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Ex-Flanner resident dies of cancer

By BRAD PRENDERGAST
Associate News Editor

Gary Paschall, a former Flanner Hall resident who entered Notre Dame as a freshman in the fall of 1994, has passed away.

Paschall died at his home in Wichita Falls, Tex., finally succumbing to the bone cancer that he had been battling for several years.

Father Bill Seetch, rector of Flanner, recalled Paschall with fondness. "He was quiet, very friendly, and hard-working," Seetch said.

"What he wanted the most was to have a year here at Notre Dame, and he wasn't able to get it. That was a real shame."

Paschall was forced to withdraw from the University midway through his first semester as a freshman because of his health.

He made an attempt to return to school following Christmas Break of that year, but was only able to stay for another month.

"We'll miss him," said Ron Fodor, one of Paschall's room-

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EPA cites power plant for emissions



The Observer/Mike Ruma

The EPA recently cited the University of Notre Dame's power plant for violations of the Clean Air Act of 1990.

ND aims to meet standards of Clean Air Act

By LIZ FORAN
Associate News Editor

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) cited the University of Notre Dame last month for air pollution violations of the Clean Air Act of 1990, according to a statement from the organization.

Excessive particulate matter — fly ash, smoke and dust — and sulfur dioxide emitted from the Notre Dame Power Plant was the reason for the notice of violation, the EPA said. The emissions came from three of the four coal-fired boilers at the Power Plant that supplies steam and electricity to the campus.

The citation came from the EPA's Region 5 office in Chicago that monitors the states of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin.

"Seven stack tests performed between February 1991 and July 1995 on the coal-fired boilers recorded particulate matter emissions beyond limits allowed by Indiana air pollution regulations," the EPA

said. The stacks also failed a sulfur dioxide test in February 1995.

The notice of violation was issued under the Clean Air Act of 1990.

According to EPA officials, the stack emissions could exceed legal discharge limits by more than 400 tons of particulate matter per year, and the sulfur dioxide emissions could exceed discharge limits by more than 500 tons per year.

But those results would only occur with all boilers running at maximum capacity for the course of a year, according to Dennis Moore, Notre Dame's director of public relations and information. Currently, not all boilers are operating.

"Two of the three boilers are not in operation right now," he said. The boilers are mainly used in the fall and in the summer to generate steam for use in heating and cooling campus buildings, he added.

According to Moore, the University has already done work on two of the three boilers, and "last time they were tested, their emissions were both within EPA standards."

Notre Dame representatives recently met with EPA officials

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SMC STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Sullivan, Mitchell true to campaign platform

By LORI ALLEN
Saint Mary's News Editor

Sarah Sullivan and Racquel Mitchell had one year to fulfill their campaign promises as student body president and vice-president.

Among their goals were student access to Alumna information via the internet, transportation vehicles for volun-

teering, a weekly newsletter of all campus events, a seminar on Saint Mary's history and new steps for the step aerobics classes.

Although they fulfilled some of these promises, a few points on their platform were dropped. It is difficult to criticize, however because in all ar-

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Hurley moonlights as coroner

By HEATHER COCKS
Assistant News Editor

Three and a half years ago, Chuck Hurley accepted the chance to make an intriguing addition to his resume.

The Assistant Director of Notre Dame Security spends one week per month working as a deputy coroner for St. Joseph County. "I've had previous experience with homicides and other investigations," Hurley says. "This has been an interesting way to utilize that knowledge."

He explained that there is one coroner and three deputies; of those three, Hurley is the only one who is not a doctor. "From previous work, I had quite a good understanding of the required medical and legal background," he says.

Hurley has studied and researched violent deaths at both the FBI Academy in Virginia and the University of Louisville Southern Police Institute.

During his 20-year tenure with the South Bend Police Department, Hurley was able to spend some time as a homicide investigator before taking a position with Notre Dame Security in 1988.

"One of the doctors approached me when there was a vacancy at deputy coroner," recalls Hurley. "The ability to be involved in some form of public service really appealed to me."

His duties include dealing with deaths caused by accidents, suicide, homicide, or natural causes, and he is also present while the local pathologist performs autopsies.

Hurley acknowledges that, al-



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Chuck Hurley, Assistant Director of Notre Dame Security, has also served in recent years as a deputy coroner for St. Joseph County.

though gruesome, this aspect of his work is significantly easier than notifying the victims' families. "It's difficult to see them hit with so much grief," he says. "Watching them deal with the pain can be very intense, very sad."

He maintains that every situation calls for the utmost compassion. "The families have a right to hear the news as gently as possible," he says.

All the deputy coroners work on an on-call basis; Hurley says that most calls come at night and on weekends. "It is a little tiring," he says.

The long hours aside, he emphasizes the personal benefits he reaps from his job.

"I do love the opportunity to work in public service, plus it keeps me in touch with the local police department, which

is advantageous in both lines of work."

Occasionally, conflicts arise with his work at Notre Dame Security. "That is my first priority. If I am needed here, I am here." He notes that the doctors with whom he works are very cooperative — they willingly substitute when Hurley is called to campus. "I do the same for them," he said. "We do this as a team."

While balancing his two careers, Hurley also finds time for a little recreation on campus, acting as head coach for the Fisher interhall football team. "I love working with the students on a level that doesn't involve my security duties," he laughs.

"Plus, when we won the championship I got one of those great letter jackets."

INSIDE COLUMN

A long awaited thank you

Stacy Ward
Associate Viewpoint
Editor

Throughout my childhood, I stated quite matter-of-factly that I was not having children- I was having a bird. Birds do not bark or scratch like other pets, nor make messes and talk back like kids. My bird and I were going to face the world's challenges together.

As the real world looms more realistically in my path, I think that maybe a bird wouldn't be all that fulfilling. Someday, I would like a husband, a dog, maybe even a few children.

When I think about being a parent, I have many questions about my own childhood. For instance, I wonder how many times I have actually thanked my parents for being my mom and dad. I have given them many material thanks such as Mothers' and Fathers' Day cards and birthday presents. Yet, they have received little in the way of genuine, heartfelt appreciation for the daily chores that are simply a part of parenting. It has taken me a long time to realize that those are the aspects of my family life for which I should be most thankful. My parents provide me with an environment where I am surrounded by unconditional love, concern and support. Today, I would like to thank them for all of their dedicated actions and love that as I child I didn't appreciate.

In elementary school, Mom always put our coats on the radiator, so as my sister and I walked to school each morning we would be toasty warm. I never noticed that not everyone had a radiator-warmed coat and I know that I never appreciated mine.

One year, I bought my mom a "Mom's Taxi" key ring, little did I realize how appropriate that small gift was. I always assumed that mom or dad would drive me whenever and wherever I wished. My father dedicated his share of hours to this cause as well. In fact, he still chauffeurs the 5:00 am shuttle to the airport so that I can make a 9:00 am class after going home for break.

How many birthday and Christmas gifts did I receive with the I-didn't-ask-for-this look? A lot. For instance, even this Christmas I received a huge goose down coat. I have worn it everyday since I've been back on campus, just as mom predicted.

I realize now that for years I have taken home and my parents for granted. I needed to leave home to recognize what I missed and how special my parents are to me. Part of Junior Parents' Weekend is to be acquainted with the people behind the names "mom" and "dad." Their responsibilities as parents certainly aren't over and never will be, but they are becoming involved in my life in a different way. I know there is a lot more to mom and dad than carpools and warmed coats, but I want to thank them for warming my coat and driving me without my appreciation for so long, because now I am beginning to understand the meaning behind those actions.

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WORLD AT A GLANCE

AIDS toll increasingly borne by blacks

ATLANTA

AIDS is exacting a growing toll on blacks. The virus is now responsible for a third of all deaths among black men ages 25 to 44, the CDC said Thursday.

AIDS also accounts for about a fifth of the deaths among black women in the same age range — a higher proportion than among young white men, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said. The CDC report is the latest to demonstrate changes in the epidemic since the first cases were reported 15 years ago among gay white men.

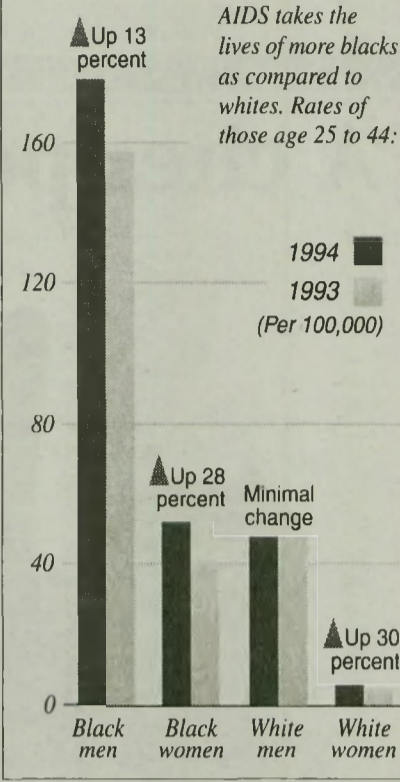
"This is an epidemic that is affecting every segment of society," said Cornelius Baker of the National Association of People with AIDS.

AIDS is now like other sexually transmitted diseases, which tend to strike minorities harder than whites, said Dr. John Ward, the CDC's chief of AIDS surveillance. He pointed to the link between sex and drugs as another reason for the growth of AIDS among blacks.

At least 41,930 people died of AIDS in 1994, up 9 percent from 38,500 the previous year. About three-quarters of the victims were 25 to 44, and AIDS remains the leading killer for that age group, the CDC said.

In 1994, AIDS caused 32 percent of

AIDS deaths



Source: Centers for Disease Control AP

deaths among black men ages 25 to 44, up from 28 percent the year before, and 20 percent among young white men, about the same as in 1993, according to the CDC.

AIDS caused 22 percent of deaths among black women of the same age group in 1994 and 17 percent in 1993, compared with 6 percent among young white women in 1994 and 5 percent the year before.

The death rate from AIDS for young black men in 1994 was 177.9 per 100,000, almost four times greater than the rate for their white counterparts, 47.2. The rate for black men rose 13 percent from the previous year, while the rate for white men remained about the same, the CDC said.

The toll among women is growing. The rate for young black women, 51.2, rose 28 percent from the 1993 rate of 40.1. The rate for young white women jumped 30 percent, from 4.4 in 1993 to 5.7 in 1994.

The CDC expects death rates for blacks and women to continue climbing as their proportion of AIDS cases grow, while cases and deaths among white men are leveling off. "The disparity in the burden of the AIDS epidemic will be increasingly borne by black communities in the country," Ward said.

Buchanan co-chairman takes leave

WASHINGTON

A co-chairman of Pat Buchanan's presidential campaign stepped aside today amid controversy over his appearances as a speaker at meetings organized by white supremacists and right-wing militia leaders. "I don't want to be the reason Pat Buchanan doesn't do well," said Larry Pratt, who added that he finds racism "completely wrong" but took part in at least one anti-government meeting looking into the Ruby Ridge incident. "I was interested in getting to the bottom of that," Pratt said today in an interview on CNN. "There were people at that meeting that I would not choose to be associated with." Pratt said he wanted to "address these charges and put them to rest" to avoid harming Buchanan. "I hope to rejoin the campaign," he said.



Highway won't run over 109 year-old

TAMPA, Fla.

A 109-year-old man ordered out of his house so the state can expand a freeway through his land can stay for now, an appeals court ruled in an emergency order Thursday. Julius James, who inherited the property from his slave ancestors and has lived there all his life, had been ordered to move into a new home by Monday. His niece, Gussie Anderson, who has cared for him the past two years says, "He said, 'Oh, thank you, Jesus.' I tell you, he looks so good. It's unbelievable." The state needs 21 of his 60 acres to improve a congested freeway running by his farm's eastern edge. Circuit Judge William Swigert ruled Tuesday that James had to relocate. Michael Brown, James' lawyer, wants his client to be allowed to live with his niece and family on a knoll deep in the property, land the state doesn't need for the highway. Department of Transportation manager John Gray hopes to resolve the issue and "move along the project."

School hungover about 'evil' beer ad

FLORENCE, Ala.

They love him, ma-a-a-n! (Sob.) Uh, unless he's going to sell beer. Charlton Heston's appearance in a Bud Light commercial led an Alabama Christian school to cancel his speech at its annual fund-raiser March 22. The commercial — which uses the catch phrase "I love you, ma-a-a-n!" and a fake sob — first ran during the Super Bowl on January 28, 1996. David Vester, president of the Mars Hill Bible School, said, "We're a Christian school, and part of our purpose for being is to teach against the evils of drinking." Heston's screen roles have included Moses and Ben-Hur. "If my light-hearted commercial broadcast during the Super Bowl offended anyone, I respect their beliefs," Heston said Thursday in a statement released through an aide.

Court limits doctor's concealed guns

ALBANY, N.Y.

Sometimes four concealed weapons just aren't good enough. An New York emergency room doctor took his case all the way to New York's highest court after his application to carry five firearms was denied by an Albany city court. He felt he needed another ven though, he already had a license to carry four semiautomatic handguns. Dr. Jerald O'Brien told the licensing officer that he wanted to carry more guns because "it makes me feel better." The reason didn't seem to fly with the licensing officer — or the state Court of Appeals. Judge Carmen Ciparick ruled Thursday that O'Brien couldn't demonstrate "a need — or much less, any reason" for a license that would let him carry so many guns.

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|--------------|-----------|---------------|
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| Lafayette | 27° | Partly Cloudy |
| Indianapolis | 29° | Partly Cloudy |
| Evansville | 31° | Partly Cloudy |
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Legend: Showers, T-storms, Rain, Flurries, Snow, Ice, Sunny, Pt. Cloudy, Cloudy

NATIONAL WEATHER

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Legend: HIGH, LOW, SHOWERS, RAIN, T-STORMS, FLURRIES, SNOW, ICE, SUNNY, PT. CLOUDY, CLOUDY

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| Atlanta | 49 | 18 | Denver | 62 | 31 | New Orleans | 50 | 29 |
| Boston | 31 | 24 | Houston | 64 | 28 | New York | 34 | 24 |
| Chicago | 31 | 15 | Kansas City | 51 | 24 | Phoenix | 82 | 56 |
| Cincinnati | 36 | 18 | Los Angeles | 72 | 54 | Salt Lake City | 48 | 20 |
| Cleveland | 30 | 15 | Miami | 62 | 46 | Seattle | 54 | 41 |

Conflicting schedules cancel Adams lecture

By BRAD PRENDERGAST
Associate News Editor

Gerry Adams, leader of the political party Sinn Fein in Northern Ireland, will not be coming to campus this spring because of a scheduling conflict, the second time this year that arrangements with Adams by Notre Dame student organizations fell through.

Adams was originally scheduled to visit Notre Dame in November, but was forced to cancel when President Bill Clinton announced plans to travel to Northern Ireland that month. At that point, efforts by the Office of Student Activities and Student Union Board were made to reschedule Adams' visit for a date in the spring.

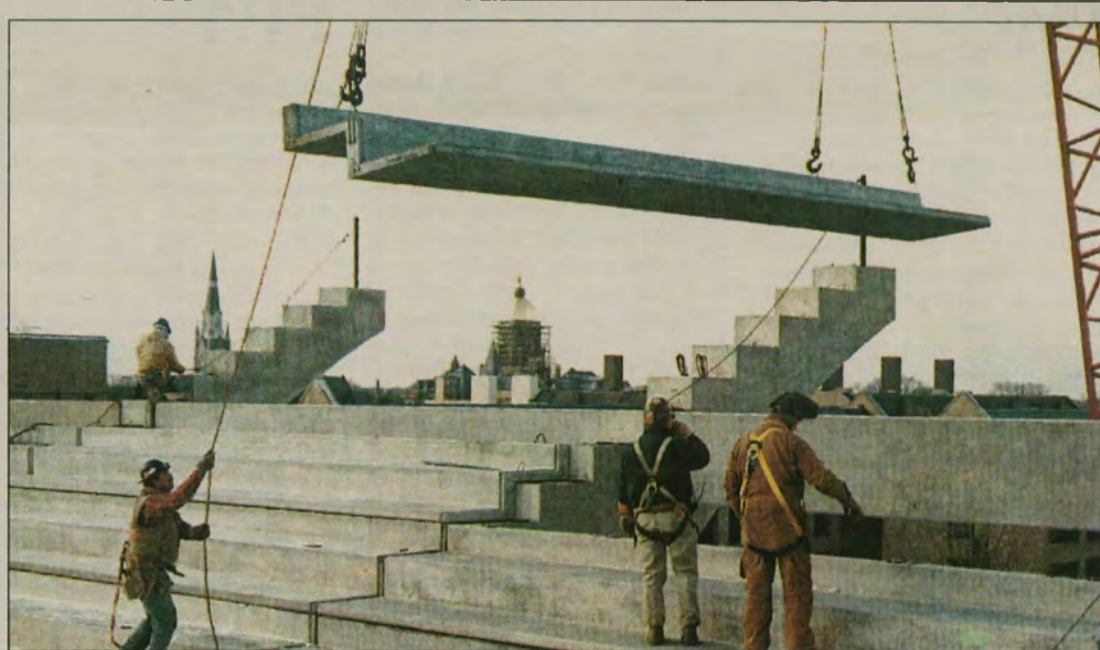
Following a report released by Sen. George Mitchell (D-Maine) on Jan. 31 that said Sinn Fein should be allowed to

remain a part of peace talks in Northern Ireland as the cease-fire continued, Adams announced his intentions to resume his U.S. lecture tour. Adams' lecture agent informed the OSA and SUB that Adams would be available during the week of March 11.

Because Notre Dame students will be on spring break that week, OSA and SUB were forced to decline and withdraw their offer to have Adams speak at Notre Dame.

In a letter submitted to The Observer yesterday, Kevin Klau of the OSA and Julie Wallman of SUB stressed that their decision not to invite Adams to campus was due to the scheduling conflict and not because of the end of the cease-fire and the bomb explosion in London on Feb. 8, an event for which

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ND Stadium reaches new level

Observer Staff Report

Construction continues on the additions to the Notre Dame football stadium.

Yesterday, local union iron workers (top) installed around 30 more seating beams, the average daily amount. The seating beams weigh approximately 12,000 pounds apiece, and were built by Prestress Services in Decatur, Ind.

Runway ramps (left) for access to the upper level of the stadium addition are also in progress. The ramps are supported by 70-foot high columns placed by Casteel Construction, the contracting firm overseeing the stadium expansion.

When the expansion is completed, the stadium will hold 20,000 more spectators, making the facility the 14th largest in the United States. The expansion project will be completed in time for the 1997 football season.



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eas, the pair seemed to make an honest effort to accomplish their goals.

Sullivan and Mitchell demonstrated determination to create a more visible student government on campus. They took upon themselves the task of carrying over the Haggar renovation towards the end of last semester that had been started by the previous administration. "I think that they did an excellent job in renovating Haggar, and I am looking forward to the renaming," said Saint Mary's junior Kristin Meek.

"Twenty percent of the Saint Mary's community will be polled some time next week regarding the renaming process of the Haggar College Center snack bar. The names being considered are The Athenium, The Bridge and Crossings," Sullivan stated.

According to Georgeanna Rosenbush, director of student activities at Saint Mary's College, both Sullivan and Mitchell have showed true leadership in completing projects from the previous administration. "They had developed manuals for Board of Governance, reconstructed the constitution to make it more readable and in-

creased contact with the South Bend community," Rosenbush said.

Leslie Field, BOG Notre Dame student representative also commends Sullivan and Mitchell on their outstanding job of upholding platform issues. "Sarah (Sullivan) demonstrated excellence in running BOG, she really kept the board together well."

The mid semester break up of Residence Hall Association generated tremendous response from the student body. "Our BOG board was unified that night. RHA really showed them that there are a lot of issues on campus that need to be dealt with. Apathy is not a way to solve a problem. This derailed me from BOG but the problems were solved and everything was put back on track," Sullivan said.

"The problems with RHA should only show that negative things will happen and that there are ways to make it through," said Mitchell, who described her position as a hard-working learning experience. "I am happy with the unity in student government and impressed with the enthusiasm I see in Jenn Turbiak and Beth-Ann Miller (president and vice-president elect) and I am looking forward to working with them for the next two months," Sullivan said.

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mates. "He was a really nice guy and a good friend."

Eric Kohn, another roommate, echoed that sentiment.

"Even though he was only here for about one semester, we got to know him really well

in that one semester. We got along great with him," Kohn said. "He loved his music, his talk shows, and his computer."

Paschall's disease put an end to a promising and already-illustrious athletic career.

In his senior year at Notre Dame High School in Wichita Falls, Paschall led all fullbacks in the state of Texas in rushing yards, Seetch said.

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in Chicago at the request of the University in an attempt to comply with EPA regulations, Moore said.

He said the University is working on plans to alter the remaining boiler, which is currently in operation.

The EPA said breathing high concentrations of particulate matter has been shown to worsen the condition of persons with heart and lung diseases. Sulfur dioxide may penetrate deep into the lungs, causing alterations in their lining.

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the Irish Republican Army later claimed responsibility.

Sinn Fein is the political arm of the IRA.

"The decision not to invite Adams to speak at Notre Dame this spring was made before the cease-fire ended and hostilities resumed," Klau and Wallman said. "It... was made solely because of the logistical difficulties." Moreover, Klau and Wallman said the original invitation to Adams last fall was not an endorsement of Adams or Sinn Fein.

"The fact that we extended the offer in the fall should not be viewed as a show of support for Adams or his political party," they said. "The primary motivation behind this lecture was to hear first-hand from a key party in the negotiations about the nature of the conflict and the prospects for lasting peace."

■ SOUTH AFRICA

Mandela enacts ban on Zulu weapons

By ALEXANDRA ZAVIS
Associated Press

CAPE TOWN

President Nelson Mandela challenged Zulu nationalists to defy him Thursday, announcing that a ban on the clubs, spears and other weapons they insist on carrying in public would take effect within days.

The ban is part of a broader anti-crime campaign. Mandela argues that such weapons make it too easy for political rallies and marches to deteriorate into bloody riots.

When Mandela first raised the possibility of a ban during a speech to Parliament last week, Zulu nationalist leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi warned that his followers would fight to protect their "God-given right to carry their cultural accoutrements whenever they wish to do so."

The conflict between Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom Party and Mandela's African National Congress is the greatest threat to stability in South Africa since the end of white minority rule.

Thousands have died over the last decade in the ANC-Inkatha power struggle in the Zulu stronghold of KwaZulu-Natal province.

Mandela has called for a peace conference to calm the province, but his weapons

ban proposal showed he was determined to battle the violence on several fronts.

"Let me make it abundantly clear that anyone who elects to defy the laws of the land will be punished fully," Mandela told Parliament on Thursday.

Mandela also urged Inkatha to rejoin the constitution-writing process, which it abandoned over the ANC's refusal to bring in foreign mediators to help determine how power should be divided between provincial and national governments.

Inkatha wants more autonomy for KwaZulu-Natal, accusing the ANC of pursuing autocratic powers with which to wipe out Zulu culture.

The ANC, which won the nation's first all race elections in 1994 to head the national government, advocates strong central government. It accuses Inkatha of opposing democracy in KwaZulu-Natal in a bid to retain control of the region.

Earlier Thursday, Buthelezi again called for international mediation. The ANC says the dispute should be worked out with other parties in the constitutional assembly it controls.

Buthelezi was not present during Mandela's speech, as he had already left to prepare for a gathering of Zulu chiefs to discuss Mandela's call for a peace conference.

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Berry: 'Universe is a communion'

'Eco-theologian' discusses role of future education

By MARGARET LENNON
News Writer

Unless educators begin to teach today's generation the necessity of preserving the earth, the current rate of devastation to the planet will continue, according to Fr. Thomas Berry, a self-described "eco-theologian."

"When the mast was first seen on the horizon, every living being on this continent might have shuddered as to what was coming," Berry said.

The difficulty from the beginning is that "we might have

come and learned to take the spirituality of the continent but we came as predators instead."

Berry feels that what is happening now is not just affecting humans, but the chemistry and actual creation of the entire planet. "The beautiful world outside had to exist before the beautiful world inside could," he said. "The tragedy now is not just pollution, but a soul loss, an imagination loss resulting from when the children cannot see the stars."

Describing his own generation's relationship to the non-human world as "autistic," Berry focused on the culpability of government, business, education, and religion and their history of considering non-human things valuable because of their use to humans.

But that trend is now at a

crossing point. In the future, Berry believes, every life situation division will be "between those who work with the natural world and those who devastate it."

In order for humans to be present on the planet in a "mutually enhancing way", Berry says, "we must understand the universe is a communion of subjects, not a collection of objects... and those subjects have rights."

In many ways, ecologists don't have a chance in the U.S. today because, as Berry says, "our Constitution only guarantees life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness to humans."

The solution, Berry said, is two-fold. First, universities must teach people how to build "a new mode of intimacy between humans and the non-human world." Thus far, nearly 200 universities worldwide have agreed to found their teaching on how to deal with these issues.

Secondly, Berry emphasized the necessity of every human being taking responsibility because "what was once an inherent dynamic of divinely inspired process - now nothing will happen that we are not involved in."

The challenge that all people face is to be able to identify not only with humankind, Berry said, but with the entire universe of which humans are a part.

Photojournalist feels ethics must be upheld

By MIKE JACCARINO
News Writer



The Observer/ Brandon Candura
John Long, a photojournalist, spoke on the question of ethics.

The nature of a picture, once an historical image capturing the truth of reality at its moment of occurrence, has been irrevocably changed, according to John Long, a photojournalist of twenty-five years with the Hartford Courant.

With allusions to the past, Long spoke candidly last night about the dangers which have arisen in his field.

According to Long, the use of electronics in altering the nature of a photograph has become increasingly prevalent throughout photojournalism.

The debate over ethics in photojournalism arises over the use of electronic machines, which can accomplish what in the past took days of painstaking dark-room work.

According to Long, there is a pact between the reader and the newspaper which guarantees that any picture appearing in a publication is a fair and accurate window into the reality of history.

"When photojournalists begin to alter images, the power, authority and value of those photographs is lost." This shift from documentary journalism to impressionism is a trend from which photojournalists will emerge with their credibility lost forever, according to Long. "The American people are losing faith in photographs as documents of history," he said.

Throughout his lecture, Long employed the use of slides to illustrate the difference between past and present in the field of photojournalism. The power of the immortal Vietnam War image of a South Vietnamese soldier standing with a gun held to his head

stood in stark contrast to the computer-edited photograph of O.J. Simpson's mug-shot as it appeared on the cover of Time Magazine.

"Once that shutter clicks and a moment in time is captured, it is in violation of the ethics of photojournalism to run the picture any other way but the way it stood at that moment. That moment is sacrosanct in photojournalism," he said.

Long also felt that the manipulation of a photograph's contents before that picture is taken also constitutes a breach in the ethics of photojournalism.

In possibly his most revealing anecdote of the evening Long ended by saying that the golden age of photojournalism, when men revered the moment, has past. "I'm a horse and buggy type photographer," he said, "but today photojournalism is a new car and, sadly, I'm unknowing of the path it will come to ride upon."

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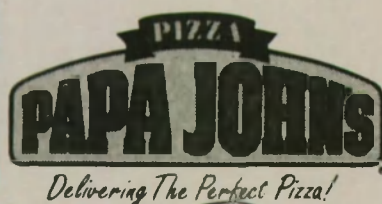
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■ WALES

Tanker runs aground spilling part of cargo

Associated Press

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An oil tanker ran aground in western Wales on Thursday, leaking more than a million gallons of oil.

The Sea Empress, which sails under a Liberian flag, lost 1.8 million gallons of its 37.6 million gallon cargo, according to a statement from the Milford Haven coast guard. By contrast, the 1989 Exxon Valdez spill was 11 million gallons.

It was the second time in four months that a tanker ran onto rocks in western Wales.

Early reports said a steering failure might have caused the 77,350-ton tanker to run aground Thursday as it entered the Milford Haven estuary en route to a Texaco refinery, one of two refineries in the inlet.

However, Acomarit, the

Glasgow, Scotland-based company that manages the 20-year-old ship, said there was no steering failure. Company officials did not specify what the problem was.

"The port's full pollution control plan has been put into effect," said Texaco Oil emergency coordinator Phil Thompson. "The vessel is, however, remaining in position while experts discuss next moves."

Coast guard tug boats towed the ship off rocks at Saint Ann's Head, at the tip of the mouth of the estuary. It ordered all ships to keep clear of a ten-mile radius of the area while the ship was mired. All 29 Russian crew members were safe.

Last fall, another large oil tanker, the Borgia, ran aground in the same area and was refloated without any spillage.

UC regents approve affirmative action plan

By MICHELLE LOCKE
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

After a dispute that nearly cost the new University of California president his job, regents quietly approved a compromise plan Thursday on when to drop affirmative action.

By voice vote, the regents voted unanimously to get rid of race and gender considerations in undergraduate admissions by spring 1998. Student regent Ed Gomez, a supporter of affirmative action, said later he had meant to vote "no" but the voice vote caught him by surprise.

Last July, the regents voted to drop race and gender from admissions decisions effective Jan. 1, 1997.

Last month, UC President Richard Atkinson said the new policy wouldn't take effect until

fall 1998.

UC officials explained that the university admissions year begins in November, so a change in January 1997 would affect students applying in November 1997 for the following year.

Under pressure from several regents, including Republican Gov. Pete Wilson, Atkinson agreed to implement the new policy for graduate and professional students entering in September 1997.

But he insisted that he wouldn't be able to get rid of affirmative action in undergraduate admissions until fall 1998.

Ten regents then ordered a special meeting to review Atkinson's performance, a measure last taken in 1967 when Clark Kerr became the first president in UC's 127-year history to be fired.

■ CHINA

Rocket explodes, kills four

Blast destroys second satellite in one year

By RENEE SCHOOF
Associated Press

BEIJING

The explosion of another Chinese rocket — which destroyed a television satellite and caused an unconfirmed number of casualties — raised new questions today about the reliability of China's commercial satellite launch program.

Hong Kong radio said four people were killed and dozens injured in the explosion early today, but Zhang Lihui, a spokeswoman for the government aerospace agency, said there were no deaths.

The newly developed Long March 3B rocket carrying the Intelsat Inc. satellite veered toward the ground and exploded moments after liftoff at 3:01 a.m. (2:01 p.m. EST Wednesday), television footage showed.

The force of the blast blew away roofs and knocked out windows and doors at a military base near the Xichang Launch Center in remote southwestern Sichuan province, a military official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

He said two soldiers were slightly injured and medics were sent to the scene.

It was the second explosion in China's commercial satellite launching industry in just over a year. In January 1995, a Long March 2E rocket exploded minutes after launch, killing six people and injuring 23. A Long March 2E also exploded in 1992.

The latest explosion "puts another big question mark over the overall reliability of China's launch systems," said Brian Jeffries, editor of the Asia-Pacific Space Report in Hong Kong.

"It's really quite a big setback because of their past problems. They haven't really demonstrated that they can be reliable on the international market place," he said.

China should be more open about what goes wrong with failed launches to help customers feel more confident, Jeffries added.

China has aggressively promoted its commercial satellite launching industry, offering low prices and flexible terms.

Although current launch prices are not known, China put its first satellite into space for a foreign customer, AsiaSat1 in 1990, for \$30 million, about half the amount Western competitors charged at the time.

The state-run Xinhua News Agency, in a brief report, said only that the Chinese-made rocket failed after ignition.

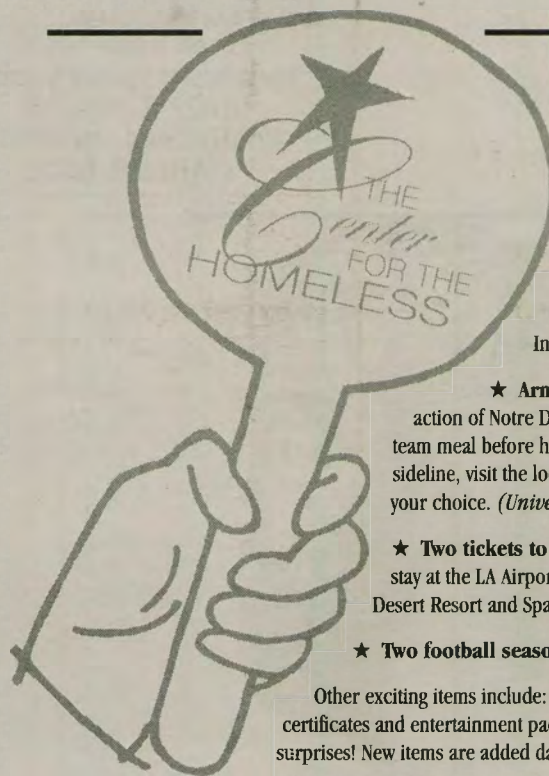
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Experts suspect sabotage in train wreck

Railroad calls in FBI to further investigate site

By MARGARET TAUS
Associated Press

ST. PAUL, Minn.

A runaway freight train traveling up to 50 mph slammed into a railroad office building, injuring nine men, and authorities said today that sabotage was suspected.

"There appears to have been some tampering with the train. As a result we have called in the FBI," said Dick Russack, a spokesman for Burlington Northern Santa Fe in Illinois.

Russack declined to elaborate on why sabotage was suspected.

The Burlington Northern train, carrying lumber, grain and other cargo, originated in Minneapolis and was bound for Galesburg, Ill., when its brakes failed just before midnight Wednesday, said Rick Ellis, a BN division superintendent. It was approaching the freight yard of Canadian Pacific Railroad.

One of the injured men was pinned for three hours beneath a car holding 15 tons of grain. He was freed after rescuers dug into the frozen ground to jack up the car.

He was upgraded from critical to fair condition today, suffering from hypothermia. Wind chills had been below zero as rescuers worked to free him from the wreckage.

None of the other injuries, mostly fractures and sprains, appeared to be life-threatening, authorities said. Five men were treated and released.

The FBI began a preliminary investigation into whether federal laws were broken, agency spokeswoman Coleen Rowley said.

"Clearly it appears the brakes failed, but in an investigation one has to look at everything," Russack said.

The train was inspected and nothing unusual was detected before it left the Northtown yard, according to Russack. After leaving Northtown, the train made a routine stop in St. Paul, eight miles before the accident site, to let another train go by, he said.

Canadian Pacific officials said

44 rail cars and six locomotives derailed, including cars and engines that were knocked off the tracks by the oncoming train. Cars were twisted in every direction, some upside down, some on top of each other. The impact knocked the rails off their bed and wiped out a steel pedestrian bridge over the train yard.

Big sheets of plywood spilled out of railway cars like decks of cards, and grain poured onto the frozen gravel beneath the wreckage. Cleanup crews were siphoning diesel fuel out of the tanks and off the ground.

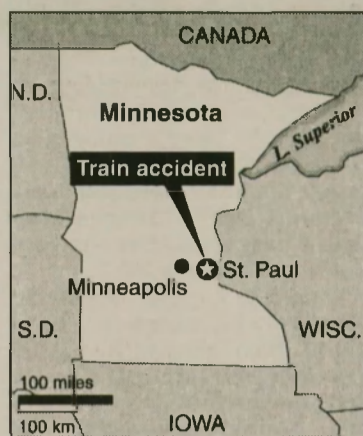
"It's amazing there was not any explosion and fire. That's a miracle," said Mike McDonough, a Canadian Pacific electrician.

The train, with two locomotives and 89 cars, hit some of the six CP locomotives parked outside the CP office building in the freight yard in southeast St. Paul. Then dozens of cars from the BN train derailed, some slamming into the building.

Ellis said he could not estimate how fast the train was going, but that the average speed in the area was 35 mph. St. Paul Fire Chief Tim Fuller estimated that the train was traveling 40-50 mph.

Mike Johnson, a freight car inspector for Canadian Pacific, said he was in the lunchroom with five others getting ready for a night's work when they heard a switchman issue a radio warning about the runaway train. That was about three to five minutes before it hit.

"Everybody ran out," he said. "I didn't know what way to go." He said he just bent down and covered his head, and the



train stopped just five feet from the room.

The impact of the cars hitting the building pushed one man through the floor, covering him with rubble, Johnson said, and he was sure everybody would have been killed had the train not hit the locomotives before plowing into the building.

"It was the most incredible thing you could ever imagine because you knew you were going to die but then it stopped just before you did," he said.

The injured were taken to St. Paul-Ramsey Medical Center. Seven were Canadian Pacific employees. Two were on the Burlington Northern train.

Canadian Pacific spokesman John Bergene said the track is a main line for Burlington Northern and Canadian Pacific trains. Several CP trains were backed up because of the derailment, he said, and officials were trying to reroute them.

Last October, one person was killed and 78 injured in the sabotage of Amtrak's Sunset Limited in the desert near Hyder, Ariz., about 55 miles southwest of Phoenix.

Guilty plea cuts mafia trial short

By RICHARD PYLE
Associated Press

NEW YORK

A much-anticipated courtroom confrontation between mob defector Salvatore "Sammy Bull" Gravano and famed defense grillmaster F. Lee Bailey fizzled Thursday when Bailey's mobster client abruptly pleaded guilty to murder conspiracy.

The surprise move by Gambino crime family associate Joseph Watts, 45, came on the second day of his trial — just before Gravano was to testify as a government witness.

It would have been the eighth such appearance for Gravano, who has been called the most important Mafia turncoat in the United States. His testimony proved vital to the 1992 conviction of his formerly close cohort, Gambino boss John Gotti, and a succession of lesser hoodlums.

Originally sentenced to only five years in prison, Gravano is now in the federal witness protection program. His court appearance would have been his first in 16 months.

Bailey had been expected to accuse Gravano of perjury on grounds that in admitting under oath to 19 murders, the gangster had failed to mention two others.

In rendering that issue moot, Watts' plea may also have dealt a setback to Gotti, who is appealing his life sentence for murder and racketeering on the same grounds. By discrediting Gravano, Bailey could have at least indirectly bolstered Gotti's bid for a new trial.

U.S. District Attorney Zachary Carter declined to speculate on the effect on Gotti's appeal.

Defense lawyers said they were delighted with the deal, which calls for Watts to spend six years in prison. Watts himself seemed relieved, smiling broadly and shaking hands with attorneys and friends.

Each side said the deal was the other's idea.

Watts' attorney Alan Futerfas said prosecutors were concerned the aggressive Bailey might destroy their star witness.

Carter denied that and said prosecutors had no qualms about bringing Gravano out in public again, despite his status as a protected witness.

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Police find lead in string of Indiana Amish attacks

By NANCY ARMOUR
Associated Press

NAPPANEE, Ind. — At least 10 or 15 times since January, Amish men on bicycles have been beaten and robbed on their way home from work, sometimes with metal pipes and tire irons.

The Amish are seen as easy prey because their pacifist beliefs prevent them from fighting back and they are reluctant to take their problems to police.

Police think they have finally cracked the case with the help of an Amish man who stepped forward out of fear someone would eventually be killed. But questions and concerns remain.

The attacks have horrified people in Nappanee, where

hitching posts stand outside banks and grocery stores and traffic signs warn motorists to watch for horse-drawn buggies.

"My feeling was disgust," said Brooke Box, a non-Amish resident of this town of 5,510 people about 45 miles southeast of South Bend. "Disgust and embarrassment, because we live in this community."

Nappanee's quiet, black-clad Amish, who number about 2,500, have always had good relations with other residents, and they are vital to the economy. Tourists from across the country travel to Amish Acres, a historical farm and education center, and buy Amish-made crafts and furniture.

The attacks began in early January, when an Amish bicy-

clist was struck by a car. Police said it may have been intentional. Two days later, an Amish man riding his bike was attacked and robbed of \$280.

"It was very unexpected," said a Amish woman who spoke on condition of anonymity. "We always thought things like that happen in the big city. ... We were scared because we didn't know what to expect if we went on the road."

The Amish are a Christian sect that generally shuns modern conveniences such as electricity, cars and telephones. Many farm, use horse-drawn buggies and follow a simple way of life. They don't like drawing attention to themselves and avoid bright clothing. The Amish also are reluctant to be

interviewed or photographed and will rarely give their names to a reporter.

"They're very vulnerable because of their religious beliefs. They don't fight back," said David Kolbe, the Kosciusko County prosecutor. Attacking the Amish is "analogous to doing it to children."

Police began receiving anonymous calls, with each caller telling a similar story: An Amish man on his way home from work had been followed by a car carrying at least two people and was assaulted with a pipe or tire iron and robbed.

The attacks usually occurred on Thursdays or Fridays — payday at the recreational-vehicle plants where many Amish work. Between \$100 and \$300

was stolen from each person, Kolbe said.

Though they knew about the attacks, police could do little because none of the victims would give his name. The Amish believe justice should be left to God and don't see the legal system as a way to resolve disputes.

"As a police officer it bothers me quite a bit," Detective Sgt. Tom Brindle said. "I also know how the law works. If a person is not willing to back law-enforcement and report the crime, then law enforcement can't do anything about the crime."

Finally, an Amish man reported being chased by a car filled with people, one of whom was waving a tire iron.

Questions of motive dominate Salvi trial

By KATHARINE WEBSTER
Associated Press

DEDHAM, Mass. — In a voice "like a preacher," John C. Salvi III shouted, "This is what you get! You should pray the rosary!" as he shot a receptionist to death at an abortion clinic, witnesses testified Thursday.

Salvi, 23, of Hampton, N.H., is charged with murdering the receptionist and a second woman and wounding five others in attacks on two abortion clinics on Dec. 30, 1994. The former hairdresser has pleaded insanity.

Witnesses said he walked into an anteroom and waited to be acknowledged by receptionist Lee Ann Nichols, then reached into a duffel bag and pulled out a gun.

"Then he took a step to his left, lifted his gun and shot me," said Jane Sauer, a patient administrator who was the first to be hit.

Sauer said she rolled herself into a ball behind a column and where she heard Salvi telling Nichols: "This is what you get! You should pray the rosary!" as he pumped 10 bullets into her.

Clinic security guard Richard Seron described Salvi's voice as high-pitched and loud, yet "eloquent" and "like a preacher." Seron, who

exchanged gunfire with Salvi, said the gunman's eyebrows were arched, his brow furrowed, his mouth taut and his eyes unblinking.

In the first cross-examination of the trial, Salvi's lawyers challenged the suggestion that their client was motivated by his anti-abortion views, rather than by delusions of a conspiracy against Roman Catholics. The shootings, the defense claims, were triggered by the murders of four Catholic priests in Algeria three days earlier.

Prosecutors say Salvi's actions were the work of a man who was in full control of his senses and had carefully planned his crimes.

Seron said he saw Salvi picketing outside the clinic two to three weeks before the shooting. Yet he conceded under cross-examination that he did not correctly identify Salvi from mug shots immediately after the attack.

"Is your memory better now than it was a year ago?" asked defense attorney Janice Bassil, suggesting Seron was motivated by the \$100,000 reward offered for information leading to the gunman's capture.

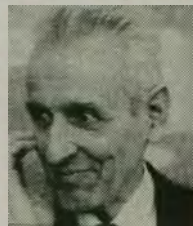
Seron, who was shot in the attack, said he wasn't influenced by the reward and received no money.

Kevorkian trial narrows jurors

By BRIAN AKRE
Associated Press

PONTIAC, Mich. — The assisted-suicide trial of Dr. Jack Kevorkian opened Thursday

with a judge questioning the 60 prospective jurors herself to keep the lawyers from delving into such matters as religion.



Kevorkian

Kevorkian, 67, is accused of aiding in the 1993 deaths of

two people who inhaled carbon monoxide in apartments he rented. He was charged under Michigan's now-expired ban on assisted suicide, which carries up to four years in prison.

Circuit Judge Jessica Cooper questioned the jury panel herself after a few days of wrangling over defense attorney Geoffrey Fieger's bid to ask prospective jurors such questions as "Does your religion forbid suicide?"

Cooper said last week she would allow such questions but reversed herself on Monday after an appeals court ordered her to explain herself.

On Thursday, the judge told Fieger and prosecutor Gregory Townsend she might let them ask some follow-up questions.

By midafternoon, Cooper had dismissed four prospective jurors, three men and one woman. The woman had told the judge she might be affected by her religious beliefs.

One man said he couldn't be fair; another said he would be influenced by the fact that the law Kevorkian is charged with breaking — a nearly two-year moratorium imposed by the Legislature — has expired; and the fourth person said he knew two people on a witness list.

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■ ENGLAND

Theater district bomb bears trademarks of IRA

By RON KAMPEAS
Associated Press

LONDON
Police deactivated a bomb in London's theater district Thursday hours after the Irish Republican Army appeared to reject demands for a new cease-fire.

No one claimed responsibility for the small bomb found near Shaftesbury Avenue, famous for its theaters and restaurants, but Scotland Yard said two coded telephone warnings "bore all the hallmarks" of the IRA.

Police were evacuating buildings in a London business district last Friday after similar

warnings when a truck bomb exploded, killing two people, wounding more than 100 and causing an estimated \$125 million in damage.

The bombing broke a 17-month cease-fire in the IRA's campaign to end Britain's eight-century rule of Northern Ireland.

Just after 12:30 p.m. Thursday, barricades went up after police received seven coded warnings. Some people were evacuated, others told to stay inside.

Police sealed off Piccadilly Circus, Trafalgar Square, the bustling shopping district along Oxford Street and half a dozen subway stations, but reopened



them about three hours after the warnings.

The bomb was found in a sports bag in a phone booth on Charing Cross Road after two "imprecise" warnings, a Scotland Yard statement said. Police described it as small, but such devices have killed passersby in the past.

In the IRA's first pronounce-

ment since claiming responsibility for Friday's bombing, it made what appeared to be a threat of further attacks, saying it "will continue to assert Irish national rights in the face of British denial for as long as is necessary."

The statement blamed British Prime Minister John Major for the breakdown of the truce and repeated its demand for all-party talks on the future of Northern Ireland.

The IRA wants its political ally, Sinn Fein, included in the talks.

The British and Irish governments have barred elected cabinet members from contact with Sinn Fein. Irish civil servants

plan to meet Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams on Friday in Dublin.

The British and Irish governments have demanded a new cease-fire.

Protestants, the majority in Northern Ireland, largely favor British rule.

The IRA draws its support from a minority within the Roman Catholic community, about 40 percent of the population.

From 1970 to 1994, the IRA killed more than 1,700 people. Pro-British paramilitaries killed about 900 people, mostly Catholics.

British soldiers and police killed about 350.

■ DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Search party finds 'black box'

By JOSE MONEGRO
Associated Press

Investigators into the plane crash that killed 189 people last week got their first big break Thursday when they located one of the plane's "black box" recorders on the deep sea floor.

It was not immediately known whether the recorder was the one for flight data or the one that records talk in the cockpit. Either one could be crucial to discovering the cause of the Feb. 6 crash.

Encouraged by the discovery, searchers began mapping the rugged ocean floor 12 miles off the north coast of this Caribbean nation where the Alas Nacionales Flight 301 went down, carrying mostly German tourists returning from Caribbean holidays. All aboard were killed.

The investigators hoped to determine the exact depth of the recorder and chart any other debris from the downed Boeing 757 before sending a robot to recover the recorder.

Initial mapping could take two days, said U.S. Embassy spokesman Cesar Beltran, who was told of the find in a telephone call from the captain of the 105-foot search vessel, Seaward Explorer.

President Joaquin Balaguer, meanwhile, declared Thursday a day of national mourning, and churches across the country held services to honor the crash victims.

Flight 301 crashed into the Atlantic Ocean minutes after takeoff from Puerto Plata's international airport.

The plane was leased by Alas, a small Dominican company, from Birgenair, a Turkish com-

pany that has said it was responsible for all Alas operations.

Investigators so far have been hampered by a lack of evidence. Rescuers recovered only 72 bodies from the sea and could find no airplane scraps bigger than a suitcase.

Dominican civil aviation authorities leading the probe have said there was no warning the plane was in trouble, but ground controllers say the crew might have been trying to turn the plane around and return to Puerto Plata.

Information stored in the flight data and cockpit voice recorders is crucial to the investigation — and includes details such as the jet's pitch, airspeed and direction, and conversations among the crew and with ground controllers.

■ BRAZIL

Mudslide to blame for deaths of at least 71

By PETER MUELLO
Associated Press

RIO DE JANEIRO

Brazilians pulled bodies from the muck Thursday and looked for someone to blame for mudslides that killed at least 71 people, many in hillside shantytowns of handmade shacks.

The body of a young boy was found under mounds of garbage in the shantytown of Cidade de Deus, or City of God, in Rio. In nearby Sitio do Pai Joao, civil defense workers pulled two more bodies from the red mud that buried shacks.

Twelve people were still missing in Cidade de Deus, civil defense officials said. Residents said there were twice that

many. About one-fifth of Rio's 6 million people live in its 660 slums, but few have an address.

Heavy summer rains caused 100 deaths in similar tragedies in 1966, 1967 and 1988.

Maia, however, blamed the victims for refusing to evacuate. "They resist," he said. "We remove them and they go back."

Joel Portela, a Roman Catholic priest, recalled how residents sat marveling at rainbow halos above water cascading down a slope. The slope then crashed down, killing at least 17.

"They should have spent their time evacuating, but they didn't know the danger they were in," Portela said.

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EDITORIAL

Congratulations and advice to new student leaders

An Open Letter to the Incoming Student Government
 To Seth Miller, Megan Murray, Jen Turbiak and Beth Ann Miller:

First of all, congratulations on your victories. Your hard work and eagerness to serve your respective campuses clearly demonstrate the depth of your commitment to your schools.

But realize your new jobs are not passes to campus wide power, perks, and a post-graduation job. The path you have chosen will be a difficult one, filled with tremendous responsibility arduous tasks and a myriad of challenges. The student bodies of both Notre Dame and Saint Mary's face some tough times ahead, and will look to you to provide the direction, or the answers to problems when no one else can or will come up with them. There are crises to be faced, and now you are in the hot seat.

Some suggestions:

- Be leaders. This might seem obvious, but stand up for your constituency. Be a visible instrument of student voice from one end of Notre Dame, Indiana to the other. Without you making points for us, the student bodies are just cash cows grazing on Holy Cross farmland. On the other side, learn quickly the things that are worth fighting for. If you confront the administration at every single turn, you'll spend the next eight months beating your head against a brick wall.
- Return activism to student government. For too long student government has been a hibernating bear: large and powerful and sometimes awake long enough to be quite potent, but too often just lethargic and stumbling through the motions. Take a stand in office, in fact, take a whole bunch of stands. There are too many vital issues dogging both student bodies for you to ignore— Gender issues, multi-cultural issues, gay and lesbian student concerns, and the need for more student input. At Notre Dame in particular, the need for a student member of the Notre Dame Board of Trustees should not be overlooked. At Saint Mary's, there is a need for a stronger, clearer identity, whether students care to admit it or not. And for both schools, work for better relations between their students and their administrations. The list goes on. Make sure it starts to get smaller.
- Don't let trivial issues bog you down. Small improvements can be achieved without much fanfare. When you get right down to it, does Harry Caray Day, an ATM machine or a dining hall cup patrol really mean all that much? While such efforts are worthwhile, they should not become hallmarks of your administration.
- Smash the student government myth. As the election of Dave Hungeling and Matt Orsagh showed, many students on this campus find the very idea of student government useless and absurd. They believe that members of student government are smug little bureaucrats in training, or even worse, politicians who care only to build the strength of their resume for their plunge into the job market. Prove them wrong. Be effective, but remember, it won't be easy.
- Make communication more than just another cliché. Be vocal. Remember, students want to get involved— they just need a little motivation. Keep students abreast of every development in your term by talking with The Observer, the Scholastic, or WVFI. Tell everyone who will listen.

These are just a few suggestions we offer as you step into your new roles. This coming year holds a lot of uncertainty for the student bodies of both Notre Dame and Saint Mary's and also promises to be the busiest of your lives.

Good luck, you're going to need it.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

'Right Reason' reveals ignorance

Dear Editor

The campus of Notre Dame has now been graced by yet another issue of "Right Reason." Once again, I have been instructed in the rigors and aptitudes necessary for a good Catholic gentleman. These instructions include changing my beliefs to embrace the free market and to embrace an end to free-thinking at a University. The editors of "Right Reason" note that the liberals here at ND "haven't even been able to coordinate a response." ("Right Reason" Feb. '96) My response, as a liberal, would be that there is really no response to be given. How does one respond to a newspaper that casually regurgitates dogma as absolutist "Truth" and indulges in petty little tirades about the kind of musak that should accompany the grand scheme of God's medieval plan? I am anxiously awaiting the next issue of this conservative tabloid. Perhaps there will be an article on the Ptolemaic ordering of the Universe and how it was right to burn Galileo.

But seriously, I do chuckle a few times at the pages of this paper. With titles such as "Eunuchs for the Kingdom of God," how can one help a slight guffaw? On the other hand however, we have the self-proclaimed righteousness of the paper that places Hitler as a liberal and the Indians as a "savage" and "inferior" culture. This is disturbing stuff. In fact, it seems to me to be bold-faced racism.

With an article bashing the ideas of multiculturalism, the editors reveal not only their ignorance and refusal to progress toward a deeper critical understanding of race relations in the country, but they also show us their simplistic longing for some sort of return to the days of yore when it was easy to talk in such overtly racist style with impunity. Well, I guess they can get away with their archaic backlash against progress at an institution such as Notre Dame. It is so easy for Conservatives, and the right-wing Christian Coalition for that matter, to drum up support in their ranks by

attacking a word such as multiculturalism or feminism. Instead of taking the academic approach of applying critical theory and researching what is meant by these terms, they attack them wholesale. Another interesting fact about this paper is the manner in which some of the articles rely upon the "Word of God" as an authoritative argument. I hate to be the one to tell the editors, but that type of argumentation lost credibility with the Enlightenment.

At times, I am thoroughly disgusted with the appalling ignorance of the editors. For instance, their snide little column about eating disorders being spiritual disorders is the most absurd piece I've read in years. To attribute eating disorders to the "sexual revolution" and to God's desire for beautiful "souls" is at once repulsive and sexist. "Right Reason" really covers the bases when it comes to ignorance: racism against native Americans, anti-women's rights, pre-militarism, and equations of Catholicism with money-making.

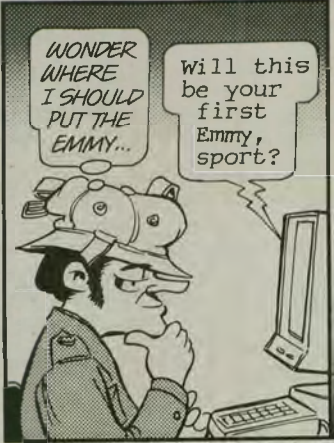
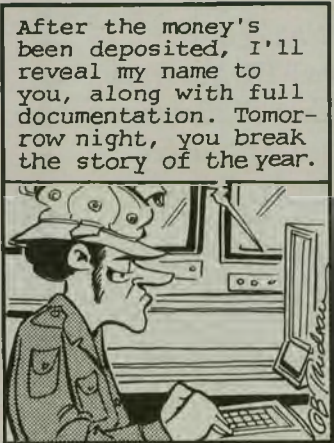
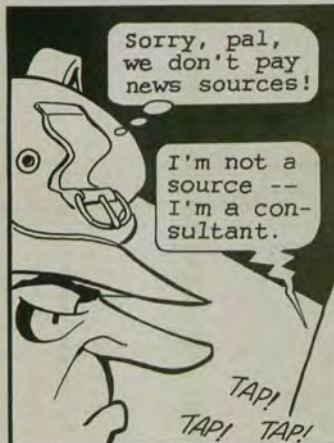
They miss the point of NASAND's requests. The larger picture includes a restructuring of the manner in which we view history. We have a museum in DC for the Holocaust in Europe, but as a nation, we have yet to come to terms with the plunder and genocide practiced, and being practiced, against the indigenous populace in the Americas. Removal of the murals from the Dome is only a band-aid solution for a very large problem. Eleven out of the most impoverished twenty counties in the US are Native American reservations. However, "Right Reason" prefers to glorify and exonerate the Catholic "missionaries" who worked hand-in-hand with the military to eradicate a culture and steal their lands. The paper is filled with inadequate explanations, bungled editorials, and thinly veiled hatred. In short, "Right Reason" remains a platform for spouting dogmatic buffoonery.

DAVID MCMAHON
 Senior
 Off Campus

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QUOTE OF THE DAY



"An idea that is not dangerous is unworthy of being called an idea at all."

—Oscar Wilde

LOCAL COLOR

Remembering when Uncle Bud didn't come to the door

I remember some years ago sitting in the living room of my mother's house in Florence, Alabama, the town where I was born. Her brother, my uncle Bud, was telling me stories, including one about an old friend who had disappeared and was presumed dead. He's vanished out in California, the tale went, and they never found his body, just a suicide note and his clothes, folded on the beach.

Carol Bradley

"Yep," Bud said gleefully, and blew out a long stream of cigarette smoke. "Poor man's Chapter 11."

I think of my uncle this time of year, because it was eight years ago this month that he ended his own life with a single bullet from a .357 Magnum pistol. He left no note behind, only a handwritten will in which he described himself as "of sound mind, though badly depressed."

"I was at home," my father told me later. "I ain't real sure anymore why I was home, but I was. I had taken

Margaret to the beauty parlor, and I'd come back here, but I don't remember why I was at home to start with, and not at work."

"But I was here, and the phone rang, and I answered it. It was a lady from his office, telling me that Bud did not come into work that day. He had been there at work the day before, and had left at his regular time. But he did not come back the next morning. They had called his residence a number of times and got no answer. Someone had gone to his house and found out that his house was locked and his car was there, but no one came to the door."

"So I went to his house. His car was there. The lights were on in the house, and there was a crack in the drapes wide enough that I could see almost everywhere, enough to tell that there was no one there, that the house was unoccupied."

"He was building an A-frame storage building out back. I pushed it open, and I could just see a silhouette. He was just sitting there, sitting on a folding chair." When my father stepped near him, the gun fell out of his hand.

I was haunted by that image later, of him sitting there in the cold in the dark. My mother couldn't get it out of her mind either, she told me, only in her mind he was the sixteen-year-old baby brother she'd adored, not the sixty-year-old he'd been when he died.

The last time I saw my uncle, he told

me a story about our hometown Florence, Alabama, in the wild days of the 1930s, and I thought about it later.

'So I went to his house. His scar was there. The lights were on in the house, and there was a crack in the drapes wide enough that I could see almost everywhere, enough to tell that there was no one there, that the house was unoccupied.'

I'd heard parts of it before, about the time when a little girl came walking down the street, carrying a baby and smoking a cigar. "It wasn't hers of course, the baby," Bud told me. "She was only about twelve herself, a little bitty thing. She had to rare way back to carry it."

"They'd been feuding with the family next door. All of them lived in these big two or three-story houses, old ramshackle things. And each family would steal their firewood from the other houses, they were all about to fall down."

"Anyway, this boy told some of them to tell her he was gonna kill her, he's going to shoot her dead for stealing the siding for firewood. So when these kids come running up to tell her, she shifts that baby onto her hip, clamps the cigar in her teeth, reaches down in her pocket, and pulls out a pistol. And she twirls it around her finger, and looks them in the eye and says, Well, you tell him he better make a sure shot, cause he ain't gon' git but one."

Not long after Bud's funeral, my Great-Aunt Catherine sent me a Polaroid snapshot of the grave and a note: *We are still in shock over Bud. I made this picture for you. It was the next day after the funeral and the wind was so strong the caretaker had laid all the flowers down. You can't tell, but they were beautiful. I don't believe I've ever seen so many employees at a funeral before -- it looked like a hundred men.*

I put the note and picture in the family Bible, along with a clipping of the obituary they'd printed in the paper. It cheered me up a little, knowing how it would have made him laugh. "Died at his residence," it said, "after a short illness."

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FROM THE BAYOU

Unique perceptions of Mardi Gras celebrations

It is carnival season in Louisiana as Fat Tuesday is not far away.

And in the rice plains of Louisiana where I live, Mardi Gras is still celebrated as it was meant to be—revelers chase through the streets of small towns taking chickens, pigs, and whatever else from local farmers to make a big pot of gumbo for any and everyone to eat. Cajuns take advantage of this one last opportunity for some debauchery before Lent's austerity sets in. Meanwhile, in New Orleans, Mardi Gras is a more lavish affair with elaborate floats, beads, and insane numbers of 'hurricanes' consumed by sometimes half naked Louisianians and tourists alike.

I think living in Louisiana is finally going to pay off. In a few days most Mardi Gras festivities will be well under way. And whether I spend a few days in a small country town helping to chase a chicken, or a night in New Orleans, Mardi Gras festivities are sure to please. Or at least intoxicate.

Actually, I have never been to a Mardi Gras parade or party; yet, I think I have a fairly good idea of what to expect. This is thanks to simply listening to the radio ("Bayou 104") and talking with the natives. But perhaps I am ready for my first Mardi Gras due to my students answers to the following short essay topic... "Write a few paragraphs about a Mardi Gras adventure you had in the past."

Needless to say, the papers I received were written with the honesty (and grammar) of teenagers eager to educate a raw Northerner about Louisiana's Sodom and Gomorrah. The principal's daughter, Ginny, describes the parades in Lafayette, a town of 100,000, as quite a spectacle. She describes how "the people on the floats threw beads with one hand while holding a beer in the other." Mayhem apparently reigned in the crowd as well; she writes that there were "police to keep all the drunks under control. There was trash everywhere, that includes people and paper."

The Mardi Gras celebration in Iota, a tiny farming community near where I teach solicited the wrath of one junior, Krystal. She commented that "all during the parade the people [who were] dressed [in costumes] ran around hugging and touching everyone." She writes that she will never go back since "their job was to run around and make people laugh, not touch them." Krystal offers some sound advice: "Mardi Gras is fun...but you cannot trust anyone behind a mask."

Without a doubt, New Orleans—the big city to my small town Cajun students—holds an elevated rank in Mardi Gras lore. A senior, Conrad, recounted how when he was seven his uncle "ran under a float to get some beads and his foot got run over crushing it completely ending [my] Mardi Gras for that year." Oops.

Another seemed to have better luck celebrating in New Orleans. Of his first Mardi Gras there, Brandon writes that "I can't really go into detail about what took place because you'll probably throw me out of the class, so I'll just say that I had a

Dave Ring



good time." Brandon is barely 16 years old and something tells me I probably would have thrown him out of class.

Several students took time to warn me of potential danger lurking in New Orleans, especially during this time of year. Although most people visit "to [just] have a great time," writes Jessica, "you have to worry about...getting by the wrong kind of people." Indeed, another student did not even attend the parades one year "to avoid the temptations of certain things." I wonder what exactly he means by that. (This student also avoids the temptation of my class; he has been absent twenty-four days already.)

Perhaps the best description of New Orleans during the Mardi Gras season comes from a ninth grader, Robley, who has never even been there. Robley imagines that "Mardi Gras should be a fun place to go to. And Mardi Gras is a great thing. Mardi Gras is a very great thing for everyone." He too was sure to warn that the sheer size of New Orleans could provide some problems though. You see, "New Orleans is a very big city. Almost everyone lives in New Orleans. But some parts of New Orleans [are] dangerous. And some parts are nice in New Orleans. Especially where the water is, that's where it's nice at."

So, if you have plans to venture down south for this coming Mardi Gras weekend, *laissez les bons temps rouler*. But also be careful. As a student screamed out in my class the other day, "you know somebody was killed last year in New Orleans during Mardi Gras." Another student reminded me that, in fact, it was a teacher that had been killed.

This comment brought offers from about a half dozen students to personally drive me to New Orleans for the festivities.

Dave Ring, a former assistant news editor for *The Observer*, is teaching French in rural Louisiana.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Parental influence affects issue of coresidentiality

Dear Editor,

Numerous letters and articles have been written in the *Observer* regarding coresidentiality.

Most often student input has been on the pro side and various arguments have been presented extolling the positive values that coed living will bring to student life.

In these missives the University Administration is usually berated for pursuing a policy described as old fashioned and which in turn exhibits a non-trusting attitude toward the students of this institution.

Indeed in a recent article the current policy has been characterized as "misplaced idealism" on the part of the Administration.

I suggest that there is another dimension to this question which is very rarely, if ever, discussed. This dimension relates to parental influence.

I think it is fair to say that in most cases the decision to attend Notre Dame is a family one with a great deal of parental approval.

There are, of course, many obvious reasons for this, viz., academic reputation, Catholicity, parents went here, etc.

Perhaps another reason for this parental encouragement, embedded in the above, but never specifically spelled out by Mom and/or Dad is the fact that there are no coed dorms at Notre Dame.

If this is true it would appear to me that student complaints to the Administration about the lack of coed dorms on campus are off target.

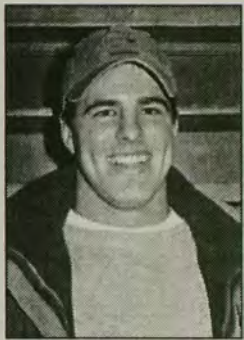
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ACCENT ASKS

How did your parents meet?

"My mom went on a blind date with some guy and met my dad on the date."

Sunday Patterson
Sophomore, Lyons



"My parents met at a party in the woods."

Matt Duddy
Junior, Alumni

"My parents met in Laos, my mom is French and my dad was in the Air Force."

Pat Ertl
Junior, Morrissey



"My dad went to Notre Dame and my mom went to IUSB and they met at a dance."

Sara Burke
Freshman, Pangborn

"My parents met at a big brother/big sister picnic in Iowa."

Rebecca Ovel
Freshman, Lyons

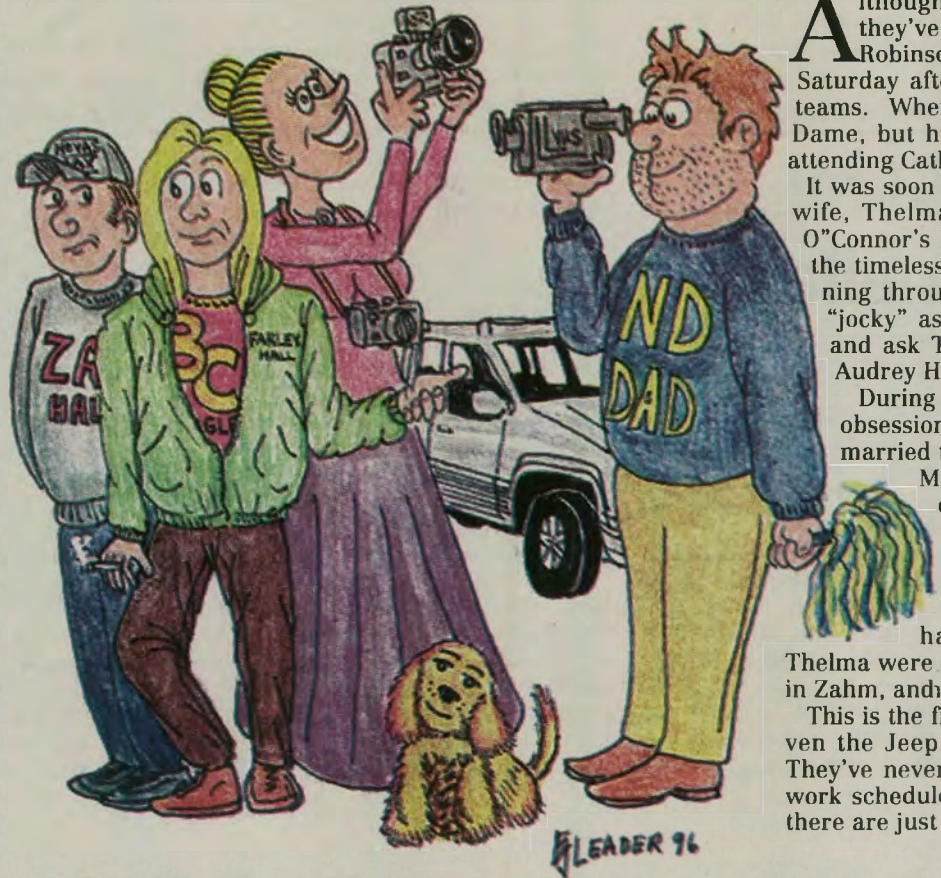


"They were camp counselors together at an overnight camp."

Chris Trenta
Junior, Fisher

What is the Typical

Here's to You Mr. Robin



Although no one in the Robinsons they've always been big Irish Robinsons. He grew up in the Saturday afternoon, he watched the teams. When it came time to apply Notre Dame, but his family's financial situation attending Catholic University where it was soon after he graduated from O'Connor's Bar (oh, the irony). John the timeless pick-up lines, "You're jockey" as she poured a drink over and ask Thelma to go see "Breathless" Audrey Hepburn fan, Thelma accepted. During the date, John and Thelma's obsession with Notre Dame football married two years later. John and Thelma were overjoyed. Sarah and Knute were children realize that it was Sarah, the older of the two, to BC, but her parents were happier. Two years later Thelma were a were overjoyed. Sarah in Zahm, and Zahm, and loves to hang out. This is the first real weekend the Robinsons have had since they've never really had time to enjoy their work schedule. Mrs. Robinson made sure there are just so many beautiful things

Mad About Plaid

Meet Dillon and Angela Morrissey and their children Sorin and Regina. (Angela and Regina could pass for sisters couldn't they?) Sorin is a fifth generation Domer and a descendent of "the" Morrissey. Dad was a football player back in the 60s and lives for Notre Dame football. The family has never missed a game since dad graduated back in '67. Check out the pants and you'll understand. Sorin has obviously caught the plaid bug, too.

Dillon grew up in northern Illinois. He was born and raised to be a member of the Fighting Irish Football squad. While other kids were dreaming of leaving the Midwest, Dillon dreamed of thriving in the Midwest, namely at Notre Dame. He never quite made a name for himself as a football player at Notre Dame, but nevertheless, he had his moments. Today, he is a lawyer in Chicago, making sure he never strays too far from his beloved Notre Dame.

Dillon met his wife Angela one rainy Wednesday at the library. He once described her as "His golden dome during a long, dark night." Angela, a New York native, swooned instantly over the towering youth.

Regina has followed in her mother's footsteps and is a student at Saint Mary's College. Father Hesburgh and Patty O'Hara are her godparents.

The Morrisseys own a cockerspaniel named Domer. Although they live in a suburb of Chicago, they still insist on bringing Domer and their 36 ft. long green motorhome to every game. "Irish Mobile" is emblazoned on each side of the camper and it is equipped with Dolby surround sound speakers to facilitate the incessant playing of the fight song.

Each member of the Morrissey family has their own, personal Jeep Cherokee, Eddie Bauer Edition.



"At a bar, my dad walked up to my mom and said, 'I'm going to marry you' and he did!"

Kathy Pain
Senior, LeMans



"My parents grew up 10 miles away from each other, but didn't date until college."

Tim Monahan
Freshman, Flanner



Notre Dame/ Saint Mary's Family?

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on family has ever attended Notre Dame, football supporters, particularly Mr. John middle class suburbs of Baltimore. Every Blue and Gold wreak havoc on opposing for colleges, he wanted to apply to Notre nation wouldn't allow it. John ended up e lettered in football all four years. Catholic University that he met his future love at first sight. The couple met at n tried to "pick up" Thelma using one of legs must be tired, because you've been long." Thelma accused John of being too er his head. Later, John would apologize tfast at Tiffany's," with him. Being a big pted. Thelma discovered that they possess a similar all and the rest as they say is history. They n took a job as a top executive in a com- owed to mold their children into Notre born a couple of years later. Little did the was their destiny to attend Notre Dame. wo Robinson children, really wanted to go eally pushed ND and now she couldn't be er, when Knute was accepted, John and ah lives in Farley, right across the quad g out with her friends on the Farley stoop. Robinsons have been out to visit. They've dri- their home in Michigan to visit the kids. oy campus before, because of John's busy sure John packed all the cameras because s to photograph!



The Tradition Continues

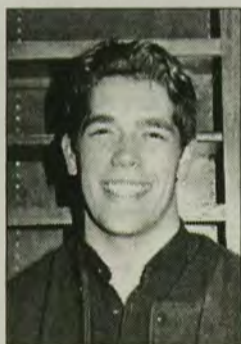
The McCarthy family hails from a suburb right outside of Boston. Pat, head of the McCarthy clan, used to be in the the Irish Guard. Son Kevin, at 6'4, is continuing the tradition. Mom Mary Kate is the type of mother who knits matching hats, scarves and mittens for her children and all of their roommates. Even Lou, the cocker spaniel, has a couple of McCarthy scarves. Mrs. McCarthy also sends fantastic care-packages and makes great cookies. At least twice a year, Pat and Mary Kate fly out for a football game and take everybody (kids and roommates) out to Macri's or CJ's. The McCarthys throw great tailgaters. (Get there early for the cookies.) Pat and Mary Kate met nearly forty years ago, when young Patrick fell off a swing set at the wholesome young age of eight. Mary Kate rescued the ill-fated Patrick from the ground with a kiss on the knee. At the rip old age of ten, she was an older and more mature woman. Since that fabled day, the couple has not spent more than two days apart. Daughter Meghan, a Walsh resident and English major, is a cheerleader and during away games, when the McCarthys are back in Boston, everyone on the block comes over to see Meghan and Kevin on TV. She is famous for her air tumbling expertise. As an early graduation present, Kevin (the tall one in the skirt), a Sorin resident and chemical engineering major, received an Eddie Bauer limited edition Jeep Cherokee. You'll usually find it parked in the first spot behind the bookstore. Look for the Domer '97 plates.

What is...Football?



Text: Krista Nannery, Joey Crawford
Art: Ed Leader (he's a genius!)
Layout: Joey Crawford
Caption: Brian "More trouble than he's worth" Meyer, Ryan Malayer.
Special thanks to security for taking Sean to the infirmary.

You know, they sent their kids to Notre Dame and Saint Mary's because of The Academics. They never even heard of football. Edna and Zach Arnerds have made the long trip from Washington D.C. in their Jeep Cherokee to visit their children for the first time at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's. The duo are two of the most highly touted astro-physicists in the world. Zach and Edna met twenty five years ago at a Star Trek convention in New York City. Zach commented on young Edna's pocket protector. Edna politely smiled at Zach's feeble attempt to pick her up, but little did he realize that she was politely trying to keep from laughing at the string of cheese Zach was sporting on his lower lip along with his thick eye-wear. When Zach caught a glimpse of himself in Edna's equally thick glasses and realized how foolish he looked, he took refuge behind the Vulcan exhibit. Apparently she, did not want to let go of this suave young man, for she chased him behind the exhibit, only to trip on a life-size Klingon. They were joined together by clumsiness. They caught each other in a Vulcan death grip of love, and married shortly after the incident at the Star Trek Convention. The two began their careers, hoping to go where no couple has ever gone before: space. Sadly this dream was denied because of their terrible allergies. So they raised their children in their image to be over-achievers, with an uncanny ability to trip over objects. Their son Peter rebelled against them to become a film director. He went to NYU, only to be banned from the film department for breaking too many cameras. He transferred to Notre Dame last year to live closer to his sister, who is a student at Saint Mary's. Neither had ever heard of Notre Dame, let alone the game of football, but opted to attend these two fine schools for of all things...academics. After his disastrous stab at film, he changed to a double major in mechanical engineering and PLS. Peter is really looking forward to showing his parents UNLOC this weekend. Daughter Zoe has never set foot on Notre Dame's campus.



"They met at Stepan Center. My dad went to Notre Dame and my mom was at St. Joe's Nursing School"

Paul Burke
Sophomore, Fisher



"My mom was a cheerleader and my dad was the basketball coach."

Tracey Furjanic
Freshman, Regina North



"My dad threw a snowball at my mom's face during a huge snowball fight at Northeastern University."

Dan Doorakian
Alumni, Senior

"My dad went to Notre Dame and my mom went to Saint Mary's. They didn't date until they graduated and were in Washington D.C. My dad asked my mom's roommate on a date, she couldn't go so my mom did."

Peggy Wolf
Freshman, Badin

PROFESSIONAL BOXING

HIV victim, boxer Morrison blames lifestyle

By KELLY KURT Associated Press

TULSA, Okla. Tommy Morrison's voice quivered and his face flushed. Never did he think this could happen to him.

"I honestly believed I had a better chance of winning the lottery than contracting this disease," he said. "I've never been so wrong in my life."

On Thursday, a second test confirmed that he did, indeed, have the virus that causes AIDS.

"I'm here to tell you I thought that I was bulletproof, and I'm not," Morrison said.

He described a life of promiscuous sex and how he was ignorant about the way AIDS is transmitted. He also said, however, he believes he could have contracted the virus through bloody bouts in the ring.

"I don't know how I got it and it's really not important," he said at a news conference.

Morrison entered the news conference composed and confident, the same air he took into the ring. But his face reddened and his voice cracked as he spoke

of an uncertain future and expressed concern for his family and for women with whom he had relations.

"I hope I can serve as a warning that living this lifestyle can only lead to one thing," he said. "And that's misery."

The 27-year-old from Jay, Okla., learned he tested positive for HIV just before Saturday's scheduled Las Vegas fight against Arthur Weathers. Morrison said he had no symptoms and had received no notice from previous sex partners to indicate he might have the disease.

He spent the past week calling former sparring partners and sexual partners, encouraging them to take an HIV test. So far, none of them, including his girlfriend, have turned up positive, he said.

"My prayers go out to them nightly and their families that somehow everything will be OK," Morrison said.

The announcement of Morrison's positive test Monday prompted boxing officials nationwide to call for mandatory HIV testing. But the national Centers for Disease Control have received no reports of HIV transmission through athletics, spokeswoman Michele Bonds said. But anytime bodily fluids are

exchanged there is a risk of transmission, she said. CDC studies of the NFL show the risk in that sport is extremely low.

While boxers are more likely to be bloodied during competition, "it would take quantity and duration" of exposure to the virus for possible transmission, she said.

As far as requiring AIDS testing for boxers, the CDC encourages any precautions and education that could help reduce the risk, Ms. Bonds said.

"We feel the risk is low, but we need to make that risk even lower," she said.

Morrison said he endorsed mandatory HIV testing.

"They'd be crazy not to," he said.

His last boxing opponent, Lennox Lewis, said despite a bloody battle in October he was not worried.

"I heard different reports that I should get tested and there was a risk of me getting it," he said in a conference call from Jamaica. "I really didn't let that bother me. There were no cuts on my side in the fight. I didn't bang heads with him. The fight wasn't really a clinching fight, it was more of a distance. Although there was a lot of blood,

it wasn't on me.

Morrison was suspended from worldwide boxing after the positive HIV test in Las Vegas. He pronounced his boxing career over Thursday and said he plans to pursue AIDS awareness activities.

"I will have scored my biggest knock-out ever" if by speaking out, he prevents another person from contracting the disease, he said.

"I've been turning negatives into positives my whole life. This is just a bigger negative," he said.

His promoter Tony Holden and his trainers stood by the boxer's side as he made the announcement. His parents, sister and girlfriend also were present.

"I'm sorry that I've had to drag you through this," he told his mother. His mother buried her face in her hands.

Morrison said he plans to work with Los Angeles Lakers star Magic Johnson, who also has the AIDS virus, on education and awareness activities. After speaking with Johnson about the illness, Morrison said he does not consider it a death sentence.

"It's puzzling. I don't feel sick. I don't look sick," he said. "I'm just hanging in there."

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The Observer/Brian Hardy

National Player of the Year candidate Ray Allen will be the focus of the Irish defense. Allen is averaging 23 points per game while shooting 49% from beyond the three-point line.

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Admore White. "We have to play them as a team, not as just Ray Allen."

One of the ploys Notre Dame will have to contend with is the Huskies' suffocating 2-2-1 press, the most devastating full court defense in the conference. UConn has forced opponents into 420 turnovers this season while dictating a frantic pace.

This could pose problems for the Irish, who have had their share of difficulties hanging onto the ball. In conference games, Notre Dame has turned it over 39 more times than opponents.

"The biggest thing is just to concentrate on our passes," said Manner.

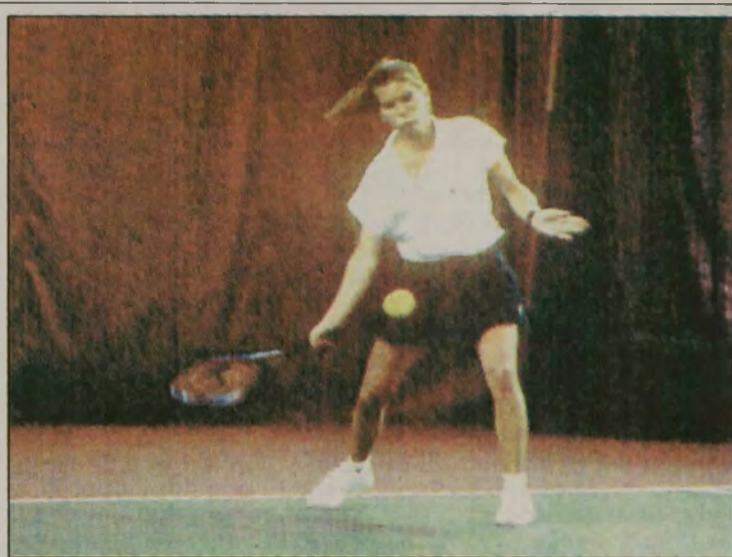
"We've watched the films, so we understand where the spots are that you can't pass it, and we have to make sure that everyone goes to meet the ball."

The most effective way to beat a press, however, is to prevent it from forming, something that matches well with Notre Dame's new up-tempo philosophy.

To compensate for problems in the half-court offense, the Irish have emphasized the transition game in recent weeks.

This strategy, though, could backfire against the run-and-gun Huskies, who average 85 points per game.

"Hopefully we can make them miss their shots and get the rebounds," said White. "Then we can get out in transition and score some points."



The Observer/Scott Mendenhall

Senior Holyn Lord breezed past Volunteer Kristin Bachochin 6-2, 6-1 Thursday evening as the Irish knocked off No.9 Tennessee.

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from her original spot at No. 3 singles to No. 2. She met the challenge, and quickly dismissed Spinner, 6-2, 6-0.

"It was a good match," remarked Hall, "I played well. I felt that my ground strokes were pretty strong, and it clinched the game for me."

After rallying back in her doubles, Velasco quickly dismissed her singles opponent, Lowrey, 6-1, 6-0. According to Velasco, the key to her victory were her ground strokes.

"I played well," stated Velasco, "I was on top of my ground strokes. The last games went on forever, but finally I put it away."

"The freshmen were really focused for this match," stated McNamara. "They both were really confident and both

played extremely aggressive."

Filling in for Vitale in singles was sophomore Molly Gavin. Gavin played at the No. 6 spot. She downed Tennessee's McEvoy, 6-4, 6-0. Also victorious was Lord, who at the No. 3 spot dismissed the Vol's Bachochin, 6-2, 6-1.

The only two losses that the Irish suffered were at the No. 1 and No. 5 singles. Crabtree was defeated by Lepsi, 2-6, 4-6. No. 5 Gowen was beaten by Woodside, 4-6, 3-6.

"Everyone was really pumped for this match," stated Velasco, "I wasn't surprised that we beat them, because everyone played so well."

The Irish are looking to ride the momentum of this victory into their matches this weekend. The Irish take on No. 21 Alabama on Saturday at 3:00 pm. Then on Sunday morning they face the Kentucky Wildcats, who just upset No. 4 Georgia.

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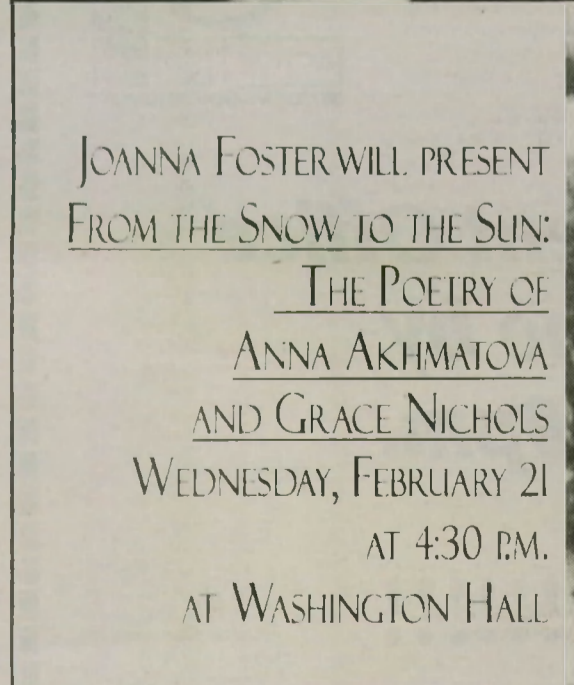
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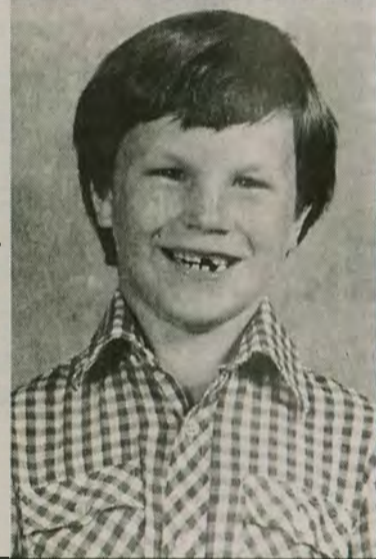


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the return of players such as fifth-year senior and team leader Bob Lisanti, who will return to action behind the plate following an entire season's absence due to a back injury.

"I love Bob Lisanti," gushed Mainieri. "He's the kind of guy that you'd follow into battle anytime. With Bobby, it's like having a coach on the field."

Mainieri is determined to be cautious with Lisanti, however, in light of last season's injury.

"We don't want to overdo it with his back," said Mainieri.

"I think that Jeff Wagner is going to be an outstanding player at Notre Dame. He should prove to be a very capable backup to Lisanti."

Wagner, a 6'3" powerhouse from Louisville, Kentucky, is just one of several freshman who will most certainly be seeing a good deal of playing time this season. Switch-hitting Allen Greene, an outstanding athlete from Seattle, will platoon with junior Bret Poppleton in left field, freshman Chris McKeown, a hard-throwing 6'4" lefty from Arlington Heights, Illinois, may see time out of the bullpen, and Floridian Paul Turco looks to have won the starting shortstop job.

But the true strength on this

Irish squad lies in the upper-classmen, as five seniors and twelve juniors fill out the Irish roster. Besides Lisanti, the Irish will look to leadership on and off the field from seniors George Restovich (DH/1B/C), Rowan Richards (RF), Rich Sauget (RP), and staff ace Craig Allen, who is also returning for a fifth year.

Richards will shift from center field to right, a position which Mainieri feels is better suited to his skills, and Allen (4-1, 5.53 ERA in '95) will anchor a staff which will look to improve on its 4.53 ERA from last season.

"We need Craig Allen to be healthy," mused Mainieri. "We need him to pitch as well as he can. But I have all the confidence in the world in the rest of our staff."

Major standouts in the junior class include number two starter Darin Schmalz (8-3, 4.01 ERA in '95), left-handed closer Gregg Henebry (4-2, 4.47), infielder Mike Amrhein (.386, 7 HR, 69 RBI), and the spectacular Scott Sollmann (.406, 11 3B, 23 SB), who will shift from left to his more natural center field position. Sollmann in particular will once again be an integral part of the team's success, serving as the spark plug of a potentially deadly offense.

"Sollmann is going to be the catalyst for this team," commented Mainieri. "I expect him to lead the way. He's an outstanding outfielder, a terrific base runner, and a tremendous competitor."

The Notre Dame record holder in triples after just two seasons in an Irish uniform, Sollmann earned first-team All Star honors in the Cape Cod league this past summer, and is currently third on the Irish all-

time Batting Average list with a .404 career mark.

At the head of the sophomore class this year would have to be pitchers Dan Stavisky and Christian Parker, who together compiled a 9-6 record in their rookie campaigns.

"Both Stavisky and Parker have the ability to be outstanding pitchers," commented Mainieri on the two pitchers who will round out his four man starting rotation. "They were inconsistent at times, however, and I will expect more out of them this season."

Mainieri is banking on the

fact that experience gained from last season will propel this seasoned team to the NCAA bid it missed last season, and is optimistic that the Irish will meet this goal and more.

"Our team last year hung together through a lot of tough moments," reflected Mainieri. "I think there's a carry-over effect from what they did last year. They believe in themselves now, and they realize that when adversity strikes, it only makes them tougher. This team has a lot of confidence in themselves, and I have a lot of confidence in them as a result."



1996 Baseball Lineup

The Fighting Irish baseball team bears much resemblance to the squad which compiled a 40-21 record last season, although there are some changes in the look of the team. The following is the projected starting lineup and pitching rotation for the 1996 Irish, along with some of their statistics from last season.

Starting Rotation

Craig Allen (senior, RH)
Darin Schmalz (junior, RH)
Dan Stavisky (sophomore, RH)
Christian Parker (sophomore, RH)

1995 Statistics

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(8-3, 4.01 ERA, 50 SO)
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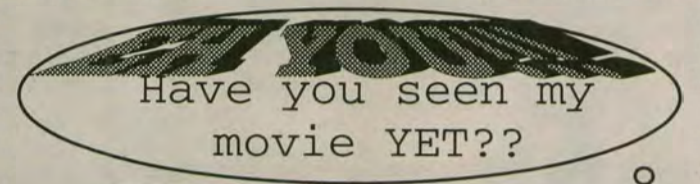
Mike Balicki (junior, RH)
Rich Sauget (senior, RH)
Gregg Henebry (junior, LH)
Alex Shilliday (freshman, RH)
Wally Widelski (junior, LH)

(3-1, 5.45 ERA)
(2-1, 3 SV, 3.31 ERA)
(4-2, 4.47 ERA)
N/A
(2-0, 2.81 ERA)

Starting Lineup

1. Scott Sollmann (junior, CF)
2. Randall Brooks (junior, 2B)
3. Mike Amrhein (junior, 1B/3B)
4. George Restovich (senior, DH/1B/C)
5. Rowan Richards (senior, RF)
6. Bob Lisanti (senior, C) or Jeff Wagner (freshman, C)
7. J.J. Brock (junior, 3B/SS)
8. Brett Poppleton (junior, LF) or Allen Greene (freshman, LF)
9. Paul Turco (freshman, SS)

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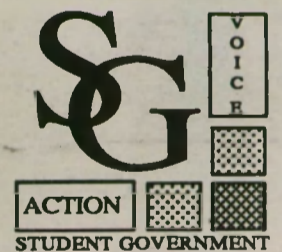
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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Duncan slams Terps for 33

By DAVID GINSBURG
Associated Press

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Tim Duncan scored a career-high 33 points on 12-for-14 shooting as No. 8 Wake Forest tightened its grip on first place in the Atlantic Coast Conference by beating Maryland 85-78 Thursday night.

The victory gave the Demon Deacons (17-3, 9-2 ACC) their first sweep of the Terrapins since the 1992-93 season. Tony Rutland scored 13 of his 18 points in the second half to help Wake Forest increase its ACC lead over idle Georgia Tech to a full game.

The Demon Deacons visit

Georgia Tech on Saturday afternoon.

Duncan, who had 14 points and 15 rebounds in the first game between the teams last month, had 17 second-half points in the rematch. He shot 5-for-5 from the floor in the second half and finished with nine rebounds.

The 6-foot-10 junior center high eclipsed his previous high of 27 points against Furman earlier this season.

Johnny Rhodes scored 27 and Keith Booth had 16 for the Terrapins (12-9, 5-6).

It was the second straight conference loss for Maryland, which played without starting point guard Duane Simpkins, who earlier in the day received

a three-game suspension from the NCAA.

Maryland led 52-47 early in the second half, but Rutland made a pair of 3-pointers and Duncan had four points in a 10-0 run that gave Wake Forest the lead for good.

It was 60-54 before Maryland used a 7-2 spree to close to 62-61 with 9:44 to go. Duncan then made two free throws and Rusty LaRue hit a jumper to make it 66-61.

Maryland again cut the deficit to a point, but LaRue sank a 3-pointer and Duncan followed a Terrapin turnover with a three-point play for a 72-65 lead with 5:04 left.

The Demon Deacons never let the lead shrink below four points the rest of the way.

Duncan scored 10 points to stake Wake Forest to a 29-16 lead midway through the first half, but Maryland battled back with a 13-2 run to get within two points.

After Duncan made two straight baskets, Booth sank a pair of free throws and Laron Profit added a dunk to spark an 11-4 surge that gave the Terrapins a 40-39 halftime edge — their only lead in the opening 20 minutes.

Duncan had 16 first-half points on 7-for-9 shooting. Rhodes had 11 points and six rebounds for the Terrapins.

Camby rallies UMass past La Salle 70-53

By JIMMY GOLEN
Associated Press

AMHERST, Mass.

Marcus Camby had 26 points and a career-high 15 rebounds on Thursday night to help top-ranked Massachusetts rally from a 10-point, second-half deficit and beat La Salle 70-53.

Donta Bright scored 19 and Dana Dingle had 10 rebounds for the Minutemen (24-0, 12-0 Atlantic 10). Romaine Haywood scored 13 to lead La Salle (5-19, 2-9).

It was another scare for UMass, which holds the nation's only unblemished record despite trailing or being tied at the half 10 times and needing overtime in three games this season.

The victory preserves Saturday's showdown with No. 10 Virginia Tech at Blacksburg, Va., and clinched the Eastern Division title in the Atlantic 10, earning a No. 1 seed in the league's postseason tournament.

La Salle, a 26-point underdog coming off its worst loss in 50 years, didn't go down as easily as expected.

UMass pushed the lead to 53-42 when Shawn Smith hit a

long bank shot and drew a foul. UMass coach John Calipari, upset with the slow whistle, drew a technical for his complaints.

But Smith missed his free throw, Mike Gizzi missed both the technicals, and by the time the Explorers could recover it was 57-44 and the last chance to close the gap had passed.

The game went according to form for the first 10 minutes, as UMass jumped to an 18-8 lead. But La Salle answered with 20 of the next 22 points to finish the half.

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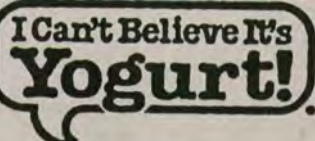
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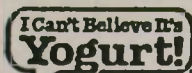


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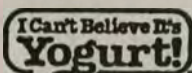


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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Purdue chases third straight Big Ten title

By RUSTY MILLER
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio
Porter Roberts had 14 points, including five of 11th-ranked Purdue's last seven points, as the Boilermakers held off Ohio State 63-55 Thursday night.

Purdue (20-4) won its sixth in a row and moved to 10-2 in Big Ten play to maintain a one-game lead over Penn State heading into their showdown Saturday in West Lafayette.

Brad Miller led Purdue with 16 points, while Todd Foster had 12 — on 4-of-7 3-pointers — and Chad Austin added 11 points.

Neshaun Coleman had 12 points and Damon Stringer 11 for Ohio State (9-12, 2-10), which lost its fourth in a row and 11th in 13 games.

The Buckeyes, beaten by an average of 16 points in their Big Ten losses, pulled even at 48 on Rick Yuddt's looping jumper with 8:20 left, but baskets by Brandon Brantley and Miller gave Purdue the lead for good.

Ahead 54-51, Miller hit two free throws and Roberts rebounded a missed Miller free throw at the 3:45 mark to put the Boilermakers on top 58-51.

But Ohio State made it interesting on a pair of foul shots by Steve Belter and Jason Singleton's jumper with 1:37

left, cutting the lead to three.

After Purdue's Herb Dove was charged with an offensive foul with 1:03 left, the Buckeyes actually had a shot at tying but Coleman missed a 3-pointer with 40 seconds left.

Porter then hit a free throw with 32.6 seconds left. An Ohio State miss was followed by two foul shots by Austin with 18.1 seconds left. Roberts closed the scoring with two more free throws.

The Buckeyes have not led at halftime in a Big Ten game this year and they didn't again against Purdue. The Boilermakers built a 35-26 on a 14-5 run — Foster hitting two 3-pointers and Miller also scoring six points. But Ohio State scored the next eight points to pull to 35-34. Purdue, however, closed the half with Miller scoring on a tip-in with a second left for a 37-34 lead.

Purdue ran its record to 17-0 in games it led at the half.

The victory was the Boilermakers' seventh in a row over the Buckeyes.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

NCAA adds overtime tie-breaker

By DICK LIPSEY
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo.

Overtime will be part of major college football this fall.

The NCAA football rules committee voted Thursday to require a tiebreaker in all NCAA football games.

"The committee was particularly sensitive to the overwhelming mandate of the Division I-A coaches because the tiebreaker was already being used in other divisions," said Vince Dooley, the rules committee chairman and Georgia athletic director.

The decision by the rules committee came during its annual meeting in Kansas City, and followed a vote of support for the tiebreaker at a meeting of Division I-A football coaches on Feb. 11, the organization announced.

The decision does not require further approval and takes effect with the 1996 season.

The system was used in Division I-A bowl games this past year and is the same procedure used in lower-division NCAA football championships and regular-season league

games in the Big Sky, Ohio Valley, Yankee and Mid-Eastern Athletic conferences. It gives each team a chance to score after regulation.

The tiebreaker was used for the first time in the Las Vegas Bowl in December, with Toledo beating Nevada 40-37 in the first overtime.

The game lasted more than four hours, but the overtime ended quickly when Toledo needed only four plays to score the winning touchdown from the 25.

Nevada had the first possession of overtime, but could manage only a field goal after failing to make a first down from the 25.

Nevada coach Chris Ault said he was happy with the overtime rule, despite the loss.

"Tie games are a crime in college football," Ault said after the game. "The old guard needs to get off their butts and have tiebreakers in all games."

The Las Vegas Bowl matched the champions of the Mid-American and Big West conferences.

The tiebreaker has been used

once in an NCAA championship game. Allegheny beat Lycoming 21-14 in the first overtime in the 1990 Division II contest.

"People who have been involved in the tiebreaker report it is very exciting, and it will help resolve problems determining conference championships," Dooley said.

Because ties do not count toward the six-victory requirement for postseason bowl qualification, the change may allow a few more teams to be eligible for bowls, Dooley said.

West Virginia coach Don Nehlen, vice president of the American College Football Coaches Association, said Big East coaches were less supportive of the change.

"I prefer a sudden-death football game," Nehlen said. "If you put (the ball) on the 25-yard line, the game could go on forever."

The overtime system is not sudden death as used in the NFL, and the clock is not a factor.

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■ NHL

Rangers deny Gretzky coming to Big Apple

By KEN RAPPOPORT
Associated Press

NEW YORK
Wayne Gretzky is not coming to the New York Rangers any time soon. And likely never at all.

"Nothing is happening — no trade is imminent," Rangers general manager Neil Smith said before Thursday night's game with the Montreal Canadiens. "I don't foresee a trade (for Gretzky) for the New York Rangers."

But while the Rangers are now out of the chase, the Chicago Blackhawks, St. Louis Blues and Toronto Maple Leafs are reportedly interested in the Great One.

"He will be traded," one management source told The Associated Press on Thursday.

Smith said he had called a news conference to "put the rumors to rest" about the most prolific scorer in NHL history coming to Rangers this week from the Los Angeles Kings.

"I've been flooded with calls and I haven't had the chance to return them, which is not usually the way I do business," Smith said. "This was my first opportunity to say to you that the Rangers have no trade pending."

As for a trade for Gretzky down the road, Smith said: "I never say never."

He said he wasn't disappointed about not making the deal.

"Not for me," he said, "but I'll do anything to find other options for the Rangers to get better."

Gretzky is in the final year of his contract. He becomes a free agent after this season, and the Kings would lose him without compensation.

The Rangers appeared an obvious attraction for Gretzky. He would have teamed with

Mark Messier and Kevin Lowe, all pals from his days in Edmonton, where he led the Oilers to four Stanley Cups.

Barry Melrose, who coached Gretzky for three seasons with the Kings and now serves as an analyst for ESPN, thinks Los Angeles is certain to make a trade.

"He hasn't been happy there for some time," Melrose said.

Gretzky, 35, has expressed a desire to win another Stanley Cup and play in the Olympics before he retires. That would mean he would have to play at least two more years after this season, and probably play for a team other than the Kings.

When Gretzky was traded from Edmonton to LA in the summer of 1988 in a deal that stunned the hockey world, he inspired the Kings to a higher level of play. By 1993, Gretzky had led the team to the Stanley Cup Finals for the first time.

Since then, though, not many good things have happened to the Kings.

Owner Bruce McNall's financial problems, a change in management, injuries and bad player decisions have all contributed to making the Kings a mediocre team.

Earlier this season, Gretzky went public with demands for management to upgrade the Kings' roster. Otherwise, Gretzky said he wanted to go to another team that had a chance to win the title.

Gretzky's actions were not only uncharacteristic, they were ill-timed as far as the NHL was concerned. They came right before the All-Star Game, at a time when the league was hoping to showcase itself.

Even though Gretzky is on the downside of an unparalleled career, the price tag will still be pretty high for the most luminous name in hockey.

■ NFL

Woodson signs record contract

By JAIME ARON
Associated Press

IRVING, Texas
The Dallas Cowboys took care of their top offseason priority Thursday by making Darren Woodson the highest-paid safety in NFL history.

Working against a 3 p.m. free agency deadline, the Cowboys avoided having to designate Woodson as their franchise player by working out a six-year deal worth \$18 million, with a \$5.4 million signing bonus.

"We know what he's meant to the three Super Bowls we've won and we know what he means to our future," Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said.

"There was no way possible that we weren't going to do what it took to keep Darren Woodson."

Dallas is hard against the salary cap, but team vice president Stephen Jones stayed up all night to make some room. He got there by restructuring the contracts of numerous players, including Kevin Smith, Erik Williams and Leon Lett.

Jones adamantly refused to give a more detailed list, saying only, "There were several ... some were small amounts, some were bigger."

Woodson was a 1992 second-round pick by the Cowboys who became a starter in his second season and blossomed into an All-Pro by 1994.

He made his second consecutive Pro Bowl appearance this year, capping a wonderful season marked by big plays and really big hits.

Immediately after the Super Bowl, Woodson told agent Leigh Steinberg he wanted to remain a Cowboy no matter what. Steinberg finalized matters Thursday morning during a flight to Dallas from New York.

"Everyone in the National Football League has waited for the wheels to drop off, for the core of their team to be dis-

mantled. And guess what — here's Darren and he's here for the long term," Steinberg said.

Woodson, who earned \$670,000 last season, becomes the third-highest paid defensive back in league history behind Cowboys cornerback Deion Sanders and Pittsburgh cornerback Rod Woodson.

Darren Woodson said he had no lavish plans for his new-found riches.

He does, however, plan to donate money to impoverished children in Dallas and his hometown of Phoenix.

"I just want to let them know there's someone out there who cares for them," Woodson said.

Woodson was grateful that his teammates were willing to rework their deals to accommodate him.

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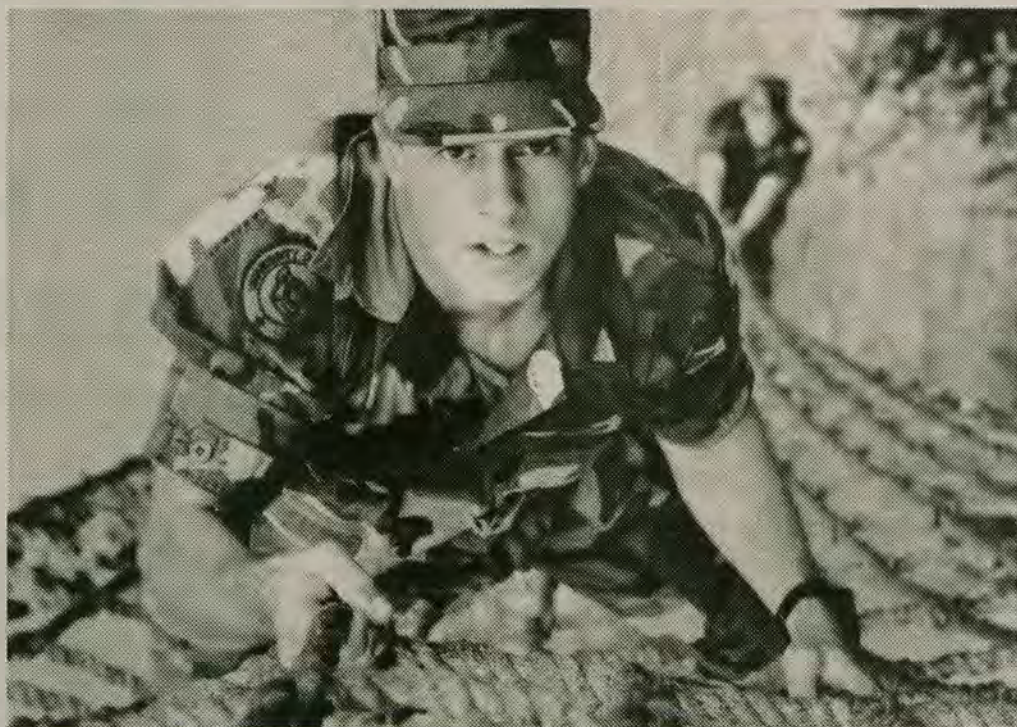
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■ HOCKEY

Michigan jeopardizes playoffs

By MIKE DAY
Sports Writer

Fighting an uphill battle is a difficult task, but it's made even harder when you're riding up on a tricycle.

Likewise, the Notre Dame hockey team already has their work cut out for them in their battle to reach the CCHA playoffs, but the fact that they encounter No. 5 Michigan and No. 4 Michigan State this weekend only compounds things.

"Being in our position, it's tough to go out and make a move against teams like Michigan and Michigan State," said Irish head coach Dave Poulin. "But these are the teams you're going to be playing in the playoffs, so you have to be ready."

Preparation should not be a

problem for the Irish. After playing Michigan off their feet for two periods before falling 4-1 last Friday at the Joyce Center, Notre Dame is confident that they will more than hold their own against the Wolverines tonight at the Palace of Auburn Hills in Detroit.

Despite the fact that the large majority of the 20,000 fans will be pulling for the Wolverines, the Irish are listed as the home team at the so-called "neutral" site.

"Playing at the Palace is really something special," said sophomore goaltender Matt Eisler. "Last year, I was nervous at the beginning, but once we got into the game, the excitement just kind of carried me through."

It's a gross understatement to say that Eisler will have his hands full trying to contain the Michigan offense on Friday. The unit averages nearly six goals per contest, and their explosive trio of Kevin Hilton (54 points), Brendan Morrison (51), and Jason Botterill (26 goals) gives opposing goaltenders the heebie jeebies.

"They are a free wheeling offensive team with a lot of big guns," said Poulin. "They have a lot of weapons that can beat you at any time. To make things worse, they

have one of the top goalies (Marty Turco) in the league."

As if the Wolverines weren't enough to contend with, the Irish will visit East Lansing on Saturday for a showdown with the first place Spartans (25-7-0).

While the Irish will receive a great lift with the return of senior defenseman Davide Dal Grande, they will have to receive some help at the offensive end to keep up with the talented Michigan State squad.

Senior center Jamie Ling (31 points), freshman right wing Brian Urlick (23), and junior left wing Tim Harberts (21) have been solid over the last three weeks, but someone else will have to step up if the Irish are to pull off what would be the league's biggest upset of the season.

"There's not much getting around the fact that we have to score more to have any chance of being successful," said Poulin.

Notre Dame (8-20-3) has fallen into ninth place in the CCHA, one point behind Alaska-Fairbanks and two behind Ferris State. The Irish would like a win this weekend to overtake either the Nanooks or the Bulldogs for the final seed in the conference playoffs.

"We know that because of the position we are in, we can't afford to come home empty handed," said senior defenseman Jeremy Coe. "It's just a matter of going out and playing 60 minutes of consistent hockey and avoiding the occasional mental breakdowns."

Thus, the uphill battle begins.



The Observer/Kevin Klau
Defender Davide Dal Grande will be counted on to halt the explosive attack of the Wolverines.



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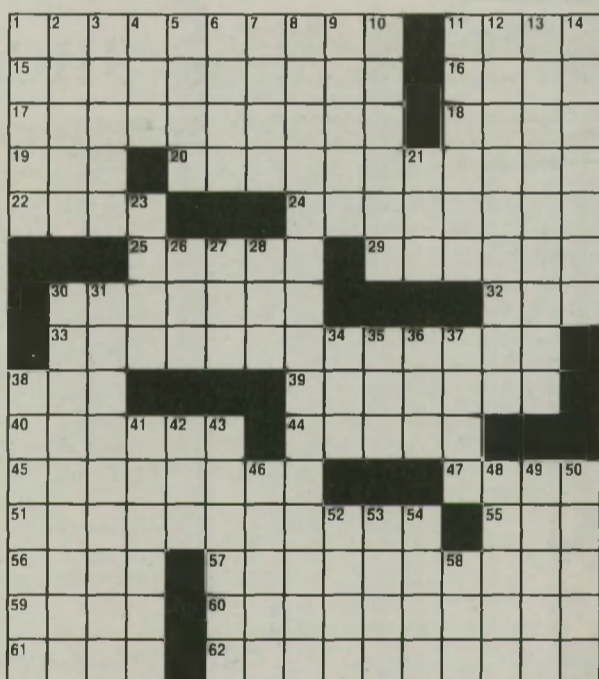
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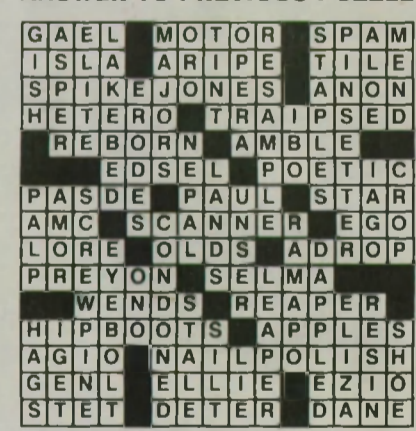
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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Do everything you can this morning to avoid getting entangled in red tape. An emotional attachment may be thrilling but hard on your budget. Be honest about any financial constraints.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You would go miles out of your way to aid a worthy cause. Try to lunch with someone who is both open-minded and responsible. Romance is almost magical! Seize an opportunity to travel.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Heed your intuition today. Although financial tips abound, you need to consult experts before making investments. Your social plans go well. Concerns about a loved one are dispelled by a phone call.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Be careful not to act overbearing or arrogant. Your keen powers of persuasion will get you what you want if you do not press too hard. Unexpected developments will make romance seem even sweeter.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You have a real appreciation for good food, art and entertainment. This is great so long as you do not let self-indulgence deplete your resources. Spend quality time with each child.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A serious conversation will motivate someone to solve a problem. Quiet activities like reading help you relax while adding to your store of knowledge. Keep a close eye on your expenditures today and tomorrow.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Things feel a little up in the air today; by tomorrow they will be back on solid ground. Long-distance concerns merit a phone call or fax. Complete important paperwork before leaving the office.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): A marriage proposal, business agreement or major new contract has the lion's share of your attention. One way or another, you can expect to reap rewards through new ties.

Of Interest

Today at 4:00 p.m. Ashok Ahuja, "Aadharshila" (foundation Stone), a story of young people at a point of beginning in their lives. Winner of the Mannheim International Film Festival will be playing in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium.

HA Sketch Comedy Show Humor Artists present an hour of sketches, stand-up, and songs. free at Washington Hall 6:30 p.m. tonight. Bring your parents, juniors. see the all new Valentine's Day Spectacular.

Shenanigans JPW concerts Fun, high quality entertainment. There will be more concerts, two of them at 1:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. in the Snite Annenberg Auditorium. Everyone is invited and admission is free. For more info check <http://www.nd.edu/~shenana>

Tonight and tomorrow night in the Cinema at the Snite, "The Postman (Il Postino)" will be playing at 7:30 and 9:45 p.m. The cost is \$2.

MENU

- Notre Dame**
- North: Breaded Cheese Sticks, Grilled Tuna with Lemon, Stir Fry Chicken
 - South: Shrimp Poppers, Oven Roast Potatoes, Turkey Steak Mozz
- Saint Mary's**
- Lasagna Blanco, Chicken Fajitas, Fried Onion Rings

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WOMEN'S TENNIS

No. 9 Vols fall to surging Irish

By KATHLEEN LOPEZ
Sports Writer

After taking a small break, the women's tennis team is back, and making their presence known. The No. 16 Irish upset the No. 9 Volunteers last night, in grand fashion. With this victory, Notre Dame's record improves to 7-1.

"Basically, the whole team played really well," stated Assistant Coach Maureen McNamara. "Everybody just stepped up and showed that they wanted it."

The team captured all three of the doubles matches, and started the momentum going.

Seniors Wendy Crabtree and Holyn Lord dismissed Tennessee's Margie Lepsi and Kristin Bachochin, 8-4. Following their teammate's lead junior Erin Gowen and freshman Jennifer Hall beat the Vol's Carrie Spinner and Heather

McEvoy, 8-3.

Sophomore Kelley Olson stepped in to fill injured senior Sherri Vitale's spot, at No. 3 doubles. Olson teamed up with freshman sensation Marisa Velasco to defeat Tennessee's Emily Woodside and Erin Lowrey.

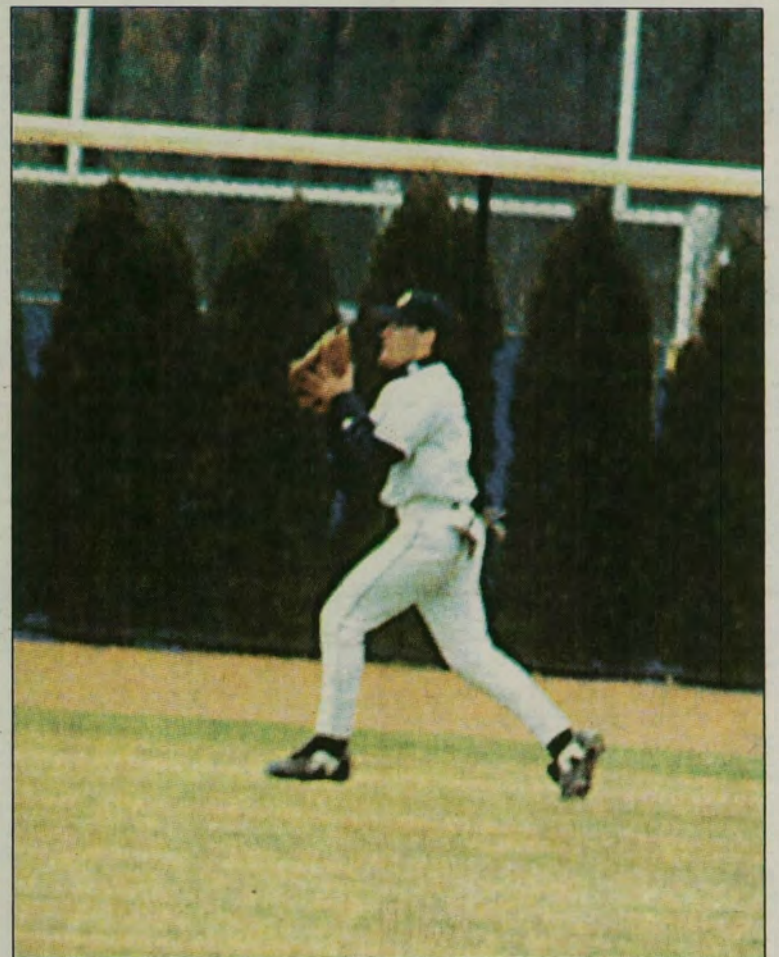
"We were down 5-2, but then we woke up," stated Velasco. "We kicked our play up a notch."

When asked the key to the upset, McNamara remarked, "Getting the great start in doubles was the key. It was a big deal. We won at the No. 1 and No. 2 spots, but we were down in the match at No. 3. Then Velasco and Olson came from behind for the win. It definitely made us more confident for the singles."

The freshmen once again had another impressive showing in yesterday's match. Hall moved

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BASEBALL



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OF Scott Sollmann returns to the baseball diamond, as he leads the Irish baseball team against Georgia Tech in the 1996 season opener. Sollmann hit for a .406 batting average last season.

Experience key to success for Irish

By DYLAN BARMMER
Sports Writer

While present conditions in South Bend may not compel you to grab that dusty old mitt of yours off the shelf and go outside for a game of catch, over thirty Notre Dame students will be knee-deep in baseball this weekend.

And they will be up for much more than just a friendly game of catch.

The Irish baseball team begins their 1996 campaign this weekend with a two-game series at #13 Georgia Tech, kicking off their first season as a member of the Big East Conference, and their second year under head coach Paul Mainieri, who led the oft-injured Irish to an impressive 40-21 record last season.

This year's version of the Irish, with the notable exception of Mr. Everything Ryan Topham (.335 BA, 18 HR, 79 RBI), will bear a striking resemblance to last season's squad, returning more than a dozen monogram winners, including the entire pitching staff.

"I don't think you

with one player," commented Mainieri. "What I'm hoping for is that, collectively, all of the players that have a year under their belt and are more comfortable because of that experience, will be better, and that we will be better as a whole team as a result."

Mainieri definitely has reason for such hope, especially with

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Entering his second season, coach Mainieri looks to improve on last year's 40-21 record.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Allen poses 'ultimate challenge'

By TIM SEYMOUR
Associate Sports Editor

Come late Saturday afternoon, Irish forward Derek Manner may wish this was one honor he didn't earn.

Manner is the lucky winner of Notre Dame's 'Who-gets-to-guard-consensus-all-American-Ray-Allen' award as the Irish travel to Storrs to take on No. 3 Connecticut, winner of 22 consecutive contests, for a televised 1:30 p.m. tip on Saturday.

"I guess you could look at this as the ultimate challenge," laughed Manner. "I didn't get a chance at him the last time we played them (a 85-65 UConn win in December), so this is my opportunity."

It's an opportunity that few relish.

Allen, only a junior, is one of the front-runners for National Player of the Year honors, averaging 23 points while shooting 50% from the field and 49% from beyond the arc.

At 6-5, 200-pounds, Allen is the epitome of the 'silky swingman,' a player who can score



The Observer/Brent Tadsen

Marcus Young's recent improvement under the boards sparked the Irish over Pittsburgh last Tuesday.

inside or out.

"He's pretty much a complete all around player," said Manner. "You can't forget about him even for a second, because he can be quiet for a while and then just explode."

At 6-6, Manner has the height to counter Allen, something that was missing in the matchup earlier this season when 6-1 Ryan Hoover shadowed him.

But as the Irish are aware, stopping one of the country's most explosive scorers takes more than just one person.

"It's important that we all carry out our defensive assignments and be aware of where Allen and (fellow backcourt mate Doron) Sheffer are," said guard Keith Kurowski. "We're going to try and switch on and off and keep fresh legs on him."

Despite Allen's heroics this season, including a 29 point effort in a victory over No. 4 Villanova, the Huskies have ascended into the country's elite based on a complete team effort.

UConn shoots an incredible 48% from the field, while its top six players each average more than seven points per game.

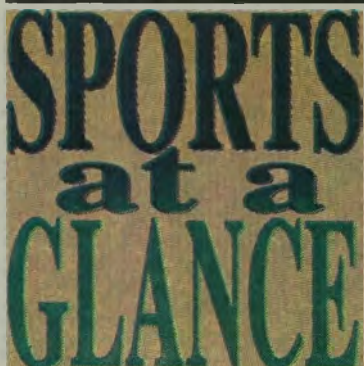
"(Allen) is one of the best players in the country, but Connecticut is where it is because the entire team has contributed," explained guard

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UConn and Notre Dame's last meeting included some fireworks as Huskie center Travis Knight and Irish captain Ryan Hoover had to be seperated in the second half.



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at Connecticut, February 17, 1:30 p.m.

Women's Basketball
at Pittsburgh, February 17, 7:30 p.m.

Women's Tennis
vs. Alabama, February 17, 3 p.m.
vs. Kentucky, February 18, 10 a.m.

Men's Tennis
vs. Wisconsin, February 18, 3:30 p.m.
Track
Big East Championship, February 17-18

Hockey
at Michigan, February 16, 7 p.m.
SMC Sports
Basketball vs Olivet, February 17, 1 p.m.



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