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Fake IDs net charges for ND student

By JASON McFARLEY
News Editor

A Notre Dame student will appear in St. Joseph County Superior Court next month to enter a plea in connection with charges that he manufactured and owned false identification.

Sophomore Andrew Murren made an initial court appearance Friday with counsel, South Bend attorney Anthony Zappia. Judge John Marnocha ordered Murren back in court Dec. 20 to indicate whether he will plead guilty to the charges or proceed with a trial.

Murren, 20, of Camp Hill, Pa., was arrested Nov. 2 after authorities linked him with possession of a phony driver's license and distribution of fake IDs to other Notre Dame students. He faces one felony count of forgery, eight misdemeanor counts of furnishing false identification and a citation for owning a bogus ID.

Murren is out on \$1,000 bond.

Charges against him stem from a Notre Dame Security/Police investigation triggered by an August incident involving an underage female Notre Dame student caught in Albion, Mich., trying to use a fake ID to buy alcohol, according to court records. The woman met with NDSP in late August and led officials to investigate more than a half-dozen other female students who had purchased false identification on campus in the spring.

Each woman reported paying \$50 cash for a counterfeit driver's license from the state of Maine.

In a Sept. 14 meeting between NDSP Sgt. Patrick Cottrell and Murren in the student's Knott Hall room, Murren admitted he produced the women's IDs and surrendered a false one he had made for himself; the records showed. He told Cottrell he had obtained information about making the

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SENIOR SOLIDARITY



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Seniors in the student section of Notre Dame Stadium cheer on the Irish in the team's 34-16 win against Navy Saturday. It was the final home game that the seniors would attend as students. Following the victory, many students remained in the stands to sing the 'Alma Mater' and salute the 43 senior football players.

Professor files age-bias suit against ND

◆ Jemielly accuses University officials of discrimination, forced retirement

By JASON McFARLEY
News Editor

A 30-year University employee has filed an age-discrimination lawsuit against Notre Dame, claiming officials for years have paid him less than younger professors and forced him into retirement.

Thomas Jemielly, an English professor, filed suit Oct. 30 in U.S. District Court in South Bend. Jemielly, 67, seeks back pay and unspecified

damages from the University.

He has also filed a charge of discrimination with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the Indiana Civil Rights Commission.

Jemielly's complaint stems from Notre Dame's fostering over the past nine years "a culture of discrimination against older professors in its English department," the suit alleges.

The suit claims that Notre Dame creates a hostile work environment for older faculty in the department by underpaying them and mistreating them in private and publicly.

In particular, leadership within the College of Arts and

Letters has paid Jemielly less than faculty with similar or fewer qualifications and applied unfair teaching requirements to him, the suit alleges. Officials have refused to remedy the disparities despite Jemielly's calling the issues to the attention of deans and department heads since throughout the 1990s.

In 1993, Jemielly reported to Christopher Fox, then-chair of the English department, that his salary was inappropriate. Fox referred Jemielly to then-dean of Arts and Letters Harry Attridge, who didn't acknowledge the matter until 1995, according to the suit.

Jemielly in 1994 alleged age-related discrimination in a

letter to Attridge and the chair of a committee charged with reviewing the Arts and Letters in-house grant awarding unit. The letter prompted no formal review by the University of practices related to Jemielly's allegations.

A May 1996 letter from Jemielly to English department faculty objected to the exclusion of older faculty members from serving on a committee to review the future of the department. That letter led to no University review either.

The suit's most shocking claims are lodged against current Notre Dame management.

The suit alleges that a senior

chairholder in the English department has for more than a decade disparaged older faculty members both privately and publicly.

It also alleges that Arts and Letters Dean Mark Roche instructed Chris VandenBossche, English department chair, to increase efforts to speed retirement of older faculty.

VandenBossche "unfairly and capriciously" applied new service course teaching requirements to Jemielly, the suit claims.

University refusal to address his concerns about discrimination and ongoing hostility

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INSIDE COLUMN

Faking it

You drink and you have a fake? Oh, wow, big surprise – the guy eating lunch next to you probably does too.

But now it matters because the University's new mission includes targeting people with fake IDs and those who make them.

Maribel Morey

Fakes are all over campus, but with good reason. Not being 21 can stand in the way on any given Friday or Saturday night. If bars are busted people don't stop going to them; they just get better IDs.

Assistant
News Editor

Notre Dame stresses a balanced lifestyle surrounded by spirituality, academics and sports.

Domers study hard and try to party hard, but the University is trying its best to tear this away. When caught with a fake ID, students are being taken to ResLife and questioned until they submit the name of a person who made them.

People are being fined, given community service or being banned from going abroad.

What's the University's goal with this new "war on underage drinking"? Why give a student a citation for drinking a cup of beer at a tailgate? What is the University trying to prove? Since alcohol does complement a balanced lifestyle, the University should not be sponsoring a fear of drinking. Life is a constant balance of moderation.

And, by the way, alcohol does not necessarily lead to sex and drugs because students can achieve the latter quite independently.

However, the legal drinking age is 21 in the U.S. and the University is going to extremes to enforce this law.

Does ResLife want Notre Dame students to stay in on the weekends and study some more? Should students just listen to the band and go to Saturday morning lectures before the game? Yes, students can have fun without alcohol, but why should they feel obligated to do so?

More fundamentally, why is the drinking age 21? Until somebody can find a logical answer for this, students are going to drink. As long as people want to go to bars, fake IDs are going to exist. And to have such fakes, there are going to be others making them. There's a law and there's a way to get around it. Even du Lac dedicates two pages to explain how undergraduates can drink on campus.

ResLife achieves little by citing students at tailgates — except making overachieving students feel like delinquents for a day until they realize that the only misfortune was getting caught.

What about those accused of making IDs? With only word of mouth against her, a friend will be moving out of her dorm. She will not be able to go abroad next semester like she had planned since freshman year. Perhaps in the "outside world" making IDs is a crime, but in college, it might seem as necessary as black pants. Students don't use fakes to get on planes or to use somebody else's credit cards; it's just to get into a bar. Don't want fakes floating around the campuses across the country? Then University officials and lawmakers should consider enforcing rules that they themselves followed — change the legal drinking age back to 18.

This year, our birthdays do determine our success at Notre Dame — whether we can have a balanced lifestyle or not.

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THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
◆ Lecture: "Israel's Quest for Peace and the War against Terrorism," 4 p.m., Hesburgh Center.	◆ Film: "La Sentinelle," 7 and 9 p.m., Montgomery Theater, LaFortune	◆ Thanksgiving: Saint Mary's closed, classes resume Nov. 26	◆ Thanksgiving: Notre Dame closed, classes resume Nov. 26
◆ Lecture: "Mies now: Finding the Modern in a Post-modern World," 4:30 p.m., Bond Hall	◆ Graduate Seminar: "Characterization of Carbons and Carbon Composites," 3:30 p.m., DeBartolo		◆ Dinner: Special Thanksgiving Buffet, \$12.60/adult, \$6.30/child, Noon to 3:30 p.m., North Dining Hall

BEYOND CAMPUS

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Cornell student arrested for mail fraud

ITHACA Police arrested 22-year-old Cornell University engineering student Junaid Ahmed in connection with 13 counts of mail fraud stemming from his own allegedly forged University application.

"The investigation uncovered allegations of false documentation and forged documents [in connection with Ahmed]," said Binghamton Assistant U.S. Attorney Thomas Walsh.

"The University essentially conducted an internal investigation which resulted in what we allege to be criminal conduct involving Ahmed's original application," Walsh said.

Ahmed faces a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine for each of the 13 counts.

The count of mail fraud is attempt-

"[Ahmed tried to] defraud Cornell and obtain admission — including the benefits of being a Cornell student."

Thomas Walsh
Attorney

ing to perpetrate an illegal scheme using mail delivered by the United States Postal Service to the University by any private carrier with foreknowledge. The investigation encompassed members of the FBI and the United States Marshall's Service.

This case begins with Ahmed's original application to the College, which,

according to allegations detailed in the indictment, include forged and fraudulent information regarding his high school transcript.

"The defendant applied to Cornell University for admission to the College of Engineering. Cornell University received a document entitled 'Secondary School Report,' which appeared to have been prepared by [his] secondary school. ... The document was not prepared by [his] secondary school," reads a section of the federal indictment outlining each of the 13 charges.

The scheme is Ahmed's alleged involvement to, "defraud Cornell and to obtain admission, including the benefits of being a Cornell student, one being able to apply for financial aid," Walsh said.

HOWARD UNIVERSITY

Facilities closed after anthrax scare

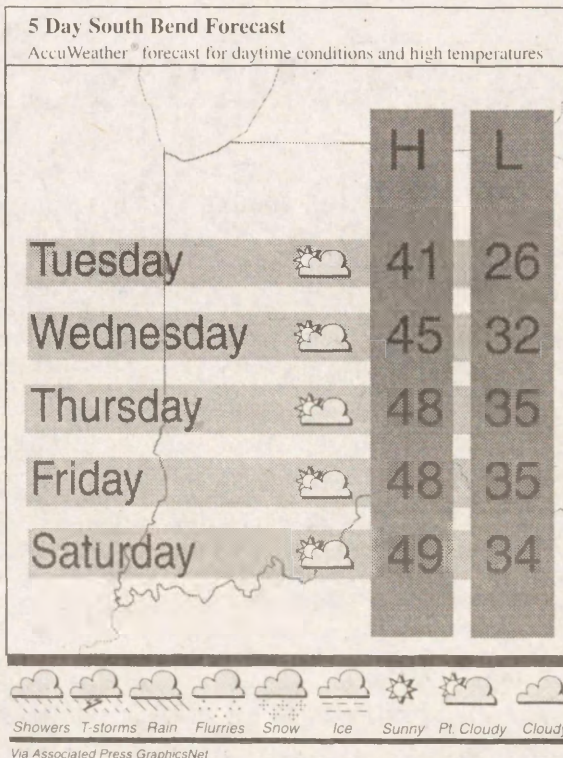
Howard University closed eight mail facilities Monday after traces of anthrax spores were found at its main mailroom over the weekend. The mailroom is the first non-governmental facility to test positive for anthrax after receiving contaminated mail. A sorting machine from the mailroom tested positive for anthrax. It was the only sample out of 54 to yield positive test results. Mail sorting facilities at the divinity and law schools were also closed, but later reopened after testing finished. However, the main mailroom was closed at Wednesday's press time. It will remain closed until testing is complete, officials said. Students were surprised the potentially deadly bacteria hit so close to campus, despite the discovery of anthrax in 11 congressional offices this week. "This is kind of unsettling that anthrax just keeps popping up all over the place and no one knows about it until someone finds it," said Anthony Gisby. Many students questioned the length of time the spores have lived in the mailroom.

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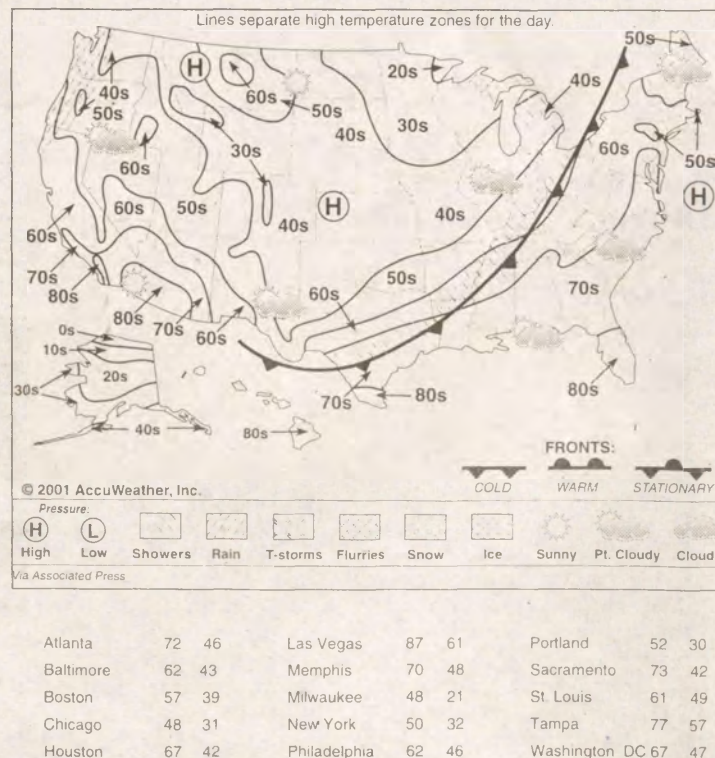
Families to hold personal vigil

The crowd of Texas A&M University students gathered on the Polo Fields at 2:42 a.m. Nov. 18, 2000, was not much different than the Aggies who stood there a year before. The difference in 2000 was that the Aggie family was 12 members short. They stood in the mud and cold rain, a sea of Bonfire pots held over hearts, looking through to the central flame to memorialize the victims of the 1999 Aggie Bonfire collapse. Though the University will make no official observation this Sunday of the second anniversary of Bonfire's collapse, the families and friends of the 12 Aggies killed and 27 injured when the three-tiered stack fell to the ground said they cannot and will not ever forget. The families said they will have their own memorials. Janice Kerlee said this week has been one of the hardest since the collapse. "You'll cry a lot, and it's very emotional," she said. "Any anniversary of death is hard." The Kerlees will be at the site of the 1999 Bonfire at 2:42 a.m. Sunday morning with candles and prayers. Other families will be there, offering support.

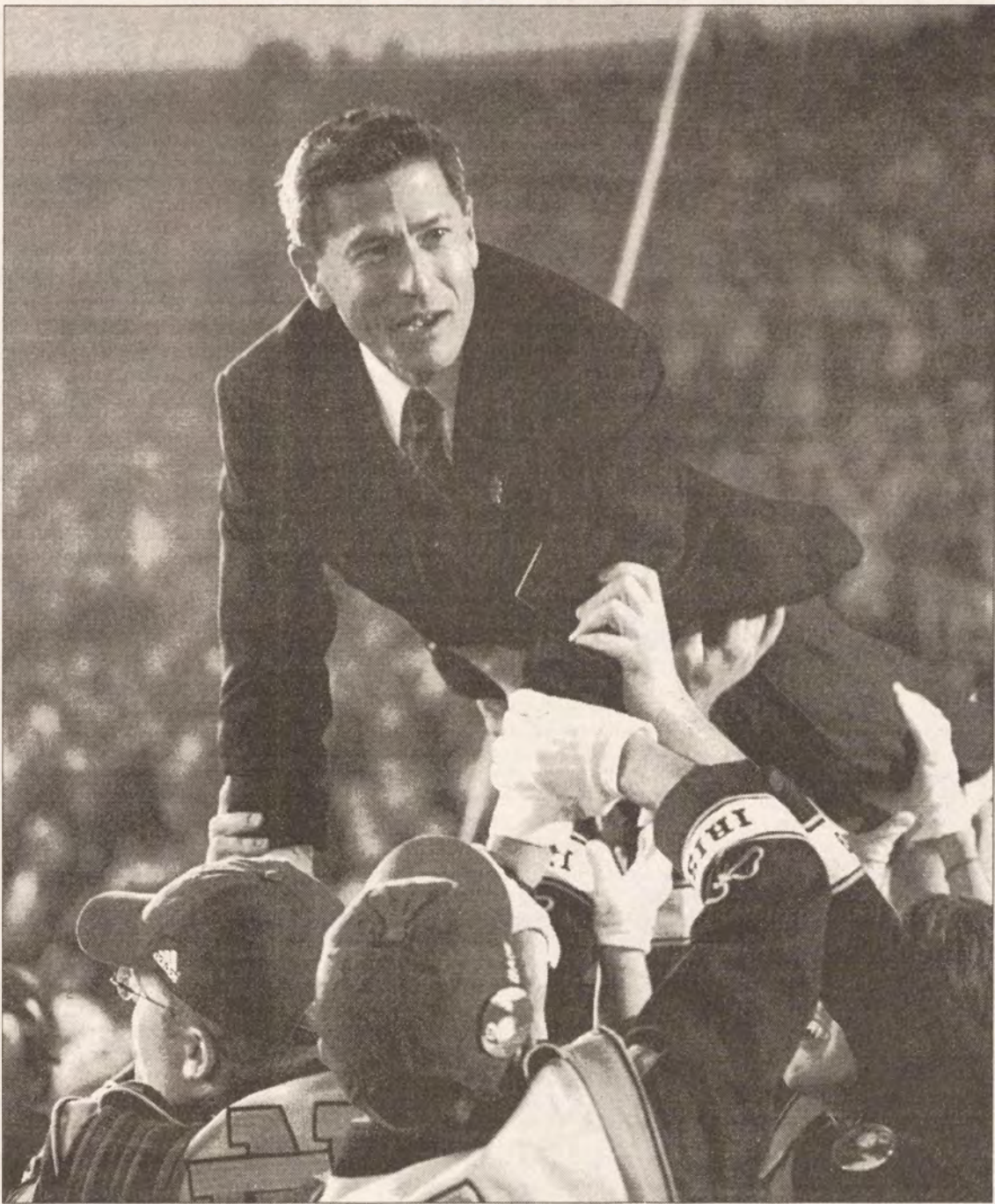
LOCAL WEATHER



NATIONAL WEATHER



UP YOU GO



DUFFY-MARIE ARNOULT/The Observer

Band members lift Kenneth Dye, band director, into the air for pushups during the Notre Dame-Navy game Saturday. It was the band's final performance this year before a home crowd.

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How: Tickets are \$12 available at
Lafun Info Desk starting Nov. 12

Poll responses back
smallpox vaccinations

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Three-fifths of Americans say they would want a smallpox vaccination if it were widely available, according to an Associated Press poll that suggests continued nervousness about bioterrorism.

About half of the respondents say they are concerned about the threat of a smallpox attack and think last month's anthrax attacks are the beginning of an extended campaign, according to the poll conducted for The AP by ICR of Media, Pa.

Some of those still concerned about bioterrorism say they generally are nervous because they do not know what's coming next.

"To me, now, anything can happen," said Michelle Hunt, a 50-year-old retail clerk from Boulder City, Nev. "If it's out there, it could happen. I try not to worry about it."

The U.S. government is stockpiling the smallpox vaccine in case of terrorist attacks, but has no plans to routinely vaccinate the general public. Smallpox vaccine is made with a live virus related to smallpox, so it can cause some very serious side effects. Experts estimate that if every American were vaccinated against smallpox, some 400 people would die from the vaccine.

A majority of Americans indicate they would get the vaccine if it were available, even after they are informed of the possible risks.

"Smallpox is incredibly contagious and they only have 15 million vaccinations," said 28-year-old Bradford Rubinoff of Tucson, Ariz. "If people would use anthrax against us, who's to say they wouldn't use smallpox?"

Asked if he would want to get the smallpox vaccination even though it carries some health risks, Rubinoff said, "Absolutely."

Among the risks: About 3 in every 1 million people vaccinated would get encephalitis, which can cause permanent brain damage or death. Another 250 would get a smallpox-like rash that also can be fatal if not properly treated.

People with weak immune systems — patients who have AIDS, cancer or organ transplants or are taking high-dose steroids — are most at risk for the side effects, as are people with the skin condition eczema.

The anthrax attacks through the mail, which rattled the nation throughout October, had subsided a bit. But last week's discovery of a suspi-

cious letter to Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., may revive public concern.

People are evenly split about whether the anthrax attacks are part of a long-term campaign.

The number who think the anthrax attacks are likely to continue in the coming months is 45 percent, down only slightly from the height of the anthrax scare in mid-October, according to the poll of 1,003 people taken Nov. 9-13. The poll, conducted before the discovery of the Leahy letter, has an error margin of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

Young adults between 18 and 34 were twice as likely as those over 65 to think the anthrax attacks are the beginning of a long terror campaign.

"I am worried about it," said 18-year-old Veronica Gallo of San Bernardino, Calif. "Watching it on the news over and over — it scares me. I tend to stay more with my family these days."

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Veronica Gallo
poll respondent

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Some of the continuing concerns about anthrax may have to do with bad information. A quarter of the people in the poll erroneously think anthrax is contagious.

Albert Sturms, a 65-year-old retiree from Montcalm, W.Va., said he got a smallpox vaccination when he was a child, but does not know if it still protects him. Scientists believe smallpox vaccinations that were given until the early 1970s probably will not provide protection if smallpox re-emerges.

Sturms believes the threat of bioterror remains.

"Afghanistan is not the only country that is involved in this terrorism from what I understand," said Sturms. "There's plenty of people out there who still want to do the United States harm."

About a fourth of the public say the handling of the anthrax scare gave them more confidence in the government's ability to protect citizens from future terrorist attacks. Almost that many say it gave them less confidence — with Democrats twice as likely as Republicans to say they had lost confidence. About half said it has not affected their confidence level.

"My confidence was not affected," said 26-year-old Christine Jarrell Ratke, a college student from Ferndale, Mich., near Detroit. "I was not surprised they were slow to react. ... It's new and the government isn't perfect. I don't think it can protect us from everything."

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Suit

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within the English department forced Jemielity to request retirement at the end of the 2002-2003 academic year, three years before he had wanted to leave, according to the suit.

If a jury determines that he was forced into retirement earlier than he planned, Jemielity could be eligible to receive front pay in lieu of reinstatement.

Notre Dame spokesman Dennis Moore said Sunday he had no knowledge of the case and couldn't comment on it.

Not since Joe Moore's dismissal has the University faced a high-profile age-discrimination case. In 1998, a federal court awarded Moore, a former offensive line coach for the football team, about \$86,000.

In summer of 1998, the University settled out of court a gender-bias suit by a female business professor.

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Murren

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licenses on the Internet and had used a laminator to create them.

The misdemeanor counts Murren faces charge that he distributed the IDs with intent to violate state liquor law. Furnishing false identification, a Class C count, carries a maximum penalty of 60 days in jail and as much as a \$500 fine.

More serious for Murren is the Class C felony forgery count. It carries up to a four-year sentence and \$10,000 fine.

But Marnocha, the chief superior court judge, could let Murren walk on that charge.

Marnocha in a Nov. 7 letter to County Prosecutor Chris Toth expressed concern about Deputy Prosecutor David Szumski's pursuit of the forgery count against Murren.

Prosecution of Murren for forgery violates the superior court rule aimed at ending "forum shopping," Marnocha told Toth in the letter. The recently instated rule is meant to bar lawyers from "shopping" for judges to hear cases.

Szumski submitted the case for Marnocha's consideration

in late October. The judge found no probable cause for the felony charge and rejected that count.

The deputy prosecutor re-submitted the case Oct. 31 to Judge William Means, who signed off on all the counts and issued the warrant for Murren's arrest.

"The re-submission to Judge Means is a direct violation of our local rule," Marnocha wrote.

The rule is seemingly explicit: "In the event that any charging instrument, search warrant, subpoena or other document, the issuance of which requires the finding of probable cause, shall be submitted to a judge and that judge finds that no probable cause exists ... any re-submission shall be made to the original judge, unless the original judge agrees that it may be submitted to another judge ..."

Marnocha told Toth he would deal with the alleged rule violation at one of Murren's future court dates.

The judge urged Toth to ensure that his staff was aware of the rule so that similar problems wouldn't occur in the future.

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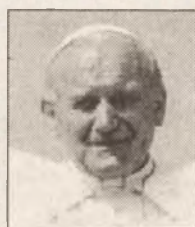
VATICAN CITY

Pope invites religions to Assisi

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY

Pope John Paul II, concerned about the continued impact on humanity of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, invited representatives of the world's religions to come to Assisi, Italy on Jan. 24 for a daylong prayer for peace.



John Paul II

In his weekly appearance Sunday at St. Peter's Square, the pontiff invited leaders of all faiths, but particularly Christians and Muslims, to "proclaim before the world that religion should never become a motive for conflict, hatred and violence."

"In these historic moments, humanity needs to see gestures of peace and hear words of hope," the pope said.

Assisi, a pilgrimage hilltown in central Italy, is the birthplace of St. Francis, the founder of the Roman Catholic Franciscan order. The pope has twice before invited leaders of various faiths to gather in Assisi to pray for peace.

During his appearance, the 81-year-old pontiff also asked Catholics to fast on Dec. 14

and pray to God for justice and an end to the many conflicts in the world. He noted that the date coincides with the holy month of Ramadan, the monthlong holiday of fasting and purification for Muslims.

The pope has spoken out several times about the Sept. 11 attacks and has decried terrorism in the past several weeks. But while the Vatican has acknowledged the right of legitimate defense against terrorists, it has made clear that any "just war" needs to avoid harming innocent people.

The pope, appearing in relatively good form, spoke to a crowd of several hundred in St. Peter's Square on a drizzly Sunday after celebrating Mass at a newly built parish on the outskirts of Rome.

In his homily at the Mass, the pontiff recalled the words of Jesus, which he said gave believers faith that their lives, "despite dramatic upheavals, remain connected to the hands of God."

As he left the parish on his way back to St. Peter's, the pope waved good-bye with his cane to the delight of the crowd.

His visit came after a former CIA counterterrorism chief, Vincent Cannistraro, warned in an interview published Sunday in the daily La Repubblica that the pope remained a target of terrorists, and suggested that they might strike during the holiday season that starts this week, with the American holiday of Thanksgiving, and Christmas on Dec. 25.

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John Paul II
pope

Vatican officials have previously dismissed reports of particular threats against the pope, and did so again Sunday.

The pope first proclaimed a day of peace on Oct. 27, 1986 and invited representatives of the world's religions to Assisi. He brought together Christian, Muslim and Jewish leaders in Assisi on Jan. 9-10, 1993 to pray for an end to the Bosnian war.

Some of the town's famed basilicas, including the basilica of St. Francis, were badly damaged following two earthquakes that jolted central Italy on Sept. 26, 1997. They have since reopened after major restoration projects.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Sailors missing after tanker sinks:

The U.S. Navy was searching Sunday for two U.S. sailors missing in the Persian Gulf after boarding a rickety tanker deemed to be smuggling Iraqi oil. Six other American sailors were rescued after the United Arab Emirates-flagged tanker sank at about 4:45 a.m. local time Sunday in the northern Persian Gulf.

IMF pledges debt relief:

Concerned that the economic fallout from the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks has hit the poorest countries the hardest, World Bank and International Monetary Fund officials met Sunday to discuss debt relief and ways to reduce poverty in the developing world. The meeting came a day after finance ministers from 19 countries and the European Union pledged to help countries at risk, including Afghanistan.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Meteor showers dazzle:

Thousands of shooting stars provided a dazzling light show Sunday that amazed veteran and novice stargazers alike as the Leonid meteor shower made the moonless sky appear to rain light. At the peak of the early morning shower, as many as 1,250 meteors per hour streaked overhead, according to NASA estimates.

Protesters march at Army school:

About 9,000 demonstrators marched toward Fort Benning Sunday to protest an Army school they blame for alleged human rights violations. With the nation at war against terrorists and Americans riding a patriotic wave, organizers said it was more important than ever to protest the former School of the Americas, which used to be a training center for Latin American soldiers.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

State parks opened to hunting:

Indiana Dunes State Park will be closed to the public on Monday and Tuesday as 95 hunters participate in a controversial hunt meant to thin the deer population. For the fourth consecutive year, the Indiana Department of Natural Resources is allowing hunters into the northern Indiana park and 12 other state parks for a controlled deer herd reduction.

Sobriety roadblocks banned:

For the second straight year, law-enforcement agencies in Indiana are without one of their favorite tools for battling drunken driving during the holiday season: roadblocks. The Indiana Court of Appeals ruled last year that sobriety checkpoints unconstitutional.



AFP PHOTO

Northern Alliance fighters sit atop an abandoned Soviet-made tank in front of Shindand military airport. The Alliance was gaining ground south of Kabul, limiting the areas of refuge to Osama bin Laden.

Bin Laden running out of room

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Osama bin Laden and his al-Qaida network are on the run in Afghanistan and their Taliban supporters are in disarray, but the American-led military campaign to crush them is far from over, senior administration officials said Sunday.

Secretary of State Colin Powell and Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz, in separate talk show interviews, both said they have no reason to believe bin Laden has escaped Afghanistan.

"I have seen no intelli-

gence or information to suggest" he has left, Powell said on ABC's "This Week."

The Taliban's envoy to Pakistan said Saturday that bin Laden had left Afghanistan, but that has not been substantiated. Later, the diplomat said he meant only that bin Laden was outside areas under Taliban control.

Powell, Wolfowitz and national security adviser Condoleezza Rice all suggested bin Laden's room to maneuver is shrinking, his options narrowing.

"It's getting harder for him to hide as more and more territory is removed

from Taliban control," Powell said. "I don't think there's any country in the region that would be anxious to give him guest privileges if he showed up."

Wolfowitz described bin Laden as "in very great danger" of being killed or captured.

"This is a man on the run who's doing his best to hide," Wolfowitz said on CBS's "Face the Nation."

Added Rice: "We're beginning to narrow his possibilities for hiding."

U.S. bombing continued Sunday in the Kandahar area in southern Afghanistan and the

Kunduz area in the north. The Pentagon also reported that 75 strike aircraft participated in Saturday's attacks in six target areas near Kabul, the capital.

Keeping with its usual practice of reporting details only from the previous day's attacks, the Pentagon said tunnels and caves used by Taliban and al-Qaida leaders were among the targets.

Powell said the CIA has been doing "some rather splendid work with respect to our activities in Afghanistan, working alongside our military forces that are inside in Afghanistan."

Anthrax letter may harbor clues

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Federal investigators held out hope today that their discovery of what appears to be an anthrax tainted letter addressed to Senator Patrick J. Leahy might offer fresh clues to the identity of the sender.

Preliminary tests on the letter, which investigators found on Friday night in a barrel of quarantined mail, showed that it contained anthrax. Investigators said more conclusive testing would be done this weekend at an Army bioterrorism laboratory.

The letter to Senator Leahy, the Vermont Democrat who is chairman of the Judiciary Committee, bears the same handwriting and Trenton postmark as three other anthrax-tainted letters that had been sent to Senator Tom Daschle of South Dakota, the Senate majority leader; Tom Brokaw of NBC News; and The New York Post.

But unlike the other letters, the Leahy letter was not handled by its intended recipients before it was seized by the F.B.I., which means there is a greater chance that forensic evidence, like fingerprints or

DNA, might have been preserved.

At a news conference at which he held up a photocopy of the envelope, Senator Leahy said, "It's kind of chilling when you see your name on something like this."

Everything on the envelope except Senator Leahy's name and address was similar to the Daschle letter, including the childlike block handwriting and the same fictitious return address: '4th Grade, Greendale School, Franklin Park, N.J.' F.B.I. analysts who suspect that the culprit is probably not a foreign terrorist.

Market Watch November 16

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PALM INC (PALM)	+18.28	+0.53	3.43
ORACLE CORP (ORCL)	-1.62	-0.24	14.55

ISRAEL

Sharon insists on calm before talks

Associated Press

JERUSALEM

On the eve of a major U.S. policy statement, Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon refused to ease demands for a week without violence as a condition for peace talks with Palestinians.

Violence continued Sunday. A bomb went off near the King David Hotel in Jerusalem while police tried to defuse it. No one was hurt by the device, which exploded shortly before Sharon met at the hotel with a European diplomatic delegation. Police said it apparently was planted by Palestinians.

In the Gaza Strip, Israeli tanks and troops moved about 200 yards into Palestinian territory near the town of Beit Lahia and killed two armed Palestinians heading for a nearby Jewish settlement, the military said. In addition, two Palestinians, ages 17 and 70, died of wounds suffered in earlier clashes with Israeli forces.

Sharon noted that the United States agreed to Israel's condition of "seven days of quiet and no less" before a June cease-fire plan negotiated by CIA director George Tenet can be enforced.

The seven days must be followed by a six-week cooling-off period before Israel begins confidence-building measures such as a freeze on Jewish settlements, Sharon said at a news conference after meeting European Union leaders.

Palestinian Cabinet Secretary-General Ahmed Abdel Rahman said the demand for total calm was "an excuse, in effect hampering the efforts aimed at the resumption of peace talks."

The comments came a day before a much anticipated speech on the Middle East by Secretary of State Colin Powell.

Israeli media said Powell was expected to withdraw U.S. support for the Israeli demand during his speech at the University of Louisville. But Powell indicated that was

not the case, saying on Fox TV that peace talks cannot proceed until violence stops.

The Bush administration has been pressing Israel and the Palestinians to tone down their conflict, recently endorsing the creation of a Palestinian state. Washington fears continued violence could undermine Arab support for the U.S. campaign in Afghanistan.

Israeli-Palestinian violence has killed 759 people on the Palestinian side and 197 on the Israeli side in the last 14 months.

Despite Sharon's tough talk, the Israeli army pulled out of areas it had occupied for weeks in the West Bank town of Tulkarem.

That left Jenin the last Palestinian town partly occupied — out of six seized last month in response to the assassination of Israeli Tourism Minister Rehavam Zeevi. That killing was claimed by the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, avenging the August killing of its leader Mustafa Zibri, whom Israel accused of plotting attacks on civilians.

Belgian Prime Minister Guy Verhofstadt said the EU is prepared to help Israelis and Palestinians make peace.

"My message to you is: Use us," he said.

The EU delegation met with Sharon and Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres a day after talks with Palestinian leader Yassir Arafat and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

The Palestinian Cabinet leader, Abdel Rahman, welcomed the European efforts, but Israel was skeptical. Raanan Gissin, a Sharon spokesman, said European nations are biased for the Palestinians.

Sharon appealed to European nations to help the Palestinians develop industry and infrastructure but to stop giving money directly to Arafat's government, "as your money will then be used to purchase weapons, which will be directed against Israel."

SPAIN

Court names 8 terrorist suspects

Associated Press

MADRID

A Spanish magistrate accused eight men of involvement in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the United States on Sunday, ordering them jailed and charging them with belonging to Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network.

The suspects "were directly linked to the preparation and carrying out of the attacks perpetrated by 'suicide pilots' on Sept. 11, 2001," Judge Baltasar Garzon said in his jailing order.

Garzon, an investigative judge, formally charged the men with membership in a terrorist organization — al-Qaida — and with document falsification, robbery and weapons possession. He accused them of "as many terrorism crimes as there were victims on Sept. 11."

The men denied the charges, which Garzon said were based on evidence from telephone conversations of the group's alleged leader — Imad Eddin Barakat Yarkas, whose alias is Abu Dahdah — before and after the attacks.

Entries in a diary found in Germany also linked him to Mohammed Atta, one of the hijackers, Garzon said. The judge did not provide any details of the evidence.

The eight were among 11 detained Tuesday. The others were released without charges.

Seven of the eight suspects originally came from Muslim countries. Most were Spanish citizens, but police said they were investigating the authenticity of their citizenship papers.

Garzon said the men "formed part of an extremist Islamic group of a terrorist nature integrated in the support and development structure of the al-Qaida organization's criminal activities."

He said the group was involved in recruiting people for terrorist training and providing cover for Islamic militants in Spain and elsewhere in Europe. They also rounded up money for the organization, mainly through stolen credit cards and robberies, he said.

The suspects will remain in jail while Garzon prepares a case against them, a process court officials said could take several years.

Garzon said the one native Spaniard jailed, Luis Jose Galan Gonzalez, whose alias is Yusuf Galan, was trained at a camp run by bin Laden in Indonesia in July. At his Madrid home, police seized weapons, ammunition and forged identity documents.

Galan was also said to have

monitored an election for Spain's radical pro-Basque independence party Herri Batasuna in 1989. The party has been linked to the armed separatist group ETA.

Another of the jailed men, Osama Darra, opened an electronics store in Spain that he used to collect money for al-Qaida, Garzon said.

In the house of another, Bassan Dalati Satut, alias Abu Abdo, police found a diary allegedly containing a bank account number, of Mustapha Setmariam Nasar, who authorities said ran a bin Laden training camps in Afghanistan.

Elsewhere Sunday, an uncle of Ziad Jarrah, a Lebanese man named as one of the hijackers, said he did not believe German prosecutors found a letter from Jarrah telling his girlfriend he would not return from the United States. Jamal Jarrah charged that the letter was "fabricated."

In Egypt, a domestic terror case involving 94 suspected Islamic militants went to trial, and defendants accused the authorities of using it to show the United States they are serious about combating terrorism.

The other four accused are Said Chedadi, Mohamed Seedl, Jassem Mahboule, Mohamed Zaher Asade.

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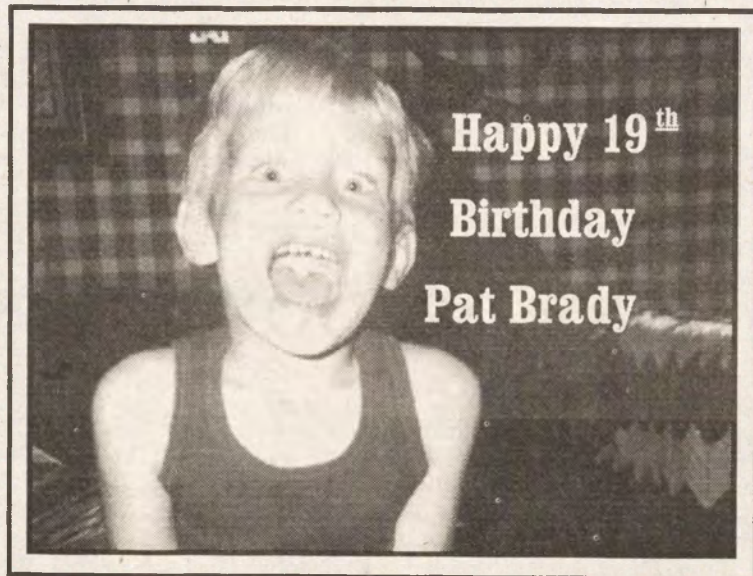
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'Harry Potter' busts box-office record

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES
Wizards vanquished lizards as "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" grossed \$93.5 million in its first weekend, shattering the box-office debut record held by the dinosaur sequel "The Lost World: Jurassic Park."

Other records also fell by the wayside. "Harry Potter" posted the top three one-day box office hauls, according to studio estimates Sunday.

And it positioned itself to become the fastest movie to hit \$100 million, with a shot at crossing that mark in its fourth day on Monday. It took five days to reach that level for "Star Wars: Episode I — The Phantom Menace."

"Lost World" took in \$72.1 million in its first three days over the 1997 Memorial Day weekend. If the box-office estimate holds when final numbers are reported Monday, "Harry Potter" will have surpassed the \$90.1 million "Lost World" grossed in its first four days.

On Friday, "Harry Potter" broke the record for best single-day take with \$31.6

million, topping the previous best of \$28.5 million by "Phantom Menace" in its opening day in 1999.

On Saturday, "Harry Potter" broke its own record by taking in \$32.9 million. And distributor Warner Bros. estimated the movie's Sunday ticket sales at \$29 million, which would give the film the No. 3 best one-day gross.

"We obviously knew going in we were going to have a great opening," said Dan Fellman, Warner's head of distribution. "Nobody anticipated such a staggering number that would shatter every industry record."

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Dan Fellman
Warner head of distribution

Based on the first book of British author J.K. Rowling's adventure series about a school for wizards and witches, "Harry Potter" was directed by Chris Columbus and stars Daniel Radcliffe in the title role.

They have little time to bask in the film's success. Production on "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" begins Monday in London, with Warner planning to have it in theaters the weekend before Thanksgiving next year. The studio hopes to do the same with the third "Harry Potter" movie in

2003.

"Monsters, Inc.," the No. 1 film for the previous two weekends, fell to second place with \$23 million. Disney's decision to put the animated tale into theaters two weeks before "Harry Potter" has paid off: "Monsters, Inc." set a record for best debut for an animated movie and had taken in \$156.7 million in just 17 days.

The top 12 movies grossed \$157.1 million, up 6.6 percent from the same weekend a year ago when four movies opened in wide release, including the blockbuster "Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas."

The two-and-a-half-hour running time of "Harry Potter" limits the number of screenings that theaters can squeeze in each day. Warner compensated by debuting the film in a record 3,672 theaters, which showed it on about 8,200 screens — nearly one-fourth of the nation's total.

"Harry Potter" averaged \$25,467 a theater. "Monsters" averaged \$19,332 in 3,237 theaters in its debut.

"I think in the wake of Sept. 11, people are looking for entertainment close to home," said Paul Dergarabedian, president of Exhibitor Relations, which tracks the box office. "Harry Potter" plays right into that. It's a fantasy world people can get out of the house and enjoy for a few hours, but stay relatively close to home."

Prejean backs life program

Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore.

The author of "Dead Man Walking" says she thinks America is on the verge of rethinking capital punishment.

Sister Helen Prejean was in Oregon on Friday to promote the Life for a Life Campaign, which



Prejean

seeks to get a measure on the statewide November 2002 ballot replacing the state's death penalty with a mandatory life sentence.

Convicts would have to work to pay restitution to victims.

Signature gatherers need 89,000 valid signatures to put the proposed constitutional amendment on the ballot.

"My coming to Oregon to help the Life for a Life Campaign is because this is one of the most hopeful things happening in the United States right now," Prejean told a Portland State University audience on Friday.

Prejean wrote the best-selling book — which became a movie starring Sean Penn as a repentant killer and Susan Sarandon as the nun who offers him compassion — based on her work with death row inmates.

She is at work on a new book about people who were executed but who allegedly were innocent.

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Foundations play role in Hewlett merger

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. California's Hewlett and Packard foundations, born of Silicon Valley's most enduring success story and enriched by a 1990s stock boom, are playing a high-wire act seldom seen in American business.

With billions invested almost entirely in the company's lagging stock and fearing for its future bottom-line, the foundations are questioning Hewlett-Packard Co. proposed \$21 billion merger with Compaq Computer Corp.

It's an unlikely role, analysts said, for philanthropic organizations accustomed to a quieter preoccupation: giving away hundreds of millions of dollars. But as minority shareholders, the 1960s-era foundations and family members who control 17 percent of the company stock, have suddenly become high-profile contenders for Hewlett-Packard's future.

The foundations and heirs of the company, launched in a garage on the eve of World War II, fear that merging two weakened companies might create one anemic performer. Amid talk of layoffs, they also criticize the company's drift from its traditional paternalism.

The tension is mindful of past quarrels between family foundations and their parent companies, said Charles Elson, director of the Center for Corporate Governance at the University of Delaware.

"It's happened before. The St. Petersburg Times was classic," he said. There, the Poynter family institute that controlled 60 percent of company stock clashed with minority investor Robert Bass. Bass, much like HP's new chief Carly Fiorina, clamored for change in the company's style, and for higher profits.

Eventually, the Poynter Institute paid him \$57 million to leave.

Elson also cites Readers Digest, where a company overhaul and changes in its foundation structure raised a stir. This year the company provided independence to several foundations worth \$1.7 billion. All had chafed under restrictions that prevented them from unloading poor-performing Readers Digest stock.

The Hewlett and Packard Foundations also remain mostly invested in their parent company stock, which has plunged since spring 2000.

"They want short-term results as much as long term because that's what supports the work they do," explains Carle Howe, principal analyst at Forrester Research in Massachusetts.

"They're like any other organization," he said. "They need cash."

Charitable and philanthropic foundations like the Hewletts and Packards exploded with new money during the 1990s technology boom. The New

York-based Foundation Center reports the Packard Foundation had \$13 billion in assets by 1999; the Hewlett Foundation, \$2.7 billion. Assets among 50,000 foundations nationally doubled between 1995 and 1999 to \$448 billion, it reports.

The riches launched an explosion of new grants among foundations required to give away 5 percent of their assets every year.

In 2000, foundations gave \$27.6 billion to social causes ranging from public health to the environment, said Loren Renz, the center's vice president of research. The last three years the Packard Foundation emerged among the top four donors, giving more than \$1.5 billion to the arts, environment, science and children's causes. Only the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Ford Foundation and Lilly Endowment gave more. The center ranked the Hewlett Foundation 17th, for \$224 million in grants during 1999 and 2000.

"This period was just unprecedented," said Renz.

But the best of times is over.

The Packard Foundation's average value this year was \$7.5 billion — nearly half its 1999 value — said chief financial officer George Vera. In turn, the foundation trimmed its original \$550 million grant-

making budget for 2000 to \$475 million. Next year's budget for new grants, a decision expected next month by the board of directors, may be lower, said Vera.

The Hewlett foundation couldn't be reached for comment.

The downturn has sowed anxious whispers among Hewlett and Packard's large stable of recipients. It's also raised eyebrows in the financial community.

"Obviously, good portfolio management suggests diversification," said Elson.

Unlike most of America's 50,000 charitable and philanthropic foundations, which diversify their portfolios to ride out tough times, the Hewletts and Packards invest nearly all their billions in the family business.

The fall in technology stock prices has hit foundations like Packard and Hewlett disproportionately hard, said Renz.

"They are the exception, not the rule," she said. Others with most of their investments in family businesses: the Kellogg and Robert Wood Johnson foundations and Lilly Endowment.

Vera said there's been "limited discussion" over the years about diversifying Packard's investment portfolio.

"Dave Packard told his children that there was no requirement to remain in HP stock," he said. "He thought it was a good company. If we were ever to consider diversifying we had to consider the impact on the company and the communities it operates in."

Black workers sue casino

Associated Press

DETROIT

Fourteen current and former black workers claim they were the victims of racial discrimination in a lawsuit against MGM Grand Detroit Casino.

The recently filed lawsuit, which seeks class-action status, includes allegations that the workers faced derogatory language and were unfairly paid, demoted, fired and passed over for promotion. The Detroit News reported in a Sunday story.

The lawsuit was filed in Wayne County Circuit Court.

MGM Mirage said the allegations were inconsistent

with its policies in Detroit, where it has 2,614 workers.

"We take the allegations very seriously because we have a long-standing commitment to providing a work environment where employees can succeed," the casino's Las Vegas parent said. Citing the ongoing lawsuit, it declined further comment.

One of the 14 named plaintiffs is Yvette Nealy, the current executive secretary for the food and beverage department.

Nealy makes \$34,000 a year, despite being the only executive secretary with a college degree, while her white peers without degrees make \$38,000 to \$44,000,

said Lynn Shecter, the Bloomfield Hills lawyer representing the plaintiffs.

Among the specific allegations in the suit:

Ursula Bradford-King, former executive secretary for the personnel department, charged that MGM considered the personnel department "too black."

Brenda Jackson, a former slot machine attendant, said she was fired after a gambler was overpaid by \$800, but a white worker involved in the incident wasn't fired.

Vincent Maxwell, a casino host, charged that black customers aren't given the same amenities as white customers.

GERMANY

Citizens prepare for use of Euro

Associated Press

FRANKFURT

In preparation for the January introduction of euro coins and bills across Europe, the Einstein Cafe chain in Berlin reprogrammed cash registers, ordered new menus, and put the euro figures on the wall board.

It also raised its prices by 7 percent.

Such moves are being watched warily by consumer groups and European officials, who are warning consumers to be on guard for businesses that may be using the opportunity of changing currencies to nudge up prices.

For many businesses, euro prices must be rounded off to arrive at easy-to-pay figures — ones that end in whole numbers or the old retail favorite, .99. The fear is that many won't resist the temptation to round up more often than down.

Patrick O'Beirne, a computer consultant on the euro changeover in Gorey, Ireland, said he suspected inflationary impact, especially for low-priced goods. "Anyone with half a brain would put their prices up now," he said.

He pointed to Britain's price tag switch of 1971, for decimalization — the transition from 240 pence to 100 pence in a pound. Storekeepers rounded up, he said, for small items.

"If you were buying penny sweets at the time,

you paid more," he said. "Those of us who were kids at the time have bitter memories of it."

So far, there's only fragmentary evidence that prices are going up.

The German Central Consumer's Union in Berlin said in its survey of 908 everyday products and services, 14.3 percent had their prices raised to create a round euro price since June, while 4.2 percent were rounded down. For instance, a pack of two men's undershirts, price at 29.95 marks, or 15.31 euros, emerged from repricing at 15.95 euros.

On the other hand, the German state statistical agency has been watching the euro introduction process by intensively studying around 1,000 price tags for a handful of everyday products, including chocolate bars, butter, and egg noodles. It found that price changes that could be attributed to euro repricing amounted to just 0.2 to 0.4 percent over this year so far, for those goods only.

It said it was "not scientifically possible" to tell whether the conversion would affect annual inflation, currently 2.5 percent in Germany.

But lack of a definitive statistical answer hasn't stopped the grumbling.

"The representatives of the stores said that they are not going to raise prices during the period of the introduction, and they signed it," said Silke Moehring, spokeswoman for the Hesse regional consumer's union in Frankfurt.

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Unshackling gender relations

Well, after my last column, I need a happier topic, and I think I've found the perfect subject to talk about — sex. So, kick off your shoes, and maybe the rest of your clothes and let's talk about sex, baby.

I can see some of you squirming in your seats already. For some of you, it's because you're afraid that merely talking about the forbidden act — or even thinking about it — violates du Lac and you'll have ResLife kicking down your door like a thought police SWAT team. I can certainly understand the paranoia but rest assured, there's nothing wrong with discussion.

The rest of you are may be uncomfortable talking about sex because you're afraid you might either be ridiculed for not ever having it or being castigated as hell bound for experiencing it and — gasp — liking it. Joe Muto said a couple weeks ago that he was looking to get some (a perfectly normal attitude for him to have) and was treated to more than a few responses, most of which boiled down to finger-pointing and saying, "Sinner!" While all that was going on, Erin Griswold made the very brave announcement of being a virgin and was herself basically told to shut up because virgins can't possibly know anything about sex. (Just ask Britney Spears. She's a slave for you.)

Can I ask a question: what's the big deal? Sex, especially the decision to lose one's virginity, is the most personal decision any of us can make. While that doesn't exempt it from all criticism, the least we can do is not rebuke each other because they don't have sex in the manner we would like them to.



Mike Marchand

Undistinguished
Alumnus

This includes throwing out Bible verses and Catechism snippets, hoping it will have the same effect as breaking out a crucifix in front of a vampire. But many people on this campus don't hold stock in what they have to say at all. Many more of us, especially those that went to Catholic grade and high schools, have had the Church's stance on the morality of sex rammed down our throats for years and now really don't care anymore.

Like me. I honestly think the Church's policy is wrong and I would say it to the Pope's face if I ever had the opportunity. Requiring couples to wait until after marriage to have sex, at least to me, elevates the act of sex to be more important than the marriage. The union of bodies, although special, is nowhere near as extraordinary as the union of souls. Therefore, it should not be saved as the final act as if it were more sacrosanct than marriage.

There, that's my opinion. You have yours. Is that so horrible?

Regardless of whether or not you believe in the Church's stance on sex, the policies concerning sex established by the administration in du Lac are not a defense of Catholic practice. Show me where single-sex dorms and parietals are mentioned anywhere in the Catechism. And why can students be expelled for violating Church policy by having sex but not by going against Catholic teaching in any other way, like skipping mass? The no-nookie-under-any-circumstances rules aren't indicative of an unhealthy attitude towards sex or even an appreciation of Catholic values but an unhealthy distrust of students (see also the new tailgating policies).

Furthermore, I'm well within my rights to criticize the policy. Well, maybe not anymore, since I'm no longer a student. But it's been said recently that students are "expected to follow the rules of their institution." But if those rules are misguided, don't they

also have the right to point this out in the hopes of changing them?

The most depressing thing out of all of this is that ... well, think about what we're arguing about. Picture sex in your mind. You can add whatever details you want, but for the purpose of this exercise, confine it to just one man and one woman.

Doesn't it look absolutely ridiculous?

Seriously, if you sit back and think about it, it's crazy that we care so much about this when it looks so silly. But the reason why it looks silly is because we're examining only the act and discarding the deep emotions and feelings our imaginary lovers have for each other. Which is what makes sex special. Those feelings are the same regardless of whether the couple is married or not. But without those feelings, sex merely becomes ordinary. And if someone simply settles for ordinary instead of extraordinary, that's the only shame in sex.

So, maybe we'll never see condoms being given out at University Health Services, but the administration should loosen up a little. They're afraid that if they don't keep the reins super-tight, the campus will explode in an orgy of sexual immorality. Well, I don't think any couples who want to have sex are scared of the rules against it. I know a lot of people who already break parietals and have sex. But unshackling gender relations will allow the rest of the community to have a better chance at creating their own loving relationships, where sex is not treated as a sin or a crime.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Thanks to the women's soccer team

Before I came to Notre Dame, my appreciation for soccer was minimal at best. Offsides was a defensive penalty for all I knew. But three years ago I met a player for the women's team and decided to come out and support her against North Carolina. I enjoyed the game so much, I have gone to almost every game since. Over the last four years, the women's soccer team has given the student body a lot to cheer about — an upset over an undefeated Santa Clara in the semifinals, and undefeated regular season last year and a 40 game unbeaten streak at home. Unfortunately, the season ended for the team today but I hope everyone does not focus on that.

The seniors and the rest of the team have represented the University with the utmost class. They truly embody the Notre Dame spirit. When the game was over, the team congratulated the other team and walked off the field. As they came out of the gates for their last time, they took the time

to autograph the programs of the fans waiting for them.

There are certain words come to mind when thinking about this team: hard work, dedication, sportsmanship, class, role models. We should not remember the seniors by the outcome of their last game, yet by the way they have represented the University. Over the last four years, this team has accomplished as much or more than any other sports team, and we should remember this. Thanks to Lindsey Jones, Mia Sarkesian, Liz Wagner, Kelly Tulisiak and Monica Gonzalez for all the great memories. If every athlete at Notre Dame follows the legacy that they have left behind, then Notre Dame will become a better place.

Casey Smith

senior

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Have your Thanksgiving travel plans changed due to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks?

93% No; 4% Yes, using transportation other than flying; 3% No, cancelled trip altogether

Poll courtesy of CollegeClub.com

The NDToday/Observer poll will return after Thanksgiving break.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"She had once been a Catholic, but discovered that priests were much more attentive when she was in the process of losing or regaining faith in Mother Church, she maintained an enchantingly wavering attitude."

F. Scott Fitzgerald
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Separation of church and state being challenged

Supreme Court edicts forbid voluntary prayer in government activities, including classrooms and even football games. Yet in the aftermath of Sept. 11, public officials, from the White House to the school house, have acted as if the Court's rulings did not exist. When Congressmen assemble on the steps of the Capitol to sing God Bless America, we are entitled to wonder. Is this public religiosity only a passing nightmare for the American Civil Liberties Union? Or could it foreshadow a relaxation of the Court's prohibitions? That is unlikely. But it is interesting that, two weeks after Sept. 11, the Supreme Court decided to review three consolidated cases that could modify its doctrine on government aid to religion.



Charles Rice

Right or Wrong?

"This is probably the most important church-state case in the last half-century," said Barry Lynn, of Americans United for Separation of Church and State. The cases involve the voucher program for Cleveland public school students, which a panel of the federal Court of Appeals, by a 2-1 vote, held unconstitutional. The vouchers, primarily for students from low-income families, may be used to pay tuition at private schools, including sectarian schools. The voucher check, payable to the parents, is mailed to the school selected by the parents, who then endorse the check to the school to pay tuition. The program forbids participating schools from discriminating against prospective students on the basis of religion.

In holding the voucher unconstitutional, the Court of Appeals majority relied on "Committee for Public Education v. Nyquist," in which the Supreme Court, in 1973, held unconstitutional a New York tuition-grant for low-income children in private schools including religious schools. However, as Judge James Ryan argued in his Court of Appeals dissent, "the Nyquist era categorical prohibition against direct grants to aid religious schools is no longer the law; and second, the criteria for determining when a statute has the forbidden 'primary effect' of advancing religion have been modified."

The First Amendment provides, in part, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." The Establishment Clause originally required Congress to maintain neutrality among religious sects. It had no application to the states, five of which had established churches at the time of the adoption of the

Constitution. Since the 1940s, the Supreme Court has misinterpreted the post-Civil War 14th Amendment to hold that the Clause binds the states as well as the federal government. The Court developed a test, evolving from "Lemon v. Kurtzman," in 1971, which required that, to pass muster under the Clause, a statute must have a secular purpose, its primary effect must neither advance nor inhibit religion and it must not foster an excessive entanglement of religion. Over the past 15 years most members of the Court have indicated their dissatisfaction with the so-called Lemon test.

In "Mitchell v. Helms," in 2000, the Court upheld a state program for the loan of computers to public and private schools including religious schools. Justice Clarence Thomas, in his Mitchell opinion, joined by Chief Justice William Rehnquist and Justices Antonin Scalia and Anthony Kennedy, said, "nothing in the Establishment Clause requires the exclusion of pervasively sectarian schools from otherwise permissible aid programs and other doctrines of this Court bar it. This doctrine, born of bigotry, should be buried now." The Cleveland voucher case could complete that burial.

If you are a betting person, you ought to stick to the ponies and not bet on the outcome of a Supreme Court case.

Nonetheless, few would be surprised if the Supreme Court upheld the voucher on a theory along the lines of Judge Ryan's summary: "The rule is now settled that a government program that permits financial aid ultimately to reach religious schools does not offend the Establishment Clause if the government's role in the program is neutral. Neutrality exists if the governmental aid that goes to a religious institution does so 'only as a result of the genuinely independent and private choices of individuals.'"

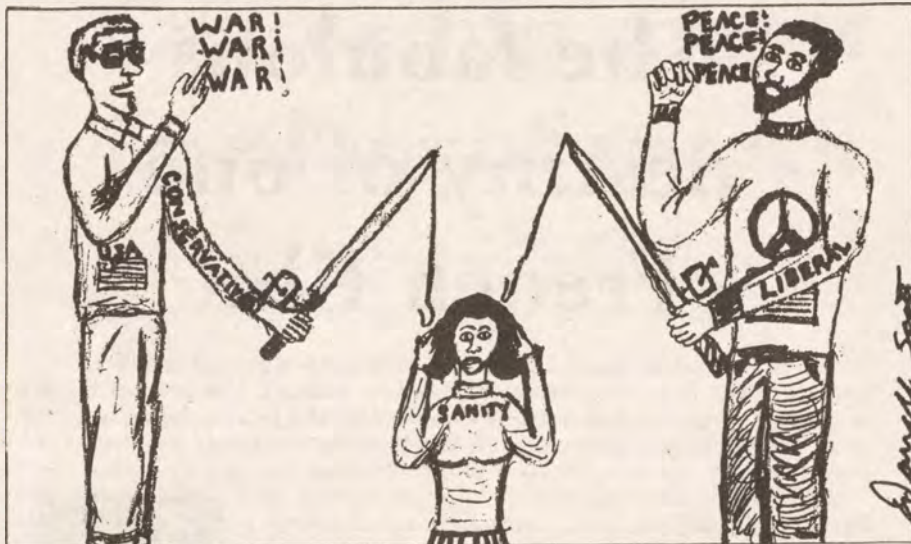
Even if the Court upheld the voucher, that ruling would probably have no direct impact on the Court's prohibition of official facilitation of prayers, religious activities, etc. Such a voucher ruling, however, in the aftermath of Sept. 11, could intensify efforts to relax that prohibition of prayer.

Incidentally, the constitutionality of vouchers is a separate question from that of their wisdom. Many, including this writer, are of the view that vouchers are constitutional but unwise. The basic natural law principle is TANSTAAFL: "There ain't no such thing as a free lunch." If religious schools feed at the public trough they will lose their independence and ability to carry out their mission.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR



Arrogance of the dogmatic left and right

In confronting world problems such as figuring out how to respond to the Sept. 11 attacks, the dogmatic left winces at mention of force. Instead, they embrace principled and legalistic solutions such as arms control and international criminal courts. They believe they have a monopoly on morality.

The dogmatic right winces at principled solutions. Instead they embrace pragmatic solutions, usually force. They believe they have a monopoly on pragmatism. The left thinks force is morally wrong, counterproductive in that it will breed future problems, and never solves anything anyway. The right thinks principled solutions are hollow moralism, counterproductive because they bring false complacency, and do not work anyway.

Both views contain truth and error. Force under some circumstances is just, hence "just war theory." Force can solve problems and for a long time. Defeat of Germany and Japan in World War II and their subsequent transformation into leading and constructive world powers is proof. Those who advocate force are not automatically immoral nor is it just to make injurious assumptions about their motivations.

Legalistic solutions also frequently work: arms control during the Cold War and especially the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty was stabilizing and the World Trade Organization works to increase world trade. Furthermore, it is hypocritical to live in the United States, one of the world's prime beacons of the rule of law, and not work for a world where more of its affairs are governed by the rule of law. Those who advocate legalistic solutions are not automatically naive.

Sometimes force is immoral and counterproductive: Vietnam. Sometimes arms control is lulling and fails: Washington Naval Arms Control Treaty.

Often the left and the right appeal for reasoned, rational approaches to problems, while each are guided by their own rather visceral wisdom. Neither has a monopoly on rationality and neither is free of emotion.

Dogmatism makes me wince. One size fits all solutions are unwise.

My advice to those thinking about policy issues:

1. Consider the pros and cons of all policy tools. Use whatever tools will best solve the problem at hand.

2. One's heart can lead to a question or an issue but rational analysis is the first step in figuring out how to solve the problem. An example of a normatively-generated question or issue: What should we do about the next Rwanda-like genocide? But what is the answer? The only thing upon which we can base a reasoned answer is to study similar historical cases and derive lessons about the causes of genocide and other wars and about the success of various measures to prevent genocide and other wars. We must figure out what array of tools we have at our disposal, then see what lessons we can learn from how well they have worked in the past. These sorts of questions and analyses are (or at least should be) the tasks of the social sciences.

Following dispassionate analysis, moral concerns often weigh heavily. If it would cost 20 to 50 United States soldier's lives (who would have to kill 2,000 Rwandans) to stop the genocide and save 200,000 to 500,000, is this worth it? Note that any number for lives saved is pure speculation ahead of the fact. How about 500 to 2,500 soldiers' lives, killing 5,000 and saving 50,000 to 100,000? These are complex issues and can only be decided in one's heart. Even worse, the president may not receive one of these estimates but perhaps both, one from the CIA, the other from the Pentagon. These options will have to be weighed in an urgent and charged political atmosphere with lawmakers on Capitol Hill, lobbyists, pundits, scholars and citizens all over the map.

3. In developing policy prescriptions, think as if you are president. This discourages hand-waving at problems, vague proposals and helps impose some practicality on proposals. Presidents confront difficult moral and practical trade offs and risks, made worse by the considerable uncertainty about the costs and benefits of each possible action. Becoming aware of these trade-offs and uncertainties will teach you that many policy decisions are difficult bets.

We did not know what exactly would happen when we began to use force in Afghanistan, in the Gulf War or elsewhere. Nor would we know exactly what would happen if we did not. Welcome to the presidency. Roll the tape back to Sept. 11 or the invasion of Kuwait. It's your call.

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The fabulous destiny of one French film

Since its debut in April, the film "Le fabuleux destin d'Amélie Poulain" (The fabulous destiny of Amélie Poulain), has been at the top of France's box office charts. The night I finally joined the crowd and went to see the movie for myself, it was completely sold out - on a Tuesday night six months after its premiere.

"Amélie" has literally become a phenomenon in Paris: everyone's seen it, everyone raves about it and some say it's bringing hope and magic back to a city that needed a spark. For a whimsical, feel-good movie about controlling destiny and finding happiness - a movie that leaves you grinning without resorting to car crashes, full frontal nudity or people falling through plate glass windows - it seems like nothing short of a miracle.

I'll admit, I was a little skeptical. I figured "Amélie" could never live up to the hype. Two hours later, I practically skipped out of the theater, trying to hug every stranger I saw and singing about how much I loved Paris and life and everything in the whole wide world. Even after the security guard wrestled me away from the poor little old ladies I was smothering, I was still crazed. And days later I found myself turning into the same "Amélie" disciple I'd mocked weeks before.

Moral of the story? It's not just propaganda (though you really do need to see this movie - out in the States now! - to be a complete human being). What "Amélie" made me see and believe all over again was that Paris at its best can be pure, pure magic.

That fact alone might have been what kept me sane this semester. Two weeks into the semester, the world went crazy and it seemed like every time I stepped in the school computer lab, someone was ready to tell me about the latest plane crash or case of anthrax. But every time I just couldn't deal anymore, Paris would come through with some surprise.

I'd find a new park, some surreal slice of heaven where adorable French kids were playing with adorable French dogs. Or a crepe vender would give us free paninis at the end of the night. Or I'd catch a glimpse of the Eiffel Tower or Notre Dame in the rain and I'd think, whoa, I live here.

I can't deny that it's a charmed life.

But I figured it was just my glossy-eyed "American studying abroad" infatuation. After all, the city can also be rude and smelly and covered with crap from all those cute French poodles. Maybe after living here your whole life, I figured, Paris begins to lose its sparkle and becomes just another bunch of buildings.

"Amélie" made me feel like I wasn't the only one who still loved the magic. It's just a simple story about a girl who decides to take her destiny into her own hands and make things happen. But the twists and turns that arise are the kind of magic that Paris knows so well: girl and boy are destined for each other, boy and girl are both too shy so the city has to bring them together. And with the help of a sex shop, a photo machine and a Renoir-obsessed artist, "Amélie" somehow makes the fantasy believable.

So many people come to this city with grand dreams - visions of how idyllic life on the Champs Élysées should be, a baguette tucked under one arm, a jaunty beret atop the head. I think most students come abroad with a similar picture in mind, set in Spain or Germany or England. When you're young and excited, entering Europe seems like finding another world where everything is new and different and, by extension, fabulous. Yet after a few weeks and the frustrations of a unknown culture, the glitter can wear off and what used to be unbelievable becomes common place.

But finding a way to hold on to that little gasp of awe, that early morning thought of being an ocean away from everything familiar, that's the feeling that "Amélie" has given back to the Parisians. I know my place - I have to leave in two months and stop calling this city home. That's the reality of the study abroad bubble. But I'm not thinking about the end, not quite yet. I'm just glad I got to steal a piece of the magic before I leave.

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French Connection

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Radical groups find a forum fo

By MATT KILLEN
Scene Writer

As one of the most important freedoms guaranteed by the Constitution, the right of free speech applies to views both popular and unpopular. While extreme examples of free speech have been around for centuries, the rise in popularity of the Internet during the '90s has made access to these forms of free speech all the more easier. It has also allowed people to push the envelope of free speech even further.

"You can't really stop it. Some people argue that the Internet breeds extremism, and there's nothing that can really be done about that," said Patricia Bellia, Notre Dame law professor and cyber law expert.

The Internet has revolutionized American life. When used beneficially, it can be a tool of instant communication and information-gathering. It's an open forum from which discussion and dialogue flows at the speed of light.

As a result, the Internet has been used to promote ideas such as neo-nazism and other forms of hate speech. The age of instant access has abandoned societal filters that once limited the ability of such groups to get their message across. Its easy for anyone with an idea to get a Web page, and anyone with access can then read that Web page.

In many cases, this has meant the harmless spread of ideas that are merely strange or unusual, yet not malicious. The Flat Earth Society's Web page (www.flat-earth.org) provides information about this organization's purposes and beliefs. The website offers the opportunity to learn more about their beliefs, which include "The Society asserts that the Earth is flat and has five sides, that all places in the Universe named Springfield are merely links in higher-dimensional space to one place, and that all assertions are true in some sense, false in some sense..." according to the site. This is an organization that, without the Web, wouldn't be as well-known as it has become.

The Internet has also provided easier access to more extreme and lesser-known groups. NAMBLA, the North American Man-Boy Love Association (www.nambla.de) is a group dedicated to increasing awareness and legalizing inter-generational relationships. Their goals include "educating the general public on the benevolent nature of man/boy love" and "supporting the liberation of all ages from sexual prejudice and oppression." The Website, however, makes clear that it in no way encourages breaking the law. Rather, they "support greater economic, political and social opportunities for young people and denounce the rampant ageism that segregates and isolates them in fear and mistrust."

Beyond simply housing advocates of extreme causes, hate speech has also made its home on the Internet. The KKK has gone online at www.americknights.com. The Church of American Knights of the Ku Klux Klan offers a site that serves both as a community for current members and an opportunity to learn about the KKK. It provides information on how to join or offer support for the KKK. The Web site offers links to the regional 'realms,' where information about local rallies can be found.



Following the suit of white supremacy, The American Nazi Party's Website

(www.americannaziparty.com) offers information on recruiting and support services. The Website prominently displays their motto, the so-called '14 Words.' The Website also offers more detailed explanations and rationales for their views and beliefs, all centered around the party's goal to preserve the White Race and the Aryan Republic. Other Websites emphasizing white supremacy include Stormfront White Pride World Wide at www.stormfront.org.

Hate speech on the Internet moves beyond the subject of race with such Websites as www.godhatesfags.com. The homepage of the Westboro Baptist Church, the organization "engages in daily peaceful sidewalk demonstrations opposing the homosexual lifestyle of soul-damning, nation-destroying filth."

Hate speech is just one prominent use of the Internet. Its also has become the source of hundreds of Websites that teach illegal activities, from creating drugs to building bombs while sitting around in the basement.

There are a high number of Websites that offer detailed instructions on building various types of bombs from household products or products that are easily procured. At <http://www.coolguy.demon.co.uk/handbook/explosiv.htm>, instructions for building dozens and dozens of types of bombs can be found, including letter bombs, paint bombs, smoke bombs, plastic explosives made of bleach, exploding light bulbs, land mines, diskette bombs and many others.

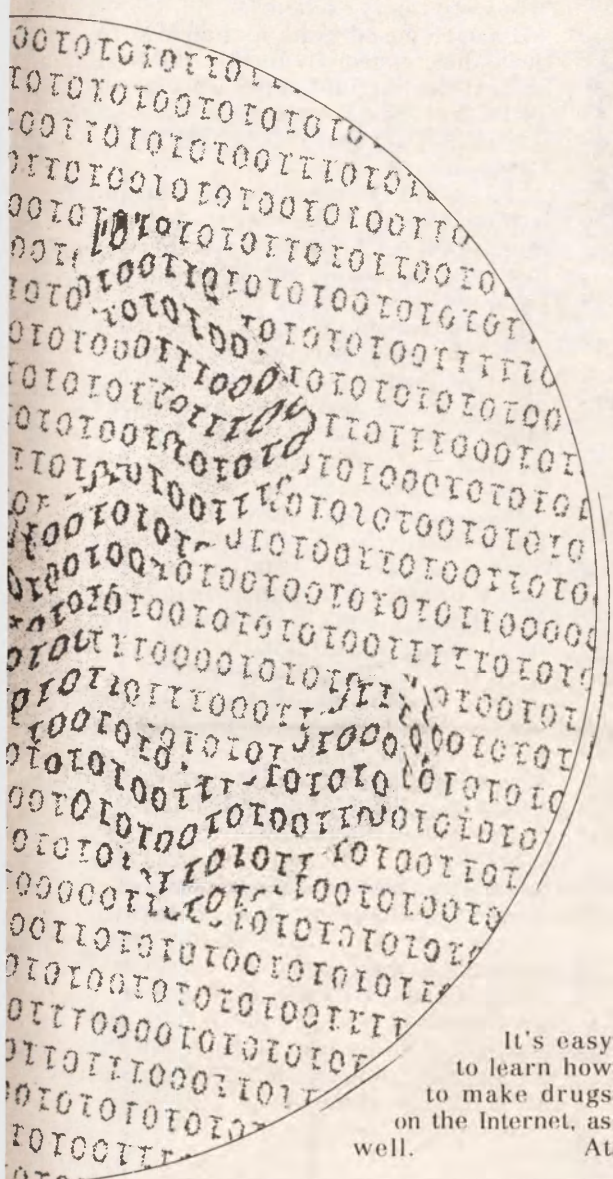
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for their philosophies on the Web



It's easy
to learn how
to make drugs
on the Internet, as
well. At

<http://www.student.nada.kth.se/~d92-mas/stuff/howlsd.html>, detailed instructions are given on the creation and refinement of homemade d-lysergic acid diethyl amide, LSD.

The Hacker's Home Page (www.hacker-shomepage.com) sells a plethora of tools necessary to subvert security systems, read credit cards, pick locks, and tap phones. Other Websites out there offer programs and advice on using computers to hack key systems and mainframes. Of course, all of the above sites make it clear that their content is for informational purposes only and should not in any way be used to violate state or federal law.

Despite this bleak and seedy underbelly of the Internet, there are other Websites out there dedicated to fighting issues such as hate speech on the net. www.anti-fascism.org is an organization that is dedicated to the cause of combating such online speech and educating the public about it. According to their Website, "anti-fascism.org is meant as an organizing and research tool for activists and academics. As a Web site, it is devoted to a pluralistic anti-fascism. Radical humanism requires a fundamental identification with the labor organizations smashed by the fascists and all of the victims of the fascist crimes against humanity."

Other sites offer information about the battle of free speech in general and on the Internet. At civilliberty.about.com, links can be found to both sides of the argument — those who feel that free speech is being encroached upon, and others who believe that violent and dangerous speech on the Internet must be stopped. The Websites linked from this site show just how muddled and complex issues such as Internet free speech can be.

These Websites offer a wide spectrum of what free speech means for the Internet. Some, like the Flat Earth Society, are downright harmless and rather interesting explorations of little-known views and opinions. They are in many ways beneficial windows into a world that, without the Internet would be drowned out into obscurity.

Others, like the KKK and the American Nazi Party, are simply online extensions of familiar organizations that have been protected by the 1st Amendment for decades. The Web merely provides easier and more immediate access to their members and potential new recruits.

Still others, however, raise the question of just how far free speech can go on the Internet.

"It's important to distinguish sites containing extreme speech from sites that support or advocate carrying out a crime," said Bellia.

"In reality, the Supreme Court has been giving more protection rather than less in the sense of [the internet as] a new marketplace of ideas."

Bellia cited a 1997 Supreme Court case as an example of this. In that case, which involved pornographic and indecent material, the court found restrictions unconstitutional because the assaultive quality that's seen in regulated mediums like television was not found here.

Even sites that advocate illegal activities are well protected, so long as they are in another country.

"Even in those cases in which criminal laws are designed to apply extraterritorially, it can be difficult to obtain jurisdiction over an appropriate defendant or property. Sometimes, however, you can go after a person or company with assets or offices in the territorial United States," Bellia said.

However, the idea that the Internet provides easy access to any idea is somewhat exaggerated.

"The problem is that the Internet is so vast, and using a search engine gives us only about 15-20 percent of what's out there. You could say that everyone has a voice, but not everyone can still be heard," Bellia said.

Some search engines, like "Google," actually rely on the numbers of links to a certain site to determine if it'll get registered, ensuring that not just any site will pop up.

There is the possibility of future regulation of the media.

"It will be regulated to the extent that other cross-border regulated industries are [like the telephone]. It's likely that technology will develop to make it easier to regulate," Bellia said.

As literally hundreds of millions of users log onto the Internet daily, they are entering into the uncharted waters of history-in-the-making where the definitions of freedom and danger are only vaguely defined and there are no real rules or laws to guide and regulate the journey.

And so the Internet rolls on. From cnn.com, Britney Spears fansites, and the flat earth society to the Ku Klux Klan and bomb-building sites, information of all sorts can be found on the grand expanse of the World Wide Web. And while the verdict is still out on the value and place of free speech on the Internet, it's clear that an entire generation is now growing up with unfettered access to any organization, idea, or belief on the face of the planet. The curved face, anyway.

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Censorship slights
freedom of speech

I hate football. I detest YoCream. I think all beer makers ought to be publicly drawn and quartered. And I sincerely believe that the devil himself lives and rules inside each and every Irish Catholic.

The term "hate speech," coined by George Orwell for his novel "1984," describes the verbal articulation of an opinion of passionate abhorrence for the beliefs or qualities of another. The issue of censorship raises the question of whether or not such sentiments ought to be silenced in the interest of the "common good." In defense of my hate speech expressed above, I would argue that they indeed should not.

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Scene Writer

I make this argument not because I hate football and Irishmen. In fact, truth be told, I don't. But that information is irrelevant to the question of censorship. Censorship addresses not the popularity or logic of my hate speech, but rather the constitutional protection of my freedom to express it.

The fundamental dilemma inherent to censorship is that the suppression of certain opinions and expressions implies the infallibility of others. This becomes problematic when we force ourselves to acknowledge a fact that is so alien to the American mindset: that what might constitute legitimate truth for one person or group may ring utterly untrue for another.

For example, to deny me the right to blaspheme the goddess YoCream would necessarily imply her unconditional integrity. While this assumption may prove consistent across the Notre Dame community, the censorship of my assertion may have dire consequences in parts of Asia (author's note: It is a proven biological fact that Asians are genetically predisposed to a higher incidence of lactose intolerance).

In a slightly more sober light, if we take nothing else from the events of Sept. 11, we must realize that the abject anti-Americanism demonstrated in the terrorist attacks refutes with unnerving finality the notion of an absolute "right" opinion.

We are left asking, then, if not by law, how can we effectively deter the expression of opinions so categorically objectionable to the general public? I offer as a solution a void compatriot censure. A University of Texas professor recently exercised his freedom of expression by writing in to a local newspaper that the attacks of September 11 were "no more despicable than the massive acts of terrorism" committed by the United States abroad in recent decades. His anti-American sentiments were effectively condemned by the university's president, who wrote in to the same paper, calling the professor "a fountain of undiluted foolishness on issues of public policy," while simultaneously defending his freedom to express his contrary opinion.

The 1989 Supreme Court decision *Texas vs. Johnson* advocates the idea of deterring hate speech not by law, but rather through mass intolerance. In upholding a citizen's constitutional right to burn the American flag, the court stated that, "the way to preserve the flag's special role is not to punish those who feel differently; it is to persuade them that they are wrong." After all, what value remains in the very principles and opinions upon which we pride ourselves if they are not backed by the conviction that their truth will triumph in the face of antagonism?

I maintain, then, that our freedom of expression, regardless of the popularity of the nature of that expression, must not be legislatively abridged, for to do so would be to impede the natural progression of truth as it prevails against any hateful contrary opinion. And perhaps most objectionably of all, legal censorship would impinge upon my constitutional right to shout "GO IRISH" in a crowded Boston College stadium.

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HOCKEY

Irish pick up 1 CCHA point during weekend

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The Notre Dame hockey team continued to play well, but was only able to come up with one point in its weekend series with the Western Michigan Broncos.

Game 1

W. Michigan 4

Notre Dame 4

Game 2

W. Michigan 4

Notre Dame 2

The Irish skated to a 4-4 tie on Friday night, but were then stopped cold in a 4-2 loss on Saturday.

"It was very disappointing," said junior winger Michael Chin. "We have been playing well, we just have not been able to come up with wins."

On Friday the Irish showed their resolve by coming back on three separate occasions. Junior Connor Dunlop got Notre Dame off on the right foot when he was able to score on the first shift of the game, just 36 seconds into the contest. The Irish then fell behind the Broncos 2-1 thanks to a Western Michigan power play goal at the end of the first.

Freshman Alex Lalonde scored the first goal of his collegiate career when he scored for Notre Dame with 40 seconds left in the first period to knot the game at 2 each.

The second period found more of the same. Western Michigan again took the lead with a power play goal to make it 3-2. Lalonde scored again for the Irish at the end of the period to tie the game.

On Lalonde's second goal, defenseman Evan Nielsen shot the puck through traffic. Nielsen's shot deflected off the Bronco goalie, and Lalonde was there to clean up the rebound for the score.

In the third the Broncos again went ahead. Just 2:23 into the third they were able to put the puck past Irish goalie Morgan Cey. Once again though, the Irish rallied. Irish winger John Wroblewski dished the puck out in front of the Western Michigan net. Mantua poked it away, but Chin was there to put the rebound away and tie the score.

On Saturday, special teams decided the game. Western Michigan went two for five on the power play as they skated their way to a 4-2 win. The Broncos jumped on the Irish early in the first. Western Michigan center Dana Lattery had two goals seven minutes apart to stake the Broncos a 2-0 lead.

In the second Mike Chin got his second goal in as many nights to cut the lead to 2-1. Western Michigan added another goal in the middle of the second to make it 3-1. The Irish played hard and were able to cut the lead again. John Wroblewski lit the lamp with just over five minutes to play in the second to make the score 3-2.

The Western Michigan defense clamped down in the third period. The Broncos put an insurance goal on the board six minutes in that sealed the fate for the Irish. Western Michigan was able to hang on for the 4-2 victory.

Had the Irish won on Saturday, the win would have boosted them to 5th in the CCHA. As it stands now, the Irish are 2-6-4 overall, but 2-3-3 in the CCHA. Notre Dame has seven points, and is sitting in ninth. But the Irish are only four

points from third in the league.

The most promising thing has been the improvement from last year. In the 2000-01 season, the Irish were mired in the basement of the CCHA for most of the season. But they have improved, and are picking up momentum.

"This year we are tying games that last year we lost," said Chin. "We need to find ways to turn [the ties] into wins."

Notre Dame has the week off, and returns to action on Dec. 1 at home against Lake Superior State.

Mike Chin
Irish forward

"This year we are tying the games that last year we lost. We need to find ways to turn [the ties] into wins."

SMC BASKETBALL

Belles improve in 2 weekend losses

♦ SMC plays better defense in loss to Hanover

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Two different Saint Mary's teams played at the Hanover College Tip-Off Classic Friday and Saturday.

One team was characterized by poor defense and lack of teamwork. The second was more relaxed and exhibited much more hustle. Both teams lost.

Franklin College beat Saint Mary's 75-58 Friday night, and the Belles lost to the Panthers of Hanover College 72-59 on Saturday. Despite the similar scores, though, the games were very different.

"We didn't play good at all [on Friday]," said captain Anne Blair. "Our defense was horrible."

According to second-year Saint Mary's coach Suzanne Smith, Friday's game was an opportunity to determine who will lead the Belles this season. Smith played most of the team Friday night, including freshman Emily Creachbaum.

"She came in with a little too much excitement," said Smith of the Marian High School (South Bend) star. "We're still working on getting the rotation and just seeing who's going to step up for us this year."

Even upperclassmen needed an adjustment period. Smith believes that senior Jaime Dineen, a solid player all last season, is still trying to make the transition from volleyball season.

"We were trying to find ourselves Friday night," Smith said.

Blair played well enough Friday night, to make the All-Tournament team. The senior forward led the Belles with 22 points.

The Belles made some improvements in the second half, but not enough to win.

"We weren't hustling. We weren't together. We didn't get the plays set up," said Blair, who described their

play as somewhat erratic. "Maybe we were a little nervous for our first game."

While Saint Mary's lost again on Saturday, the Belles looked like a different team on the court.

Saturday's game was delayed an hour and a half, and moved to a different arena due to a power outage in the original venue, but that did not affect the Belles.

"We still kept our focus," said Blair. "We were really excited."

Hanover posed quite a challenge to the Belles, especially during the first half. At the half, the Belles were down 49-26, but they came back in the second half to outscore the Panthers by 10 points.

"From the first half to the second half on Saturday there was a big, big improvement," Smith said. "From Friday to Saturday, we looked like a different team."

Blair believes that they were a lot more energetic Saturday. They were able to limit the Panthers' leading scorer to 14 points, while Saint Mary's junior guard Shaun Russell had 19. In many ways, the Belles seemed to do everything right.

"We didn't break down at all. We played really hard. We didn't really have a weakness," Blair said. "We really brought it together, especially on defense. I don't think we did anything wrong. I just think they're a better team."

Smith saw the team as more relaxed on Saturday, with the Belles stepping up to fill their roles. Creachbaum, who struggled in her first collegiate game Friday, bounced back on Saturday with a few treys.

Freshman Katie Boyce showed her great potential as a point guard and passer, and junior Kristen Matha, injured most of last season, came through on the boards.

The Belles, who are at Manchester on Tuesday, were 24-of-57 from the floor, including 5-of-11 from 3-point range. Saint Mary's shot 66.7 percent from the free throw line.



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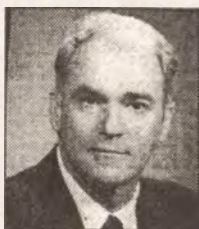
MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Irish begin championship bid as Shay returns

By KATIE HUGHES
Sports Writer

Ready or not, here they come — again. Seniors Ryan Shay, who was suffering from an Achilles injury and Pat Conway, who had been battling a chest cold for the past month, will rejoin the most talented group to ever run for the Irish in their attack on an NCAA championship today in Greenville, S.C.

A first-place finish in last week's Great Lakes Regional meet earned the Irish earned an automatic berth in the NCAA championships, making this



Piane

the 43rd time Notre Dame has been to this meet. Notre Dame finished ninth in last year's NCAA championships, while the last time they took home a national title was in 1957.

"This is gonna be a meet that's really close among five or six teams," said senior Sean Zanderson. "And anything can happen on a given day."

It will be a battle today among the nation's top five: Colorado, Stanford, Arkansas, Notre Dame, and North Carolina State. Who takes the title will depend on who makes the fewest mistakes.

"It's a matter of reflecting on how prepared we are," said senior Luke Watson. "And knowing that we're capable of doing great things."

Watson, an All-American, will be in contention for the individual title. Watson was seventh in last year's NCAA championships, fourth at Pre-

Nationals earlier this season and second in the Big East Championships this season. His main competition will be Dan Wilson, who just beat him in the Big East Championships, and national high school mile record holder Alan Webb.

"I want to be in the top 10 again, and just be competitive with the guys I've been racing with all year," said Watson. "If the race is run to my liking, who's to say an NCAA championship isn't out of the realm of possibility?"

Coach Joe Piane, who was recently selected as the 2001 MONDO Great Lakes Region coach of the year, chose the lineup of runners for today's meet by taking the top finishers in last week's regional championships, and adding Shay and Conway to the mix. Sophomore Todd Mobley, who was eighth at the Big

East Championships, and Marc Striowski, who was 12th at PreNationals, will run today, as will sophomore David Alber.

"How we finish] depends on Shay, and the fifth man," said Piane. "Luke, Todd, and Marc have been consistent all year."

Both Shay and Conway, who have only competed in three races this season, dropped out of the PreNational meet, but the team still finished second thanks to top 15 finishes by Striowski and Mobley, and to Sean Zanderson and Mario Bird stealing some points from behind.

"There's a feeling like we really have to prove something," said Watson. "I think we're ready for it."

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WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

No. 15 Irish feel no pressure entering NCAAs

By KATIE HUGHES
Sports Writer

After automatically qualifying in last week's Great Lakes Regional meet by taking second place, the No. 15 Irish women's cross country team will compete in the NCAA championships today in Greenville, S.C. against the best teams in the country.

But the Irish say they don't feel any pressure.

"The pressure was last Saturday," said head coach Tim Connelly. "Now this is the fun stuff. This is the stuff, when you're pounding in July, this is the stuff you're day-dreaming about."

And, really, anything could happen. Stanford, BYU and Georgetown will be fighting for the title, but beyond that it's anybody's race.

"I've been to this meet a lot," said Connelly. "And one thing you're gonna see is a lot of very good athletes and teams not running well because they have the attitude that 'I have to run the best race of my life.' And they blow up."

"If we can just have five people matching their best performances this year, we can do very well. The key is just putting five together there all at once."

After an eighth place finish in last year's regional meet, which wasn't enough for them to advance to Nationals, qualifying for this meet has been the ultimate goal all season. The Irish finished 11th at the PreNational meet, which was run on the same course as today's race, and were fourth in the Big East Championships.

"We all had really bad races at Pre-Nationals," said junior Jen Fibuch, who was stung by a bee at that meet. "So this is a good opportunity to see where we really stand."

Freshmen Lauren King, who finished second overall at the regional meet and 15th at PreNationals, could be a contender for a top spot individually. Junior Jen Handley, who was seventh in the Big East Championships and 22nd at regionals and sophomore Megan Johnson who was 14th in the Big East and 20th at regionals also have a chance at the top.

"The one constant this season has been Megan [Johnson]," said Handley. "But different people have stepped up and gotten it done when we needed it. They're saying 'I'm gonna go in and do my best and do everything I can to help the team.' And that's what it takes to be a good team. I'm really impressed with our freshmen [Christi Arnerich and King]. Both are great leaders and contributors."

Arnerich, who was 47th at regionals and has not finished out of the top five Irish runners in a race all season, juniors Jen Fibuch, who was 33rd at regionals, and Muffy Schmidt, as well as sophomore Julie Schmidt will all play key roles for the Irish today.

Regional rival Marquette, ranked No. 18, as well as Big East rival Villanova could be the closest competition for the Irish.

"Hopefully we've saved it till the end," said Connelly. "You look at the polls and there are a lot of teams ranked right around us. They match up pretty well."

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MEN'S INTERHALL FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Dillon caps undefeated season with shut out



LISA VELTE/The Observer

A Dillon running back cuts past a Seigfried player in the Big Red's 21-0 victory against the Ramblers in the championship game.

♦ Odom leads Big Red to 21-0 victory against Ramblers

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Writer

Another championship season was completed for Tayt Odom on Sunday.

Hoisted onto the shoulders of his fellow teammates and hearing shouts of "MVP" by the Dillon faithful, Odom helped lead the Big Red to a 21-0 victory against the Siegfried Ramblers in the men's interhall football championship game in Notre Dame Stadium.

Odom, who won a state championship during his senior year of high school, piloted a typical Dillon attack that put together touchdown drives of 14 and 13 plays respectively. The first scoring drive for the Big Red took more than seven minutes off the clock in the second quarter and was capped off by a one-yard Jason Visner touchdown to give Dillon an 8-0 lead.

Siegfried's offense could not move the ball on the ensuing drive and was forced to punt. Dillon defensive tackle senior Andrew McGuire busted through the line and blocked the Pete Aguirer punt attempt.

Big Red sophomore tight end Rick Hasty picked up the loose ball and scampered 15 yards into the end zone, giving Dillon a 14-0 halftime edge. Odom believes that play was the turning point in the game.

"That was a huge, huge play," said Odom. "It set the tone quite a bit to end the half and gave us a lot of momentum."

Siegfried co-captain and quarterback Rob Plumby agrees.

"The blocked punt was the turning point in the game," said Plumby. "Especially since they came out and got the ball to start the second half."

Dillon's wing-t offense consistently picked up four and five yards per carry while their offensive line wore down the Ramblers defense by the end of the game.

"[The offensive line] played great," said Odom. "I told them before the game, 'You guys are who decides this game, so we're going to put it on you whether we win or lose,' and they came through for us. We conditioned a lot all year long and I think that showed up for us here at the end of the game."

Dillon's final score came near the end of the fourth quarter when senior running back Chris Crane ran for a 15-yard touchdown, giving Dillon a 21-0 lead.

Despite the huge deficit, Siegfried drove down the field and nearly scored before Plumby was intercepted inside Dillon's five-yard line.

"This is one of the closest teams I've ever been on and we just didn't want to let each other down and we wanted to play for pride in the end," said Plumby. "We just wouldn't give up."

For Dillon and Odom, this was a perfect end to a perfect season.

"We couldn't ask for a whole lot more than the way it ended up," said Odom. "Undefeated, winning in the Stadium, everybody celebrating and everything. It's just pretty great."

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WOMEN'S INTERHALL FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Welsh wins overtime thriller for third

♦ Whirlwinds rally late to defeat Chicks 13-7 in OT

By DAVE COOK
Sports Writer

For Welsh Family Hall, the lucky number is three.

The top-seeded Whirlwinds won their third championship in a row against No. 2 Lewis Sunday morning, 13-7, in overtime.

And they did it riding number three: Welsh captain Vanessa Lichon.

Lichon, a junior with two championships already under her belt, came up big when she was needed. Lichon made a diving catch with three minutes left in the game to tie the score at 7-7 and send the game into overtime.

Midway through the second half, Lewis quarterback Erin Nasrallah connected with senior wide receiver Katie Schlosser. In fact, Lewis thought they had sealed the game after that touchdown.

"We thought we won after that touchdown. They had already punted three times and we were confident in our defense," said Schlosser. "We were incredibly excited."

Welsh felt the need to score on the ensuing drive. Down 7-0 in the second half was not a normal position for the Whirlwinds.

But then Welsh was able to pull together under the leadership of freshman quarterback

Lauren Hoeck and Lichon at wide receiver. The duo guided their team downfield 40 yards on 11 plays for the tying score.

Hoeck first found Lichon on a fourth-and-10 to gain a key first down. Then on fourth-and-goal, Hoeck once again found Lichon who made the diving catch.

"I have confidence in her," said Hoeck. "When I throw her the ball, I know she's going to catch it."

The game then went into overtime. In women's interhall football, the team who wins the coin toss starts on the opposition's 10-yard line. After that team's possession, the opponent gets a chance on offense, similar to college football.

Lewis, winning the coin toss, came within inches of taking the lead when Erin Nasrallah completed a fourth down pass that, fell six inches short of the end zone.

Then on Welsh's subsequent drive, Hoeck connected with receiver Mary Murphy open in the end zone to win the game.

"It was probably one of the most exciting days of my life," said Hoeck. "I had a huge adrenaline rush finding [Mary] wide open in the end zone."

Hoeck was 10 for 16 on the day with two touchdowns. Lichon caught four passes in the game that included her touchdown.

For the Lewis seniors, it was a bittersweet ending to four years of interhall football. There were 14 four-year seniors on the team, including head coach Blake Kirkman.

"Several years from now, of



LISA VELTE/The Observer

A Welsh player reaches for Lewis quarterback Erin Nasrallah during Welsh's 13-7 victory against Lewis. Nasrallah threw a touchdown pass to Katie Schlosser midway through the second half.

the things I remember, coaching interhall football will definitely be up at the top of the list," said Kirkman. "I've made so many friends on this team."

"It's been a great time playing football with my friends," said Schlosser. "Playing in the Stadium was an awesome experience."

Two Lewis seniors were left in tears with a pleasant surprise at the beginning of the game.

The fathers of Allison Gooding and Anne Labelle flew in from California and drove in from St. Louis to see their daughters play in the championship game.



"It was great. Almost all of our parents were there," said Schlosser.

For Welsh, this is only the beginning of a rising dynasty. Next year, Welsh will return every player from this year's team, including head coach Joe Blaney.

"Our quarterback is only a freshman. Vanessa is a junior. And we've got several players abroad right now," said Blaney. "There's a great chance we go to the championship game next year."

"I'm really excited about the future of this team," said Hoeck. "It's going to be awesome."



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SMC SWIMMING

Ramsey wins 500 as Belles fall in dual meet

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Sports Writer

In a meet where Saint Mary's struggled to get many swimmers into the top three point scoring positions, sophomore distance swimmer Megan Ramsey easily distanced herself from the pack.

Mid-meet in the Texas Christian University-Saint Mary's matchup, Ramsey won the 500-yard freestyle in a season best time — and was the only Saint Mary's swimmer to nudge herself into an event victory.

TCU swept Saint Mary's in a 105-82 deci-

sion Friday at Rolfs Aquatic Center and swam the second half of the meet unofficially.

But Ramsey's victory was a bright spot for the Belles, who swam against two Division I teams and competed in the Wabash Invitational Saturday at IUPUI in Indianapolis.

Ramsey said she was "just trying to swim her race" and not focusing on winning the event.

"I just wanted to swim a good time — and then I realized that wasn't the objective," Ramsey said. "[Winning] felt good."

"I was a little surprised at her time," head coach Greg Petcoff said about the swim,

which Ramsey completed in five minutes, 18.87 seconds. "She held onto good splits, but to kind of run away with it is what surprised me the most."

The Belles, in the second day of three days of competition, didn't fill all of the events in the TCU meet, leaving spots in the 200 freestyle, backstroke and butterfly vacant.

Petcoff said that although there were points where the Belles could improve, he was pleased overall with the team's performance.

"They were challenged, and I was pleased with how they met that challenge," Petcoff said. "We got sucked down the lane a couple of times on the first 25 ... but we did

because we were trying to keep up."

Petcoff said that although the Belles weren't quite where they needed to be, it was because their training has been so successful.

"The big thing that came out of this is that they're doing so well," he said. "They've set their goals so high, and until tonight, they've been reaching them."

"People swam really well," said co-captain Lane Herrington. "People swam with a lot of heart — we were physically tired and it was mentally rough. But no one gave up."

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MEN'S SWIMMING

TCU beats Notre Dame in battle of club teammates

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
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Usually when Jason Fitzpatrick and Rilus Graham step into the water, they're competing on the same team.

But Friday night at Rolfs Aquatic Center, Irish breastroker Fitzpatrick and Texas Christian University freestyler Graham competed on opposite teams hoping to defeat their hometown teammate.

The teammates from Desert Thunder Aquatics in Mesa, Ariz. have been training alongside each other for four years, and are used to competing on the same side of the scoreboard.

"I saw the schedule this summer, and went to practice that day and told him he'd better watch out," Fitzpatrick said. "They beat us two years ago ... we wanted to get them back."

But the Irish weren't able to avenge TCU's 1999 win, as Graham's team pulled a close victory in the matchup winning the dual meet 163-137 in the final two events of the meet.

The loss puts the Irish at 5-3 on the season, after dropping meets previously to Rutgers and Tennessee.

"We don't really have any pity parties to have for ourselves," said Irish head coach Tim Welsh. "They were just a little fresher, a little faster. The races were close throughout the program."

The Irish were virtually neck in neck with TCU at the halfway point, with TCU leading 77-73. It was failing to win some of the key close races that hurt the Irish, said senior co-captain Jonathan Pierce.

"We were pretty balanced overall," he said. "It was a pretty close meet, one of those that is neck in neck the whole way through. Some of those close races just didn't go our way."

Pierce again led the Irish squad with wins in the 1,000-yard freestyle (nine minutes, 25.83 seconds), 400-yard individual medley (4:08.99) and the 500-yard freestyle (4:37.25). Pierce outtouched Graham at the finish after swimming the entire 500 at virtually the same pace.

"My coaches always taught me that the race is won or lost in the last 100 and the person who wants it more will win," Pierce said. "I knew [Graham] was having a good race ... but the team was really counting on me to come through."

Freshman Frank Krakowski had another solid meet for the Irish, capturing wins in both the 50-yard freestyle (21.34 seconds) and 100-yard butterfly (51.33 seconds). Sophomore J.R. Teddy easily outdistanced competitors by almost two seconds to win the 200-yard butterfly in one minute, 53.73 seconds.

Junior diver Andy Maggio earned victories from the boards, winning the 1-meter diving with a score of 298.10 and missing a first-place finish in the 3-meter diving by less than three points.

Other notable swims for the Irish included a second place finish from senior David Horak in the 100-yard backstroke (52.07) and a second place finish from freshman David Moisan in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:00.68). Senior co-captain Mike Koss and junior Fitzpatrick tied for third place in the event, each swimming it in 1:00.76.

Moisan also earned second in the 200-yard breaststroke, finishing in 2:10.20.

After three meets in seven days, the Irish will not return to competition until the Notre Dame Invitational Dec. 7-9 at Rolfs Aquatic Center.

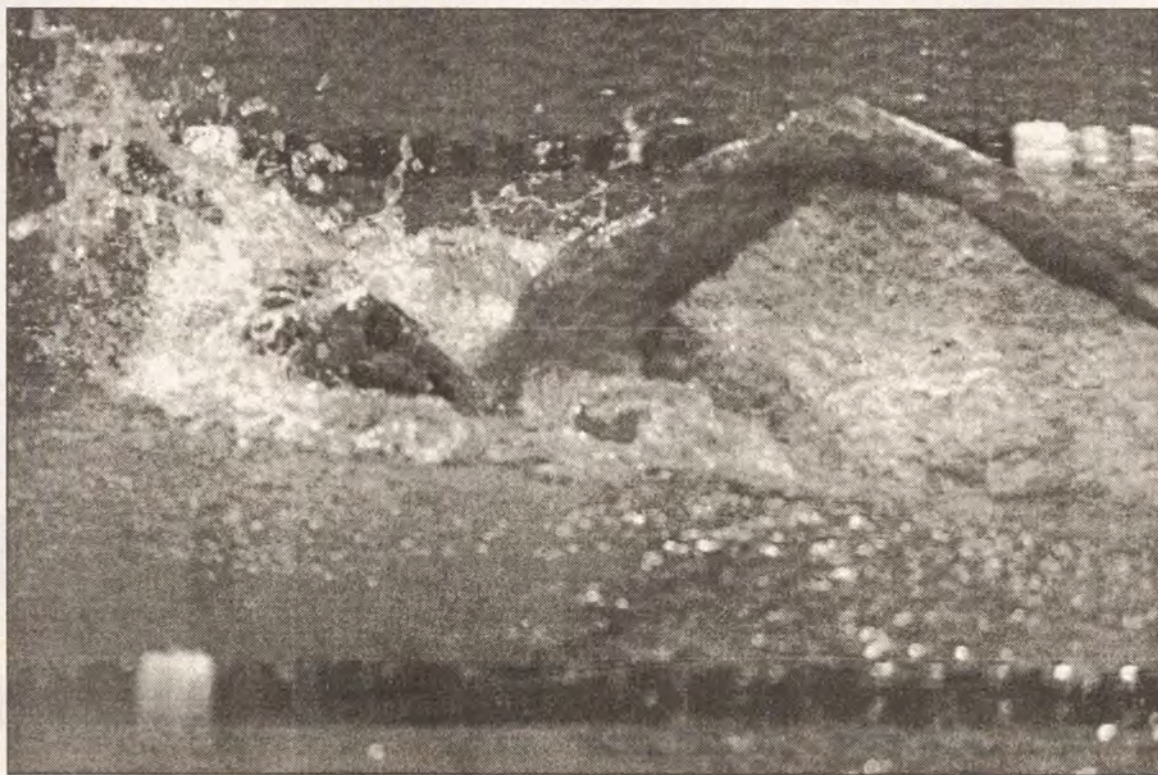
The meet is the most important meet of the fall semester, according to Welsh.

"It is the focal point of the fall semester," Welsh said. "We like to say we take our final exam in swimming first."

"It's tough to lose close meets like this — but we just have to get back in the water and train even harder," Koss said. "I think everyone's pretty excited for [the Notre Dame Invitational]."



Fitzpatrick



An Irish swimmer competes against Tennessee earlier this season. Texas Christian topped the Irish 163-137 Friday.

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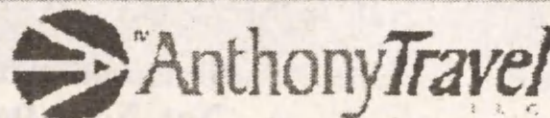
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish win in record-setting fashion

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Writer

The 2001-02 Irish women's basketball team is already making history.

In their season opener Sunday afternoon, the Irish set the record for fewest points scored in an Irish victory as Notre Dame defeated Valparaiso 42-35.

"I actually thought after the game it was the halftime score," head coach Muffet McGraw joked in her post-game interview.

The veteran Crusaders, which returned its five leading scorers from last year, clamped down defensively and wouldn't let the Irish get open looks from the outside. The Irish missed both of their 3-point attempts. Last year's leading 3-point shooter, Alicia Ratay, did not shoot from behind the arc.

"We wanted to make it hard for them to move the ball around the perimeter and make sure that Ratay had to bounce the ball to get a look," Valparaiso coach Keith Freeman said.

"They really worked hard," McGraw said. "They did a good job of taking away what we wanted to do."

While Notre Dame's long-range shooting was taken out of the game, the Crusaders used 3-pointers to keep them in the game. After trailing 24-20 at halftime, Suzie Hammel hit a 3-pointer with 15:30 remaining in the game to give the Crusaders a 27-26 lead.

After taking the lead and dominating the first five minutes of the second half, Valparaiso seemed to come alive. But Ratay,

the lone starter back from last year's national championship-winning team, kept the Irish in the game. The junior battled through a crowd of Crusaders to hit a 10-foot jump shot as she was fouled. She made the free throw to give the Irish a 29-27 lead.

But Valparaiso would answer back as Amber Schoeber hit 3-pointer to push the Crusaders back in front by one, 30-29.

The Irish looked to Ratay again on their next possession and the junior hit a jumper to regain the lead for the Irish, 31-30. After a stop on defense, the Irish got the ball back to Ratay and the junior delivered another basket to push the lead to 33-30. The Irish never trailed again.

"We thought if [Ratay] could at least get fouled, we would be OK," McGraw said about Notre Dame's strategy after the Irish fell behind. "The game plan for five minutes was 'Nobody shoots but Alicia.'"

With four starters graduated from last year's national championship team, Ratay has become the go-to scorer for a freshman-dominated squad.

"It's definitely a different team without Ruth and Niele so someone had to step up," Ratay said.

Ratay finished the game with 11 points and nine rebounds. Freshman Teresa Borton led the Irish in scoring with 14 points and nine rebounds. The Irish return to action Wednesday when they travel to Colorado to play No. 24 Colorado State.

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TIM KACMAR/The Observer

Irish point guard Le'Tania Severe drives to the hoop during Notre Dame's season-opening win against Valparaiso Sunday. Severe had seven points and four assists.

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In a game where the Bearcats had just five shots overall and no corner kick opportunities, Waldrum recognized Cincinnati's ability to capitalize on what few chances they received as a critical factor in Sunday's game.

"They came out and fought and worked hard for it and were organized in the way they played and took advantage of their chances," said Waldrum.

For a while though, it looked like the Irish had a chance to dig themselves out of their two-goal hole. Sophomore forward Amanda Guertin, Notre Dame's most consistent offensive producer and the heart and soul of the Irish attack recently, scored off a play set in motion when midfielder Randi Scheller took a free kick in the 23rd minute.

Guertin got control of the ball, and fired a long shot past Bearcat net minder Christy Hoffman to pull the Irish back into the game with a 2-1 tally. The goal extended Guertin's goal scoring streak to 10 games, longest in Notre Dame history and third in Division I history.

Twenty-two tense minutes would pass until halftime, with the Irish unable to find the equalizer, and then 16 minutes into second half, Cincinnati turned the game

in its favor for good with its third score. Again Simonton would play a key role in the score, launching a long shot up and over Wagner to put the Bearcats up 3-1.

The Irish would never recover.

"The third goal was huge for them because I really felt we'd get the goal back to draw it to two. If we ever tied it up, I felt like it would be our game," said Waldrum. "So credit them for the third goal to put us back down two. Psychologically, it's tough. It's just one of those back breakers."

Notre Dame attempted to generate more offense late in the game, moving senior defender Monica Gonzalez to midfield and shifting defender Vanessa Pruzinsky, a prolific high school striker, to forward.

Pruzinsky was able to get a goal in the 77th minute, but it was not to be for the Irish, as they watched the clock and their NCAA title hopes expire.

"Over 18 or 19 years of doing this now, this probably is [my toughest loss]," said Waldrum.

Notes:

♦ On Friday, the Irish defeated Eastern Illinois 2-0 in the first round of the College Cup at Alumni Field, on a pair of goals from Guertin.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Goralski takes home hardware

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Editor

PITTSBURGH

For Irish senior Malinda Goralski, what started out as a dream is finishing up better than she ever could have imagined.

Goralski is Notre Dame's star middle blocker who was named both Big East Player of the Year and Big East Championship Most Outstanding Player this weekend. But while Goralski earned those accolades with an ability to block and score that netted her a .377 hitting percentage during the regular season and an average of 1.77 blocks per game, Goralski wasn't always such a complete player. In fact, she wasn't always sure she could play at Notre Dame.

"During the recruiting process, I always wanted to go to Notre Dame but I never really believed that it would be possible," said Goralski, whose father is from South Bend. "It was one of those dreams where I kind of said 'Well, it's not going to happen so let's focus more on the smaller picture of things that are possible.'"

But Goralski met Irish assistant coach Steve Hendricks during a club tournament after her sophomore year of high school. And after a senior season in which the 6-foot-1 Goralski averaged 3.39 blocks per game as she led Clements High School in Missouri City, Texas, to its first ever state tournament appearance, Goralski accepted a scholarship offer to come to Notre Dame.

"When I did get offered [the scholarship] I kind of knew from then on out that that's where I wanted to go," Goralski said.

When she got to Notre Dame, however, she didn't exactly step into the starting lineup. As a freshman Goralski appeared in only 14 matches and 24 total games. While Goralski finished the season with the highest hitting percentage on the team during her limited time, she was usually brought in to help out defensively.

"They'd put me in if it was close at the end and they were looking for a good block," Goralski said.

As Goralski came in as a junior, Treadwell was two years out of school and Leffers had just graduated, opening up the a starting spot at middle blocker alongside senior Christi Gorton.

It was an opportunity Goralski took advantage of, averaging 2.85 kills per game to go along with 1.47 blocks. In the NCAA tournament against Cincinnati, Goralski had 15 kills and six blocks in the first round win.

"I think that last year was a very important growing year for me," Goralski said. "It was the first year that I really started throughout the year and the team looked at me for offense and defense. As the year went on, I really improved offensively."

Goralski's offensive emergence changed the way opposing teams defended Notre Dame, making the Irish offense that much more potent.



Goralski

"Before that time, teams didn't pay much attention to her and didn't necessarily put a block in front of her," Irish head coach Debbie Brown said. "This year, if a team doesn't do that, they're in trouble."

One physical attribute Goralski was able to use to her advantage was her impressive vertical leap, one of the best on the team. Goralski credits this ability to playing jump rope with her father as a child.

"The angles are a little bit different when she does get up early and hits the ball at the top of her jump, different than what a lot of the teams are used to seeing," Brown said. "She can hit a lot sharper angles because of her height above the net."

But as the 2000 postseason accolades came around, Goralski was left empty-handed. Despite average and block totals near the top of the conference, she didn't even make the All-Big East second team.

"She was in the top one or two in blocks and hitting percentage in the conference last year and she didn't get the award," Brown said. "That was a disappointment for me that she individually didn't get recognized."

Entering her senior year, she made the preseason All Big East team, but it was teammate Kristy Kreher who earned Preseason Big East Player of the Year honors. As the season progressed, however, Goralski emerged as the key to Notre Dame's attack with a .377 hitting percentage — the only Notre Dame hitter with a mark over .300. When the last national statistics were released she had the 25th best hitting percentage in the nation to go along with the No. 8 ranking in blocks with 1.70 per game.

Goralski posted a .350 hitting percentage and five blocks against No. 7 UCLA and a .429 hitting percentage with eight blocks against No. 16 Northern Iowa.

"That's the one thing where Malinda rose above that was in our matches against top-20 teams," Brown said.

The normally reserved Goralski also developed into a leader during her final season. While fellow seniors Kreher and Marcie Bomhack are the most vocal, Goralski has shown the younger players on the team a positive example.

"The way that she has led is through example — working hard and being very consistent in her play," Brown said. "She doesn't say as much as Kristy or Marcie, but when she does, everybody listens. She's careful about what she says and she really has the ability to just pick everybody up."

Next year, the math major is looking at going into actuarial science or perhaps teaching high school math and coaching. But for now, she's focused on the rest of Notre Dame's season.

"We played great this season and that's why we won the Big East championship and why a person from our team was able to be named Big East Player of the Year," Goralski said. "I think this weekend we played great as a team."

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lead early and never looked back.

In the second game, the Irish started out equally strong, taking a 7-2 lead. Then Vtyurina regained the serve, and before they knew what hit them, the Irish were down 10-7. Notre Dame fought back to pull within 17-15 before another Georgetown streak buried the Irish 26-16, and eventually 30-24.

"After game two we went into the locker room and we were really antsy to go back out there and start playing again," Goralski said. "We were ready."

So was Georgetown. This time, the game was close early. But with Georgetown up 10-8, the Hoyas scored four in a row with Vtyurina serving. A late Kreher kill closed it to 28-27, but Georgetown was able to take the final two points to take a 2-1 lead in the match.

"I think that we just let things break down," Loomis said. "Passing, maybe we weren't as aggressive. But we knew we had it in us and we really wanted to fight. We really wanted the game more than Georgetown I think."

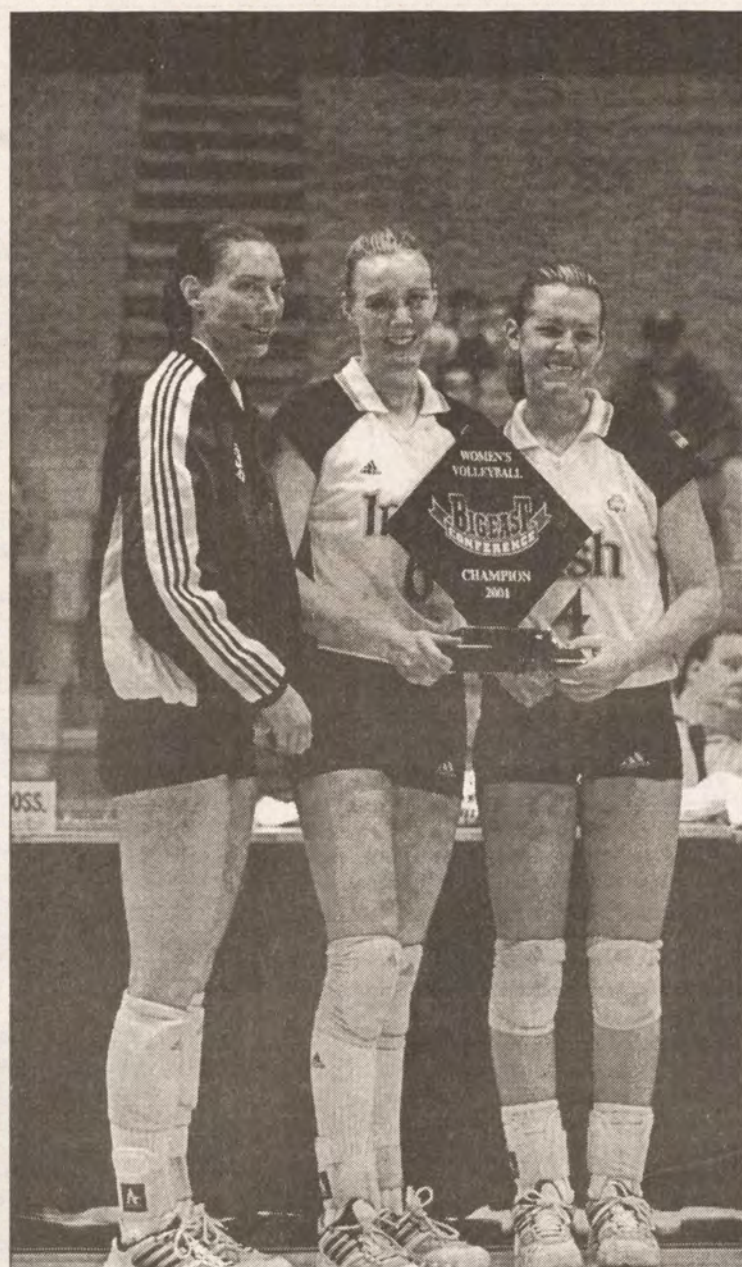
In game four, Notre Dame came out determined. An early run with Kreher serving turned a 6-6 tie into an 11-6 Irish lead. Then with Notre Dame up only 19-16, the Irish scored five in a row with Kristen Kinder serving to break the game open. To end it on a strong note, Notre Dame scored six of the final seven points for a convincing 30-20 win.

"After game three, we had played with them too long and we let them play with us," Goralski said. "It was just frustrating. From then on there was no kidding around. We just came out with a strong effort of a good block and solid blocking outside and playing real solid defense."

Kim Fletcher added 10 kills and 10 block assists for the Irish, while Kinder added 44 assists and a team-leading 14 digs.

Notes:

♦ Notre Dame defeated Connecticut 3-0 in Saturday's semifinal.



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Irish seniors (from left) Malinda Goralski, Kristy Kreher and Marcie Bomhack accept the Big East Tournament trophy.

Bomhack led the Irish with 13 kills and three blocks while Goralski added 12 kills on a .600 percentage and added three more blocks.

"Obviously there was a little bit more pressure and a little bit more nervousness, but I think we came through and did what we had to do," Brown said.

♦ After leading the Irish to an 19-5 mark during the regular season and a perfect 12-0 record in Big East play, head coach Debbie Brown won her third Big East Coach of the Year award.

"When I accepted the award I said that I only accepted it on behalf of the team and the staff and everybody that went into making it a good Big East

season for us," Brown said. "I appreciate the fact that the other coaches in the conference feel that way."

♦ Sophomore Kristen Kinder, who took over as Notre Dame's starting setter this season after the graduation of All-American Denise Boylan, was named the Big East Setter of the Year.

"The one thing about Kristen is she just comes into practice every day, she works incredibly hard and she's just been just a sponge in terms of wanting the feedback and taking the feedback and doing whatever she can to improve herself," Brown said.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Despite loss, Irish season still a success

STORRS, Conn. Some would look at the final score of Friday's matchup between the Irish men's soccer team and St. John's and see disappointment.

I don't. Those of you who braved the desolation and made the trip to Storrs know that the game was an extremely close one. And the only goal of the game occurred on a deflection off of a free kick from just outside the penalty area.

Anyway, sometimes in life we see the end result and lose sight of the



Bryan Kronk

Irish Insight

effort that brought us to the present.

I am thankful to the Irish for turning the team around after a disappointing season last year, and playing their hearts out for the past 18 games. Thankfully, the Irish will likely play at least one more game, in the NCAA Tournament.

I'm sure Irish fans are thankful that their soccer teams both ended up in the NCAA Tournament for the first time in 5 years. We're thankful for the season-long effort by our men's team for overcoming adversity over the past two years and putting it all aside to achieve major strides in bringing the Irish back to the forefront of nationally recognized men's soccer programs.

Friday night, when Angel Rodriguez scored the eventual game-winning goal for St. John's, the Irish were likely thankful to have almost 43 min-

utes left to recover.

Unfortunately, even Moses the traveling teddy bear couldn't help lead the Irish to the Promised Land, and the Irish now must sit and wait to see where they will end up playing.

I will likely be following the team to wherever they end up on Friday, spending my Thanksgiving traveling to wherever the Irish will play. My Thanksgiving dinner will likely be on a plane or in an airport, but I am thankful for being able to even have had the opportunity.

And being here in Connecticut is not so bad. I mean, I was able to spend some time with family and good friends (all Irish fans) to watch the football game and have Thanksgiving dinner. And, hey, we do get free HBO, so I guess, even though we lost the soccer game, I still have better television options than my dorm room.

And to those of you who think it is selfish of me to be enjoying this trip away from school, think of where you will be on Thursday. You will probably find yourself in the company of friends and family, watching football and eating turkey.

Think of how thankful you will be then. That is how thankful I am now, not just in general, but to our Irish men's soccer team.

The season is by no means over, I will likely follow them for the rest of their incredible journey this year. And I am thankful for that.

Thank you, guys, and good luck in the NCAA's.

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Notre Dame forward Erich Braun looks on as Connecticut goalkeeper Guy Hertz saves a shot during the Huskies 1-0 win over the Irish Friday night in the Big East semifinals.

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er Guy Hertz knocked it away to prevent the score.

"We had some good chances," head coach Bobby Clark said. "I think we slipped in for some very good opportunities that we couldn't finish."

The play was just one of a few missed opportunities during the match for the Irish. Notre Dame outcornered St. John's 5-2; however, none of those corners proved serious threats as the kicks sailed out of bounds or away from Irish attackers.

"It's the sort of game where I think we'll wake up tomorrow morning and wish we could get it again," Clark stated. "I think it's a game that we feel that we could do better in. I mean if you look at the stats, the shots were really quite equal... and we actually even outcornered them."

In most of the first half, the Irish offense played very conservatively, not wanting to make a mistake that would allow St. John's a chance to score. Then after the Red Storm goal at the start of the second half, the Irish were unable to penetrate their opponent's defense as many passes from Irish attackers missed their targets, resulting in costly turnovers.

"I think we did a better job in the second half, because in the first half we couldn't get up the field," Irish forward Erich Braun said. "We turned the ball over offensively - I turned the ball over, and I shouldn't have. But I think we did a better job in the second half than the first half offensively."

St. John's demonstrated why it is the eighth-ranked team in the country, as it did just enough to win and held strong against the Irish attack late in the game to preserve the one-goal victory.

With 15:32 left in the match, a header by Braun was snatched out of the air by the keeper Hertz. Later, Dettler broke away after on a long pass from defender Griffin Howard, but his shot was again deflected over the bar by Hertz.

"The Big East is a very competitive league, because no matter who you play on any given day, it's going to be a competitive affair," St. John's coach Dave Masur said. "That was illustrated out there today. Our keeper made a couple of big saves on some times that Notre Dame did break us down."

"They have some tremendously able athletes and a very young, confident team. They had two great chances where they took shots and [Hertz] came up big."

Even though the loss knocked them out of the Big East tournament, the season is far from over for the Irish. Their competitive play in the Big East throughout the year will almost certainly earn the Irish a spot in the 48-team NCAA tournament, which begins Friday.

"I'd think we'd be in very good shape. I'd be very disappointed if we weren't in the tournament," Clark said. "The question is we've got to stay in the NCAA's. That's the trick. We've got to learn. We need to grow up quite a bit by next Friday."

Tournament pairings and locations should be released by the NCAA some time early this week. If the Irish are selected, it would be their first trip to the tournament since 1996.

Notes:

♦ The last time the Irish made it to the Big East Semifinals was 1997 — when they were ousted by top-seed St. John's 4-1.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Thomas has first Irish triple double ever in win

◆ Now Thomas must meet expectations after incredible debut

A couple of lockers away from the man of the hour, David Graves looked at a stat sheet in mock disbelief. "Eighteen shots," he said,

raising his voice loud enough so that Chris Thomas could hear him. "Eighteen shots! I don't even remember the last time I played with a point guard who took 18 shots."

Then again, Graves hasn't played with a point guard who recorded a triple-double, either.

But when Torrian Jones' 10-foot jump shot swished through the net with 1:40 left in an otherwise meaningless game, Thomas had his 10th assist and a place in the Irish record books. He finished the game with 24 points, 11 assists and 11 steals — the best individual performance in Notre Dame history in any game, let alone his first game.

Now he's going to spend the rest of his career trying to live up to that first game.

It doesn't matter that Notre Dame was playing New Hampshire. It doesn't matter that Thomas played most of the game even though the Irish were comfortably ahead. What does matter is that Saturday morning, more people in the Joyce Center parking lots were talking about the numbers 24, 11 and 11 than they were about the differences between a monkey and Bob Davie.

A few days before the game, Thomas said he hoped to keep a low profile. All he wanted to do was distribute the ball, pass it around and do his job. A few months before the game, Brey said he hoped to keep his talented freshman out of the spotlight.

Fat chance of that happening.

People didn't go to the Joyce Center Friday night to see Ryan Humphrey sit on the bench wearing a suit. They wanted to see if the most-hyped Notre Dame recruit in recent memory was the real deal. Being a McDonald's All-American in high school is one thing. How would Thomas respond at the college level?

Impressively is an understatement.

In the first half, Thomas absolutely humiliated New Hampshire point guard Marcus Bullock by stealing the ball every other time Bullock tried to go up the court. He tied a 27-year-old team record for steals in a game — seven — in the first

half of his first collegiate game.

He wasn't done then. Right after Jones' jumper, Thomas stole the inbound pass and fired up a 3-point shot from the baseline. Nothing but net. Matt Carroll nearly fell out of his seat in disbelief.

"I think some people might look at me and think I'm a manager or something," he said. "Now I might get my name out there a little."

Sure, Thomas has a lot to learn. In addition to setting a Notre Dame single-game record for most steals, he also may have set a Notre Dame single-game record for having the most layups blocked.

But it's awful tough to see how Thomas, the first player in Notre Dame history to wear No. 1 on his chest, can go up from his first game. Now, everyone knows what he's capable of. Now, everyone knows what Thomas can do. Now, everyone expects a triple-double out of Thomas every night.

Now, everyone is expecting him to replace Troy Murphy instead of Martin Ingelsby.

Thomas has a core group of experienced players around him, players who won't be bothered if they don't get all the attention. That's a good thing, because the way the season has started, it seems like Thomas will be the guy in the spotlight.

He's just a freshman with a whopping one game under his belt. It's unrealistic to expect a triple-double every night. There could even be nights where Graves will pick up a stat sheet and see 18 turnovers, not 18 shots, next to Thomas' name, and he probably won't be pretending to be in disbelief then.

But if that happens, it won't be a freshman having a bad night. It'll be Thomas having a horrible game.

Thomas said Friday was just one night and was just one game. It felt good, but there are plenty more games to be played. There's still a whole season ahead.

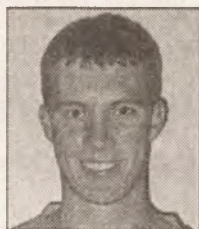
He's right. There is. Which might be too bad for him.

Brey hoped to bring him along slowly, to take time to get him accustomed to the college game. That's not going to happen now. With his record-breaking performance this early in the season, Thomas lost the honeymoon Brey hoped he could get for him from fans and the media.

Most Notre Dame players would have loved to end their career with a triple-double.

He has the misfortune of starting his career with one.

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◆ Freshman also breaks 27-year-old steals record in 95-53 win over New Hampshire

By KERRY SMITH
Sports Writer

Long-standing records came crashing down as the Irish dominated in their 95-53 season-opening win against the University of New Hampshire Wildcats.

Freshman point guard Chris Thomas opened his collegiate career for the Irish with a bold statement, as he broke a 27-year old Notre Dame record for single-game steals with 11 and recorded the school's first triple-double, with 24 points, 11 steals and 11 assists.

The Irish also broke a team record dating back to 1976 with 26 steals.

The previous records for single-player steals stood at seven and team steals at 23.

"I wasn't really thinking about the triple-double," Irish head coach Mike Brey said. "I wanted him to play and to enjoy the atmosphere. It was only his first college game, after all."

Thomas wasn't the only standout on the Irish squad, as David Graves scored a game-high 26 points and Jere Macura, starting in place of Ryan Humphrey, added 14.

Notre Dame's swarming defense proved too much for the undersized Wildcats to handle. The UNH squad opened the game strong with a quick 3-point basket by forward Austin Ganly and a tough full court defense that sent the Irish scrambling.

"I thought we did OK in the first three or

four minutes of the game," Wildcats head coach Phil Rowe said. "But then [Thomas'] defense made the difference."

After keeping the score close in the opening minutes, the Irish pulled away with a 21-1 run for a 26-7 lead midway through the first half.

"We had great instincts on defense tonight," Graves said. "They were nervous and we took advantage of that."

Despite the tough play of Ganly, who scored 22 on the night, the Wildcats never recovered, ending the half down 48-26.

The second half proved more of the same, as Notre Dame's stingy defense kept UNH at bay.

Much of the Irish bench saw action in the contest, including freshman Jordan Cornette who logged eight points, one block and three steals.

"I'm completely confident in Jordan Cornette," Brey said. "To get that many minutes was a great thing. He might end up starting the second game of his college career [due to the injury to Humphrey]."

The Wildcats starting corps of Ganly, Chris Brown, Allen Gould, Kyle Peterson and Marcus Bullock scored 46 of the team's 53 total points. Several Wildcat reserves entered the game, but none could manage to give the team the lift it so desperately needed.

"There weren't any positives tonight. None," Rowe said. "We didn't execute. We didn't attack. The defense forced us into deflections and steals."

The Irish will return to the court at the Joyce Center tonight in another non-conference game when they take on Cornell. Tip-off is at 7:30 p.m.

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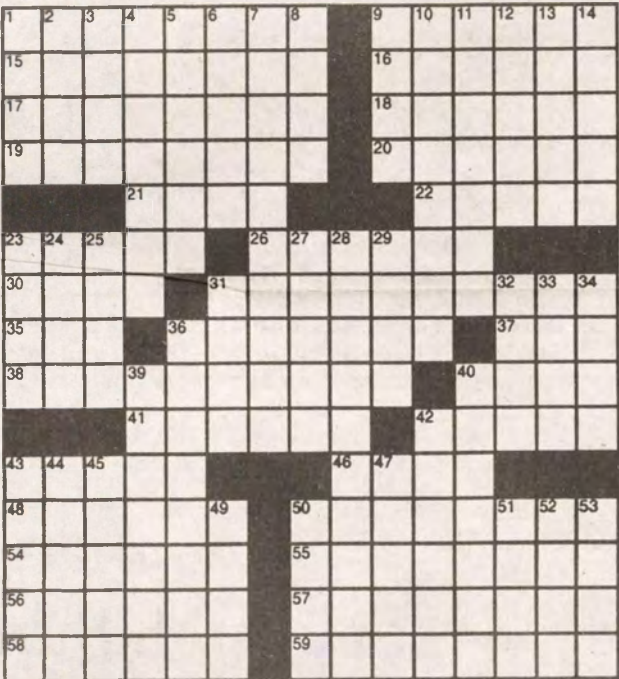
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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Irish season ends in upset loss

By JEFF BALTRUZAK
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In arguably the biggest upset ever against the Notre Dame women's soccer team in NCAA College Cup play, the Irish's season ended Sunday at Alumni Field in a heart-wrenching second round loss to unranked Cincinnati, 3-2.

The Irish have failed to advance to at least the quarterfinals of the College Cup, the tournament that determines the NCAA champion, just once since 1993, when Notre Dame lost 2-1 in the first round to George Mason.

Notre Dame's home unbeaten streak of 39 games, dating back to Sept. 3, 1999, was snapped by the Bearcats, who scored three times on just four shots on goal.

Notre Dame head coach Randy Waldrum felt few things went right for the seventh-seeded Irish in a day that saw Notre Dame give up three goals for only the second time this season.

"I don't think we were very good today in any phase. Defensively, where we've been strong for the last month, we had a couple of breakdowns," said Waldrum.

"When you give away a couple goals to a good team at this time of year, that's a problem."

It was clear that it would be an uphill fight for the Irish early in the game. Just 12 minutes into the game, Cincinnati struck first when sophomore midfielder Rachel Lieberman ran down a save off Irish goalkeeper Liz Wagner on the left side of the net and put the ball in to put Cincinnati up 1-0.

"I think we came out harder, stronger, more focused," said Bearcat striker Amy Simonson, whose original shot setup Lieberman's first goal. "We knew what we were up against and we knew that hustling and being aggressive would get it done."

Cincinnati continued to pressure the Irish, and it paid off again for both the Bearcats and Lieberman at the 17:02 mark. Simonson crossed a pass to Lieberman, again on the left side, capitalizing on an Irish defense breakdown that left Lieberman open for a shot that whizzed into the goal for Cincinnati's second score and a 2-0 lead.

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RICO CASARES/The Observer

Irish defender Vanessa Pruzinsky moves the ball downfield during Sunday's 3-2 loss to Cincinnati in the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish take Big East title

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First they looked unstoppable. Then they looked vulnerable. But at the end of the day Sunday, the Irish volleyball team looked like Big East champions.

Led by 19 kills on a .368 hitting percentage from freshman Emily Loomis, Notre Dame outlasted Georgetown 30-22, 24-30, 27-30, 30-20, 15-11 to take its sixth conference tournament title since joining the Big East prior to the 1995 season.

"It was definitely a tough match," Irish head coach Debbie Brown said after the match. "Coming in we knew that Georgetown was a very aggressive and strong serving team. We did have some trouble passing their serve and got into trouble."

In the deciding game five of

the match, the Irish got off to a startling 8-1 lead. But just when the Hoyas looked like they were finally put to sleep, they rebounded to close Notre Dame's lead to 9-7. Then, Irish senior Kristy Kreher came up with a key solo block to give the Irish the serve and a 10-7 lead in the 15-point final game.

"That's one of those where we're up but we're not exactly rolling," Brown said of the play. "She does that and that really took the wind out of their sails."

After Notre Dame extended its lead to 12-7, Georgetown's Yulia Vtyurina, who finished with three aces in the match, regained the serve on a Marcie Bomhack hitting error. The Hoyas closed to within one.

But Vtyurina's serve attempt to tie the match went out of bounds, putting the Irish up 13-11. Notre Dame reeled off the next two points

to take the game, set, and conference title.

Notre Dame hit .302 in the final game, led by senior Malinda Goralski's five kills. Goralski finished with 14 kills and five block assists in the match and was named the tournament's Most Outstanding Player. Goralski didn't have many chances early in the match, but made the most of her attempts at critical moments late.

"I think earlier, our passing was so bad that it was hard for a middle hitter because when they hit at a quick tempo it's hard getting her the ball," Brown said. "Our passing got a lot better, which allowed us to get the ball to her."

Notre Dame started the match off strong, holding Georgetown to .049 hitting as Loomis contributed six early kills and the Irish took a 5-1

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MEN'S SOCCER

Red Storm edge Irish in semifinals

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It was just one goal, but it proved to be the deciding factor in St. John's 1-0 victory over Notre Dame Friday night in the semifinals of the Big East Conference Tournament.

Just 2:43 into the second half Red Storm forward Angel Rodriguez deflected a penalty kick from midfielder Jeff Matteo through a throng of players that snuck past Irish goalkeeper Chris Sawyer.

"Their midfielder Matteo got out the ball in front of everybody, and one of their players got through," Sawyer said. "We couldn't get someone in front of him, but I needed to react quicker and move faster."

The direct penalty kick

started just outside of the penalty box, and Notre Dame had all of its players in to defend, but the effort was not enough as Rodriguez deflected the ball right in front of Sawyer.

"Right when [Matteo] hit it, he was so close, and there were so many people in the box that it was really hard to see the ball at first," Sawyer said. "And it was even tougher when [Rodriguez] deflected the ball."

At the start of the game, St. John's attempted to strike quickly with some very aggressive play on offense, but the Notre Dame defense held up, allowing only two shots on goal in the entire half.

For the most part, play in the first half was dead even

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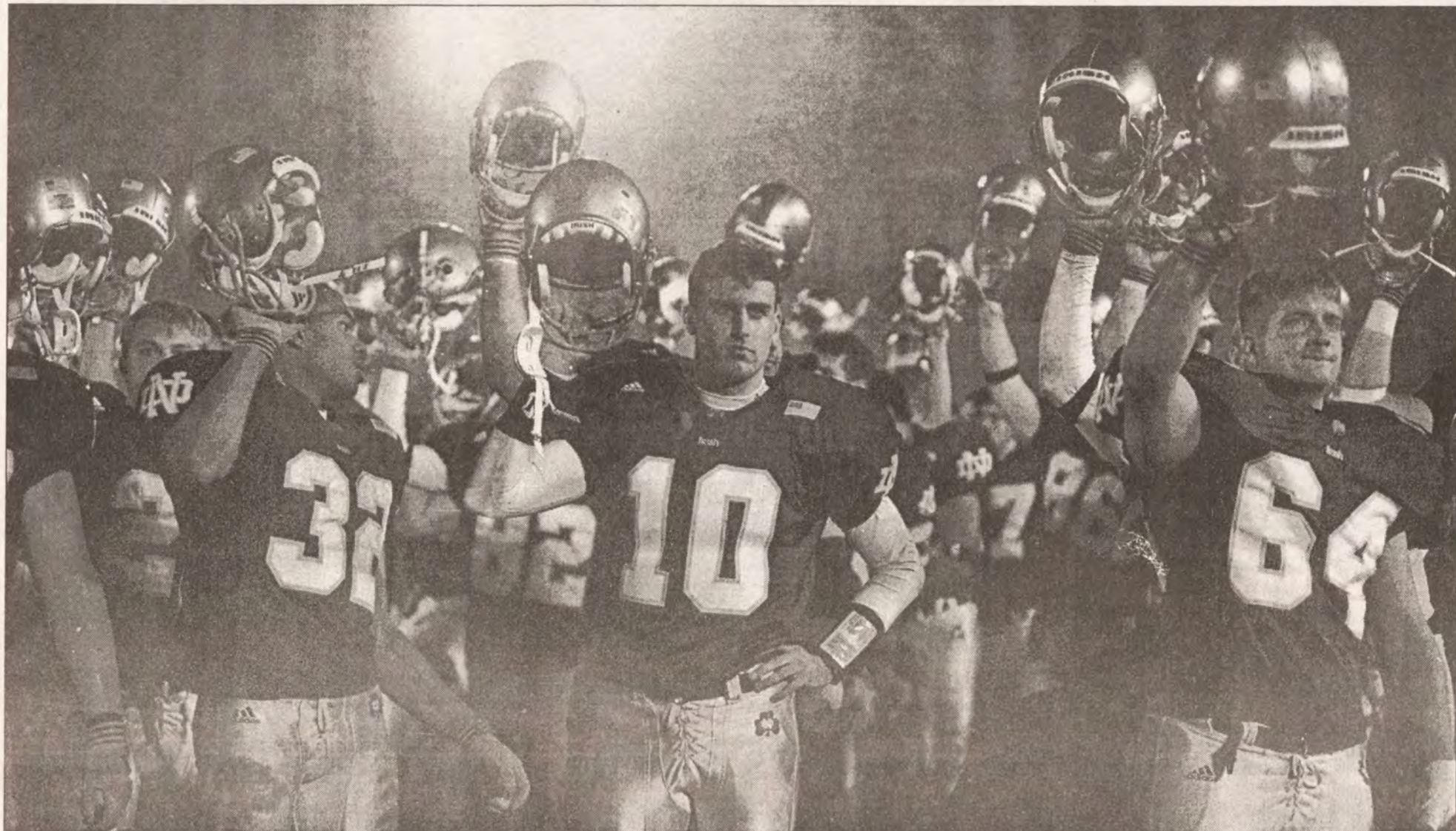
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Notre Dame 34, Navy 16

Senior mentality



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Irish player raise their helmets to the student section minutes after Notre Dame's 34-16 victory over Navy. Although Navy kept the game close early, the Irish shut down the Midshipmen in the second half. The game was the last home game for 43 Irish seniors.

By ANDREW SOUKUP
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Irish overcome early scare to beat Navy in home finale

Once again, the Irish were simply too big and too fast for the Midshipmen as Notre Dame won its 38th straight game against Navy, 34-16.

"To be quite honest, we have better players than Navy, but they do a heck of a job," said Notre Dame head coach Bob Davie. "I respect them and respect how they play."

Navy managed to keep the game close for most of the first half. They were tied with the Irish 10-10 at the end of the first quarter and trailed 17-13 at the half after driving 90 yards on their last possession of the first half.

"I really think momentum was on our side at that point," said Navy interim coach Rick Lantz. "I wanted the kids to get something out of that drive. We thought very seriously about going for the touchdown, but we wanted to make sure we got something. I did not feel confident that we could take another shot at the end zone and possibly come away with nothing."

After Irish tailback Terrance Howard, who finished with 12 carries for 54 yards, scored his second touchdown on an 8-yard run to put the Irish up 24-13, Navy drove down the field and had first-and-goal at the Notre Dame 4-yard line at the start of the fourth quarter.

But the Irish stopped Madden on three straight rushing attempts and the Midshipmen had to settle for a field goal.

"I don't know if we gave ourselves a chance down there. We were pretty conservative," said Navy quarterback Brian Madden. "We get the linebacker blocked, we walk in. They did a good job down there and stopped us when they had to."

"They have a tough scheme," said Notre Dame defensive end Anthony Weaver, who finished with seven tackles. "Madden is a talented quarterback, and he wants to run the ball. In the second half, we refocused and shut them down for the most part."

On the next possession, Notre Dame quarterback Carlyle Holiday found tight end Gary Godsey, who led all receivers with two catches for 50 yards, for a 26-yard gain. The next play, tailback Julius Jones, who finished with 117 rushing yards on 24 carries, scored on a 44-yard touchdown run to give the Irish a 31-16 lead. Notre Dame never looked back.

"It was good to see Julius Jones break out of there and have a big run," Davie said. "We were waiting for that to happen all season and I think it was good for him."

Navy stayed close to the Irish in the first half in part because of the play of Madden. The senior quarterback finished with 70 rushing yards on 22 carries and was 5-for-

12 passing with one interception.

Madden scored on a 38-yard run late in the second quarter, a play that was set up by his 43-yard completion to Gene Reese the play before when Notre Dame's pass coverage broke down.

"We had a frustrating day on defense," Davie said. "A lot of things went wrong today, particularly at the safety position, and wound up giving them some big plays. But give credit to their quarterback, Brian Madden. He's a heck of a player."

"We messed up on some things that were just unacceptable," said Irish linebacker Tyreo Harrison, who led Notre Dame players with nine tackles. "In the second half, we corrected a lot of mistakes. We knew the game was going to come down to big plays — if they were going to get any yards, it was going to be on a big play, they couldn't do anything else to us."

Navy has come close to ending its long losing streak to the Irish in recent years. Two years ago, a favorable spot on fourth down kept a game-winning Irish drive alive. Four years ago, Navy's Pat McGrew was knocked out at the Notre Dame 1-yard line as time expired.

"When Navy again beats Notre Dame,

which will happen, it will be a special situation for all those kids," Lantz said. "...I thought we were going to get it done for a long, long time and we didn't."

"We really felt like we were going to come out in the second half and pull this sucker out," Madden said.

The Irish scored the first touchdown of the game when nose tackle Cedric Hilliard hit Madden, forcing a fumble. Safety Gerome Sapp scooped up the loose ball and ran 39 yards untouched for the score to give the Irish a 10-0 lead just six minutes into the game.

Nicholas Setta added field goals from 41 and 32 yards away. Setta has now hit a field goal in his last 11 games, tying a record set by John Carney in 1986.

With the win, the Irish managed to stay eligible for a bowl bid. The Irish must win their next two games at Stanford and Purdue in order to finish with a winning record. Because of their arrangements with the Big East, the Irish might end up playing in either the Tangerine Bowl or the Music City Bowl assuming they finish with the required six wins.

"Any time you play Navy, you know it is going to be tough, but today we earned a victory," Jones said. "If we hadn't won today, it would have been a big disappointment for us because we had two weeks to prepare for this game. We really needed this win."

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player of the game

Shane Walton

The cornerback was all over the field Saturday. He recorded one interception and had another one called back after a penalty. Walton finished with seven tackles, three of them for losses, and a sack.

quote of the game

"I am really happy for our seniors. They get to walk out of Notre Dame with their gold helmets held high."

Bob Davie
Irish head coach

stat of the game

3 second half points

After making things interesting early, Notre Dame's defense completely shut down Navy in the second half.

report card

- B** **quarterbacks:** Holiday didn't do much offensively. The interception wasn't his fault — Hunter ran the wrong route. It was nice to put LoVecchio in at the end, but what about Clark?
- A-** **running backs:** Jones' fumble set up a Navy field goal, but he redeemed himself with a long touchdown. Howard added a pair of scores in his best game of the season.
- B+** **receivers:** Hunter dropped one pass, but overall, the receivers played well. Of course, the ball wasn't thrown their way much. The tight ends were impressive.
- B+** **offensive line:** They gave up no sacks, and they did a good job. With two games to go in the season, Davie finally found the top five linemen.
- A-** **defensive line:** Weaver was a factor the entire game, and Hilliard forced the fumble. Most of Navy's 177 rushing yards came on two big plays.
- A-** **linebackers:** Harrison was solid as always and Watson had an interception that was called back by penalty. They did a good job handing Navy's diverse scheme in the second half.
- B+** **defensive backs:** Except for one series in the first half, the secondary played great. Sapp returned the fumble for a touchdown, and Walton was a factor keeping Madden from breaking big plays.
- B+** **special teams:** Setta hit another pair of field goals, and Hildbold had a great punt early in the game. Coverage units were good, but they still can't make a big play.
- B** **coaching:** Good creative play calling by throwing to the tight ends and giving the ball to the fullbacks. But where were all the walk-ons at the end of the game?

3.37 **overall:** The Irish weren't stellar, but they didn't have to be — they were playing 0-9 Navy. They'll have to play better to make a bowl game.

adding up the numbers

Notre Dame pass attempts in the first quarter — and it was intercepted **1**

5 carries Mike McNair had Saturday, five more than he had his entire career

receiving yards recorded by Godsey on two catches, his first catches of his career **50**

2 Irish interceptions called back by defensive holding penalties

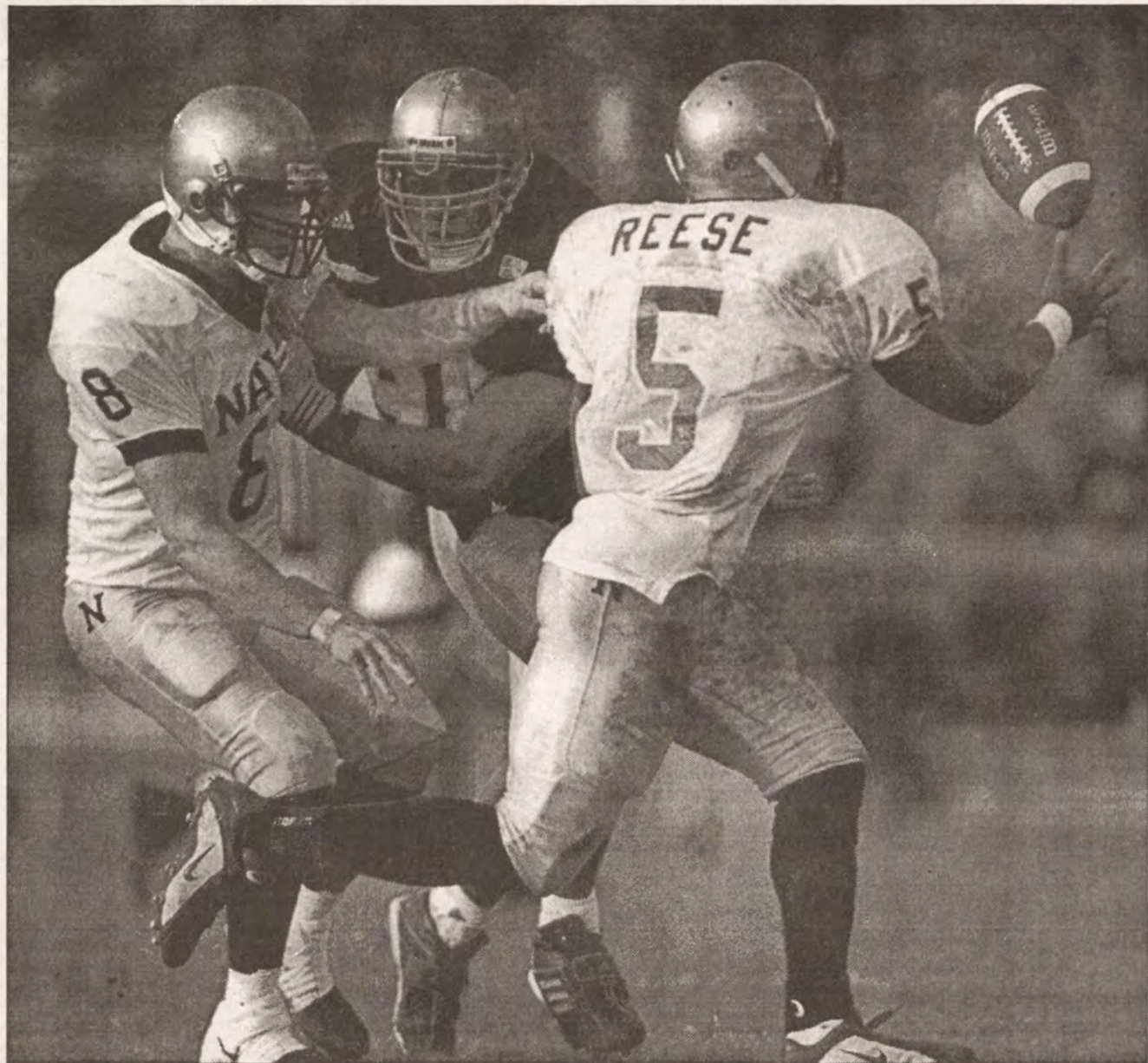
penalties charged to Navy during Saturday's game **0**

2 number of kickers who made the tackle on a kickoff

vacant yellow seats in the east sideline early in the fourth quarter — guess rich people don't like good weather, either **115**

0 number of sober seniors in the student section at Saturday's game

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LISA VELTE/The Observer

Senior defensive end Anthony Weaver hits Navy quarterback Brian Madden right after Madden pitched the ball to split back Gene Reese. Weaver had seven tackles in his final home game.

Seniors savor final home game

The crowd roared as the final seconds of Notre Dame's 34-16 ticked off the twin scoreboards at each end of the stadium. Pardon Tony Weaver if he didn't quite notice when the game was over. He was too busy trying to soak everything else in.

Two weeks ago, he collapsed to his knees as Casey Clausen ran around the Notre Dame defense for a 1-yard touchdown run to secure Tennessee's victory over the Irish.

Saturday afternoon, he was acting differently.

After Notre Dame's defense ran off the field, Weaver ran through the team and stood on a bench at the back of the Notre Dame sideline. During breaks in plays, Weaver spent more time staring around at the crowd than he did watching the field. He was trying to remember everything. The crowd, the announcer, the student section, the band, the students from Carroll Hall chanting his name, everything.

"It's almost unbelievable, it feels like I walked in that door the other day," he said, pointing to the door of the locker room.

Weaver was one of the first people off the bench to congratulate Navy. Then, he headed over to the student section to raise his gold helmet to the sky for the final time.

Terrance Howard was among the group of people playing his final game in Notre Dame Stadium. Howard will be the first to say that his career hasn't been what he wanted it to. He had worked hard to get into a position where he could

get more carries, and was the starting tailback entering Notre Dame's season opener.

But against Nebraska, Howard fumbled the ball on the first offensive play for the Irish — quite possible the play that set the tone for the rest of the season — and was benched. He saw spot playing time the next few games and only had one touchdown before Saturday.

Against Navy, however, his redemption came full circle. Howard, scored on touchdown runs of 4 and 8-yard runs to leave Notre Dame Stadium with a sweet taste in his mouth.

"I couldn't imagine a better way to leave," he said.

"There's some character on this football team, and he's a good example of that," Bob Davie said. "...He's overcome a lot of things, and that's why he played today."

Then there's the saga of Mike McNair, who was the top recruit in Notre Dame's class of 2002 four years ago. But every single time McNair walked out of Notre Dame Stadium — or any stadium, for that matter — he had yet to carry the ball.

That changed against Navy. McNair carried the ball not once, not twice, but five times, gaining 15 yards. Every time his name was announced as the ball-carrier, the student section loudly cheered him.

After the game, he didn't reflect on what could have been. Instead, he was just glad he got in the game.

Grant Irons was also among the group of seniors raising their helmets for the final time. Irons' career was riddled with injuries. But his sincere, hard-working attitude was well-documented. When he was sidelined for the season with a shoulder injury last year, Irons would still show up to practice every day with his helmet and shoulder pads on. If ever a player personified the hard-working attitude of Notre

Dame football, it was Irons.

Saturday wasn't about Bob Davie. Saturday wasn't about Notre Dame's sub-.500 record. Saturday wasn't about offensive woes or defensive breakdowns.

Saturday was about the seniors and their families.

"It was very important to win this game for the seniors," Carlyle Holiday said. "It was a big thing."

"I am really happy for our seniors," Davie said. "They get to walk out of Notre Dame Stadium with their gold helmets held high. They've invested a lot in this football team. They get to walk out of here feeling positive and being with the people they love."

Feeling positive doesn't quite describe what Weaver felt. Then again, he couldn't pick a word to describe his emotions, either.

As the players began to lower their helmets, Weaver bounded to the front of the team. He raced closer and closer to the students until only the brick wall separated him from the fans.

"He was so excited, he just wanted to get closer and closer," said Tyroe Harrison, who was close behind Weaver. "If you know him, you know his emotions are catchy."

And while most of the team walked into the tunnel, Weaver, Harrison, McNair, Irons, Howard and the rest of the 38 Irish seniors stayed on the field savoring their last moments as players in one of college football's most hallowed stadiums.

They forgot about the 4-5 record. They forgot about the 34-16 win. They forgot about the calls for Davie's job.

They remembered everything else.

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Irish overcome injuries with help from new faces

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Going into Saturday's game against Navy, the starting line-up was looking shaky. Injury sidelined seven veteran Irish players, including tailback Tony Fisher, fullback Jason Murray and flanker David Givens. With that kind of disadvantage heading into the game, even an 0-8 team had its chances. But for several Irish players, the injuries were their chance to step onto the field and get the job done.

"I think we added up, we had seven starters out for this game," head coach Bob Davie said. "Those guys got an opportunity to play."

And play they did.

Rushing

With Fisher sidelined with a hamstring injury, junior Julius Jones could have had a lot of work to do alone. But the Irish didn't leave him running alone, they came as a pack.

Senior tailback Terrance Howard, who hadn't seen much playing time since he fumbled the ball during Notre Dame's opening loss to Nebraska, started getting yards for the Irish late in the first quarter. On the final Irish drive of the quarter Howard, who rushed for 54 yards in the game, picked up 20 yards for the Irish on two consecutive carries before Carlyle Holiday was intercepted.

"I told my wife when I went home that I feel good about this weekend," Howard said. "Today, it showed that I was really feeling good."

Once Howard got in the game, he proved a valuable asset. In the second quarter he added a four-yard touchdown run that broke the 10-10 tie and put the Irish back on top. In quarter three he added another Notre Dame touchdown on an eight-yard carry. As a senior, Howard couldn't have asked for more.

"I couldn't imagine a better way [to end]," he said. "For the past years, I've always had a good game against Navy."

But Howard wasn't the only Irish player to add some unexpected rushing yards. Fullback Tom Lopienski, who saw playing more playing time due to Jason Murray's injuries, also added some rushing yards.

In a third quarter drive that ended in Howard's touchdown run, the Irish needed one yard to convert on third down. Lopienski got them 33.

When asked about how it felt to get some playing time he simply responded, "just keep on working hard for four years and wait for your opportunity."

Lopienski had 2 carries for 36 yards. To wrap up the new faces that carried the ball, senior Mike McNair grabbed three car-



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Quarterback Carlyle Holiday fires a pass to wide receiver Ronnie Rodamer, No. 18. Rodamer caught the ball for his first catch, a seven-yard reception.

ries in the fourth quarter. McNair, who was highly touted as a freshman, had the first carry of his career on Saturday. He rushed for 15 yards.

Freshman Ryan Grant also saw some play- ing time in the fourth quarter.

Passing

Rushing wasn't the only place players found themselves in new roles. As Holiday looked down the field, he saw some different faces looking back at him.

Flanker David Givens, who has been a go-to man for the Irish, found himself on the side- line with a hamstring injury. And although wide receiver Javin Hunter caught his share of passes, he had company. In addition to Hunter, five Irish players caught a pass in Saturday's game, including Omar Jenkins and Lopienski.

Freshman Carlos Campbell and sophomore Ronnie Rodamer both logged their first career receptions in the second quarter of Saturday's

game. Rodamer caught a seven-yard pass from Holiday in the second quarter, that was followed shortly after by a complete pass to Lopienski. Campbell snagged a 32-yard pass from Holiday on an important third and 14 that set up a tie-breaking Notre Dame touch- down.

"It was good to see Carlos Campbell make a catch," Davie said. "He took advantage of his opportunity to play."

In that same series, Holiday found tight end John Owens open for a 16-yard pass. Owens, who has had three receptions this season, was on the other side of the ball last season. A converted defensive lineman, Owens had not caught a pass until this season.

Defense

While new faces took the field on offense, the defense called up different talent as well.

"I was concerned going into this game because Donald Dykes and Glenn Earl our two free safeties," Davie said. "We played

Ronnie Israel at free safety and then Justin Smith came in."

With Dykes and Earl out of the game, Davie did worry. But the new faces on defense made the important plays, just like the offense.

With Israel and Smith playing free safety, junior Gerome Sapp added a new role to his resume, scorer. In the first quarter, Sapp recovered a fumble and returned the ball 39 yards for the first Irish score of the game. It was also Sapp's first career touchdown. His roommate, had sent him into Saturday's game with a few words of advice.

"[He] basically told us to play yard and we would fall into place," Sapp said. "As far as safety, we had Ron Israel, Justin Smith, myself. We felt we had enough to compete and we did compete."

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AP poll

	team	record	points
1	Miami (52)	9-0	1,777
2	Nebraska (20)	11-0	1,746
3	Florida	9-1	1,615
4	Oklahoma	10-1	1,613
5	Texas	9-1	1,519
6	Oregon	9-1	1,404
7	Tennessee	8-1	1,372
8	Maryland	10-1	1,197
9	BYU	11-0	1,188
10	Illinois	9-1	1,130
11	Michigan	8-2	1,103
12	Washington	8-2	987
13	Stanford	7-2	958
14	Colorado	8-2	867
15	Washington State	9-2	788
16	Virginia Tech	8-2	657
17	Louisville	10-1	609
18	South Carolina	8-3	575
19	Georgia	6-3	434
20	Marshall	9-1	354
21	Georgia Tech	7-3	284
22	Syracuse	8-3	272
23	Fresno State	9-2	207
24	Arkansas	7-3	189
25	Boston College	7-3	148

other leading vote getters: Auburn 85, Florida State 61, Purdue 57, Toledo 50, LSU 40, Texas A&M 27, N.C. State 25, UCLA 13, USC 13, NOTRE DAME 0

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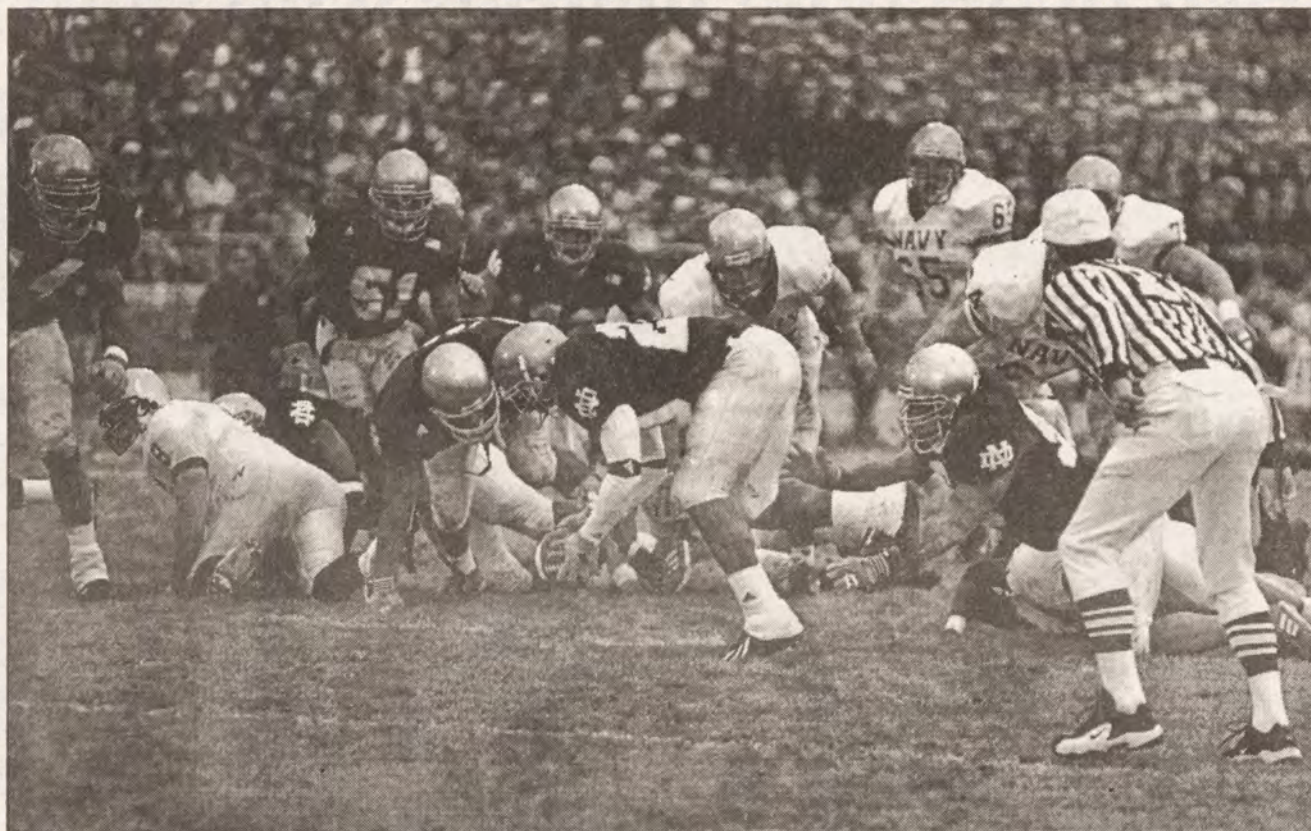
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Navy	10	3	0	3	16
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rushes-yards	58-272		45-177		
passing yards	118		123		
comp-att-int	7-12-1		7-18-1		
return yards	157		125		
punts-yards	3-139		6-274		
fumbles-lost	2-1		3-2		
penalties-yards	4-33		0-0		
time of possession	33:54		26:06		
individual statistics					
passing					
ND — Holiday 6-11-1, LoVecchio 1-1-0					
NAVY — Madden 5-12-1, Candeto 2-5-0, Malinowski 0-1-0					
rushing					
ND — Jones 24-124, Howard 12-54, Holiday 11-61, Lopienksi 2-36, McNair 5-15, Grant 3-11, Battle 1-(-7)					
NAVY — Reese 8-72, Madden 22-70, Lane 5-28, Terrell 4-8					
receiving					
ND — Godsey 2-50, Hunter 2-13, Campbell 1-32, Owens 1-16, Rodamer 1-7					
NAVY — Gaddy 3-41, Reese 1-43, Minter 1-19, Bailey 1-11					
leading tacklers					
ND — Harrison 9, Weaver 7, Walton 7, Watson 6					
NAVY — Elliott 13, Thomas 13, Brindel 7, Clarkson 6					

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1	Miami (33)	9-0	1,468
2	Nebraska (25)	11-0	1,462
3	Florida (1)	9-1	1,352
4	Oklahoma	10-1	1,327
5	Texas	9-1	1,257
6	Tennessee	8-1	1,161
7	Oregon	9-1	1,149
8	BYU (1)	11-0	1,042
9	Maryland	10-1	1,006
10	Illinois	9-1	934
11	Michigan	8-2	930
12	Washington	8-2	842
13	Stanford	7-2	750
14	Colorado	8-2	673
15	Virginia Tech	8-2	650
16	Washington State	9-2	603
17	Louisville	10-1	557
18	South Carolina	8-3	465
19	Georgia Tech	7-3	360
20	Marshall	9-1	318
21	Syracuse	8-3	258
22	Fresno State	9-2	221
23	Georgia	6-3	190
24	Auburn	7-3	90
25	Arkansas	7-3	74

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SINKING NAVY'S SEASON



Notre Dame safety Gerome Sapp picks up a fumble as Anthony Weaver lunges for the ball. Sapp returned the ball 39 yards to give the Irish a 10-0 lead less than six minutes into the game.

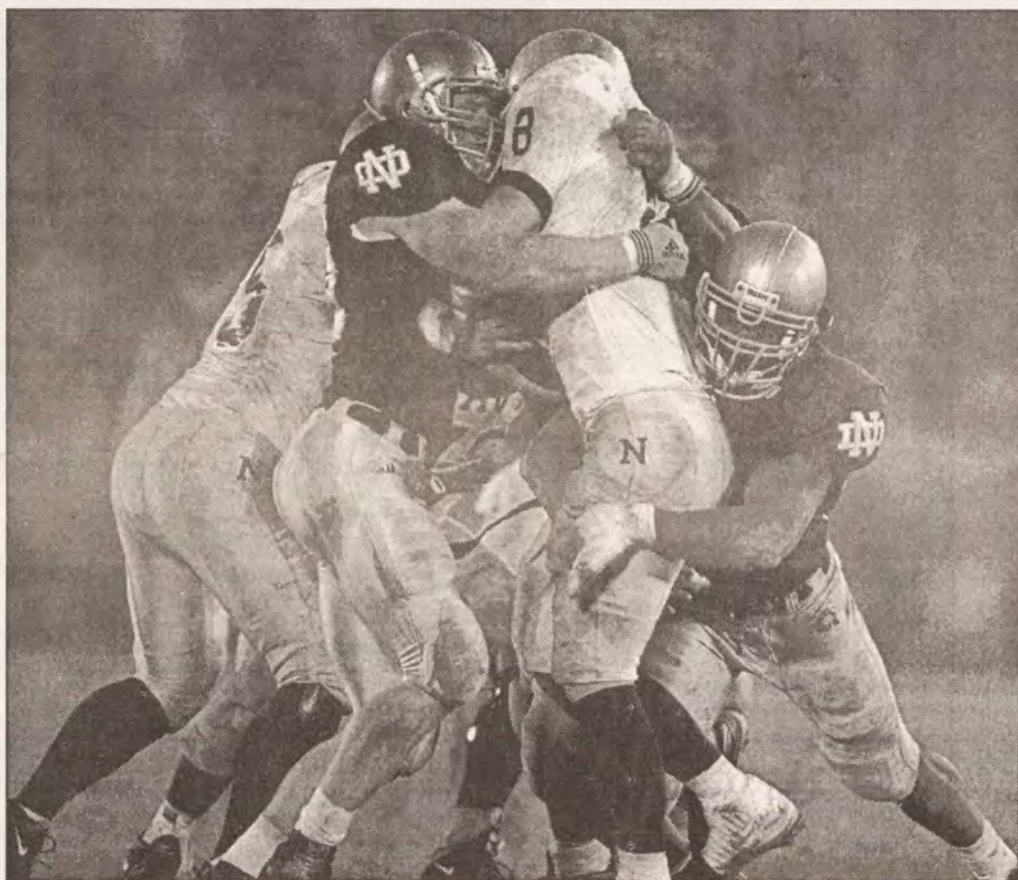
Not only did the Irish win their 38th consecutive game against the Midshipmen, but they sent Navy to 0-9 — their worst record in a half-century. The Midshipmen gave the Irish an early scare by tying the game at 10-10 at the end of the first quarter and trailing 17-13 at the half. But then Notre Dame outscored Navy 17-3 in the second half and the game was over.



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NELLIE WILLIAMS



Notre Dame tailback Julius Jones hurdles the line of scrimmage during Saturday's game. Jones finished with 117 yards on 24 carries.



Notre Dame's Rocky Boiman, left, and Anthony Weaver sandwich Navy quarterback Brian Madden during Saturday's game.



Navy cornerback Shalimar Brazier is tackled by Notre Dame flanker Amaz Battle after picking off Carlyle Holiday's only first quarter passing attempt.