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Secord under investigation

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Richard Secord's last full-time Defense Department job was in a little-known division that supervises arms sales to many foreign countries. It employed several people whose names have surfaced in the Iran-Contra affair.

Secord, a retired Air Force major general who reportedly played a key role in the diversion of profits from the sale of U.S. arms to Iran to the Nicaraguan rebels, retired in May 1983 as a deputy assistant defense secretary at the department's International Security Affairs section.

Secord oversaw Near Eastern and South Asian affairs at ISA, according to the Congressional Directory.

Between July 11, 1983 and Nov. 11, 1984, after his retirement, Secord was authorized to serve a consultant to ISA for a total of 220 days at \$242 a day. But Pentagon records show that he "did not serve any days in pay status," a spokesman said. Secord, however, was a member of a special operations advisory group until his term expired last August.

Federal investigators have said privately that Secord, 54, is under investigation in connection with the transfer of money - through Swiss bank accounts and international arms merchants - from Iran to the Contras, the guerrillas fighting against Managua's Sandinista government.

The ISA, where Secord worked, formulates policy on political-military activities for non-European countries, and also "provides supervision in the areas of security assistance (i.e., foreign military sales and military assistance programs)..." the official U.S. government manual states.

Within the division is the Defense Security Assistance Agency, which actually administers weapons shipments.

In his ISA job, Secord lobbied in 1981 for the controversial \$8.5 billion sale of the AWACs surveillance planes to Saudi Arabia. He reportedly worked on the project with Lt. Col. Oliver North, the National Security Council staff deputy who was fired for his role in the Iran-Contra case.

At ISA, Secord worked with Noel Koch and Nestor Sanchez, both of whom held the title of deputy assistant secretary, the 1983-1984 Congressional Directory shows.

A month after Secord officially left ISA, James Kelly joined the staff as a deputy assistant secretary for East



Christmas glass

A stained glass window depicting the advent of Christ in a stable embellishes

Asian and Pacific affairs, Pentagon records show.

Since March, Kelly, a former Navy officer, has been a special assistant to President Reagan on the National Security Council, handling Asian affairs. Kelly's brother, John, is the U.S. ambassador to Lebanon.

Secretary of State George Shultz summoned John Kelly back this week after learning that he had held secret, back-channel talks in October and November with North and Secord about the American hostages in Lebanon.

Sanchez, head of ISA's Latin America section, is a former CIA officer, who, sources have told The Associated Press, was involved in a private supply

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the Church of Loretto on the campus of Saint Mary's College.

network helping the Contras after Congress cut off military assistance for the rebels in 1984. The sources spoke only on condition they remain anonymous.

Retired Gen. John Singlaub, another Contra supporter, said two years ago that his efforts to send supplies to the rebels had the backing of the White House, the Pentagon and the State Department.

"I've worked (at the Pentagon) with ... Sanchez," he said.

Koch, formerly in charge of ISA's Africa programs, left the Pentagon in May, but has remained a consultant, collecting \$261 daily when he works, records show. He has worked for 35 days since June 19.

Sr. Club hires Biggs full-time as manager

By MARY HEILMANN

Assistant News Editor

The Office of Student Activities has announced the appointment of a full-time employee at the Senior-Alumni Club to guarantee continuity and "stability" in the management, according to Lawrence Biggs, who has been designated as the Club's administrative general manager.

Biggs, who assumed his duties at the student-operated club Dec. 1, is now the only full-time employee and the highest official of the Club, which had formerly been operated solely by student managers.

"One of the biggest things the University hoped to accomplish by hiring me is that they want to have a little stability here from year to year," Biggs said.

"Some years it's just too uncertain. One year you have an extra-good crowd, like we do this year, and the next year the situation's entirely different," Biggs said.

The position of Administrative General Manager was created by Ceil Paulsen, assistant director of Student Activities, who had formerly performed the financial and bookkeeping duties for the Club that Biggs has now assumed, according to Senior Bill Lytle, the Club's current student manager.

Lytle said that Paulsen began her work with the Senior-Alumni Club last year. Paulsen was unavailable for comment because of illness. "She took over the books and wrote checks, working out of Student Activities. She was the direct link between the Senior-Alumni Club and the Office of Student Affairs. This year they've (Student Activities) taken that one step further by bringing in Larry (Biggs)," he said.

Calling his reactions to Biggs' appointment "mixed," Lytle said that "the only reason I condemn it is that it has the potential to lose the student focus."

"We (the student managers) know what the students are after and we try to please them the best we can. We don't want to lose that student orientation," Lytle said.

"I would hope the creation of the position was not a business move," Lytle added. "I don't think we are in the busi-

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ND Security promotes alcohol education

By GREG LUCAS

Staff Reporter

In an effort to help students learn how much alcohol they can consume before becoming legally intoxicated, Notre Dame Security offered blood alcohol tests to students last Friday night in the Lewis bus shelter.

According to Assistant Director Phillip Johnson, Security surveyed 194 students. Johnson said 43 percent of the tested students were found to

have exceeded the legal limit of 0.1 percent alcohol in the blood and "another 36 percent were probably impaired."

"After 0.05 percent," said Johnson, "you could be charged with driving while intoxicated, based on other supporting evidence, such as erratic driving, staggering or swerving."

Johnson said "the logic (behind the tests) is some people can get a blood alcohol level of 0.07 and it puts them right over the end, they can't

handle it."

According to Johnson, the vast majority of those who responded to the survey were male. "Most had been drinking 3 to 6 hours before taking the test," he said. Johnson said most of the respondents who exceeded the legal limit had more than 6 drinks before the test.

"Most respondents said they don't drink and drive," said Johnson, "and most said they felt they had driven a motor vehicle at some time while they

were intoxicated." He added that a majority of the respondents felt "their chances of being apprehended were not that great."

"When asked if they would stop a friend from driving if they thought he or she were legally drunk, they said 'sometimes,'" Johnson said. "Most respondents said they'd like to see more educational programs about drinking and driving," he said.

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Merry Christmas

This is the last issue of The Observer before Christmas Break. The staff of The Observer wish you a Merry Christmas and a safe holiday. The Observer will resume publication on Thursday, Jan. 15.

In Brief

A lighted Christmas cross that decorates a Mississippi state building has drawn threats of a law suit from the Mississippi American Civil Liberties Union. The ACLU alleges that the cross, a tradition since 1979, breaches the constitutional separation of church and state. - *Associated Press*

A 30-year jail sentence was imposed Thursday on Eugene Hasenfus by a revolutionary appeals court in Nicaragua for helping to deliver arms to Contra rebels. The appeals court confirmed the verdict of a lower court, known as the People's Revolutionary Tribunal, which found Hasenfus guilty Nov. 15 of violating public order and security, sentencing him to 30 years. - *Associated Press*

Accused of spying for the Soviet KGB, a former secretary in the office of West Germany's president was charged with treason. Authorities also announced the arrest of a senior Defense Ministry aide on suspicion of spying for East Germany, a Soviet ally. The official was arrested before he could pass any secrets and his case was not considered grave, West German prosecutors said. *Associated Press*

The \$860 million purchase of Western Airlines won final government approval Thursday, allowing Delta Airlines to create the country's fourth largest air carrier in a rapidly consolidating industry. The Transportation Department reiterated its Oct. 23 finding that the Delta and Western Airlines merger does not pose any competitive problems to other airlines' route systems. - *Associated Press*

Of Interest

"A Christmas Service of Lessons and Carols" will be performed by Saint Mary's choir Sunday night at 8 in The Church Of The Loretto. - *The Observer*

The Tenth Annual Christmas Nazz will take place Saturday night at 7 in The Center For Social Concerns. A "Grinch" reading as well as other Christmas traditionals will be performed. Free hot cocoa and cookies will be available. - *The Observer*

Special Olympics volunteers may register today 12 p.m. in the ISO lounge on LaFortune's second floor. - *The Observer*

"EMMAUS", a community of the mentally handicapped, will host a mass followed by a coffee hour Sunday at 2 p.m. at Moreau Seminary. - *The Observer*

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Expression of Thanks

Dear Notre Dame Family,

There has always been much said about the closeness and compassion flowing from the Notre Dame community. In our three years here, we have felt the unity of this special place many times. At no time, however, has this feeling ever been greater than at the passing of our roommate and close friend, Michael Cogswell.

Mike was an incredibly special person, as those of us who were close to him already know. Mike had a unique ability to relate to most anyone. Underneath his fun-loving, outgoing side was a special sensitivity that touched us all. Each of us who knew Mike will always remember our treasured moments with him: tailgaters, trips, late-night conversations. Upon his death we all fully realized just how much his presence meant to us.

Obviously his loss is hard to bear. It has been greatly eased, however, by the outpouring of sympathy we have received from the friends around us. This compassion was not only felt by his roommates and close friends but also, most importantly, by his family. We cannot begin to describe how much your care relieved their suffering. To know that their child was so loved and cherished by so many helped Mike's parents immensely. It also helped all who were his friends. To all those who showed their consideration and support, we thank you. Your help has truly shown us just how special a place Notre Dame is.

With great appreciation,



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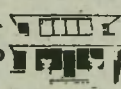
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Furmark tells version of Casey's role

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - CIA director William Casey said Thursday he did not learn of possible diversions of Iranian arms sales profits to Nicaraguan rebels until he was tipped by a New York businessman in early October.

Casey spoke to reporters after he testified for more than three hours before a heavily guarded, closed-door session of the House Intelligence Committee. A few minutes later, Casey's purported tipster, Roy Furmark, went before the Senate Intelligence Committee to tell his version of the story.

Furmark, a former legal

client of Casey's, refused to talk to reporters as he entered the closed Senate hearing. But Casey said it was Furmark who first raised questions in his mind about transfers of funds from then-secret arms sales to Iran.

While Furmark testified, Sen. William Cohen, R-Maine, emerged to report that "he is being as candid as he can, he is answering all our questions." Another source said Furmark apparently was an intermediary between Casey and Middle East arms dealers.

Congressional sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the Senate Intelligence Committee had learned before Wednesday of Casey's conversation with Furmark, leading at least some panel members to question the CIA director's claim of Wednesday that he was unaware of the diversion of funds.

Casey denied a report in The Wall Street Journal that he knew as early as last spring that profits from the Iranian arms sales were being funneled to Nicaraguan insurgents, or Contras.

"No, that's wrong," Casey told reporters who pursued him down a corridor in the Capitol after his appearance before the House committee.

Asked when he learned about the arrangement, Casey responded, "I first learned about this when Meese told everybody." It was on Nov. 25 that Attorney General Edwin

Meese disclosed that between \$10 million and \$30 million in arms sales profits were diverted to the Contras.

"Before Meese informed you, did you start asking questions?" Casey was asked.

"Oh, I had questions about it, yeah," he replied.

"When you had questions, was that because of your conversations with Mr. Furmark?"

"That did precipitate the questions, sure."

Government sources, who spoke only on condition that they remain anonymous, said Casey told the House Foreign Affairs Committee on Wednesday that Furmark had telephoned him Oct. 7 with word that unidentified Canadian businessmen who had put up the money for the Iranian arms were complaining that they had not been repaid adequately.

The Canadians were threatening a lawsuit because they had received only \$10 million when they had expected payment of \$20 million, the sources quoted Casey as saying.

One House Foreign Affairs Committee member, who spoke only on condition that he not be identified, said that sometime after Casey's conversation with Furmark, the CIA director summoned Marine Lt. Col. Oliver North, a member of the National Security Council staff who was coordinating the administration's efforts to aid the Contras.

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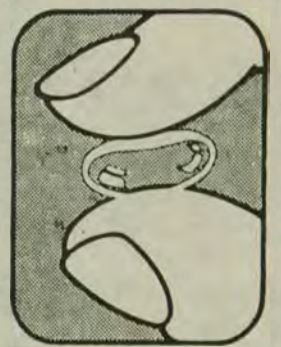
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As members of the Notre Dame and Howard family, we feel that we have been mistreated and abandoned. The administration should not be allowed to take such drastic action without even consulting the people involved. We hope that the troubles and disturbances that we are suffering will serve to remind the administration and the student body of the need for open and continual communication.

Respectfully,

The Residents of Howard Hall

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Ford, Chrysler to employ air bags

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Two of the top three U.S. automakers said Thursday they plan to equip at least half of their 1990 model cars with air bags, prompting predictions that more than 2 million new cars sold that year will have the safety devices.

Ford Motor Co. and the Chrysler Corp. told a Senate hearing that their plans to put a large number of the driver-side protective bags into their fleets as standard equipment is contingent on the federal government extending its 1989 deadline for passive protective devices for both front-seat oc-

cupants.

The Transportation Department already has said it plans to grant the extension so that automakers will be induced to equip cars with air bags at least on the driver side, while continuing the development of bags or belts to protect the passenger.

The bags, which automatically inflate to protect a car occupant in a crash, are favored by many auto safety advocates over passive belts that automatically wrap around a car occupant because the belts can be detached if considered cumbersome.

With the commitments indi-

cated by Ford and Chrysler there likely will be a minimum of 2 million new cars sold during the 1990 model year that provide air bag protection for the driver, said Brian O'Neil, president of the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

O'Neil said in an interview that Japanese automakers "have been silent" on their air bag plans, but that most of the European manufacturers are expected to equip their cars with driver-side air bags by 1990. Mercedes-Benz already makes the devices standard equipment in all its car lines.

O'Neil and other air bag advocates, meanwhile, predicted that General Motors Corp., the largest manufacturer producing about 4.5 million cars a year, is likely to feel competitive pressure to expand its line of cars with air bags.

ND research funds awarded

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame received \$462,323 in grants during November for the support of research and various programs. Research funds totaled \$619,589, including:

\$288,866 from IBM for the study of intelligent work stations in the engineering/academic environment by David Cohn and Eugene Henry, professors of electrical engineering.

\$110,000 from Upjohn Co. for unrestricted research by Jacob Szmuszkowicz, adjunct professor of chemistry, and Thomas Fehlner, professor of chemistry

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study of biologically important furanosyl rings by Anthony S. Serianni, assistant professor of chemistry.

\$82,000 from the National Science Foundation for research on the perpendicular resistivity of synthetic metal multilayers by Steven Ruggiero, assistant professor of physics.

\$30,000 from the national Science Foundation for the study of Michel Foucault and recent French philosophy of science by Gary Gutting, professor of philosophy.

\$20,000 from the National Science Foundation for research in nonlinear process control by Jeffrey Kantor, associate professor of chemical engineering.

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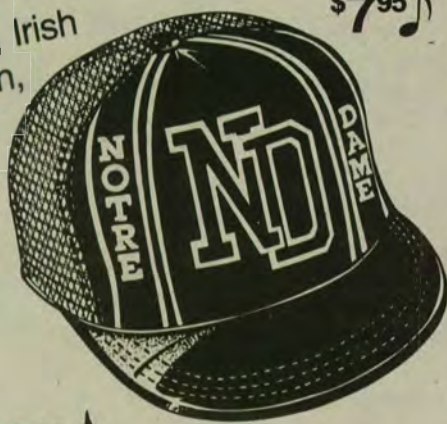
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Registration 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

East Lansing, MI:
Wednesday, Jan. 14
Michigan State University
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Registration 4 - 7 p.m.

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Thursday, Jan. 15
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Registration 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

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Monday, Jan. 26
Kent State University
Student Center - Third Floor
Registration 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Pittsburgh, PA:
Tuesday, Jan. 27
University Inn
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Registration 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

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Thursday, Jan. 29
Bowling Green State University
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3rd district vote tallying continues

Associated Press

SOUTH Bend, Ind. - State auditors tallied more absentee ballots and checked recorded vote totals against impounded voting machines Thursday in the continuing recount of the 3rd District congressional race.

Hubert Hoffman, a State Board of Accounts field supervisor, said 30 more St. Joseph precincts had been tallied by mid-afternoon.

In Elkhart County, a computer tally of hand-counted punchcard ballots from three precincts was delayed, said David Link, dean of the University of Notre Dame Law School. County officials were awaiting authorization of payment for computer time, he said.

Link was appointed to direct the tallying by the three-member state Recount Commission. Democratic challenger Thomas Ward, a Knox attorney and Notre Dame graduate, requested the recount after losing by 66 votes to Republican incumbent John Hiler of LaPorte. The race was the nation's most closely contested congressional election.

Auditors working in St. Joseph and Elkhart counties have also conducted a re-tallying of the disputed Indiana House 5th District election. Completion of the tally in that race depends on the running of the delayed computer tabulation.

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ness to make money off the students. We think we should be there to provide a positive social environment."

Lytle said he thinks the creation of Briggs' position was "a high liability question" because of the alcohol-serving nature of the Club.

"The liability issue is a major concern," Lytle said, "but we were doing very well in that area - we had no major run-ins or problems with use of fake IDs. If there are any

major abuses, that would all get reported to Student Affairs," he said, noting that Notre Dame security officers are regularly assigned to the Club.

Briggs agreed with Lytle that "the University's concern with the alcohol problem today" was a reason for the creation of his position, saying the Administration "feels a little more secure with me being there as far as the liability issue."

"I'm mainly here for guidance," Briggs said, citing his work in restaurant management and his teaching degree as experiences which qualify

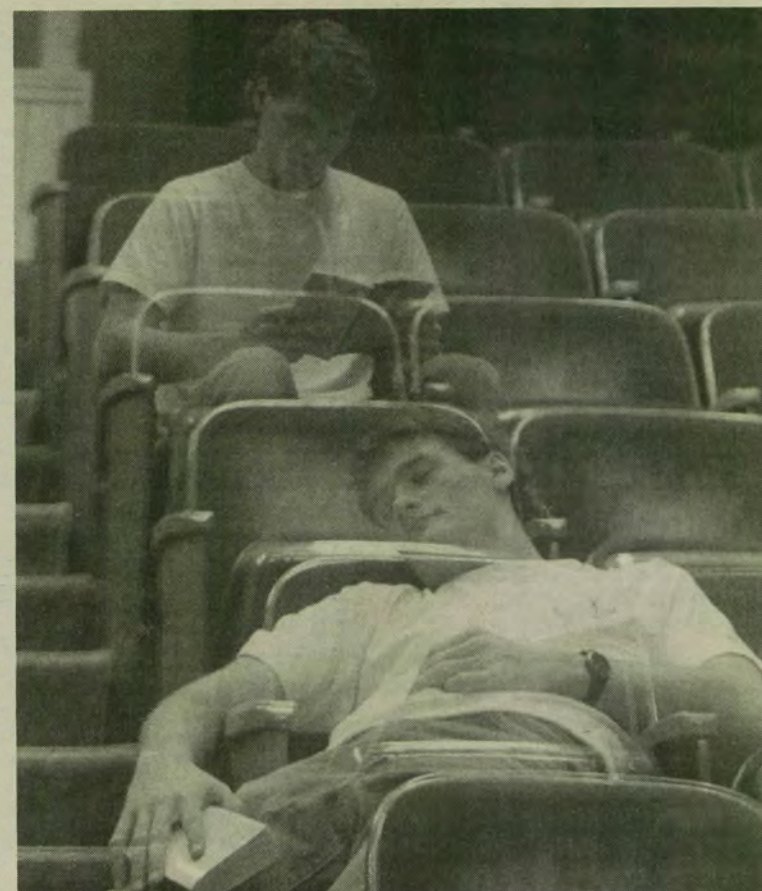
him in this capacity.

Briggs emphasized that his job has not been created to take over positions and duties currently performed by the student management.

"I'm actually the head manager so I suppose I would be (the Club's student workers') boss, but I'm not taking over any of their duties," Briggs said.

Lytle agreed, saying that "this year (Briggs) is mainly there to observe."

"I still order the alcohol and I still handle the staff; he can only offer suggestions in those areas," Lytle said.



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Johnson said Security plans to offer more educational programs throughout the next term. He said blood-alcohol testing will be conducted periodically. "We don't want to run it in a way that would encourage contest drinking," Johnson said.

Johnson held a meeting on Wednesday night at Morrissey Hall dealing with the legal aspects of being stopped and tested for drunk driving. The meeting focused primarily on driver's rights.

Two students volunteered to consume six to eight beers in a controlled environment before the meeting. Later in the evening, the students were subjected to standard coordination and field breath tests by a member of Notre Dame security. "Many people are not aware that Notre Dame security is a police force in the state of Indiana," Johnson said.

An important distinction must be made between the alcosensor and the breathalyzer tests. "The portable alcosensor that police carry with them is

a preliminary breath testing device," said Johnson. This alcosensor test is not mandatory, but the breathalyzer test is.

Trooper Kevin Kubsch of the Indiana State Police said "When you sign your name on a driver's license, you consent to take a breathalyzer test if a peace officer has probable cause." The breathalyzer test is given at the station. If a driver refuses to take this test, he will have his license revoked in Indiana for one year.

"If you ask me how I feel about drunk drivers, I would

just as soon lock one up as look at him, because I was the victim of a drunk driver last year," said Kubsch, adding, "An officer observes every movement you make." Further testing is based on his determination of "probable cause" in the actions that a driver exhibits as soon as he gets out of the car.

In response to questions on various methods of sobering up, Kubsch said "There is nothing known to man that will affect the blood alcohol level."

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To study or not to study. That is the question for Rob Luxem pictured in this double exposure which exemplifies the choice for all students.

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While we understand the need for increase female housing on campus, the Student Senate is thoroughly appalled at the way the University is handling the Howard Hall switchover. Here are just a few of the problems we've found.

- **The residents have to move after next semester, they found this out on Monday, the week before finals.**
- **The rector of the hall was informed, by phone, on Sunday night.**
- **No special provisions of any significant value have been made for the misplaced residents.**
- **These guys have to decide where they are going to live next year before the end of January.**
- **It appears that no effort will be made to keep groups of friends, sections, or even old roommates together in their new dorms.**

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Associated Press

CONCORD, N.H. - Concord's parking elf, captured after a nationwide search, made his debut at the downtown garage Thursday, frustrated by the computerized meter system he was hired to make "user friendly" for the holidays.

"It's flawed," said Charlie Bonjorno, a 76-year-old retired barber who answered Concord's call for someone to wear the elf suit.

"You only get 20 seconds' time when you're supposed to remember where you parked your car, have your change ready and push the numbers," Bonjorno said. "If you're slow ... that's it, you've lost your money."

Parking in the garage dropped from 100 percent to almost nothing when a computerized meter requiring a good memory and quick fingers was installed this year, said Ken

Lurvey, the city's director of economic development.

"People got confused, they got ticketed and they got frustrated," he said. "It's far from user friendly."

Parking tickets had prompted a steady flow of letters to the editor and complaints to police and city officials.

So the city agreed to hire a parking attendant as part of an advertising campaign to boost downtown shopping, but couldn't find anyone willing or able to wear the size small elf costume required for the \$5.50-an-hour job.

When the city went public with its holiday plight, aspiring elves from all over the country answered the plea, but Bonjorno, a former Californian who moved to Concord three years ago, won out.

"I'm helping out the city and

getting some money to buy Christmas presents for my children and grandchildren," he said. "I try to help people and hopefully the city gets enough publicity that they'll be able to pay my wages and make some business out of this parking garage."

The meter is outside, but the 22-degree temperature didn't appear to effect the elf's sense of humor.

At a news conference Thursday, he said he should have negotiated a better deal: "I should've charged them a percentage (of parking revenues) instead of a flat rate."

The jokes continued.

"I've met so many policemen doing this, I should be all right in the future as far as getting parking tickets," he said.

And he asked parking enforcement officers, "I'm not getting any more tickets, am I?"



The ObserverGreg Kohs

The paper chase

Garrett Kanehahn cranks out that last paper of the semester in the midst of the bi-annual paper rush held in the O'Shaughnessy computer lab.

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University turned its back on students' drinking

A member of our community has been killed. Another - also one of us - has the burden of that death to carry with him.

**James Tunstead
Burtchaell, C.S.C.**

we were not there

But the burden is too large for that one young man to shoulder. Our full tragedy cannot be put to rest by the funeral Eucharist held here two days ago, because many of us who crowded Sacred Heart Church and joined our own grief with the general mourning should bear the responsibility for more than this death, to which our long negligence has contributed.

All of the principals in last weekend's violence had spent the evening at a student drinking party: a party that was large and, by all accounts, largely given over to the dull and recurring campus routine of drunkenness.

It was nearly 20 years ago that we decided to allow students to drink here. We formulated a principle then that was simple and clear. Students were to be accountable for how they drank. And we insisted, based on a continual experience of loutish and drunken behavior when students drank alcohol in riotous assembly, that they were unlikely, and possibly unable, to drink humanely in large numbers. The rule was simple and clear: no intoxication, and no drinking in public. No alcohol abuse; no alcoholic crowds. It was a sound and simple rule. We simply failed to live by it.

The Notre Dame tradition had always been that campus life was the responsibility of the senior people here. Our dorms and clubs and entertainments differed from fraternities. Wherever the students lived or studied or ate or prayed or took their leisure or traveled in groups, we were their mentors and

companions. Not every minute of it was enjoyable . . . on either side. All those Glee Club tours and nights in the dorms and junior proms could be tedious and taxing. There was a discipline to uphold, the common good to profess.

But what counted most was that we were there. Oh, there were always some things done that we failed to see, and things we winked at. But we were there and not as intruders. It was our place, built to welcome them, but not on their terms alone. It was a place where older adults moderated what younger adults did as a community. We were there.

The drinking got bad when we stopped being there. Rectors began to give in and to allow section parties, and then hall parties and class parties. But since the students almost always lost control, they were often disgusting parties, and the rectors disliked being there. Student Affairs people knew that the bar scene was becoming an embarrassment, and for awhile we even provided a special bus for underage students too drunk to find their way home from the state line when the bars there ran dry. We were not there when the freshmen disgorged and were disgorged at the circle. We built our own tavern where students could start drinking at lunchtime. We owned it, but let students manage it; we stayed away. We hired special social workers, though, and sent student drunks to them for counseling.

Some years back there was a great onset of conscience about alcohol here. There had been some ugly incidents we called accidents. There had been much alcoholism. Lives were lost, lives were wasted.

And what did we do then? We rewrote the rule. The one straightforward rule bloomed into a document that would make the U.S. Tax Code look simple. We now have a University Rule on Al-

cohol, and an Alcohol Policy and Alcohol Regulations: thousands and thousands of words nobody reads. If anyone did, he or she would notice that the previous concern that students not abuse themselves with alcohol has been overshadowed by a newer concern that their victims not abuse us with lawsuits. Liability was the word, not sobriety.

The rule had never been our problem. The people were the problem: all the hall staff and Student Affairs people who were turning their backs on the drinking scene. We lacked the nerve to confront the students. And we played with words instead. We abolished alcohol abuse in Du Lac.

Massive drinking bouts have moved out of the dorms into town. We have dumped our drunkenness and brattiness on South Bend. The lawfolk there seem still to think that we would like our students given preferential treatment. But someday the neighbors' outrage will prevail.

Several weeks ago two residence halls held a joint formal dance. It was a big dance, in a downtown hotel (our campus is apparently too small for dances). There was only fruit juice and soda served at the dance (no liability). The students, however, booked rooms for the night: an entire floor was set aside for them. So the thirsty shuttled back and forth throughout the evening, boozing on one floor and dancing on the other. After the band went home at one, activities moved entirely to the hotel bedrooms.

Who was there with those hundreds of seriously drinking students? One hall was represented by its rector, for about an hour. The other rector and assistant rector stayed away. In a word, we were not there. Nothing has changed. We have realms of local canon law on the subject, but Du Lac is not what was needed in the bedrooms of the

Americana at 5 a.m. Our backs were turned.

Looking the other way is as much a problem in academics as it has been in student life. For several years now there has been a stir about cheating. Now you could sit down any dozen students for an hour and come up with a list of 10 or 15 faculty members who are responsible for 90 percent of the cheating that goes on around here. I mean teachers who hand out 300 identical multiple-choice tests, or who assign papers on the very same topics semester after semester, and don't notice that they are reading the same essays over and over. A really crafty student may occasionally slip something past most of us, but the faculty members whose irresponsibility positively invites contempt for truth-telling: they are the obvious persons to go after.

Instead, the Academic Council has, with a straight face, been presented with reports and proposals that throw pages of legal confetti at cheating. The problem is not our policy. The policy is as straightforward as the old alcohol rule was: one rule with two parts. Students are responsible for honest work; and if cheating does occur it strikes at the heart of the education process and cannot be a private matter between an instructor and a student. The rule is not the problem, but no one seems to be accountable for the rule. Once again, we are flinching at confronting the real irresponsibility, and we are tempted to drift into denial by paper fantasies.

The cost of a Notre Dame education for us who are the elders is that we be with the students, and that we be accountable for them and they be accountable to us. We must, in a word, be there. But we are not there. And now people are dying of it.

Father Burtchaell is a professor of theology and resides in Holy Cross Hall.

P.O.Box Q

Homosexuals are not ashamed but cautious

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to the recent publicity of homosexuals at Notre Dame, such as the lectures by John Fortunato and Jeanine Grammick. Many times, in the dining halls and elsewhere, I have heard students wonder aloud why so many homosexuals choose to remain anonymous. They usually conclude that these people are ashamed to be homosexual.

I would like to remind these people of a time, not so long ago, when people were "ashamed" to be Catholic. Job applicants would simply enter "Christian" on their applications, because a Catholic would probably not be hired. In Philadelphia, the burning of Catholic churches was hardly a rare phenomenon. Many bigots, including the Ku

Klux Klan, would verbally and yes, physically abuse Catholics. My own grandfather lost his job as principal of a high school when his employers discovered that he was Catholic (he was too proud to enter "Christian").

Were these people actually ashamed to be Catholic? Of course not, but they did suffer from the very human emotion of fear. Why should homosexuals be any different? Gay people suffer almost identical persecution everyday in American society. Some have the courage to make their sexual preference public knowledge, and, very often, suffer from job loss, harassment and "bashing."

Many people are proud to be gay, but realize the consequences of coming out publicly. They are no better or worse than those who chose to enter "Christian".

Joseph Schultz
Flanner Hall

Simple message is do not drink and drive

Dear Editor:

This article is not the first you've seen about drunk driving and it will not be the last, but it carries a message unlike the messages found in the other articles. How many voices, how many advertisements, how many posters have told you not to drink and drive? Too many? No, not enough.

This past weekend we lost a friend who has been a dear friend for more than two years now. The loss is one which we cannot describe - mere words cannot explain the special person Mike was and what he meant to us. We can tell you, though, that it is just too hard. Please believe us. Don't ever allow yourself or a friend to take a chance.

Kris Thompson
Suzy Happ
Marjorie Zolkoski
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Sarah Janicki
Nancy Johns
Fran Theby
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Carey Gels
Lewis Hall

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Garry Trudeau

Quote of the day

"O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie;
Above thy deep and dreamless
sleep the silent stars go by."

Phillips Brooks
(1835-1893)

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

P.O.Box Q

Priorities must be kept during times of change

Dear Editor:

Notre Dame students do not have their priorities straight. The biggest issue on campus today is the closure of Carroll and Holy Cross Hall and the "eviction" of Howard residents. A distant second, and if not further down on the list, is the fact that drunk Notre Dame students have killed two men in the last month.

Monday afternoon, after the tragic story was known to all, I could still hear students bragging about what a great time they had on Friday night and how drunk they were at a half-dozen bars and parties. One expects the shock to wear off eventually, of course, but I thought two hours later showed great resilience on their part.

Last year, when Notre Dame freshman Kevin Hurley was struck by a South Bend resident at the entrance to Saint Mary's College, the outpouring of

sympathy and anger was remarkable. A similar reaction came when some Notre Dame students were struck on South Bend Avenue a few years earlier. But now? One article on the first death, and one now. Today -three days later -only a small "Of Interest" memorializes the young man.

Even when the Student Senate -for probably the twentieth time since I've been at this school -calls for greater "alcohol education," no mention is made of why it is needed: two men are dead because of the irresponsibility of Notre Dame students. Maybe the problem is that many Notre Dame students want to deny these deaths because they fear that someday it could be them appearing as the unidentified driver in an Observer article. But the real problem is that those students do not want to take responsibility for their drinking.

It is simple to have someone in the group stop drinking a couple of hours before leaving the party. It is simple to call a taxi, if necessary, or maybe even crash at the host's house. There are a

lot of ways to avoid driving drunk, but they all require the person to take a little responsibility for his or her actions. That, unfortunately, does not seem to be a common trait among students here.

From what I know of one of the drivers, there is some bitter irony in this. He was not one to drive drunk; he was outspokenly against such drivers. Unfortunately, he apparently misjudged his condition. But it only takes one such misjudgement. Yes, it could have been any of us -you, me, anyone who ever drinks could make this mistake. But if the "Notre Dame family" means anything, we should be helping each other to be responsible, especially when another's life is at risk. Human life is much more important than the location of student residencies. A much greater injustice was done to the two victims than ever has been done to students by the administration.

People will blame the alcohol policy for these deaths, and it may have been a contributing factor. But I hope students realize that the ultimate responsibility to drive sober lies with them, not Father Beauchamp or Father Malloy. And I hope students realize why the South Bend and County Police are eager to break up parties and minimize the number of drunks on the street. But most of all, I hope these tragic events will shake students up enough to ensure that no one need pick up The Observer and read about one ever again.

Thomas S. Mowle
Off-Campus

Restructuring the ratio will benefit community

Dear Editor:

After reading for two days the articles, letters and personals of outraged Howard Hall residents - in particular Bill Herzog's guest column of Dec. 9 - I find a definite need to put into perspective what the real issue is here.

The issue is not whether or not Howard men should be ousted from their home, but whether or not more women should be admitted to the University of Notre Dame. The answer to this is yes, more women should be admitted. This is not only for their educational benefit and the benefit of women already on campus from the increased sense of belonging and sisterhood that would result (similar to the great sense of brotherhood that exists now), but for the advantage it would provide the men also.

In this respect, I am not referring, as Herzog did, to the fact that more women on campus means more possible SYR dates. Since a majority of students at Notre Dame came from Catholic, single-sex high schools, college needs to be a place closer to the "real world" with respect to the female/male ratio. A greater female element is desperately needed at Notre Dame to help shed the minority status of women, as well as to expose the male majority to viewpoints other than their own.

While I do sympathize with the Howard residents who now have to

move from the dorm they have come to know as home, I refuse to believe that their inconvenience is more important than the opportunity for more women to be educated at this highly-regarded university. Let's put aside this selfishness, sexism or whatever else might be motivating our outrage. If Herzog is so repulsed by the thought of being asked in the future to a Howard SYR, he need only continue subscribing to his views on women and their role on campus to be assured that the ugly situation will never present itself.

No matter where we live on campus, we are already "in" Notre Dame. We earned, and were given this opportunity to learn. Why not let others who have earned it have this chance and welcome them with open arms?

Catherine Dey
Pasquerilla West

Toys for Tots drive benefits handicapped

Dear Editor:

On behalf of Notre Dame's Semper Fidelis Society and the staffs of Logan Center and Memorial Hospital, we would like to extend our personal gratitude to all who aided the 1986 Toys for Tots campaign. Through the generous support of the Notre Dame community, over \$2,000 worth of toys will be donated to the special children at Logan Center and Memorial Hospital this Christmas.

Our efforts are part of a national campaign sponsored by the United States Marine Corps Reserve to bring the joy of a Christmas toy to needy children throughout the United States. At Logan Center and Memorial Hospital, the donated toys will also help develop the skills of the handicapped as these children learn through playing. The dearest and most precious possessions of a child are his toys, and our individual small gifts together have brought great joy to many.

Brian J. Dean
Christine M. Glavin
Project Officers, Toys for Tots
Naval ROTC

Help for fire victims is desperately needed

Dear Editor:

About ten days ago, a fire broke out in a house on North Eddy Street. The house was saved, but the interior was badly damaged. The owner, a divorcee, is now trying to clean it up so she can move back in with her four children before Christmas.

She hasn't the money to hire labor. If anyone expects to be in this area between now and Christmas, and would be willing to help wash and paint walls, it would be an immense assistance.

Volunteers can contact me at 239-7651.

Edward D. O'Connor, C.S.C.

Diversity of religion is rare at Notre Dame

That's right. I did not have turkey on Thanksgiving Day. I had my meal in the dining hall.

Patti Tripathi

guest column

Don't be shocked. Do you celebrate holi?...or Diwali?...or Rak-chabandhan?

A mien of disbelief prevails when I say that I do not celebrate traditional American festivities. At the University of Notre Dame, where a non-Catholic is one of the three percent minority, the raised eyebrow and wide-eyed response is common because most are not exposed to people of diverse background.

If it is not the appalled expression on the visage then it is an expression of sympathy. Other, however, choose different routes: "Don't you believe in God?" the questioning begins. "I heard that Indians do not eat cows but what's wrong with a turkey?" or "In my family it is the most celebrated holiday. What's wrong with your parents?"

Having been raised in India with an upbringing that is not solely Catholic, I am a double minority on campus. In my case it is not a question of religious difference that prevents me from celebrating many of the holidays. Although I am not a Christian by birth, I attend Mass periodically. Therefore, a Christmas, a Thanksgiving, or an Easter as celebrated by most established Americans would be for me a treasured experience. (By established I mean an American who has not just immigrated to the country.)

Many do not realize the difficulty of incorporating the practices of another culture into one's own. It is even more difficult for the first-generation im-

migrant (like me) who is ignorant of just what each holiday entails. Those who have been abroad can perhaps empathize with the situation of the few "aliens" on campus.

Then there are those who cannot relate because they insist on bombarding with their narrow-minded comments and assumptions. At Notre Dame, where the student body is composed of persons of similar background and social standing, bigots rise up to assert their convictions.

The reaction to holidays is a trivial example of intolerance. Annually, a letter appears in my mailbox in order to remind me that I have checked my religious preference as "other" and that if I wish I may specify the title of my faith by checking the appropriate box.

Is it necessary for me to put a tag on myself? Does God have a religion?

Once in a while I come across persons who feel that "I can still be saved" if I were to convert to Christianity.

Will changing my label bring me closer to God? I don't think so. The content of a can of soup does not change if the label on the can were to be switched.

I am not out to convince everyone that they will reincarnate into ants if they do not pay heed to their Karmas. But it is annoying when people make it their prime motive to instill their beliefs in others.

Mutual respect and tolerance is beyond culture, religion, and boundary. Most on the campus are quite accommodating, discreet, and respectful of foreigners. I suggest to the others that they phrase questions or comments in a way that is not offensive.

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Clothes to their limit: The aftermath of the Punk movement in Britian

TOM TIERNEY
features writer

Ever since the rise and fall of punk rock in England during the period from 1976-78, the British music scene has been first, last and always tied to fashion. This is nowhere better demonstrated than in a song by the Fine Young Cannibals called "Time Isn't Kind," whose lyrics include "I changed my name, I changed my clothes," implying that one's identity hinges as much on one's clothes as one's name.

This is an attitude that is uniquely a product of British youth culture. In America, no band would ever claim that what you wear is on a par with who you are. An American youth's identity is not determined by the clothes he or she wears, as is the case in the U.K.

Malcolm McLaren, who was the manager of the Sex Pistols, claims that he invented punk rock in order to publicize his shop that specialized in the clothes worn by bands like the Clash and Sex Pistols; in doing so, he was instrumental in creating the attitude in England that music equals fashion and that fashion is the main part of identity. While this claim remains debatable, the fact remains that

McClaren was vital to the success of the bands that were to become the focal point of the punk explosion. Kids identified with bands like the Clash, Sex Pistols, Stiff Little Fingers and Generation X in their rebellion against their parents and against their parents' music, which had become the arena rock that was so popular in the mid-1970's.

All kinds of groups of kids were brought together under the umbrella of PUNK. There were fascists and anarchists, capitalists and communists, from both the lower and middle classes, and while they often fought among themselves, there was something that they all shared, and that was their clothes.

Suddenly, it was cool to wear leather jackets and torn clothing with spiked hair and pierced appendages. What had begun as a legitimate form of rebellion had become a marketable fashion commodity. McLaren became rich by promoting bands like the Sex Pistols as the saviors of rock 'n' roll and more importantly, by selling the clothes worn by the bands to a youth market eager to consume.

Due to its inherently volatile nature, punk rock quickly self-destructed, but the packaging of

punk as a marketable product continues; the 'punk rockers' of London are now as much a part of British tourism as the Queen and the rest of the Royal Family.

Since 1978, there has been a succession of music/fashion waves in Britain, all of which have been promoted based on the model of the punk movement. Included in these movements are the two-tone movement, the new romantics, gloom rock and the current soul boy craze. One result of this is that the British music scene is as much concerned with fashion today as it ever was.

America has been relatively unaffected by punk and the other British music movements, except in isolated areas. There are several reasons for this. First of all, American young people, unlike their British counterparts, do not equate their identity with their clothes and their clothes with those of their favorite band, at least to any large degree.

Secondly, the British have a television show called "Top of the Pops" that is shown nationwide and runs down the British Top 40 from the previous week, featuring a few of the artists from that week's charts. This gives kids a chance to see their favorite artists as well as the latest sensations from London. If a band looks cool and makes a good impression, their sales can skyrocket.

Lastly, the fact that England is a small country both in population and geographically, in comparison to America, is the most important factor in the ease with which fashion movements take hold in the U.K. London radio has the ability to broadcast essentially nationwide and since London is the cultural center of England, the kids from outside of London pay close attention to what is cool in the city. In other words, people all across England are exposed to the same media and these sources of culture have become very powerful in shaping taste.

If London's Capitol Radio decides to add a song to its playlist, an immeasurable impact on the fortunes of that band

and song is artificially created. Radio can therefore create new music/fashion movements simply by identifying them as such and by playing the singles by the groups that are supposedly part of this new movement. Then, due to England's relatively small size, a band needs to sell only a small number of singles to make the Top 40. Then, they are featured on "Top of the Pops" and their record sales increase exponentially.

America's large size and relative diversity of both people and media sources make it virtually impossible for such music and fashion waves to enjoy the large scale popularity they do in England. What is popular in New York or Los Angeles just doesn't catch on in Des Moines or Peoria

the way it does in Manchester. As a result, these new movements never receive the publicity they need to become nationwide phenomena, like they are in the U.K., and the bands that are a part of them wallow in relative obscurity in this country.

In other words, the current British music scene is predominantly concerned with fashion and the bands that are a part of it, while beginning as underground or cult bands, quickly become popular nationwide as a result of England's small size and small number of media sources. The American scene, on the other hand, is anti-fashion for the most part and its bands stay relatively obscure because of America's large size, diversity of population, and conservatism of its media.



Ribs and Blues: the soul alternative

GREG DEFILIPPO, EMMET MURPHY, TIMBO HEALY
features writers

If you feel like us, you're starting to get tired of the usual Friday night grind. You know - a little bar or party hopping, some drinking, etc. Well, we've got an alternative for you; a relaxing evening at Ribs and Blues where you can enjoy the best rhythm and blues and soul food in the area.

The Bar Beat



★★★★ (out of four)

It all started one Friday night. We were sitting around wondering what we could do to get away from the usual routine. When suddenly, Emmet had a flashback of his childhood in the streets of Chicago. When he was young, he spent many late nights at bars and clubs waiting for his father's blues band to play the last of their many long sets. Although it was a rough life, Emmet loved the music and could never get it out of his head. While re-living this childhood memory he was in a trance for more than one-half an hour when we decided we better do something. We figured that if he heard some good rhythm and blues maybe he would snap out of it. So we headed out for "Michlana's Home of the Blues," Ribs and Blues.

Well, we were right. As soon as we entered the front door the pulsating blues beat produced by "Peter and the Rhythm Flames" brought Emmet back to reality. After relaxing to a couple of sets of fantastic rhythm and blues music, we started to get a little hungry. We decided to try a bit of everything, which at Ribs and Blues, isn't a bad idea. The ribs and rib tips were excellent. The meal was tender and smothered in a sauce that was not too hot but was full of great barbecued flavor.

The catfish was equally satisfying. It was tender and juicy like the ribs and had fantastic batter coating. Each of these were served in huge portions with fries, cole slaw and bread.

After devouring these delicious entrees, a Mexican-American hitchhiker who happened to be sitting near us leaned over and suggested that we try the pig ear sandwich. At first we weren't sure, but being the crazy guys we are, we went ahead and ordered it. Still curious, Bill Argenta asked "Hey, what's in this pig ear sandwich," and Peter Dames, the owner, responded "It's Pig ear." We all eagerly awaited its arrival at the table and when it finally arrived we knew we were in trouble. It looked, smelled, tasted, and was, a pig ear sandwich. After trying it we all decided to stick with the ribs and catfish. But, who knows, if you like soul food maybe pig ear is the meal for

you. After all, as Peter Dames stated, "It's real soul."

Besides this delicious dinner menu, Ribs and Blues, also has soul food lunches, served after 11 a.m. which include ham hocks, pork steak, cubed steak, mashed or sweet potatoes, greens, corn bread, and much more. All of these selections are moderately priced and served in huge portions that would fill anyone's desires.

The overall atmosphere is laid-back and inviting, but also very interesting. The crowd consists of many different types of people and everyone seems to get along great. While we were there, Joe "The Magnet" Keller got out on the dance floor and soon there were people of all ages and backgrounds out there dancing with him. This friendly atmosphere is added to by the generosity and hospitality of Peter Dames and the waitresses. It's a great change from the hectic, cold scene that some of the popular bars seem to produce. Ribs and Blues, overall, is a place where you can kick-back and forget that endless stream of tests and papers, and really relax to some excellent rhythm and blues bands.

During the month of December, there will be live bands from Chicago on Thursday through Sunday nights. There is a \$3 cover charge but it is well worth it and yes, they do serve alcohol.

The music starts around 9:30 p.m., so get there a little early and enjoy the great soul food and the relaxing blues sound. To

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'Solar Babies' is an annoying failure

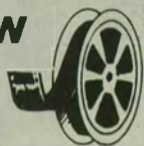
SUSAN CLEMENTS
features writer

Solar Babies -even the name has an irritating ring to it.

The title was aptly chosen. Like the movie it represents, the title gives absolutely no clue to its meaning, and you're not really sure if you want a clue to figure out this mystery. After all, who would guess that the Solar Babies are the members of a future hockey-on-roller-skates team chosen to save the world?

Movie review Solar Babies

★ (out of four)



Released to the discredit of Brookfilms studios, the film attempts to achieve a jumble of effects, but is destroyed from the outset by the story it tells.

Of all the problems the movie has, the most dismaying is its failure to make any sense. The viewer emerges from the theater believing -or at least wishing -that he just spent an hour and a half staring at a blank screen. The main plot revolves around a group of teenagers who roller-skate their way through an annoying adventure in quest of a floating luminescent ball.

Sound annoying? Wait, there's more. The movie takes place in the future, after some horrifying event has deprived the earth of rain and all its oceans and seas have dried up. It is an ugly place, my friends, and if this movie were a prediction I would strongly advise against any attempt to live beyond the next 100 years or so.

The world by then has become an outlandish jumble of very weird things. Screenplay writers Walon Green and Douglas Metrov make no attempt to explain the reason behind the things they throw into the future.

The main characters are for some reason doomed to live in an Orwellian orphanage, entire cities are constructed from junk, and there are no real people -only sadistic military leaders, zombie-like laborers, and a strange tribe of undeter-

mined origin living in tin wigwams. If none of these get you, the good guys will. Of the main characters, the least annoying is a glowing sphere that serves the double role of magical hockey puck and savior of the world.

I say "annoying" because none of the characters come across convincingly or hit home with any force. This is due in part to the utter ridiculousness of the world they inhabit; it becomes impossible to take seriously anything they say.

Much of the cast consists of castaways from floundering TV series, and the only one who evokes any sympathy at all is Lukas Haas, who plays the insupportable Daniel. His is the most convincing character, which may stem from the fact that, as the youngest member of the cast, he comes closest to believing in the possibility of the situation.

But none of this matters, because after the movie you can hardly remember the faces of the characters, let alone their names. The sad thing is that a group of better actors could have done little more with the script.

Director Alan Johnson falls in the herculean task of drawing credibility out of the cast, and the movie's average pace seems to drag on under the weight of the given plot. The special effects are wasted on such things as creative torture devices, which do come off as pretty disgusting, and thus, I suppose, succeed. The little ball Bodhi is cute and zings around with animation, but it looks like something that fell out of a Christmas special, and doesn't really belong in this warped world.

There is, of course, some underlying meaning to the film--something symbolic about the search for the savior that will restore water to the earth--but the viewer has no desire to remember, let alone analyze, such an irritating movie. Which is sad, because with the simple substitution of a totally different story line and the replacement of a few actors, Solar Babies (oops, I guess we need a new name, too) might even be a decent movie. As it stands, however, the only way I'd recommend going to see it is if you plan to wander into the showing of another movie.



Pictured above are the stars of Solar Babies. From left to right are Jami Gertz, Claude Brooks, Jason Patrik, Peter DeLuise and James LeGros.

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Eileen Sandeen tends the UNICEF stand in the lobby of Memorial Library.

Theory better on wax than paper

MARY JACOBY
features editor

All right, so the latest Game Theory album is a little old. Released this summer, it was one of the brighter spots in my album collection. It deserves some attention, so here goes.



Records The Big Shot Chronicles Game Theory

The Big Shot Chronicles follows pretty faithfully in the footsteps of its predecessor, Real Nighttime. As it seems to go with good albums and the American buying public, practically no one heard Real Nighttime. That's a shame, because if people could get past the unfamiliarity with the group they'd probably like what they found: Game Theory's sound is sweetly complex and full of resonance and bouncy pop rhythms.

Game Theory consists of two men and two women, led by guitarist and lead vocalist Scott Miller of the self-described "miserable whine." It's true Miller's voice is somewhat high, but it lends to the uniqueness of the group's sound and punctuates their well-crafted songs.

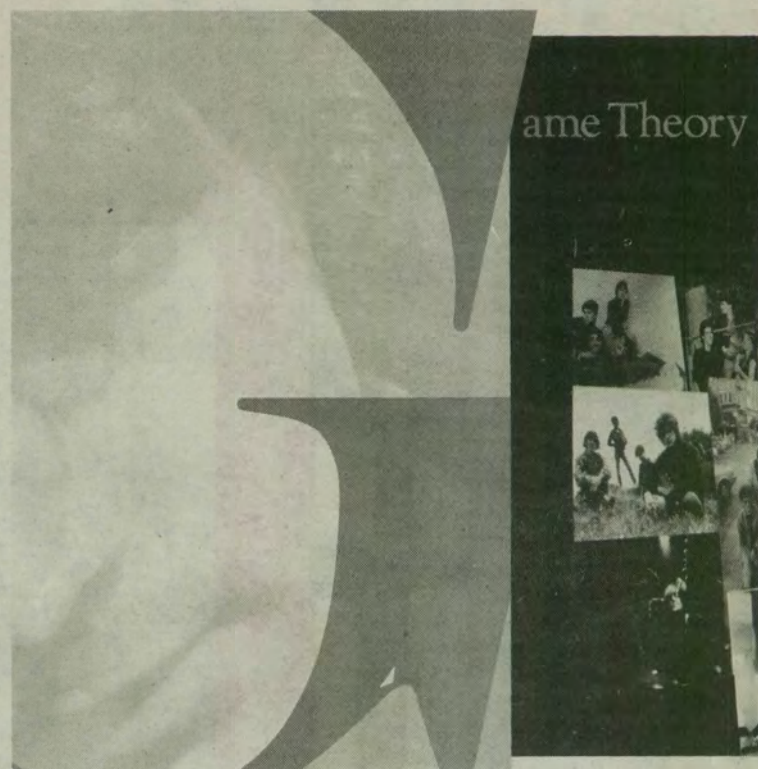
And perhaps the biggest influence on their sound -- and it's definitely a positive one at that -- is the production of Mitch Easter who worked on The Big Shot Chronicles as well as the last album. Easter, a pop wizard who's worked wonders with his own group, Let's Active, as well as others such as R.E.M., has provided a definition and cohesiveness not apparent in Game Theory's earlier releases.

The album's opener, "Here It Is Tomorrow," is a powerful, forceful song -- for Game Theory, at least. Building up from a monorhythmic drums, guitar and Miller's angry voice, the song bursts into a pop plateau in the

chorus with harmony, keyboards and ringing guitars.

Miller, with his "miserable whine," stretches it a bit when he tries to sound angry, but his voice knows how to plead and explain on the beautiful slower songs such as "Where You Going Northern," "Regenisraen" and the album's last song, "Like a Girl Jesus." "Regenisraen" in particular will kill you with its harp-like, solitary guitar, the sad alienated vocals and the choir of harmony in the chorus. Similarly, "Like a Girl Jesus," with its slow, string-by-string beginning, builds up with echoes and effects until the drums and guitar kick it into a deep, ringing chorus.

But the majority of Game Theory's songs are punchy pop songs which bounce between drums and guitars -- punctuated by keyboards and harmonies -- which will hook listeners into their sound after a couple of spins. But that's the key -- you have to hear it, first.



Warning: CVB discovers masks in reverse

KEVIN WALSH
features writer

I met a really unique guy last year through sort of a friend-of-a-friend situation and after a little talking we discovered that we had a lot in common musically. The band that he was heavily into at that time was Camper Van Beethoven.

"They're great," I remember



Records Beethoven

him saying to me, "I don't know if you'd like them. They're kind of weird. You've probably heard 'Take The Skinheads Bowling' or 'Where The Hell Is Bill?'"

I probably looked blank so he continued, "'(We're A) Bad Trip' or 'ZZ Top Goes To Egypt?'"

Still, nothing.

To the uninitiated, like I was until a few months ago, Camper Van Beethoven are a unique band. Their interesting ideas about rock 'n' roll and their eccentric sense of humor make them one of the big bands to watch in these twilight years of

the '80s. Another friend of mine discounts CVB because he claims he doesn't understand the humor. They've gained an unfortunate reputation as a "humor band" but it looks like on their latest effort at least they're trying to beat that rap.

If I had to title this untitled album, I might call it Camper Van Beethoven Discovers Backwards Masking. There's at least four songs on this that use that studio trick, including the two cover versions. The last song on the first side is "Stairway to Heaven (sic)" which I think is that old warhorse played backwards without vocals, with the guys improvising over it. I don't really know though so don't quote me on that.

I guess that they took care of their title for this album on their last one, Camper Van Beethoven II & III.

Fitting in with that is the preoccupation that they seem to have picked up somewhere for '60's conventions. "Good Guys and Bad Guys," the album's opener, sounds dead-on like a late-period Kinks song. "The History of Utah," which opens the second side, steals a riff directly from the Doors' "Roadhouse Blues," which of course was stolen by

the Doors too, but that's another story. In "Lulu Land," written by someone named Paul MacKinney in the '60s, they lift a line from "The Ballad of John and Yoko" -- "You don't take nothin' with you but your soul..." and they take a hint from "I am The Walrus" -- "Everybody Smoke Pot" chorus for a weird oomp-pa-pa chorus. "Surprise Truck" tears a page from Abbey Road's second side. They aren't strictly a revivalist band though. They're separated from that by their lack of reverence for the stuff. Oh yeah, they're also good at it.

Some of the earlier albums were close to half instrumentals. There are only four bona-fide instrumentals here, including either the dumbest of the most ingenious idea for a cover song, Pink Floyd's unstructured psychedelic jam "Interstellar Drive." There are also a few really funny songs here, like "Jo Stalln's Cadillac" and "We Saw Jerry's Daughter." "Peace and Love" is basically an acid-trip of a short story spoken over what sounds like it might be a good song in its own right.

All in all, the new CVB album is worth the effort it might take to find it, if you're into musical

chances. This album is not for those who think a musical risk is buying the crazy new Boston album or Bon Jovi's wild rockin' new single. The weird sense of humor and the fiddle might put some people off from CVB, but try to think of their new album as sort of a Spinal Tap for the

New Sincerity. It also sounds a heck of a lot like a bunch of your funniest friends screwing around in a studio -- sometimes funny, sometimes indulgent, sometimes stupid, surprisingly serious, with a few flashes of brilliance thrown in just to keep you listening.



Lone Justice's 'Shelter' too limited

DENNIS CORRIGAN
features writer

When the stylus hit Lone Justice's new album Shelter, it expected to hear the sound of country-infused rock. Instead, it got a solid backbeat and grungy guitar chords, the two sounds that mark Lone Justice's new release. Anyone expecting to hear songs like "After the Flood" from last year's self-titled debut



Records Shelter

Lone Justice

album will be in for a surprise as well.

This album is much harder and much slicker. Perhaps it's the group's new cast. Only lead singer, songwriter and guitarist Marla McKee and guitarist Ryan

year. But beyond McKee, no one else matters. McKee is clearly the focus for the band and boasts one of the strongest and most unusual voices in rock music today. She can belt out such rockers as "I Found Love" and "Belfry" with all the power of a modern-day Janis Joplin. But on the slower, countryish "Wheels" and "Dixie Storms," McKee sounds like the rock 'n' roll incarnation of Dolly Parton.

As a songwriter, though, McKee is less than powerful. Shelter focuses in on just that theme, looking for refuge from the storms of life. McKee wants to be the solution as in the album's first single and title song and is looking for it on "Beacon" and "Belfry." She writes about faith in dreams on "Dreams Come True (Stand Up and Take It)," and love as inspiration on the aptly titled "Inspiration".

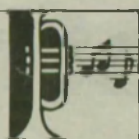
The problem is, all these

themes have been hit before and much more originally. Lighthouses have been symbols of hope since man began to write lyrics. McKee was at her best on last year's release when singing about her rural background. The only song that comes close to that is "Dixie Storms," which closes the album.

Musically, Shelter has a stronger and harder feel than Lone Justice's first release largely because of new drummer Rudy Richman and bass player Gregg Sutton. But Shelter suffers from Jimmy Iovine's overly slick production. The single "Shelter," with its synthesizer intro and lush backing vocals is perhaps the worst offender. The album is just too clean. From its packaging, which looks like a slicker R.E.M. cover, to its music, Lone Justice's Shelter is just too glossy for McKee's voice to overcome, which is a shame.



Music



The Notre Dame Glee Club will present a Christmas Concert tonight at 8 and 10 p.m. in Washington Hall. For more information contact Eric Kuehner at 239-6201.

Stevie Ray Vaughn and Double Trouble with the Outlaws will be in concert tonight at the Holiday Star Theatre in Merrillville, IN. The show starts at 8 p.m. and tickets are \$14.95. For tickets call Ticketron at 219-769-6600.

The Midwest Pops Orchestra will present a performance of Fiedler's Favorites in a tribute to Arthur Fiedler at 7:30 p.m. Sunday at South Bend Century Center. For ticket information call the Century Center box office at 284-9111.

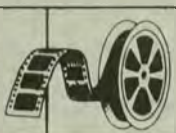
Assorted



The Center for Social Concerns will be the site of the annual Christmas Nazz. This year's show, which features music and storytelling, will begin at 7 p.m.

The Scoop

Movies



The Student Activities Board presents "A Chorus Line" tonight and Saturday night in the Engineering Auditorium. This Pulitzer Prize winning

Broadway play comes alive on the big screen in this musical drama of making it or breaking it in show biz. Michael Douglas stars as the rigorous director with Audrey Landers as one of the dancers who makes it through the trials on her way to appearing in the Chorus Line. Showtimes are 7, 9:15 and 11 p.m. Admission is \$1.50.



"A Chorus Line"

Theater



A musical adaptation of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" will be presented by the Acting Ensemble Stage Company tonight, Saturday, and Sunday night at the Colfax Cultural Center in South Bend. For more information call 234-PLAY.

Southold Dance Theater presents Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker". Performances will be held Saturday night at 8 p.m. and Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. in the Morris Civic Center Auditorium. Tickets may be obtained by calling the Century Center Box Office at 284-9111.

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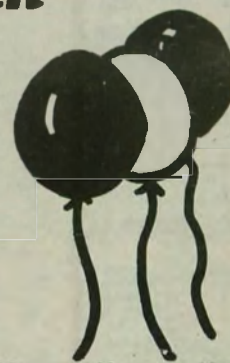
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The tale of a prodigal Father

The fiction about extraterrestrials is based on the assumption that mankind on the planet earth is not alone in the universe. Beyond this galaxy, at a distance measured by light-years, is the star from which E.T. came. In the millenia ahead, perhaps there will be ten million stars from

and to whom is He trying to prove it? He could make the universe a zillion miles high as a showcase for His cleverness; if He's in love with long distances, I'm willing, as His creature, to praise Him for the generous landscaping. But He has given me my children as a treasure; why, then

a sinful nation. Even while we're taking our share of the blame, we're remembering innocent victims who deserved to be spared. Honest faith doesn't begin until you come to terms with cosmic cruelty which Providence is responsible for.

In time of calamity, the survivors exchange clues which help them exonerate heaven. William Sloane Coffin, formerly the chaplain at Yale, lost his son in a driving accident. A colleague piously assured him that the death was God's will. Coffin replied: "Like hell it was! When Jim went off the road on that wet night, God was the first one to weep." Of course! God must often be the earliest mourner: what a powerful insight!

The Creator with sorrow in His heart should not be sentimentalized into Danny Boy's father saying goodbye to his son in the army. But does the Heavenly Father's perfection mean that He is so all-knowing and all-loving that cries of pain from the earth don't add anything to His experience

of good and evil? Is it sentimental to hope that He registers our tragedies like a seismograph calibrated to measure the intensity of earthquakes? How unfulfilling religion is when scholars forget to tell us how the divine pity is possible in a Trinity of Persons knowing and loving themselves in perfect contentment. Textbook descriptions of God leave a lot to be desired when they make Him sound too ethereal to be streetwise, as though the Biblical images were only figures of speech.

The 20th century has seen too much horror to leave theology to the metaphysicians. The high water mark of revelation is the Cross on which the Saviour died. The Man of Sorrows reveals the Father through the Holy Ghost involved in His mission in a way that is indivisible from the Son being Himself as the servant and victim. Calvary begins the theology which makes sense out of death beds, to which the Spirit comes as the Comforter, over which the Father grieves, seeing truth

where I see mystery.

It's hard for us to accept large truths that come in small packages, or to be served with mysteries when we ask for miracles. The Lord, taking the cross on His shoulders, was harder on Himself than anyone. He wants us to believe that nothing is impossible with God. He initiates us with the holy Christmas story piecing together the tradition. The only proof we have of its truth is that the human imagination doesn't soar so high; it's as imaginative in its way, as the universe is in the arrangement of space. It seems worthy of the divine author, and we have nothing as wonderful to take its place. The world would be poorer without it. Everytime a carol is sung, I believe the magic assuring me that God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son in the way the Gospel says He gave Him. I wish you the grace of believing as Christmas. Merry Christmas from Darby O'Gill and me. We never said we didn't love you.

Father Robert Griffin

Letters to a Lonely God



which an endless number of E.T.s will come on intergalactic holidays to find Elliott. Our scientists keep probing outer space, hoping to make contacts with planets occupied by aliens like E.T. The immensity of creation makes it seem certain that human beings are not the only life forms in the limitless sea of space.

Religion certainly doesn't teach that the human race was assigned to this globe so that, looking around, we would stay humble at our smallness, waiting to be upstaged by a race of giants we haven't yet met. Religions, as well as science, would be surprised to learn God went to so much trouble for the sake of Adam's children as His one and only experiment.

God's love is full of surprises. The Incarnation is far more humbling than any statistics Carl Sagan could give us. Perhaps faith would be easier if God had scaled things down, so that that we wouldn't have to be amazed at His exhibition of power. Maybe we would be happier in a universe of more modest dimensions.

At Tuesday night's Penance Service, Father Andre read the parable of the Prodigal Son. The younger lad in the story needs his father's forgiveness; the father, of course is the God-figure extending Himself in mercy to the sinner guilty of wasting grace. On Wednesday, I reflected, Father Hesburgh would be offering a memorial mass for a Notre Dame student who died at age 20, the latest on that long list of Dopers dying young. I wondered: does God ever feel He needs forgiveness from us? A younger son threw away a fortune on riotous living; finally feeling ashamed of himself, he went home to his father on his knees. God seems careless about preserving human life; what is money compared to a life that's allowed to be lost?

Friends die in accidents, wars, floods and other catastrophes, and they die from disease. Fathers of young families die at the hands of drug-crazed thugs met in the street. Mothers die from cancers that eat their bodies as their children watch in horror. The questions we ask when faced with suffering that results in the deaths of young, much-needed people is: "Why does God let it happen? Why is He so careless with lives that the angels are supposed to watch over?" A child as perfect as a lovely rose suddenly gets sick with leukemia, and the disease ruins the loveliness, despite the prayers offered to a deity who seems indifferent to the destruction of a masterpiece.

What is God trying to prove,

does He act like an Indian-giver, or a bully who wants me to see how cruel He can be?

Religion should have a parable of the wasteful Father needing to ask for forgiveness. Christians and Jews try to figure out His will, and be reconciled to it as justice; they even find ways of blaming themselves, persuading themselves that all the deaths of the Holocaust were necessary, or that all the deaths in Vietnam were deserved as punishment by

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Tommy Q, Roses are red, Violets are
blue, I'll miss my (great) roomies, But I'll
miss you too! Dawny B.

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MARY KAREN KOCH (in Cleveland)

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not always do the same thing your sister
does (did it have to be his brother?).

LIZ-DOG MARTUCCI

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ND women's hoops goes west for holidays

By MARTY STRASEN
Assistant Sports Editor

The Notre Dame women's basketball team is hoping that a trip to the west coast over the holidays will give the California sun a chance to shine on its efforts.

Thus far, the Irish have struggled to an 0-4 record in a less-than-impressive start to the 1986-87 season (the worst start in the school's history, in fact), and have lost their only senior in Lavetta Willis because of her decision to quit the team while citing personal reasons. But eight games over Christmas break will give Head Coach Mary DiStanis-lao's team a chance to improve on those numbers.

Notre Dame is at home for a pair of games, against Loyola and St. Ambrose, before the players head for their own homes to celebrate Christmas. Before the new year, however, the Irish will head to the west coast for the Seattle Times Classic and a pair of games in California.

Here is a quick look at some of the obstacles awaiting Notre Dame (Irish home games are in caps) over Christmas break:

LOYOLA - The former North Star Conference rivals lost their best player in Kathy Leyden, but return senior guard Sharon Carr (12.6 points per game last year). The Lady Ramblers finished with an overall record of 20-7 last season and always play the Irish well.

ST. AMBROSE - The Queen Bees from the state of Iowa won 20 games last year while dropping 12 and return five letter-winners from a nine-man squad last year. Junior Patty Campbell (15.1 ppg.) is a strong all-around player.

The Seattle Times Classic - The Irish tip off action in this tournament against last year's Big Eight champion, Oklahoma, which won the conference with a 24-7 overall record. The good news for the Irish is that the Sooners lost 11 players from that team and will rely on LaTrenda Phillips (13.1 ppg.) for much of their scoring.

Two more strong teams round out the tournament field. Montana returns eight letter-winners from a team which finished 22-15, while Pac 10 champion Washington finished last season at 24-6.

At Loyola-Marymount - The Lions won only three games last year and return just two players from that team. The Irish should do well in this one.

At UCLA - The Bruins struggled to a 12-16 mark and a fourth-place conference finish last season, but lost only one letter-winner heading into this campaign. Junior Jamie Brown (11.6 ppg.) is the top returning scorer and should anchor a quick squad.

MARYLAND - The Irish beat the Terrapins by a 49-40 score last season, but Maryland has six solid players returning, including sophomore Deana Tate, who averaged better than 16.5 points an outing as a freshman.

At Northern Illinois - The Irish should not encounter too many problems against the Huskies, who won only eight contests last season. The top returner for Northern Illinois is senior Shelly Roberts, who averaged nearly 14 points in her junior campaign.

Close

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In the overtime period, Soucie opened the scoring with his fifth three-pointer, but Connor answered with a home run of his own to even the score at 68. The teams traded inside hoops and McCaskill hit a 12-footer before Rivers and Stevenson hit two free throws apiece to put the Irish on top by two. Connor then hit a jumper from the key to put the Irish on top for good.

Despite the important three-point goals by Jackson and Connor, Phelps used his post-game press conference to chastise the rule.

"Sean Connor is a great outside shooter and he hit the three-pointer to get us the game - but so is Soucie," he said. "They just traded three-pointers - and that's fine - but let's make it worth three points. Let's move it back to 23 feet."

WHEN IS THE RIGHT TIME TO CALL HOME BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS?

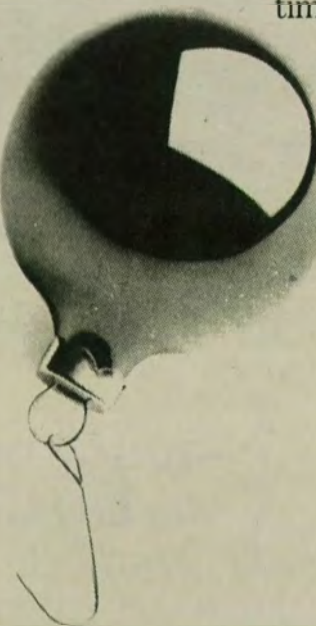
- a) When another hour of cramming for the stats exam isn't going to help anyway.
- b) When that Xmas Club money is almost gone, and you haven't even started buying presents.
- c) When you just keep thinking about unwinding after finals with the whole family together again.

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The right choice

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STATISTICAL CONCEPTS AND METHODS

TABLE 7
PERCENTAGE POINTS OF F(D.F., D.F.) DIST.
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5	4.0604	3.7797	3.6195	3.5202	3.4571
6	3.7760	3.4633	3.2888	3.1808	3.1091
7	3.5894	3.2574	3.0741	2.9605	2.8844
8	3.4579	3.1131	2.9238	2.8064	2.7264
9	3.3603	3.0065	2.8129	2.6927	2.6093
10	3.2850	2.9245	2.7277	2.6053	2.5202
11	3.2252	2.8595	2.6602	2.5362	2.4497
12	3.1765	2.8068	2.6053	2.4807	2.3927
13	3.1362	2.7632	2.5603	2.4357	2.3477
14	3.1022	2.7265	2.5222	2.3977	2.3097
15	3.0732	2.6952	2.4898	2.3653	2.2773
16	3.0481	2.6682	2.4618	2.3373	2.2493
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20	2.9747	2.5893	2.3800	2.2550	2.1670
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22	2.9486	2.5613	2.3523	2.2273	2.1393
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29	2.8871	2.4949	2.2843	2.1593	2.0713
30	2.8807	2.4887	2.2773	2.1523	2.0643
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Irish wrestlers head for Calif. for break tourney, meets

By STEVE MEGARGEE
Sports Writer

Some people may be dreaming of a white Christmas, but Notre Dame wrestling coach Fran McCann would be satisfied just to see a couple of his wrestlers healthy again before he takes his squad to California on Jan. 4.

The Irish will compete in the Cal-State Fullerton Tournament on Jan. 4, then will face Cal-State Fullerton and Cal Poly in dual meets on Jan. 6-7. Notre Dame's chances of success in the three meets would greatly improve with the recovery of 126-pound sophomore Dave Carlin and 190-pound freshman Dan Mitchell.

Both wrestlers were injured in the

season-opening Michigan State Invitational on Nov. 9, Carlin with a bad elbow and Mitchell with a sore shoulder. Neither one has wrestled since.

Carlin says he will be able to compete in the California meets, while Mitchell's status remains questionable.

"I'll be back in the lineup. It's almost 100 percent healed now," said Carlin. "I'll have to work hard over break and get in shape. Over the holidays, I'll practice with my high school. Then we come back to Notre Dame on Dec. 27, and I'll practice here."

The Irish can only hope that Carlin is starting to solve the injury riddle that has plagued the team all year. Junior 158-pounder Dan Carrigan injured his knee at last weekend's Las Vegas Invi-

tational and is out for at least the rest of the year.

"It hasn't been a good year with injuries. You just don't expect injuries," said McCann. "We can't count on getting big decisions from our strong people. The competition's going to get tougher, and we'd better be ready."

Whether Notre Dame is healthy or not, the Irish will have their hands full at California. The Cal-State Fullerton Tournament will include over 20 schools, including nationally-ranked teams Oklahoma State, Arizona State, and Fresno State.

Only two days afterward, the Irish will have dual meets against the Cal-State Fullerton Titans and the Cal Poly Mustangs on consecutive days.

"Poly's traditionally one of the best teams in the West Coast," said McCann. "I saw Fullerton at the Las Vegas Invitational, and they've got some really tough guys."

The Irish will have their next home match on Jan. 20 against Athletes in Action.

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Gifts

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Notre Dame volleyball coach Art Lambert - A little national recognition for an outstanding season.

Notre Dame Athletic Director Gene Corrigan - 1) More home football games. East Carolina's looking for some more powerhouses for its schedule. 2) This isn't a Christmas wish per se, but it's past time for the following revelation: This writer is of no relation to Notre Dame's A.D.

Irish quarterback Steve Beuerlein - Some of the respect that eluded him throughout his record-setting career.

Irish flanker Tim Brown - Well, nothing this year because he'll get everything next year.

Indiana basketball coach Bob Knight - An autographed copy of *A Season On The Brink* by John Feinstein.

Miami quarterback Vinny Testaverde - A diploma. It's the only way he'll get one. He could polish the Heisman with it, at least.

The NCAA - 1) paint remover. Get that three-point line off the court. 2) guts. After years of senseless and harmless sanctions, perhaps the NCAA will get some finally and suspend SMU for its infractions.

The NFL - a copy of Orwell's 1984. After all, Big Brother's been watching the officials all season. Winston had more courage than the zebras have had this season.

The NBA - the rest of the season off. Can't the Rockets and Lakers play now to see which of them plays the Celtics? Better still, just hang another banner in the rafters of Boston Garden.

Jack Nicklaus and Willie Shoemaker - continued health and happiness. Their wins in the Masters and Kentucky Derby, respectively, were two of the warmest stories of 1986.

All who knew Len Bias and Don Rogers - thoughts of what might have been. At least their cocaine-related deaths made people realize that something has to be done about the problem of drugs in sports. Unquestionably the most tragic stories of the year.


Sports fans everywhere - a Merry Christmas.



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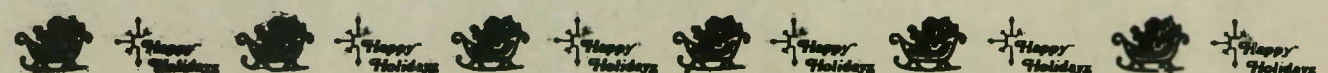
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ND faces seven holiday games

Break poses challenge for Irish

By DENNIS CORRIGAN
Sports Editor

After time off for finals, the Notre Dame men's basketball team will take to the court for two home games before Christmas. Following that, the Irish begin a five-game road trip, their longest of the year. Here's a brief sketch of the teams the Irish will face during the holiday season. Home games are in CAPS.

VALPARAISO - This will be Notre Dame's first game following the layover for final exams. The toughest test for the Irish should be getting their timing together. Last year in the same situation, Notre Dame blew out the Crusaders, 98-54. Valpo returns 10 players from its 9-19 team of a year ago, led by 6-4 forward Harry Bell. Bell averaged 13.5 points and 6.8 rebounds a game last year.

CENTRAL MICHIGAN - After time off for the team to go home for Christmas, Notre Dame returns to Domeland to face the Chippewas. Central Michigan was 11-17 last season but made it to the Mid-American Conference playoffs. All five starters from that team return this season. Dan Majerle, a 6-6 forward, and Ervin Leary, a 6-3 guard, are the head men for the Chippewas. Majerle finished 16th in the nation in scoring average with a 21.4 mark and was an all-MAC first teamer. Leary averaged 18.6 points per game last season and was a second-team all-MAC pick.

at Maryland - The Irish will try to ring in the new year with this game against the east-coast rival Terps. This will be Maryland's third game of the season, following University Chancellor John Slaughter's decision to open practice later because of lagging academics on the basketball team. Head Coach Bob Wade will have his hands full in his first season as he tries to rebuild the program on and off the court. The Terps return only one starter, Derrick Lewis, to last season's 19-14 squad. Lewis was second in the ACC in blocked shots last season with 71 but averaged only 7.9 points per game. It could be a long season in College Park.

at Pennsylvania - This will be Notre Dame's annual visit to the Palestra in Philadelphia, perhaps the last of the great old basketball courts. The Quakers return all five starters to a team that had its first winning season since 1983 with a 15-11 mark. Perry Bromwell, a two-time all-Ivy guard, and backcourt mate John Wilson

lead the Quakers. Wilson handed out 126 assists last season, the third-highest total in Penn history, and Bromwell averaged 13.2 points per contest. Center Bruce Lefkowitz led the Quakers in scoring last year with a 14.2 average. This could be a tough one for the Irish.

at Yale - This is Notre Dame's third and last game against Ivy League teams. The Elis are led by 6-10 center Chris Dudley. Dudley, a two-time all-Ivy selection, led the Ivy in rebounding with a 10.9 average and blocked shots with 26. He was third in the league in scoring, averaging 17.9 points a night. The Elis, 13-13 last year, return their other four starters as well.

at DePaul - Notre Dame's first game against one of the Great Independents will also be its greatest break challenge. The Blue Demons, 18-13 last year including the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament, were hit hard by graduation, but return forward Dallas Comegys and guard Rod Strickland.

Comegys, when he's on, can do it all - score (13.8 ppg), rebound (5.6) and block shots (a DePaul career record 190). Strickland showed flashes of brilliance as freshman in leading the team in scoring with a 14.9 average. In addition, he set DePaul freshman records in assists (160) and steals (60). On their home floor, the Blue Demons are more than imposing.

at Creighton - Omaha, Neb., is the last stop on the longest road trip of the year. The Bluejays were 12-16 last year under first-year coach Tony Barone, but Barone returns only four players this season. Fortunately, the team's leading scorer and rebounder, Kenny Evans, is one of them. Evans averaged 15.9 points and 8.5 rebounds last season in earning a spot on the All-Missouri Valley Conference second team. The Bluejays also have 6-11 freshman Mike Pomery eating space in the middle. Two years ago, the Bluejays shocked the Irish in Omaha, 60-58.



The Observer/Greg Kohs

Scott Hicks will lead the Irish on a five-game roadtrip during the holidays. Dennis Corrigan has a preview of Irish break action at left.



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Associated Press

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. - Central Michigan, led by Dan Majerle with 23 points, went on an 8-0 run and built a 12-point lead at the start of the second half Thursday night en route to a 73-65 upset of No. 8 Western Kentucky.

It was Western Kentucky's second loss in a row. The Hilltoppers, 6-3, fell 60-58 to Louisville on Wednesday night. Central Michigan is now 3-1.

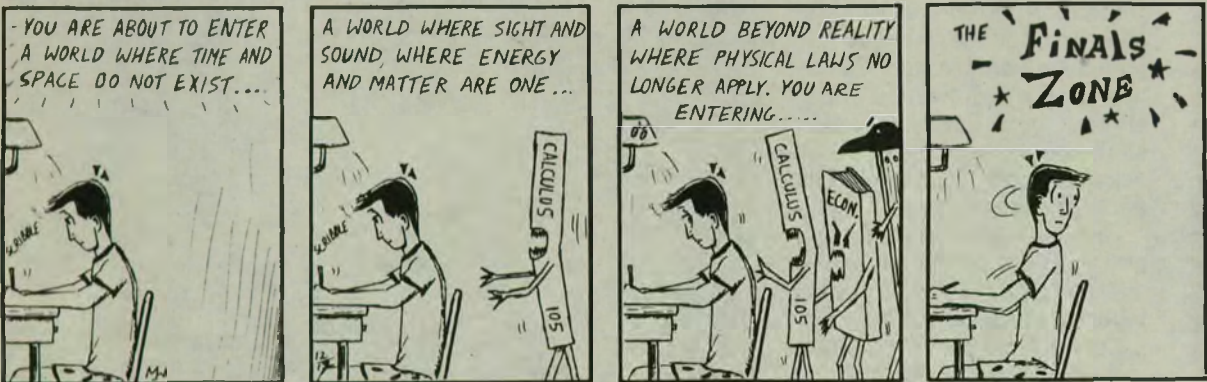
Western Kentucky shot only 37 percent from the field.

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When snakes dream they're crawling

Campus

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11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.: Economics Department Public Policy Workshop, Sister Mary Ann Pevas, Thesis Proposal, 131 Decio Hall
4:30 - 6:30 p.m.: "Decorate-a-tree", Christmas party with little kids from NSHP, big bothers/lil sisters, sponsored by SAB, classes of '88, '89, Center for Social Concerns
7:00, 9:15 & 11:30 p.m.: Movie, "A Chorus Line", \$1.50, Engineering Auditorium
7:30 p.m.: Ice Hockey, ND vs. Alabama-Huntsville, ACC Ice Arena
8:00 & 10:00 p.m.: Notre Dame Glee Club Christmas Concert, free with ticket voucher, Washington Hall

SATURDAY
8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.: Graduate Record Examination, Engineering Auditorium
7:00 p.m.: The 10th Annual Christmas Nazz, Various campus musicians and alumni will perform, free, Center for Social Concerns
7:30 p.m.: Ice Hockey, ND vs. Alabama-Huntsville, ACC Ice Arena

SUNDAY
2:00 p.m.: Mass, members of Emmaus, a community with the mentally handicapped, will meet at Moreau Seminary, a coffee hour will follow the Mass

8:00 p.m.: Notre Dame Camerata Singers First Annual Christmas Concert, free admission, Moreau Seminary Chapel
8:00 p.m.: SMC Annual Christmas Service of Lessos and Carols Featuring the Choirs of SMC, Nancy Menk, SMC, director, Church Loretto
Christmas Masses, Sacred Heart
Wed., Dec. 24, parish mass - 5 p.m., main church; midnight mass - 11:30 p.m., main church
Thur., Dec. 25, parish mass - 10 a.m., main church; University mass - 12:15 p.m., main church; 6:30 & 7:30 a.m., crypt
New Year's Day Masses, Sacred Heart
Wed. Dec. 31, parish mass - 5 p.m., main church
Thur., Jan. 1, University mass - 12:15 p.m., main church; 6:30, 7:15 & 10 a.m., crypt

Dinner Menus

Notre Dame

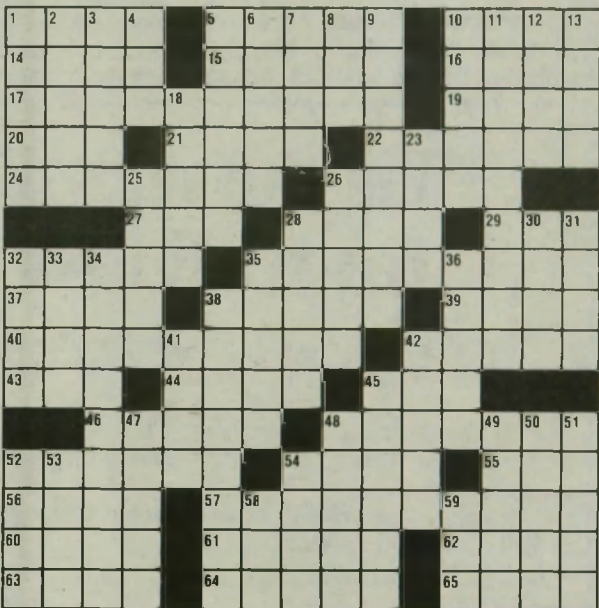
Swiss Steak
Spanakopita
Batter Fried Perch
Pepperochini Cheese Grinder

Saint Mary's

Pork Chop
Italian Sausage
French Bread Pizza
Deli Bar

The Daily Crossword

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1 Mona —
5 Bitter
10 Impressed
14 Munich's river
15 Pancakes of a kind
16 Theda of silents
17 Muskets' features
19 "— o'clock scholar"
20 Biscay or Biscayne
21 Particle
22 Cosmetic stick
24 Chicken feed
26 Quantity
27 Noted educator Edward
28 "I — man..."
29 Joker
32 Street's boss
35 Sheriff's deputy
37 Hokkaido aborigine
38 Pentateuch
39 Galway Bay islands
40 Tiny Tim's family
42 Bit of gossip
43 Time zone letters
44 Louts
45 Dernier —
46 Overhead items
48 Valise
52 Racial
54 Obi
55 Tell's canton
56 Singing pair
57 Hired gun
60 Saragossa's river
61 Accrue: var.
62 Seine feeder
63 Coarse file
64 Travels
65 Idyllic spot
- DOWN**
1 Branches
2 Hayes or Newton
3 Lecher
4 Stage light
5 Chock —
6 Cleric dress
7 Costa —
8 Sign
9 Wire
10 Char —
11 Slogan
12 "— saw Elba"
13 — Boone
18 Discover
23 Greenland settlement
25 Concerning
26 Letters from Athens
28 Shopping sites
30 Jai —
31 Fellow
32 Symbol of authority
33 Exposures
34 "Invasion of the Body —"
35 Nun's caps
36 Hysteria
38 Eng. ruler
41 "— fan tutte"
42 "The Lady — Tiger"
45 Turns in chips
47 Successful
48 — bleu!
49 Weather word
50 Expunge
51 Napery
52 Hessian river
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54 Dress shirt accessory
58 Cuckoo
59 Part of Italy



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Irish survive Hurons in OT, 81-76; Free throws key in ND comeback

By RICK RIETBROCK
Sports Writer

An old friend returned to the Notre Dame basketball team during the stretch drive of its contest with Eastern Michigan last night. The free throw, which had been so elusive in previous games when the Irish needed it most, came back and Notre Dame used it to overcome a fiery Eastern Michigan squad in overtime, 81-76.

David Rivers and Mark Stevenson combined to convert six of six from the gift line in the overtime to help the Irish pull away from the Hurons in the extra period.

But what was Notre Dame's saving grace also served as Eastern Michigan's demise as the Hurons missed three successive front ends of one-and-one situations in the final four minutes of regulation to allow the Irish to crawl back from a seven-point deficit with 4:41 to go.

Those statistics only added frustration for EMU head coach Ben Braun, who saw his

team's upset bid fall just short.

"In the first half we had no turnovers and hit 15-of-17 free throws - and that's the kind of game we play most of the time," he said. "However, it was the same free throws that hurt us down the stretch. I'm still very proud of our players."

It appeared as though Braun would be able to enjoy the evening a lot more when his Hurons turned a 31-33 halftime deficit and a 46-53 deficit into a 65-58 lead with only 4:41 left in the game.

After some fine work by Mike McCaskill, who had been held to only four points in the first half, and a Chuck King rebound basket, Brad Soucie hit his fourth three-point basket of the evening, and Lewis Scott hit a rebound goal to give the Hurons the seven-point advantage.

But Digger Phelps' "press team" helped turn the tide. Jamere Jackson, Michael Smith, Rivers, Stevenson and Scott Hicks put pressure the Hurons and forced some hurried shots that, along with missed free throws, allowed

the Irish to come back.

Jackson's three-point basket and Sean Connor's jumper pulled the Irish to within two at 65-63. Eastern's Lewis Scott then missed the front end of a one-and-one with 1:36 to go. Stevenson missed a fading jumper, but the Irish regained possession with 30 seconds remaining. After passing the ball around the key, Rivers penetrated and found Connor open on the right wing. Connor, slowed by a sprained ankle, sank the 17-footer with eight seconds on the clock to send the game into overtime.

Eastern appeared confused, and with the bench calling for a time-out, let the clock run out before getting a shot off.

Connor said he felt confident taking the clutch shot in the waning moments.

"My shot was feeling good," he said. "I had hit a few in a row and I was in my rhythm, so I just tried to block out the circumstances at the time and let it go."

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The Observer/Robert Jones

Notre Dame's Mark Stevenson drives for two of his 14 points last night against Eastern Michigan. The Irish survived the Huron's scare with an 81-76 overtime win. Rick Rietbrock has details at left.

'Tis the season for wish lists

"He's checking his list. He's checking it twice."
- "Santa Claus is Coming to Town"

In the spirit of the season, it's time to present a Christmas Wish List for the ever-interesting world of sports.

Notre Dame football coach Lou Holtz - 14 points and a ticket to Tempe, Ariz.

Dennis Corrigan

Sports Editor



Notre Dame basketball coach Digger Phelps - the emergence of one of his centers. The Irish will need a big man if they're to survive until tournament time.

Notre Dame soccer coach Dennis Grace - A new pair of golf balls. After his finest season to date, the intense Grace squeezed his day-glo golf balls into day-glo BB's.

Notre Dame women's basketball coach Mary DiStasio - A set of real gold uniforms. Those the Irish got for winning the North Star Conference title last year are greenish-gold, sort of like Georgia Tech's. At least they've shrunk.

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ND faces Ala.-Huntsville tonight

Irish look to break .500 mark

By PETE SKIKO
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame hockey team will be looking to improve upon this season's 5-5 record at the expense of Alabama-Huntsville, which comes to the ACC this weekend for a two-game series with the Irish. Friday and Saturday nights' games will start at 7:30.

Head Coach Lefty Smith feels that the way to achieve that success is by capitalizing on the numerous scoring opportunities that have been opening up for the Irish over the last few games.

"What we've been having a few problems with," says Smith, currently in his 19th year as head coach, "is that we've been pretty sporadic with our scoring chances, especially on the power play. Overall, our play has been all right, but special teams play a very big part in deciding the outcome of a hockey game, and we just need

to be a little more consistent in those areas for the balance to start tipping our way."

Alabama-Huntsville has a steadily improving program which has played the Irish evenly over the past few years. The Chargers own a 4-4-1 record against the Irish overall but have yet to win at the ACC arena. Smith, however, is wary of their team's ability.

"Huntsville has a fine skating club," says Smith. "They attract a lot of talent out of the Detroit area and always seem to play us tough. We've shortened practices a little to keep the guys rested and caught up with their school-work over this last week, but I think this will work in our favor and that we'll be prepared for Alabama. It would be nice to finish out the first semester with a couple of wins."

Junior Jeff Henderson will start in goal for the Irish on Friday night, and senior Tim

Lukenda will take over in the nets on Saturday. Sophomore left wing Matt Hanzel is out with a knee injury, but otherwise the Irish are healthy for this weekend.

After taking on the Chargers this weekend, the squad will come back early to prepare for another two game set in North Dakota against the Bisons of North Dakota State. The Bisons are off to the best start in the history of their program and will prove to be a formidable opponent for the Irish. Smith is slightly worried about the lack of preparation time for the series over Christmas break.

"The squad gets back on January 4th, and we play in North Dakota on the 9th," said Smith. "That really only gives us four days of work but if we go twice a day, I think we should be all right. Again, I think it will all boil down to whether or not we can put the puck in the net."



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