dead members will tour

Associated Press

ROANOKE, Va. The remaining members of the Grateful Dead are going back on tour, with the first stop scheduled for the Roanoke Civic Center on Nov. 14.

The band, renamed The Other Ones after leader Jerry Garcia died in 1995, announced the 14-city tour on its Web site.

Surviving band members include Mickey Hart, Billy Kreutzmann, Phil Lesh and Bob Weir. They'll play in cities including Washington, New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Cleveland and

Chicago.

The last time the Dead played in Roanoke was July 7-8, 1987, when 21,000 people converged on the civic center and more than 50 people were arrested, mostly for drug-related offenses. The number of complaints about drugs, noise and garbage made city officials question whether they'd allow the band to play in Roanoke again.

Civic center marketing director Robyn Schon expected no trouble this time.

"It seems like most of the problems are in the past," Schon said. "Most Grateful Dead fans are laid-back people. We don't anticipate any problems."

Library creating Bob Dylan collection

Associated Press

HIBBING, Minn.

Bob Dylan rarely visits his hometown.

Still, the town's library has been putting together a collection of artifacts about the singer-songwriter, known as Robert Zimmerman in his Hibbing days.

Dylan, whose songs include "Like a Rolling Stone," "Blowin' in the Wind" and "Mr. Tambourine Man," left town in 1959 to become what the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame calls "the pre-eminent poet-lyricist and songwriter of his time."

Librarian Nancy Riesgraf says hundreds of visitors come to Hibbing to see where Dylan spent his childhood.

"They just want to breathe the same air that he breathed," said library worker Roberta Maki, who's spearheading the Dylan

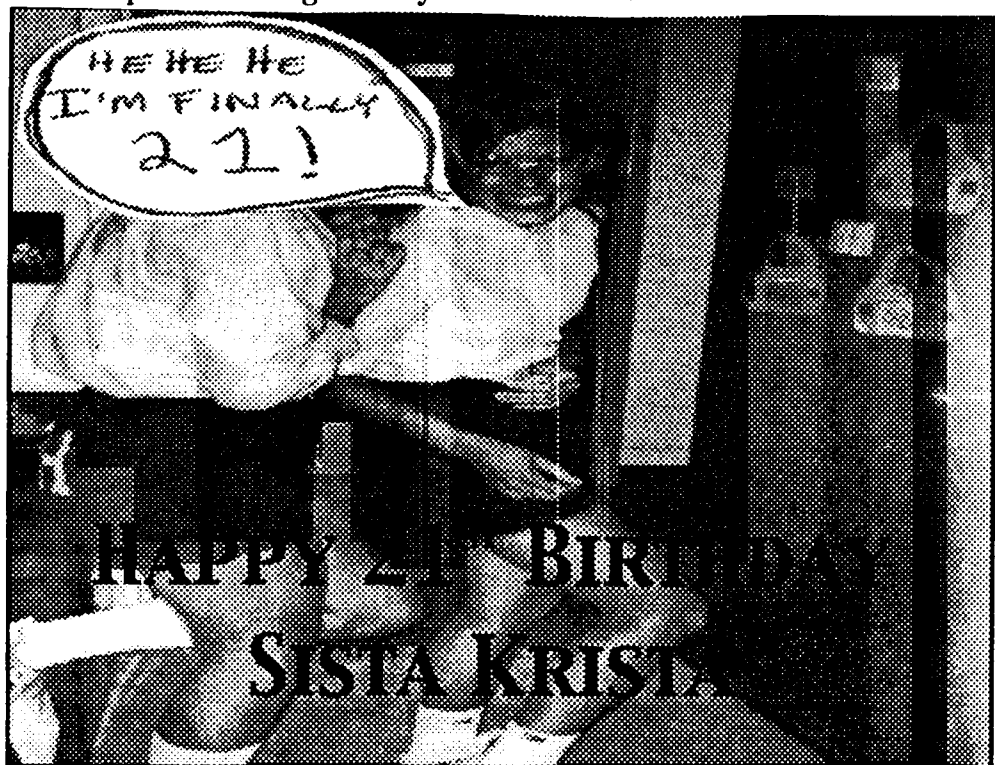
project with Riesgraf.

The collection is mostly out of public view, although portions are placed in rotating displays. However, virtually everything Dylan that the library owns is available to the public.

It includes about 2,000 magazine and newspaper articles, 22 collector posters, 50 albums, 40 compact discs and 45 rpm records in their original sleeves; publicity photographs, sheet music and scripts; and a 1959 Hibbing High School yearbook that's kept in a vault.

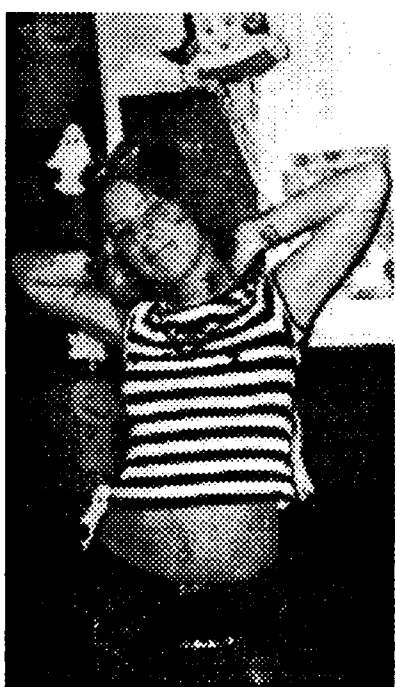
The plan is to have a Dylan museum in the library's auditorium by May 24, 2006 — his 65th birthday. By then, Maki said, the library hopes to have been successful in securing some personal items.

"We know he comes to Hibbing every once in a while, but people want to respect his privacy," Maki said.

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Bonnie's 'Life' is busy yet charming

Associated Press

NEW YORK

On her new sitcom, Bonnie Hunt glories in a frenzied composure, an agitated calm. Playing Chicago's busiest wife, mother and local talk-show host, she hurtles through life outpaced by its demands — but no less amused.

Hunt's longtime fans will realize that Bonnie Molloy, the blond, fresh-faced heroine of ABC's "Life with Bonnie" (airing Tuesdays 9 p.m. EDT), has a striking similarity to TV reporter Bonnie Kelly of "The Bonnie Hunt Show" and to would-be actress Bonnie Kennedy of "The Building" — two short-lived past series that charmed the viewers there just weren't enough of.

But this time things are different. Besides critics' raves, Hunt is snaring healthy ratings; already "Life with Bonnie" is renewed for the full season.

"As far as television goes, it feels like the best combination for me as an actress and writer," Hunt [who handles both duties, as well as producing] said recently, even before getting ABC's happy news.

Hunt has enjoyed solid success in films such as "Jerry Maguire," the "Beethoven" comedies and [as director-writer-actress] her much-praised romance "Return to Me," which starred David Duchovny and Minnie Driver.

She also was courted for another shot at TV — as host of a daily talk show.

"But I love storytelling and working with actors," she says. "So I thought, what if I played a talk-show host in a sitcom? Then we could improvise the talk-show part, and I could also have the family life that I love to write about."

Better yet, this Chicago gal could be reunited with longtime chums, some of whom go back to her Second City improv days. They include Holly Wortell (the "talk show's" makeup artist who gives first priority to her own makeup) and Don Lake (who will appear as various "guests" on the "talk show," besides serving as Hunt's real-life co-producer, co-writer and best friend).

"If you can have kindness and talent surrounding you, you've succeeded," sums up Hunt, who can say things like that without sounding corny.

She also gets valuable input from the so-called "Chicago connection" — her family. The sixth of seven children from a working-class neighborhood near Wrigley Field, she remains close to her mom and siblings. They help account for her authenticity — and help her maintain it.

"My family meets on Sunday nights to brainstorm ideas, then fax them to me," she says. "The ringing of the doorbell and cleaning up the living room — that was theirs. And when the squirrel gets loose in the house — that really happened to us, too."

Meanwhile, Sunday nights in Santa Monica, where Hunt lives with her investment-banker husband, John Murphy, she arranges flowers to take everyone at work Monday morning.

Not only does Hunt grow them [her begonias and impatiens are in bloom right now, she reports], but also admits splurging on the purchase of lots more. A preferred source: her nearest Costco.

Among those who enjoy Hunt's floral bounty is Mark Derwin, who plays her doctor-husband.

"I wrote the part for him," says Hunt, who in 1995 cast

Derwin as her news director on "The Bonnie Hunt Show." But since 1999 he had been a regular on the daytime soap "One Life to Live." When he was unable to break free, she signed another actor for the pilot episode.

"Then the network came to me and said, 'We think there might be more chemistry with someone else as the husband.' And I said, 'That would be Mark Derwin.' So I called him again and he said, 'It's perfect timing. I'm in a coma.' And I said, 'What are the odds?!' And he said, 'You better have them call before I wake up!'"

Hunt is also pleased with the casting of her character's grade-school-age kids, played by Samantha Browne-Walters and Charlie Stewart.

"We wanted the least 'actor-y' kids we could find," Hunt explains. "When Charlie came in, he saw this bowl of candy in the office and said, 'Who's eating those candy bars — because I've been out there awhile and I'm starving.' No 'Hello, nice to meet you, I think you're funny' or any of that stuff."

"I said, 'You are SO hired!'"

The show's unorthodox production routine calls for filming at-home scenes on Mondays, then, on Tuesdays, winging Bonnie Molloy's "talk show" in front of a studio audience.

It seems to be a winning hand for "Life with Bonnie," not to mention a long-sought TV victory for Hunt.

"But I've always worked," she notes, dismissing the idea she had anything to prove. "I've always done things I've been proud of. Is there a better form of success? Maybe there is, where you're more popular. But even in high school that was never my thing."

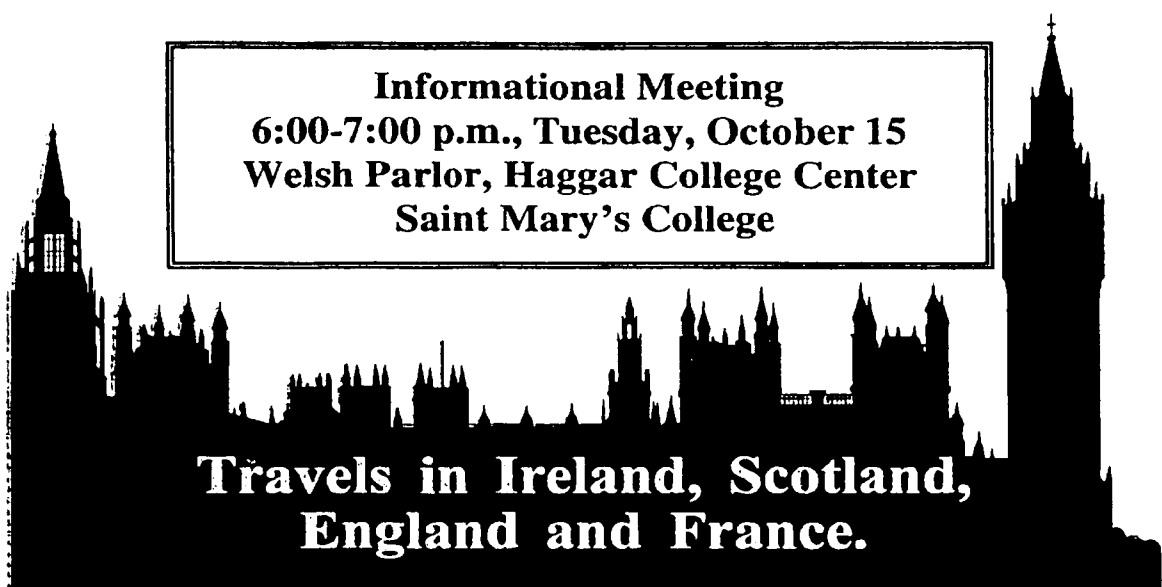
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WB on hot streak early in TV season

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Thanks to dramas about a teenage Superman, a transplanted widower and a romantically challenged mother-and-daughter team, the WB television network is on a hot streak.

Two weeks and two days into the new season, the network had 29 percent more viewers than in the comparable period last year. The season's second week was the WB's best ever among people age 18 to 34, the network's target audience.

"I think the brand has come into its own now as standing for a place where young people — and the young at heart — know where to turn," said Jed Petrick, the WB's president.

Wednesday's premiere of the series "Birds of Prey," with the daughter of Batman fighting another generation of criminals in Gotham, drew the network's second best ratings ever in the 18-to-34-year-old demographic, according to a preliminary Nielsen Media Research tally.

The second-year drama about a hunky young Superman, "Smallville," has been one of the surprise strong performers for the WB. Petrick said "Smallville" gradually built its audience through summer reruns and fans were primed for a new season.

This week, "Smallville" gave the WB its biggest Tuesday night audience in the network's history.

With "Everwood," a family drama that stars Treat Williams

as a neurosurgeon who moves with his two children to Colorado after his wife dies, the WB finally has a worthy ratings partner on Monday nights to "7th Heaven."

In its seventh season, "7th Heaven" has remained consistently the network's most popular show.

Ratings for "Gilmore Girls," the drama about a quick-quipping mother and daughter from Connecticut, finally seem to be catching up to the show's critical praise.

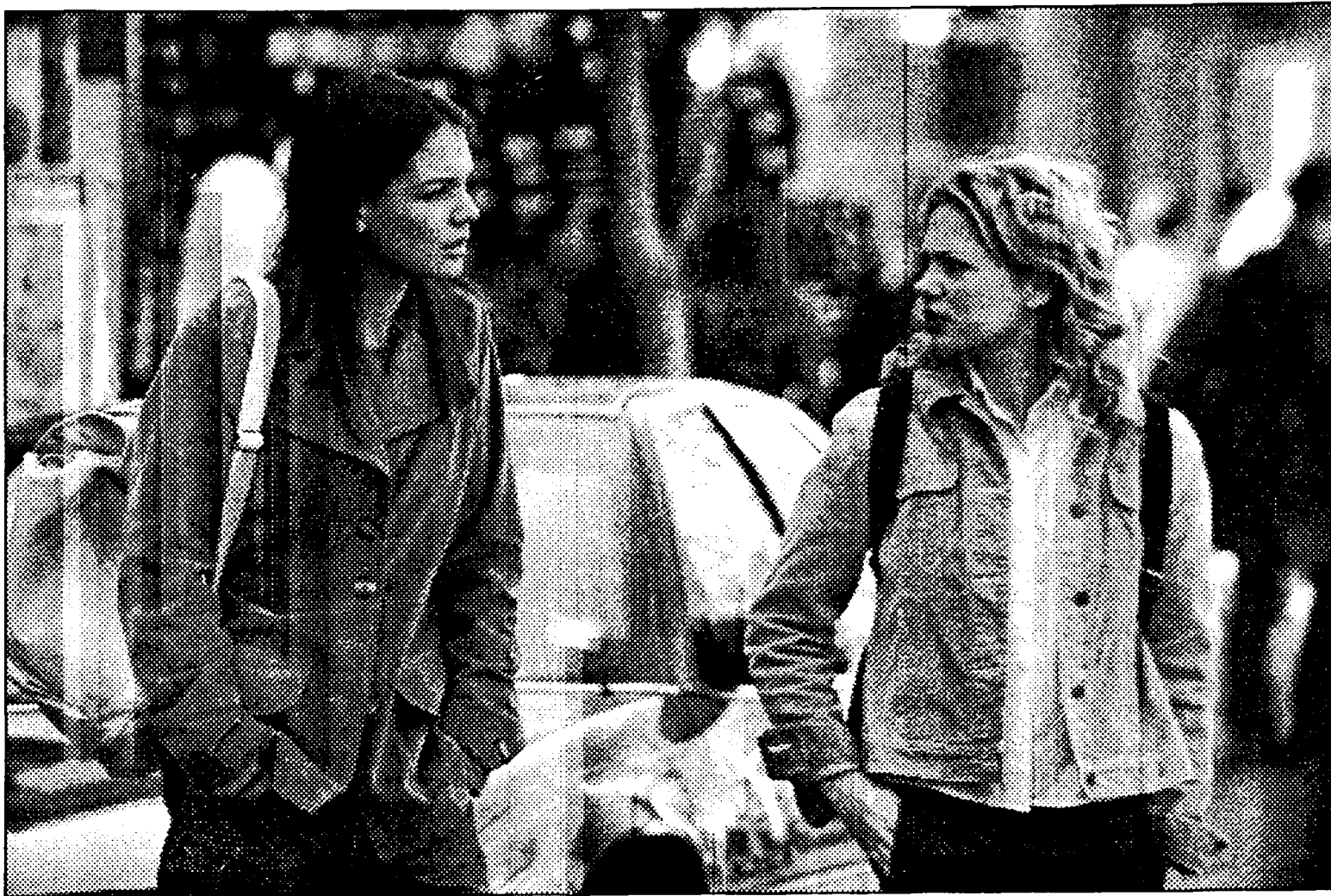
The supernatural drama "Charmed" has also helped the WB set some ratings benchmarks on Sunday night.

"You put Alyssa Milano in a Mermaid outfit and you'll get viewers," said Brad Adgate, senior vice president of the advertising firm Horizon Media.

The new shows are enabling the WB to make a smooth transition from another era. The drama "Felicity" ended last season, and "Dawson's Creek," while it started strong this fall with a long-sought romance between lead characters Joey and Dawson, is considered near an end.

The WB has so successfully built itself as a destination for teenage girls and young women that "it's a training ground for Lifetime viewers," Adgate said. But now some of their boyfriends are showing up too; the network has seen ratings increases among young men.

As is often the case with two networks that began operations within a week of each other in 1995, the WB's good fortune is



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The popular WB series, "Dawson's Creek," began its fifth season with a possible renewed romance between lifetime friends and occasional lovers Joey Potter and Dawson Leary. After "Felicity" ended last year, some fear that "Dawson's Creek" may be coming to an end as well.

matched by suffering at UPN.

UPN's ratings are down 26 percent so far this season. Ratings for professional wrestling and the previously popular "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" and "Enterprise" have faded.

The WB has been less successful trying to establish comedies like "Family Affair" and "JKX: The Jamie Kennedy Experiment"

on Thursday nights. Many of the network's younger viewers turn to "Friends" or "Survivor" on that night.

"The dramas seem to be working," Adgate said. "I think they still need some work on their sitcoms."

October is traditionally the WB's best month of the year, with its fans excited about new, hot shows. The challenge will be

to maintain the gains. Some analysts suggest the WB benefits from this year's slow rollout of Fox's fall shows because of the baseball playoffs. Fox targets many of the same young viewers.

"I think we're really on a tear and there's nobody at the network ready to concede November to anybody, even when Fox comes back," Petrick said.

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Irish Guard must uphold excellence

Fans watching the first half of Notre Dame's 31-7 win against Stanford last week could have fallen asleep because they were so bored. They could have sat down, stopped cheering or left the game, and nobody would have noticed or cared.

But wisecracks about a five-second SportsCenter clip of members of the Irish Guard slouched in their seats showed how the tradition-filled group must be held to a higher standard. And when word reached Notre Dame officials that the television clip showed some Guardsmen dozing during the game, the University swiftly responded by suspending the Guard from marching in Saturday's game.

In suspending the Guard from Saturday's game, the Office of Student Affairs sent a powerful message to the rest of the Irish community. When students who serve as visible symbols of the University shirk their responsibilities, they will be reprimanded.

The Irish Guard represents a football tradition that stands for dignity, class and excellence. For over half a century, the Guard has led the band into the Stadium, inspired pride in Irish fans and served as an impressive symbol of Notre Dame football.

But when national television cameras catch these highly visible students sleeping on the sidelines of a football game, it

reflects poorly on the University as a whole.

The only glimpse of Notre Dame some people see is on television, as they watch the players, the coaching staff, the cheerleaders and the Guard during football games. All of these groups of prominent students have an enormous responsibility to project a positive image of their school. They send a message to thousands of viewers, and these viewers form their impression of the University based on this elite group of representatives.

Obviously, the Guard must participate in certain activities to preserve their mystique, but falling asleep at a home football game isn't one of them. The most important duty of the Guard is to remain attentive and spirited during the games in order to uphold Notre Dame's honor and prestige.

Despite its lethargic appearance last weekend, the Irish Guard is a unique Notre Dame tradition and should continue to exist. Its members dedicate countless hours to practicing and marching with the band, and the University should not eliminate the Guard based on this isolated incident.

The University acted prudently in suspending the Guard for Saturday's game. Notre Dame will not and should not tolerate anything less than excellence from those who embody a hallowed school tradition.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Questioning pornography at
Notre Dame*Guys aren't so
bad*

This is in response to Hannah Gornik's Oct. 10 letter "Pornography is no laughing matter." To summarize Hannah's article, she claims that men objectify women with our blatant display of naked women and Britney Spears posters. Well, Hannah, I am not sure if you have heard of this phenomenon, but girls like pornography too. There, I said it.

Go check out any "normal" Notre Dame or Saint Mary's girl's room and you will see lots of Abercrombie and Fitch posters. I admit that guys like naked women, and it is pretty apparent that girls like naked men as well. These are not men that are fully clad in the latest A&F apparel, but are guys who are naked striking poses, just like us Notre Dame guys have women who are naked, striking poses hanging on our walls.

Hannah, humans are sexual beings, and yes, we like looking at naked people. It is a fact of life, and at a University that does so little to foster sexual activity, these posters are really our only means of comfort. So, stop taking life so seriously, and maybe you'll realize that we Notre Dame guys aren't so bad after all.

Peter Prina
senior
off campus
Oct. 10

*Centerfold article demeans spirit
of co-education*

Upon reading Joe Muto's Oct. 9 column, "Centerfolds: Apply here," I was horribly appalled. During the 30-year anniversary of co-education at Notre Dame, I expected articles to be of a celebratory and reflective nature, centered on the appreciation of women as intellectual equals. However, when I saw the title of Muto's article, my hopes came crashing down.

The lack of respect Muto holds for women in general is disgusting and upsetting. Just to note, this is ironically the same boy, and I use that term purposefully, who on Sept. 12 wrote an article about the beauty of Notre Dame women, stating, "There are not enough pretty things matriculating at this school."

However, his view of the beauty of Notre Dame women obviously changed after he was given the opportunity by Playboy to ask for our naked pictures, assuming Notre Dame women are dumb enough to send them.

The fact that this campus now has an official representative to Playboy magazine is not only disturbing, it tears apart the relationship formed between men and women over the last 30 years. Muto's article demeans the spirit of the week of celebration of co-education. Celebrating simply the physical pres-

ence of women is not enough. The presence of our thoughts and ideas needs to be appreciated as well.

Women come to Notre Dame expecting to be active participants in the furtherance of intelligent thought. In coming to a school known for its grace and spirituality, a student would expect that the level of thinking would rise above seeing women as mere sex objects. A general respect for the whole woman is expected; respect for the body, mind and spirit. The last thing I expected in coming to this campus was for someone to be seeking me out as a possibility for Playboy magazine.

The Observer seems to be bombarded with people seeking to know why gender relations on this campus are still such a prevalent issue. Well, people, here is your answer. Muto's article personifies why the tension still exists. Though 30 years have passed since the admittance of women to this campus, I am still left with a question that continues to plague my mind: how far have we really come?

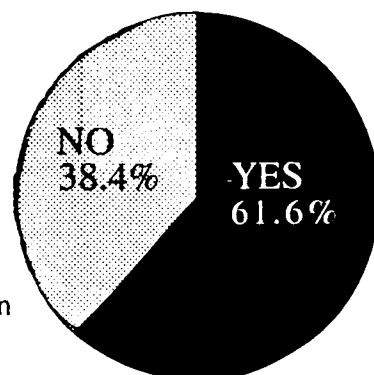
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Are women and men treated
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"Ninety-eight percent of the adults in this country are decent, hard-working Americans. It's the other two percent that get all the publicity. But then — we elected them."

Lilly Tomlin
comedian

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Placing public service over personal feelings

During the waning years of the Reagan Administration, an obscure colonel in a basement office at the White House took it upon himself to arrange arms deals with Iran. In his blind zeal to serve his president, Oliver North let his warm feelings for Reagan cloud his personal and legal judgments.

Fast forward a decade and it seems that another public servant, former Federal Bureau of Investigation Director Louis J. Freeh, annoyed Justice Department and Clinton White House officials who often complained about his independence. The question remains: how much of Freeh's conduct contributed to intelligence errors that prevented this nation from thwarting terrorist attacks?

Former Clinton administration national security officials have written a book critical of Mr. Freeh. They have said that his personal animosity toward President Bill Clinton and his fixation on a few cases, like the Khobar Towers bombing in Saudi Arabia in 1996, blinded him to larger terrorism issues and thwarted efforts by Clinton's national security aides to obtain information about the growing threat from al Qaeda.

Earlier this week, Freeh, who ran the agency from 1993 to 2001, testified before the U.S. Congress. It was the first time he has publicly spoken about his stewardship at the agency since terrorists leveled the World Trade Towers and damaged the Pentagon. He resigned his post just three months before the al Qaeda attacks last fall.

Freeh acknowledged that he met with many foreign leaders on trips that bypassed protocol at the Justice

Department and White House. "I met with dozens of presidents, prime ministers, kings, emirs, law enforcement, intelligence and security chiefs around the world," he said.

Freeh's testimony, to the surprise of many, also blamed the Republican-controlled Congress for failing to adequately fund the bureau's counter terrorism work. The FBI still has fewer agents today than it had in 1999, Freeh said, even after Congress gave the bureau \$745 million to pay for 823 new staffers in the wake of the Sept. 11 attacks. That is less FBI agents than the Chicago Police Department has sworn officers. He said that he resents the notion that the bureau was not pursuing terrorist suspects as vigorously as it should have during his 8-year tenure.

"While the CIA and the FBI should be intensely examined regarding Sept. 11, they should not be examined in a vacuum," said Freeh, noting that other agencies such as the Federal Aviation Administration knew that U.S. airliners have long been a target of radical Islamic groups, including al Qaeda.

Freeh said that other branches of government also deserve scrutiny for failing to adequately fund the bureau's counter terrorism work. In 2000, for example, Freeh said he requested \$380.8 million to fund 864 additional personnel to combat terrorism. After the Office of Management and Budget and Congress were finished evaluating his request, Congress funded the bureau five new staffers and \$7.4 million.

Yet Freeh's critics point out that from the early to mid-1990s, Congress funded the agency with several initiatives to improve its computer system, yet Freeh used some of those funds to hire agents. Then on several occasions, as in 1995, the agency faced technological setbacks. In the late 1990s, the agency started accepting bids by private companies to handle necessary upgrades. However, due to numerous problems within the

agency, Congress canceled the project in 1999, leaving the FBI to continue using technology from the 1960s and 1970s.

During the September terrorist attacks, the FBI was still using computers that could not interface with a mouse and that provided limited access to e-mail and the Internet. According to the Wall Street Journal, photos of the 19 hijackers were rushed to the bureau's 56 field offices shortly after the attacks by overnight mail, because the FBI network couldn't transmit photos by e-mail. The situation existed despite the fact that since 1993, Congress designated \$1.7 billion to upgrade the FBI's technology.

Freeh also emphatically swept aside widespread complaints that during his tenure the FBI refused to cooperate with other agencies and failed to prepare for a terrorist attack in the United States. He responded to a committee report that concluded that the FBI "did not fully learn the lessons of past attacks," like the 1993 World Trade Center bombing.

The report also accused the FBI of responding unevenly at home, with only some field offices devoting significant resources to Islamic extremists. An overall risk assessment was not prepared, and much of the FBI's counter-terrorism effort was concentrated abroad. This situation reflected a huge gap in the U.S. government's counter terrorism structure, a lack of focus on how an interna-

tional terrorist group might target the United States itself.

Freeh offered no apologies or admissions of mistakes. During his tenure, the FBI doubled the number of overseas offices to 44 total. In 1999, he created a separate division for terrorism, splitting it off from a unit that also had jurisdiction over espionage cases.

Representative Ray LaHood (R-Ill.), asked Freeh, "Was the FBI on war footing with Al Qaeda prior to Sept. 11, 2001?"

Freeh replied: "Absolutely. In 1999, not only had we indicted Osama bin Laden twice, he was on our Top 10 list. Al Qaeda was the number one priority."

It may seem ironic that the number one priority was able to attack in such dramatic and deadly fashion. However, in hindsight, it appears more certain that like Oliver North before him, the clouds of personal sentiment negatively affected Freeh, thereby

detracting from stellar public service.

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The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.



Gary Caruso

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Politics are catering to big business

In Michael Derocher's Oct. 9 letter, "Don't believe Democrat's economic complaints," he points out that the Democrats complain "that Bush and the Republicans' supposed ties to 'big business' are the cause of the numerous corporate scandals." He proceeds to blame the Clinton administration for these slack business ethics in the first place.

I would like to point out, first, that no, we should not trust the Democrats when it comes to corporate fraud. Democrats have many close ties to "big business" that are probably inappropriate for the proper functioning of our government, particularly in the oil industry.

However, companies such as Enron and WorldCom not only make political contributions to the Republican Party, they are a part of the Republican party at the highest level. Or, in the current situation in which President Bush is apparently steering us towards a state of perpetual war, have we forgotten that Dick Cheney, Bush's vice-president, was intimately involved with Enron at the highest levels? Have we forgotten that President Bush has, in what business regulations have thankfully come about since all the scandal, made illegal the type of lending from one's own company that he himself once participated in? Have we forgotten Bush's pledges to run this

administration like a business (which, in demanding total unflinching loyalty as he does, is very undemocratic)?

Republicans also have ridiculous ties to the oil industry. I am thoroughly displeased with the way that the current administration has insisted upon making policies that do not consider the environmental impact of what is being done, but rather consider the policies of business. It is an undisputable fact that the ice caps are melting. Go ask a geologist. They know. Why are they melting? There's increased levels of carbon dioxide in the air. What produces large amounts of carbon dioxide? Fossil fuels such as gas and coal. What is the Bush administration, environmentally, all about? Oil and coal.

Drilling in the Alaskan wildlife refuge for oil, destroying the beautiful hills of Appalachia for coal. While it is true that eventually carbon dioxide levels will go down, that may not be for thousands of years. These plans were made exclusively with members of big business, and were tailored to their interests.

Environmental groups were excluded from the design process for the national environmental policy. While it may also be true (and may also be false) that in making the switch to renewable sources of energy a few jobs may be lost, in failing to do so life as we know it will

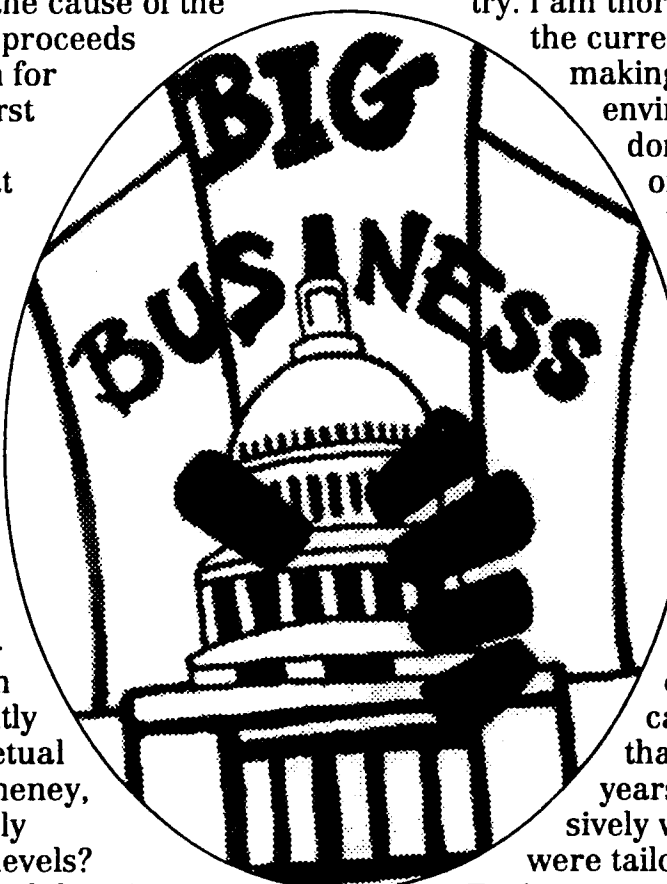
be lost.

A further point on Mr. Derocher's article: generalizations. His article assumes that all big business is bad, and that all Democrats are tainted, though he only gives an example of one such democrat. I implore you: don't trust generalizations, especially in politics. Politics are not simple, and issues are almost never as black and white as politicians would have us believe. It is up to us, particularly at an institution like Notre Dame, to seek out the facts on both sides and decide for ourselves what is true and what is not. It requires a little extra effort, it requires skeptically looking at what everybody says, even "your" party and it requires accepting our responsibilities as American citizens to know what is going on.

It also involves looking beyond the previous administration for the source of problems occurring now (as Mr. Derocher does with the Clinton administration). This may mean disagreeing with someone, this may mean you have to take a stand, this may result in your deciding you don't even like the America you see. However, if we, the best and brightest of this nation, do not, who will?

In conclusion, if big, bad business is really your sticking point in elections, based on the facts, Democrats are less intimately involved than Republicans, but they're still in it deep. If you really want to get away from big, bad business, vote Green or Libertarian. Have a nice day.

Danny Richter
sophomore
Keough Hall
Oct. 10



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C. SPENCER BEGGS/The Observer

Junior Katy Kertez as the sinfully fun Madonna Sostrata.



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Ligurio, junior Sean Nelson, mugs for the audience. The cartoonish acting uses over-the-top facial expressions.



C. SPENCER BEGGS/The Observer

The elaborate set of "The Mandrake" was painted in vivid pastels. The surrealistic set makes to play look like a flat panel comic strip.



By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Scene Editor

It is said that all the world's a stage and all the men and women merely puppets of manipulative other puppets bought for a few dollars or a cheap bottle wine ...or something like that. That phrase is much more helpful after watching the Department of Film, Television and Theatre's first mainstage production of the semester, "The Mandrake."

The play, written by Niccolò Machiavelli in the early 15th century, is a dark sex comedy that made the author's more famous in his era than his political writings.

When the love-foolish Callimaco (junior Tom Conner) returns to his hometown of Florence after living in Paris, he is smitten with the nubile wife of his neighbor, the foolosopher Lord Nicia (senior Jeff Eyerma). Struck with every literary symptom of love, Callimaco decides that he must have his prize and colludes with a man of means, Ligurio (junior Sean Nelson), to trick Nicia into urging his shrewish mother-in-law, Madonna Sostrada (junior Katy Kertez), to convince her daughter to visit her confessors so that he can advise her to sleep with another man so she can have children. Of course, it's all a big set up because Ligurio bribes the priest to give the advice, so that by hook or

crook Callimaco will end up with his beloved. Confuse? It's an easy place to find oneself when discussing morality with well-spoken pundits.

FTT rented Summer Shakespeare's set from "The Taming of the Shrew." With the set in place early on in the rehearsal process, Scott said the concept for the show developed in stages each piece developing one another.

Rick Donnelly added a full set of lavish costumes built from scratch and Scott had the set painted in a vivid pastel scheme, transforming the Shakespearian Padua into a surreal Renaissance Florence. The performers even changed translations of the script part way through the rehearsal process.

In the end, Scott made the play aesthetically resemble a flat panel comic strip.

Scott feels that this type of show offers an artistic stretch for her because she normally does representational theatre. The presentational theatre "The Mandrake" uses required both Scott and her cast to take risks.

"I guess for me it hasn't been the same," Scott said. "Conceptually, I've have to share more with them. Normally you're creating something that you don't necessarily have to tell them, 'Oh I'm doing this because I want to see such and such.' But with this kind of show, I've had to share a lot more of the conceptual ideas with them because you can't play a concept you can only play and action."

Cast members agreed that Scott's directing style was new and challenging.

"Besides [giving me] a history lesson and showing me what a difference a translation makes, it's taught me it's only funny if you're playing your action," Conner said. "The audience only laughs at the reality of the situation. The more real it is, the better it is."

The cast really steps into their roles as cartoons. Everything in "The Mandrake" is extremely big and deliberate. And though the cast looks like they stepped off of the Cartoon Network on stage, it took them a while to build up to that level.

"At the beginning, we were like, 'Oh, no. What do we do? We have to break all the rules we've been taught,'" Nelson said.

The talented acting is what this show depends on and, for the most part, they work together remarkably

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well. Conner's boundless energy fuels the show and when he leaves stage for an extended period of time during the first act, there is a noticeable hole in the crescendo of energy.

The cast has developed a strong rapport with each other.

"How hard was it to get our rapport?" Ross said. "In one word: easy."

"In two words: really easy," Eyerman countered.

"The rapport was practically immediate," McNally chimed in.

Eyerman stands out as the in his portrayal as Lord Nicia. The lisping lost love child of Yosemite Sam, Richard Simmons and The Ladies' Man, Eyerman's disingenuous Nicia keeps the audience on its toes; Eyerman is a master of interpreting new, and almost always sexual, meanings in any line. But before

Eyerman accepts a Tony, someone should point out that the lisp is, at least partially, natural.

On the other side of the gender line, Kertez's Madonna Sostrada is an equally perverse character. Wearing a Raggedy Ann-style red wig and a bustle that would make J-Lo jealous, Kertez gives the slut you love to hate a new creepiness.

But the real standout this time is freshmen Mark Ross as Brother Timothy, the corrupt monk. Though blessed with the most interesting character in the script, Ross manages to do a lot with a little. During his numerous soliloquies, Ross keeps his body fairly quiet but musters a seductive intensity in his voice that keeps the audience transfixed. Ross stands apart from the rest of the cast; while they maintain the audience's focus by exuding more and more energy, Ross' quiet, spiteful reserve is fascinating and provoking on stage.

As usual with FTT shows, the natural talent and hard-earned skill of its cast is not met by the show's concept. Scott's cartoon style is intriguing at first, but it never pays off except in potty-mouthed humor. The actors use emphatic gestures and overblown facial expressions to push their caricatures to the audience and the cast entirely overuses the phallic references in the script. And though we all enjoy a good penis joke, Machiavelli's manuscript hasn't survived half a millennium because it was the Renaissance "American Pie." FTT leaves a wealth of content buried in script without ever trying to uncover it. It's a shame that the big laughs in this show come from pelvic thrusts rather than Machiavelli's ironic social

commentary.

But that's not to say that "The Mandrake" is not entertaining. The talented cast pushes the cartoonish humor hard and even the most cynical intellectuals will laugh at Eyerman's homoerotic slips or Conner's melodramatic intensity.

In the end, the cast overcomes the difficulties presented by the show's concept with sheer force of will. "The Mandrake" is certainly the best FTT production in the past two years, but that's not the highest compliment in the world. And while "The Mandrake" is entertaining, it is merely entertaining. It turns a blind eye to a much deeper and darker side of Machiavelli's comedy, sacrificing poignant social commentary for base albeit humorous penis references.

"The Mandrake" opened in Washington Hall on Wednesday and will be presented tonight at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday night at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 2:30 p.m. General admission is \$10; \$9 for senior citizens and \$7 for students. Tickets are available at the door or in advance. For reservations call the LaFortune Student Center Box Office at (574) 631-8128.

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Ligurio in disguise stages fake attack on Callimaco to attain their ends.



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Amanda Greco as Madonna Lucrezia, at left, is slowly persuaded by her mother to take Brother Timothy's advice.



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Junior Thomas Conner as Callimaco, at left, and junior Sean Nelson as Ligurio, at right, hatch a plan to convince senior Jeffrey Eyerman as Lord Nicia, at middle, to have another man sleep with his wife.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Giants jump to 2-0 lead over listless Cards

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS

Rich Aurilia, Jason Schmidt and the San Francisco Giants set down the Cardinals without much of a fight.

Aurilia homered twice, Schmidt pitched shutout ball into the eighth inning and the Giants shut down St. Louis 4-1 for a 2-0 lead in the NL championship series.

A day after the teams nearly came to blows in a noisy opener at Busch Stadium, there were no hostilities. Barry Bonds was quiet aside from overrunning a fly ball in left field, but the Giants didn't need their slugger as — for the first time in franchise history — they opened a postseason series with consecutive road victories.

"To come in here and win two games, you think about how many times we've been heartbroken in the bottom of the ninth in this park," Giants manager Dusty Baker said. "We had a number of heroes tonight."

Aurilia kept up his power surge with his fourth homer of this year's playoffs, connecting on Woody Williams' fourth pitch of the game. Schmidt made the lead stand up, helped by another key play from Kenny Lofton.

"It was probably my best game because of the circumstances," Schmidt said.

This Busch-whacking complete, the Giants headed home to Pacific Bell Park for Game 3 Saturday. Russ Ortiz will start for San Francisco against Chuck Finley.

"In one sense, it's a perfect setup for us," St. Louis manager Tony La Russa said. "It's been a hard year, this has been a hard start."

Only three times in postseason history has a team lost the first two games at home and

come back to win a best-of-seven series — it's never happened in an LCS.

"You come in here, probably at first, you look for a split," Aurilia said. "This is awesome."

Lofton, in the middle of Game 1's skirmish and booed because of it, caught a fly ball in short center field and threw out J.D. Drew at the plate to end the third inning.

Backup Ramon Martinez also made a neat contribution. After replacing Aurilia at shortstop in a double switch, he had a suicide-squeeze bunt in the ninth for insurance.

"It'll probably be five years before we call another one," Baker said.

The Cardinals finally scored on a pinch-hit homer by Eduardo Perez with two outs in the eighth. Robb Nen got four outs for his second save of the series.

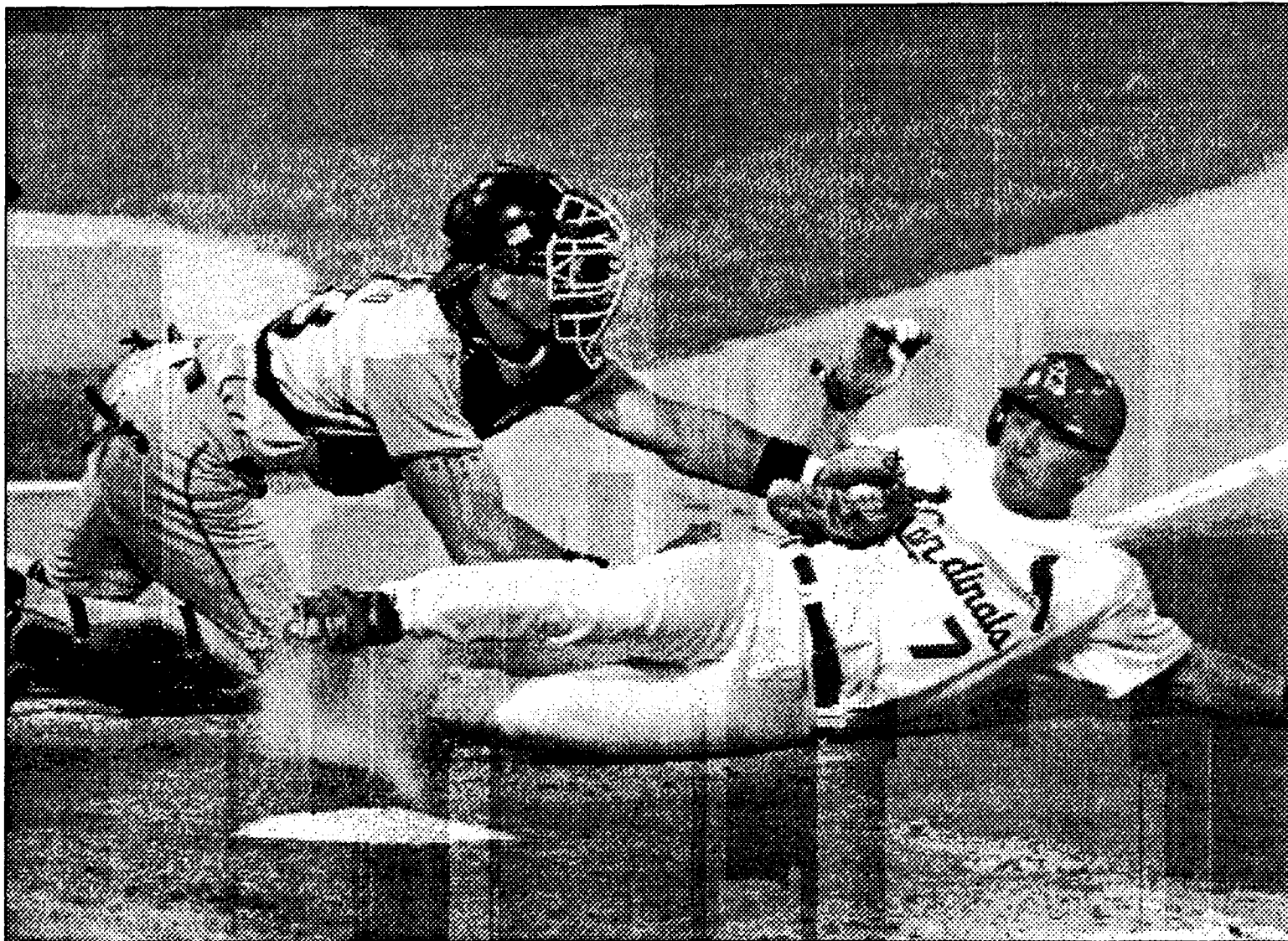
All was calm at the ballpark following Wednesday night's fracas. La Russa and Baker were each fined \$500, and non-roster players — many of whom left the dugout to join the pushing and shoving — were banned from the bench.

Umpire crew chief Randy Marsh, after talking with commissioner Bud Selig and other baseball officials, decided not to issue a warning to the clubs about inside pitches. There were no problems, either, dispelling thoughts that the rivals had become Arch Enemies.

Schmidt didn't need to buzz anyone to silence St. Louis. He gave up four hits and struck out eight, reaching 98 mph with his fastball. It was fine redemption for him, having lost to Atlanta this month in his only other playoff start.

Aurilia's big night was even more unexpected.

After hitting 37 home runs in 2001, he dipped down to 15 this season. Batting at the top of the lineup and mainly



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St. Louis outfielder J.D. Drew is tagged out at home by Giants catcher Benito Santiago with a chance to tie the game in the third inning. The Giants won 4-1.

ahead of Bonds, his drop-off hurt the Giants.

But Aurilia homered twice with seven RBI as San Francisco beat the Braves to win the opening round, and broke loose against Williams for his first two-homer game of the year.

The crowd of 52,195 got right into the spirit, jeering Lofton when he walked to the plate to lead off the game and cheering even louder when he flew out.

Lofton scored three times in Game 1, and the way he twisted out of reliever Mike Crudale's high-and-tight fastball in the fifth inning triggered the craziness. To Cardinals fans, his display made him Public Enemy No. 1 — coincidentally, the number

he wears for the Giants.

Aurilia was up next, and he quickly hushed the fans when he followed by hitting a high drive over the left-field fence.

Aurilia struck again in the fifth for a two-run homer with two outs. After Lofton struck out looking for the second time, Aurilia reached out — too far, it looked on contact — and still managed to loft a fly ball over the wall in left-center.

When the inning ended, Aurilia stood up in the dugout and got ready to go onto the field. Lofton came by and, with a big smile on his face, playfully pushed Aurilia on the upper chest with his right hand.

Earlier, Lofton made the biggest defensive play of the

game.

Drew opened the third by beating Schmidt to the bag for an infield hit, Mike Matheny singled and Williams sacrificed. Fernando Vina followed with a fly to shallow to left-center that Lofton caught, and his one-hop throw home beat Drew.

Catcher Benito Santiago made the tag and pointed his finger. Lofton and Bonds jogged off the field together, confidently.

"We were all yelling, including myself, 'Send him! Send him!'," La Russa said. "They made the pitch, they made the play."

Bonds went 0-for-3 with a walk. He struck out twice for just the fifth time in a game this year.

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NCAA

NCAA names IU's Brand new CEO

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

The NCAA hired Indiana University president Myles Brand as its president and chief executive, ending a seven-month search for a new leader.

Brand will assume his new duties Jan. 1 and his contract will run through 2007.

Brand, 60, has been president at the university in Bloomington since 1994 and was the man who oversaw Bob Knight's firing as the school's basketball coach in September 2000.

"I look forward to a very productive time at the NCAA," Brand said. "A lot of good activity is already in place, but I also look forward to being a change agent."

The NCAA interviewed 11 candidates for the position. Brand was one of three finalists interviewed by the NCAA Executive Committee. The NCAA did not disclose the identities of the other finalists, but said at least one was a minority.

The decision was unanimous, said Robert Lawless, chairman of the Executive Committee and president of the University of Tulsa. He said choosing a university president sends a message that the NCAA is interested in the academic success of student-athletes.

"He's a proven educational leader," Lawless said.

Brand said he would resign from his position at Indiana.

"I believe the IU community will be very surprised," he said.

Brand said he did not seek the NCAA position but was nominated for it and became involved in the search earlier this year. He said he did not know who nominated him.

Brand will succeed Cedric W. Dempsey, who is retiring after serving as president since 1994. During his tenure, the title was changed from executive director to president to reflect the NCAA's direction.

Dempsey announced in January that he would retire at the end of his term at the close of this year. The NCAA executive committee hired Baker-Parker, an Atlanta-based firm, to help screen candidates. The NCAA said there were 118 candidates for the position.

Lawless said the search committee did not make a recommendation to the executive committee among the finalists.

Brand gained national attention when he fired Knight after 29 seasons and three national championships at Indiana for violations of a zero-tolerance policy that university officials had imposed four months earlier.

A few months later Brand called for wide reforms of col-

lege athletics during a speech before the National Press Club.

Brand said then it was time to scale back the basketball and football "arms race" that he said has become a "threat to the academic integrity" of universities.

"We are not sports franchises," Brand said. "I do not want to turn off the game. I just want to lower the volume."

Brand called in his speech for "academics first" solutions, led by college presidents, to the problems of overcommercialization, poor graduation rates and questionable academic standards used for athletes.

Brand also suggested limiting the dates and times games can be played, the number of television timeouts and the amount of advertising permitted in a college arena, including on uniforms.

Brand went to Indiana from the University of Oregon, where he was president from 1989 to 1994. At Indiana, Brand served as chief executive of a Big Ten Conference school with eight campuses, nearly 100,000 students, 17,000 employees and a budget of \$3.4 billion.

He was chairman of the board of directors of the Association of American Universities and served on the board of the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

A-Rod gives some of his millions to Miami

Associated Press

CORAL GABLES, Fla.

Alex Rodriguez grew up near the University of Miami campus, spending nearly every weekend at Mark Light Stadium where the Hurricanes played.

He shagged balls, took batting practice and worked as a batboy — constantly picturing his name on the scoreboard.

Now it will be there forever.

Rodriguez, an All-Star shortstop with the Texas Rangers, donated \$3.9 million to Miami's baseball program. The gift, paid in annual installments over six years, will be used to renovate the stadium — which will then be called Alex Rodriguez Park.

"It's something I feel is a responsibility for me," he said. "The city of Miami has done so much for me in my childhood that it makes me feel really great coming back and helping out. This was my Yankee Stadium, my Candlestick Park, my Dodger Stadium."

The 27-year-old Rodriguez, who signed a record \$252 million, 10-year contract in December 2000, also vowed to return to the university and get a degree. Having already taken a few classes at a community

college, he hopes to graduate by age 35.

"It's one of my greatest goals, as important as being a major league baseball player," said Rodriguez, who hit .300 with 57 home runs and 142 RBIs this season and is a leading contender for the AL MVP. "A degree is something that is a great personal challenge of mine. I promised it to my mother."

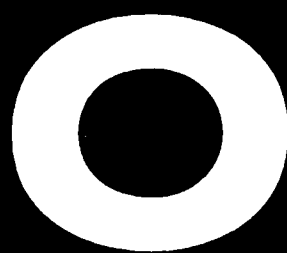
"And just because I'm a major league baseball player, I'm not going to let that get in the way of going to college and getting my degree."

Rodriguez's gift also will be used to fund an annual scholarship to Miami for a member of the Boys & Girls Club of America.

Rodriguez signed with Miami out of nearby Westminster Christian High and came close to playing for the Hurricanes — about 50 feet to be exact.

He was on campus, walking to his first class in fall 1993, when a Seattle Mariners scout stopped him just before he got to the door. The Mariners had drafted Rodriguez with the No. 1 overall pick in the June draft and offered him a \$1 million contract.

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NFL

Cleveland defense in shambles

Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio
Forget Tim Couch's bruised ego, the Cleveland Browns' primary concern is a depleted and damaged secondary.

Safety Robert Griffith will be sidelined 4-to-6 weeks with a broken bone in his right shoulder, the latest blow to a defensive backfield that could be missing three starters this Sunday against Tampa Bay.

Cornerback Corey Fuller and safety Devin Bush are also nursing injuries.

Griffith initially hurt his shoulder while tackling Tennessee's Eddie George in Week 3, but the 31-year-old played the next two games despite lingering soreness.

Doctors thought he had only sprained his shoulder joint, Griffith said.

However, early in Sunday night's loss to Baltimore, Griffith said his shoulder worsened after hitting Baltimore running back Jamal Lewis, and the pain became unbearable after he made a tackle in the second quarter.

"My whole arm just felt like it had no strength in it," Griffith said. "I knew it was going to be a tough game for me. It went numb for a while and I knew then that I wasn't going to be effective and help the team. So I took the pads

off."

Griffith said he underwent his third MRI exam in three weeks on Monday, but nothing unusual was detected. Only after the nine-year veteran had a CAT scan performed did doctors discover a hairline fracture of the chromium bone in his shoulder.

"They said 4-to-6 weeks so we'll see," said Griffith, who the Browns listed as questionable on Wednesday. "I'm normally a quick healer, so I'm doing everything I can possibly do and we'll go from there."

Browns coach Butch Davis blamed "a clerical error" as the reason Griffith was given a 50-50 chance of playing on Wednesday. He said Earl Little will start at one of the safety spots.

The Browns may also be without Bush (pulled groin) and Fuller (torn hamstring) for Sunday's game at Tampa Bay. Both players practiced on Thursday, and remained listed as questionable on the latest injury report.

Bush got hurt during the first half of Sunday's loss to the Ravens, and said it was difficult to run after halftime.

Fuller was inactive last week after getting injured during the Sept. 29 game at Pittsburgh. Fuller, who was replaced by an ineffective Anthony Henry last week, said

he heard something pop behind his knee.

The hard-hitting Griffith signed with the Browns as a free agent in March after eight seasons with Minnesota. Cleveland was desperate for a big hitter to help the run defense, and so far Griffith has been just that.

And although he's hurting now, Griffith said the injury will not change his aggressive style.

"That's what everybody wants to say, but I've been playing like this my whole career," Griffith said. "What am I going to do? Am I going to change how I play? Not at all. Am I worried about being 31?"

"I feel like I'm one of the most physically in-shape people in this business. Things happen. I threw my body around and that's just what happened."

This is Griffith's second major injury in two seasons. Last year, he missed six games after breaking his leg during the opening kickoff against Chicago on Sept. 23.

"Before last year, I didn't miss a game in 90 starts," Griffith said. "I'm hitting big backs, and this conference is filled with big backs we have to face twice a year. But I'm not going to change the way I play because of the injury."

Johnson to start in place of Vick Sunday

Associated Press

FLOWERY BRANCH, Ga.

With Michael Vick unable to finish practice, coach Dan Reeves selected Doug Johnson as the starting quarterback for Atlanta's game at New York on Sunday.

Vick was optimistic after receiving treatment on his sprained right shoulder before lunch, but the pain worsened in passing drills. He shut himself down after 45 minutes of the two-hour workout.

"It wasn't getting any better, so I just quit throwing," Vick said. "It was starting to feel less stiff as practice wore on, but it kind of got sore again. I'm going to give it a night of rest and try to throw tomorrow, but I probably won't play this weekend."

Vick, who had to leave last week's 20-6 loss to Tampa Bay, remains listed as doubtful for the game against the Giants (3-2).

The Falcons (1-3) will wait until Friday to decide if Vick is fit enough to serve as the No. 2 quarterback. Rookie Kurt Kittner, a fifth-round draft pick from Illinois, was the emergency backup and did not play in the first four games.

Vick entered last week leading the NFC with a 101.1 passer rat-

ing, but he dropped to second behind Green Bay's Brett Favre after the Buccaneers held him to 4-for-12 for 37 yards. Vick, the NFL's No. 1 overall draft pick last year, is in his first year as a starter.

He is the only quarterback with 70 or more attempts who hasn't thrown an interception, but Vick has attempted only 89 passes. Vick was leading the league with 7.7 yards rushing per carry before Tampa Bay held him to 1 yard on one carry.

"We won't rule him out, but he won't start," Reeves said. "He needs to practice some in these two days, so Doug will start and we'll make a decision on whether he'll be two or three."

Johnson relieved Vick in the third quarter last week and immediately led the Falcons on a six-play, 43-yard drive to a field goal.

The Falcons went downhill from there. Johnson's last three possessions ended with an interception, the first of which Warren Sapp picked off and lateraled to Derrick Brooks for a 12-yard touchdown.

"I'm as ready as I've ever been," Johnson said. "I've been taking a lot of reps, and I feel like I know the offense better than I ever have."

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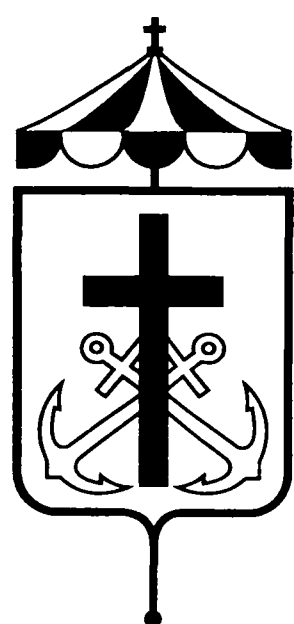
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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Pittsburgh keeping McClendon for 2003

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH Pittsburgh Pirates manager Lloyd McClendon will return in 2003 but will not be offered a contract extension, and all but two of his coaches were fired or re-signed.

The Pirates are 134-189 in McClendon's two seasons, but lost 11 fewer games than in 2001 and improved from last place to fourth place in the NL Central.

After McClendon and general manager Dave Littlefield met in Bradenton, Fla., during the team's annual organizational meetings, first base coach Tommy Sandt and catching instructor Russ Nixon were fired.

Hitting coach Dave Clark, one of McClendon's closest friends. Third base coach Trent Jewett and field coordinator Jeff Banister were offered other jobs in the organization. Jewett's position has not yet been determined, and he could return to the Pirates in some role.

Bench coach Bill Virdon, a Pirates coach on-and-off since the late 1960s and a former manager with the Pirates, Yankees, Astros and

Expos, stepped down at the end of the season to take a part-time job with the team.

The only coaches returning are pitching coach Spin Williams and bullpen coach Bruce Tanner. The Pirates' pitching staff made a significant improvement this season, lowering its earned-run average from 5.05 to 4.21 after adding starters Josh Fogg and Kip Wells and bringing back reliever Mike Williams, who set a club record with 46 saves.

McClendon said he expected all along to return.

"Our guys played hard," he said. "We were short on talent, but we haven't used that as an excuse. We played the game the way it is supposed to be played. We're heading in the right direction."

None of the moves was considered to be a surprise. Littlefield has made major changes in the organization since replacing the fired Cam Bonifay in July 2001. In his most recent move, he asked longtime scout and adviser Lenny Yochim to take accept a part-time job and a lower salary, causing Yochim to leave the Pirates after 36 years.

Pirates owner Kevin McClatchy was believed to

NCAA FOOTBALL

Hokies hang on against Eagles

Associated Press

BOSTON

Virginia Tech stayed unbeaten by doing what it does best — run the ball and force turnovers — and passed its toughest test so far.

The fourth-ranked Hokies improved to 6-0 for the fifth straight season as Lee Suggs and Kevin Jones both rushed for more than 140 yards in a 28-23 victory over Boston College.

"Basically, it was run it and pound it," Hokies coach Frank Beamer said. "For the overall goals of this football team, we need to throw it better."

That hasn't been necessary so far as Virginia Tech has averaged 240 yards rushing and the defense has produced 20 turnovers. The offense has committed just five.

The Hokies, second in the nation in turnover differential, needed three of them in or near the end zone to stop Boston College drives and win their seventh straight game against the Eagles. Virginia Tech had three interceptions against Brian St. Pierre and one fumble recovery.

"All in all, that's a good night against that defense," Boston College coach Tom O'Brien said of St. Pierre, who threw for 232 yards and was sacked once.

He also scored on a 1-yard run that made it 28-23 with 49 seconds to go. Then the Hokies came through again as Michael

Crawford intercepted the 2-point conversion attempt.

"They fought until the end," Virginia Tech safety Willie Pile said. "We were fortunate to come out with a win."

Suggs rushed for 154 yards and two touchdowns, Jones ran for 144 yards and one score, and the Hokies amassed 334 yards on 61 carries in their Big East opener. That was still less than their season high of 395 yards in a 47-21 win over Marshall.

The Hokies have only one game left against a ranked team, No. 1 Miami in the regular-season finale. Boston College (3-2, 0-2) already has lost to Miami.

Jamal Burke's 83-yard punt return 1:03 before halftime made it 14-7 and was the first touchdown in the first half against Virginia Tech this season.

"That was a big play," O'Brien said. "It got us back in the game. We were able to go in at half-time and say we stopped ourselves, they didn't stop us."

The Eagles tied it 14-14 on their first drive of the second half, moving 80 yards on 10 plays to Derrick Knight's 5-yard run, only the second rushing touchdown against Virginia Tech all season. St. Pierre completed all four of his passes for 70 yards on the drive.

"I don't think anybody's head was down," said Hokies quarterback Bryan Randall, who was 4-for-7 for 86 yards and a touchdown. "We all kept our poise."

We knew we had it under control."

The Hokies regained the lead, 21-14, on their next drive when Jones scored on a 5-yard run with 42 seconds left in the third quarter.

Sandro Sciortino's 49-yard field goal with 10:35 left in the game cut the lead to 21-17.

Then Suggs broke loose for a 27-yard touchdown run with 5:41 to go.

The game might have been closer had the Hokies not come up with those three turnovers deep in their territory.

In the second quarter, Garnell Wilds recovered Knight's fumble into the end zone for a touch-back, and Pile intercepted St. Pierre's pass at the goal line and returned it 43 yards.

In the third quarter, Boston College trailed 21-14 and had a fourth-and-6 at the Virginia Tech 32. But Vincent Fuller intercepted St. Pierre's pass at the 1.

"It was a tough night," O'Brien said. "We can't make the mistakes we made against a good football team and expect to come out on top."

The Hokies had taken a 14-0 lead early in the second quarter on Randall's 44-yard touchdown pass to Ernest Wilford and Suggs' 1-yard run. It was Suggs' 39th rushing touchdown, breaking a tie with Amos Zereoue of West Virginia for most rushing touchdowns in Big East history.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Twins enjoy current success despite future's uncertainty

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS

Enjoy Torii Hunter, Doug Mientkiewicz and the rest of these Minnesota Twins during their remarkable playoff run. They might not be together for much longer.

The next time some of the Twins' stars play on a national stage in October, they could be wearing New York Yankees pinstripes.

Without a new stadium that includes lucrative luxury boxes, or a new owner who's willing to spend some of his own money, many Twins players might be forced to look to baseball's big markets to get the salaries they deserve.

"This is a great moment for this team, and we ought to enjoy it. With the kind of young club they have, they're going to have a lot of these moments in the years to come," said commissioner Bud Selig, whose attempt to eliminate the Twins during the offseason was blocked in court.

"The question is, how long can they keep those players?"

General manager Terry Ryan and his staff have done an impressive job developing the young talent that has the Twins tied after two games in the AL championship series against the Anaheim Angels.

The Twins' players have been developed through the draft, picked up as minor league free agents or acquired in smart trades — like the one that brought shortstop Cristian Guzman and lefty Eric Milton from the Yankees for Chuck Knoblauch in 1998.

The only major league free agent on the roster is reliever

Mike Jackson, who signed a \$500,000 contract during the offseason — far less than the multimillions some teams pay out.

If this year's postseason has proved anything, it's that a big payroll isn't necessarily the key to winning.

In the first round, the team with the smaller payroll won every series. While big spenders like the Yankees and Mets, Arizona, Atlanta, Texas, Los Angeles and Boston are home watching, the Twins are three wins away from their first pennant in 11 years.

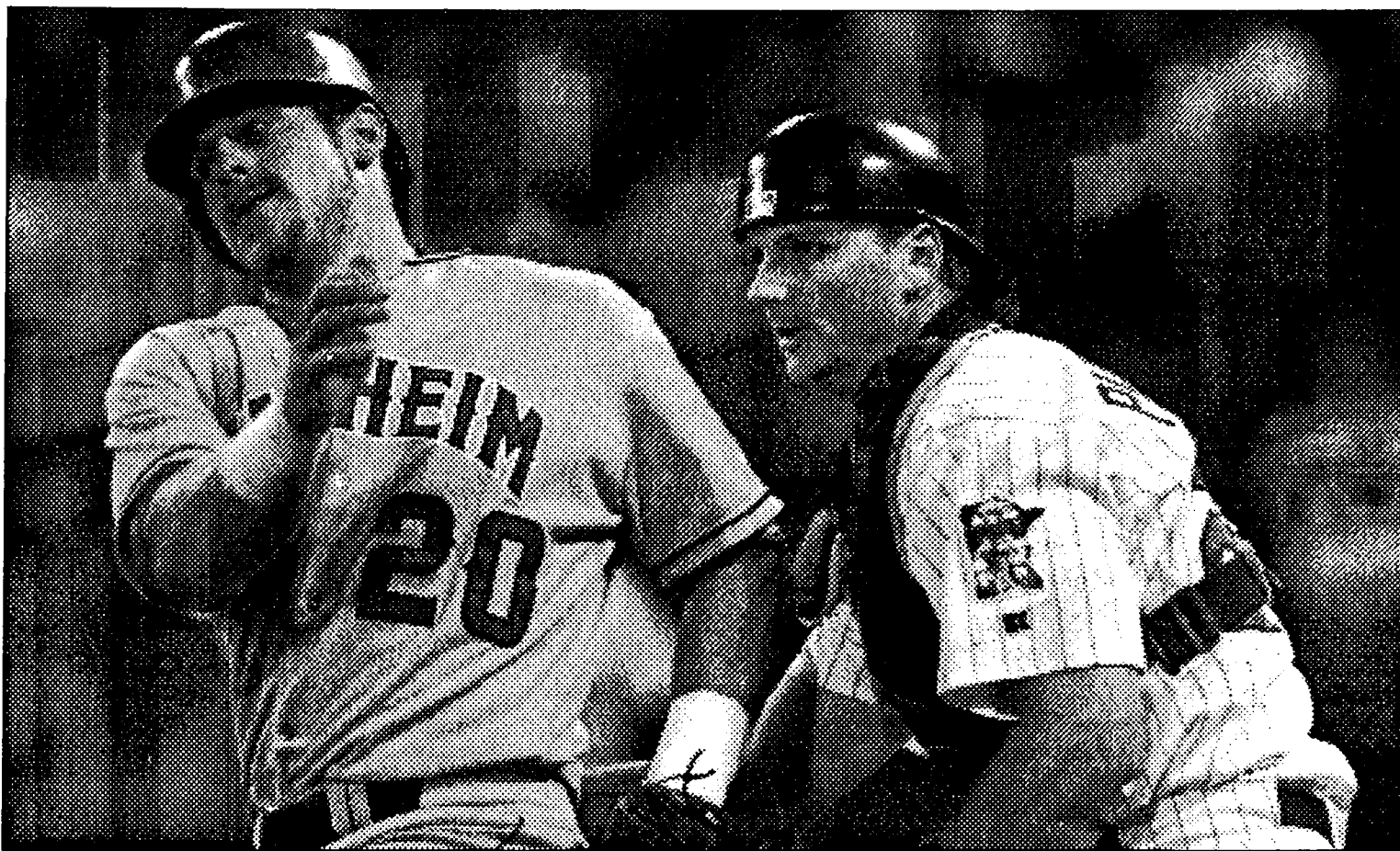
"I think it's great for baseball, but I think also it shows that if you use your resources wisely, you can build a team that can contend," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. "We've certainly done it. The Twins have done it."

"I think the challenge is not so much keeping them together for one year or building them, it's keeping them together for a period of time so you can really reap the fruits of the team. And that's being perennial contenders."

That's where things get difficult for Minnesota.

While none of their key players will be eligible for free agency until after the 2004 season, the Twins will have some difficult decisions to make in salary arbitration this winter.

Hunter, Mientkiewicz, Jacques Jones and A.J. Pierzynski will be eligible for arbitration this offseason. It will cost much more than \$3.25 million — the amount the four made combined this season — to keep those players in Minnesota, sparking speculation that Mientkiewicz or Jones could be dealt to cut costs.



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Minnesota's A.J. Pierzynski tags out Anaheim's Brad Fullmer in Game 2 of the ALCS on Oct. 9 in Minneapolis. The Angels defeated the Twins 6-3 to tie the series 1-1.

"I don't want to go anywhere," Mientkiewicz said. "We have a lot of special individuals. The reason we didn't want to get contracted is because we have great guys in this room, from the general manager to the equipment manager."

"Small-market teams can compete, it's just a matter of for how long. We'll see if we can keep this team together."

The Twins began the season with the 27th-highest payroll in baseball, at about \$40.2 million — less than one-third of what the Yankees paid their players.

While increased revenue sharing and a postseason run should make Minnesota more money and boost the season-

ticket base for 2003, the Twins aren't sure how much they will be able to expand their payroll.

Plans for a new stadium have stalled in the state legislature, and no potential buyer for the team has been found.

"We aren't thinking about next year yet," team president Jerry Bell said. "A lot of it will depend on how far we go into the playoffs and what effect the new revenue-sharing plan will have. We just want to enjoy this run right now."

Losing players doesn't always lead to losing games. The Oakland Athletics, who have become the model of small-market success, tied with the Yankees for the most wins in

the majors this season (103) despite losing slugger Jason Giambi, leadoff hitter Johnny Damon and closer Jason Isringhausen to free agency.

But despite their success over the past three years, the A's haven't been past the first round of the playoffs during that time. They lost to Minnesota in five games this season.

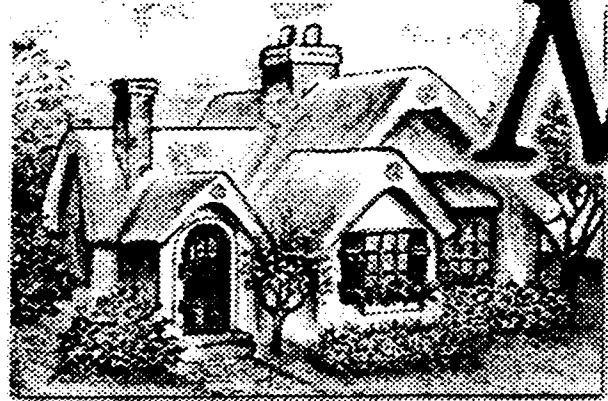
"It wears on you that you put out a product, but you can't do more to improve it," A's general manager Billy Beane said.

The Twins, who play in baseball's weakest division — the AL Central — don't need many improvements to play in October again next season. What they need is to keep the core of the team together as they blend in some of their talented prospects.

"We're not like the Marlins, who went out and signed all those free agents and won the World Series. These are all homegrown players," Twins infielder Denny Hocking said. "We're stocked in the minor leagues with talent. We're not going to just disappear. ... Our payroll is not going to jump from \$40 million to \$80 million, but we are going to be able to compete."

The question is, for how long.

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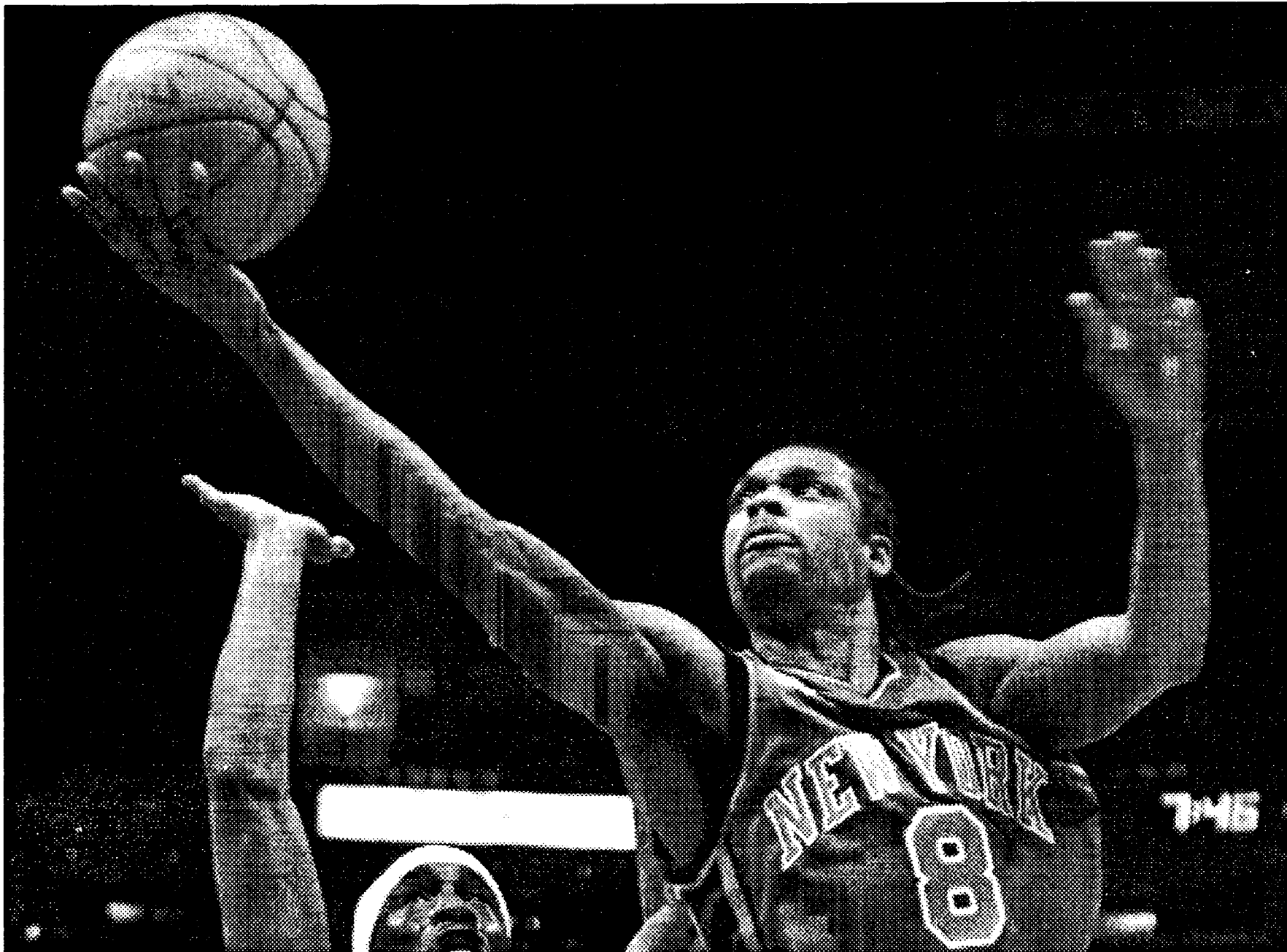
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NBA



New York's Latrell Sprewell goes up for a layup in NBA play last season. Sprewell broke his wrist earlier this year, failed to report the injury to his team and was subsequently fined \$250,000 by the Knicks.

Sprewell appeals fine for hiding injury

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Latrell Sprewell filed a formal appeal Thursday with the New York Knicks over his \$250,000 fine, the latest step in a process that could take more than two months to resolve.

In a letter from union director Billy Hunter to Knicks president Scott Layden, Sprewell and the union said "We hereby grieve the discipline in connection with article 31, section 9 of the collective bargaining agreement."

Sprewell was fined for failing to report an injury to the Knicks in a timely man-

ner. He injured his right hand when he slipped and fell aboard his yacht in early September, but the Knicks didn't find out about it until the day before training camp opened Oct. 1.

Sprewell contends the fine was unwarranted because he did not realize the seriousness of his injury. He also will argue that the fine was excessive.

"In most instances a case of this magnitude, it could take six to 10 weeks. At the end of the hearing or after final briefs are submitted, the arbitrator has 30 days to render a ruling," union spokesman Dan Wasserman said.

Arbitrator Roger Kaplan will hear Sprewell's appeal.

Under collective bargaining rules, the \$250,000 must be placed into an interest-bearing escrow account until the case is settled.

Sprewell's fine is believed to be the largest ever imposed by a team against one of its players.

Sprewell remains banished from the team, although he is in contact with the Knicks' medical staff regarding his recovery from surgery to repair a broken bone below his right pinkie.

The locker Sprewell has occupied for the past four

seasons did not have his nameplate above it prior to New York's game against San Antonio on Thursday night. Instead, the space was occupied by journeyman center Todd Lindeman.

Shandon Anderson started in Sprewell's small forward spot, hoping to improve on his poor performance in the Knicks' defeat against Boston on Tuesday in the exhibition opener. Anderson had a shot blocked and committed two turnovers the first three times he touched the ball, finishing with four points, one assist and four turnovers.

IN BRIEF

Authorities not fearful of attacks at Redskins game

Although Washington-area residents are on edge because of a recent string of sniper shootings, police aren't saying much about security plans for Sunday's Redskins game.

The Redskins play the New Orleans Saints in a game that's expected to draw more than 80,000 people, including thousands of tailgaters. FedEx Field in Landover, Md., is less than 10 miles from a Bowie, Md., middle school where a 13-year-old boy was shot and wounded Monday.

Seven people have been killed and two wounded in the weeklong shooting spree. "Security measures will be in place, but I can't say what they will be," said Cpl. Joseph Merkel, a Prince George's County, Md., police spokesman.

He added that fans are not being asked to refrain from tailgating or to alter their game day routine.

"I'm not aware of any new policies

that are in place or that we're asking anyone to do anything different," he said.

Defensive tackle Dan Wilkinson said he was concerned.

"It raises a tremendous amount of concern," Wilkinson said. "I'm worried about one person at the gas station. Eighty-thousand fans, that's heaven for this lunatic out here."

Stars' Arnott placed on injured reserve

Center Jason Arnott, who was hurt shortly after being acquired from New Jersey last season, was placed on injured reserve Thursday by the Dallas Stars because of a sprained right ankle suffered early in the season-opening tie against the Colorado Avalanche.

Jon Sim, one of the last cuts in training camp after having four goals in five preseason games, was recalled from the Utah Grizzlies.

Arnott was hurt during the first period Wednesday night when

Avalanche forward Vaclav Nedorost dragged him down near the Colorado goal. He'll be out of the lineup 10-14 days and will be re-evaluated then.

Tigers hire Trammell

The Detroit Tigers know Alan Trammell was the popular choice to be their next manager. More importantly, they're also convinced he was the right choice.

"People don't come to your games to see your manager," Tigers president and general manager Dave Dombrowski said Wednesday after signing the former star shortstop to a three-year contract. "But if your manager makes your team perform better and conduct itself better on and off the field, then people will show their support."

"I can understand why some people will feel that this was based on Alan's popularity here. But really, we could not afford to make this decision based on that because we need to right this ship."

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INTERHALL FOOTBALL

Farley blown out, but have good time

By ERIN CARNEY,
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Sports Writers

Anyone who walked onto Stepan Field Thursday might have been a little confused. The Farley-Breen Phillips game was an event not easily forgotten.

Breen-Phillips blew out Farley 30-0, yet the score wasn't the only focus of the game. The Finest were decked out head-to-toe in everything but football gear. Coach Mike Krish, sporting a coon hat and ski goggles, kept up the motivational comments even to the referees while James Gieselmann encouraged the players in tight plaid pants and a purple sparkly boa.

It wasn't just the coaches with the spirit — all of Farley had their own "makeshift" outfits. The girls had everything from wacky pants to track shorts with mismatched socks.

"It was our last game, we had to have a good time," sophomore receiver Kate Brady.

The actual football game was not a blowout exactly. Farley was optimistic starting the second half, only down by one touchdown.

Yet Babes quarterback Atasha Potter dominated the field, throwing two touchdowns to Lauren Ohlenforst.

The Babes, focused on the playoffs, let Farley gain momentum halfway through the second half. The Finest might have scored a touch-

down but a motion penalty denied them. The penalty doubled when the Finest coaches had words with the referee.

Yet the cute outfits must have paid off, because no sooner had the referees moved the ball back, Farley quarterback Katie Popik threw a pass which deflected off the Babes defense and settled into the arms of Brady. Farley was merely 20 yards from the end zone, with desire in their eyes.

"We [BP] have to get into it on defense, we can't let the ball bounce off of us, and especially not into their hands," BP coach Corey Timlin said. "... These gimpy plays aren't going to make it in the playoffs."

The Farley drive was cut short by a Kelly Landers interception, who returned it to the 10-yard line. The game ended quickly with a completion to receiver Chrissy Lavinger.

Welsh Family 35, Pasquerilla West 6

In their last flag football game at Notre Dame, Pasquerilla West seniors Beth Fruzynski and Jill Houghton made the most of their opportunities, as they each played both ways. Fruzynski, normally just a wide receiver, played lineman as well, while Houghton, normally a safety, played lineman and wide receiver as well.

"The seniors tonight showed really good stamina, playing both sides of the ball," Houghton said. "Even though we were disappoint-

ed, it was a lot of fun, and we had a good season."

The Purple Weasels came out from the beginning with nothing to lose. They ran numerous trick plays, including a flea flicker and an unsuccessful play that resembled a field goal without the kicking part.

However, Welsh Family (5-1) was too much for PW (1-5) to handle on Thursday night in the Whirlwinds 35-6 win.

They scored two touchdowns on the first plays of their opening two drives. By the end of the game, four different Whirlwinds had scored. Bethany Barker, Maggie Forester and Jenny Yee each had one while Alex Callan scored two.

Defensively, the Whirlwinds were able to overcome the sole touchdown of the Weasels with solid man-to-man coverage. They also had one interception. This convincing victory gives the Whirlwinds solid momentum going into the playoffs after fall break.

"We would like to continue the Welsh Fam tradition, with clinching another victory in the Stadium," Barker said.

It is no secret that Welsh wants to continue their three-year reign as champions, and they are confident in their chances.

"As always, we are the team to beat," Callan said.

Walsh 14, Badin 0

Thursday night Badin was able to hold off Walsh for the second time this year. The Bulldogs used their defense

in blanking the Wild Women 14-0.

Walsh's quarterback Carrie Campbell used the option to drive down the field often, but most of those drives ended in Badin interceptions.

"We would move down the field, but then they would intercept a risky pass," Walsh freshman offensive lineman Claire Hadley said.

Badin's defensive effort was led by a pair of Jenn's. Jenn Carter, a junior free-safety, had three picks and Jenn Craig also pitched in with an interception of her own. Not to be outdone by the defensive backfield, Badin's defensive line put pressure on the Walsh backfield all night.

The Bullfrog offense struck by air mostly, using plays such as the hook-and-ladder and deep streaks on the scoring drives.

With the win, Badin improved to 4-2 heading into the playoffs.

"They are going to be great playoffs," Carter said. "We are really excited."

Meanwhile, Walsh dropped to 2-4 with the loss. Yet, they remain optimistic about their playoff chances as well.

"Playoffs are always a new start," Hadley said. "We just need to concentrate more. Tonight was kind of a sloppy game on our part."

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BASEBALL

Gold takes series on runs

Special to the Observer

The Blue team's four-run first inning was not enough to win the Notre Dame baseball team's annual Blue-Gold intrasquad series, as the Blue won Thursday's battle (6-1) but lost the war — with the Gold capturing the series title thanks to its four-run edge in run differential (9-1, 7-6).

Sophomore righthander Tyler Jones — who saw limited duty on the deep Irish pitching staff last spring — had a strong outing to pick up the win, scattering two hits and three walks over four innings. Fellow sophomore Martin Vergara followed with three shutout innings, allowing three hits and one walk.

Freshman Ryan Doherty had a rocky debut, as the 7-foot-2 righthander was touched for four runs in the top of the first. He allowed one run over the next three innings, with his four-inning totals including nine hits, two walks, six Ks and 93 pitches.

Senior Mike Holba — who again played left field for a Gold team that fielded just eight position players — completed a strong all-around series, batting 3-for-7 with 4 runs, 3 RBI, a pair of doubles, a solo home run, two walks, two times hit-by-pitch and a stolen base.

Blue manager Brian O'Connor shook up his lineup for the series finale, with junior Javier Sanchez moving from catcher to shortstop, sophomore Geoff Milsom from shortstop to second base, junior Zach Sisko from second to third, freshman Steve Sweeney from third to first and freshman Steve Andres from first to catcher.

Freshman centerfielder Craig Cooper started the early rally by poking a full-count pitch into right field. Milsom then drove the next pitch in the left-center gap for a double and Cooper scored on a wild pitch before Sanchez walked on a full count. Senior rightfielder Kris Billmaier, Andres and freshman leftfielder Alex Netty added RBI singles for the early 4-0 lead.

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MENS BASKETBALL

Miller eager to see action after year on bench

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

All Dan Miller could do was watch every game from the bench. In street clothes. Virtually helpless.

He watched the team he played against every day in practice take the floor without him. He watched Notre Dame struggle through the middle of the season without him. He even watched the team he left, Maryland, win a national championship without him.

Now he's itching for the chance to make an impact.

"I think it's exciting for me and I'm really looking forward to it," Miller said. "A lot is being asked of me, and that's

what I'm looking forward to, I want that."

When Miller was looking to transfer away from Maryland two years ago, after having a less-than-stellar impact, he looked at the Irish. When Irish coach Mike Brey learned Miller was looking to transfer, he took a look at his own team.

Brey noticed a team that could be reeling after it graduated a trio of high-caliber seniors. He saw how the Irish might have trouble on the perimeter without Miller's experience.

Mostly, though, Brey took a look at Miller and decided he had to play for Notre Dame, even though Miller only had one year of college eligibility remaining.

So Miller sat out the NCAA-required one season for transferring to another school and helped the Irish improve each day in practice. Ryan Humphrey, who transferred from Oklahoma earlier in his career, helped Miller adjust to approaching practice even though he wouldn't play.

Quickly, Miller emerged as a leader, and Brey named him a captain even though Miller had been associated with Notre Dame for a little over a year.

"I think when you sit out a year, certainly it's a little bit of a clean slate," Brey said. "He's ready to attack his last go-around. When Ryan came in, he attacked his clean slate with vengeance, and I feel Danny is going in with a similar frame of

mind."

Miller brings a unique style of play to the Irish, a style that somewhat resembles Notre Dame forward Jordan Cornette's. While the 6-foot-8 Miller can hang around the basket and grab rebounds, he can also fall back to the perimeter and shoot long-range jumpers.

While his statistics with the Terrapins were merely respectable — he averaged 5.8 points and 2.6 rebounds per game over his three-year career — Miller's greatest asset to the Irish is his versatility and experience. And when Brey starts to think about how Miller matches up defensively with Big East opponents, he gets a huge grin on his face.

"Miller can guard anybody because he's played so much basketball," Brey said. "He can have a huge impact with his seniority and the little things he brings to the game."

For Miller's part, he's finally glad he can play for the Irish and have his stats count. His versatility enables the Irish to either have Miller crash the boards or hang out around the perimeter and stretch out an opposing defense.

"Sitting out a whole year and watching has given me a lot of drive," he said. "I think that's just made me a better basketball player and its going to help me in the long run."

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summers ago, when he stared at a team that narrowly missed making the NCAA Tournament, not one that almost knocked off a No. 1 seed.

"That is incredible, where we're at now," Brey said. "... Now our guys are talking about how can we get to that second weekend, and what they talk about has raised our bar amongst ourselves, our fans and nationally."

But there's a big difference from the first two Brey-coached teams and this year's version. When Brey took over in 2000, he had Troy Murphy and Martin Inglesby helping him through his

first season. When he entered his second year, Brey sought — and received — tremendous leadership from Ryan Humphrey, David Graves and Harold Swanagan. That amounts to a pair of first-round NBA picks and five solid basketball players Brey saw graduate under his watch.

Now, as the Irish gear up for another run at the NCAA Tournament, Brey stares at his team and notices a lot of youth looking back at him. The biggest challenge for the Irish this season will be how they compensate for their relative lack of experience.

Brey praised the work senior tri-captain Matt Carroll did in the summer helping organize practices and getting younger players acquainted to college basketball. Transfer Dan Miller,

guard Torrian Jones and Thomas will also be counted on to provide the leadership that comes with experience that the Irish are so desperately lacking.

"I think we just reload," Carroll said. "We've got some good talented young guys, and I think its our turn for Chris, Torrian, Danny and I to step it up."

Right now, the biggest question mark for the Irish comes on the inside. The graduations of Humphrey and Swanagan leave a gaping hole on the inside, and Notre Dame's most experienced big man is Jere Macura, who averaged a mere 11 minutes in the 17 games he played last year.

However, Brey said he has no problem plugging freshman Torin Francis into the mix inside. Managing Francis, Brey

said, will be a lot like handling Thomas last year.

"When I watched Torin walk around campus, he walked around with the body language Chris had last year," Brey said. "That I'm not really a freshman, I'm ready to go, you know what you need from me and I can do it attitude."

But even Francis' presence causes restless nights for Notre Dame's coaches. That's why the Irish say they'll count on their perimeter players to help balance their inside game.

On the perimeter, Notre Dame can rely on Carroll, Thomas and Jones. Brey also said Miller and Jordan Cornette, who are 6-foot-8, can pull their men outside and play along the perimeter. When Notre Dame throws freshman guard Chris Quinn into the mix, Brey feels pretty good about his backcourt.

"I slept okay when I thought about the perimeter," Brey said. "I lost sleep when I thought about who was going to replace Humphrey and Swanagan."

How well the Irish replace

their graduates will go a long way toward determining how good their chances are of returning to the NCAA Tournament. But Notre Dame is already reaping the rewards of two successful seasons under Brey.

Just the national television exposure alone — the Irish are scheduled to play 10 regular-season games on national television — shows how far Notre Dame's basketball program has come. When Notre Dame's head coach met an ESPN network executive earlier this year, Brey thanked the executive for putting the Irish on the schedule. According to Brey, the ESPN guy said, "You played your way on."

"We're really in the rockpile now," said Brey, drawing on an analogy a sportswriter used last year to describe Notre Dame's resurgence. "And every now and then you can emerge and go. We want to see if we can be even more special than the rockpile."

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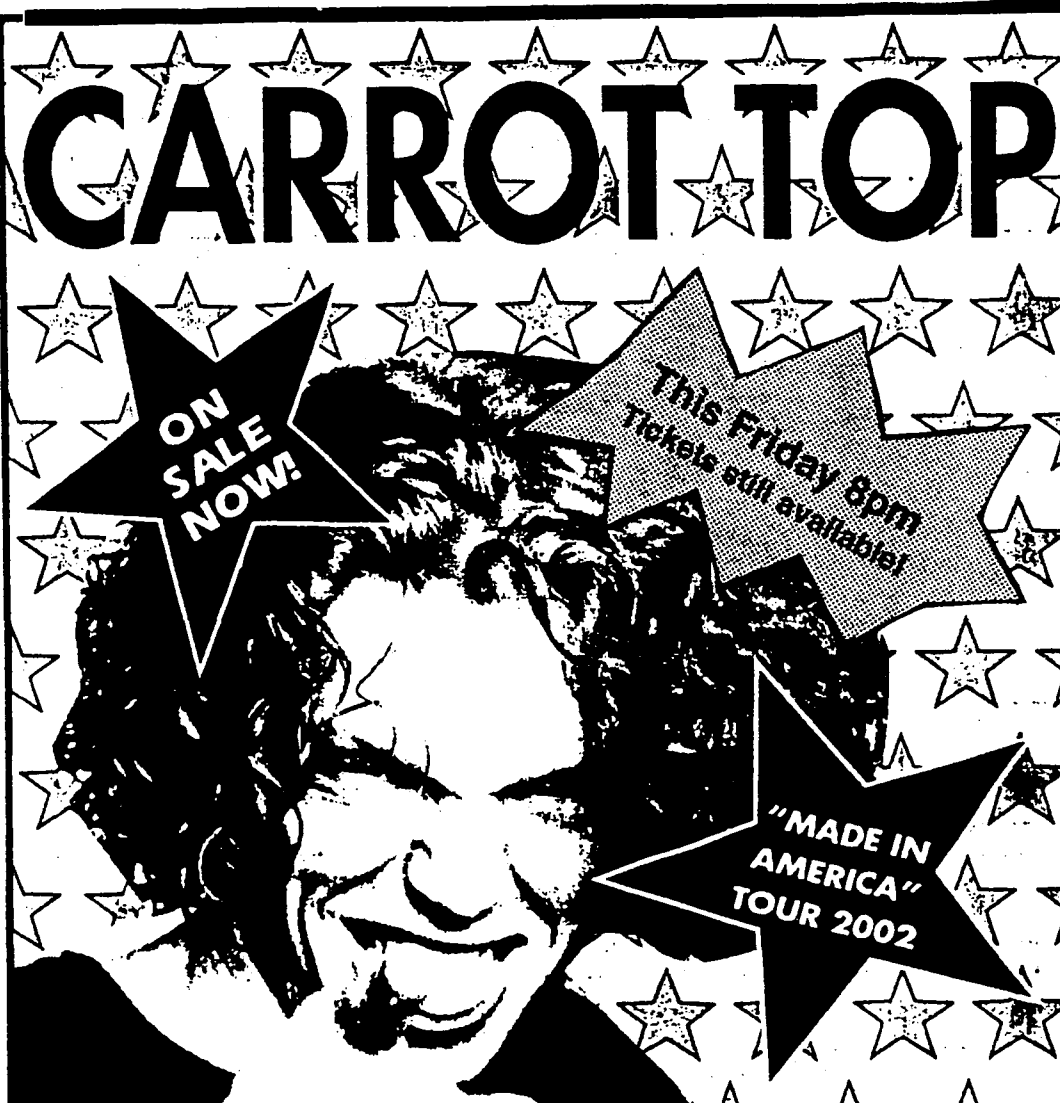
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ND WOMENS BASKETBALL

Flecky steps it up in Europe over summer

By JOE HETTLER
Associate Sports Editor

Ask anyone on the womens basketball team who the most improved player was during the squad's trip to Italy over the summer and the same name always comes up — Katy Flecky.

"I think we saw in Italy that Katy Flecky is one who really stepped up in terms of her leadership and in terms of her playing ability," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. "She really has made the most improvement."

Flecky doesn't say much about her play. She'd rather talk about the team's new offense or how well they all get along on and off the court.

"It's totally a different team this year than what we had last year, even though we only grad-

uated one," Flecky said. "We have the new freshman class and they're going to be really good and just our team chemistry is so different that it was last year and it's a huge change for the better. I think that's going to be a huge asset for us. It's going to help us out. We're very close, like sisters."

But Flecky's play on the court has turned some heads and her teammates have noticed improvement from her freshman year.

"She's just worked harder over the summer and got herself where she's running the floor well and she's very versatile at both guard and post and that really helps out the team at both positions," senior Le'Tania Severe said. "We know that we can rely on her and also it helps us with our running game. With

her running the floor like she is, it's going to really help us."

Last season was frustrating and rewarding at the same time for Flecky. She was nagged by injuries throughout the year and struggled somewhat in adjusting to college life and basketball. But when freshman Jacqueline Batteast got injured mid-season, Flecky was given more playing time and made her mark for the young Irish. By season's end, Flecky had played in 27 games, averaging 4.9 points and 3.3 rebounds per game. She tallied 12 points and a career-high ten rebounds against St. John's and added a career-high 14 points against Georgetown. Flecky was also named Big East Rookie of the Week for her play during the week of Feb. 18-25.

"[Flecky] had a number of injuries throughout the year that

took her in and out of the lineup at times," McGraw said. "She didn't come to summer school and I think it took her a little longer to adjust to life as a college student. Then when Jackie got hurt she jumped into the starting lineup and really started to grow at that point and then heading into this year she really had a great summer."

Notre Dame will run the Lakers triangle style of offense this season, which should give Flecky more opportunities to shoot perimeter shots. By taking more outside shots, Flecky takes pressure off shooters like Alicia Ratay and opens up the offense for the Irish.

"Katy has done an awesome job in transitioning to improve on her outside game," sophomore Kelsey Wicks said. "She's taking people off the dribble-

drive, she's shooting the three. She's just improved in a lot of areas. It just adds a new dimension. Whenever a player expands her capabilities on the court it opens up options for everyone else because they're so much tougher to guard so the other team has to make adjustments."

Flecky said the whole team, especially the five sophomores, know what to expect this season and that should make a significant difference when games begin.

"This year is going to be a lot easier adjustment," Flecky said. "We are a different team, but it's not as new for us and we know what to expect at practice and how to manage our time."

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new offensive scheme. Last season Notre Dame struggled to find an offensive scheme that was consistently effective. This year, they're trying the triangle.

During their summer trip to Italy, the Irish began to install a new triangle offense that's similar to the offense the Los Angeles Lakers use. They figure, why not?

"If it worked for the Lakers," sophomore Kelsey Wicks said, "it should work for us."

"If [the triangle offense] worked for the Lakers, it should work for us."

Kelsey Wicks
Irish guard

Easier said than done. The offense is a mobile one, requiring that players are capable of reading the defense and locating scoring opportunities. Although the offense is still only partially installed, McGraw is confident the talent on her team is perfect for this kind of offense.

"We have just great perimeter players," McGraw said. "The key to that offense is having someone that can come and face the basket, and we have that in Katy Flecky and Jackie [Batteast] and Courtney [Lavere]."

The players say they're beginning to settle into the new offense, but that it's going to take a little more time before they're ready to showcase it.

"We haven't mastered it yet," said Batteast, last year's Rookie of the Year. "We're still learning it. So some of the basic stuff that we did, it worked really well with the team."

This new offensive scheme presents the same challenge to the Irish as last year's offensive schemes did

— execution. In the early-season games, the young Irish team had trouble executing, often turning the ball over and missing scoring opportunities.

With a more experienced team, but a more complicated offense, the problem of execution is one that still requires focus.

"I think just with every offense the challenge lies in execution, how well you perform," Wicks said. "I think it fits the strengths of our team very

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Muffet McGraw
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well and I think we're going to see a lot of success in it."

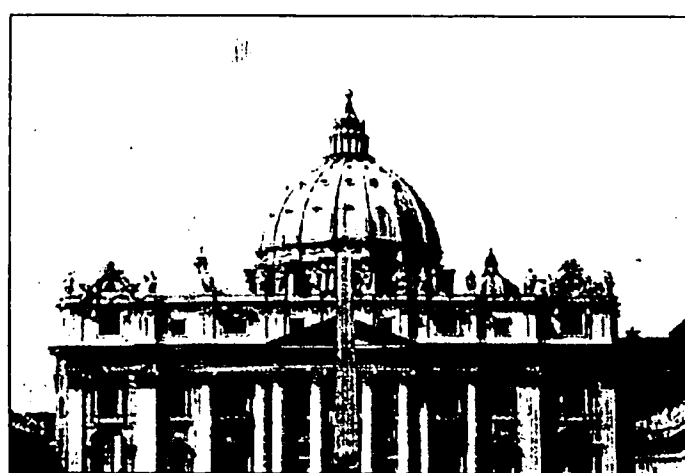
The Irish are hoping that the installation of this new offensive scheme will give them the push they need to move back into the national spotlight. After winning a national championship in 2000, falling in and out of the polls was disappointing last season. However, the Irish are hoping to turn last season's negatives into building blocks for a new team and a new season.

"I think we just want to look at what happened last year and transform it into a positive light and use it to motivate us this year," Wicks said. "We definitely have some fire behind us this year."

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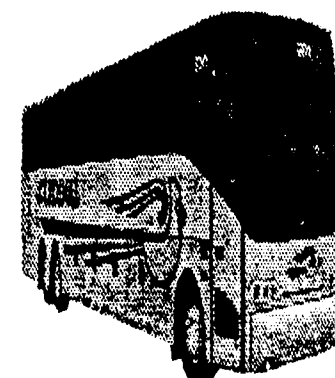
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ROWING

Rowers head back to debut race in Illinois

By CHRISTINE ARMSTRONG
Sports Writer

Four years ago, the Irish made their varsity rowing debut at the Head of the Rock Regatta, a 2.75 mile race, in Rockford, Ill.

On Sunday the team returns to the Rock with four years of experience, a 16th place finish in the NCAA's this past season and a confident group of hard-working rowers.

"For now, our immediate focus has become next weekend, when we will race at Head of the Rock. This should give us a good indication of where we stand for the end of our fall season, and expectations are high," Kathleen Walsh said. "Up until now we have been trying to build intensity and improve technically."

In that very first race, the Open Eight team, with a time of 16:21, finished sixth out of 24 teams. Two additional Notre Dame boats finished 12th and 16th. In the Lightweight Eight, the Irish finished with a first-place time of 16:57. The team also excelled in the Open Four with one boat having a third-place finish.

Notre Dame traveled to Pittsburgh and competed against top national teams such as Ohio State, Michigan, Michigan State and Boston University in their very first Head of the Ohio Regatta last weekend. Like the Irish, the Buckeyes, Wolverines and Spartans qualified for the

2002 NCAA Championships, while Boston narrowly missed an NCAA invitation.

The Irish won two races last weekend, including the open four. The open eight of coxswain Cassie Markstahler, Natalie Ladine, Ashlee Warren, Elizabeth Specht, Alice Bartek, Rachel Polinski, Erica Drennen, Kerri Murphy and Welsh took fourth place. Notre Dame also finished in third through sixth places in the pairs race.

"We saw the most competition in Pittsburgh that we have seen thus far this year," Welsh said. "This gave us a better idea of how much work we will need to do between now and the spring, when we will meet up with these teams such as Ohio State, Michigan and Michigan State again."

As evidenced by the team performance, the Irish are ready to take on the competition. The team is aiming high and expects further success.

"This weekend went well, we had a great team performance. The success of so many Notre Dame boats again speaks to the tremendous depth that our team has. It shows that we have many, really, good boat movers on our team, not just one or two," Murphy said. "We are looking forward to bringing home some gold."

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HOCKEY

Irish ready to open season

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Sports Editor

The Irish hockey team opens its season tonight against Minnesota-Duluth for a pair of games this weekend.

Notre Dame will hope to carry over the momentum that led them to the CCHA Super Six in Detroit last season. The Irish were only 16-17-5 during the 2001-2002 season, but ended the year on a 7-2 kick that carried them to the round of six in the Joe Louis Arena, where they lost 3-1 to Northern Michigan.

The Irish return to the ice in 2002 with nearly an identical

roster from last season. Notre Dame lost only one of its top 13 scorers, senior David Inman, who led the team with 19 goals and was second in points.

Minnesota-Duluth, on the other hand, will have to replace three of its top four scorers from last year. The Bulldogs return 16 letter-winners from a 2001-2002 squad that finished 13-24-3.

The Irish already have one solid victory under their belts this season, an 8-1 preseason win over the University of Toronto. Notre Dame racked up 61 shots in the match, getting half of that total in the five-goal third period alone.

Freshman center Matt Amado

tallied two goals in the game, while Connor Dunlop, last year's top scorer, had a goal and an assist.

Sophomore goalkeeper Morgan Cey, who earned a 15-14-3 record last season with a 2.72 goals against average, recorded two scoreless period in net, before being pulled for senior Tony Zasowski.

After Notre Dame's pair of games at Minnesota-Duluth, the Irish will return home next weekend for their CCHA opener against Western Michigan Oct. 18 in the Joyce Center.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Hornets sting Belles, 3-0

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Sports Writer

One stat stuck out for Saint Mary's Wednesday in MIAA play against Kalamazoo — .000. The Belles had 19 team kills and committed 19 errors for a hitting average of .000 in a 30-13, 30-17, 30-21 loss to the Hornets.

"We didn't have too many good opportunities for hits Wednesday," Belles setter Bridget Wakaruk said. "The

passes weren't so great, and if the passing isn't that good, we don't have opportunities to hit."

Middle hitter Elise Rupright led the team in hitting percentage with a .154, recording three kills and committing only one hitting error. Freshman middle hitter Shelly Bender paced the Belles with 6 kills.

Defensively, the Belles were more solid as three players — liberos Michelle Gary and Jenny Wilkins, and Bender — each had eight digs, holding Kalamazoo to a .221 hitting percentage.

The Belles return home tonight to play Adrian, third from the bottom in the MIAA with a 2-6 conference record.

"We're optimistic about the game and having a home court advantage," Wilkins said. "We know that wasn't our best game Wednesday, and we're ready to go out against Adrian and prove that we are better than that."

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INTERHALL FOOTBALL

Stanford and Morrissey battle for playoff berth

By JUSTIN SCHUVER, LISA REIJULA and HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Writers

By the end of Sunday, either Morrissey or Stanford will have three wins.

The Manorites (2-0) take on the Griffins (2-1) in a game that will virtually assure the winner of a spot in the playoffs.

At the approximate midway point of the season, both teams feel they have strengths and weaknesses.

"Our line really executed well and our offense just really clicked in our last game," Stanford captain Adam Oyster said. "We're still working on our blocking, picking up blitzes. That's something we've been struggling with all year."

The Manorites need to get their offense to be more productive to complement their impressive defense.

"We'd probably like a more balanced offense," Morrissey captain John Caver said. "I'd say we need to push it into the red zone and gain more yards."

"I think so far [our strength] has been on defense. We haven't allowed hardly any run yards in our games and our pass coverage hasn't been too bad either."

Each team will be coming into the game on a high note. Morrissey squeaked by Alumni 7-6 last week while Stanford shut out O'Neill 20-0.

Both captains realize that those scores mean nothing now.

"I know it's a game we're not taking too lightly," Caver said. "We don't know too many specifics, but we know they're a solid team and we'll have to play well to beat them."

"From what I hear, they're pretty disciplined," Oyster said. "Their defense is pretty good. It should be a good defensive battle."

Oyster was especially proud of

the way his defense performed in the O'Neill game, and said that he hopes to see the same intensity on Sunday.

"Anytime your defense gets a shutout it's a plus," he said. "That's the main goal on defense."

Caver was impressed with his team's defensive line against Alumni, especially defensive lineman Dave Esparza.

"Our line had a big game, and we're looking for them to have another good game [on Sunday]," he said.

Knott vs. Siegfried

The Knott offense will have its work cut out for them Sunday against the Siegfried defense. The Ramblers have yet to surrender a single point this season.

Last week Siegfried (2-0) beat Carroll team handily 41-0. Quarterback Bill Bingle, running back Tim Breitbach and receiver John Kaup led the offensive explosion for the Ramblers.

The emergence of Breitbach

has given the talented Ramblers yet another offensive weapon.

"Tim did a great job last week," coach John Torgenson said. "He is a really solid runner, very quick and an awesome complement to Bill [Bingle]."

Siegfried is looking forward to a very competitive game with its Mod quad rivals. Torgenson knows Knott (1-2) needs a victory to secure a playoff berth.

"They [Knott] have a tough passing game," he said. "Our defensive backs haven't been challenged all year. Knott has big athletic receivers, and I can't wait to see our backs in action against them."

Quarterback Ben Gilfillan will lead the offense, which welcomes the return of senior wide receiver John Smith from an ankle injury.

The Juggs' other starting receiver, Brian Price, is out for the season. Freshman Michael Peters, the only Jugg to score against Fisher, will start.

Smith and the other seniors are not ready for their interhall football careers to end. Smith, who was previously a member of the varsity as a receiver, said a good defensive effort is essential against Siegfried.

"They have a strong offense, so we want to keep points low and go from there," he said. "Our quarterback has been improving so we hope that continues and that the defense holds up."

St. Edward's vs. Fisher

Going into the final game of the regular season, both St. Edward's and Fisher are fired up and ready to go. Fisher has the momentum as they come off a 22-6 victory over Knott, while St. Ed's needs a victory after being shutout by Zahm last week.

These two teams are polar opposites when it comes to offense. The Green Wave run a high-powered offense behind wide receiver and captain Tom Gorman and his counterpart, quarterback Jimmy Costanzo. Costanzo has played well as of late, completing 10-of-15 passes last weekend, including a 25-yard touchdown to Gorman.

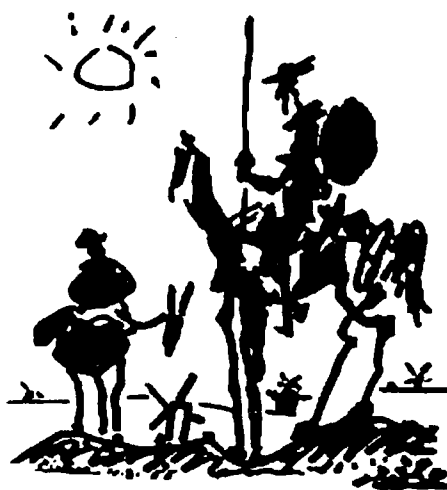
The Steds, on the other hand, rely on their defense to spark their offense. They have been shut out in their last two games. However, they look to build on the fact that only 6 points were surrendered to Zahm as opposed to the 20 given up to Sorin.

"We played a very good game last time out. It was hard fought and we played with a lot of heart," linebacker Jim Kleckner said. "This week we just need to play with that same determination and heart."

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MENS GOLF

Despite youth, Irish take on nation's best

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

Having a collective roster slightly greener than the course they will compete on, the young Notre Dame mens golf team will play in the Fresno State/Lexus Classic this weekend in Fresno, Calif.

With competition to make the five-member traveling squad fierce, head coach John Jasinski went with potential over experience in selecting his roster. The Irish lineup includes four freshmen and lone senior

Brandon Lunke, making it easily the youngest of the 16 teams set to tee off in the 54-hole tournament at the San Joaquin Country Club.

"We'll have the four freshmen, and just the one senior," Tom Hanlon, an administrative assistant with the team, said. "But I think the kids have adjusted well. They'll get stronger as we move along."

The quartet of which Hanlon speaks, is perhaps the most talented recruiting class in recent Notre Dame history. Scott Gustafson, Eric Deutsch, Tommy Balderston and Mike Baldwin, all highly touted junior level players, represent more than the future of the program. They're also the here and now.

While some might say the team is in over its head competing in such a high level collegiate event featuring some of the country's best teams and

players, including defending champion Nick Watney of Fresno State, Jasinski feels this weekend will be a valuable learning opportunity.

"I'm a firm believer that to be the best you have to beat the best," he said. "We're going to have to see first hand the high-level of play that some of these programs compete on if we're going to ever reach the ranks of the elite."

Significant improvement is necessary if the Irish are to compete with the nation's best. In their last outing the Irish finished ninth at the 14-team

Kansas Invitational, 41 strokes behind winner Baylor. Despite the distant finish, the Irish took with them some bright spots. Gustafson leads the team with a stroke-average of

75.00, and finished 17th at Kansas after firing a sizzling 69 in the second round, the best outing by a Notre Dame golfer this year.

Jasinski is acutely aware of the team's development. He wants his young team to improve by learning from some of the country's best.

Not only does the second year coach feel this group gives Notre Dame its best chance for a good finish, he knows that playing in events like this now will pay dividends for his green team down the road.

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MENS SOCCER

Slipping Irish attempt to slip a loss to high-flying Eagles

By BRYAN KRONK
Sports Writer

It doesn't get any more important than this.

Entering the home stretch of its Big East schedule, the Notre Dame mens soccer team seems headed in the wrong direction — down the standings. The Irish currently stand in the middle of the pack in the Big East, tied for sixth place with a 2-2-1 conference record, and a 5-3-3 overall record.

Meanwhile, the squad the Irish will be facing Saturday — Boston

College — is heading completely in the opposite direction, as the Eagles have won five of their last six matches en route to a 7-2 overall record, a 4-1 Big East record and a No. 15 ranking in the most recent NSCAA Coaches Poll. The Eagles currently stand alone in third place in the Big East behind conference leaders St. John's and Connecticut.

The Irish have won only one of their last four games — a 1-0 victory over Akron on Sunday — and have not scored more than one goal in a game since Sept. 22, when the Irish poured five goals in against Big East door-

mat Providence.

One goal from the Irish will likely not be enough to contain the offensive power they will meet from the Eagles in Chestnut Hill. Senior forward Casey Schmidt enters the match coming off his first career hat trick in the Eagles' 4-0 victory against Dartmouth Wednesday. Schmidt has already notched six goals on the season for the Eagles.

Offensively for the Irish, the high-powered offense seen early in the year for the Irish has faded, as leading scorer Erich Braun has not scored a goal

since the Irish victory over Providence. However, junior midfielder Chad Riley has been consistently dishing off assists, as he notched the assist to sophomore defender Jack Stewart for the game-winning goal against Akron on Sunday. Riley now has eight assists on the season, and has tied himself with Braun for the team lead in points with 12, as Riley also has notched two goals this season.

Despite the Irish's recent offensive struggles, the game is likely to be a high-scoring affair, as the Irish have scored 20 goals in their 11 games, while the

Eagles have scored 17 goals in 9 games.

The key for the Irish in the game is to take advantage of the Eagles' young defense. With two sophomores and two juniors protecting goalie Danny Caruso, the Eagles have allowed an average of almost 17 shots per game. If the Irish front line of Braun and Rafael Garcia can get quality shots off against Caruso, look for the Irish to put more than one goal on the scoreboard Saturday.

The game kicks off at 1 p.m.

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Freshman forward Katie Thorlakson takes the ball downfield during a 3-1 Irish loss to Purdue at Alumni Field on Oct. 8.

ND WOMENS SOCCER

Irish face key game at home against Huskies

By ANDY TROEGER
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame womens soccer team will be looking to turn its season around this Sunday when it returns to action against Big East rival Connecticut at Alumni Field.

The Irish, losers of two straight and four out of their last five, will be looking to come up big in their final push to qualify for the NCAA Tournament. With a record of 7-6 and only five games remaining, every game has become more crucial for the Irish considering they will not be participating in the Big East Tournament.

The Irish are also in the midst of playing four consecutive games against teams in the NSCAA National Rankings, and a win against the No. 8 Huskies would go a long way toward propelling the Irish into the NCAA's at the end of the year.

"This is a crucial must-win game for us," junior forward Amy Warner said. "We need to pick up a game like this for strength of schedule points to help with the NCAA's."

Notre Dame has not had a lot of success against the Huskies in recent years, dropping a game played in Connecticut last year, and playing to a scoreless tie two

years ago. Even though the Huskies are a Big East team, this game does not count toward the conference standings.

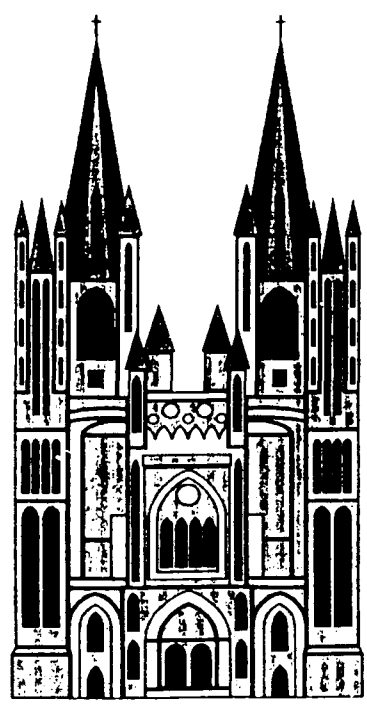
The Huskies come in with a record of 10-1-1, having won their last seven contests. Connecticut is led by sophomore Kristen Graczyk, who leads the team with 10 goals. The Huskies are in excellent position to win the Northeast Division of the Big East, needing only one win in their last two conference games to overtake Miami.

The Irish will be hoping to rebound despite continuing injuries. Senior captain Ashley Dryer returned to the Irish lineup against Purdue, but was only able to play less than ten minutes. The Irish lost another defender to injury when Gudrun Gunnarsdottir was sidelined after a collision late the Purdue loss. Junior Melissa Tancredi should return Sunday after sitting out against Purdue due to receiving her fifth yellow card of the season against West Virginia.

Despite the injuries and losses the team looks to be focused come Sunday.

"We can't give up any more games," Warner said. "Every game is a key game."

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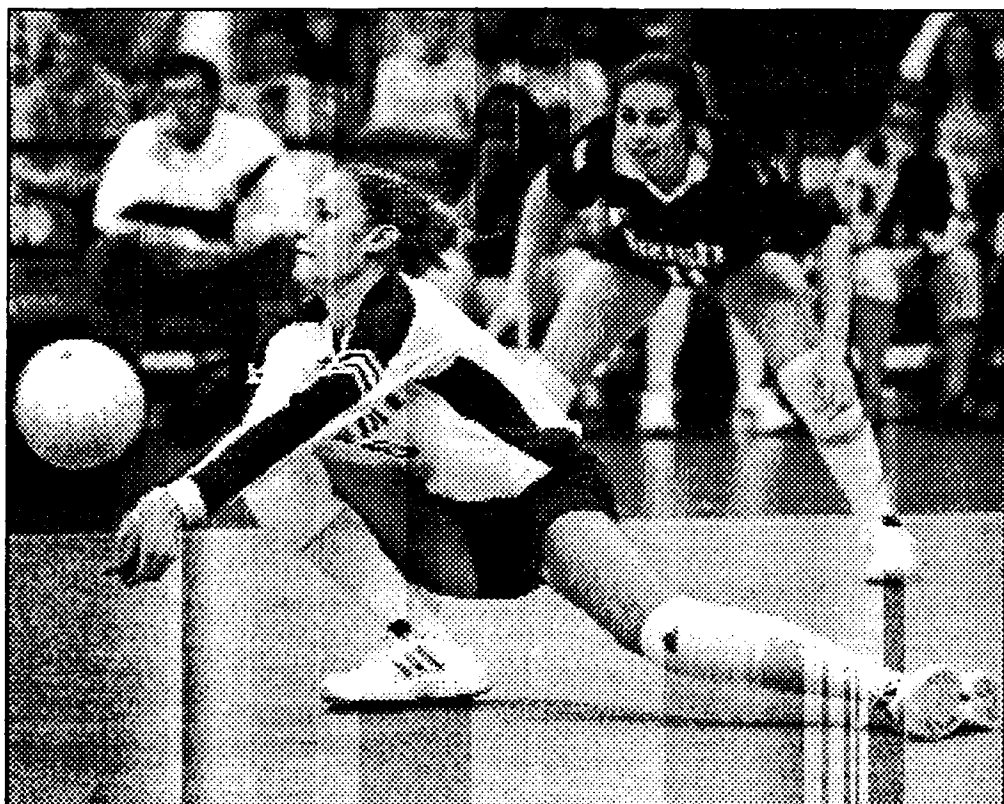
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Outside hitter Jessica Kinder returns the ball against Cal-State Poly at the Shamrock Invitational on Sept. 1.

Heading east, Irish face Hoyas, Wildcats

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

Building on last weekend's easy victories and maintaining the energy in facing two opponents at opposite ends of the Big East spectrum will be key for the Notre Dame volleyball team as they travel to Georgetown and Villanova this weekend.

Last Saturday, the Irish faced Rutgers and simply dominated the Scarlet Knights in game one winning 30-16. The next day, the Irish continued that domination winning game one against Seton Hall 30-14.

As the defending Big East champion, the Irish (13-3, 4-0 in the Big East) want to send an early message to their opponents, especially on the road, that they are the team to beat.

"We were playing Rutgers who had been one of the top teams in the Big East last year and we went knowing we had to play well to beat them," Notre Dame coach Debbie Brown said. "We talked about playing strong in game one to place a seed of doubt in the minds of our opponents."

Georgetown was the last team to beat Notre Dame and that win came in the 1999 Big East Tournament Championship. Since then, the Irish have won 31 straight conference matches.

In the 2001 Big East Tournament Championship, the Irish needed five games to defeat the Hoyas. This Georgetown team is similar to last year's edition.

"They are not a whole lot different," Brown said. "I think from their starting team they lost two outside hitters. They still have the starting setter, an outside hitter and both middle [blockers]. I think they have returned considerable experience."

Georgetown (11-7, 3-1) boasts the Big East's leader in kills and aces. Outside hitter Lauren Warner averages 4.57 kills per game and Natasha

Nguyen is averaging 0.83 aces per game. Irish outside hitter Jessica Kinder is second in the conference with 0.47.

Georgetown middle blocker Sara Albert was named co-Big East Player of the Week for her play last week. Albert recorded a triple-double against Miami with 11 kills, 11 digs and 10 blocks. The sophomore had 11 kills and 11 digs along with a .500 hitting percentage against Virginia Tech.

On Sunday, the Irish face a different challenge—avoiding a letdown. Villanova (9-12, 0-4) has lost seven straight matches and in its last five matches, Villanova has won only one game. The Wildcats have never defeated the Irish in 10 previous matches.

"What we talked to the team about is that it's a pride thing in doing the best you can each time you go out on the floor," Brown said. "We have intelligent players and we know we

are going to come up against a team that hasn't been as successful but we shouldn't approach that team any different."

"Our goals go way beyond playing Villanova. We have to make ourselves better each time we go on the floor to get out there and compete and improve so we can get to where we want to be at the end of the season."

Notes

♦ The Irish are first in the country in blocks averaging 3.79 blocks per game. Also, the Irish are now 30th nationally in hitting percentage and second in the Big East with a .265 team average.

♦ Middle blocker Lauren Brewster is 12th nationally and leads the Big East in blocks per game. Outside hitter Emily Loomis is eighth in the conference in blocks and kills. Lauren Kelbley is ninth in blocks and Katie Neff is 10th.

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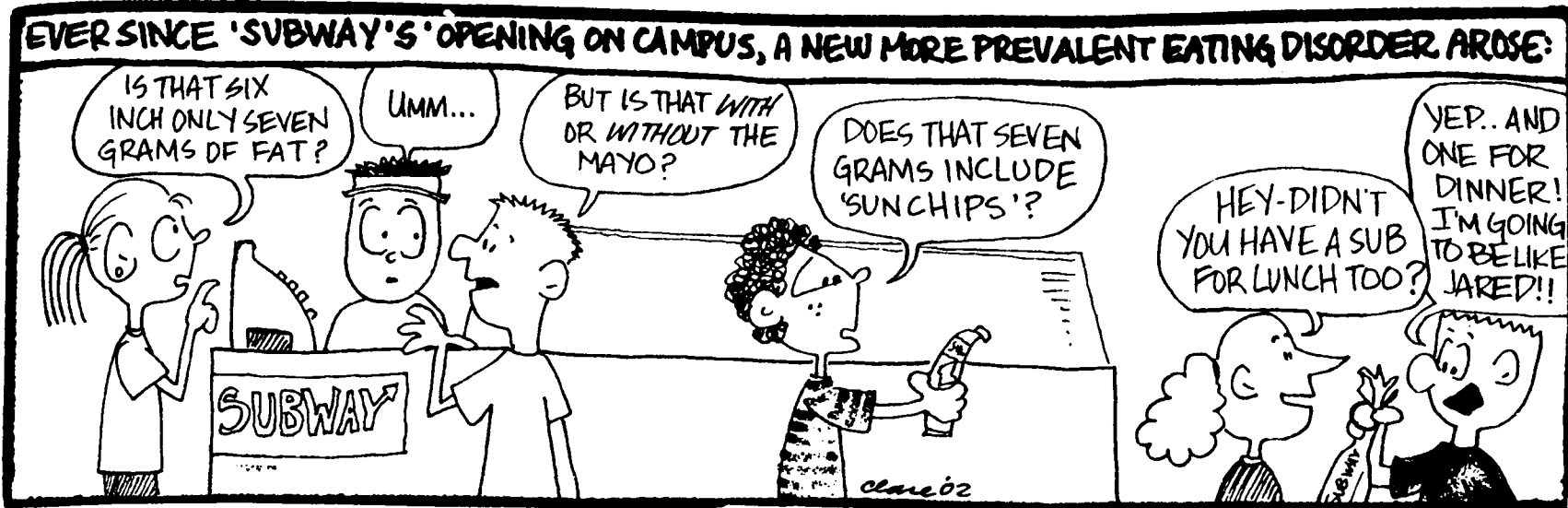
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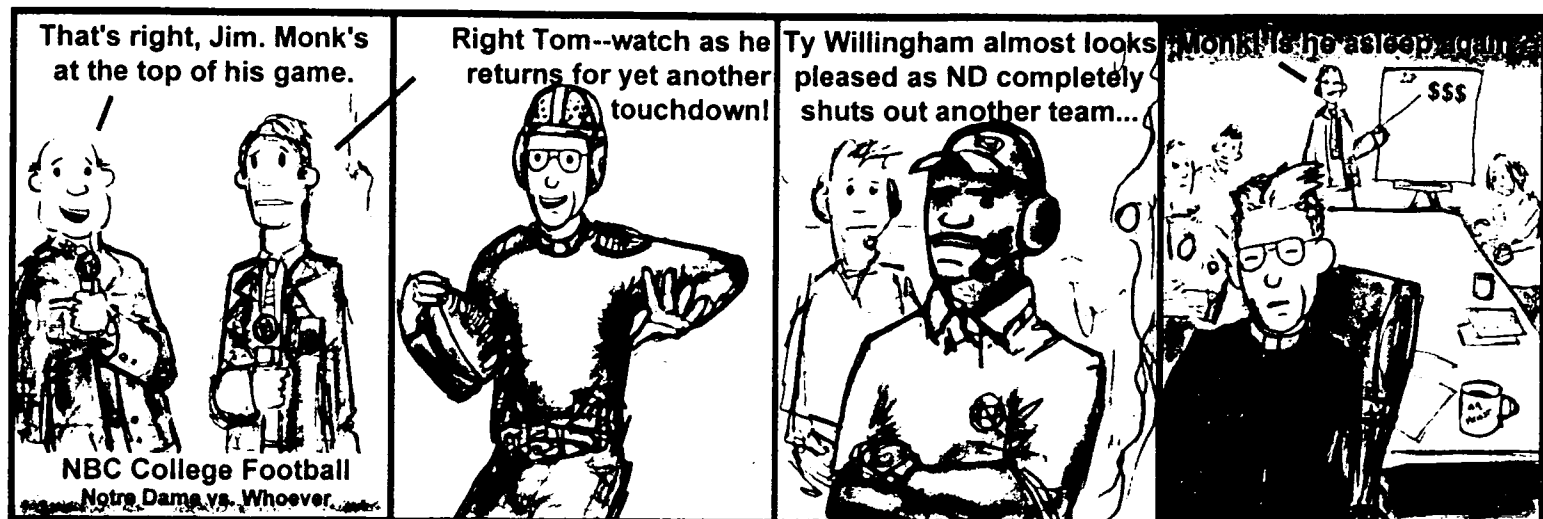
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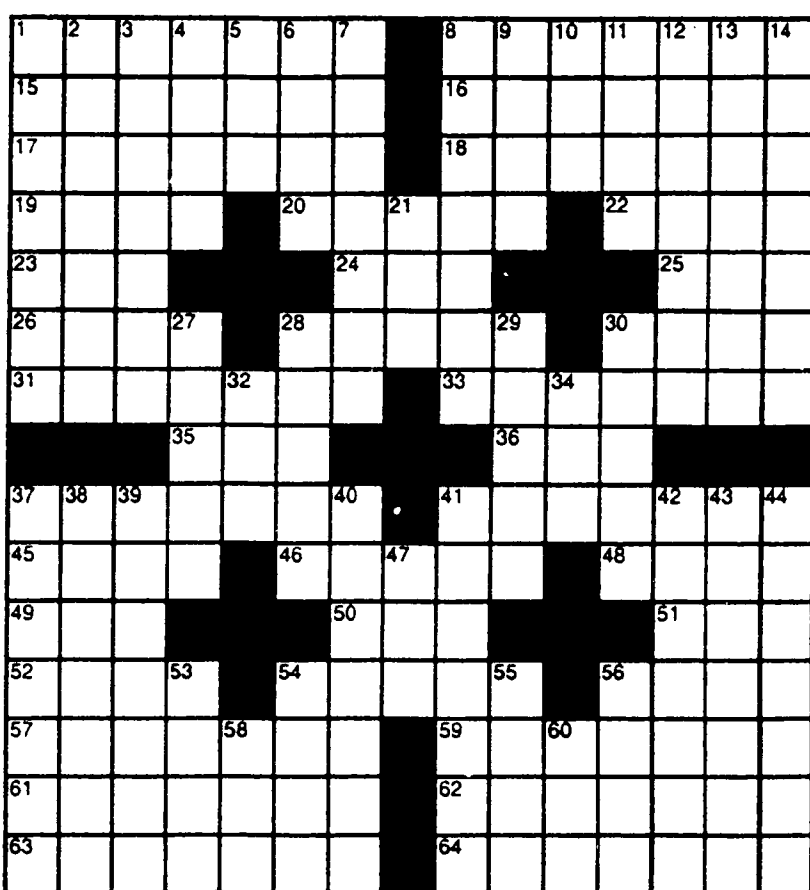
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 - 20 Burning evidence
 - 22 Searchers for a baby
 - 23 Self-examiner's query
 - 24 Harry Potter's Hedwig, e.g.
 - 25 Profs may employ them
 - 26 Some bills
 - 28 Cynic's response
 - 30 Be in need of air, perhaps
 - 31 Meshes with
 - 33 Cuts it out
 - 35 Self starter?
 - 36 The best man may be in it
 - 37 Kind of knowledge
 - 41 Least
 - 45 Not keep secret
 - 46 "___ Girls Go" (1948 musical)
 - 48 Series finales?: Abbr.
 - 49 At least six games
 - 50 "Told ya!"
 - 51 "Told ya!"
 - 52 See 58-Down
 - 54 Lots are seen in lots
 - 56 Saharan land
 - 57 Relate
 - 59 Aging agent
 - 61 One with a lot of pull
 - 62 August
 - 63 *They may be at the end of the line
 - 64 *Bad points
- DOWN**
- 1 Man, e.g.
 - 2 Ends, e.g.
 - 3 Improvement
 - 4 Topic of some 7-Down
 - 5 Abbr. on old maps
 - 6 Times when le mercure rises
 - 7 Service deliveries
 - 8 Imitated a witch
 - 9 It may be standing
 - 10 Rush attraction
 - 11 It may contain 10-Down
 - 12 Recital numbers
 - 13 Polished
 - 14 Cruel bunch
 - 21 What borrowers do
 - 27 Indian title
 - 28 Junipero ___, founder of San Francisco
 - 29 Tighten, maybe
 - 30 Sprite



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- 32 Prefix with metric
- 34 Daily riser
- 37 Bitter liqueur: Var.
- 38 Fully attended
- 39 Ramshackle structure
- 40 They put out
- 41 Something to prove
- 42 Some fuels
- 43 Like some triangles
- 44 Souvenir shop stock
- 47 Lunar holiday
- 53 Its players know the score: Abbr.
- 54 Gobs
- 55 ___ Valley, Calif.
- 56 It's taken after an order is given
- 58 With 52-Across, eroded
- 60 Match ender, maybe

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): You should get out and mingle as much as possible either at social events or in groups that share similar interests. Lectures will open up doors as well as bring you information. 3 stars.

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SPORTS

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It begins

College basketball season officially begins at midnight tonight



Observer File Photo

Irish point guard Chris Thomas brings the ball upcourt in the Big East Tournament last year. The Irish begin their season tonight at midnight.

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

The Duke game.

Three words. Seven points. One clear sign that the Irish are on the brink of becoming one of college basketball's elite programs. One loss that showed the Irish aren't quite there yet.

Since Notre Dame's 84-77 loss to Duke in the second round of the NCAA Tournament last year, the Irish have had the close call in the back of their minds.

"I didn't think [after the game] it

should have been us, because it wasn't us," point guard Chris Thomas said. "You can never say, 'It could have been' unless it really is."

For Notre Dame to have that attitude as Mike Brey enters his third season as Irish head coach showed the rapid rise of Irish basketball. After all, Brey remembers all too clearly that first meeting he had with the Irish, three

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Observer File Photo

Notre Dame guard Alicia Ratay drives past a Purdue defender last season. The Irish had a productive off-season with a European Tour of play during the summer.

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

An 89-50 loss is not the best way to end a season, but it may be the best way to begin one.

As the Irish begin practice this weekend, install a new offense and look ahead to their first game in November, last year's season-ending loss to Tennessee in the second round of the NCAA Tournament will stay fresh as a reminder and a motivator.

"We know that it was embarrassing for us to lose like that," junior point

guard Le'Tania Severe said. "We have to come back and show everybody that we're a better team than that and we've worked hard to get where we're at."

The Irish have had plenty to work on.

This season, with sophomore post players Jacqueline Batteast and Katy Flecky settling into collegiate ball, Irish coach Muffet McGraw will be trying a

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FOOTBALL

Starting quarterback game time decision again

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

The questions were the same. The responses were the same. The status is the same.

For the second week in a row, Thursday's practice left Notre Dame without a named starter at the quarterback position. For the second week in a row, Carlyle Holiday said his shoulder was feeling better and he was ready to play. Although Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham did not say when he

would name Saturday's starter, he refused to name one on Thursday.

"We have not [named a starter]," Willingham said. "Both men have looked good going through the week. It's exciting to see both of them moving around that well."

Both possible quarterbacks



Holiday

have been preparing for this week's game against Pittsburgh; they've seen equal practice time. This week, Holiday and back-up Pat Dillingham have been taking an equal number of snaps in practice. The sophomore who started against Stanford saw more snaps than the original signal caller last week. However, Holiday said that the final decision had not been made yet.

"We're still out there practicing like we're in game situations, both me and Pat," Holiday said. "And I think that's

the way it's going to be up to game time."

Holiday is secure in his recovery. According to the quarterback, he has regained full range of motion, his shoulder rotation is fine and his ability to pass the ball has not been negatively affected by the injury.

"I've been loosening up all week and it's just a matter of time before I get back to my normal shape," he said.

Holiday does not take hits during practice, but the little contact he has had with his shoulder during the week has

not sparked any pain. However, the question still remains whether he can take a solid hit from a defender.

"I haven't taken a straight on hit to the shoulder, but those are the kind of things I think that worry us a little bit," he said.

Willingham said that the coaching staff has been pleased with Holiday's progress, but did say that it is always a possibility that both men could play in

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Notre Dame at Georgetown

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The Irish face a Hoya team they defeated in the Big East Championship.

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MENS SOCCER

Notre Dame at Boston College

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The Irish offense needs to get on track to top the Eagles.

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Connecticut at Notre Dame

Sunday, 1 p.m.

The Irish will have their hands full with No. 8 Connecticut.

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Notre Dame's young lineup will need to carry the team.

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The mens basketball team kicks off its 2002-2003 season tonight.

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Pittsburgh at Notre Dame

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The Irish attempt to go 6-0 with a victory over the Panthers.

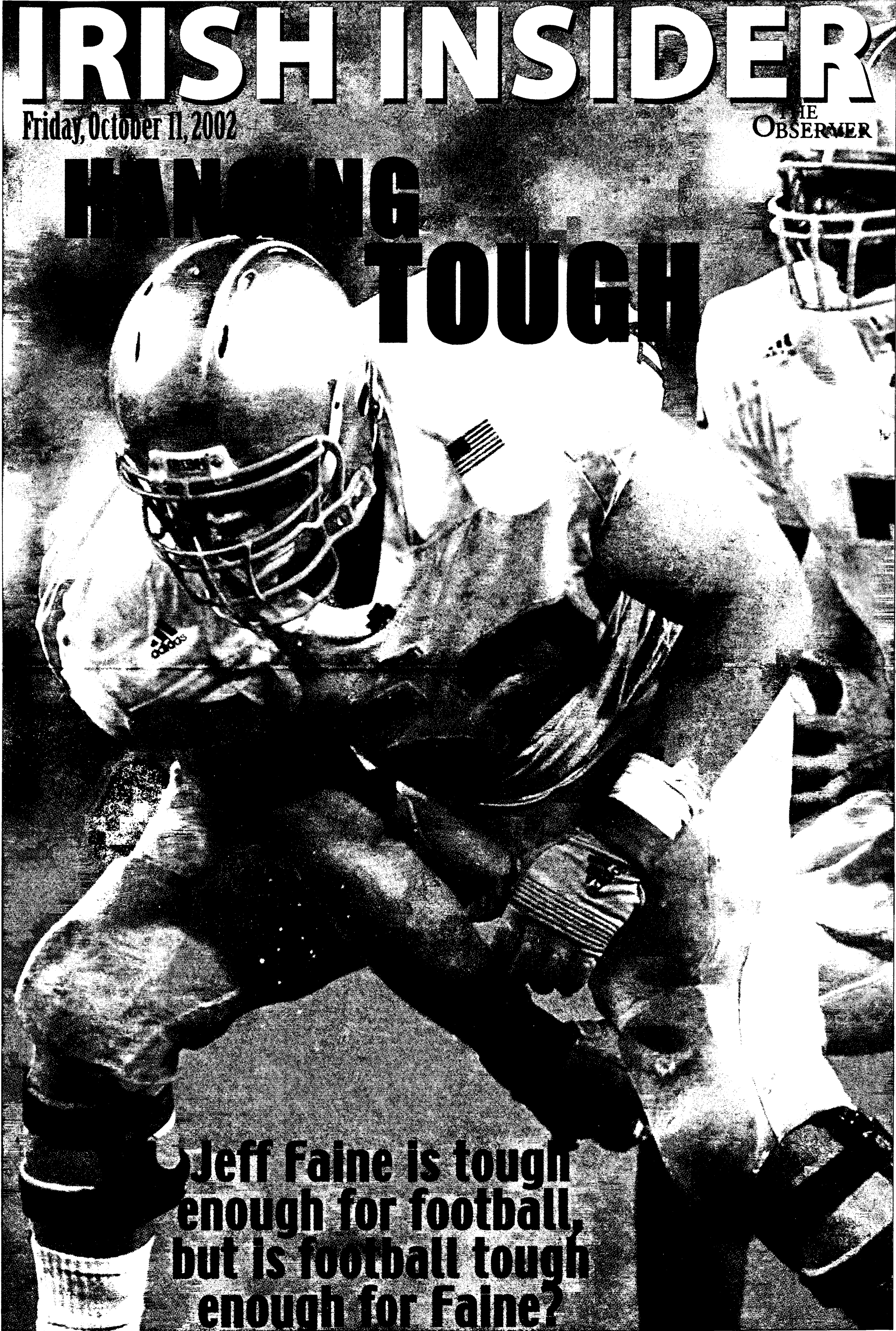
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HANGING TOUGH



Jeff Faine is tough
enough for football,
but is football tough
enough for Faine?

Putting the pep back in the rally

game hype

When I heard Taylor Richards wasn't the emcee for the pep rallies this year, I was more than excited.

"Finally," I said to myself, "Notre Dame's going to have some good pep rallies."

I couldn't have been more wrong.

Let's face it, the pep rallies are terrible. It's like going to class at 6 p.m. on a Friday night. They're too long, the student speeches are just awful and no one gets excited until the team comes out because the whole 45 minutes up to that point are a total waste of time.

I hate to complain, because everything else surrounding football is going great right now. The players seem to like the new coaching staff, the fans are excited and the Irish are undefeated. But the worst thing about football weekends is definitely the pep rallies.

I just have a few questions for those in charge of organizing the pep rally's because I don't understand some of the thinking behind some of the things that hap-

pen.

First, why are the pep rallies an hour long? Is that really necessary? It's pretty hard to stay "pepped" for more than 20 to 30 minutes; so at least half of that time is wasted. And why in the name of Moses does the leprechaun have to stop in the very middle of the pep rally and announce upcoming events? I can't think of a better way to suck the energy right out of the Joyce Center.

Most people go to pep rallies for several reasons. 1) To hear Tyrone Willingham speak. 2) To hear the guest speaker like Regis or Dick Vitale speak. 3) To watch the pom-pom squad. 4) To hear the band and see the team.

Those are the only reasons. Fans don't want to hear every single dorm's name called out every single week. Frankly it gets annoying. I can understand a shout out for the first pep rally, but after that its just overkill. Only the dorms hosting the pep rally should have their names announced. Plus, when dorms are announced that most other people don't like (a.k.a. Zahm) students boo.

Correct me if I'm mistaken, but I thought the pep rally was to unite the fans against the other team, not have them booing each other over dorm pride.

Another thing, who are the student speakers and why are they consistently bad every week? The guy who tried to impersonate Chris Farley for the Stanford game was easily the best this season and that's just sad. I'm not saying it's easy talking in front of the whole student body, but if I hear one more person try and

change the words of The Night Before Christmas and relate it to the upcoming game, I think I may throw up.

If I hear one more person try and change the words of The Night Before Christmas and relate it to the upcoming game, I think I may throw up.

I also don't understand why Chuck Lennon is speaking at these things. I mean the guy definitely has spirit and I actually like him a lot, but do we really want a 60-something year-old man leading us in cheers? Although some would argue with me that he has brought back a very trendy and cool move from the 90s - raising the roof.

The excitement surrounding the pep rally should be like it was when Vitale spoke earlier this year for the Michigan game. Everyone

was standing, clapping, making noise and, most importantly, really getting excited about the game. That's all people want anyway. They don't go to pep rallies just to go, they go to get jacked about the game. The pep rallies this year just aren't doing that and it's turning more and more people off from pep rallies.

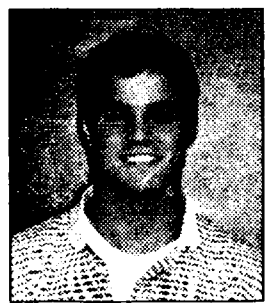
The organizers of these rallies need to sit down and figure out how they can create something that will pump people up. They don't have to be long and they don't need a lot of extra stuff with them. Just send someone out to say something that's worthwhile for a couple of minutes and then introduce the band and the team. The guest speaker's speech is usually good and Willingham always has the crowd's attention.

Just please stop doing the same thing over and over again because people are getting tired if it.

But if it keeps up like this, people may start getting desperate for something new.

Worse yet, they may just start calling for the long-haired, dorky radio personality to come back and save the day.

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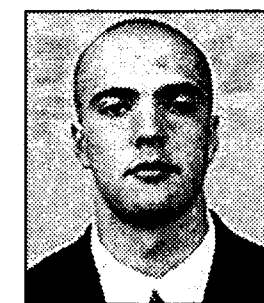
Walt Harris
Panther coach

"All I know is who we play this week and I couldn't be more serious than that right there."

"The bottom line is we have to prepare to play in a championship game on the road."



Kent Baer
defensive coordinator



Pat Dillingham
quarterback

"I'm always dissatisfied."

"I don't expect to take the job. It's Carlyle's team."



Tyrone Willingham
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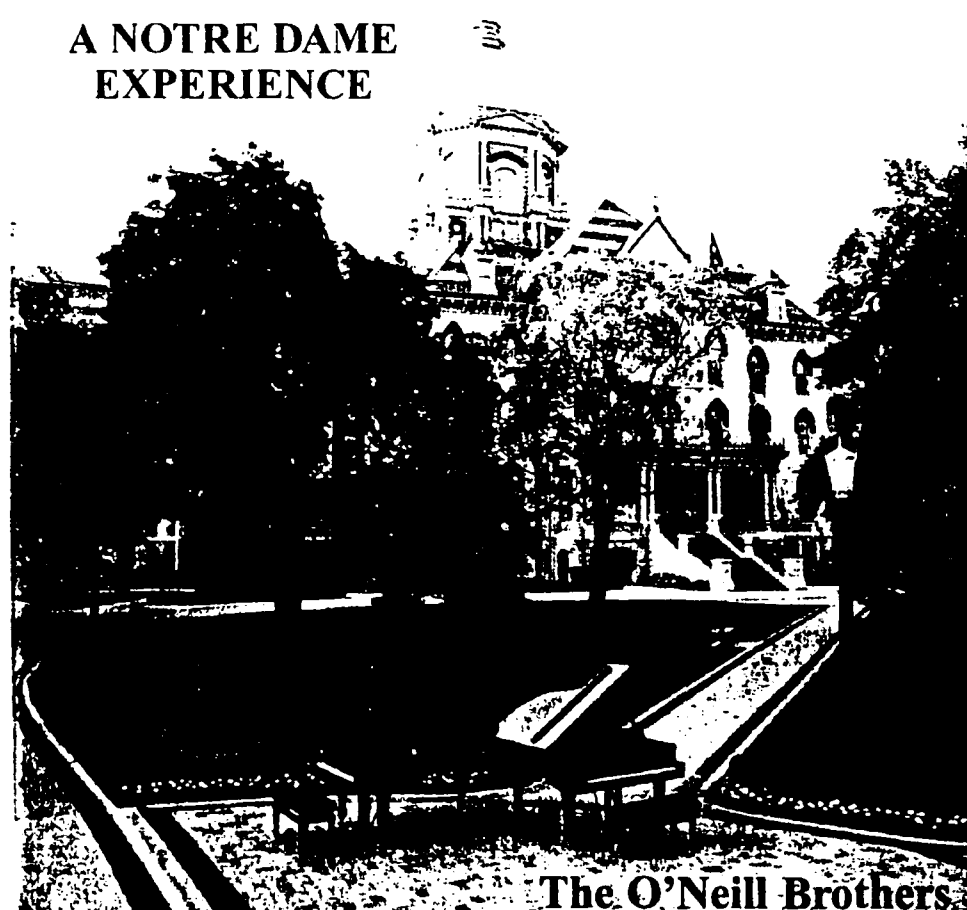
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No Faine, no gain

Irish center Jeff Faine says it would take a broken back to keep him off the field. That's good news for the Irish.

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

He doesn't want to jinx himself, but Jeff Faine will say that there may not be anything that can keep him off the field. For him, that's what football is all about — being tough. Sure, the other things are nice — learning the play book, developing team unity, winning games. But what it really comes down to is hitting hard.

"I love this game because it's the only game where you can go out there and run full speed and hit someone," Faine said. "The things we do on the field are illegal off the field."

Faine has proved that he can go out and hit hard. He's proved that he can lead a team. Most importantly, he's proved that he's tough enough.

Staying on the field

Eight years ago football didn't know Faine and Faine didn't know football. The Florida native grew up playing soccer and basketball.

Neither sport quite seemed to fit.

Faine was too big for soccer and basketball was a little too low-contact. Then it happened.

After a week of practice at Seminole High School, the freshman was thinking this wasn't for him. Football was hard and he was already hurt.

"The first week of freshman football in high school was kind of rough," Faine said. "Actually, I almost quit."

But his father talked to him. Told him to try one more week and see how it went. That one more week made all the difference.

"That second week something clicked in me and I fell in love with the game," Faine said.

And he stayed.

In eight years of football, Faine has not missed a game. He has not let injury or illness keep him off the field. He was a constant on the field for his Seminole team in high school and remains a constant for the Irish. You can count on two things on football weekends — touchdown Jesus and Jeff Faine.

"That says a lot," said quarterback Carlyle Holiday. "That says he'll do what it takes for this team. ... He's our leader up front and when you have a guy like that on the team, it's going to take you a long way."

That "play no matter what" attitude is something Faine claims he comes by naturally. After that first week, when he almost quit, the thought of leav-

ing never crossed his mind again.

"It's one of those things that I want to reach out for it to be on the field all the time, to give all I can to give us the W," Faine said. "It's one of those things that has just always been there for me. I didn't really miss a game in high school and I didn't miss a game here. I just want to keep it going and not miss a game."

Staying up front

That "play no matter what" attitude has had the effect of more than just keeping Faine on the field. It has also kept him in front — in front of the quarterback and in front of his team as its leader.

When you talk to Faine, he doesn't strike you as vocal. He's soft-spoken and, despite his size, he doesn't have that in-your-face-attitude on which some of his teammates pride themselves. But as soon as he steps on the field, it's clear why he's the leader.

"He's not a really vocal guy all the time," offensive line coach Mike Denbrock said. "When he does say something it's something that people really pay attention to and listen to. He's a person that leads by example. All you have to do is watch the way he plays the game and it gives you a very good blueprint on how you should be playing it."

Teammates have taken that blueprint and built something on it. Faine's attitude has spread to the rest of the offensive line and to the rest of the team. And that's just the way Faine wants it.

"I hope they look at it to want to be out there and help the team out," Faine said. "I hope they look at me to always be able to depend on me. That's very important for me to have them not worry about my position."

Taking that leadership role has been key in the last few games. With a new quarterback stepping in, Faine has had to step up and take some of the pressure off of Dillingham's shoulders.

"The center is kind of a second quarterback," Denbrock said. "On the field he directs a lot of things we're doing protection-wise, blocking-scheme wise and such. So he really helps steer the offense in the right direction scheme-wise."

"It's a little more important for me to make the right calls to give him a lot of opportunity to get a lot of time out there on the line so he can make the right decisions and the right reads," Faine said.

Faine is used to breaking in new quarterbacks. He worked



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Jeff Faine has been the center of Notre Dame's football team in all senses of the word. His toughness and determination have become a team-wide feeling and quarterbacks can rely on him to teach them the ropes when they're new to the field.

with four new quarterbacks in his first two seasons as the starting center before working with Dillingham when he came in against Michigan State. He worked with Arnaz Battle, Gary Godsey and Matt LoVecchio. Then worked with Holiday last season when he took over for LoVecchio.

"Not only was he a great center, but he also talked to me, tried to keep my head up during the game when something bad happened," Holiday said. "Those are the kind of players you want on your team."

Staying tough

Leadership aside, determination aside, size aside, there is something that sets Faine apart. He's tough.

Four weeks ago, a Michigan player was blocked into Faine's ankle and it looked like the center was going to be on the side.

Back-up center Ryan Scarola even had to hike the ball a few times. But Faine was not going to stand on the sidelines.

"I don't want to jinx myself, but it's just been something inside that I don't want to be taken off the field," Faine said.

Three days after the Michigan game, Faine was convinced he would be back in front of the quarterback for their next game. He claimed that nothing but a broken back would keep him off the field. And if Faine claimed nothing but a broken back would keep him off the field, who are the Irish coaches to argue?

"I'll let Jeff speak about that," Irish coach Tyrone Willingham said that day. "If he said nothing's going to keep him out that sounds fine to me."

"That's the hardest part, keeping Jeff off the field," Denbrock said.

The toughness that was appar-

ent to teammates from the first day Jeff stepped on the field was clear to the rest of the world.

"He's tough," Holiday said. "You can see it on replays, what he doesn't let he doesn't let people go. He may get personal fouls sometimes because of it, but that's the kind of guy you like. Every lineman should have that mentality."

That toughness is part of Faine through and through. He loves football because it's tough. He loves football because it's about hitting and hitting hard. Faine is tough, he just wishes football would let him be a little tougher.

"It's a physical game," Faine said. "It's just not a clean sport. My game is definitely very physical and I love it that way. I wouldn't want it any other way. In fact, with some of the rule changes they're making this game a little softer than I want it to be."

It's clear that only one question remains: Faine is tough enough for football, but is football tough enough for Faine?

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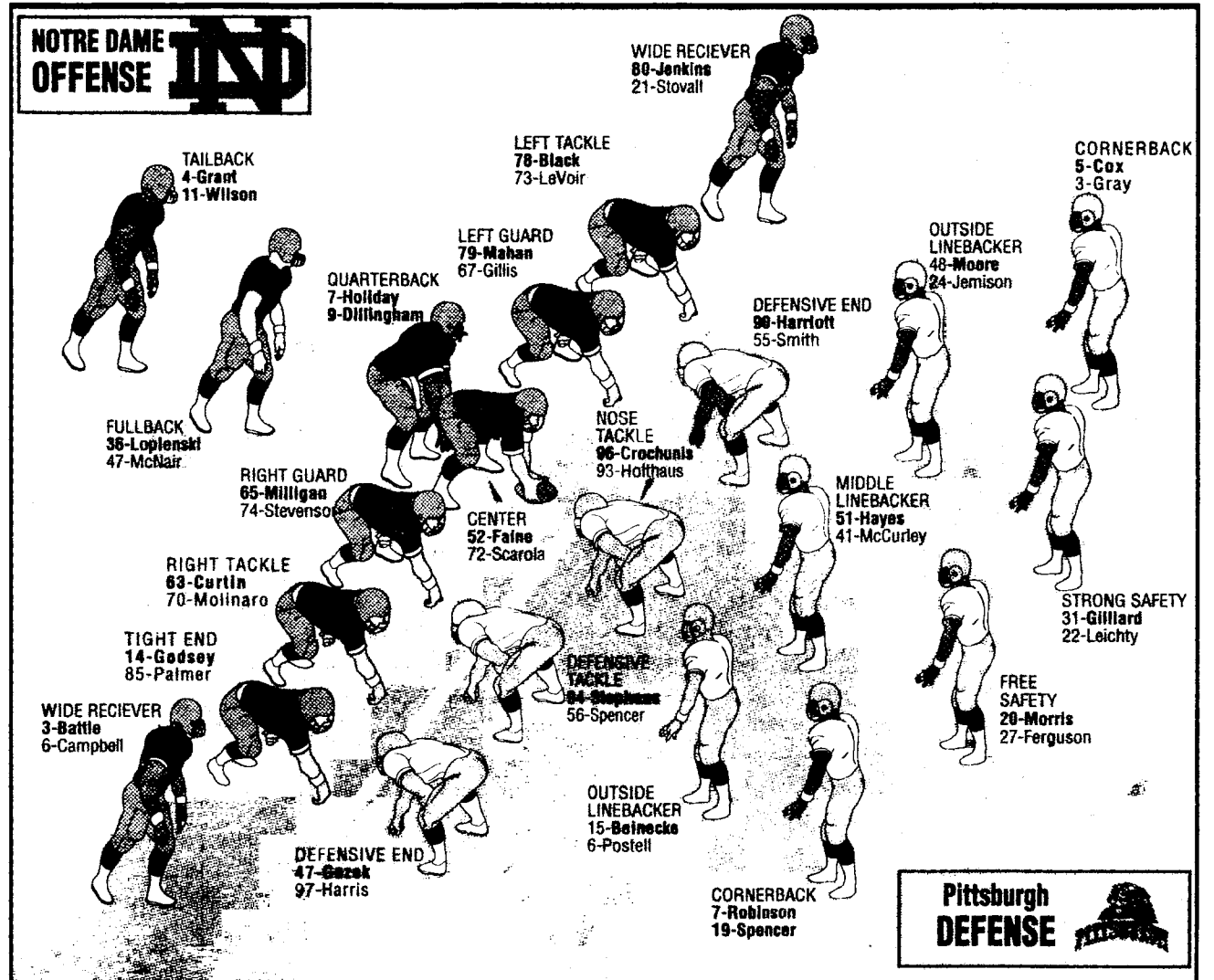
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Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR
1	Jared Clark	TE	6-4	228	JR
2	Carlos Pierre-Antoine	ILB	6-3	245	SR
3	Dan Novakov	QB	6-1	218	SR
4	Amaz Battle	WR	6-1	213	SR
5	Ryan Grant	RB	6-1	211	SO
6	Rhema McKnight	WR	6-2	190	FR
7	Carlos Campbell	WR	5-11	194	SO
8	Carlyle Holiday	QB	6-3	214	JR
9	Matt Krueger	QB	5-10	180	JR
10	Jason Beckstrom	CB	5-10	188	SR
11	Pat Dillingham	QB	6-1	209	SO
12	Marcus Wilson	RB	5-11	199	SO
13	Chris Olsen	QB	6-4	220	FR
14	Nick Setta	K/P	5-11	177	SR
15	Gary Godsey	TE	6-6	259	SR
16	Preston Jackson	CB	5-9	176	JR
17	Stan Revelle	QB	5-11	182	SO
18	Joey Hildbold	P	5-10	191	SR
19	Ronnie Rodamer	WR	6-4	206	JR
20	Glenn Earl	FS	6-1	205	SR
21	D.J. Fitzpatrick	K/P	6-1	192	SO
22	Gerome Sapp	SS	6-0	218	SR
23	Maurice Stovall	WR	6-3	205	FR
24	Chris Yura	FB	6-0	220	SR
25	Nate Schiccatano	RB	6-3	220	FR
26	Garron Bible	FS	5-10	197	JR
27	Josh Schmidt	FB	6-1	207	SO
28	Lionel Bolen	SS	6-0	195	SO
29	Mike Profeta	TB	5-11	208	SO
30	Cole Laux	FB	5-10	236	JR
31	Quentin Burrell	CB	6-0	178	SO
32	Mike Richardson	DB	6-1	180	FR
33	Jake Carney	DB	6-0	180	FR
34	Jeff Jenkins	RB	6-0	195	FR
35	Courtney Watson	ILB	6-1	232	SR
36	Vontez Duff	CB	5-11	194	JR
37	David Miller	K	5-11	210	SR
38	Tim O'Neill	TB	5-5	172	SR
39	Tom Lopienski	FB	6-1	245	SR
40	Dwight Ellick	CB	5-10	179	SO
41	Preston Jackson	CB	5-9	176	SO
42	Brandon Hoyte	ILB	6-0	226	SO
43	David Bemenderfer	SS	5-11	195	JR
44	Nate Schomas	WR	5-10	160	FR
45	Mike Goolsby	LB	6-3	243	JR
46	Shane Walton	CB	5-11	185	SR
47	Rashon Powers-Neal	TB	6-2	224	SO
48	Justin Tuck	DE	6-5	238	SO
49	Corey Mays	ILB	6-1	235	SO
50	Mike McNair	FB	6-0	230	SR
51	Jerome Collins	OLB	6-4	256	JR
52	Derek Curry	ILB	6-3	233	JR
53	Cedric Hilliard	NC	6-2	290	SR
54	Jamie Ryan	OT	6-5	285	FR
55	Jeff Faine	C	6-3	298	SR
56	John Crowther	C	6-2	239	SR
57	Jason Halverson	DL	6-1	246	SR
58	Zachary Giles	C	6-3	281	SO
59	Pat Ryan	ILB	6-3	231	SR
60	Justin Thomas	OLB	6-1	243	SR
61	Chad DeBolt	ILB	6-0	202	SR
62	Darrell Campbell	DT	6-4	288	SR
63	Charles Hedman	LB	6-1	215	SR
64	Scott Raridon	OT	6-7	285	FR
65	Brennan Curtin	OT	6-8	305	SO
66	Casey Dunn	OT/OG	6-4	255	SO
67	Sean Milligan	OG	6-4	300	SR
68	Derek Landri	NC	6-2	275	FR
69	Ryan Gillis	OG	6-3	305	SR
70	Ed O'Connell	LB	6-3	212	JR
71	Darin Mitchell	OL	6-4	280	SO
72	Jim Molinaro	OT	6-6	297	SR
73	David Kowalski	OG	6-2	249	JR
74	James Bonelli	OG/OT	6-6	285	FR
75	Ryan Scarola	C/OG	6-5	310	SR
76	Mark LeVoi	TE	6-7	309	SO
77	Dan Stevenson	OG	6-5	292	SO
78	Chris Frome	DE	6-5	240	FR
79	Bob Morton	C	6-4	305	FR
80	Greg Pauly	DT	6-6	280	JR
81	Jordan Black	OT	6-6	305	SR
82	Sean Mahan	OT	6-3	285	SR
83	Omar Jenkins	WR	6-2	204	SO
84	Bernard Akatu	WR	5-10	193	SR
85	Matt Shelton	WR	6-1	172	SO
86	Matt Root	TE	6-6	258	SO
87	Billy Palmer	TE	6-3	251	JR
88	Brendan Hart	TE	6-2	240	JR
89	Marcus Freeman	TE	6-4	240	FR
90	Patrick Nally	TE	6-3	246	SO
91	Anthony Fasano	TE	6-4	237	FR
92	Brian Beidatsch	DL	6-4	269	SO
93	Jeff Thompson	NC/DT	6-4	273	SO
94	Kyle Budinscak	DE	6-4	269	JR
95	Dan Santucci	DE	6-5	250	FR
96	Brian Mattes	DE	6-6	250	FR
97	Ryan Roberts	DE	6-2	258	SR
98	Travis Leitko	DE	6-6	250	FR
99	Jason Sapp	DE	6-3	249	JR

NOTRE DAME 2002 Schedule

Aug. 31	Maryland - W
Sept. 7	PURDUE - W
Sept. 14	MICHIGAN - W
Sept. 21	at MSU - W
Oct. 5	STANFORD - W
Oct. 12	PITTSBURGH
Oct. 19	at Air Force
Oct. 26	at Florida State
Nov. 2	BOSTON COLLEGE
Nov. 9	at Navy
Nov. 23	RUTGERS
Nov. 30	at USC



COACHING

QUARTERBACKS

IRISH RUSHING

IRISH PASSING

NOTRE DAME

Willingham and his coaching staff have proved that no matter what the obstacles, they will lead their team to victory. They've faced tough competition in Michigan and Michigan State and overcome the loss of a starting quarterback and are still 5-0.

Holiday hasn't been spectacular for the Irish, but at least he's been consistent. Dillingham showed promise on Saturday against Stanford, but had some trouble connecting with receivers. If Dillingham starts Saturday, Pitt's defense could enjoy some more interceptions.

Notre Dame is coming off of its best rushing performance of the season. The Irish have nearly doubled their opponents run yards and the offensive line has proved that it can open huge holes for Grant and Powers-Neal. Both running backs tallied more than 100 yards last week.

Notre Dame is not pulling in good passing numbers and with the quarterback situation still unclear, it's difficult to say how effective the Irish can be. The receivers are still having trouble keeping their hands on the ball and, with Dillingham, the long pass is not an option.

PITTSBURGH

Harris took a team that began last season 1-5 and coached them to a post-season appearance. He has led his team to three post season appearances in five years, but is 2-1 against the Irish. His team is off to a good start this year, but against several unchallenging opponents.

Rutherford is averaging a 56.2 completion percentage. He's thrown for 1351 yards this season, averaging more than 225 yards a game. Rutherford isn't particularly versatile, however, running for a limited number of yards and he has thrown seven interceptions.

The Pittsburgh defense is its strong point. It has only allowed opponents an average of 111 rushing yards a game. Led by Hayes, the team averages over eight tackles for a loss per game. The Panthers have forced 17 fumbles and recovered 12 of those.

The Panthers pass defense is solid. Spencer, Postell and Hayes have all tallied two or more interceptions and opponents are only passing for an average of 166 yards. A team total of nine interceptions and 12 sacks are serious stats for the Irish to consider.

ANALYSIS

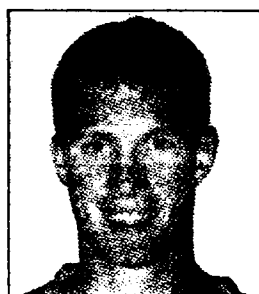
Willingham is the more experienced coach. He has led his team to victories against several ranked teams and has found a way to win. Harris has coached a solid team, but has not faced serious opposition yet this year, putting him at the disadvantage.

Rutherford, quite frankly, has been more consistent than either Irish quarterback. He's averaging more yards than either Dillingham or Holiday. In addition, he's probably taken the majority of snaps in practice. Holiday and Dillingham have split them.

Notre Dame's running game will offer Pittsburgh the first real challenge it has faced all season. It should be a tough matchup for both sides and it will come down to who wears who down first. The Irish offensive line will have to find holes in Pittsburgh's game to make progress.

The Panthers could cause real problems for the Irish. With no sure decision on a starter, the Panthers could make up either Dillingham or Holiday if he returns a little shaky after his weeks off the field. Their defensive backs will be a force to contend with.

Irish experts



Andrew Soukup
assistant managing editor

For all the talk about the vaunted Irish defense, Pittsburgh's unit is statistically just as good. With Holiday still a question mark and the Irish offense still waiting for its breakout game, Notre Dame will have to rely on another strong defensive performance. They'll get it, and the Irish will improve to 6-0.

FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 24
Pittsburgh 10



Chris Federico
sports editor

Pittsburgh has built a 5-1 record, feasting on the likes of Ohio, Alabama-Birmingham, Rutgers, Toledo and an unusually weak Syracuse team.

Pittsburgh boasts a solid pass defense, allowing only 166.8 yards a game. But look for Grant and Powers-Neal to each have 100 yards rushing again, as the Irish should control the line of scrimmage on both sides of the ball.

FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 34
Pittsburgh 13

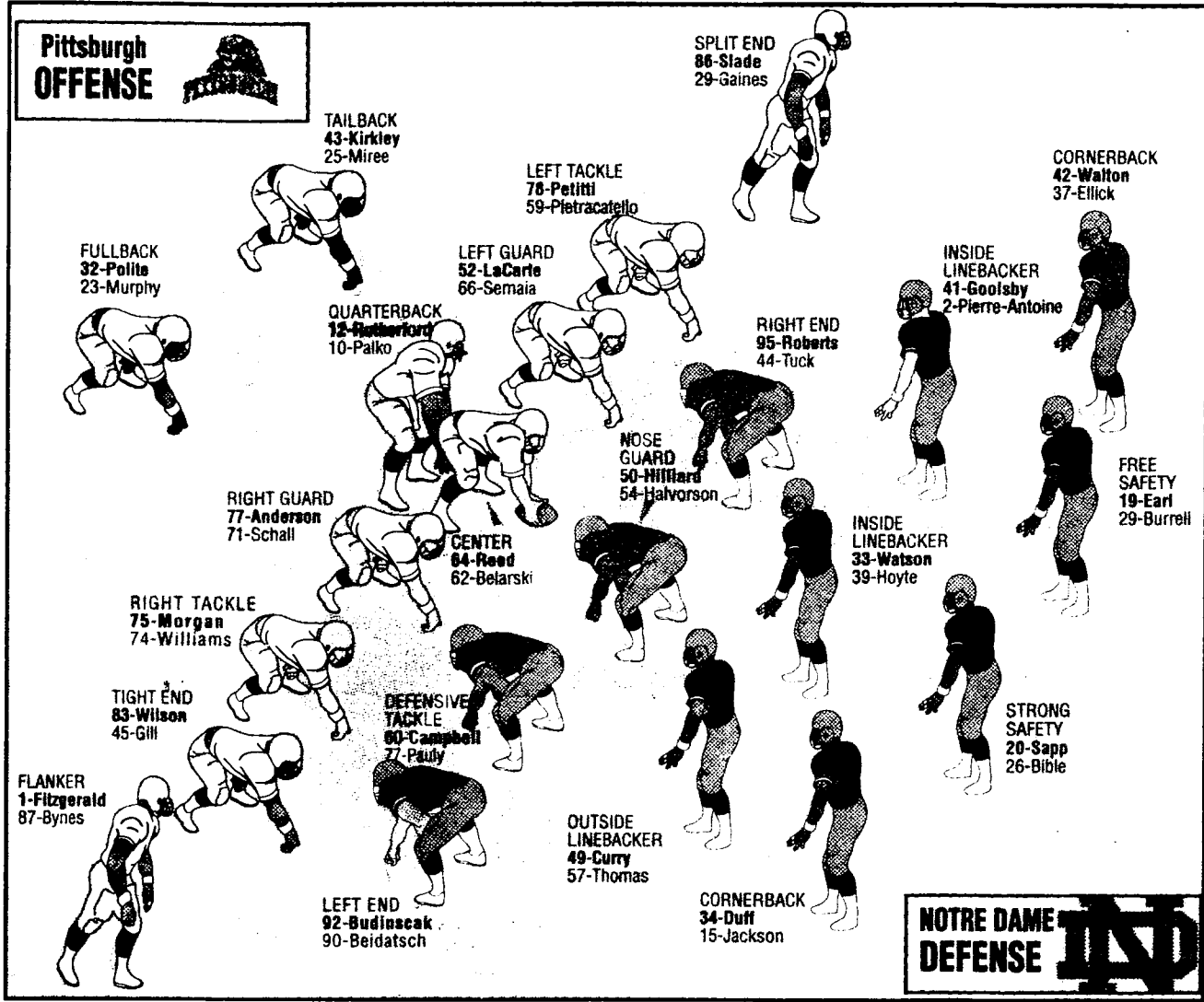
HEAD

Pittsburgh
Panthers
Record: 5-1
AP: unranked
Coaches: unranked

Walt Harris
sixth season at
Pittsburgh
career record:
43-56
at Pittsburgh
37-39
against Notre
Dame: 2-1



Harris
head coach



PITTSBURGH 2002 Schedule	
Aug. 31	OHIO - W
Sept. 7	TEXAS A&M - L
Sept. 14	at UAB - W
Sept. 21	at RUTGERS - W
Sept. 28	TOLEDO - W
Oct. 5	at Syracuse - W
Oct. 12	at Notre Dame
Oct. 26	BOSTON COLLEGE
Nov. 2	at Virginia Tech
Nov. 9	TEMPLE
Nov. 21	at Miami
Nov. 30	WEST VIRGINIA

Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR
1	Larry Fitzgerald	WR	6-3	210	FR
2	Marcus Furman	RB	5-8	185	SO
3	Taron Gray	DB	5-11	195	SR
4	Chris Curd	DB	6-3	230	JR
5	Torrie Cox	DB	5-10	185	SR
6	Malcolm Postell	LB	6-1	220	SO
7	Shawn Robinson	DB	6-1	190	SR
8	Donny Patrick	WR	6-2	215	SO
9	Bernard Lay	DB	6-2	195	FR
10	Tyler Palko	QB	6-2	210	FR
11	Luke Getsy	QB	6-2	210	FR
12	Rod Rutherford	QB	6-2	220	JR
14	Pat Hoderny	QB	6-6	230	SO
15	Brian Beinecke	LB	6-1	230	SR
16	David Abdul	PK	5-10	175	FR
17	Corey Humphries	DB	6-2	205	JR
18	Jay Junko	WR/P	6-4	220	SR
19	Shawn Tate Spencer	DB	6-2	175	JR
20	Tez Morris	DB	5-10	185	FR
21	J.J. Horne	LB	6-3	225	FR
22	Reggie Carter	DB	6-0	190	FR
23	Tim Murphy	FB	5-10	230	FR
24	Mike Jemison	LB	5-11	225	SO
25	Brandon Miree	RB	6-0	235	JR
26	Darren McCray	DB	5-9	195	FR
27	William Ferguson	DB	5-10	185	JR
28	Gary Urschler	DB	5-10	195	SR
29	Billy Gaines	WR	5-7	170	FR
30	J.B. Gibboney	PK	5-9	175	SO
31	Tyrone Gilliard	DB	5-11	190	SO
32	Lousaka Polite	FB	6-0	240	JR
34	Jawan Walker	RB	5-10	190	FR
35	Larry Moore	DB	5-9	170	DB
36	Andy Lee	P	6-2	205	JR
37	Azzie Beagnyam	LB	6-1	230	FR
38	Tyre Young	DL	6-0	275	SO
39	A.J. Schneider	FB	5-11	245	FR
40	Joe Dipre	LB	6-4	245	FR
41	Scott McCurley	LB	6-0	235	SR
43	Raymond Kirkley	RB	5-10	215	SO
44	Brian Bennett	LB	6-0	215	FR
45	Erik Gill	TE	6-5	255	FR
46	Sam Bryant	DB	6-0	205	FR
47	Brian Guzek	DL	6-2	255	SR
48	Lewis Moore	LB	6-2	245	JR
49	Abdur Abdullah	RB	6-0	235	FR
51	Gerald Hayes	LB	6-3	245	SR
52	Dan LaCerte	OL	6-4	295	JR
53	Troy Banner	DL	6-3	295	SO
54	Charles Sallet	LB	6-0	210	FR
55	Thomas Smith	DL	6-4	265	FR
56	Charles Spencer	DL	6-5	320	FR
57	Andy Alleman	DL	6-4	235	FR
59	Nick Pietracatello	OL	6-3	290	JR
60	John Simonitis	OL	6-3	290	FR
61	Eric Fritz	DL	6-3	295	FR
62	Justin Belarski	C	6-3	290	SO
63	Darrell McMurray	DL	6-4	295	JR
64	Chad Reed	C	6-3	295	SR
66	Penny Semaia	OL	6-5	330	JR
68	Matt Maier	OL	6-3	275	SO
69	Kurt Johnson	LS	6-1	260	JR
70	Jason Capizzi	OL	6-9	300	FR
71	John Schall	OL	6-4	295	JR
72	Zach Schlundt	OL	6-4	290	OL
74	Dale Williams	DT	6-5	285	OL
75	Matt Morgan	OL	6-7	295	JR
77	Bryan Anderson	OL	6-5	320	SR
78	Rob Petitti	OL	6-6	320	SO
80	Marco Tinor	WR	5-11	190	SO
81	Joe Stephens	WR	6-0	190	FR
82	Yogi Roth	WR	5-10	195	JR
83	Kris Wilson	TE	6-3	240	JR
84	Steve Buches	TE	6-3	215	FR
85	Princell Brockebrough	WR	6-3	200	JR
86	Lamar Slade	WR	6-4	210	SR
87	Roosevelt Bynes	WR	6-1	175	SO
88	Darryl Weston	TE	6-4	285	SO
90	Claude Harriott	DL	6-4	255	JR
91	Jonathon Sitter	LS	6-1	275	JR
92	Charles Steffy	DL	6-2	295	SR
93	Jake Holthaus	DL	6-1	280	SO
94	Dan Stephens	DL	6-2	285	SO
95	Malcolm Pinder	LB	6-1	230	JR
96	Vince Crochunis	DL	6-4	285	SO
97	Kevin Harris	DL	6-5	275	FR
98	Vernon Botts	DL	6-4	230	FR

PANTHER RUSHING

The Irish run defense has been very solid. They allowed Stanford only 69 yards. Hilliard and Campbell have provided solid defense up the middle and Watson and his crew consistently stop the outside rushing game.

The Panthers are picking up just 130 rushing yards per game. Miree leads the rushing game but is still averaging just 52.8 yards a game. Polite and Kirkley each add about 25 yards a game. However, they will have trouble picking up any real yardage against the Irish.

Notre Dame's rush defense should be able to shut Pittsburgh down without too much problem. Starting with a team that is rushing for only 130 yards a game, the Irish defensive line and strong corps of line backers should be able to dominate.

PANTHER PASSING

Notre Dame's secondary is top of the line. Walton already has five interceptions, Sapp has three and Duff and Earl are both looking to add more. They have been tested against Michigan State's Rogers and showed that they can play with the best.

Pittsburgh is averaging more than 227 passing yards a game. Rutherford has a solid corps of receivers in Slade, Fitzgerald and Bynes. Pitt has picked up 11 passing touchdowns this season.

Notre Dame's secondary is just unstoppable. Although Pittsburgh may have been averaging good yardage, Walton, Duff, Earl and Sapp will make sure they get their hands on the ball as often as possible.

SPECIAL TEAMS

Notre Dame's special teams have been less than impressive. Setta seems to have hit a big-time slump, connecting on only two of his last eight field goal attempts. Hildbold's punting hasn't been much better, falling short several times in the past two games.

Pittsburgh's kicking game is inconsistent. Abdul is only 5-of-10 on field goal attempts and Gibboney is 3-for-4. Combined, they have missed four PATs. Cox and Spencer are both picking up serious yards on kick returns, however.

Neither team is looking very good on special teams. Both are having major kicking problems. Both teams have a threat on the return but, ultimately, neither team can count on their special teams to really come through.

INTANGIBLES

The Irish are on a roll. They are 5-0 for the first time since 1993 and, no matter what happens, always find the will to win. They have home field advantage and, with Willingham's push for a "Sea of Green," they have obvious fan support.

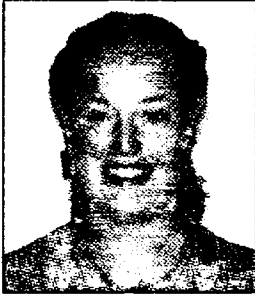
They're a 5-1 team coming into Notre Dame Stadium. They're looking for the chance to prove themselves against a real football team. Their opponents have a combined record of 11-20, so this may be their chance to really shine.

Despite the Panthers strong start, Notre Dame has the advantage. The Irish will be playing in their home stadium with the best start any member of this team has ever had. Not to mention, there seems to be someone or something making sure Notre Dame wins.

NOTRE DAME

PITTSBURGH

ANALYSIS



Katie McVoy
associate sports editor

Notre Dame's run game will be key this week as the Irish offense faces off against a solid Pittsburgh defense. The Irish pass offense may suffer at the hands of the Panthers, but the running backs should be able to get the job done while Notre Dame's defense holds off the Panther attack.

**FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 31
Pittsburgh 17**



Joe Hettler
associate sports editor

Pittsburgh's defense may give Notre Dame fits much like Stanford's did last week. The Irish will need another solid performance out of their running game to win. Look for Grant and Powers-Neal to wear down the Panthers' defensive front and the Irish to pull away in the second half to reach 6-0.

**FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 27
Pittsburgh 7**

Sizing up the Irish and the Panthers

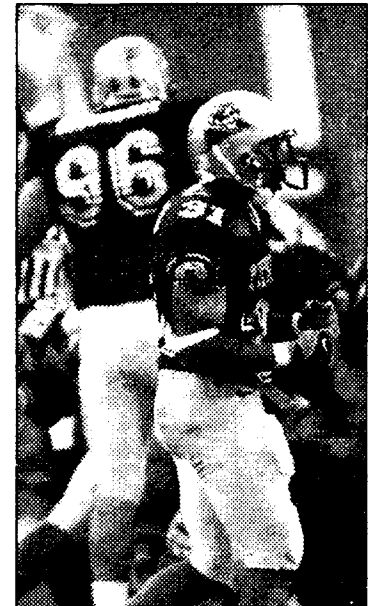
AVERAGE PER GAME	NOTRE DAME'S OFFENSE VS PITTSBURGH'S DEFENSE		PITTSBURGH'S OFFENSE VS NOTRE DAME'S DEFENSE	
	NOTRE DAME		PITTSBURGH	
total yards gained	314.6		358	
total yards allowed	278.3		273.6	
rushing yards gained	163.2		130.7	
rushing yards allowed	111.5		73.6	
passing yards gained	151.4		227.3	
passing yards allowed	166.8		200	
kick return yards gained	23.9		24.9	
kick return yards allowed	21		18.8	
punt return yards gained	12.5		5	
punt return yards allowed	8.7		9.8	
yards per punt	40.1		43.5	
punts blocked	0		0	
turnovers lost	1.4		1.8	
turnovers recovered	3.5		3.2	
yards penalized	64.2		48.7	
yards penalized	54		64.8	
points scored and	24.6		28.8	
points allowed	15.7		12.8	

KEY MATCHUP

NOTRE DAME'S RUSHING GAME



PITTSBURGH'S RUSH DEFENSE



Notre Dame's passing game has been inconsistent and Pittsburgh's pass defense has been solid this year. The real face-off will come when running backs Ryan Grant and Rashon Powers-Neal face off against Pittsburgh's defensive line and linebackers.

If the Irish offensive line can open holes in the Pittsburgh defense like they did against Stanford, the Irish will be able to gain ground and score points.

by the numbers

last time the Irish began a season 6-0 **1993**

12 number of their 17 forced fumbles that the Panthers have recovered

rushing yards the Irish tallied last weekend against Stanford **249**

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Tuck and roll

♦ Tuck is stepping up for the Irish and putting QBs down

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Sports Editor

Stanford quarterback Chris Lewis got very familiar with the turf in Notre Dame Stadium Saturday. Lewis was the latest target of a Notre Dame defensive line that has steadily put more and more pressure on opposing quarterbacks.

On third downs, that rush is often led by defensive end Justin Tuck. Playing just his first season on the defensive line – Tuck started as a linebacker at Notre Dame – the sophomore adds an element of speed to the Irish pass rush that has not been seen in South Bend for a long time.

"Justin could be one of the first fast pass rushers that we've ever had – a person who can really get on the edge and put pressure on a quarterback," Irish defensive line coach Greg Mattison said. "He's accepted that role, he really likes that role, and I think he will only get better."

Indeed, Tuck has shown steady improvement over the season, growing into his role of a pass rusher on the defensive line.

"I know that rushing the passer has a lot to do with my responsibilities on the field," Tuck said. "Defensive ends

Ryan [Roberts] and Kyle [Budinscak] are quick guys, but their skills are more as power, inside rushers. I think I definitely have the advantage of bringing a little more speed to the outside."

Tuck had his strongest performance of the season against the Cardinal last weekend. Lining up against Stanford's All American tackle Kwame Harris, Tuck still managed a season-high five tackles, with two of those for loss and a sack.

Tuck has 11 tackles, with three for loss and two sacks on the season. Entering the game in pass rush situations, he is almost always in the opposing quarterback's face, or coming around the outside to force him out of his comfortable spot in the pocket.

"Justin can make it difficult on other tackles, because he is definitely more of a speed type rusher, whereas Kyle [Budinscak] and I are more power, up-the-middle guys," Roberts said. "But he's come very far in his transition. He started out here as a linebacker ... and he's just taken great strides with his technique and learning the position. He's gotten to where he's adding to the defense on nearly every third down play."

Tuck's style of pass-rush is reminiscent of NFL ends Javon Kearsie and Michael Strahan – guys that have the size and strength of a defen-



BRIAN PUCEVICH/The Observer

Justin Tuck makes a stop against Maryland during the Kickoff Classic. Tuck, who came to the Irish as a linebacker, has stepped up and made some big stops for the Irish in his first year as a defensive end.

sive lineman, but the speed of a running back. His play has complemented the inside rush of senior defensive tackles Darrell Campbell and Cedric Hilliard to complete the Irish

defensive line surge.

"With him putting pressure on the outside, Cedric and Darrell put pressure on the inside, and you really start to get the kind of pressure

you're looking for," Mattison said.

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Baer can't get no satisfaction from his defense

By JOE HETTLER
Associate Sports Editor

The rest of the college football world may be impressed with Notre Dame's defense this season, but Irish defensive coordinator Kent Baer isn't.

In fact he thinks there's still a lot of improvement needed.

"I always strive for more," Baer said. "I couldn't be more serious when I say we can play a lot better than what we play. At times it's been exciting, but we're capable of being that kind of football team defensively on every snap."

It's this type of attitude that has pushed the Irish defense to improve more each week. This improvement has helped rank Notre Dame's defense in the top ten in seven different defensive categories. They are ranked fourth in rush defense (73.6 yards per game), seventh in total defense (273.6 yards per game), and eighth in pass efficiency defense. But the most important statistic may be Notre Dame's scoring defense, averaging 12.8 points per game for the Irish.

Numbers like these should make any defensive coordinator happy. But if Baer's pleased, he's doing a good job of pretending not to be.

"We can play so much better than what we're playing right now," Baer said. "We're still making a lot of mistakes, like

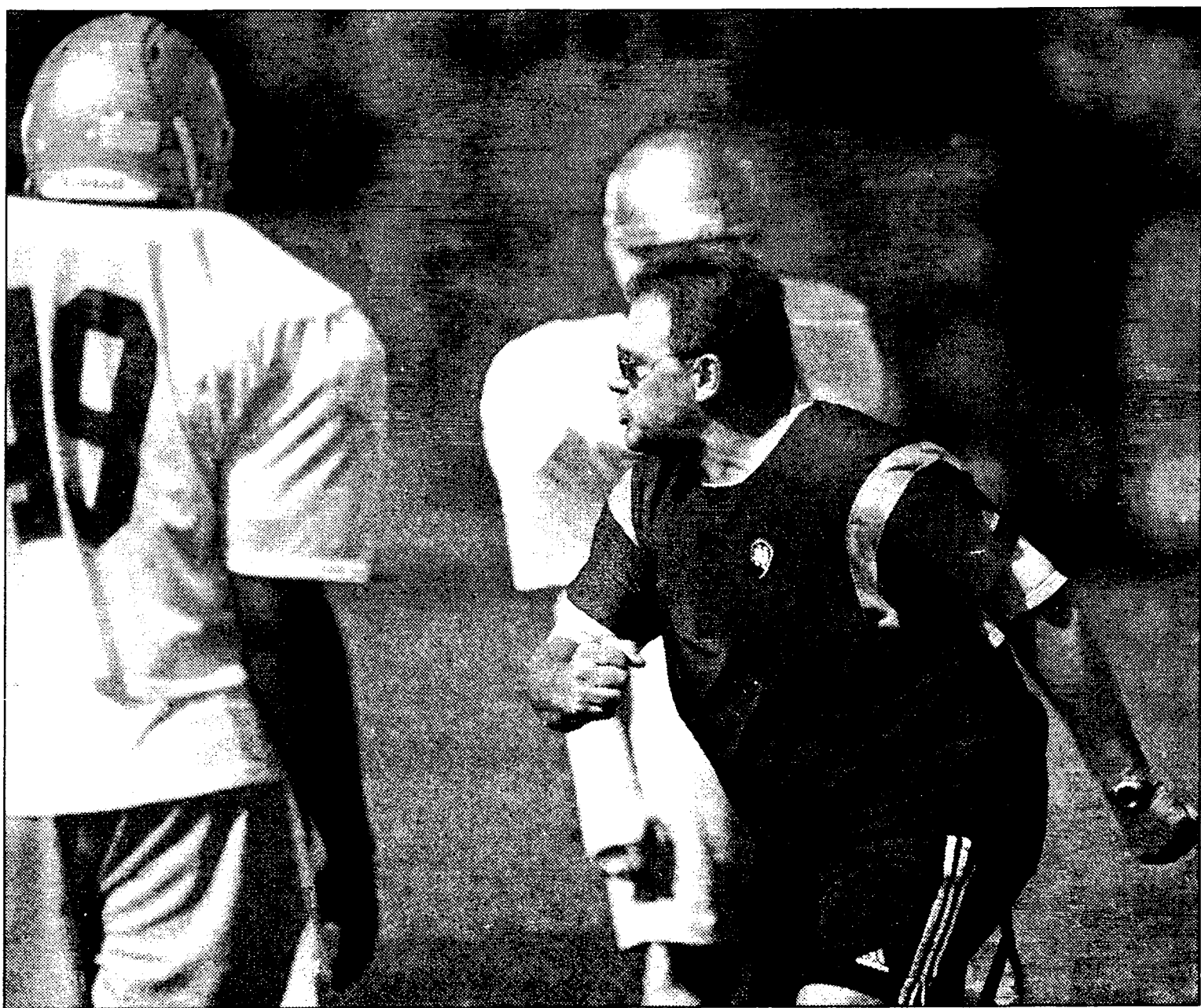
we're not communicating well enough. I think we can come up with more turnovers, we can play harder, play smarter, we can play, certainly, more consistently. I'm still looking for a game where we can play four full quarters, instead of two or three. So there's so much room for improvement."

Baer's players have already adopted his attitude of striving for perfection and winning all aspects of the game.

"The most important thing is to win," defensive lineman Darrell Campbell said last weekend. "That's the number one objective. That's our goal every week, is to go out and win the game."

Baer also has his players focusing on the task at hand and not looking ahead to other games on the schedule. This is especially true this weekend when Notre Dame faces Pittsburgh. With two ranked opponents, Air Force and Florida State, lurking on the horizon, it would be easy for Notre Dame to look past Pittsburgh. However, Baer won't allow that to happen.

"I haven't even thought about [Air Force and Florida State]," Baer said. "All I know is who we play this week and I couldn't be more serious than that right there. I don't even care about the rest of the season right now. I just care about this week. We haven't even mentioned anybody else right now. We've got our



BRIAN PUCEVICH/The Observer

Defensive coordinator Kent Baer coaches Derek Curry during pre-season practice. Although is defense has been very successful, it's never quite enough for Baer.

hands full this week. If we continue to play the way we're playing and continue to play one [game] at a time, our chances are OK."

The Irish will need another solid defensive performance this weekend to stop the Panthers offense. Even if they do though, Baer probably

won't be quite satisfied.

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WEEKEND EVENTS

THE FOLLOWING EVENTS ARE HAPPENING AT THE HAMMES NOTRE DAME BOOKSTORE:

Author Events:

Peter Duchessi will be signing copies of *Crafting Customer Value: The Art and Science* on Friday, October 11th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Khalil F. Matta Ph.D., ND College of Business Administration, will be signing copies of *Thou shalt not invest foolishly* on Friday, October 11th from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Ted Mandell, ND professor of Film, Television, & Theatre, will be signing copies of *Heart Stoppers and Hail Marys* on Football Friday Home Games from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

John Heisler, ND Director of Sports Information, will be signing copies of *Quotable Rockne* on Saturday, October 12th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Paul Hornung will be signing copies of *Magnificent Seven: The Championship that Built the Lombardi Dynasty* on Saturday, October 12th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Jason Kelly will be signing copies of *MR. Notre Dame* on Saturday, October 12th from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

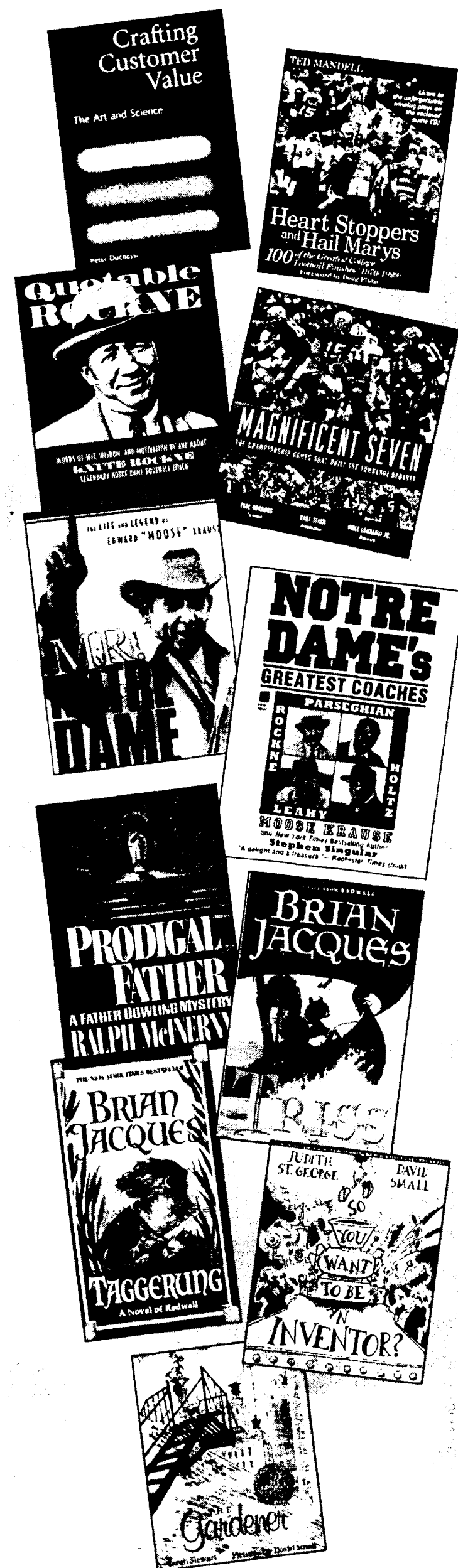
Ara Parseghian will be signing copies of *Notre Dame's Greatest Coaches* on Saturday, October 12th from 10:00 a.m. to Noon.

Ralph McInerny will be signing copies of *Prodigal Father: A Father Dowling Mystery* on Saturday, October 12th from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Coach Gerry Faust will be signing copies of *The Golden Dream* on Saturday, October 12th from 11:00 a.m. to Noon.

Brian Jacques will be signing copies of *Triss & Taggerung*, as well as all of his books, on Sunday, October 13th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in McKenna Hall.

David Small & Sarah Stewart will discuss and sign copies of their award-winning books, *So you want to be an Inventor?* and *The Gardener*, on Saturday, October 19th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.



Musical Event:

The Undertones, Notre Dame acappella group, will perform on Saturday in the Bookstore one hour following the game.

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