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Fans bummed by outcome, but still faithful

By PATRICK CASSIDY
News Writer

Notre Dame football — and its fans — underwent what many commentators called a “reality check” as Michigan rolled into South Bend and walloped the Irish 47-21 Saturday.

The team's runaway victory over Penn State did not prepare students for the Michigan outcome. Senior Paul Jacobs called the performance “sloppy and unorganized,” and freshman Heather Johnson said the second play from scrimmage — an interception resulting in a Michigan touchdown — “set the tone for the whole game.”

“If that had never happened,” she said. “It would have been a different

story.”

Senior safety Chinedum Ndukwe gave fans a little hope when he intercepted a Michigan pass, setting up a Notre Dame touchdown.

But when the game began to deteriorate, so did the emotion of the student section. When it finally ended, sophomore Andy Pawles said he felt “embarrassed, confused and scared for next week.”

“I’ve been watching Notre Dame football since 1993,” he said, “and that was one of the worst games I have ever seen.”

Sophomore Andrea Ochoa said the game “forced her to leave the stadium.”

For freshman Justin Bartkus, there weren't just low points — there was a

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LAURIE HUNT/The Observer

Students observe in silent disbelief as the Irish struggle against Michigan. The Wolverines beat Notre Dame 47-21 Saturday.

Millions on the line for student

Senior to appear on game show today

By RYAN SYDLIK
News Writer

When Laura Keough told her son Dan to earn some cash to supplement his unpaid summer internship, she didn't mean a million dollars.

But that's just what the senior stands to win in his appearance on “Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?” today at 12:30 p.m. The show, to be aired on WNDU-TV, was taped on July 25, but Keough was prohibited from disclosing the results.

Keough nabbed his spot on “Millionaire” by applying online while in New York. At the time, he was interning with New Line Cinema to work on the latest Harry Potter movie.

Once initially accepted, Keough had to take a trivia test and undergo interviews to actually earn a spot on the show.

He was one of the 15 out of 100 people who passed both hurdles — a week after, he received a call and was told his show would be July 24.

While the “fastest-finger” question has been eliminated, getting to the “hot seat” is still nerve-racking, Keough said — contestants are given no warning before their names are called.

“They had us all back stage. They call you up randomly, one at a time,” he said.

Keough waited an entire day without being called, and was forced to return to the studio the next day. Then, he finally heard the director say the magic words. “Dan Keough, you're up.”

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Cancer can't keep pace with professor

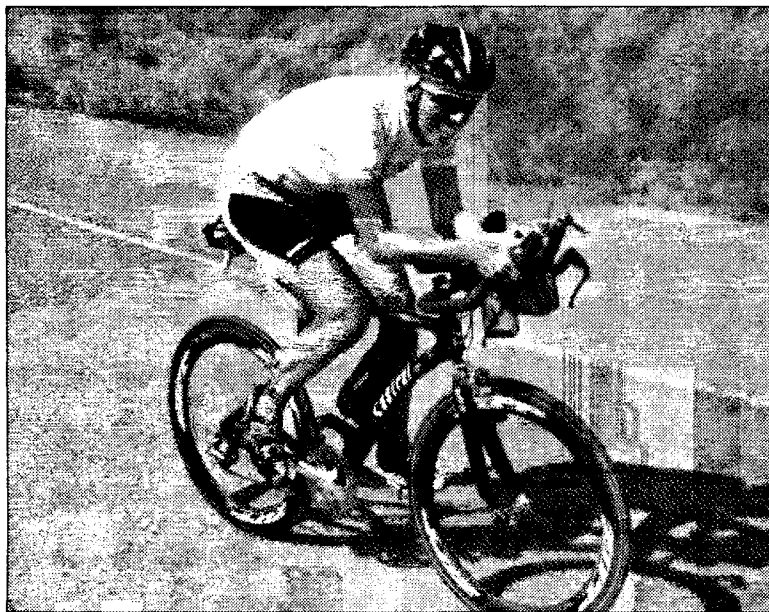


Photo courtesy of Toni Barstis

Saint Mary's professor Toni Barstis competes in grueling triathlons despite a recent battle with ovarian cancer.

By KELLY MEEHAN
Saint Mary's Editor

When doctors told Toni Barstis “no,” all she could hear was “yes.” Not even the March 2006 diagnosis of stage one ovarian cancer could hinder the Saint Mary's associate professor of chemistry's willpower to train for the Ultraman Canada Championship.

Nor a hysterectomy nor chemotherapy treatments dampened 40-year-old Barstis' determination to run 52.4 miles, swim 6.2 miles and bike 260 miles in the August triathlon event.

“It was a miracle I finished actually,” she said.

Not only was it a personal victory, but also a triumph

for women and cancer victims. Barstis was the first American to cross the finish line on Aug. 14, the second woman — of only two previous women competitors in the history of the Ultraman — and perhaps the most admired athlete at the event.

As she sprinted across the finish line, hand-in-hand with her husband, Dave, and his brother, John Barstis, “the athletes who had already finished, their crews, the [Ultraman] directors and the resort personnel were standing there clapping, supporting me, cheering me on,” she said.

“I broke down. Everyone

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Administration details three-part worker plan

By KATHLEEN McDONNELL
News Writer

The Campus Labor Action Project (CLAP) is en route to accomplishing some of its goals after meeting twice with administration members last week, member Nick Krafft said.

“We're not going to stop until we feel like the wage scale is just,” Krafft said. “There are definitely steps being made in the right direction.”

An organization of about 20 students, CLAP was established last fall to secure a

\$12.10 per hour wage for campus workers. This year, the group hopes to address wages that are too low, an increased workload in the past few years and understaffing.

On Sept. 12 representatives of both CLAP and student government met with administration members including Executive Assistant to the President Frances Shavers, Associate Vice President of Human Resources Bob McQuade and Executive Vice President John Affleck-Graves to discuss the University's new developments in worker rela-

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AIDS children suffer unnoticed

Plight of African youth generally forgotten in world dialogue

By MAUREEN MULLEN
News Writer

While African adults afflicted with HIV and AIDS are the subject of much discussion, the children living with those same diseases need a voice too, Dr. Miriam Laker Opwonya of Uganda said in a Sept. 15 lecture.

Opwonya is the Research Coordinator for the Infectious Diseases Institute of Makerere University in Uganda and spoke at last week's academic forum. This lecture took place in the



ALLISON AMBROSE/The Observer

Dr. Miriam Laker Opwonya uses a Powerpoint to present statistics on children afflicted with HIV/AIDS in Africa.

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INSIDE COLUMN

A King for all seasons

"Winter, spring, summer, or fall/all you have to do is call/and I'll be there, yes I will/ you've got a friend." God, I used to think that song was so corny. That is, until I discovered the wonder of Carole King's songwriting. She is much more than that lady who sings the theme to "Gilmore Girls."

Chris Hine

Sports Writer

I grew up on the music of the 60s and 70s. It was the only music I heard, because it was all that my dad played. Somewhere around the age of 12, thankfully, my parents finally let me out of my caged existence and let me try something modern. So, for a few years, I listened to "cool" music. Then when I was 16, I was in Barnes and Noble and they had a display out of "classic albums." One of those albums was King's "Tapestry." I looked at the back cover of the CD and there were many songs on there I recognized that other people had made famous: "You've Got a Friend," "So Far Away" and "Natural Woman." I figured, why not buy it? These are songs I know, thanks to dad.

My ears have yet to hear anything resembling the idiosyncratic beauty and deceptive simplicity of Carole King's songs.

I do not know that much about music, but I do know that King's songs are more than just hooks thrown to together to make a hit. Her songs, (along with lyricist, Gerry Goffin, with whom she wrote most of her big hits) have emotional punch behind them, and the melody and chords complement the lyrics, to underscore the feelings of the singer. Other times, the melody is more ironic, revealing emotions the singer does not want to acknowledge.

In "You've Got a Friend," the verses contain minor chords, to convey sadness and depression, and the lyrics of the verses are sad and longing for someone. The chords then become major chords around the chorus, to show happiness to go along with the lyrics that convey the singer's relief that she will always have a friend.

Goffin/King songs are songs that have no writers. They exist within our consciousness, buried within our memories because we either heard them on TV, in a movie, or on our parent's stereo. Whenever we hear one of their songs, we may not know the singer, but we have heard that song before. They are engrained in our minds and will stay there forever.

After hearing "Tapestry," I bought many other Carole King albums. The same craftsmanship is present in all of her songs.

The greatness of Goffin/King was not lost on Lennon/McCartney, who said they wanted to become "the Goffin and King of England." I encourage all of you to buy "Tapestry" or go and download one of the over 500 songs King wrote that were recorded by others.

If she's good enough for the Beatles, she's good enough for you.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Chris Hine at chine@nd.edu

CORRECTIONS

Due to a reporting error in the Sept. 15 article "Belles split team in half," the jamboree that was originally supposed to have taken place at Albion College was in fact scheduled to take place at Saint Mary's. The jamboree has still been relocated to Hope College, however. The Observer regrets this error.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: DO YOU PLAY INTERHALL OR REC-SPORTS? WHY OR WHY NOT?



Dan D'Amore
sophomore
Morrissey

"No, I'm not athletic enough to begin with."



Erin Fitzpatrick
sophomore
Welsh Family

"Yes, Interhall bull riding because I was cut from the horseshoe team."



Javier Palomo
sophomore
Morrissey

"No, because I was sick for the soccer tryouts."



Meghan Mulhern
sophomore
Welsh Family

"Football and basketball — it's what I live for."



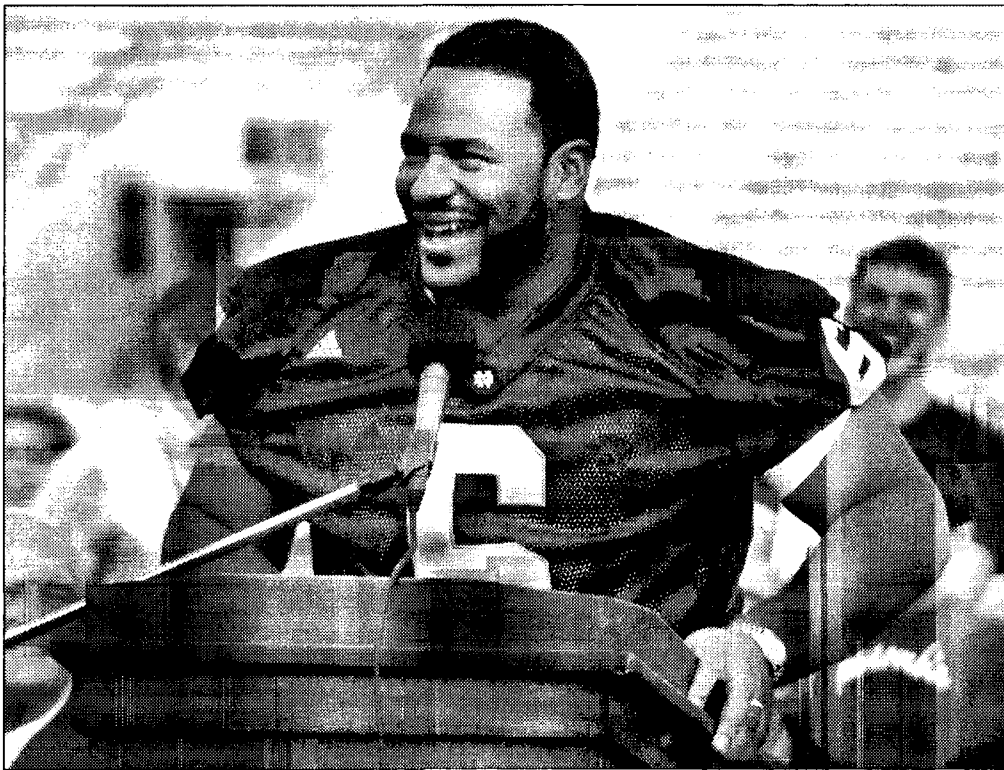
Nick Caprino
sophomore
Morrissey

"Yes, co-recreational soccer, because girls' goals are worth two points."



Sarah Ponto
sophomore
Welsh Family

"Yes, soccer because I thought I'd be issued sweet gear."



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Jerome Bettis, former Irish fullback and member of the 2005 Super Bowl champion Pittsburgh Steelers, greets Notre Dame fans at the pep rally in the stadium Friday.

OFFBEAT

Man Sets Sights on Eye-Popping Record

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil — Claudio Paulo Pinto is looking to break an eye-popping record. Literally. Pinto can pop his eyeballs out of their sockets at least 7 millimeters (0.3 inches), a national record for eye-popping according to RankBrasil, an organization modeled after the Guinness Book of World Records that lists Brazilian records.

A former driver, Pinto got a job scaring visitors in a commercial haunted house in Belo Horizonte, 210 miles north of Rio de

Janeiro. But he recently was laid off, and now he seeks international recognition for his ability.

"I was measured by an ophthalmologist on television in January. I could pop my eyes out 7 millimeters," Pinto said by telephone Saturday. "Since then, my capacities have improved over 50 percent."

Man Who Claims Toupee Caused Attack Sues

MILFORD, Conn. — A man who claims he had a heart attack during a dispute over an ill-fitting hairpiece that didn't

match his hair color is suing the wig shop.

Paul Lewis claims he suffered a heart attack after refusing to pay for the hairpiece that was not only the wrong size but also the wrong color. He is seeking more than \$15,000 in damages.

Lewis filed a counter lawsuit in Superior Court after Paula's Wig Boutique of Orange filed a small claims action seeking \$1,200 in payment for the hairpiece.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

Nancy Thomas-Moore, the director of Ethics and Business Conduct at the Weyerhaeuser Corporation, will deliver a lecture entitled "What's Hot in Business Ethics" tonight at 7 in the Jordan Auditorium of the Mendoza College of Business. All are welcome at the lecture, which is part of the Berges Lecture Series in Business Ethics.

Professor Donald Kommers will teach a public academic course called "Federalism with-in American Constitutional Law" Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in room 131 of DeBartolo Hall. All are welcome at the course, which is being held in observance of Constitution Day.

Irene Rizzini of the Department of Social Work at the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro and Visiting Chair in the Study of Brazilian Culture will deliver a lecture called "Participação Cidadã: Perceptions and Experiences of Citizenship Among Children and Youth in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil" Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. in room C-103 of the Hesburgh Center.

A panel discussion on "New Approaches to Peace and Conflict in Central Asia," featuring Kroc Institute Visiting Fellow John Heathershaw, and Rockefeller Visiting Fellows David Montgomery and Svetlana Peshkova will take place at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium.

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Department of peace appoints Swede as endowed chair

Professor plans on teaching several courses while collaborating with faculty to develop studies currently in process

Special to The Observer

Peter Wallensteen, the Dag Hammarsköld Professor in the Department of Peace and Conflict Research at Uppsala University in Sweden, has been appointed the inaugural holder of the Richard G. Starmann Sr. Research Chair in Peace Studies in the Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies at Notre Dame.



Wallensteen

The endowed chair is named after Richard G. Starmann Sr., a member of the Kroc Institute Advisory Council and a trusted friend and colleague of the late Joan B. Kroc. The institute is named in honor of Kroc, its principal benefactor, who was one of the world's leading philanthropists, a passionate advocate for the poor and underprivileged, and an ardent supporter of nuclear disarmament and nonviolent conflict transformation.

The Starmann professorship is a named chair held for a three-year renewable term by a senior peace studies scholar who has built a distinguished research and publication record in one or more of the sub-fields of peace research. Wallensteen will consult and

collaborate with Kroc faculty on institute research projects, supervise graduate students in peace studies, make a major presentation on research in progress, teach a graduate seminar in peace studies research, and offer a series of lectures to undergraduate students on the core concepts and methods of peace research.

One of the world's leading peace researchers, Wallensteen is director of the Uppsala Conflict Data Program and leader of the Special Program on International Targeted Sanctions.

The Conflict Data Program, established at Uppsala in the mid-1980s, continuously collects information on armed conflicts. The definitions and categories used by the project have gradually been refined to fit scholarly requirements of global comparability, so that the data is useful for systematic studies of the origins of conflict, conflict dynamics and conflict resolution. With the creation of the global conflict database, this information is now available to anyone in the world.

The Special Program on International Targeted Sanctions was initiated as the "Stockholm Process" by the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs together with the Department of Peace and Conflict Research at Uppsala

University in November 2001. The Stockholm Report ("Making Targeted Sanctions Effective") was delivered to the United Nations Security Council on Feb. 25, 2003. The program deepens academic research on targeted sanctions with systematic studies as well as with policy-related reports, and it keeps a Website continuously updated on developments on sanctions issues in the U.N.

Wallensteen is the author of, among other works, "International Sanctions: Between Wars and Words," "Understanding Conflict Resolution: Peace, War and the Global System," and "Making Targeted Sanctions Effective," as well as recent commissioned studies of means for the prevention of genocide, dialogue and other international strategies for democracy, and the U.N.'s post-conflict peace building capacity. His research interests also include the durability of peace agreements, the impact of preventative measures on the dynamics of disputes and conflicts, and reforming the United Nations as an effective institution for international peace and security.

Wallensteen will collaborate with other Kroc Institute faculty in building an Uppsala-Kroc project enhancing and exploiting the usefulness of the Uppsala conflict data for Kroc

Institute studies of conflict prevention, comparative peace processes, and the measuring and evaluation of peace building measures in specified conflict settings.

Starmann has specialized in crisis management in the United States, Europe, Asia and the Pacific Basin for more than 25 years. He was an officer of McDonald's Corp. for 19 of his 27 years with the company and is a founding member of the Ronald McDonald House International Advisory Board.

As senior vice president of McDonald's, Starmann was in charge of worldwide communications and led the company's global crisis management team from 1981 to 1998. In that role, he regularly dealt with government agencies, special interest groups, local and national law enforcement officials as well as various media. Starmann has extensive management experience with health issues and food- and airborne illnesses. In addition, he has led the response to bombings, terrorist threats, extortion attempts, shootings and food tampering cases for American companies operating in the United States, Europe and Asia.

Starmann was a first lieutenant and paratrooper in the U.S. Army Special Forces in Vietnam from 1969 to 1970. He is a former member of the

Board of Directors of the San Diego Padres professional baseball team.

A graduate of the University of Mississippi, Starmann has lectured at Dartmouth, Purdue, and the Universities of Nebraska, Denver, Mississippi and Notre Dame. At Dartmouth and Notre Dame, he is a regular speaker in the MBA programs, and at Notre Dame he serves on the Advisory Council of the Mendoza College of Business.

The Kroc Institute, the world's leading research, teaching and policy center specializing in strategic peace building, is celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2006-2007. More than 150 Notre Dame undergraduates enroll in the peace studies supplementary major or interdisciplinary minor offered by the Kroc Institute, which also boasts more than 400 graduates of its master's program in peace studies.

Kroc graduates work as conflict mediators, human rights advocates, teachers, professors, non-governmental organization staffers and government officials in more than 40 nations. The Kroc Institute features research programs in religion and conflict, comparative peace processes, security and sanctions, international norms and institutions and conflict transformation.

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was in tears, hugging and celebrating," she said. "It was a celebration of an accomplishment for everyone, but particularly emotional and special for myself and my family."

The three-day race took Barstis and the 11 other Ultraman competitors throughout the "extremely beautiful and peaceful" Canadian Rockies of British Columbia, she said.

Throughout Barstis' 30 hours, 56 minutes, 21 seconds of extreme athletic exertion during the Aug. 12 to Aug. 14 race, she said she felt completely "in communion with God and her family."

Barstis found the inspiration to train and complete the physically grueling event from the women she met while undergoing chemotherapy treatment.

Because of the extreme minority of women's participation in the Ultraman, Barstis originally "applied to the Ultraman to represent the accomplishments of women."

"I thought 'I've got to do it,'" she said, "purely to show that as women we are tough and we can do these things."

Never missing a single day of work during her treatment, the dedicated chair of the Department of Chemistry and Physics said her attitude and drive also came from her work atmosphere and the support of Saint Mary's women who helped her realize she could complete the race despite setbacks.

Junior biology and chemistry major Allie Greene has had Barstis as a professor for only one month, but has already witnessed the many "amazing characteristics that she possesses."

"She motivates her students with her cheerful attitude, and amazing drive in life," Greene said. "She is an inspiration to me, because even though she was faced with one of the scariest moments of her life, she was still able to keep her head up and do something to overcome it."

Senior biochemistry major Katie White also said she could not help but notice how Barstis "lives her life with a vengeance" and "cannot fully express [her] admiration and respect" for the resilient professor.

"Her encouragement and support have been invaluable in my own development as a chemist and as a woman," she said. "Saint Mary's College is lucky to have such an enthusiastic, warm, and intelligent woman."

The admired and revered College professor did not solely receive inspiration from Saint Mary's, but from her personal interaction with fellow cancer patients.

The women she met during her chemotherapy treatment fueled her passion to train for the Ultraman — completing the race in honor of women who have dealt with gynecological cancer.

"I was very lucky that my cancer was discovered very early," she said. "I met women who had to receive chemo treatments five days a week just to stay alive."

Despite being told to minimize or terminate training, Barstis used her workout time as a mental release from the tensions of dealing with

her illness.

"Every time I would go to receive chemo treatment, the other women would ask me how it was going," she said. "It reminded me of my higher purpose — I was doing this for them. It gave both myself and the other women strength and encouragement."

The key to her success was the willpower to "show up on the starting line everyday," she said. "I did not know if I would finish, but the key is being there and starting the race. I finished every time — it was a miracle."

Through competing in the Ultraman, Barstis met many extraordinary athletes whom she described not as competitors, but as "family."

The Ultraman athletes showed their kindness and compassion through their sincere support of Barstis and her family — comprised of her husband, Dave, and children, 9-year-old Elijah and 6-year-old Aviyah.

"All the competitors accomplished an amazing feat," she said. "For me it was just under special circumstances."

Although Barstis will be monitored for 10 more years, she looks at life in depth now more than ever — never taking anything for granted.

"I look at how trivial many things in life are," she said. "Everyone is always worrying over stupid things, when the most important thing is family and family events."

Barstis will "forever treasure the fact that [she] finished the race," but more importantly, she will remember the time spent and the support she received from her family during the race.

"Being able to run down a mountain hand-in-hand with my little daughter is such a great memory — something I will never forget," she said.

As for the future, Barstis hopes to run the Ultraman Hawaii or double triathlon in 2007 or 2008, but wherever her life takes her Barstis said she will "live fully."

"You never know how long we'll be here," she said. "We must celebrate life and live every minute fully."

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Keough said walking out onto the main stage was an intense experience with flashing lights, loud music and "[host] Meredith Vieira's make up."

"They push you out on stage and all of a sudden, you're on TV," he said. "...It was the scariest experience of my life, but it was awesome."

Keough said leaving after the show was even surreal when he walked back out onto the streets of New York. After being thrown into an island of pomp and splendor, he said, he thought it was strange to be back in the real world.

"It was the scariest experience of my life, but it was awesome."

Dan Keough senior

Several people he knew came to New York to watch the taping, including some family members and a friend who was also in the city at the time. However, because Keough was called out a day late, his family unfortunately had to return home due to other work obligations and missed his performance.

Dan Keough's mother, Laura Keough, said she thought the delay was not necessarily bad — it gave him a chance to relax and settle in more comfortably on the next day.

She said she is very happy for his appearance on the show.

"We are very proud of him," she said.

She also said her son had been on a TV game show once before in high school, but that it was a

locally-produced educational show — a far cry from "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?"

Dan Keough said he prepared for the show by watching old episodes for three weeks and studying other random material that he thought might be useful.

Though the results remain a mystery, Keough did say what he would do with a million dollars if he won out.

"I will pay for my college education and my siblings' education," he said.

In addition to hosting "Millionaire," Vieira recently signed on as co-host of the "Today" show on NBC. Notre Dame graduate Regis Philbin ('53) hosted the show when it debuted in primetime to popular acclaim. Philbin returned once thereafter for a 12-show run on its spinoff, "Who Wants to Be a Super Millionaire?"

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Woman knifed, baby kidnapped

Associated Press

ST. CLAIR, Mo. — A mother whose throat was slashed and newborn baby kidnapped was released from the hospital Sunday as authorities said they found a knife on property near her home.

A woman came to 21-year-old Stephanie Ochsenbine's home in the town of Lonedell on Friday, attacked her with a knife and left with her week-old infant, Abigale Lynn Woods, officials said.

Franklin County Sheriff Gary Toelke said authorities found a knife and other evidence near Ochsenbine's home, but would not give more details.

Heavy rain Sunday forced postponement of a search for more evidence.

Ochsenbine is not a suspect, Toelke said. The attacker was described as a white woman with black hair, 5-foot-8 and 200 pounds. She was believed to be armed.

Ochsenbine helped police artists with a composite drawing of the kidnapper

after leaving the hospital. The picture could be released Sunday, Toelke said.

Fliers showing the baby, called "Abby" by her family, were posted in gas stations and restaurants in neighboring Union. The 6-pound girl, born Sept. 8, has dark brown hair, dark eyes and a strawberry birthmark on her forehead.

People in the area, about 45 miles southwest of St. Louis, attended prayer services Sunday for Abby's safe return.

Search dogs, Franklin County deputies, FBI agents and several Missouri National Guard members combed the area around the home for clues over the weekend.

Callers continued to offer tips, Toelke said, but none led to a suspect.

"Any lead is good, but so far there's nothing that has stood out," he said. "There's a lot of information we have, but nothing concrete."

Ochsenbine told police she did not know the woman who came to her door Friday

and entered the house after asking to use the telephone.

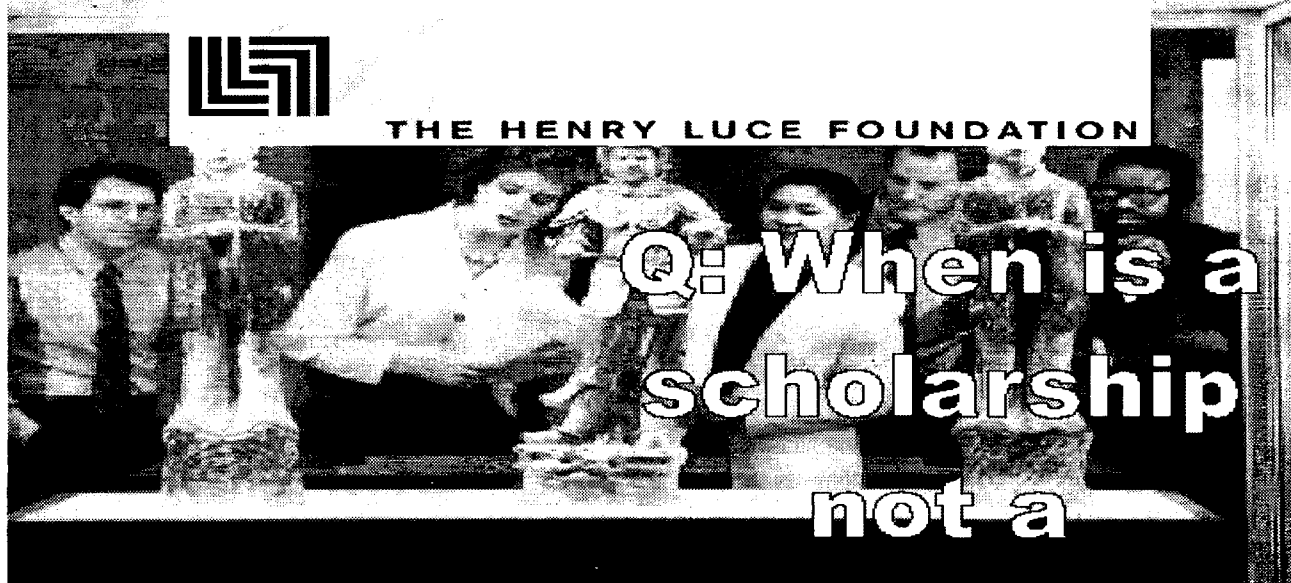
Ochsenbine's 1-year-old son, Connor, also was in the house but was unharmed. Ochsenbine's boyfriend and Abby's father, James Woods, was at work.

Authorities have asked hospitals and doctors to be on the lookout for anyone bringing in a newborn.

The abductor has been profiled as someone who had a child die recently or as someone who could not have children, told people she was pregnant and needed to steal a child so her lie would not be found out.

From 1983 to 2002, there were 217 reported cases of non-family infant abductions, and all but a few babies were recovered safely within 25 miles of where they had been taken, according to a 2003 study by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. About three-quarters of the kidnapped infants were recovered in fewer than five days.

"We're hopeful that's the case," Toelke said.



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A Supreme Court ruling in June essentially said the Geneva Conventions should apply to suspected terrorists in CIA custody.

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tions, Krafft said.

The administration has a three-fold plan laid out to improve its relationship with workers. First, the University will send an extensive questionnaire to all workers in order to evaluate its role as employer. CLAP will have an opportunity to alter or add to the survey before it is sent and also to see the results.

Second, the administration plans to have a hotline run by a third party, a neutral company for workers, to allow employees to voice concerns.

"A lot of workers are afraid to go to human resources with concerns," Krafft said. "So this neutral company will give them the opportunity to be heard."

The third and final initiative will allow workers to feel more a part of campus life by starting town hall meetings in which new University developments will be discussed. Jenkins will host the first meeting at the end of September, and he will offer four different meeting times so that workers from all shifts will be able to attend, Krafft said.

CLAP members seem happy with the progress made but stress that the project is ongoing.

"We're glad with the outcome of the meeting because we feel like if we didn't start this dialogue, the changes may not have happened," Krafft said. "But at the same time, we're still trying to work with them on the issue of wages — I think that is going to take some more time."

CLAP member Casey Stanton praised the administration's efforts.

"They seem to have taken the issues to heart," she said.

"In all of this, we are recognizing that we have the same interest — making [Notre Dame] the best for its workers."

Casey Stanton
CLAP member

"There's a respectful collaboration going on here."

Krafft also said the administration stressed that CLAP and the University do have the same goals.

"Right now we're just coming at the issue from two different perspectives, and it's

just going to take some time so that we can see things from the same vantage point," he said.

The University feels it's a very fair employer compared to other institutions in the area, Krafft said, but CLAP still feels there is work to be done in terms of the pay scale. He described the meeting as "very collaborative — not at all antagonistic" which should lead to an even stronger partnership in the future.

On Sept. 14, CLAP members met with the Staff Advisory Council in order for the groups to discuss their goals and better understand each

other.

"They [the Staff Advisory Council] sort of represent the whole range of workers on campus, all 3,000, and they had some really great questions for us," Stanton said.

"They were interested in exactly what we wanted to do and wanted to know how we thought we could do it," Krafft said. "It was really good knowing that this body of representatives was really throwing its support behind us."

Krafft also said the meeting was a good opportunity to get worker contacts, as the organization is in the process of assembling a coalition of workers to move the project forward.

As for the future, Stanton stressed that any student interested in talking about labor issues should contact a CLAP leader to join the project. She also said CLAP's next step is to further involve workers in the process.

"The most important thing is relationship-building in terms of really getting to know workers in a collective effort," Stanton said. "We're trying to figure out how the economics of it works while at the same time getting to know the workers and hearing their stories."

Stanton praised last week's meetings with the University as steps toward real progress in the collaborative effort.

"In all of this, we are recognizing that we have the same interest — making [Notre Dame] the best for its workers," she said.

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Sex-offender captured after months of hiding

Kidnapped girl found in underground bunker

Associated Press

LUGOFF, S.C. — A man suspected of kidnapping a 14-year-old girl and keeping her in an underground bunker was charged Sunday with raping the teen, Kershaw County Sheriff Steve McCaskill said.

McCaskill said Vinson Filyaw had eluded police with an elaborate system of hideouts and bunkers since November 2005 when he was charged with criminal sexual conduct on a 12-year-old girl.

He surrendered Sunday morning to police as he walked along Interstate 20 near Columbia, about five miles from where investigators found the teenager.

Police say Filyaw, 36, abducted the girl as she walked home from a school bus stop on Sept. 6.

Investigators arrested Filyaw in neighboring Richland County about 24 hours after rescuing the girl, who sent a text message to her mother on Filyaw's phone while he was asleep Wednesday, McCaskill said. The sheriff said Filyaw woke up and the girl still had the phone, but she told him she was simply playing with the phone.

Investigators used cell towers to determine a general location of the phone and deputies began searching for Filyaw on Friday night. McCaskill said the girl cried out as searchers approached the bunker.

"This little lady getting that mes-

sage out was really the break in the case," the sheriff said. "She helped herself as much as we helped her."

Police say they still have not interviewed the girl, whose name was previously released when she was a missing person. The Associated Press is not using her name because police have identified her as a victim of sexual assault.

The girl was found Saturday about a mile from her home, hidden in a booby-trapped, 15-foot-deep hole carved out of the side of a hill and covered with plywood. The bunker had a hand-dug privy with toilet paper, a camp stove and shelves made with cut branches and canvas.

McCaskill said it looked like Filyaw was trying to dig another bunker under that one as a possible backup hiding place, but had to abandon it when it filled with water.

Filyaw had dug two bunkers in his own yard and two in the woods and had used them to hide out since he was charged in the assault case in November.

His girlfriend Cynthia Hall has been charged as an accessory and with neglect in the earlier case, McCaskill said. Investigators say she allowed the earlier assault to take place in her home and provided Filyaw with supplies to live in the bunker.

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Delphi bankruptcy hearings delayed

NEW YORK — The bankruptcy court hearings to determine whether Delphi Corp. can reject its labor agreements and certain supply contracts with General Motors Corp. have been postponed, the company said on Friday.

Delphi, which was part of GM until it was spun off in 1999, said the court had granted further adjournments in both cases. It has scheduled a Sept. 28 status conference with the judge presiding over its bankruptcy case.

Friday was also the deadline for a second wave of UAW-represented Delphi employees to accept buyout offers. About 12,600 hourly employees have already taken early retirement offers.

A call to the UAW was not immediately returned.

Delphi has about 6,000 employees in Indiana — 5,200 workers in Kokomo, with about 2,300 of those being union workers, plus operations in Anderson.

The decision to postpone the bankruptcy court hearings came after GM, Delphi, and its unions met on Thursday with Judge Robert Drain of the Southern District of New York.

Medicare changes to strain doctors

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Medicare beneficiaries might soon face a shrinking pool of doctors willing to see them because the program's payments to physicians will undergo the first of a series of cuts on Jan. 1.

The cuts of 5 percent in 2007 and 37 percent over the next nine years likely will force some physicians to limit the number of Medicare patients they see.

A recent survey conducted by the American Medical Association found that 45 percent of the doctors who responded said they would either decrease or stop seeing new Medicare patients if the 5 percent cut goes through.

"It would be devastating to my practice," said Dr. James LaFollette, who has had a Bloomington family practice for four decades. "Thirty to 40 percent of my patients are on Medicare, and 65 percent are over 50."

If the cuts are made according to what is called the Medicare sustainable growth rate formula, LaFollette predicts many doctors will stop accepting new Medicare patients — and others will simply leave the profession.

Outbreak affects buying habits

Shoppers turn to other produce after recall of E. Coli-contaminated spinach

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Shoppers changed their buying habits Saturday as spinach was pulled from grocery store shelves because of the outbreak of E. coli bacteria that had killed one person and sickened more than 100 others.

Natural Selection Foods LLC recalled its packaged spinach throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico as a precaution after federal health officials said some of those hospitalized reported eating brands of prepackaged spinach distributed by the company.

The officials stressed that the bacteria had not been isolated in products sold by the holding company, based in San Juan Bautista, Calif., and known for Earthbound Farm and other brands. As the investigation continues, other brands may be implicated, officials said.

At a Safeway grocery in San Francisco's Potrero Hill neighborhood, many bagged produce shelves were empty Saturday. Anna Cairns said she had to settle for bags of iceberg green lettuce and Caesar salad, instead of her normal salad mix, which contained spinach.

"I have a bag of spinach in my refrigerator I need to throw away," said Cairns, 59, of San Francisco.

Marina Zecevic, 49, of West Los Angeles, shopping at a Trader Joe's, said she made the mistake of serving creamed spinach to her kids the day the story broke.

"My sons started accusing me of premeditated murder," she said.

She felt the contamination issue was overblown.

"The minute we get the all clear, the spinach is back on the table," she said.

The spinach, grown in California, could have been contaminated in the field or during processing, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.



The Earthbound Farm Organic produce brand, linked to a national E. coli outbreak, is advertised near the Natural Selection Foods plant in San Juan Bautista, Calif. Sept. 15.

About 74 percent of the fresh market spinach grown in the U.S. comes from California, according to the California Farm Bureau Federation. There have been previous bacterial contamination outbreaks linked to spinach and lettuce grown in the state.

Wisconsin accounted for nearly a third of the 102 reported illnesses, including the lone death, a 77-year-old woman who died of kidney failure.

Other states reporting cases were California, Connecticut, Idaho, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico, Nevada, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Utah, Virginia,

Washington and Wyoming, according to the CDC.

"We are very, very upset about this. What we do is produce food that we want to be healthy and safe for consumers, so this is a tragedy for us," Natural Selection spokeswoman Samantha Cabaluna said.

The FDA advised consumers not to eat fresh spinach or fresh spinach-containing products until further notice. Some restaurants and retailers may be taking spinach out of bags before selling it, so consumers shouldn't buy it at all, the FDA said.

Boiling contaminated spinach can kill the bacteria but washing won't eliminate it, the CDC warned.

At a Stop and Shop

supermarket in Meriden, Conn., Michelle Bookey said she frequently buys spinach for salads for her dieting husband but plans to cook it from now on.

"It worries me. I don't even want to buy lettuce," said Bookey, 36.

Earthbound Farm, which claims it pioneered the retail market in pre-washed, bagged salads in 1986, says its spinach and other products are in 74 percent of U.S. grocery stores.

It also sells spinach to restaurants and other establishments that serve food. The National Restaurant Association said members were pulling items containing spinach from their menus.

Market up as inflation moderates

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Investors sent shares near their 2006 highs on Friday after benign inflation data and low oil prices boosted confidence that the Federal Reserve will keep interest rates unchanged at its meeting next week.

Stocks finished the week broadly higher in its strongest winning streak in more than a month, putting the Dow Jones industrial average 162 points away from its all-time closing high. Wall Street remained upbeat heading into next Wednesday's Fed meeting, where central bankers are expected to keep rates unchanged.

Data released in recent weeks has increasingly backed projections the

economy is in check, and slowing enough for a soft landing. Supporting this was the Labor Department's Consumer Price Index, as well as Friday's release of the University of Michigan's consumer sentiment report and the Fed's industrial production numbers.

Although many stock strategists say the markets already expect the Fed to keep rates steady, they do suggest the central bank's assessment of the economy next week could set the tone for the remainder of the year. Central bankers refrained from raising rates when they last met on Aug. 8 after 17 straight hikes in two years.

"The Fed, in my view, has put their stake in the ground with their forecast of decelerating economic growth is

going to take some of the pressure off of inflation going forward," said Alan Gayle, senior investment strategist with Trusco Capital Management. "This kind of data is going to be very supportive of that policy strategy, and should allow the Fed to keep with a state interest rate policy for now."

In preliminary calculations, the Dow Jones industrial average advanced 33.38, or 0.29 percent, to 11,560.77, leaving it 162.21 points away from its high close of 11,722.98, reached Jan. 14, 2000.

Among broader indexes, the Standard & Poor's 500 index added 3.59, or 0.27 percent, closing at 1,319.87. The Nasdaq composite index rose 6.86, or 0.31 percent, to 2,235.59.

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Hesburgh Center for Peace Studies.

Opwonya began her lecture, which was hosted by the Kellogg Institute's African Working Group, by saying that though she has worked with both adult and children HIV patients, she has "always had a special interest in the children."

"I've found out that children that don't have AIDS are lucky children,"

Opwonya said. "If they fall sick from malaria they are treated and they are fine in five days ... Children with pneumonia are treated and in five days they are OK and go home. Children who get fractures are treated and they are fine and go home, but children with HIV / AIDS are going to be sick everyday and because of that I felt drawn to them."

The title and theme of Opwonya's talk was "Who will speak for us?" Though scores of African children suffer from AIDS, it is the adults who get the most attention, she said — similar to the situation when free antiretroviral drugs became available in Uganda three years ago.

At first, said Opwonya, the drugs came in only adult dosages.

"We had to break the tablets up into small pieces, opening up capsules and measuring amounts for children ... That is because no one has spoken up for the children," said Opwonya. "[AIDS] is seen as an adult's problem and not a child's problem."

Opwonya presented her audience with staggering statistics concerning the numbers of African children affected by HIV — like the 89 percent of HIV-infected children in the world living in

sub-Saharan Africa, though only 10 percent of the world's population resides there.

A large part of Opwonya's talk consisted of the personal stories of several of her AIDS patients. Opwonya told of young children — some no older than 10 — looking after their dying HIV-positive parents. She related specific accounts of the way in which AIDS psychologically damaged certain children.

One father pulled his son out of school because the boy had AIDS and the father saw no reason to pay tuition fees, Opwonya told the audience. She also spoke of families without parents, with several children being cared for by an adolescent sibling.

Abuse was another major topic in Opwonya's lecture. She cited one case in which daughters were defiled by their HIV-positive father. In another instance, Opwonya told of a girl who died from AIDS because her parents stopped administering the proper drugs to her. Still another of Opwonya's stories described an HIV-positive child that died simply because the parents could not afford antibiotics when the child fell sick with pneumonia.

The heart-wrenching stories that Opwonya told illustrated the injustices that so many African children experience because of AIDS and because they — the children — are often overlooked.

"It is really important to know that children who are born with HIV can live to grow up," Opwonya said. "We have a number who are now in university ... because they have been looked after well."

Opwonya also spoke of all that is being done, the many organizations that are helping to change present conditions in sub-Saharan Africa. In Uganda, "orphanages — Nsambya and Sanyu Babies' Home — are looking after many AIDS orphans," she

said. "We also have what are called SOS villages."

These villages, she said, hire unmarried single women to head families of orphaned children and become a foster mother to these children.

In concluding her talk, Opwonya spoke of what an individual in her audience might be able to do for the crisis facing African children, cautioning the audience to choose a reputable charity.

"Be a voice for the children. Foster a child, volunteer time. Feed or clothe a child," she said.

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"Be a voice for the children. Foster a child, volunteer time. Feed or clothe a child."

Miriam Laker Opwonya
Ugandan doctor

Game

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low points — there was a lowest point.

"The worst was when the backups came in and showed no pride," Bartkus said.

The season, however, is far from over. Students have been able to retain some hope in the face of defeat. Ochoa said she is still "very excited for the season."

And Saturday's loss marks just one chapter in a large 2006 football novel — the Irish will write the next one at Michigan State next week. For Bartkus, the season rests on the Nov. 25 University of Southern California game.

"Although there is business to take care of beforehand, the game at USC has become a statement game," he said.

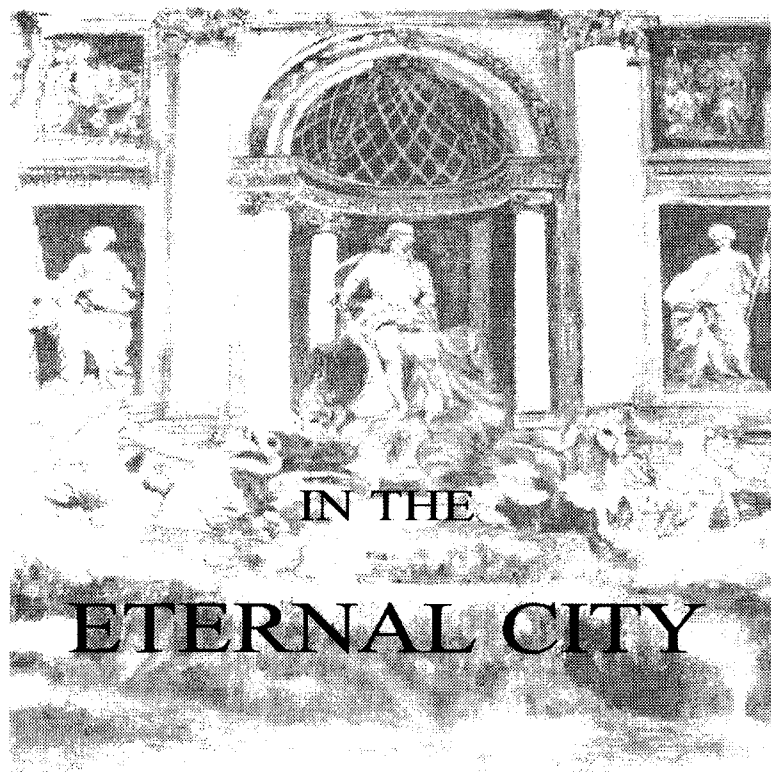
While the jubilation that normally characterizes the Notre Dame student section was absent, most students still stuck around to the end. They draped their arms around each other, hoarsely sang the Alma Mater and looked forward to what they hope might still be a successful season.

"Although I was expecting Brady Quinn to deliver me a graduation present of a national championship," senior Sam Francis said, "a BCS bowl game will do."

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VENEZUELA

Ahmadinejad praises Chavez for rebelling against U.S.

Associated Press

CARACAS — Iran's president praised Venezuelan leader Hugo Chavez for his firm opposition to the United States on Sunday, promising to deepen an alliance that is helping Tehran

fight U.S. moves to rein in its nuclear program.

President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad called Chavez "my brother" and "the champion of the struggle against imperialism."

The two leaders met as both

were preparing to travel to New York for this week's U.N. General Assembly.

"We have thoughts, objectives and interests in common," Ahmadinejad said. "We must be united to be able to make these ideas reality with the aim of

achieving justice and peace."

Venezuelan and Iranian officials signed a series of accords, including agreements for Tehran to help Venezuela develop oil fields. The governments plan to build factories to produce everything from bricks to

bicycles, and have agreed to set up a \$2 billion investment fund.

Chavez and Ahmadinejad spoke through a live television link with Iranian businessmen who are helping build a \$250 million cement plant in the eastern state of Monagas. They also watched as a Venezuelan Muslim knelt and prayed in a new mosque opened at a joint petrochemical plant.

Chavez honored the Iranian leader with a medal and demanded that the U.S. destroy its own nuclear arsenal instead of harassing Iran about a nuclear program that he said is purely for producing electricity.

"Iran is not making an atomic bomb," Chavez said. "The ones that have many atomic bombs, and I repeat, many, are precisely the U.S. imperialists and their allies in the world."

Iran insists its nuclear research is aimed solely at peaceful uses despite concerns among U.S. and European governments that it could be trying to develop nuclear weapons.

"I salute all the revolutionaries who oppose world hegemony," Ahmadinejad said through an interpreter, apparently referring to the United States.

Ahmadinejad and other Middle Eastern leaders are backing Venezuela's bid for a U.N. Security Council seat, which would give Chavez a platform to battle a U.S. drive for sanctions against Iran over its nuclear program.

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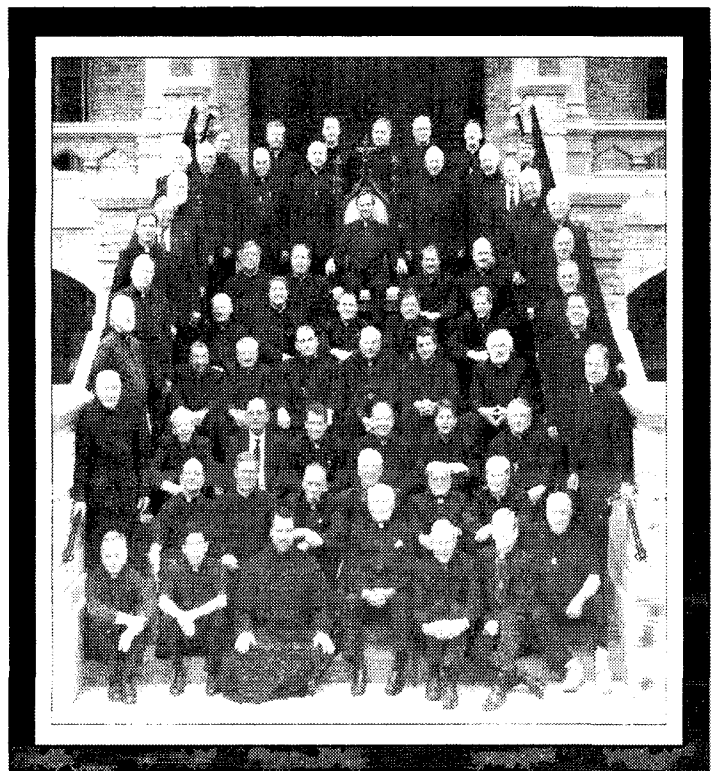
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AFGHANISTAN

Mission pronounced a success

NATO drives Taliban insurgents back — but victims are plenty

Associated Press

KABUL — NATO said Sunday that its two-week offensive in south Afghanistan was a "significant success" that had driven Taliban insurgents from their positions and opened the way for development. But violence was unabated, with suicide bombers killing two civilians and wounding six soldiers.

Militants also took control of a district in the west of the country after chasing away the police, an official said, in an apparent attempt to open a new front.

The developments came as the country is going through its bloodiest phase since the U.S.-led invasion ousted the hard-line Taliban from power in 2001.

Lt. Gen. David Richards, head of the 20,000-strong NATO-led force in Afghanistan, said the insurgents have been forced out of the volatile former Taliban heartland, and reconstruction and development efforts there would soon begin.

Alliance officials have said more than 500 militants were killed during the two-week operation, centered mainly in Panjwai, Pashmul and Zhari districts of southern Kandahar province.

Two foreign military convoys in different areas came under attack from suicide bombers, a method frequently used by insurgents in Iraq.

A 17-year-old carrying explosives jumped in front of a U.S. military convoy east of Kabul, killing a bystander and wounding three American soldiers, Afghan police said.

Earlier in the day, a suicide bomber plowed his explosive-laden vehicle into a Canadian military convoy in southern Afghanistan, killing one civilian and wounding three soldiers.

The bomber targeted the convoy west of Kandahar city, said Zulmai Khan, a police official at the scene. Eight civilians were also hurt in the blast, police said.

Most of Afghanistan's recent surge in violence has taken place in volatile southern provinces, where some 8,000 NATO forces took military control from the U.S.-led coalition on Aug. 1. NATO commanders say they need another 2,500 troops plus greater air support to crush the Taliban threat more quickly.

Richards said the end of the southern offensive should open the way for much needed reconstruction and development in areas where the central government has been unable to reach.

But some 400 heavily armed Taliban crossed into the western Farah province, taking control of its Gulistan district after chasing away the police and burning the district headquarters and a local clinic, provincial police chief Gen. Sayed Aqa Saqib said. No casualties were reported.

"We are hoping the government will send more troops, because there are too many Taliban in the area," Saqib told The Associated Press over the phone.

Gen. Sher Mohammad Karimi, the Afghan army's chief of operations, acknowledged that the Taliban "were not all

destroyed" and that some have simply slipped away into other areas. "They may reorganize but our troops will follow," Karimi said.

Richards ruled out immediately pursuing the Taliban hold-outs.

"We will not dance to the Taliban's tune," Richards said. "They want to deflect us and take us away. We won't let them do that."

The end of one operation coincided with a start of a new U.S. and Afghan offensive in the east of the country.

Dubbed Operation Mountain Fury, the new offensive involves 7,000 U.S. and Afghan soldiers in the central and eastern provinces of Paktika, Khost, Ghazni, Paktya and Logar, the military said. Fighter planes and helicopters will back the ground forces.

A separate U.S.-led operation

called Big Northern Wind has been under way in Kunar province's Korangal Valley since late August.

The Taliban, al-Qaida and other Islamic extremist groups are known to operate in the east, especially in the area bordering Pakistan where the reach of the government is weak and militants find sanctuaries.

The renewed American push to defeat the Taliban-led insurgency comes nearly five years after the hard-line militia was ousted from power.

Separately, the mutilated body of an Afghan engineer who had worked for a local aid agency was found Sunday in Ghazni province, where he had been kidnapped earlier in the week by suspected Taliban militants, said Ali Ahmad Fakuri, the provincial governor's spokesman.

Parents of enslaved camel jockeys file suit

Associated Press

MIAMI — Rulers of the United Arab Emirates were accused in a lawsuit of enslaving tens of thousands of boys over three decades and forcing them to work as jockeys in the popular sport of camel racing.

The lawsuit was filed last week by unnamed parents of boys suspected of being abducted, sold and enslaved. They claim more than 30,000 boys could have been victimized and seek class-action status.

The lawsuit alleges Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum, the crown prince of Dubai, and Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum, the deputy ruler, were the most active perpetrators.

The lawsuit was filed in Miami because the members of the royal family maintain hundreds of horses at farms

in Ocala. The suit seeks unspecified damages.

Calls to the United Arab Emirates embassy in Washington, D.C., were not answered and it was not possible to leave a telephone message after hours. A telephone message left at a Kentucky farm owned by the crown prince was not returned.

John Andres Thornton, co-counsel for the children, said the crown prince was served with the lawsuit Monday while buying horses in Kentucky.

The lawsuit claims the boys were taken largely from Bangladesh and Pakistan, were held at desert camps in the UAE and other Persian Gulf nations, and forced to work. It claims some boys were sexually abused, given limited food and sleep and injected with hormones to prevent their growth.

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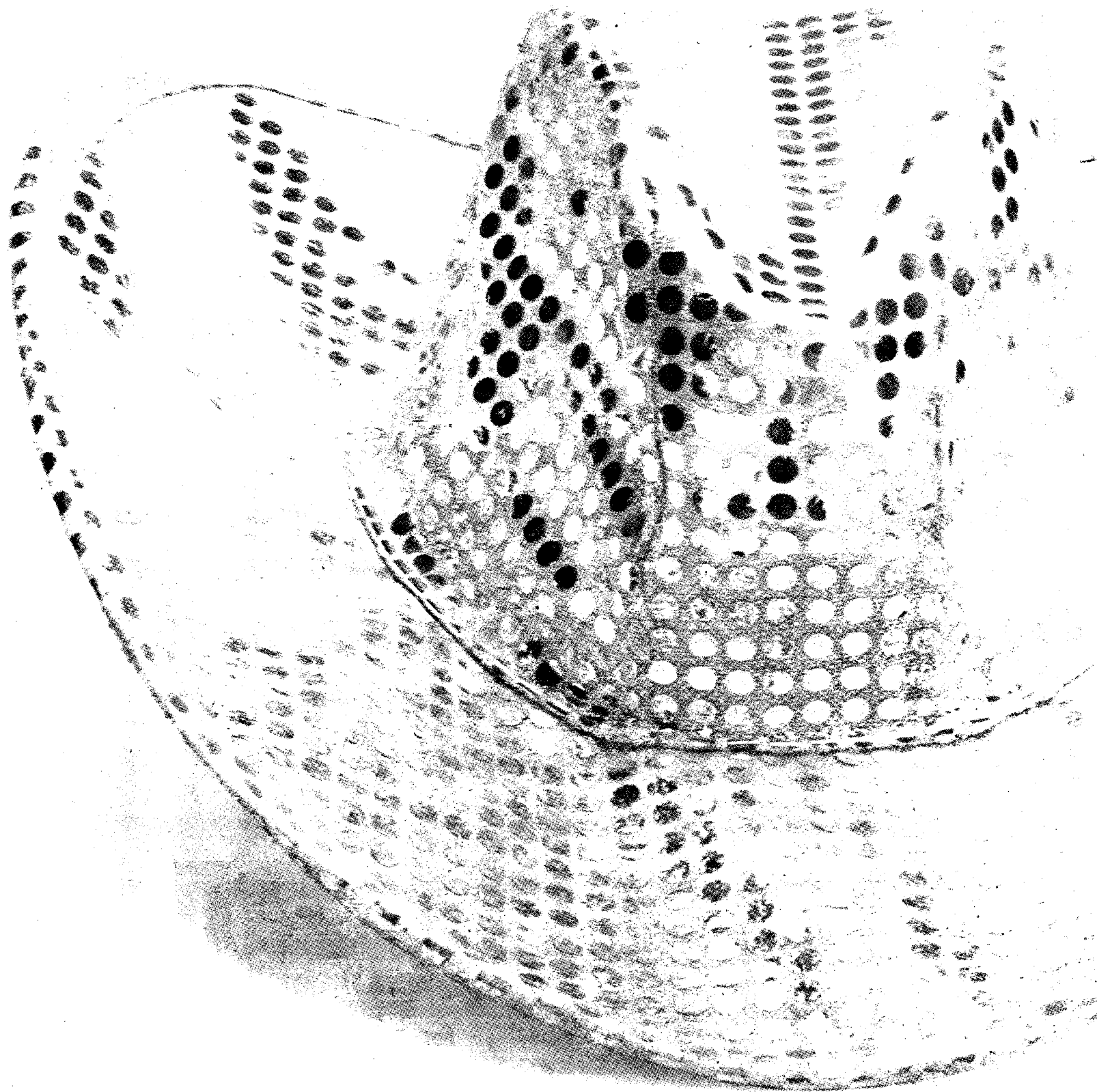
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Benedict's benign quotation leads to Muslim consternation

On Sept. 12, just one day after the fifth anniversary of the attacks on the United States by Muslim extremists, Pope Benedict XVI gave a speech at the University of Regensburg that has shaken the relationship between the Catholics and Muslims of the world. His lecture entitled "Faith, Reason and the University Memories and Reflections" is an excellent survey of the history of various philosophers and theologians attempting to reconcile the gaps between faith and reason. It is an excellent lecture except for one sticking point: a quote used partway through the speech from a conversation that took place in the 14th century. This conversation purportedly took place between Byzantine emperor Paleologus and an "educated Persian." In it, Paleologus blasts Islam with his challenge to the Persian: "Show me just what Mohammed brought that was new, and there you will find things only evil and inhuman, such as his command to spread by the sword the faith he preached."

The rather unnecessary use of this quote was a serious oversight. The Pope was simply using this quote as a means to an end in the discussion; it had nothing to do with the fact that Islam was targeted in the quote. It merely was an illustration that "not to act in accordance with reason is contrary to God's nature."

Unfortunately, to many in the Islamic community, it had everything to do with the fact that Islam was the subject religion. In a world where terms such as

"Islamofacism" are being coined and Muslims are being held in Guantanamo Bay without benefit of a trial or accusation of a crime, this quote is a wedge in the ever-growing rift between the Islamic community and the rest of the world. As a religious and political figure, the Pope's words are subject to extreme scrutiny and occasional misinterpretation. With this in mind, it is puzzling that he chose this particular discussion, relevant as it may be, to cite in his lecture.

However, he did. And it seems to have unraveled the hard work that Pope Benedict XVI has put into interfaith dialogues, despite his recently heartfelt but perhaps unsatisfying apology. This will be a sore subject that repeatedly comes up in future discussions with Muslim scholars and leaders. But this is more than just a sore subject and a loss of Papal political capital; it has led to protests and violence in various parts of the globe.

Churches were firebombed along the Gaza Strip in direct response to the quote. Denunciation of the Pope from leaders in Pakistan, Lebanon and Turkey were all issued promptly. Even the killing of a nun in Somalia is suspected to also be part of the backlash. This wave of violence in the Islamic world as a reflection of outrage harkens back to the publication of Danish cartoons depicting Mohammed earlier this year. The death toll for the ensuing violence over the cartoon was roughly 150.

Here's what boggles the mind now as much as then: why are some in the Muslim world protesting accusations of Islam being a violent religion with violence?

Islam is not a violent religion. It professes intense faith, charity, scholarship and desire for peace. The problem is that this is not what is displayed in the media.

What most see is the death toll from Islamic insurgents, the results of the latest 'sectarian violence' in Iraq and the preaching of extremist leaders who pervert the Qur'an's teachings for their personal agendas. Of course none of these things are really aspects of Islam any more than the IRA's violent tactics were reflections of the teachings of Catholicism.

It's a great irony that the fundamentalist groups who profess a union of church and state have in fact managed to take all the true meaning of their religion out of their religion leaving only slanted political readings of the core text that go against every true value of the religion. Whether it be Christian fanatics who bomb abortion clinics, Muslims who run planes into buildings or Jews who use an 'any means necessary' approach to defending their homeland of Israel. All these violent acts in the name of religion make us ask the questions: "What do we actually believe? What does it mean to have faith? Is it still something possible in the modern world?... In the end, we can no longer see the forest for the trees." This quotation is obviously not my own. It was said by a man far more intelligent and well versed in religious issues than I: Pope Benedict XVI. He said this the same day that he benignly used a quote that offended the Islam world. Extreme members of Islam then proceeded to yet again miss the forest for the trees.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Excess on occasion is exhilarating. It prevents moderation from acquiring the deadening effect of a habit."

W. Somerset Maugham
playwright

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Overpopulation column disputed

Population shrinking

In her Thursday column, "Big families equal big trouble," Liz Coffey makes a number of wrong assumptions concerning the nature of population growth and use of natural resources. They are assumptions that are often made and, because they lead to the deaths of countless children worldwide, must be corrected.

First, while natural resources are finite, our ability to manipulate them with ever-increasing efficiency is not. If we possessed today only the farming technology of 1900, much of the world's population would indeed be starving. But thanks to tremendous improvements in farming techniques all across the world, the world has never been better fed. This is not to say there are not disparities and a need for further improvement. But there is no reason to expect that the rate of technological improvement will slow in the future, at least while the earth's population is still rising.

Second, the world will not continue to grow at its current rate. As people across the globe grow wealthier, they will naturally have fewer children. The population of the United States would be declining if it were not for our huge influx of immigrants. And most of Europe and Russia is hemorrhaging population. The challenge by the end of this century will probably be to keep the world's population from declining. If this happens, we will lose the added brainpower that keeps technological progress going strong.

Predicting the end of the world is a great way to attract attention. It worked for Malthus two hundred years ago, and it works today. But with theories of population mayhem proven wrong again and again, why should we believe them now?

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Charity will save world

It is surprising that Liz Coffey, in her argument against large families, employs the example of Thomas Malthus, when — as she admits — his predictions were vastly incorrect, such that one would expect his credibility as a social scientist to be lessened somewhat. But Coffey reissues the Malthusian error unaltered: the human race is outstripping a closed set of resources, with woeful consequences to follow; the only solution is to reduce the human race.

A better response is to question why Malthus failed so miserably, in the hopes of learning from him. To take two examples: what Malthus could not have predicted mathematically was the incredible effect of human invention on the stock and use of resources; and what many should have predicted is the too-familiar effect of wealth on human concupiscence.

Therefore: Malthus firstly miscalculated because in his stock-taking of earth's goods he did not adequately include human intelligence, which is not materially limited; every new birth increments need finitely, but it is also the birth of a mind, which adds an infinite potential to resources.

Secondly, neither is human desire limited. When more is available, people tend to want more, as Coffey unintentionally demonstrates: the United States, she says, does not have the highest birth rate, but has the highest rate of consumption. But this very fact leads to the discovery that consumption is not proportional; quite the contrary. The United States has dropped nearly to replacement rate, and most of Europe is well below it, such that the West is committing civilizational suicide; and consumption has merely increased in response. A family of three can easily out-consume one of seven, simply because there is no limit to human greed.

That is, no limit except for the virtue of charity, among whose many effects in marriage are fruitfulness and sacrifice, which find in the necessities of a large family thrift and creativity they could not have imagined in the plenty of a small. Charity is, as ever, the only way the world can be saved, materially or spiritually, whatever its population.

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Loving children is not selfish

Liz Coffey claims that "America is one of the leading killers in the ongoing murder of Mother Earth" in her Sept. 14 editorial ("Big families equal big trouble"). According to Coffey, the culprits for this slaughter are big families. She indulges in the fear mongering typical of pseudo-scientists of the 60s and 70s who predicted an imminent global catastrophe caused by population growth. This "science" has proved to be wrong: their predictions failed to take into account the advances in agriculture, science, and technology that have occurred since then. If population has increased over the last century, then food production has exploded. The UN Population Division 2001 report, "World Population Monitoring 2001," stated: "From 1900 to 2000, world population grew from 1.6 billion to 6.1 billion persons. However, while world population increased close to 4 times, world real gross domestic product [actual output of goods and service] increased 20 to 40 times, allowing the world not only to sustain a fourfold population increase but also to do so at vastly higher standards of living." The truth is that humanity is in no danger of becoming extinct because of overpopulation and big families. Coffey's claim that "having six kids is selfish" is not only false, but offensive and illogical as well. I have six siblings. My youngest three brothers are adopted. My parents' choice to adopt three inner-city children and love them as their own was anything but selfish. My parents have given much of their love, time, and yes, valuable resources, to provide them with a fair shot at life. Coffey acts as if it would've been better if my brothers had been left on the dangerous streets of drug-ridden neighborhoods. Back in the slums, my brothers wouldn't be using up nearly as much of the world's resources and "hastening its death." In light of this, Liz Coffey's accusation of selfishness is grossly insulting.

I wouldn't mind, however, if Coffey would follow her own advice and have only one or two children. At least then her ignorant attitudes wouldn't be passed on to much of the next generation.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Honor tradition

OK, so the game was not pretty, let's get that out first. It will be analyzed to death by ESPN, every sportswriter in America, my grandmother and that kid that sits behind you in your 9:30 history class. Everyone will have an opinion about what went wrong, and I guess I am no different. My disappointment however, lies not with the team, but with the fans — the student body in particular. In fact, I was so saddened by the lack of energy displayed by the students that it prompted me to write this letter. I started my collegiate career at Notre Dame in the fall of 1996. So for those of you who keep track of such information, I was here for the last season of Lou Holtz (8-3) and the first two seasons of the Bob Davie era (7-6 and 9-2; I was gone for the harsh 5 and 7 '99 season). I returned to the University this past January, looking forward to cheering on the Irish again come fall. After six long seasons away from the stadium, it was awe-inspiring to again be a part of the amazing tradition that is the student section at the University. But that awe was dulled this week as I watched senior after senior leaving the game before half time or during the third quarter. For the majority of the game, there was little to no cheering coming from the entire senior section. I overheard comments such as "I'd rather go drink at Legend's then watch this." The low point for me came when we allowed the 5,000 or so

Michigan fans to be louder than the entire student section, with chants of "why so quiet" and "overrated." I look around and see thousands of fans proudly sporting The Shirt with its proclamation of "Tradition," and I wonder do we really know what tradition is, or worse yet, do we care? Coach Weis and the players started a tradition last week of having the team sing the Alma Mater with the student body. It is a beautiful scene, and I hope that it holds as the years go by, but I couldn't help but notice how empty the seats around me were as the band played at the end of this week's game. I know how fleeting it is that we get the chance to be a part of something as amazing and inspiring as Notre Dame football, and I pity those seniors who will regret leaving even two minutes early when they look back on their time at Notre Dame. You may return for games as an alum, but it is and never will be the same. Treasure your time here, treasure the traditions and the history.

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MOVIE REVIEW

Crossword devotees shine in documentary

By BRIAN DOXTADER
Scene Editor

At once engrossing and informative, Patrick Creadon's "Wordplay" is a taut and fast-paced documentary about Will Shortz, the crossword puzzle editor for The New York Times.

The film opens with a brief history of the crossword puzzle before concentrating on Shortz, who holds a degree in Enigmatology (puzzle-solving, the only degree of its kind) from the University of Indiana. He has been crossword editor of The Times since 1993. Shortz is charismatic, intelligent and well-spoken, and his understanding of puzzles is nearly unparalleled. Were the documentary solely focused on him, it would still be entertaining in its own right, but "Wordplay" has much more on its mind.

Celebrities abound throughout the pic-

ture, including Ken Burns, Jon Stewart, Mike Mussina and Bill Clinton. All of these men have a great appreciation for Shortz and the New York Times crossword, especially Stewart, whose segments are hilarious. Calling himself a "Times puzzle man," he remarks that he'll do the USA Today puzzle if he's in a hotel, but adds that "I won't feel good about myself."

"Wordplay" is about more than Shortz, however, as it also focuses on competitors in the American Crossword Puzzle Tournament. Four competitors in particular — Tyler Hinman, Ellen Ripstein, Norman "Trip" Payne and Al Sanders — become the focus of the film. These people are interesting and quirky (as anyone who enters the ACPT would likely have to be), but share a love for puzzles and an ultra-competitive mentality.

Ripstein is a nerdy baton-twirler with radiant confidence. She remarks that a boyfriend made fun of her passion, to which she replies, "What are you the best in the world at?"



Director: Patrick Creadon
Writer: Patrick Creadon
Starring: Will Shortz, Bill Clinton, Jon Stewart and Bob Dole

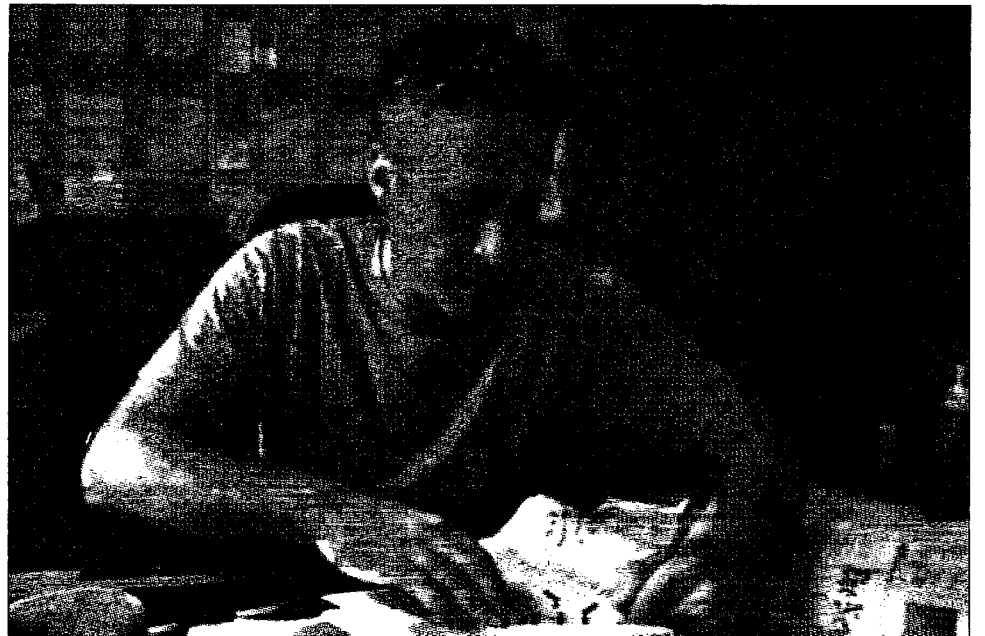


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Jon Stewart, a crossword puzzle enthusiast prefers the New York Times puzzle. Also featured in the documentary are former presidential rivals Bill Clinton and Bob Dole.



JESSICA LEE/ The Observer

Director and Notre Dame graduate Patrick Creadon signs autographs after a screening of "Wordplay" at the DPAC. Creadon presented each showing Sept. 14 and 15.

Payne is a three-time ACPT winner, who at 24 was the youngest champion ever. Sanders is a father and businessman who does the New York Times crossword every night (usually in under three minutes). Hinman is a 20-year-old Rutgers student who is striving to replace Payne as the youngest ACPT champion.

Once the film shifts into the crossword competition, the film takes on a whole different kind of life — the final crossword competition is surprisingly tense thanks to Creadon's approach, which emphasizes character.

The audience by this time has gotten to know each of the three competitors, all of whom have the drive and ambition. Viewers at once want everyone to win and don't want any to lose, a testament to Creadon's sense of character.

The most fascinating aspect of the film is the relationship between building the puzzles and solving the puzzles. Merl Reagle, a brilliant puzzle constructor, demonstrates the intricacies that go into the making of a crossword puzzle. His skill and intelligence is obvious, though he clearly loves what he does and is very good at it. At one point while driving, he

casually remarks that moving the "D" of Dunkin Donuts to the end of the word makes it spell Unkind Donuts.

The scenes that show puzzles being solved are adroitly handled. Audiences see a graphic of a puzzle being solved, which allows them to follow along — rather than be vertiginous and confusing (as it easily could have been), these scenes are direct and easy to follow.

"Wordplay" was an official selection at the Sundance Film Festival and is a likely candidate for a Best Documentary Academy Award nomination. Creadon has proven himself to be quite a good filmmaker, and unlike Morgan Spurlock and Michael Moore, he does not feel the need to make himself the focus of his own movie. After all, he knows he has a unique subject and approaches it with vigor and zeal.

"Wordplay" is an excellent film, not just for people who care about puzzles, but for people who care about movies and, perhaps most importantly, for people who care about people.

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THEATER REVIEW

AFTLS' 'Hamlet' strips production to basics

By MICHELLE FORDICE
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As the Actors from the London Stage lined up on stage this past weekend, sans costume and quickly calling off the multiple parts they played, it was clear this wasn't the production most people imagine when they think of "Hamlet." There would be no large sets, elaborate costumes or any great distance between the audience and the performers. Instead there would be a fundamental and strong production of what could arguably be called Shakespeare's most famous play.

AFTLS aims to simplify its productions of Shakespeare in order to present his plays as close to the originals as possible. The stage has no set. In fact actors who are not currently performing do not even leave the stage, but instead sit in chairs at the back. There are also very few props — swords are gloves and shovels are mimes. The actors wear basic, functional, modern clothing and simply add a small piece or prop to indi-

cate the character (for example, Horatio always wears a striped scarf.).

There is only one sound effect throughout the entire show, and it's achieved by an unoccupied actor in the back, not by the sound system. Instead, the cast makes the rest of the environment themselves. The breaks between scenes are not marked by the dimming of lights, but instead the actors whisper lines in concert.

AFTLS also limits the number of actors it uses. "Hamlet" may include over twenty-five roles, ranging from Hamlet himself to the sailor that delivers letters, but the company has only five actors. This adds several elements to the play. Sometimes it is humorous. There are times when actors must address themselves. Sometimes it adds depth to the play. The primarily off-stage character Fortinbras is often considered one of Hamlet's strongest foils and the two parts are

played by the same actor.

The cast does its best to involve the audience as much as they can. They take advantage of Washington Hall's thrust stage as characters walk straight onto the stage from the audience. The main lights are left fairly high. It is as easy to see your fellow audience members as the actors.

The actors nearly always face out to the audience instead of in to themselves. This makes the encounter between Hamlet and the ghost of his father particularly strong — both characters face the audience straight on. Finally, the actors crack the fourth wall and address the audience directly. All this allows the audience a more active participation in the events unfolding on stage — they are not simply watching action pass in front of them.

While AFTLS does try to remain true to the original spirit of the text, the group also adds in its own interpretations and comedy. One cannot help but

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laugh at the fact that the infamous Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are played by the same actor, or chuckle when Ophelia mocks her father by finishing his famous speech to Laertes with him. Even Polonius continuously interrupting Claudius as he attempts to kiss Gertrude benefits from this added humor. The cast's own take on the comedy combined with Shakespeare's original wit create a fluid, comical performance that exceeds the average expectations for the work.

Occasionally, the oversimplification of the play tests the limits of its audience. There are some walls the audience needs help over, but in general it creates a wonderful approach.

With so many productions of "Hamlet" available, it is relieving to know that there is one that is left so uncomplicated that the actors can have a conversation with their audience, leaving Shakespeare's actual work to rise above it.

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Michigan 47, Notre Dame 21

Beaten and blue

Michigan throttles Notre Dame 47-21, dims Irish national title hopes



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Irish quarterback Brady Quinn is hit by Michigan defensive end Tim Jamison, left, and defensive back Brandon Harrison. The Wolverines defense kept pressure on Quinn throughout the game and picked up three interceptions en route to a 47-21 victory.

By TIM DOUGHERTY
Sports Writer

Another week, another Big Ten blowout — this time with opposite results. Led by wide receiver Mario Manningham's three touchdown receptions, No. 11 Michigan capitalized on five Notre Dame turnovers to rout the No. 2 Irish 47-21 Saturday.

Heisman hopeful Brady Quinn threw three interceptions — two to senior linebacker Prescott Burgess — as the Irish offense never found its rhythm, totaling 245 yards — including just four rushing — for the day.

With the score tied 7-7 in the first quarter, Henne found Manningham for the go-ahead touchdown on a 69-yard fly down the sideline, from which the Irish never recovered. Though after the game Irish coach Charlie Weis said they had a "deep alert" on the play, the receiver soundly beat senior corner Ambrose Wooden before the catch, as the Irish secondary could not defend the big play, giving up its first of three 20 yard-plus touchdown receptions to Manningham before halftime. Manningham is the first player to haul in three scores against Notre Dame since Pat Fitzgerald of Texas in 1995.

"I was able to run a good route and get by the defender," said Manningham about his 69-yard score. "I put a good move on him to get his hips turned and

then I was able to get by him."

On the heels of a blocked extra point by senior defensive tackle Derek Landri after Manningham's first score, sophomore David Grimes fumbled the ensuing kickoff and with it the game. Four plays and two Irish penalties after Michigan cornerback Morgan Trent recovered to set the Wolverines up at the Irish 27, running back Michael Hart dove over top of the line to make the score 20-7. Hart also added 124 yards on 31 carries to balance a Wolverine attack that out-gained Notre Dame 340 yards to 245.

"I have a lot of respect for Coach Carr and his staff," Weis said. "I think it's really important to understand that that team just came and just whooped us pretty good. They deserve their just due."

With the score at 34-7 with under two minutes left in the first half, Notre Dame finally put together a scoring drive, completing four consecutive completions for first downs, highlighted by sophomore David Grimes' leaping catch at the sideline inside the five. On the next play, senior receiver Jeff Samardzija reached back into traffic to haul in a touchdown pass to cut the deficit to 34-14 at halftime. But the rally never came.

Quinn exploited the Wolverines' prevent defense on the touchdown drive — the first of the half in which he didn't face constant pressure from the Michigan front four led by Branch.

"We went in with the idea if we were going to have a chance to win, we had to

pressure Brady Quinn," Michigan coach Lloyd Carr said. "We felt we could do that because we have an excellent front. I mean, we've got some depth and we've got some guys that are very athletic. It's the best front we've had probably since I've been at Michigan."

That defensive pressure made things difficult for Quinn from the beginning. On the game's second play from scrimmage, under heavy pressure from junior defensive tackle Alan Branch, Quinn threw a high pass that slipped through the hands of senior tight end John Carlson and into those of Burgess, who ran 31 yards untouched for Michigan's first score. Quinn would throw two more interceptions before the end of the day along with three touchdowns in a 24-for-48, 234-yard effort.

After a three and out Irish punt, senior safety Chinedum Ndukwe returned the favor when he intercepted a third and long pass from junior quarterback Chad Henne and returned it 51 yards before Henne could knock him out of bounds at the Michigan four. Quinn capitalized and threw a play action strike to senior fullback Ashley McConnell, marking his first career start with his first touchdown before Michigan followed with four straight scores to take a 20 point half-time lead that knocked Notre Dame out of the game and — likely — National Championship contention.

The Irish were forced to abandon a balanced offensive attack in the second

half due to the deficit and an ineffective rushing game that only gained 24 yards on 12 carries not including sack yardage. Dropped balls by Irish receivers as well as running back Darius Walker prevented the passing attack from finding its typical success.

"I was surprised that we collectively, from me on down, laid an egg," Weis said. "I expected us to have a better performance than we did, and we didn't. That surprises me. I expected us to do better in all facets."

Needing a quick spark coming out of halftime, the Irish went three and out their first three drives and failed to record a first down in the entire third quarter, as they converted just two of 14 on third down for the day. After a Michigan field goal, Notre Dame mounted another touchdown drive in the fourth quarter, capped by a bizarre catch by Rhema McKnight, who fought off pass interference to snatch the ball off the defender's leg in the end zone to bring the game to 40-21.

With three minutes remaining in the game, the Irish drove the final nail in their own coffin. On a drive in which the Irish committed three penalties, Quinn was sacked on third and six and fumbled, allowing defensive end LaMarr Woodley to pick up the ball and run 54 yards for the final score.

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player of the game

Prescott Burgess

The Michigan linebacker had a breakout game against the Irish, with five tackles, one for loss, and two interceptions, one a touchdown.

stat of the game

0

Notre Dame first downs in the first and third quarters.

play of the game

LaMarr Woodley's fumble return

The defensive end's fumble return for a touchdown with less than four minutes to play iced the game for Michigan.

quote of the game

"You go lose 47-21, you deserve to be criticized."

Charlie Weis
Irish coach

report card

- D+** **quarterbacks:** Three interceptions at crucial points in the game were devastating for the Irish, and Quinn's fumble in the fourth quarter was the end of hope for even the most optimistic Irish fans.
- D-** **running backs:** Four rushing yards is deceptive, as it also includes lost yardage on sacks. Carr focused on stopping the running game and succeeded beyond expectations.
- D+** **receivers:** The receivers dropped balls and didn't seem to run routes with intensity. Although Quinn often threw hurriedly and off-target, poor positioning by receivers killed several drives.
- D** **offensive line:** The Irish knew Michigan would bring pressure from all angles and still couldn't seem to keep a pocket for Quinn. The running backs also struggled to find
- C-** **defensive line:** The defensive line was able to pressure Henne at times, with Victor Abimiri totaling 2.5 tackles for loss. Trevor Laws had 10 tackles but when the Wolverines ran the ball, the line had trouble stopping Mike Hart.
- D+** **linebackers:** The starting linebackers accounted for just twelve tackles, six by Maurice Crum, Jr. The Wolverines were able to run the ball and control the clock, especially in the third quarter.
- D+** **defensive backs:** The defensive backs proved susceptible once again to the deep ball, giving up an early 69-yard bomb to Mario Manningham. Chinedum Ndukwe had a key interception early in the game and 11 tackles.
- B** **special teams:** Geoff Price tried to keep the Irish in the game, setting a school punting record. But David Grimes fumbled a kickoff return that proved costly and punt returns were weak.
- D** **coaching:** The Irish couldn't seem to adapt to Michigan's defensive scheme and never got anything going on offense. 11 penalties indicates a lack of discipline and preparation.

1.41 **overall:** Michigan played better than Notre Dame in every facet of the game. The Irish didn't play like the nation's No. 2 team.

adding up the numbers

Total Notre Dame rushing yards. Darius Walker was the only Irish player to rush for positive yards. **4**

3 Touchdowns by Mario Manningham in the first half, the most since Texas receiver Pat Fitzgerald recorded three on Sept. 23, 1995.

Points Michigan scored in the first half, the most against the Irish in a half since USC scored 35 in the second half Oct. 20, 1979. **34**

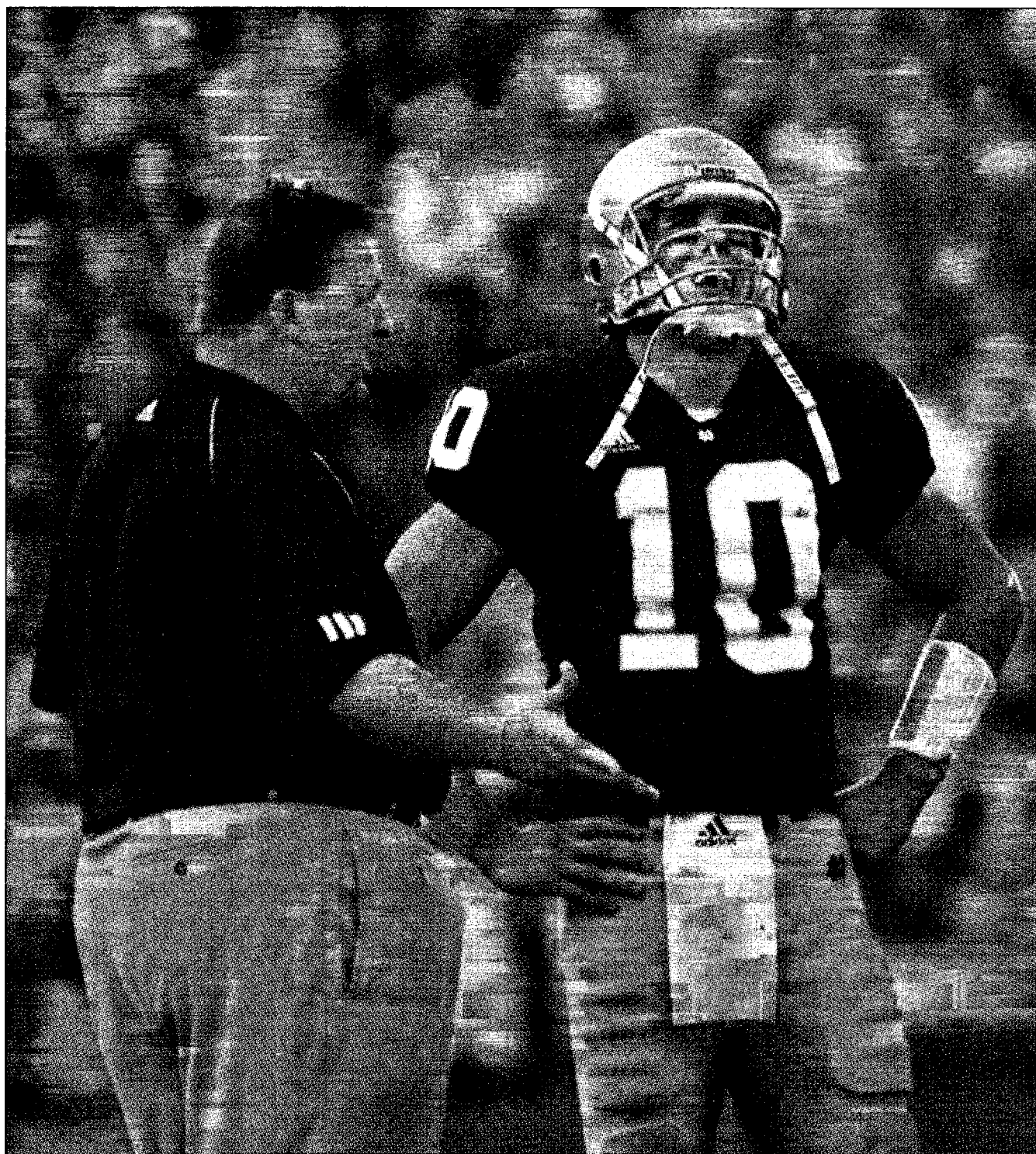
19:03 Time it took Notre Dame to gain a first down.

Career interceptions for safety Chinedum Ndukwe. Two came this season, one against Michigan Saturday. **4**

10:53 Michigan's time of possession in the 15-minute third quarter.

Third-quarter points (and first downs) for the Irish. **0**

11 Penalties allowed by Notre Dame. It was the second 11-penalty game for the Irish in 2006.



DUSTIN MENNELLA/The Observer

Irish quarterback Brady Quinn confers with coach Charlie Weis during Notre Dame's loss to Michigan Saturday. Quinn is 2-2 in games against the Wolverines. Weis dropped to 1-1.

Carr's demons now Notre Dame's

A phantom found itself in Notre Dame Stadium Saturday afternoon.

It rode into South Bend on a charter bus, perched on Lloyd Carr's back, buzzing in his ear. Maybe it tired of taunting the Michigan coach or maybe it just felt like a change of scenery.

Whatever the reason, that little phantom didn't get back on the big, blue bus after Michigan's 47-21 win over Notre Dame Saturday.

It stayed in South Bend. With a little help from the same phantoms, ghosts and demons that haunted Carr in his previous three trips to Notre Dame, he earned his first win in South Bend this weekend. In doing so, Carr cleansed his conscience of the miscues and screw-ups that kept the Maize and Blue from winning a game at Notre Dame since 1994.

Shane Walton's timely interception sealed Michigan's fate in 2002. The sudden discovery of Darius Walker beat the Wolverines in 2004. Even a Bob Davie-led drubbing of the defending national champs stymied Carr in 1998.

Everything that had hurt Lloyd Carr in past games against the Irish disappeared in front of a

stunned 80,000 at Notre Dame Stadium.

But phantoms in a rivalry like the Fight Song Fight — featuring the two most successful football schools (and marching bands) — don't just go away.

They switch sides.

Saturday was Notre Dame's day to deal with the "phantom figure," as Brady Quinn put it.

The figure stole John Carlson's hands in the first quarter, forcing a pass to bounce right into the arms of Wolverine linebacker Prescott Burgess for the opening score. The figure perched on the football as it popped out of David Grimes' hands on a kickoff return, giving Michigan the ball right back. The figure rode on the mind of Quinn as he started the second half knowing the Irish needed to score some quick points to get back in the game.

Those points never came — just more demons.

Notre Dame had three drives in the third quarter. Two ended in punts and one ended with an interception. No first downs were made.

By the time the fourth quarter rolled around, the students should have traded in their green towels for white flags. Surrendering would have been easier than liv-

ing through that 60-minute mistake.

But the Irish won't surrender. Quinn won't let them. The senior quarterback held his head high deep in a cramped Notre Dame Stadium interview room after the worst beating since Weis arrived on campus.

He answered every question just as he had taken every hit earlier in the day — not exactly what Quinn must have envisioned when this season started with Heisman hopes and national

championship aspirations. The Heisman questions can wait. The award will be won or lost at the LA Coliseum the day after Thanksgiving, when the Irish hope to walk away with a win.

And for now, Notre Dame's national title hopes are just that. Hopes.

The Irish will need everyone's help to even have a chance. But first, they ought to help themselves.

If history is any indication, Irish phantoms will travel to East Lansing.

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Surrendering would have been easier than living through that 60-minute mistake. But the Irish won't surrender. Quinn won't let them.

Wolverines stifle Irish offense

Notre Dame struggles to develop offensive rhythm

By KATE GALES
Associate Sports Editor

The Michigan defensive line pressured Irish quarterback Brady Quinn all afternoon.

The linebackers blitzed and didn't allow Notre Dame to establish anything resembling a running game.

The secondary eliminated a viable passing game, keeping Notre Dame's receivers covered and under constant pressure.

Saturday's story was all about Michigan's effectiveness against what was considered one of the nation's top offenses.

"We went in [to the game] with the idea if we were going to have a chance to win, we had to pressure Brady Quinn," Michigan coach Lloyd Carr said. "We felt we could do that because we have an excellent front. I mean, we've got some depth and we've got some guys that are very athletic."

Notre Dame certainly didn't prove Carr wrong.

Quinn was unable to set his feet all day, and hurries kept him off-balance and unable to hit receivers in stride.

"There was a lot of blitzing, especially later in the game," Irish coach Charlie Weiss said. "I have a lot of respect for their front four."

But pressuring Quinn was just one facet of a defense that dominated the game from start to finish.

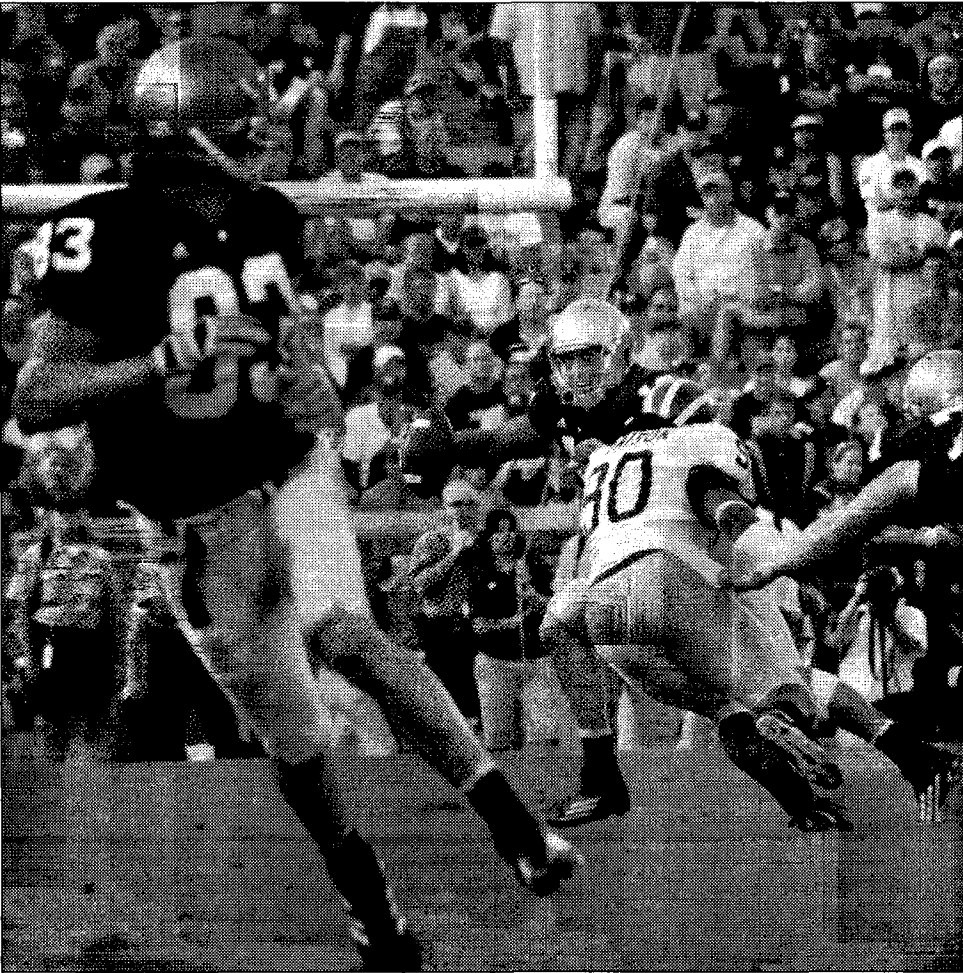
"It wasn't just their front four — I thought their whole defense played good," Weiss said.

Linebacker Preston Burgess intercepted Quinn twice, one returned 31 yards to halt Notre Dame's first series. Cornerback Leon Hall added one more, and cornerback Morgan Trent and defensive end LaMarr Woodley picked up fumbles, totaling five Irish turnovers.

"I think this game was a team effort," Carr said. "But it certainly was, I think, punctuated by our defense."

The man who put the biggest exclamation mark into the punctuation was Burgess.

The senior linebacker from Warren,



Receiver Jeff Samardzija, left, checks back with quarterback Brady Quinn, who is tackled by Michigan defensive end Tim Jamison.

Ohio had what Carr called "quite a day."

That could have been the understatement of the day by Carr.

"I mean, you intercept a ball, run back for the touchdown, then make another big one," he said.

Burgess' development wasn't as smooth as his game against the Irish. After playing strong safety in high school, he moved to linebacker. He saw time as a freshman on special teams, but was quiet on defense last year.

He was anything but placid Saturday and neither was his team.

The Wolverine defense was credited

with six quarterback hurries, four pass break ups and five tackles for loss as it wouldn't let Notre Dame's offense settle into a rhythm. It took away Irish running back Darius Walker — who led the Irish in rushing with a meager 25 yards — and forced Notre Dame to be "one dimensional," Carr said.

Although consistent play by the secondary was crucial, praise returned to the front four, which Carr said could be the best he's had at Michigan.

One of those on the front four was Woodley, who had two tackles, one for a loss and outran Irish tight end John Carlson on a 54-yard fumble return touchdown to top off Michigan's day.

"Woodley, in my judgment ... he's the real deal," Carr said. "He's a captain. He's a leader. Done a great job." Notre Dame would probably agree.

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scoring summary

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Michigan	20	14	6	7	47
Notre Dame	7	7	0	7	21

First quarter

Notre Dame 0, Michigan 7
Preston Burgess 31-yard interception return with 14:19 remaining. (Rivas kick)
Notre Dame 7, Michigan 7
Ashley McConnell 3-yard reception from Brady Quinn with 10:16 remaining. (Gioia kick)
Drive: 2 plays, 4 yards, 0:54 elapsed
Notre Dame 7, Michigan 13
Mario Manningham 69-yard reception from Chad Henne with 3:53 remaining. (Rivas kick blocked)
Drive: 4 plays, 80 yards, 2:15 elapsed
Notre Dame 7, Michigan 20
Mike Hart 2-yard run with 1:12 remaining. (Rivas kick)
Drive: 4 plays, 27 yards, 2:41 elapsed

Second quarter

Notre Dame 7, Michigan 27
Mario Manning 20-yard reception from Chad Henne with 11:26 remaining. (Rivas kick)
Drive: 6 plays, 54 yards, 2:41 elapsed
Notre Dame 7, Michigan 34
Mario Manning 22-yard reception from Chad Henne with 2:30 remaining. (Rivas kick)
Drive: 10 plays, 59 yards, 4:48 elapsed
Notre Dame 14, Michigan 34
Jeff Samardzija 4-yard reception from Brady Quinn with 0:20 remaining. (Gioia kick)
Drive: 8 plays, 72 yards, 2:10 elapsed

Third quarter

Notre Dame 14, Michigan 37
Rivas 20-yard field goal with 5:20 remaining. Drive: 4 plays, 1 yards, 1:42 elapsed
Notre Dame 14, Michigan 40
Rivas 33-yard field goal with 00:00 remaining. Drive: 9 plays, 51 yards, 4:00 elapsed

Fourth quarter

Notre Dame 21, Michigan 40
Rhema McKnight 28-yard reception from Brady Quinn with 12:41 remaining. Drive: 9 plays, 51 yards, 4:00 elapsed
Notre Dame 21, Michigan 47
LaMarr Woodley 54-yard fumble recovery with 3:23 remaining. (Rivas kick)

statistics

total yards

ND	235
MICHIGAN	310

rushing yards

ND	4
MICHIGAN	120

passing yards

ND	241
MICHIGAN	220

return yards

ND	163
MICHIGAN	123

time of possession

ND	26:03
MICHIGAN	33:56



17-4	rushes-yards	41-120
25-49-3	comp-att-int	13-22-1
7-363	punts-yards	6-225
2-2	fumbles-lost	0-0
11-84	penalties-yards	5-70
14	first downs	17

passing

Quinn	24-48-3	Henne	13-22-1
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rushing

Walker	10-27	Hart	31-133
Prince	2-(-1)	Grady	6-13

receiving

McKnight	5-76	Manningham	4-137
Walker	7-35	Breaston	6-42

punting

Price	7-363	Mesko	4-155
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tackling

Ndukwe	11	Trent	6
Laws	10	Harrison	6

Wooden's game injury not threatening

Cornerback left game groggy after tackle; was held out as precautionary measure

By TIM DOUGHERTY
Sports Writer

Irish cornerback Ambrose Wooden is OK to play. He was cleared to play by team medical staff Saturday, soon after he delivered a crushing hit to Michigan receiver Adrian Arrington in the third quarter of Notre Dame's 47-21 loss to Michigan, but coach Charlie Weiss held him out of the game in order to "err on the side of caution."

"We figured the best thing to do would be to go ahead and get him out of there," he said. "His head was fairly clear. [Putting Wooden back in] just didn't seem like the right thing to do."

The Irish have a policy where players must be cleared by the medical staff and answer football-related

questions from a position coach before returning to the game after a head injury.

◆ Penalties hampered the Irish all day Saturday, as the team committed 11 for 84 yards. Michigan tallied five whistles for 70 yards. The Irish have 28 penalties in 2006, having also committed 11 penalties against Georgia Tech in the season opener.

The Irish were penalized five times for holding Saturday, giving them 10 total on the year. Irish opponents have not been whistled for an offensive hold in the first three games.

◆ Saturday was the first time Notre Dame has lost to Michigan at home since 1994. It also snaps a two-game win streak against

Michigan. The win certainly pleased Michigan coach Lloyd Carr who has heard grumbles in Ann Arbor after losing three of his last four games against rival Ohio State and, before Saturday, three of his last four against Notre Dame. Carr, who is 4-1 against No. 2 teams and 16-6 against top-10 teams, downplayed the connection between the win and his job security.

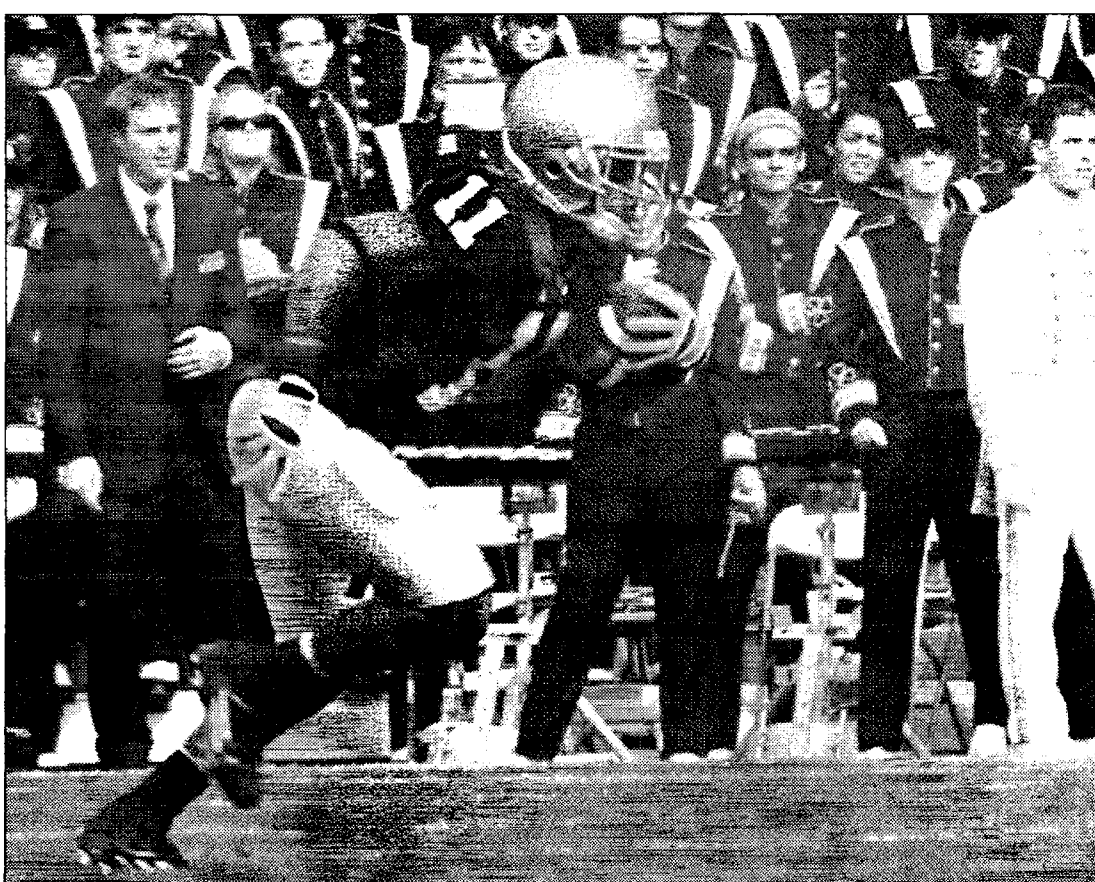
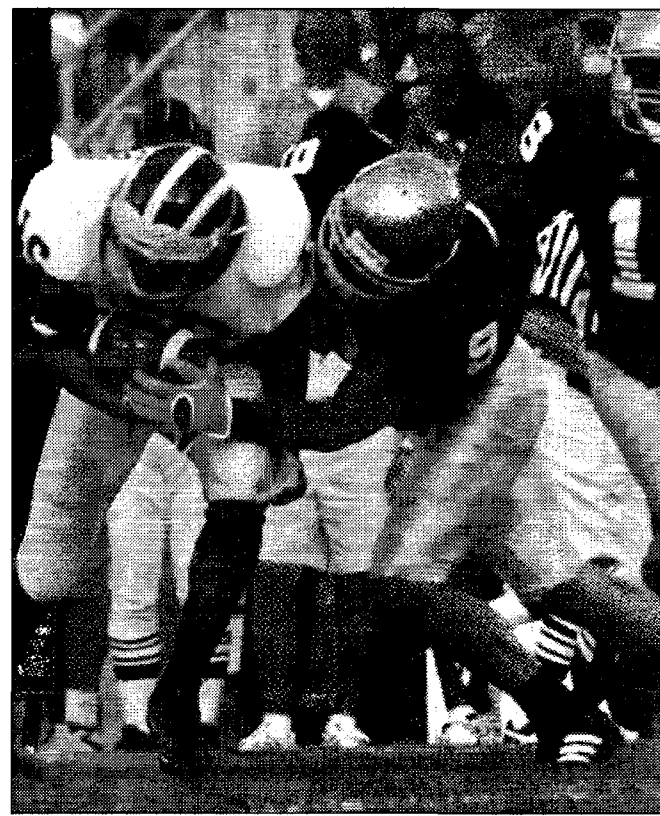
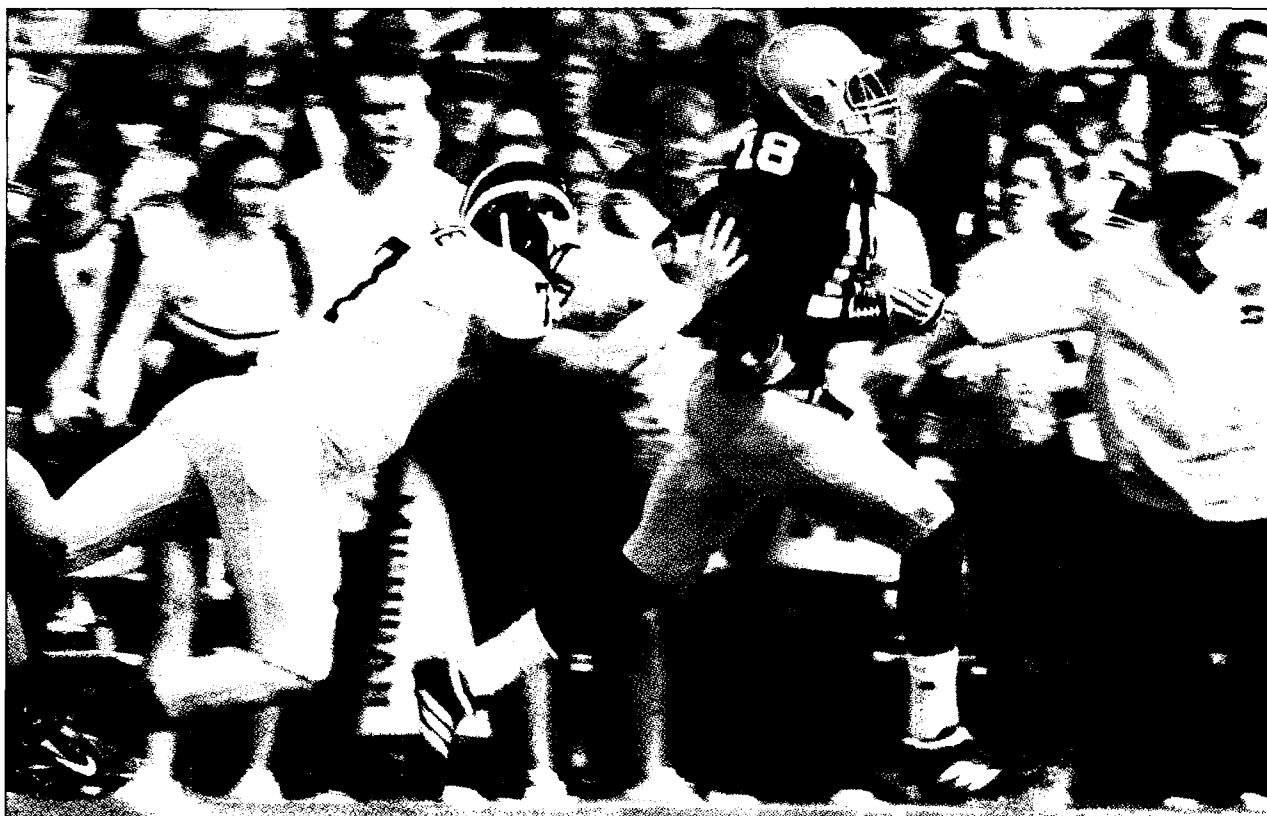
"If you coach in enough of these games or play in enough of them, you're going to win some and you're going to lose some," he said. "I've done both. Certainly today was our day."

◆ The 47 points Notre Dame gave up marked the most it had allowed at home since a 51-19 loss against Purdue in 1960. Additionally, Notre Dame's

five turnovers on three interceptions and two fumbles were the most it surrendered since the 14-7 loss to Boston College in 2002, the first loss of Tyrone Willingham's three-year tenure as head coach.

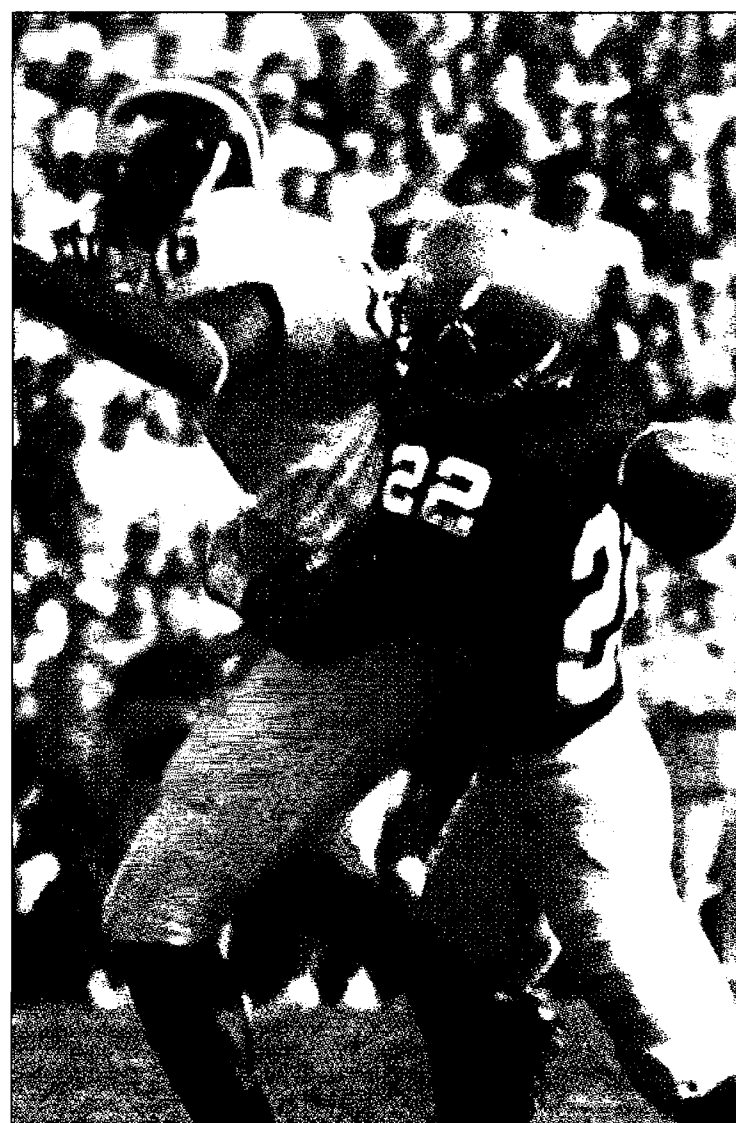
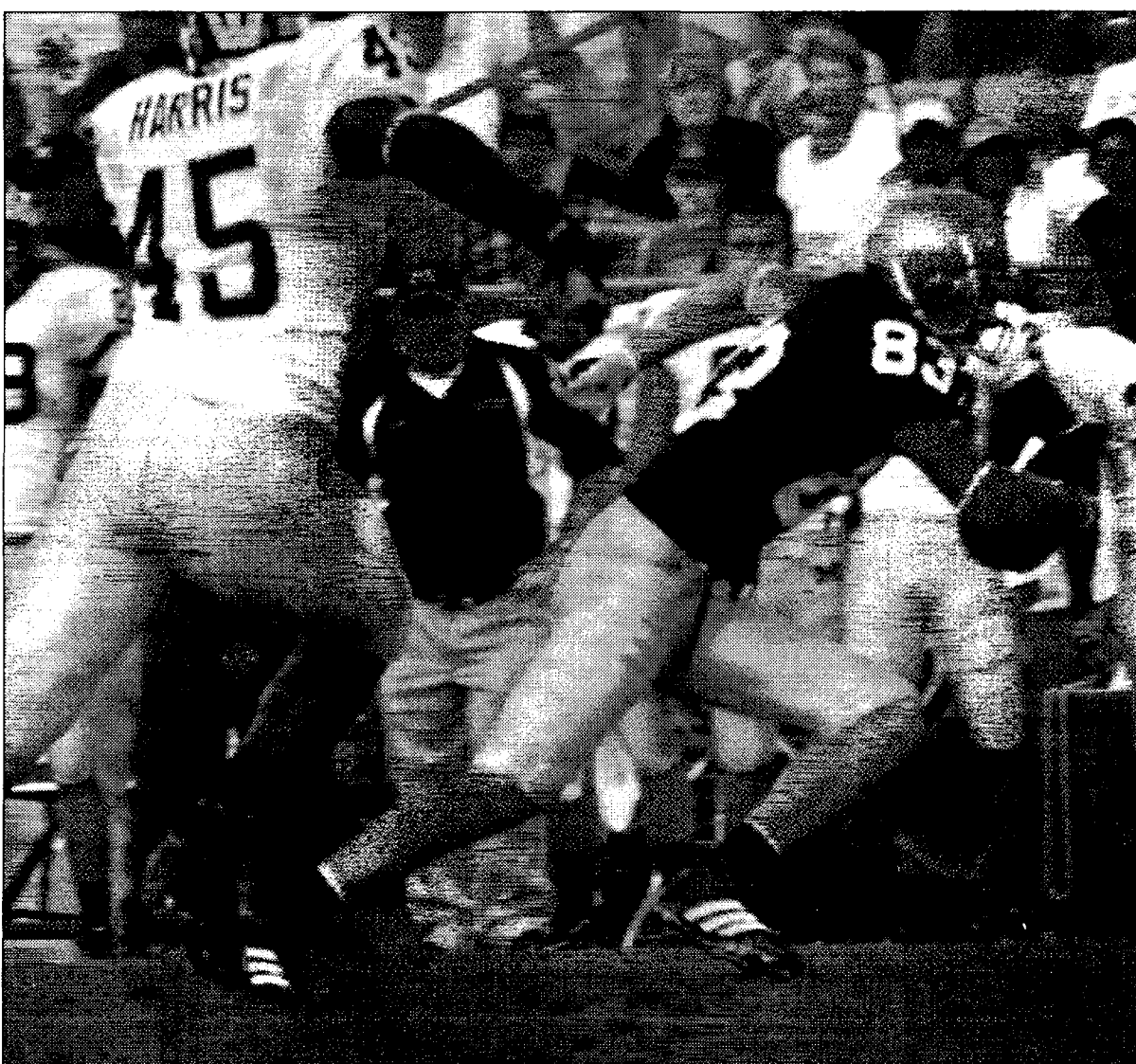
◆ Geoff Price set a single-game record by booming seven punts for an average of 51.9 yards per punt, including a long of 59. He currently ranks third in the nation with a 49.8 average. Michigan's combination of Zoltan Mesko and Ross Ryan combined for a 37.5 yard average. More importantly, they successfully kicked away from Irish returner Tom Zbikowski, allowing him only one return for four yards.

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Big game blowout

The Wolverines took the fight out of the Irish Saturday, efficiently shutting down quarterback Brady Quinn's favorite receivers and allowing just four rushing yards. The Irish defense had its moments, but five turnovers by the offense gave Michigan a short field all afternoon. Michigan quarterback Chad Henne avenged two years of brutality by the Irish, going 8-for-12 with three touchdowns in the first half. The Irish were unable to gain control of the clock and Quinn's fumble late in the fourth quarter ended hopes of a miraculous comeback.



Photos by LAURIE HUNT, JESSICA LEE and HY PHAM/The Observer

Top left, Michigan quarterback Chad Henne pursues Chinedum Ndukwe during his first-quarter interception return. Top right, safety Tom Zbikowski makes a tackle. Center, David Grimes returns a kick as the Notre Dame band looks on. Bottom left, Michigan defensive end Brandon Harris pursues Irish wide receiver Jeff Samardzija. Bottom right, Ambrose Wooden knocks the ball loose from Michigan's Adrian Arrington.

MOVIE REVIEW

Heder and Thornton drive comedy off-course

By CASSIE BELEK
Assistant Scene Editor

Funny but disappointing can best explain director Todd Phillips' comedy "School for Scoundrels." Although the movie starts out promisingly strong, the man who gave us "Old School" delivers a weak and forgettable second act — one that could, and should, have been so much more.

"School for Scoundrels" stars Jon Heder ("Napoleon Dynamite") as Roger, a lonely NYC meter maid, and Billy Bob Thornton ("Bad Santa") as Dr. P, the no nonsense "scoundrel" who teaches Roger how to win his crush, Amanda (Jacinda Barrett). When Roger soon jumps to the head of the class Dr. P teaches, the good doctor's competitive habits set him out on a path to destroy Roger's life and steal his girl.

The movie's premise — foul-mouthed Billy Bob Thornton schools losers on how to be winners — would be enough to satisfy an hour and half of laughs. However, the comedy strays from its best attribute — the school and its classes — and instead delves too deeply into the battle for Amanda's affections between Roger and Dr. P. In fact, it could hardly be called a battle at all. Nothing either man does to the other is particularly life-shattering or reprehensible. The

shock factor in this male competition is nil.

Phillips, who also co-wrote the screenplay, continues his pattern of presenting weak female supporting characters that exist solely for male character development. "School for Scoundrels" follows the typical storyline for this kind of movie — good boy likes girl, amoral boy gets girl, good boy is only person who can save duped girl from amoral boy and herself. Amanda is another forgettable female character in a male-dominated movie.

The only other dominant female character is Amanda's roommate, played by Sarah Silverman. Silverman's character bombards Roger with deadpan insults in one of the least funny performances by a comedian this year.

However, as in all disappointing comedies, there are beacons of light and laughter. The highlight of the movie is a no-holds-bar paintball

rumble in which Dr. P's students must assert themselves, abandon all fear, and escape the traumatizing punishments of Dr. P's sidekick, Leshar (Michael Clarke Duncan).

In other instances, Roger recovers his stolen standard-issue New Balance sneakers from a couple of thugs by telling their mother, and he is forced to stand up to an obnoxious co-worker only to receive a swirly in return.

The comedy would have done better to stick to these "boys becoming men"

School for Scoundrels



Director: Todd Phillips
Writers: Todd Phillips and Scot Armstrong
Starring: Jon Heder, Billy Bob Thornton and Michael Clarke Duncan



Photo courtesy of movies.yahoo.com

Dr. P (Billy Bob Thornton), left, and Roger (Jon Heder), right, play an unfriendly game of tennis during a rare dose of comedy in the disappointing "School for Scoundrels."

moments. Heder may have carried "Napoleon Dynamite," but he holds a stronger audience interest in the first half of this movie when he acts with an ensemble. The second half offers weaker performances from Heder and surprisingly, Thornton. Although clearly a cad, Dr. P's motivations remain unclear. Despite a so-so cameo by Ben Stiller explaining Dr. P's mischievous past, we still never feel his ambition, pride or aggressiveness that would explain his backstabbing actions.

In the end, the movie is worth seeing —

if at all — for its first act. After that, it veers off its solid path into an over-long and under-developed love story that quickly grows tired and boring. If this is an attempt to recapture any "Old School" glory, Phillips miserably fails. "School for Scoundrels" does not deliver an endless treasure trove of funny quotes for the American public to overuse. Instead, the movie is good for only a few laughs before the drama-heavy Oscar season begins.

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DPAC SPOTLIGHT

'Potemkin' remains revolutionary cinematic model

By BRIAN DOXTADER
Scene Editor

It is near the middle of the film, which is no mistake — it is obviously the centerpiece. Once it has been seen, it can't be shaken, much less forgotten. The images remain burned in the consciousness, stay in the back of the mind, linger in their relentless-ness.

Crowds frantically fleeing down the steps. A mother carrying her fallen child. A woman screaming silently in utter terror. The legs of stormtrooper-like Cossacks, marching along robotically with their rifles drawn. The baby carriage.

Passionate and purposeful, this segment of Sergei Eisenstein's 1925 masterpiece "Battleship Potemkin," known as the "Odessa Steps" sequence, came to define Soviet Montage, an important cinematic movement of the 1920s. The director chose to frame "Potemkin" around this real-life 1905 event, in which innocent civilians were gunned down by Czarist Cossacks.

In Eisenstein's hand, it becomes a rallying cry, a call to arms and stunningly effective Communist propaganda. In the eight decades since its release, countless movies have been made. Most of them can't be remembered. Here is one that can't be forgotten.

What is Soviet Montage? Eisenstein's

beliefs ran contrary to popular thinking at the time, which was that each shot in a film is a building block that creates meaning. Instead, he believed that the true worth of the juxtaposition of shots is conflict. The meaning created from the combination of shots was far greater than the value of each individual shot in of itself.

This theory manifested itself most clearly in "Battleship Potemkin" — more specifically, in the "Odessa Steps" sequence. The film uses editing as a tool that creates tension and meaning in a powerful way. The lasting images of "Potemkin" are as indelible as anything committed to celluloid.

Split into five acts, "Battleship Potemkin" follows the eponymous vessel through a mutiny. Mistreated and poorly fed (a shot of rotting and maggot-infested meat is particularly memorable), the sailors decide to act against their treacherous Czarist commanders and take over the ship.

"Potemkin" flies through its 65 minutes, with two major sections — the "Odessa Steps" and the tense climax — anchoring the film. A silent picture, "Potemkin" depends exclusively on images, which is the essence of Soviet Montage. Eisenstein's sense of composition and editing was unparalleled at the time, which is evident throughout the picture.

"Battleship Potemkin" was and still is problematic for many due to its



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Sergei Eisenstein's "Battleship Potemkin" stands as a paradigm of filmmaking in the early 20th century. Its powerful "Odessa Steps" sequence is long-remembered and long-praised.

nature as Soviet propaganda. The film is incendiary, however, it is incendiary against the Czarist regime and casts the Soviets in a supremely positive light. It is at times difficult to overlook the obvious nature of the propaganda, but once a person is able to do so, the filmic genius of the picture shines through.

Eisenstein was, above all else, a man who loved the cinema. His extensive writings on Soviet Montage were revolutionary, but it's the films themselves that stand as lasting evidence of his passion.

"Battleship Potemkin" may be Soviet

propaganda, but it is cinematic propaganda as well. Eisenstein believed that the construction of shots creates meaning and the meaning of "Potemkin" is clear — marvel at the power, greatness and deserved righteousness of the Soviet Union. But the hidden meaning, the greater meaning and more timeless meaning, the meaning that Eisenstein is ultimately remembered for is also clear — marvel at the power, greatness and deserved righteousness of the cinema.

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Battleship Potemkin



When: Saturday, Sept. 23, 3:00 p.m.
Where: The Browning Cinema, DPAC

MLB — AMERICAN LEAGUE

Twins win, gain ground on both Tigers and White Sox

Minnesota narrows Detroit's lead to one

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Minnesota turned five double plays for the first time in 11 years and Scott Baker pitched six strong innings as the Twins beat the Cleveland Indians 6-1 Sunday, keeping pressure on Detroit and Chicago in the race for postseason play.

The Twins closed within one game of Detroit in the AL Central and moved four games ahead of the White Sox in the wild-card race. Minnesota has won eight of 10.

Baker (5-8) finally put together a good outing against Cleveland, allowing one run and six hits. The right-hander came in 0-3 with a 6.64 ERA in four career starts against the Indians.

Matt Guerrier pitched the final three innings for his first career save. Kevin Kouzmanoff grounded into his second double play of the game to end it.

The last time Minnesota made five double plays in a game was June 3, 1995, against Texas.

Torii Hunter's two-run single with the bases loaded broke a 1-1 tie in the third against Paul Byrd (9-8).

Orioles 12, Tigers 8

Miguel Tejada hit a tiebreaking single to spark a four-run 10th inning and help the Baltimore Orioles beat the Detroit Tigers.

Since leading the division by 10 games after play on Aug. 7, Detroit has lost 24 of 37 games. The Tigers open a three-game series against third-place Chicago on Monday.

Brian Roberts led off the 10th with a single, advanced on a wild pitch and scored on Tejada's hit. The Orioles added three more runs off Jason Grilli (2-3).

Chris Ray (2-3) pitched 2 1-3 innings and earned the win after blowing his fifth save in 36 opportunities.

Sean Casey tied it at 8 in the

eighth with a two-out, two-run homer on the second pitch from Ray.

After the game, Tigers second baseman Placido Polanco said he was out for the season. He was hitting .294 with 44 RBIs when he separated his left shoulder in mid August.

Athletics 5, White Sox 4

Frank Thomas dealt another big blow to his former team's dwindling playoff hopes, hitting a three-run homer to help the Oakland Athletics beat the Chicago White Sox.

Thomas homered twice and drove in seven runs in the final two games of Oakland's three-game sweep against the defending World Series champions.

Thomas is batting .344 with a major league-leading 10 homers and 26 RBIs this month for the AL West leaders.

Chicago broke out to a 2-0 lead against Joe Blanton (16-11) before Thomas erased it with one swing in the fourth inning. Thomas connected against Jose Contreras (13-8).

Justin Duchscherer pitched a perfect ninth for his ninth save in 11 chances.

Red Sox 6, Yankees 3,

David Ortiz hit his league-leading 49th homer, and Kevin Youkilis had a three-run double in the seventh inning to lead the Boston Red Sox over the New York Yankees in the opener of a day-night doubleheader.

The teams split a doubleheader Saturday, with both twinbills forced because of rainouts.

New York, which leads the AL East by 10 1/2 games over the second-place Red Sox, still has a magic number of four. The Red Sox remained eight games behind Minnesota, the AL wild-card leader.

Bryan Corey (2-1) won in relief and Mike Timlin pitched the ninth for his seventh save. Ron Villone (3-3) took the loss.

Blue Jays 5, Devil Rays 3

Aaron Hill hit a go-ahead homer in the eighth inning to

lead the Toronto Blue Jays over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

Bengie Molina homered and had three hits for the Blue Jays, who have won four straight.

With the game tied at 3 and two outs in the eighth, Hill hit a two-run shot off Shawn Camp (7-4). It was Hill's sixth homer; he also gave the Blue Jays the win Friday night with a 10th-inning shot.

Delmon Young homered for the Devil Rays, who have lost seven straight and all six games of their road trip.

Toronto reliever Justin Speier (2-0) pitched 1 1-3 innings for the victory. B.J. Ryan pitched a perfect ninth for his 33rd save in 37 chances.

Rangers 8, Angels 1

Vicente Padilla pitched shutout ball into the eighth inning, Gary Matthews Jr. hit a two-run homer and the Texas Rangers beat the Los Angeles Angels.

Padilla (14-9) gave up seven hits, struck out four and

walked three in 7 1-3 innings. It was his first start against the Angels since he was ejected for hitting two batters and nearly plunking a third on Aug. 15.

This four-game series ended without a major incident as Padilla did not a batter Sunday. Padilla equaled his career high for 14 wins.

Ervin Santana (14-8) gave up four runs and seven hits in five innings.

Mariners 10, Royals 5

Gil Meche was glad the Seattle hitters had a better day than he did.

Chris Snelling and Kenji Johjima each homered and the Mariners got 14 hits in a 10-5 win Sunday over the Kansas City Royals.

"After about a third of an inning, I knew it was going to be a tough day to try to get through five or six," Meche said. "Luckily, I did."

Meche (11-8) gave up nine hits and five runs in six innings and fell behind 4-1 after four.

But the Royals' bullpen failed to hold the lead for the second time in this four-game series.

"I just kept trying to make pitches, trying not to fall into patterns," said Meche. "Everything I threw over the plate they pretty much got to it. It was a matter of mixing my curveball in there as much as I could to get weak contact."

"I just let them put the ball in play and that was pretty much how the day went," he said.

Ichiro Suzuki went 2-for-4 one day after reaching the 200-hit plateau for the sixth year in a row. He stayed in the game and got his second hit after Runelvys Hernandez hit him in the lower right leg with a pitch in the fifth.

Suzuki left in the ninth.

"It tightened up there in the ninth inning and we really took him out so we could start treatment on him just as soon as we could," said manager Mike Hargrove. "So hopefully he'll be ready for tomorrow. But I think he's probably questionable."

With the game tied at 5 in the seventh, Eduardo Perez had a pinch-hit RBI single and Snelling homered off Joel Peralta.



Minnesota shortstop Jason Bartlett dives for a foul ball hit by Cleveland centerfielder Grady Sizemore in the third inning Saturday. Bartlett failed to make the grab, but the Twins won 6-1.

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Thomson, don't kill yourself today

"The rules of shotgun are very simple. The first person to yell shotgun in site of the car gets the front seat. There are no exceptions for people with a concussion" ~ Michael Scott

MLB — NATIONAL LEAGUE

Padres defeat Dodgers to take over the lead in NL West

San Diego prevails in pitchers' duel 2-1

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — If it weren't for playing the Los Angeles Dodgers, the San Diego Padres might be lagging in the NL West.

Thanks to their domination of the Dodgers, the Padres instead are a half-game up in the division, passing Los Angeles with a 2-1 victory Sunday.

San Diego has won eight of the last nine meetings. The Padres are 13-4 overall against Los Angeles and 7-1 at Dodger Stadium.

"There's no rhyme or reason to it," Padres manager Bruce Bochy said.

Chris Young pitched one-hit ball for six innings, pinch-hitter Terrmel Sledge singled home the go-ahead run in the ninth and Trevor Hoffman earned his 475th career save.

"They seem to get the big hits and pitch the big innings when they need them," said the Dodgers' Derek Lowe, who held San Diego to Russell Branyan's solo homer over seven innings.

The Padres, atop the division for the first time since Aug. 9, go for their third straight win in the four-game set on Monday night at Dodger Stadium, their final regular-season meeting.

The Dodgers won the opener 3-1 behind Greg Maddux, and the Padres bounced back with an 11-2 victory on Saturday night.

"We don't want them to win three out of four at our park," Lowe said. "We need to play the last game as if it's a must-win."

Branyan agreed, from the Padres' perspective.

"We're in first place by a half a game, and tomorrow's game really separates the men from the boys, I believe," he said. "If we can go up a game and a half with 14 games left in the season, we'll be looking pretty good."

Bochy figures the race will remain tight down the stretch.

"We're right there. We know it," he said. "It's neck and neck. It's great to get this one. To come back after a tough loss and win two straight is big."

Los Angeles manager Grady Little also believes it will go down to the wire.

"It was a tight game in a tight pennant race — and it's going to remain that way," he said.

While the Dodgers dropped out of the division lead, they are one game ahead of Philadelphia for the wild card.

Sledge singled to right off Jonathon Broxton to score pinch-runner Khalil Greene from second base. Josh Bard singled with one out, Greene came into the game and Geoff Blum walked.

With the bases loaded, Broxton (3-1) struck out Brian Giles and retired Josh Barfield on a foul pop to keep the Dodgers within one run.

Scott Linebrink (7-3) shut out Los Angeles in the eighth, and Hoffman pitched the ninth for his 39th save in 43 chances, and his career total is just three shy of Lee Smith's major league record.

After Chris Young held the Dodgers to one hit during his six shutout innings, Russell Martin homered off Cla Meredith with one out in the seventh to tie it at 1.

Martin's shot over the fence in center was his ninth of the season and ended Meredith's franchise-record string of 34 scoreless innings. The San Diego reliever hadn't allowed a run in 28 appearances dating to July 17.

Pirates 3, Mets 0

The New York Mets failed for the third straight day to clinch the NL East title at PNC Park when the Pittsburgh Pirates finished off an unlikely sweep.

New York was denied its first division title since 1988 later in the day when second-place Philadelphia beat Houston 6-4. The Mets can clinch at home Monday night with a win over Florida or a loss by the Phillies.

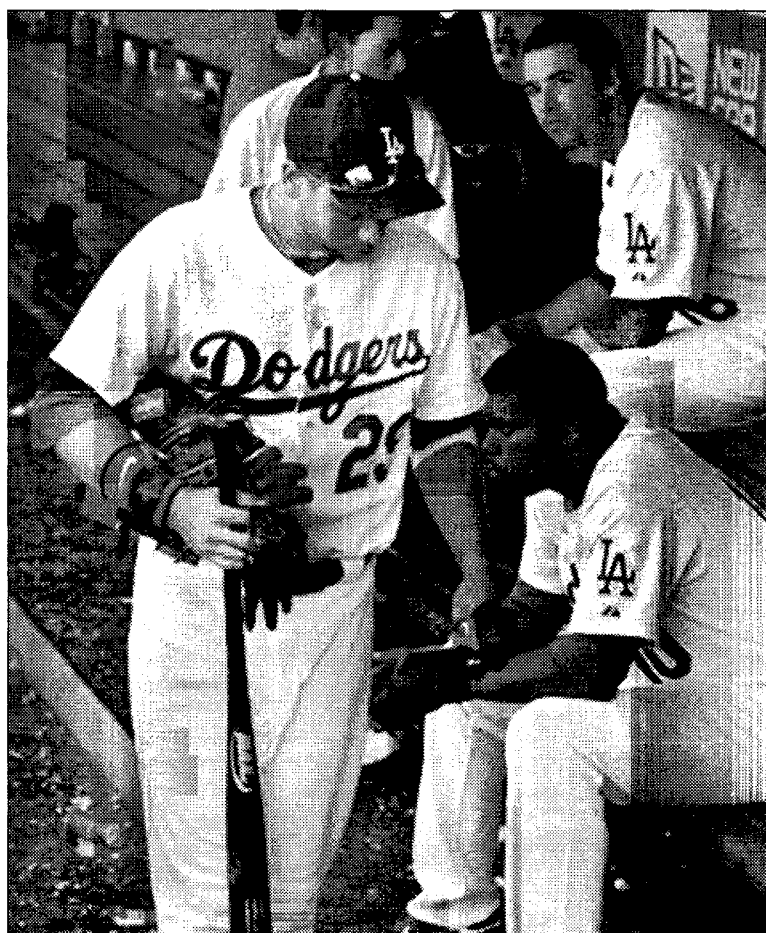
The Mets came to Pittsburgh with a magic number of one and the best record in the majors. Even with a sizable contingent of New York fans in the stands, the young Pirates became the first NL team to sweep the Mets this season.

Showing their spirit, the Pirates — with the next-to-worst record in the league — celebrated with hearty handshakes on the field. Pittsburgh completed its first three-game sweep at home against New York since 1998.

Zach Duke (10-13) pitched shutout ball for eight innings, Freddy Sanchez had two hits and two RBIs and Chris Duffy scored twice for the Pirates.

Phillies 6, Astros 4

Ryan Howard hit his major league-leading 57th home run — without any dispute — and Mike Lieberthal connected twice as Randy Wolf and the Phillies kept up their push for a wild-card spot by beating



The Dodgers' James Loney, left, Wilson Betemit, right, and Andre Ethier, top right, linger in the dugout after their 2-1 defeat Sunday.

Houston.

Jimmy Rollins also homered as Philadelphia prevented the New York Mets from clinching the NL East. The second-place Phillies, however, are aiming at the wild card and are one game behind Los Angeles for that spot.

Howard tied a team record with 29 road home runs in a season. He's homered in 16 of the 19 parks he's played this year.

Wolf (4-0) won while pitching on three days' rest for the first time in his career. He won his career-best ninth straight decision, the first time a Phillies starter has done that since Steve Carlton in 1980-81.

Wandy Rodriguez (9-10) took the loss.

Braves 8, Marlins 7

Marcus Giles hit an RBI single and another runner scored when Florida left fielder Josh Willingham let the ball go through his legs, capping a five-run rally.

After Florida scored four times in the top of the 10th, errors by shortstop Hanley Ramirez and Willingham let Atlanta win it.

It was a demoralizing defeat for the young Marlins, who fell four games behind Los Angeles in the wild-card race. Florida lost for the fourth time in five games.

With one out in the Atlanta 10th, Brian McCann doubled off Joe Borowski (3-3) and took third on a single by Jeff Francoeur. Matt Diaz followed with a two-run double and took third on a bloop single by Willy Aybar.

Pinch-hitter Bryan Pena then reached when Ramirez when failed to hold onto a forceout throw, scoring Diaz to make it 7-6. Giles followed with his one-out single that rolled through Willingham, scoring Aybar and Pena.

Kevin Barry (1-1) got one out for the win.

Rockies 6, Diamondbacks 1

Jeff Francis gave up three hits in eight strong innings and

Jeff Baker hit his first homer of the season to help the Rockies beat the error-prone Diamondbacks.

Francis (12-11) struck out five and did not walk a batter as Colorado snapped a three-game losing streak. Brian Fuentes pitched the ninth to complete the three-hitter.

Miguel Batista (10-7) gave up three runs in six innings for the loss.

Cubs 11, Reds 3

Carlos Zambrano hit his fifth homer of the season and threw seven shutout innings in his return to help the Cubs beat the Reds.

Zambrano (15-6) had missed his last two starts with lower back stiffness and picked up his first win since Aug. 24. He gave up four hits, struck out six and walked four.

The right-hander left a game on Sept. 4 in the second inning complaining of back troubles. He was questionable to start this game before Saturday but is now one win away from tying his career high, set in 2004 when he went 16-8.

Jacque Jones, Ronny Cedeno and Zambrano all homered in the Cubs' seven-run first inning.

Eric Milton (8-8) left after recording just one out.

Nationals 6, Brewers 1

Austin Kearns homered and hit the go-ahead single in the seventh to lead the Nationals beat the Milwaukee Brewers 6-1 Sunday.

Doug Davis (10-11) was perfect for the first 4 1-3 innings before Kearns hit his 23rd home run of the season to left field. In the seventh, Bernie Castro reached on an infield single, moved to second on a sacrifice by Felipe Lopez and scored when Kearns looped a single to shallow right field.

The Nationals added four runs in the eighth inning, including a rare three-run single by Lopez.

Saul Rivera (3-0) pitched a scoreless seventh to earn the win.

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	team	record	previous
1	Ohio State	3-0	1
2	Auburn	3-0	3
3	USC	2-0	4
4	West Virginia	1-0	5
5	Florida	3-0	7
6	Michigan	3-0	11
7	Texas	2-1	8
8	Louisville	3-0	12
9	Georgia	3-0	10
10	LSU	2-1	6
11	Virginia Tech	3-0	14
12	NOTRE DAME	2-1	2
13	Oregon	3-0	18
14	Iowa	3-0	16
15	Tennessee	2-1	13
16	TCU	3-0	20
17	Oklahoma	2-1	15
18	Florida State	2-1	9
19	Clemson	2-1	NR
20	Arizona State	3-0	22
21	Boston College	3-0	23
22	California	2-1	21
23	Nebraska	2-1	19
24	Penn State	2-1	25
25	Boise State	3-0	NR

USA Today/Coaches Poll Top 25

	team	points	previous
1	Ohio State	1572	1
2	USC	1493	2
3	Auburn	1432	4
4	West Virginia	1359	5
5	Florida	1282	6
6	Michigan	1181	13
7	Georgia	1178	9
8	Texas	1144	8
9	Louisville	1106	12
10	Virginia Tech	964	14
11	LSU	911	7
12	Oregon	829	18
13	NOTRE DAME	814	3
14	Iowa	781	16
15	TCU	621	20
16	Oklahoma	508	11
17	Florida State	459	10
18	Arizona State	397	23
19	Tennessee	376	17
20	California	366	21
21	Boston College	348	25
22	Alabama	314	24
23	Clemson	283	NR
24	Nebraska	167	19
25	Boise State	139	NR

Big East Men's Soccer Blue Division Standings

	team	record
1	Seton Hall	4-0-0
2	West Virginia	3-0-1
3	Connecticut	3-0-1
4	Providence	3-0-0
5	Pittsburgh	2-1-1
6	NOTRE DAME	2-2-0
7	Georgetown	2-2-0
8	Marquette	1-3-0

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GOLF



Ben Curtis poses with the trophy Sunday in Farmington, Pa., after winning the fourth and last 84 Lumber Classic at Mystic Rock Golf Course. Curtis' 14-under total beat runner-up Charles Howell III by two shots.

Curtis takes final 84 Lumber Classic

Associated Press

FARMINGTON, Pa. — Ben Curtis excels in taking home the best possible going-away presents from disappearing PGA Tour events.

Curtis, start-to-finish steady on a day when the leaderboard was filled with higher scores than the previous three days, claimed a lame-duck tour event for the second time in three months by winning the 84 Lumber Classic by two shots Sunday.

Not only keeping his lead but building on it down the stretch, he broke out of a four-way

tie for the lead at the turn with Charles Howell III, Robert Garrigus and Ryan Moore by getting three birdies in a span of five holes from No. 12 through No. 16, thanks to some excellent putting.

But it was a par during that stretch that may have won it for him, and the \$828,000 first prize for finishing at 14-under 274, two ahead of Howell.

Curtis flew a shot over the par-4 14th green and onto a grassy, uphill apron that left him with an extremely difficult shot. But he used a utility club — the same one that helped him win the 2003 British Open — to roll it

to about 12 feet, then sank that putt to save par and stay in the lead.

He went up by three shots by dropping a 13-footer on No. 15, when Howell three-putted from 49 feet, then effectively won it by sinking a 50-footer on the par-5 16th that allowed him to withstand a bogey on No. 17, a par 3.

Curtis won cheers from the local gallery by wearing black and gold colors for the fourth day in a row — he is an avowed Browns fan who normally despises the Steelers. The former Kent State golfer won his third career title by holding off 15 others

who began the day within three shots of the lead.

Some fans chanted "Here we go Steelers, here we go!" when Curtis walked past, but the frown on his face revealed his true colors — namely brown, orange and white.

"I'm going to get my Browns hat out," he said.

If any more events disappear from the PGA Tour schedule, look for Curtis to be the favorite in their final tournament.

Curtis won the last Booz Allen Classic in late June, his first victory since that British Open, and then won the fourth and last 84 Lumber Classic.

IN BRIEF

One week after stabbing, Northern Colorado wins

SAN MARCOS, Texas — The irony that Northern Colorado, down three punters after a week of controversy, won with a blocked punt was not lost on coach Scott Downing.

"I don't even know what to say about that," said Downing, who lost two punters this week in a bizarre stabbing scandal that brought national attention to the small university about 60 miles north of Denver.

The Bears beat Texas State 14-13 on Saturday night for their first win on the road in three seasons.

"It has been a tough week, but you know these guys, they're the type they survive a lot of stuff," Downing said.

Bears punter Rafael Mendoza was treated Monday for a 3- to 5-inch deep puncture wound and released from the hospital after being stabbed outside his apartment in Evans, near Greeley, Colo.

Gilder comes back to defend Energy Classic title

HUNT VALLEY, Md. — No one will miss the Constellation Energy Classic more than Bob Gilder.

Gilder shot a 7-under 65, the lowest round of the day on Sunday, to overcome a three-shot deficit and successfully defend his title, finishing two strokes ahead of Brad Bryant, Don Pooley and Jay Haas in the final year of the Champions Tour event.

"Now we're leaving. He's going to go into mourning," Bryant said. "It's going to be terrible [for him]. It's like the Bob Gilder Annuity Fund here."

Next year, the Senior Players Championship comes to nearby Baltimore Country Club.

It was Gilder's ninth Champions Tour win, but only his second since 2003. Both have come at Hayfields Country Club, where he has never finished worse than 14th in five appearances.

Gilder posted a seven-birdie, no-bogey final round to finish at 14 under.

Harvick's gamble pays off at New Hampshire Speedway

LOUDON, N.H. — Kevin Harvick saw the hole in front of him, a small patch of open track between two other cars.

Driving through it would be risky, but Harvick's never shied away from taking chances. So he shoved his Chevrolet in between Denny Hamlin and Jeff Burton, forcing his way to the front and running away with the win Sunday at New Hampshire International Speedway.

This is how Harvick plans to run for his first Nextel Cup title: Unafraid, unapologetic and with everything he's got.

"At this point, it's all about the championship and going for it and throwing caution to the wind," Harvick said of his three-wide pass just 37 laps into the race. "If you look back on it, I probably wouldn't do that again."

Harvick, who started from the pole and paced almost every practice session, led 196 of the 300 laps.

NCAA FOOTBALL

Auburn and Florida come up big in key SEC matchups

Ducks best Sooners in nail-biter, 34-33

Associated Press

EUGENE — In a wild final 72 seconds, Dennis Dixon and the Oregon Ducks had everything go their way.

Dixon rallied for two late touchdowns, with the help of a successful onside kick, and the No. 18 Ducks blocked a field goal on the final play to seal a victory over No. 15 Oklahoma on Saturday.

"This shows the nation we can play with the big boys," Oregon rover Patrick Chung said. "We beat Oklahoma, No. 15 in the nation, and now you have to watch out for Oregon."

Dixon's 16-yard keeper with 1:12 left brought the Ducks within 33-27 and set up the onside kick attempt.

The Ducks (3-0) recovered the bouncing kick on their own 48, but Oklahoma (2-1) argued that an Oregon player touched the ball before it went the required 10 yards, which would have given the Sooners possession. Officials delayed play for an instant replay review, but the call stood and Dixon went to work.

After a pass interference call on Oklahoma again had Sooners coach Bob Stoops shaking his head on the sideline, Dixon threw a 23-yard TD pass to Brian Paysinger with 46 seconds to give Oregon the lead.

Pac-10 commissioner Tom Hansen said Saturday night that both the onside kick and pass interference call will be reviewed by the league.

Oklahoma wasn't done, though, as Reggie Smith returned a squib kick 55 yards to the Ducks' 27.

With no timeouts the Sooners ran one play, run into the line by Adrian Peterson, then spiked the ball with a second left. Garrett Hartley's 44-yard field-goal attempt wasn't high enough to clear the line and the Ducks celebrated.

"I was just praying we would get that onside kick," said Sooners tailback Adrian Peterson, who ran for 211 yards. "Once we didn't get it, things got really ugly from there."

The onside kick was made by Luke Bellotti, Oregon coach Mike Bellotti's son.

"The thing about coaching your son it that it is pretty difficult sometimes. Some positions require judgmental things that are fairly subjective. Kicking is not, it's very objective," the elder Bellotti said.

"He's the best guy for that type of kick on the football team. Obviously, I'm very pleased for him, first of all because he's my son, and secondly because it gave our team a chance to win. That's a total team thing."

Auburn 7, LSU 3

Eric Brock's instructions were simple and altogether appropriate for the final play of Auburn's latest slugfest with LSU.

"The coaches told us anything we see in front of us, you hit it," the Auburn safety said.

Brock's game-saving tackle just a few yards from the goal line on the final play preserved No. 3 Auburn's win over sixth-ranked LSU on Saturday. He

also tipped away a fourth-down pass to end another late LSU threat as Auburn turned away the visiting Tigers again and again.

What has become the Southeastern Conference's most rugged rivalry had all the usual elements: two punishing defenses, an pivotal officials' call that left both sides a bit perplexed and some follies in the kicking game.

The call went Auburn's way.

With LSU facing fourth-and-8 from Auburn's 31 and 2:43 left, JaMarcus Russell fired the ball to Early Doucet near the goal line. A diving Brock deflected the pass, but Zach Gilbert was called for pass interference that would have kept the drive alive.

The officials overturned the call, although replays showed the contact came before the ball was tipped by Brock.

"I got sick to my stomach," said Auburn coach Tommy Tuberville about seeing the flag. "I still don't understand it. It's just a judgment call and thank goodness it went our way."

LSU coach Les Miles wasn't happy with the change.

"If the ball is tipped at the line of scrimmage, there is no pass interference," said Miles, also unhappy with a pass interference call against his team. "The ball was tipped downfield. The proper explanation will be forthcoming."

Auburn (3-0, 2-0) got the ball but LSU's defense stopped Kenny Irons on three straight runs. Irons had 70 yards on 25 tough carries.

The visiting Tigers (2-1, 0-1) drove to Auburn's 24 with 2.5 seconds left as Russell hooked up with Craig Davis for gains of 20 and 21 yards and Dwayne Bowe for 21. On the final play, Russell went to Davis again. The receiver caught the pass inside the 10, but Brock stopped him cold with a jarring hit at the 4.

"It was a low throw on the final play, but it was not JaMarcus' fault," said Davis, who had 96 yards receiving. "I was expecting it to be a jump ball in the end zone."

Russell finished 20-for-35 for 267 yards.

Florida 21, Tennessee 20

Another Florida coach has Tennessee's number.

Dallas Baker caught a 21-yard touchdown pass from Chris Leak that gave Florida the lead in the fourth quarter and the Gators held on to beat No. 13 Tennessee on Saturday.

Coach Urban Meyer's first trip to Neyland Stadium as Florida head coach was a success, and he made it two straight against the Vols. Not even Steve Spurrier, who was 8-4 against UT when he was at Florida, started 2-0 against the Vols as Gators coach.

The No. 7 Gators (3-0, 1-0 Southeastern Conference) preserved the victory when Reggie Nelson got his second interception of the game after Tennessee went for it on fourth down at the Florida 45.

Then all the Gators needed was another first down, and they got it by inches on third down with 1:22 remaining.

Meyer became the first Florida coach to beat Tennessee in his first two tries since Galen Hall. And Meyer joins Spurrier, Georgia's Mark

Richt and Tommy Tuberville as the only coaches to beat Tennessee's Phillip Fulmer in back-to-back seasons. The Gators won last year at The Swamp 16-7.

Florida stuffed the Volunteers' running game and pressured Erik Ainge all night, and not even an emotional final game by defensive tackle Justin Harrell could provide the lift Tennessee (2-1, 0-1) needed to beat its bitter rivals.

Leak played in his final game in Neyland, where he often came to watch his older brother C.J. play, and managed the game well while his freshman backup Tim Tebow provided a lift all seven times he entered the game. Leak finished 15-of-25 for 199 yards with one interception.

Tennessee was held to minus-11 yards rushing, and Ainge struggled in going 17-of-32 for 183 yards.

USC 28, Nebraska 10

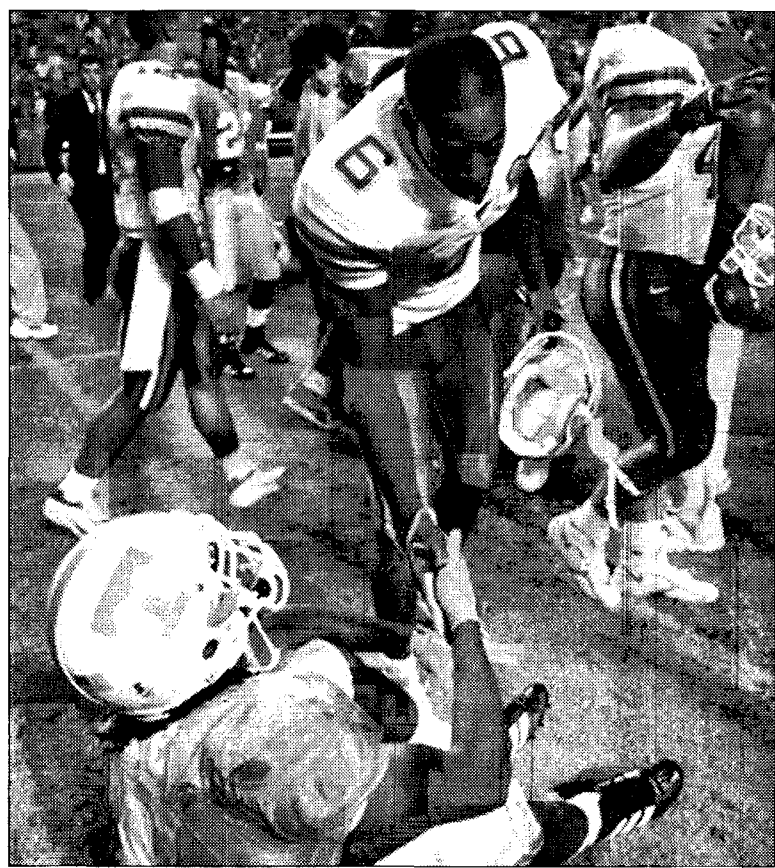
The Southern California Trojans have a new starting quarterback and six new running backs.

But they look like the same old USC — with an even better defense than last year.

If there was any doubt, No. 4 USC declared itself a national title contender for a fourth straight season with a victory over 19th-ranked Nebraska on Saturday night.

"We're just getting going," USC coach Pete Carroll said. "We're just getting started. It's exciting."

It's also scary for the rest of the country. The Trojans' attack isn't as potent as the one that lit up scoreboards last year. But their once-unreliable defense appears much stouter. The Trojans (2-0) limited



Florida receiver Jermalle Cornelius shakes hands with Tennessee defensive back Jonathan Wade after the Gators win Saturday.

Nebraska (2-1) to 211 yards, including 68 rushing yards on 36 carries, an average of 1.9 yards per rush.

"They were really good," Nebraska defensive tackle Barry Cryer said. "You just can't deny that."

USC won for the 36th time in 37 games, the lone defeat coming to Texas in the final seconds of last January's Rose Bowl. The Trojans have won 28 straight at home.

Making his second career start, John David Booty was 25-for-36 for 257 with no interceptions and three touchdown

passes for USC in a Matt Leinart-esque performance.

All-America receiver Dwayne Jarrett, the one holdover star from last year's record-breaking offense, caught 11 passes for 136 yards, including two touchdowns. The 6-foot-5 Jarrett often found himself being covered by defensive backs who were four or more inches shorter.

"Jarrett is a monster," Nebraska coach Bill Callahan said. "He physically dominated our guys. Our guys did what they could but he is almost unstoppable."

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Indiana falls short in attempt to win game for ailing coach

Salukis down Hoosiers in emotional contest

Associated Press

BLOOMINGTON — Indiana swore it was prepared to win one for its missing coach, Terry Hoeppner. Emotions weren't enough.

What the Hoosiers learned Saturday was that it still comes down to execution.

With a struggling ground game, an inconsistent offense and a poor run defense, Division I-AA Southern Illinois overpowered the Hoosiers 35-28, and now Indiana faces a defining week without their leader or the emotional victory they had hoped to give him.

"We've got to learn from how we played today and playing through some adversity and all those kinds of things," interim coach Bill Lynch said. "We have to bounce back next week."

Although the Hoosiers (2-1) insisted they were ready to play Saturday, the game told a different tale.

There were mistakes, poor decisions, poor throws and lots of dropped passes.

Lynch's postgame critique was simple: There's plenty of blame to go around, and nobody could pin it on the challenging week they endured.

Instead, it came down to Southern Illinois' overpowering run game and Indiana's inability

to keep the momentum after taking a quick 14-0 lead. When the Salukis challenged them in the second half, the Hoosiers never really responded, and when they had a chance to tie it up late, quarterback Kellen Lewis was sacked twice.

It certainly wasn't the way Hoeppner or anyone else in the Hoosiers program drew it up.

"We wanted to win this for coach Hep, and, obviously, we didn't get the job done," running back Marcus Thigpen whispered. "Other than that, there were no distractions."

The question now is where do the Hoosiers go from here?

After an emotional week in which they lost Hoeppner and their best player, receiver James Hardy, for at least two games, Indiana must now make corrections quickly if they're going to put together a bowl run.

Hoeppner had his second brain surgery in less than nine months Wednesday, and Hardy was suspended for two games Tuesday.

Perhaps most disappointing was that the Hoosiers' bowl hopes took a huge hit.

With three nonconference games against winnable opponents, seven home games on the slate and only three games outside of Indiana, all the Hoosiers seemingly needed to do was protect their home turf. Or, as Hoeppner would phrase it, "Defend the rock."

Now they have to figure out

how to beat Connecticut, a budding Division I-A program that routed Indiana 34-10 in their last meeting in 2003, during what promises to be another emotional week.

Hoeppner and Hardy will still be absent, and again there will be lots of questions about the quarterback situation after an inconsistent performance from Lewis, a redshirt freshman.

"We had our chances, we really did, and we didn't take advantage when we had good field position" Lynch said. "We had a couple of big turnovers

and eventually that comes back to hurt you in a close ballgame."

As much as the Hoosiers played to win, there was little doubt Hoeppner was on their minds.

Players repeatedly acknowledged they didn't let Hoeppner's absence become a distraction or an excuse, as Hoeppner insisted during a meeting in which he broke the news Tuesday.

Before the game, a taped message from Hoeppner was played on the stadium's videoboard. One homemade sign read simply "Get well soon

coach Hep."

The Hoosiers responded by scoring on their first two possessions before letting Southern Illinois back into the game with a 5-yard TD pass from Nick Hill to Braden Jones.

In the second half, the Hoosiers didn't look like their early selves.

After rebuilding a 21-7 lead, Hill found Ryan Kernes for a 7-yard touchdown pass, and after Lewis fumbled at the Hoosiers' 21, Hill hooked up with Alan Turner on an 8-yard TD pass to tie the score.



Indiana interim head coach Bill Lynch is escorted onto the field by linebacker Jake Powers, left, and safety Eric McClug before the Hoosiers game against Southern Illinois Saturday.



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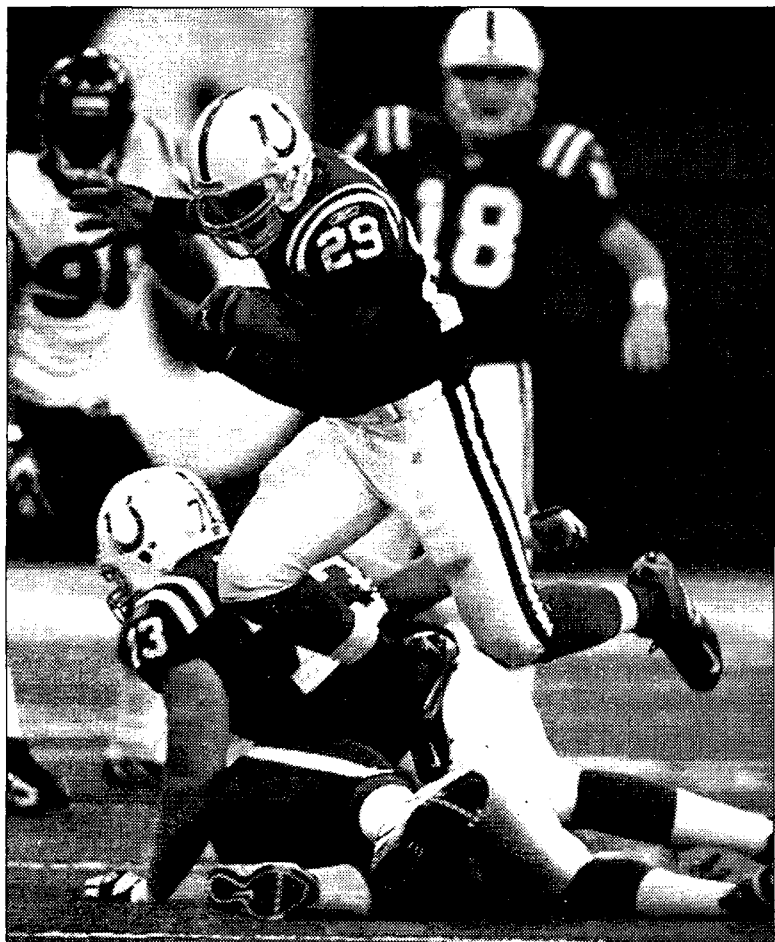
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NFL

Addai filling the hole in Colts running game



Indianapolis running back Joseph Addai hurdles a block Sunday. Addai rushed for 82 yards in the Colts' win over Houston.

Indianapolis tailback has over 100 total yards against Texans

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Indianapolis Colts running back Joseph Addai took a big step toward showing he's a suitable replacement for Edgerrin James — a 104-yard step.

The rookie from LSU gained 104 total yards and scored his first NFL touchdown to help the Colts beat the Houston Texans 43-24 on Sunday. He gained 79 of his 82 rushing yards in the second half in relief of starter Dominic Rhodes.

"I think I got into a rhythm with what I was doing," Addai said. "It was just important to get the feel of it and just to be in there for a long time. You have to take advantage of the situation because you never know when you'll get another chance."

Addai had a touchdown taken away in the second quarter when Houston challenged the call and it was determined that he fumbled into the end zone for a touchback. But the power run that carried would-be tacklers into the end zone left an impression on his teammates.

"Even with the fumble down there, golly, he's making an unbelievable effort to get into the end zone, and that's what happens sometimes," quarterback Peyton Manning said. "The harder you try, something bad can happen. He'll learn from that, though."

On a day when Marvin Harrison moved up to fifth place on the NFL's all-time receptions chart and Manning moved ahead of Johnny Unitas for first place on the Colts' completions list, Addai showed he's capable of becoming the newest triplet. The Colts' ability to run the ball was in doubt after James, the team's all-time leading rusher, signed with Arizona in the offseason.

"Joe certainly showed some special things," Manning said. "He showed that great strength and power he has. That first guy was kind of bouncing off of him."

"I thought Joseph and Dom ran well, but especially Joseph," coach Tony Dungy said. "We really don't think it's going to be an issue with our running backs."

Addai's touchdown came on a 21-yard pass from Manning.

"There was a blitz on that touchdown to him," Manning said. "Sometimes, more important than knowing when to block in blitz pickup is knowing when you don't have to block. His guy dropped and he was right out into his pass pattern and therefore he was wide open, which shows he is really knowledgeable of his protection."

The Colts gained 94 of their 125 rushing yards in the second half. Indianapolis led 20-3 at halftime and looked to prove it could grind out a drive a week after rushing for only 55 yards against the New York Giants. The Colts opened the second half with a 13-play, 82-yard drive that led to a 15-yard touchdown pass from Manning to Bryan Fletcher. Addai gained 41 yards on five carries on the possession.

"We're not that overly worried about our running game," Dungy said. "When people give us looks to run, we think we're going to be able to run."

Addai got the chance to get warmed up in the second half because Manning and the Indianapolis passing game established itself early. Manning threw for 400 yards and three touchdowns.

Dungy said the Colts are doing a good job of putting Addai in position to succeed, and he's making the most of it.

"He is very, very mature for a rookie," Dungy said. "He's going to be a good player for us. Dom's been great at helping him and getting him going. They're going to be a great one-two punch."

Owens to miss 2-4 weeks

Star wide receiver sidelined Sunday night with a broken finger

Associated Press

IRVING — Terrell Owens will miss from two to four weeks after breaking a finger Sunday night in the Dallas Cowboys' 27-10 victory over Washington.

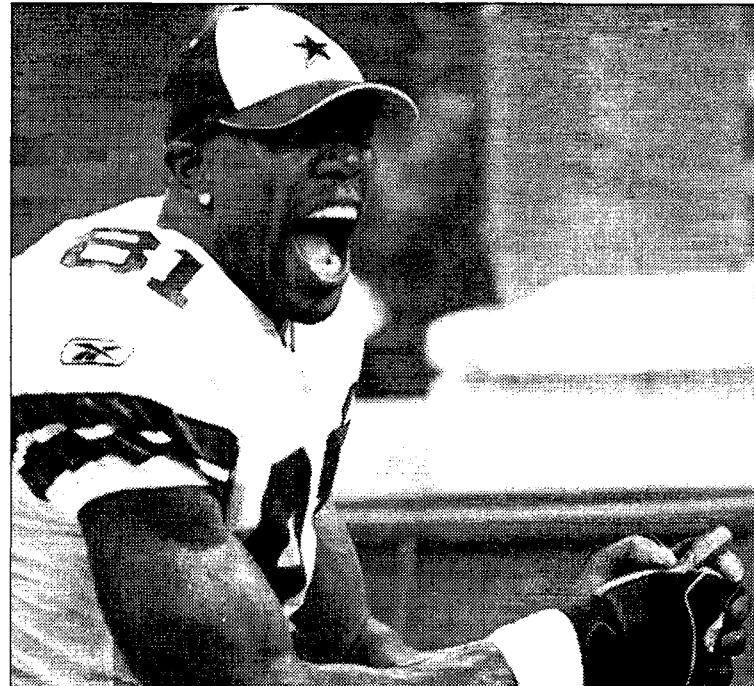
The controversial wide receiver broke his right ring finger and was scheduled to have surgery Monday. The Cowboys have a bye next week.

Owens said he was hurt on the first or second play of the game, but didn't tell anybody that he was hurt until he was leaving the sideline for the locker room in the fourth quarter. He said it was a "fluke thing" and occurred when he was blocking.

"I think my hand got caught on a guy's jersey or something. I kind of felt something weird with it," Owens said. "I just kind of felt like I jammed it. I kept playing."

Owens, who missed much of training camp and the preseason because of a hamstring injury after signing a three-year, \$25 million deal that includes a \$5 million bonus and a \$5 million salary in 2006, struggled against the Redskins. Owens flubbed a pass in the end zone on the opening drive — the first of three drops. By game's end, he was getting his hand X-rayed, his stats sealed at three catches for 19 yards.

While Owens wasn't sure when he got hurt, he drew a personal foul penalty on the Cowboys' first offensive snap



Cowboys wide receiver Terrell Owens sits on the bench during the second quarter of Dallas' game against Washington Sunday.

of the game for an illegal block.

On the dropped touchdown, Owens said he was trying to gather in the ball when cornerback Mike Rumph knocked the ball away.

"I didn't really have my full strength in my hand, so I think that probably may have contributed with him punching it out," Owens said.

The X-rays revealed the break. His right hand was partially wrapped after the game.

"I feel like I'm a quick healer," Owens said. "Once we have the surgery, the healing

process will start. ... I'm going to try to get back as soon as I can."

After Owens felt a twinge in his hamstring the first week of training camp, he missed more than 20 workouts and the first three preseason games. Two MRIs were clear, but Owens still flew in several doctors and trainers to California, plus a hyperbaric chamber, because he still didn't feel right.

Last week, in a loss at Jacksonville, Owens played much better with six catches for 80 yards and a touchdown.

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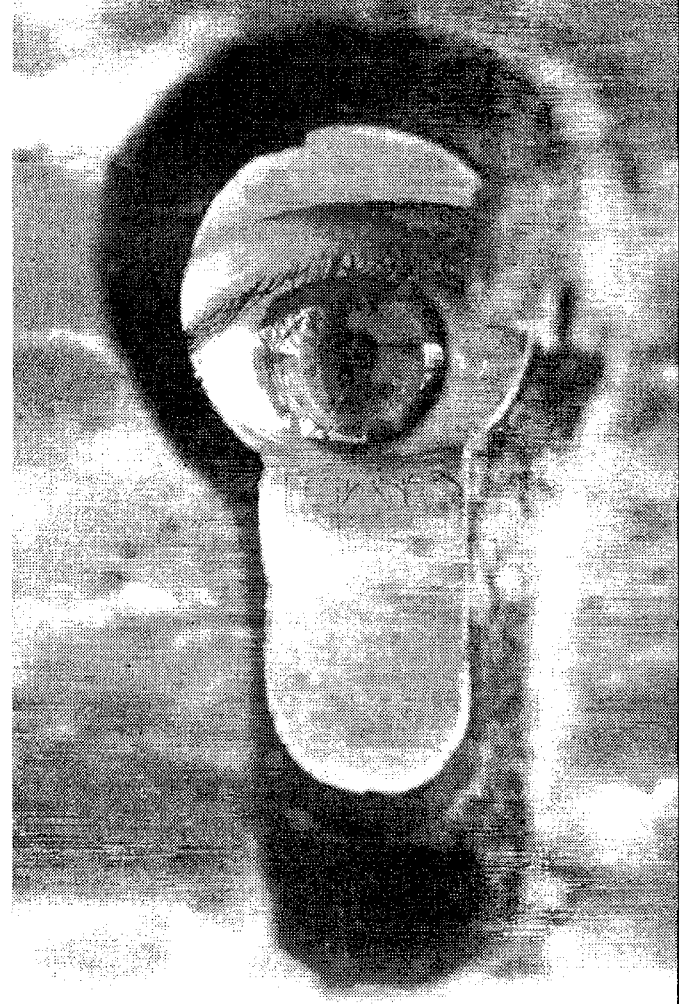
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NFL

Giants and Saints come from behind to pull out victories

Grossman throws four TDs in Bears blowout

Associated Press

IRVING — While Terrell Owens botched his home debut with drops, penalties and then a broken finger that will sideline him for two to four weeks, Terry Glenn set up Dallas' first two touchdowns, then scored a third with a 40-yard catch in a 27-10 victory over Washington.

Owens broke his right ring finger and will undergo surgery Monday.

Drew Bledsoe threw for 237 yards and two touchdowns, with no interceptions, and would've had even better numbers had his receivers not missed so many passes that hit their hands. Owens was among the most guilty, starting with a flubbed pass in the end zone on the opening drive. By game's end, he had three catches for 19 yards.

Glenn caught six passes for 94 yards. He had a 34-yarder that set up a 4-yard touchdown pass to Patrick Crayton on Dallas' second drive and drew a 41-yard pass interference call against Kenny Wright to set up a 1-yard touchdown run by Marion Barber.

Colts 43, Texans 24

Peyton Manning and the Colts played a near-perfect game. The Texans and David Carr looked like, well, their old selves.

Manning threw three touchdown passes, broke one of John Unitas' franchise records, and the Colts scored on six of their first seven possessions.

For Indy (2-0) — 9-0 all-time against the Texans — it was another milestone day.

Manning broke Unitas' franchise record for completions, Marvin Harrison moved into fifth place on the NFL's receptions list and Tony Dungy earned his 50th regular-season win as Colts coach.

Manning's second TD pass, a 21-yarder to rookie Joseph Addai, gave him 2,797 completions — one more than Unitas

had in his Colts career. Manning finished 26-of-38 for 400 yards, and had a 129.3 rating despite having one TD pass called back because of a holding penalty on Tarik Glenn.

Harrison finished with seven receptions for 127 yards, and passed Art Monk for fifth on the career receptions list. He now has 943 catches, two more than Monk's career total.

Chargers 40, Titans 7

LaDainian Tomlinson ran for two first-half touchdowns and Shawne Merriman led a defense that's starting to take this "Lights Out" thing seriously.

Six days after blanking the Raiders, the Chargers came within 3:09 of consecutive shutouts for the first time in club history. Titans' No. 1 draft pick Vince Young threw an 18-yard touchdown pass to Drew Bennett to end the bid.

Merriman, nicknamed "Lights Out" for his hard hits, was at it again against Tennessee (0-2). The linebacker intercepted a pass, batted away two others and San Diego (2-0) held the Titans to 218 total yards and 14 first downs, many of them late in the game.

In last week's 27-0 win over the Raiders, Merriman had three of San Diego's nine sacks.

Seahawks 21, Cardinals 10

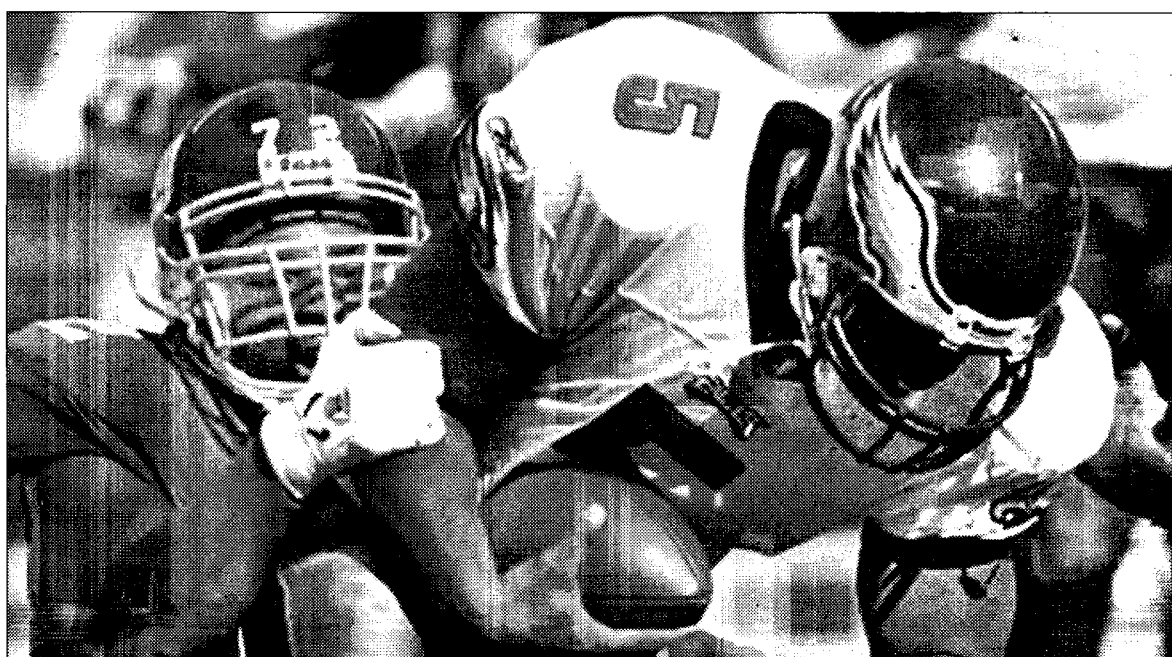
Seattle started with touchdowns by Shaun Alexander and Darrell Jackson on its first two drives before a strong pass rush and repeatedly blown opportunities by the bumbling Cardinals.

Defending conference champion Seattle is 2-0 for the third time in four seasons despite Pro Bowler Matt Hasselbeck throwing two interceptions and going just 12-for-27 for 221 yards — his first game under 50 percent passing in two seasons. Alexander, last year's league MVP, ran for 89 yards on 26 carries, most of them late.

The Seahawks also endured a blocked field goal, a 14-yard punt, and Arizona driving into their territory seven times.

Patriots 24, Jets 17

The student gave the teacher



New York end Osi Umenyiora sacks Philadelphia quarterback Donovan McNabb for a 6-yard loss in the fourth quarter Sunday. The Giants beat the Eagles 30-24 in overtime.

a scare, but Bill Belichick's Patriots held off a late rally by Eric Mangini's Jets.

New England (2-0) took a 24-0 lead on touchdown runs by Corey Dillon and Laurence Maroney, and a TD catch by Chad Jackson. But the Jets stormed back in the second half. Jericho Cotchery and Laveranues Coles each made brilliant touchdowns, Mike Nugent kicked a 42-yard field goal and Jonathan Vilma blocked a late field-goal attempt to give the Jets (1-1) one last chance in their home opener.

But an interception by Tedy Bruschi ended the comeback hopes.

Mangini was New England's defensive backs coach under Belichick from 2000-04, and served as defensive coordinator last season before becoming head coach of the Jets. Mangini, who said he hadn't spoken to Belichick in some time, talked about how much he learned while helping lead the Patriots to three Super Bowl titles.

Bears 34, Lions 7

Rex Grossman had his best game as a pro, and the Bears' defense silenced Detroit's Roy Williams and the Lions.

Grossman set career highs with 289 yards and four touchdown passes to lead Chicago (2-0). The quarterback completed 20 of 27 passes with no interceptions and set a career-high in yards for the second straight week after throwing for 262 in a season-opening win at Green Bay.

A defense that handed the Packers' Brett Favre the first shutout of his career held the Lions to 245 yards and recovered three fumbles. Detroit (0-2) committed 14 penalties for 104 yards, seven for 58 yards in the first quarter alone.

Williams caught six passes for 71 yards after guaranteeing a win over the Bears. He was booed loudly after catching his first pass.

Vikings 16, Panthers 13, OT

Minnesota wanted a seasoned, reliable kicker when they signed Ryan Longwell away from rival Green Bay this spring. Who knew he could play quarterback, too?

Longwell's 16-yard TD pass to Richard Owens on a fake kick tied the game in the fourth quarter, and his third field goal

— from 19 yards with 7:25 left in overtime — lifted the Vikings.

Brad Johnson threw a falling-down, 30-yard pass to Troy Williamson, who caught it one-handed, and Chester Taylor ripped off a 33-yard run on the final drive.

Taylor carried 24 times for 113 yards, and Williamson had six catches for 102 yards, all after halftime.

Carolina (0-2) had been a popular Super Bowl pick, but the Panthers are struggling in several areas, including staying healthy. All-Pro Steve Smith — who totaled 201 yards receiving against the Vikings last season — sat out again because of a strained hamstring.

Giants 30, Eagles 24 OT

Eli Manning brought the Giants back from a 17-point deficit in the fourth-quarter and threw a 31-yard touchdown pass to Plaxico Burress with 3:11 left in overtime.

On third-and-11 from the Eagles 31, Manning avoided a blitz and lofted a pass to Burress, who outjumped Sheldon Brown to make the catch and get in the end zone.

Dominated through the first three quarters, the Giants (1-1) fought back and tied it on Jay Feely's 35-yard field goal with 7 seconds left.

Manning overcame eight sacks and constant pressure to throw for 371 yards and three TDs. He tossed a 22-yard TD pass to Amani Toomer with 3:28 left in regulation to cut the deficit to 24-21.

The Eagles (1-1) lost their seventh straight to an NFC East rival. Donovan McNabb passed for 350 yards and two TDs.

Falcons 14, Buccaneers 3

Led by Michael Vick and Warrick Dunn, Atlanta took its running game to a whole new level. And the defense fared just fine without John Abraham.

Dunn ran for 134 yards against his former team, Vick added to one of his own NFL records with 127 yards rushing and the Falcons set a franchise record with 306 yards on the ground.

Atlanta (2-0) has yet to allow a touchdown this season, keeping its streak alive when Jason Webster and DeAngelo Hall picked off passes in or near the end zone.

Chris Simms had another miserable day for the Buccaneers

(0-2), who have yet to score a touchdown in 2006. He was picked off three times by the Falcons, matching what he did in a 27-0 loss to Baltimore in the season opener.

Bengals 34, Browns 17

Chad Johnson made a toe-tapping catch in the corner of the end zone, popped up and flapped his elbows in a "Chicken Dance" celebration. Then, he shuffled to the bench in pain.

It was that kind of a day for Cincinnati, which won despite losing three starters to injury — a troubling turn for the defending AFC North champs.

Even with their patchwork lineup, the Bengals (2-0) had their way against the Browns (0-2), who again struggled mightily to move the ball.

Operating behind a makeshift line, Carson Palmer threw for 352 yards and his first two touchdowns of the season. Chris Henry, who pleaded guilty to a gun charge five days earlier, led the way with five catches for 113 yards. And Rudi Johnson ran for 145 yards and two touchdowns.

Receiver T.J. Houshmandzadeh and left tackle Levi Jones were inactive with lingering injuries. During the first half, the Bengals lost center Rich Braham to a knee injury, safety Dexter Jackson to an ankle injury, and linebacker David Pollack, who was taken to a hospital for evaluation of a neck injury. Pollack had full movement in his arms and legs.

Saints 34, Packers 27

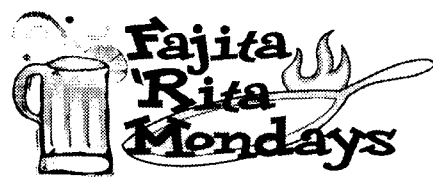
Drew Brees overcame three early turnovers by throwing for 353 yards, and New Orleans (2-0) is heading home unbeaten.

They will play their first game in New Orleans since 2004 next Monday night against Atlanta. The Saints, of course, spent last season without a home after Hurricane Katrina ravaged their city and the Louisiana Superdome.

With the game tied at 20, Brees threw a 35-yard touchdown pass to Marques Colston for a 27-20 edge with 8:20 remaining.

Brees completed 26 of 41 passes, throwing for two TDs and an interception for the Saints. The Packers (0-2) contained rookie running back Reggie Bush, but Deuce McAllister scored twice.

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SMC SOCCER

Belles get first win of year

Team advances to final of Vaccaro Invite, falls on controversial goal

By DAN MURPHY
Sports Writer

Michelle Daly's controversial goal with 19 seconds remaining in the second overtime Sunday gave North Central a 2-1 victory over Saint Mary's and concluded the Sal Vaccaro Invitational in Naperville, Ill.

Daly seemed to be offside, but the referee did not stop play and with a head start Daly was able to break away from the pack of defenders and beat goaltender Laura Helene.

The winning goal was Daly's second of the game — the first came 13 minutes into the match as she beat a Belles' defender and chipped a shot over Helene's head. The Cardinals' star player had four goals in her two games during the tournament, helping North Central capture its third consecutive Vaccaro Invitational championship.

"It was difficult to lose on a goal that should have been called back because the player was offside...but we put up a solid fight throughout the game," senior Caroline Stancukas said. "I can honestly say that there is not one person who stepped on the field who did not play her heart out."

Saint Mary's made the game interesting when Stancukas headed a crossing pass in for the Belles in the 71st minute. The speedy senior made a diving leap and connected with freshman defender Bridget Roynane's feed on a free kick from just outside the box.

The goal was Stancukas's first of her career. The senior has played consistently over the past four years and contributed many assists, but had not put one between the pipes prior to Sunday's game.

Saturday's game was a different story for the Belles

Saint Mary's 4 Mount Mercy 1

The team registered its first win of the season as the Belles took down Mount Mercy in the first game of the tournament.

Saint Mary's looked to be in charge throughout the contest, playing with a higher intensity and efficiency than the Mustangs.

"We played with great energy, were first to 50/50 balls, anticipated runs, strung quick passes together, and found the back of the net. We were the stronger team and the Hinton had a field day with the goalkeeper," Stancukas said.

Senior captain Ashley Hinton had a hat trick to lead the Belles to victory. She opened up the scoring in the middle of the first half with a pass from Samantha Goudreau. She later added two more unassisted goals within four minutes of each other in the second half. Sophomore Lauren Hinton also added a goal — her third of the season — late in the game.

Saint Mary's outshot the Mustangs 21-4. Keri Ludwig scored the lone goal for Mount Mercy, but it was a meaningless goal with only eight minutes remaining in the contest.

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SMC GOLF

Coach sees potential despite poor showing

By BECKY SLINGER
Sports Writer

The Belles finished in 18th place at the IWU Fall Classic Tournament in Normal, Ill., while turning in a team score of 696 (120-over par) this weekend.

The team shot a 347 the first day and a 349 on the second day of the tournament.

Co-captain Alex Sei said hard winds contributed to the Belles' struggles, and although coach Mark Hamilton was "disappointed" with the finish, he said he saw signs of improvement.

"We showed some definite signs of improvement," he said. "If we continue to work on our short game we should lower our scores dramatically."

DePauw captured first place by shooting 56-over par for a combined squad total of 632 (311, 321). Wisconsin-Eau Claire trailed by one stroke to finish in second place in the two-round, 72-par tournament.

Junior captain Katie O'Brien led the Belles in scoring with an

86 on day one and an 82 on day two for a combined total of 168 (24-over par) to finish 43rd in a field of 134 golfers.

Kate Doornbos, the only freshman competing for the Belles in the tournament said she only felt "some pressure" to prove herself on the team.

"I'm more excited than anything," she said. "I just try my best."

Doornbos finished with the second lowest score on the squad (174) by shooting 30-over par to finish 64th. Meredith Fantom and Katie McInerney both shot 180s to finish 84 and 85, respectively and Alex Sei shot a 182 (95, 87) placing 89th.

The tournament's individual winner, Katie Tewell from Franklin College, shot just 4 strokes over par and had a total score of 148 (74, 74).

The Belles will have a chance to show their improvement when they play the Comet Classic hosted by Olivet College Sept. 22-23.

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MEN'S GOLF

Squad finishes ninth at Gopher Invitational

By FRAN TOLAN
Sports Writer

At the Gopher Invitational in Wayzata, Minn., harsh weather conditions proved to be at least as formidable an opponent for the Irish as the 11 other teams competing in the event this weekend.

Notre Dame finished ninth in the 12-team field as Stanford ended five shots ahead of host Minnesota to win the tournament in windy conditions.

"[The result] is not what we were hoping for," senior co-captain Cole Isban said. "We really struggled and I think we let the tough conditions get to us a little."

After a difficult first round Saturday in which the team carded a 313, the Irish bounced back to fire an impressive 295 later in the day.

"After the second round, we were right [in contention]," Isban said.

The squad headed into Sunday in seventh place and stayed in that slot until the 13th hole. The Irish were overtaken by both Northwestern and Ohio State in the last six holes of play.

"I was very disappointed, especially because we had a chance to finish where we wanted to," Irish coach Jim Kubinski said.

On the last hole, four of the five Irish golfers recorded bogeys to cap off the poor finish. As a result, the team finished three shots behind Northwestern and two worse than Ohio State.

The windy conditions were largely to blame for the dearth of individual scores that exceeded par. Notre Dame's top two golfers, Isban and sophomore Josh Sandman, each finished with an 11-over par 227 and ended up in a four-way tie for 19th place. The other three players, senior Adam Gifford, junior Mike King, and freshman Doug Fortner each struggled at points throughout the tournament.

"We really need a couple guys to step into the third and fourth golfer roles on this team," Kubinski said.

Freshman Doug Fortner made his first hole-in-one in competition and just the second of his life Saturday en route to a team-best score of 71.

"That was great to see," Kubinski said.

The Irish will be in action again October 9-10, when they host the inaugural Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic at the Warren Golf Course.

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1984. The only other previous repeat winner was Notre Dame's JoAnna Deeter, who won the event all four years she ran it.

Chasing Olding at the finish were three runners from Marquette, finishing over 12 seconds after Olding had crossed the line. The three Golden Eagles were followed by three Irish runners — junior Julie Opet (18:17), freshman Lindsey Ferguson (18:17) and sophomore Heidi Rocha (18:42). Sophomore Becca Bauman rounded out the Irish points qualifiers with a total time of 18:58.

Rocha's finish was especially crucial as she held off advances from Duquesne's Amy Ruffolo (18:43) and Marquette's Amanda Beggs (18:44) down the stretch to secure the first place tie for Notre Dame.

Women's coach Tim Connelly was glad his team won the race, but knew there was still a lot of room for improvement as Notre Dame will play host again in two weeks, but this time to many top-25 teams in the Notre Dame Invitational.

"This will give them a lot of confidence going into the tough races coming up," Connelly said. "We do have a lot of room to get better. I don't think we closed particularly well, but now we've got some confidence to build on."

One reason Connelly knows his team has so much room to improve is that he saved his best runners for the important races later in the season when they will be needed to beat top-ranked opponents.

On the men's side, coach Joe Piane also held out his top two runners, senior Kurt Benninger and sophomore Patrick Smyth, but the Irish could not be

denied a win as they topped second-place Marquette 48-58.

Although a Notre Dame runner did not win the individual race — that honor was given to John Riak from St. Martin's College, who finished the 8K race in 24:38 — they did have the best team Friday.

Junior Jake Watson led Notre Dame with a strong second-place finish, chasing Riak down the stretch but falling to him by only two seconds.

"I ran hard and gave it everything I had," Watson said of his tough finish. "I had tried to break him early but he was able to hold on to me."

Junior Brett Adams (25:18) and junior Mike Popejoy (25:20) finished eighth and ninth overall.

Freshman Jake Walker (25:39) and sophomore Robbie Baranay (25:57) rounded out Notre Dame's top 5.

Adams and Popejoy were the only Irish runners to follow Piane's gameplan and stay in a tight pack, a technique that won Notre Dame the Crusader Invitational, said Piane.

"Honestly, we had a few freshmen in the race and they ran like freshmen," Piane said. "One thing they need to realize about the difference between college and high school cross country is that this is all about the team, not individual performances."

Notre Dame will also reinsert its top runners in two weeks at the Notre Dame Invitational, with Benninger and Smyth returning to the race lineup.

"When we slip in those two fellows we will eliminate 25 points from our total," Piane said. "We add in a 3:58 miler in Benninger and Smyth who can run 5000 meters in 4:10."

"With those two guys and two more weeks of practice we can only get better."

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SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Belles compete at two meets

Saint Mary's athletes run at National Catholic, Indiana Intercollegiate

By BECKI DORNER
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's was busy this weekend, with the team divided on Friday between the National Catholic Championships at Notre Dame and the Indiana Intercollegiate Championships in Terre Haute, Ind.

At the National Catholic Cross Country Invitational, the Belles came in last out of 34 teams. Notre Dame finished in first on the familiar course, followed by Marquette in second place. The individual winner was Notre Dame junior Sunni Olding, with a time of 17:51.

The top finisher for the Belles at the meet was sophomore Caitlin Brodmerkel with a time of 23:19.

Belles captain Meghan Herbst said Saint Mary's was not worried about its team finish at the National Catholics, a meet that attracts several Division I schools every year.

"We did not even focus on the competition for this meet," Herbst said. "For us, the meet does not count since we are not running against other teams in the MIAA, but it is a good chance to get another race in for the experience and training."

The experience forced the Belles to practice pacing, specifically not going out too fast during the first mile.

Running in the 34-team field also gave the runners a chance to practice avoiding getting lost in a large crowd.

At the Indiana Intercollegiate meet hosted by Indiana State, the Belles finished 21st out of 26 on the Terre Haute course that will

host the Division I national championships later this year.

Indiana finished first with help from its top finisher, Jessica Gall, who clocked a time of 17:37, and Valparaiso came in second.

The top finisher for the Belles was Megan Gray, who recorded a 20:13.

She was followed a minute later by Sara Otto (21:13), Megan McClowery (21:45), Alicen Miller (22:24) and Kelly Biedron (22:26), who rounded out the top five for Saint Mary's.

The field at Terre Haute was one of the most competitive in the nation, but Otto said that did not faze the Belles.

"It can be intimidating to toe the start line next to Division I and Division II schools where there are runners competing on scholarships," she said. "However, we can gain confidence knowing we aren't running for money — we race because this is what we love to do."

Running at Terre Haute gave the Belles some additional challenges too, Otto said.

"Running against Division I and Division II schools is always challenging and it's easy to get pulled out too fast," she said. "The team was running tired and definitely against some of the strongest competition, like Indiana, Purdue, ISU and DePauw. It was good especially for the first years to see what racing that kind of caliber is like."

The Belles also got the chance to scope out some fellow Division III opponents like Manchester and Hanover, who finished 19th and 20th, respectively.

In addition to those presented by the other teams, the Belles had to deal with challenges from within. Many of the runners were dealing with colds, soreness and injuries, including captain Katie White, who couldn't finish due to shin splints.

"The weather also was an issue," Belles coach Jackie Batters said. "I think the weather played a factor this weekend, having it so cool and damp all week, only to race in 85 degrees and sunny."

Dehydration became a problem for more than a few competitors.

The next contest for the Belles is the MIAA Jamboree hosted by Hope College on Saturday.

"Our focus for Monday will be on having a good hill workout to help prepare for Hope's course, and throughout the week, we will pay closer attention to getting enough sleep, staying hydrated and eating healthy foods," Otto said.

Herbst said the team will ease up on workouts to avoid injury this week.

"Next week if a very important race for us so we are going to focus on having fresh legs this week," Herbst said. "We will not be tapering, but we will be in the pool one day this week to save our legs from some wear and tear."

Senior Katie White stressed that even though workouts will be softer, the team's intensity will remain high.

"This week we want to keep our intensity up during our workouts while trying to minimize stress, maximize sleep and stay healthy for one of the most important races of our season," White said.

Strategy-wise, Otto said the Belles will continue to focus on their team goal of closing the gaps among the top five runners, although it may take some time.

"Closing the gap for the top runners will not be easy, but it certainly can be done," she said. "I think right now our bodies are at various levels of health and training, and I suspect we will see the time gaps becoming much smaller in the next few weeks."

Batters said the Belles have to fix mental mistakes before next week.

"More than anything this week, we'll work on staying mentally tough through the race," Batters said. "We had some setbacks this weekend due to losing focus and falling apart mentally more than physically. The team is coming together as a group nicely though and hopefully that spirit will help carry us to a good race this weekend."

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Arizona State swept the Irish 3-0 in the Classic's final game to take the tournament championship and give Notre Dame a 2-1 record — one weekend after the team finished 1-2 in the University of Northern Iowa Invitational.

"I felt we played pretty well against both Butler and Duke," Brown said. "Our serving and passing were really good — we had a

strong offensive performance in those matches. It started from the fact that we had really good serving and passing."

Junior Adrianna Stasiuk earned all-tournament honors as she was named the Co-Best Attacker with Arizona State's Margie Giordano. Sophomore Justine Stremick was named the Classic's Best Blocker.

The Classic finished with a three-way tie between Arizona State, Duke and Notre Dame as all teams finished with a 2-1 record. Duke

was eliminated after losing five games in its three matches.

Arizona State and Notre Dame both lost four games on the weekend, and the Sun Devils were able to take the title by way of their head-to-head victory over the Irish.

Notre Dame 3, Butler 0

Notre Dame swept Butler by scores of 30-23, 30-19 and 30-21 on game-ending kills by Serinity Phillips, Stremick and Stasiuk.

In addition to the match-ender, Stasiuk recorded 13 kills and 13 digs on the match — the sixth time this year the junior has reached double digits in both categories at the same time and the 30th time of her career.

Libero Danielle Herndon led the Irish for the ninth straight game with 21 digs — the third longest dig streak in Notre Dame history. Junior Ashley Tarutis led both squads in assists with 31.

The Irish gained a 25-16 lead in the third game off a kill from freshman Kim Kristoff and had a .400 attack percentage on the game before Stasiuk finished the Bulldogs.

The first game was won on back-to-back kills by Phillips to cap an 8-3 run. Butler had cut the lead to 22-20 before the Irish were able to close it out.

In the second stanza, Notre Dame got out to an early 7-2 lead and never relinquished it.

Stremick ended the game — in which the Bulldogs could not cut the Irish lead closer

than two — with a kill for the 2-0 match advantage.

Freshman Megan Fesl contributed 10 kills and 14 digs in the Irish win.

Notre Dame 3, Duke 1

The Irish beat the Blue Devils in four games — 30-27, 19-30, 30-24 and 30-25 — to take two matches in a row for their first consecutive wins since a three-game run to open the season.

Stasiuk once again led the team in kills with 14 on 31 attacks — a .387 success rate — and added nine digs on defense. Fesl broke Herndon's consecutive team-leading dig mark when she tallied 20 against the Blue Devils.

"I thought Megan Fesl had a pretty good weekend," Brown said. "She had a really good match against Duke. Her hitting numbers may not have been real impressive, but she had 20 digs and was playing really steady all around."

Notre Dame and Duke both finished with 63 kills apiece, but the Irish emerged with a .242 successful attack percentage to the Blue Devils' .220 mark. The Irish also out-dug their opponent with a tally of 59-58.

Notre Dame rallied from a second set loss to take consecutive games while hitting .342. The third game went Notre Dame's way after the team opened up on an 11-4 run to overcome a one-point Duke lead. Sophomore Mallorie Croal gave the Irish a 2-1 lead with a kill.

Stasiuk took the match with back-to-back service aces in the fourth game. The aces finished a game in which the Irish

gained an early 12-6 lead and never relinquished it.

The Irish took the opening game in the match on a Blue Devil attack error, after it had been deadlocked at 22-22. Duke, however, took the second game with a 19-9 run after the two teams were tied at 11.

Arizona State 3 Notre Dame 0

The Sun Devils (8-3) defeated the Irish 30-20, 30-20, 30-28 to take the Classic title and equal their win total from the 2005 season.

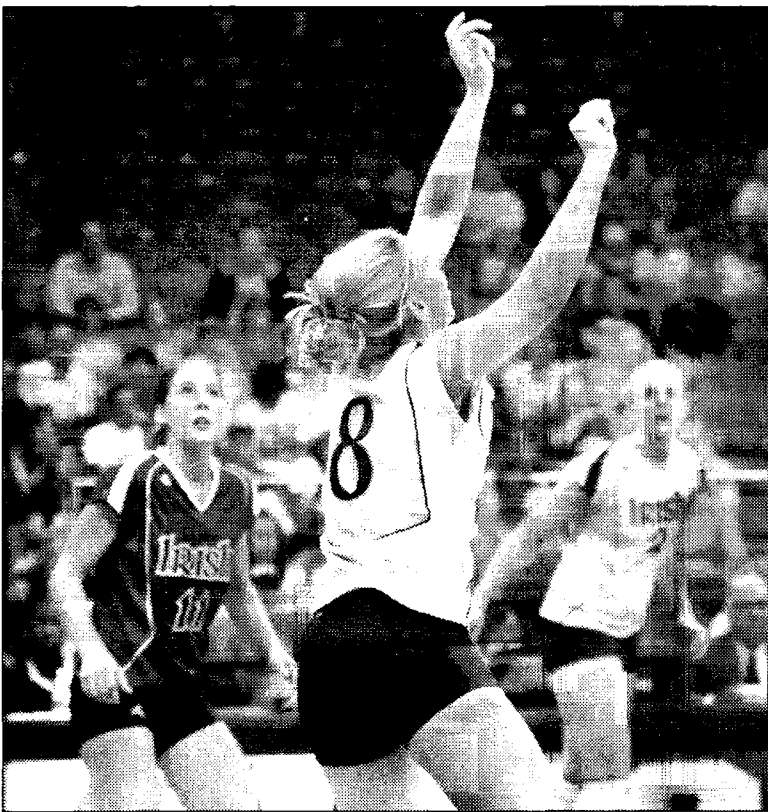
The Irish fought the sweep in the third game, as the two teams exchanged several leads and were tied five different times — mostly after both squads had eclipsed the 20-point mark. The Sun Devils prevailed, however, and took the game in which neither team led by more than three points.

"I think the main thing was that we just had breakdown in serving and passing," Brown said. "That's just the fundamentals — everything stems off of that."

Arizona State took an early lead in the first game and held on as the team never trailed on the way to a 1-0 lead. The second stanza was more of the same, as the Sun Devils only gave up their lead once and took a 2-0 advantage on an identical score.

Freshman kills-leader Christina Kaelin missed the match due to a migraine, which Brown said, "was unfortunate, we didn't have any depth because of that."

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Irish junior Ashley Tarutis sets the ball during Notre Dame's 3-2 loss to Missouri Sept. 2.

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away with only six minutes remaining.

"We knew we had to get another goal (after the first goal), so we weren't sitting back," said Clark. "(Cincinnati) was pushing the whole game, though, and they possibly had the better chances on the day."

Senior Chris Cahill broke the team's recent trend of rotating goalkeepers as he received his second consecutive start in goal.

Along with the two goals he conceded, Cahill made six saves on the afternoon. Clark, however, was pleased with his keeper's overall performance.

"He's been playing very well lately," Clark said. "He played well Friday night. He played very well today. We just felt that he was the right man for the job this weekend."

With their split this weekend, Notre Dame's record now stands at 4-3-1 and 2-2-0 in Big East play. Despite his team's recent inconsistency, Clark feels that there is no reason for his team to worry.

"(The Big East) is a hard league with a hard schedule," Clark said. "Nobody said it would be easy, but you have to pick yourself up and you have to keep fighting."

Notre Dame 2, Louisville 0

Joseph Lapira can't stop scoring.

Notre Dame's junior forward scored two more goals against Louisville to give the Irish not

only their first win on a Friday night this season but also their first goals on a Friday night as Notre Dame defeated Louisville at Cardinal Park.

With his two goals, Lapira brought his season total to seven, four more than fellow McGeeney, who is second on the team with three goals. Lapira also tied his goal output of seven from last season, a total which led Notre Dame in 2005.

"Last year he was a little unlucky," Clark said. "This year, he's a little bit older, little bit wiser. He's handling

things very well. I hope there are a lot more goals in Joe this year."

Lapira's first goal came in the 58th minute off a pass from junior Kurt Martin. Lapira faded to the blind side of his defender, used his first touch off Martin's chip to push the ball past his defender and slotted the ball into the corner of the net.

Louisville had been playing only one forward up until Notre Dame's first goal — employing a defend and counter-attack style — and Clark noted that the tone of the game changed after his team scored.

"When we scored the goal, they had to come out and try to get back into the game," Clark said. "Them coming out opened

up space at the back, and that's how Joe scored his second goal."

Despite chances, it wasn't until the 83rd minute that Notre Dame would find that elusive second goal. Similarly to his first goal, Lapira got behind his defender where he proceeded to take a through pass from freshman Justin Morrow and tuck the ball away into the corner of the Cardinal net.

Cahill, playing in front of family friends in his hometown of Louisville, got the start in goal for the Irish. He recorded four saves on the night while earning the shutout, his second of the season and tenth of his Irish career. Notre Dame now stands at 3-1-0 this season when Cahill mans the net.

"We wanted to give Chris a start in his hometown, and he certainly looked up to all expectations from family and friends," Clark said. "He made two key saves and played exceptionally well."

With the win, Notre Dame improved its overall record to 4-2-1 and 2-1-0 in Big East play on the season. It was also the first time that the Irish have won two consecutive games this season, but Clark is already focusing on another goal.

"We haven't won two games in the same weekend yet, so this is our first opportunity to do that," Clark said. "We're preparing to do that now."

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to be a battle," he said. "That's what happens when you have the No. 1 target on your back."

The two teams played an even first half Sunday, with Michigan having the best chance to score on a shot by junior forward Melissa Dobbyn which sailed just wide of the net.

In the second half, Notre Dame shook off the cobwebs and found the back of the net in the 57th minute. Freshman forward Michele Weissenhofer took a pass from junior Susan Pinnick and beat Wolverine keeper Madison Gates.

Gates was in the game after an early injury to regular starter senior Megan Tuura.

The Irish struck again in the 84th minute with a goal by junior forward Amanda Cinalli. Cinalli redirected a cross from Weissenhofer, giving the freshman her NCAA-leading 10th assist of the year.

Waldrum said he was glad his team woke up in time to get the victory.

"We came on the road and got a win, so I can't complain too much," he said.

Notre Dame 5, DePaul 0

Waldrum said Friday's performance against the Blue Demons in Notre Dame's first Big East conference game of the year was one of the most complete Irish wins of the season.

"DePaul was probably the first game that we've put together 70-80 good minutes," he said.

Playing on the Blue Demons' new artificial FieldTurf, the Irish played well early, outshooting DePaul 18-1 in the first half.

The Irish spent one practice inside the Loftus Center this week to get ready for the artificial surface.

"We played pretty well with [the surface]," Waldrum said. "It didn't seem to have too big of an effect. The field wasn't too much of a problem."

Notre Dame first got on the scoreboard with a goal by sophomore Brittany Bock, her second since returning to action last week. Bock, along with sophomore defender Carrie Dew, had been playing for Team USA in the U-20 World Championships in Russia.

The teams went into the locker room with the score 1-0, but the Irish exploded with four goals in the second half — two by Weissenhofer, one by sophomore forward Kerri Hanks and one by senior midfielder Lizzie Reed.

Notes:

◆After the Notre Dame football team's loss to Michigan on Saturday, Waldrum said he was anticipating a very hostile reception in Ann Arbor. While Sunday afternoon's crowd was relatively mild, Waldrum said he and the team were not greeted warmly when they arrived in town Saturday night.

"We went to TGI Friday's [in Ann Arbor Saturday] night," Waldrum said. "When we got to the restaurant there were some people [who] had some not-so-nice things to say about Notre Dame."

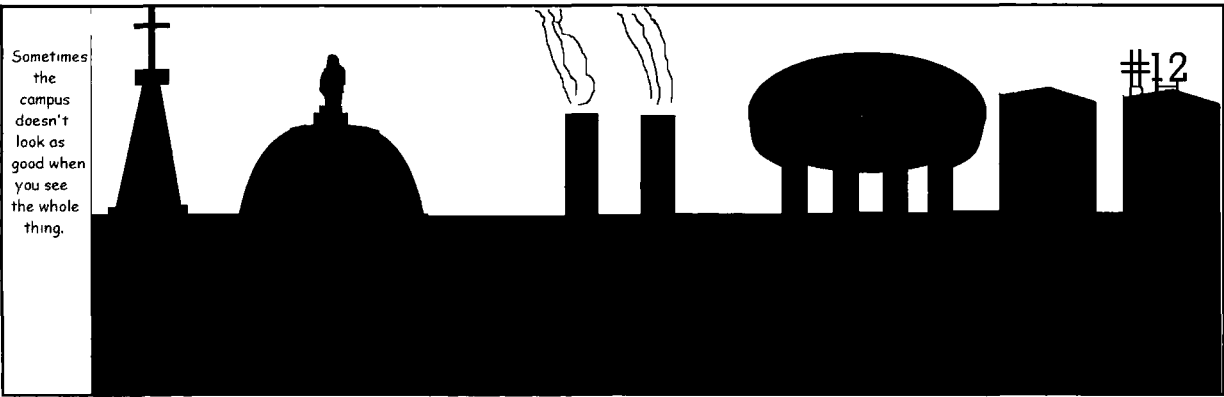
◆The Irish continue Big East conference play next week with a road trip to Cincinnati Friday and a home game against Louisville Sunday.

The Bearcats are 4-3-1 this year while the Cardinals are 5-0.

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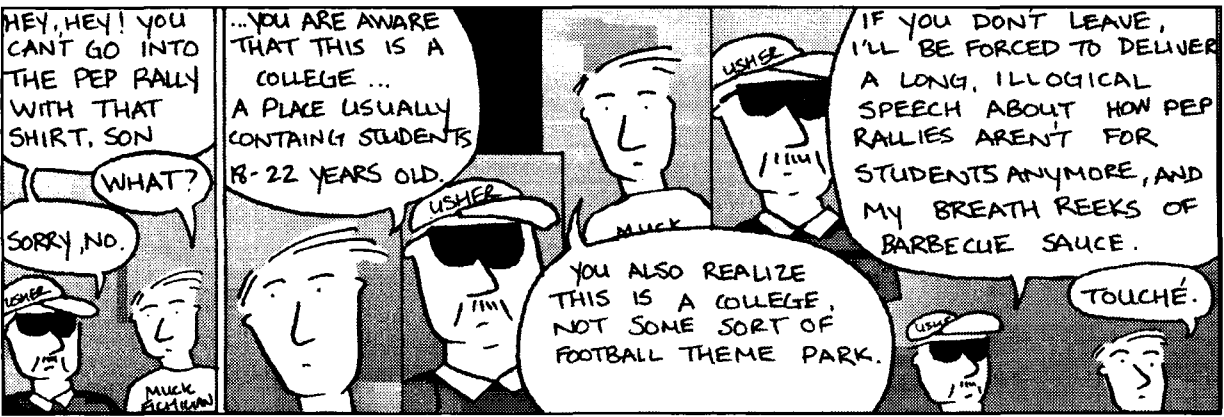
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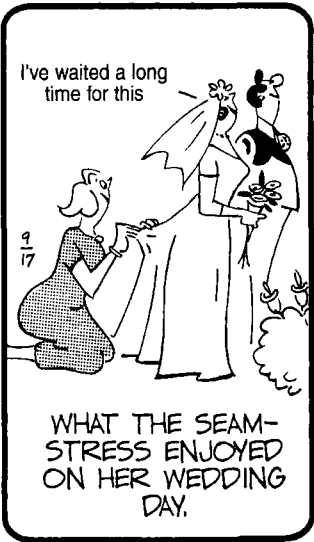
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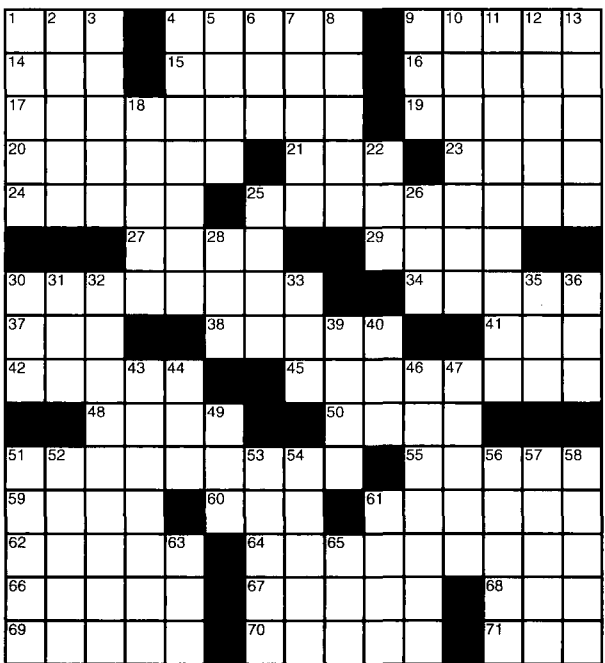
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Jewel
 - 4 Accumulate
 - 9 One making a point at church?
 - 14 Mine find
 - 15 Money in India
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 - 17 Top-ranked player in a tournament
 - 19 Little old man in a fairy tale
 - 20 Supernatural
 - 21 Confucian path
 - 23 Network that covers the N.Y.S.E.
 - 24 Reward from a boss
 - 25 Holdup victim's plea
 - 27 Kids' guessing game
 - 29 Cereal that's "for kids"
 - 30 Smoker's mouthpiece

- 34 Shoot using a scope, say
- 37 Ripken who played 2,632 straight games
- 38 Dutch island in the Caribbean
- 41 Playa ____ Rey, Calif.
- 42 Trap
- 45 Decorative foil
- 48 Cheap laughs
- 50 Patricia ____, Best Actress for "Hud"
- 51 Beer drinker's bar request
- 55 "Of course," slangily
- 59 See 60-Across
- 60 With 59-Across, battle planning site
- 61 Pay no heed
- 62 Kofi of the U.N.
- 64 Pilgrims' carrier
- 66 Long, drawn-out attack

- DOWN**
- 1 Try to attain
 - 2 "Fear of Fifty" writer Jong
 - 3 Parisian thanks
 - 4 Lacking guile
 - 5 Be compelled to
 - 6 Cousin of a human
 - 7 Look after
 - 8 Alternative to a convertible
 - 9 Slump
 - 10 Hit the time clock
 - 11 Rust
 - 12 Classic Stallone role
 - 13 Send to the Capitol
 - 18 "Wake Up Little ____"
 - 22 Hall-of-Famer Mel
 - 25 Easter egg decorator
 - 26 Sophs., two years later
 - 28 Mom-and-pop grp.
 - 30 Dell products
 - 31 Singer Janis
 - 32 Monopoly game equipment
 - 33 Face on a "wanted" poster



Puzzle by Lynn Lempel

- 35 Vegetable on a vine
- 36 North Pole helper
- 39 School funder, often
- 40 Drink with a head on it
- 43 Search (through)
- 44 Squeeze (out)
- 46 Tassel on a cap, e.g.
- 47 Grassy plain of South America
- 49 Logging tool
- 51 Understanding
- 52 Ancient region with an architectural style named after it
- 53 "La ____" ('59 hit)
- 54 European/Asian range
- 56 Dragged behind
- 57 Cat's saucerful
- 58 Avis rival
- 61 In that case ...
- 63 Born: Fr.
- 65 China's Sun ____-sen

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't get sucked into what everyone else wants to do when you have so many things that you need to finish. A change in the dynamics of a relationship you are in should be expected. 4 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You have more control than you realize. Take a quiet but forceful approach when dealing with others. Someone you least expect may try to hide something from you. Insightfully derail this person's deceit. 4 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't expect to get any outside help. An older relative is likely to cause you emotional worry. Don't let someone else's bad habits influence you. Make changes at home to help relieve the tension. 2 stars

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ND CROSS COUNTRY

Home cooking

Men's, women's teams take first in National Catholic Championships at Burke Course

By JAY FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

Home course advantage came in handy for Notre Dame Friday in the National Catholic Championships as the Irish swept both the men's and women's events.

For the No. 12 Irish men, it was their second win in as many tries this season while the Notre Dame women were able to build on a disappointing second-place finish in the Crusader Invitational last week with a tie for first with No. 18 Marquette at 28 points a piece.

The women competed first and Notre Dame led most of the way with a strong pack near the front of the race. This group was led by eventual race champion Sunni Olding. The Irish junior completed the 5K race in only 17:51.

"I'm glad I was able to lead the team to a strong finish this week," Olding said. "I just ran hard and was able to hold off any moves anyone tried to make on me."

Olding became only the second woman to win the National Catholic Championship two years in a row since women began racing in the event in



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Irish junior Jake Watson tries to catch St. Martin's freshman John Riak. Riak won the race but Watson and Notre Dame took the team title at Friday's National Catholic Championships.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish take 2 matches in Tempe

Debbie Brown earns 496th, 497th wins of head coaching career

By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

Notre Dame coach Debbie Brown moved two wins closer to 500 career victories this weekend at the school where she began her 21-year coaching career.

The Irish (6-5) earned 3-0 and 3-1 wins over Butler and Duke in the Courtyard by Marriot Classic at Arizona State University to push Brown's win total to 497 all-time.

Brown began her head coaching career with the Sun Devils in 1983, compiling a 117-83 record over four years in Tempe.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Squad splits pair of conference contests

ND has not won back-to-back games in the same weekend this year

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

If there's one thing Notre Dame has been consistent with this season, it's been its inconsistency.

For the fourth consecutive week Notre Dame failed to win two games in a weekend.

After Notre Dame dispatched of Louisville 2-0 on Friday night, it was Cincinnati who ruined an Irish bid for a perfect weekend as the Bearcats rallied for a 2-1 victory Sunday afternoon at Guttler Stadium.

"After finally getting the Friday monkey off our back, we went out and lost on Sunday," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "When you play two games on the road and win one and lose one, it's not the end of the work, but it would have been nice to

win both of them."

The Irish had an optimal start to the game as senior forward Justin McGeeney opened the scoring in only the 12th minute with his fourth goal of the season. Midfielder Nate Norman started the play as he beat his defender inside the 18-yard box and unleashed a shot. Bearcat keeper Mike Vessells made the save, but McGeeney was there to tap in the rebound from close range.

It wasn't until after halftime that Cincinnati found an equalizer. Bearcat midfielder Mike Dwyer beat his defender to the end line where he centered the ball around the penalty spot. His cross found an unmarked Kenny Anaba, who fired the ball into the goal on his first touch.

Anaba also played a part in Cincinnati's second goal as he managed to get his head on a Patrick Baxter cross. Anaba's flick floated perfectly into the path of Noah Davidson, who headed home and put the game

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

No. 1 remains unblemished

Irish rout DePaul 5-0, beat Michigan despite "lethargic" performance

By CHRIS KHOREY
Associate Sports Editor

Unbeaten, unscored upon and unsatisfied.

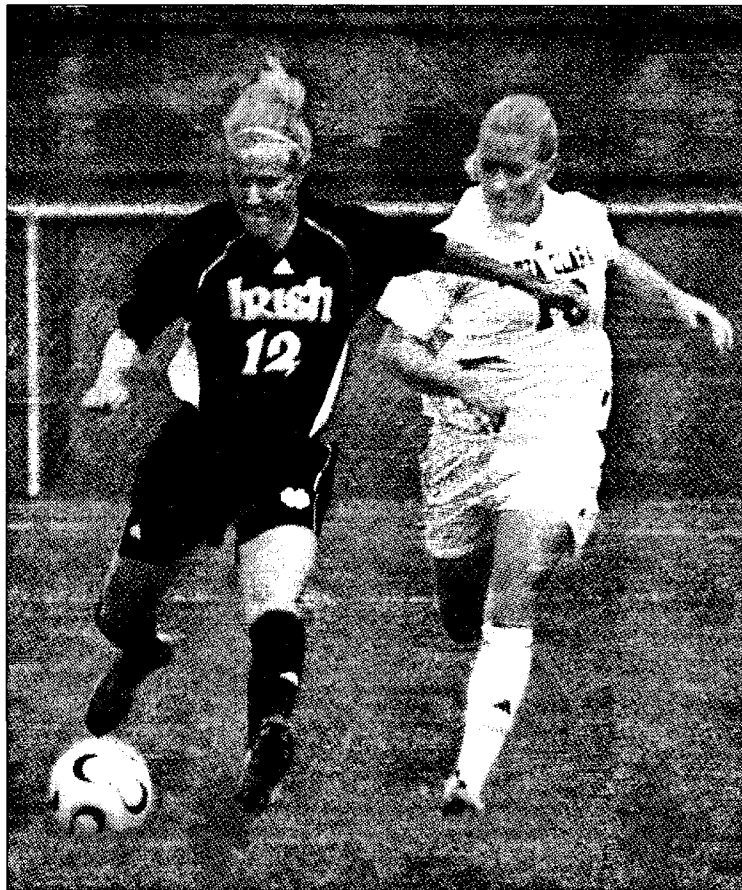
No. 1 Notre Dame (8-0) was not at its best this weekend, but managed to win road contests 5-0 over DePaul Friday and 2-0 over Michigan Sunday.

Irish coach Randy Waldrum said he was happy with the squad's effort against the Blue Demons, but he said the team was "lethargic" against the Wolverines.

"Michigan played hard and was very organized, but we weren't real sharp," he said.

Waldrum said he hoped his team, which has not allowed a goal since Sept. 3 against Santa Clara, learned a lesson from the relatively sub-par performance against the Wolverines.

"These kids have to understand that every game is going



LAURIE HUNT/The Observer

Irish midfielder Ashley Jones moves the ball upfield in Notre Dame's 3-1 win over Santa Clara Sept. 3.

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

SMC CROSS COUNTRY

Belles runners competed at two meets this weekend — the Indiana Intercollegiate and National Catholic Championships.

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SMC SOCCER

The Belles beat Mt. Mercy for their first win of the season, then lost to North Central College in the final of the Sal Vaccaro Invite.

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MEN'S GOLF

The Irish finished ninth at the Gopher Invite despite a hole in one from freshman Doug Fortner.

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SMC GOLF

Saint Mary's finished 18th in windy conditions at the Illinois Wesleyan Invitational.

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MLB

**Padres 2
Dodgers 1**

San Diego defeated Los Angeles in a key NL West matchup.

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FOOTBALL

**Michigan 47
Notre Dame 21**

The Wolverines turned five Irish turnovers into 24 points in a rout.

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