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Fighting for freedom

♦ Notre Dame grad returns home after assisting in Operation Enduring Freedom

Through fluttering red, white and blue American flags, Lieutenant Commander Dan Walsh returned home after six months abroad.

As the USS Enterprise aircraft carrier made its way down the St. James River, putting the Norfolk, Va. naval base in eyesight, the Notre Dame alumnus was greeted by waving flags and nearly 10,000 people welcoming him home.



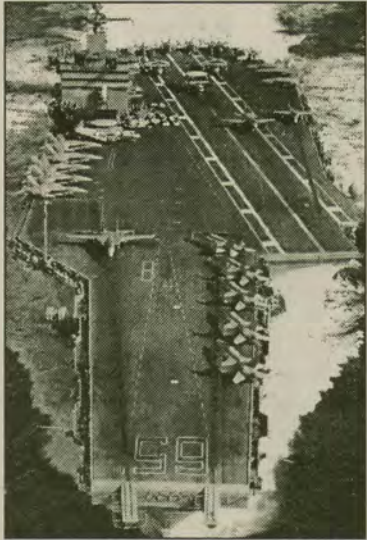
Walsh

"It was a kind of patriotic site," Walsh said. "To see 10,000 waving American flags ... it's pretty heart-wrenching."

It was an extraordinary coming home for a crew that left with no celebration six months earlier. The ship set sail from Norfolk last April. The crew of the USS Enterprise was only expected to complete a standard deployment to emphasize a U.S. presence at U.N. and NATO ports overseas.

But after Sept. 11, what was supposed to be a standard operation turned into a high-security mission. The closest military outfit to Afghanistan, Walsh and the USS Enterprise crew became a key component in the early stages of Operation Enduring Freedom, the first U.S. assault against terrorism.

When Walsh and the USS Enterprise crew came home to the celebration in Norfolk on Nov. 10 as the first U.S. military members



Six-year-old Matthew Mitchell, 4-year-old Jacob Mitchell and their mother Dana Mitchell, right, wave American flags as they wait to welcome home members of the USS Enterprise, above.

Story by
NOREEN
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to return from Operation Enduring Freedom, they realized they had become heroes.

"We left with no fanfare on a dreary day," Walsh said. "We left with no armed guard and came back to a fully armed coast guard contingent and some airborne assets. The tensions were a little bit high because of the situation. But to see from a distance a sea of



waving flags ... is quite a feeling."

Change of Plans

It had been a long five months for Walsh, after he and the USS Enterprise crew had made a series of overseas port calls and were ready to come home. Having stopped at Palma de Majorca, Cannes, France, Naples, Italy, Portsmouth, England, Lisbon,

Portugal, Rhodes, Jebel Ali, the United Arab Emirates and Souda Bay, Greece, the crew was congratulating themselves on a job well done.

"There was a feeling of completion and jubilation that we're done," Walsh said. "It was time to go see the family."

The aircraft carrier was getting ready to make a final stop in Cape

Town, South Africa before steaming home to base in Norfolk. But when the crew turned on a newscast the morning of Sept. 11, going home was no longer an option.

Watching a CNN report on board, Walsh saw the two planes crash into the World Trade Center. Shortly after, the carrier's

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Researchers find platinum in South Bend

By ANDREW THAGARD
News Writer

Researchers from the Center for Environmental Science and Technology have discovered platinum in a location few would expect — South Bend roadsides.

The research team, led by Notre Dame professors Clive Neal and Charles Kulpa, found that catalytic converters on automobiles emit platinum group elements, known as PGEs, in microscopic amounts that build up on the banks of road-

sides.

The group analyzed soil samples from South Bend roads and on sites along Interstate 80. They found that the platinum deposits had a concentration of .1 parts per million, compared to 1-2 ppm for mines. The results, according to the team, suggest that road banks have deposits of platinum eight to ten times higher than what occurs in nature, excluding mines.

"We know that platinum is basically being deposited in the environment by automobiles," Neal said.

The discovery of the platinum has the potential to generate revenues if it can be efficiently retrieved but also poses health risks.

Dust containing the metal aggravates allergies and is known to cause asthma and sensitive skin. The group discovered abnormal platinum levels as far as 55 meters from roadsides.

Although the team's research indicates the presence of platinum, Kulpa, Neal, and assistant professional specialist Jinesh Jain said that more analysis is needed to determine the threats

the metal's presence introduces.

"I don't know that this is dangerous but there is a breakdown from the catalytic converters," Kulpa said. "We don't know what the threshold is."

In addition to health risks posed by the airborne dust, there is also concern that the platinum-rich dirt may affect roadside agriculture and find its way into the food chain, according to the research team. Kulpa, Neal and Jain also pointed to the federal government's passage of the 1990 Clean Air Act that requires the installment of cat-

alytic converters on small gas engines like lawn mowers as a cause for concern in light of their research.

The solution to the deposits on roadsides may involve harvesting the platinum for commercial uses, according to the group.

Although further studies are necessary, mining road banks for platinum may prove economically feasible, as the metal there is easier to access than mines. The team is investigating how the platinum can be collected

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INSIDE COLUMN

Thanksgiving,
South Bend Style

This Thanksgiving I didn't have to wait for my layover or worry about making the bus to get home. I never have to make flight arrangements or pay for a taxicab. Nope, if need be, I can make it home in five minutes flat ... and that's if I'm riding my pink ten-speed Schwinn. On clear fall Saturdays, standing out in our back yard, we can hear the marching band playing the Notre Dame Fight Song from the stadium and listen to the crowd cheering its approval, or lack thereof.

So, yeah, I admit it. I'm a townie. But that's not all bad, right? I mean, I know all of the cute little local places to eat (ok, well, not really...my family pretty much stuck to Fridays and Rocco's, because we were always a little leery about the local places). I know how to get everywhere from anywhere (all right, actually, I'm astonishingly terrible with directions--I still haven't figured out the whole Angela/Edison/Juniper/Eddy thing). I have my parents close by for emotional support (although sometimes during a particularly wild night at TC, I find myself realizing the definite possibility that they are cruising down 31 at that very instant). I have a younger sister down the street that is dying for me to bring her to a party on campus, which I would consider because she's pretty awesome as far as sisters go (don't you dare tell her I said that). I also know all the hot, happenin' spots around South Bend (oh, wait...there aren't any).

I do find myself wishing I had traveled further than a mile and a half away from the house in which I grew up. I don't know what it's like to efficiently pack everything I own into one car because I can easily make multiple trips...and then swing by home anytime to pick up the cute blue sweater I left in the closet. I sometimes wonder if I sacrificed independence for convenience.

But then I think about how I can drive home to help Dad put up Christmas lights, or decorate the Christmas tree, or make it to dinner to celebrate Mary's seventeenth birthday, or how I will be able to help my family move out of our beautiful, well-loved house this January. Yes, we're moving. But fear not, I will still be a townie, we're not moving far ... just farther. I'll still make it home for birthdays, for Thanksgiving, to confiscate the pair of boots I left under the bed, and I still won't need to pack things in any organized fashion, because second or third or fourth trips aren't out of the question.

There are many times that I curse myself for staying in South Bend, and these times are usually the ones when I trudge through snow, sleet, or freezing rain on my way to DeBartolo. But I never have to wait for a Greyhound, I never have to pay for plane tickets, and if all else fails, I can hop on the Schwinn and pedal home.

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In the Nov. 27 edition of The Observer, the story "Faculty forms group to deal with sexuality issues" said that many student opinion groups were canceled last spring. While attendance was low, only one session was canceled. The Observer regrets the error.

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THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
◆ Concert: Notre Dame Band fall concert, Band building, 8 p.m.	◆ Movie: "Into the Arms of Strangers: Stories of the Kindertransport," Hesburgh Library Auditorium, 7 p.m.	◆ Concert: 29th Annual Madrigal Dinners, North lounge of Regina hall, 7p.m.	◆ Recital: Student chamber music, Annenburg Auditorium, 2 p.m.

BEYOND CAMPUS

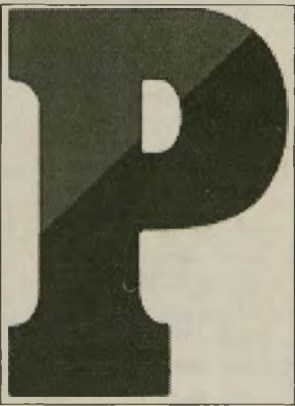
Compiled from U-Wire reports

U. of Pennsylvania worries about cheating

PHILADELPHIA
Writing a term paper usually involves jamming a semester's worth of research into one week, writing 15 pages in a night and emerging from a computer lab with bloodshot eyes and a stack of empty coffee cups. But for a few students, the task is hardly this draining. All it takes is a click of the mouse.

Downloading papers from the Internet, combined with the upsurge of other incidents of cheating, has been a growing concern for the future of academic integrity in higher education.

"It's easy, and it's quick, and it's better than spending six hours writing a paper for some general requirement class that I didn't care about to begin with," said one University of Pennsylvania senior who asked to



remain anonymous.

These students aren't the only ones who have opted out of conventional research and turned to online paper banks, amid the "cut and paste plagia-

rism" trend at universities nationwide.

According to a 1999 survey conducted by Donald McCabe, a Rutgers University professor and the founder of the Center for Academic Integrity at Duke University, more than 75 percent of college students admit to some form of cheating. About one third of the 2,100 participating students admitted to serious test cheating, and half admitted to one or more instances of serious cheating on written assignments.

The pattern for high school students, the next generation of college-goers, is disturbingly similar.

Eighty-four percent of the students surveyed last year by Who's Who Among American High School Students said that cheating was common among their high-achieving

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Drinking accepted in college

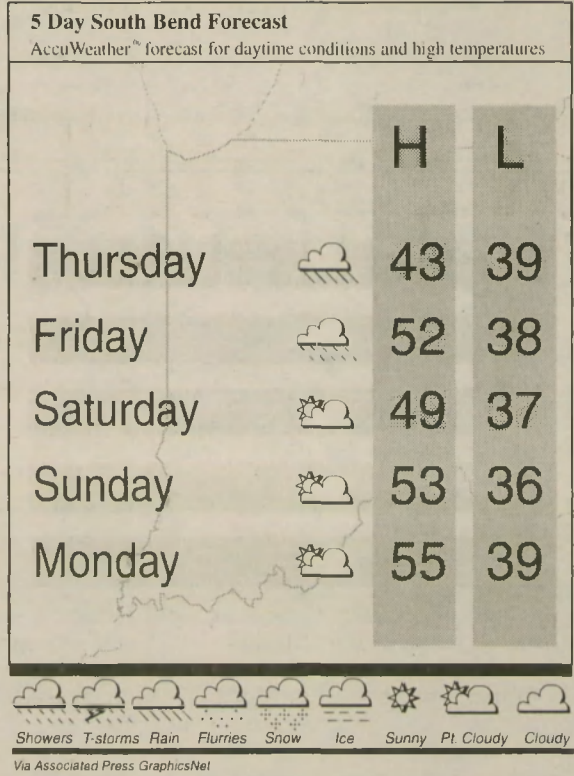
ANN ARBOR, Mich.
Any student passing through four years of college inevitably will be faced with social settings centered around alcohol. For many, drinking beer and downing shots can become as much a part of their college experience as writing papers and taking exams. Most students see alcohol as an inherent part of college life, no matter how much they chose to drink. "I don't think it's a matter of choice," said engineering senior Matt Biersack. "You'll be surrounded by it regardless of whether you drink or not." "There is talk almost every weekend about what party everyone is going to, and how wasted someone is going to get," said LSA junior Amy Ament. Out of all University of Michigan undergraduate students, 45 percent engage in binge drinking, according to an Internet-based Student Life Survey administered by the University's Substance Abuse Research Center in 1999. Binge drinking is defined as four or more drinks for females and five or more for males in one sitting.

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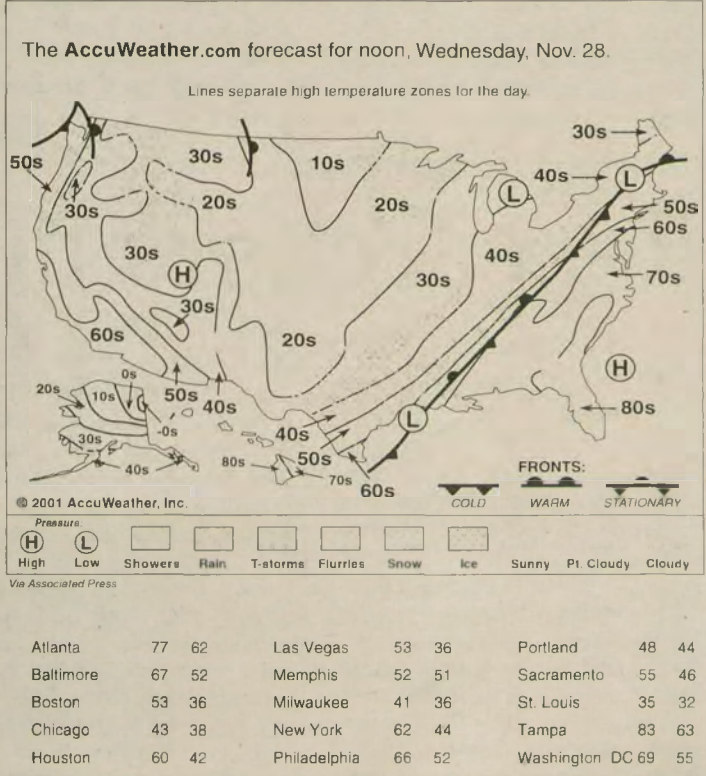
Manhunt for professor continues

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.
The investigation into the disappearance of Harvard University biophysics Professor Don C. Wiley continued to baffle investigators Monday, as authorities as well as Wiley's colleagues failed to provide any concrete leads. One colleague who saw Wiley right before his disappearance said he was acting "absolutely normal. Stephen Sallan, chief of staff at the Dana-Farber Cancer Center, said he talked to Wiley at 11:30 p.m. on Nov. 15., following the annual meeting of the Scientific Advisory Board of the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis. Sallan said that he and Wiley discussed personal matters, and that Wiley did not share his plans for the rest of the night. Investigators believe Wiley disappeared sometime between midnight — when he left the meeting's banquet — and 4 a.m., when they discovered his abandoned rental car on a bridge over the Mississippi River. Craig Thompson, professor of hematology and oncology at the University of Pennsylvania's Medical School, spent Nov. 15 with Wiley.

LOCAL WEATHER



NATIONAL WEATHER



Tenn. storm kills 1, hits 25 homes

Associated Press

PARIS, Tenn.

Firefighter Barry Farmer was watching Monday Night Football when a tornado warning scrawled across the screen and he went outside to check the weather.

"It got real quiet," he said. "You could have heard a pin drop and the sky was as green as the grass."

Farmer and his wife scurried their two young children to the basement just in time. The forceful winds ripped the second story off their house in rural western Tennessee and carried it away.

When they emerged from the basement, the Farmers found their neighbor Elizabeth Valentine Goforth, 32, dead in their backyard and her children and husband injured.

"I've never seen anything like it and I hope to God I never do again," Farmer said.

About 25 homes were damaged or destroyed in the community of Oakland, just south of Paris near the Kentucky line. Four other people were injured.

Christmas decorations, bedding and insulation fluttered in the trees. Splintered roofs and support beams littered fields where survivors combed the debris looking for photos and

toys.

A car was turned upside down in a ditch, the doors and trunk ripped off.

"There's no way a picture in the newspaper or on television can bring this home," said Gov. Don Sundquist, who surveyed the damage Tuesday. "Until you walk out here and step on glass and clothes and see possessions of a lifetime spread all over the place, you can't know what it's like."

The tornado hit Oakland, about 80 miles west of Nashville, just before 11:30 p.m., with wind gusts reaching 160 mph, National Weather Service meteorologist Mark Frazier said.

The damage path was estimated at about five miles long and about 200 yards wide.

"It wasn't down for a real long time, but it was intense," Frazier said.

The tornado sucked Jerome Goforth, 37, his wife and their 3-year-old son, out of their home and tossed them into Farmer's back yard. Their 10-year-old son was found lying next to the trailer.

The boys were hospitalized Tuesday in critical condition; the father in serious condition, a hospital spokesman said.

A 27-year-old woman and her 7-year-old daughter were in serious condition at the same Nashville hospital.

SMC creates internet survey

By COURTNEY BOYLE
News Writer

The department of Residence Life and Housing is currently conducting an online survey to see how satisfied students are with life on campus.

The community evaluation has been distributed throughout campus for as long as anyone can remember, however, this year the survey has a new online appeal to it.

"The idea to put it [the survey] on the internet was a realization that we can animate this thing. It has tons of advantages, it saves paper, everyone can use it and reporting the result will be more accurate since there is no hand tallying," said Jerry Madsen, assistant director of Residence Life said.

Madsen has been encouraging students for the past week to log on to PRISM, a division of the Banner computer system,

and participate in an evaluation regarding life in the residence halls, hall directors, building services, roommate issues and their overall opinion of Residence Life.

"We want to know how are we as a department doing. What are the [student's] expectations of us," Madsen said.

While 90 percent of the information gathered from this evaluation will be in quantitative format, Madsen hopes to be able to show how his department is meeting students' needs.

"The advantages are that we can do statistical analysis, I realize that sounds sterile, but it does have practical uses — we can do correlations," said Madsen.

"College costs a lot, we have to look at consumer satisfaction, because students pay a lot for housing ... are their expectations too high or are the services too low? We have a responsibility to students."

First-year student April Thomas agreed with Madsen that the survey will help determine student satisfaction.

"I think it'll be helpful

because it helps get the students input and we do pay a lot to live on campus," Thomas said.

Residence Life is looking to take the statistics they compile from the survey and turn it into histograms and correlations that compare residence halls to one another.

"It is easy to follow because there wasn't any analyzing or thinking on your own — it is straight forward; it is true or it is not," said sophomore Catherine Artz.

While the survey focuses on the individual hall sections and resident advisors' performance, Madsen assures students that the evaluation remains completely anonymous, even though they are logged on to the system under their individual identification number.

"We went to great lengths to make sure it is anonymous — we get purely demographic information," said Madsen.

Because students remain anonymous, those taking the evaluation are asked questions on privacy in their rooms, how they get along with their roommates, how they get along with their RA, their hall director, the cleanliness of their section, if they feel like they are at home and if living in the residence halls has helped them to understand people who are different from them.

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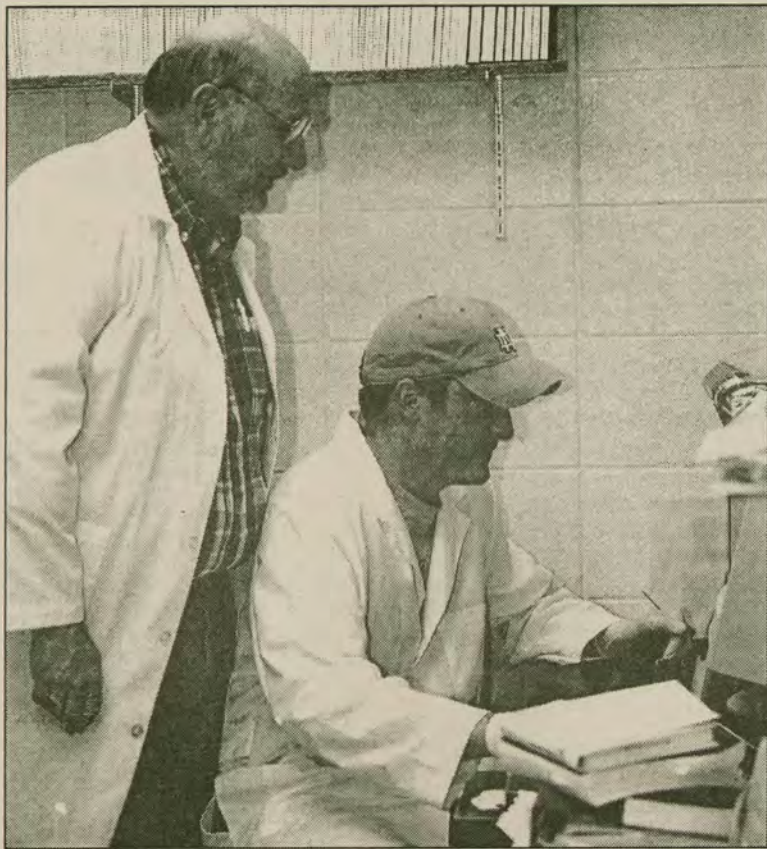
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Notre Dame professor Charles Kulpa, Jr. works with senior Andy McBride on a project studying roadside contamination by catalytic converters. The project was sponsored by the Center for Environmental Science and Technology.

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and the rate at which it is deposited.

"Part of the continuing project is to expand our survey," Kulpa said.

The research project, the first of its kind in the U.S. and the most advanced on roadside contamination by catalytic converters anywhere, was organized by the Center for Environmental Science and Technology. The organization's mission is to use seed money to promote novel technologies, according to

Kulpa.

Kulpa, director of the Center and a professor of biological sciences, and Neal, director of the ICP-MS facility and associate professor of geological sciences, headed the project. Jain, an assistant professional specialist and Mark Schneegurt, now an assistant professor at Wichita State University, were also involved. Postdoctoral student James Ely and undergraduate James Seidler participated in the research as well.

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Walsh

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homecoming was canceled.

"We knew this was the end of our little cruise," he said. "We knew something would be happening to jeopardize our return home. But before we had the chance to think about it, we were turned around and sent back to the Arabian Sea — at flank speed."

The carrier sat in the Arabian Sea until Oct. 7, when the crew would begin training for the first stage of Operation Enduring Freedom. But while they waited, Walsh had to find a way to let his family know he was safe.

With communications shut down for security reasons, it wasn't easy. While he was able to receive incoming e-mail from his wife, Meghan, and his two sons, he couldn't send anything back.

Finally, he was able to route a message through a neighbor to get the message home.

"I could read what Meghan was saying and what her feelings were, but I couldn't get anything back to her," Walsh said. "I finally was able to tell her I was in a good spot and we were safe ... I probably felt safer at sea than anywhere near a port at that point."

But even though Walsh had been eager to return home, after watching the towers crash, he felt confident with his place on the USS Enterprise.

"Having been in the military for 17 years, this was my chance to get in the game. You don't train this long not to have a chance to be put into the real game, to be on the first string. I felt fortunate to be in a position to do something."

Ready to Strike

The crew of the USS Enterprise spent the weeks leading up to the launch of Operation Enduring Freedom completing training exercises. But halfway through the exercises, the operation took on a personal meaning for Walsh.

He had received word from home that a fellow navy officer, former squadron mate and friend, Bill Donovan, had been killed in the Pentagon crash.

The news, Walsh said, was devastating.

"I found out several days afterwards," said Walsh, who was communicating with friends by e-mail. "It affected me a lot personally."

As the onset of Operation Enduring Freedom neared and the crew prepared to launch the aircraft that would deliver the first airstrikes, Walsh thought of ways he could pay tribute to his friend.

Before the aircraft left the carrier, he wrote Bill's name on a weapon to be carried into the conflict.

On Oct. 7, the aircraft launched from the USS Enterprise delivered the first strikes on the Taliban and Al Qaeda forces in Afghanistan, officially beginning the war on terrorism. When pilots came back, they didn't have the weapons anymore — including the one with Bill's name on it.

"It wasn't necessarily retaliation," Walsh said about how the crew felt being involved in the operation. "We were trying to right the wrongs that were performed against us."

Homecoming

After the initial launch, the USS Enterprise was cleared to return to the United States — even though those on board couldn't tell anyone about it.

For security reasons, Walsh couldn't tell his family he'd be coming home in early November

until they were safely back in the Mediterranean Sea.

When he could talk to Meghan, he felt only relief.

"It was relief ... we were out of direct harm's way at that point," Walsh said. "And we were happy we would be together again."

In the mob of 10,000 people, Meghan and the couple's two sons, Connor, 9 and Ryan, 5, stood hidden in the crowd, clamoring to see him. But as he stepped off the carrier, finding his family wouldn't be any easy task.

Finally, through a fence, he saw them.

"When I did find them I was able to reach over the fence and give my wife a hug," Walsh said. "Then I reached up and picked up both children."

Returning home to his home in Brunswick, Maine, Walsh was treated to another homecoming as family and friends greeted him in his driveway, cheering his accomplishments.

"I couldn't bring myself to get out of the car at first," he said. "They just stood there clapping."

Welcoming the chance to be home for the holidays, Walsh has spent the last few weeks at home, coaching his son's local hockey team. And while he missed his son's and wife's birthdays while overseas, he did see his son's best game Saturday — a three-goal, two-assist effort.

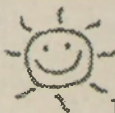
He returns to the USS Enterprise today before the holidays, when he'll come back to Maine for some "quality family time," he said.

But even after his patriotic homecoming, Walsh still won't let himself breathe easy.

"A part of me can't celebrate because we have people in harm's way," he said. "I just happened to be in a good place at a good time. We cannot rest until terrorism is fully put away."

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Iraq rejects return of inspections:

Iraq rejected Tuesday a call by President Bush to let U.N. weapons inspectors back into the country to determine whether it is building weapons of mass destruction. U.N. weapons inspectors left Iraq in December 1998 when the United States and Britain launched four-day extensive air and missile bombings against Iraq for failing to cooperate with them.

Newborns may receive AIDS drugs:

A team of lawyers went to court today to try to force the South African government to widely distribute a drug that significantly reduces a pregnant woman's risk of transmitting the AIDS virus to her newborn. The government currently offers the drug, nevirapine, to pregnant women infected with the AIDS virus at 18 pilot sites around the country.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Police charge girl in bomb plot:

A 17-year-old girl who authorities say agreed to take part in a Columbine-style massacre at her school but spilled the secret by warning her favorite teacher that the woman was in danger was charged Tuesday with conspiracy to commit murder. Amy Lee Bowman, who pleaded innocent, is the fourth teen-ager charged in what authorities say was a plan to smuggle guns under black trenchcoats into the school and emerge from a bathroom shooting to kill.

Harvard professor vanishes:

The disappearance of a prominent Harvard biochemist in Memphis earlier this month has baffled his family, friends and police. But because the professor, Don C. Wiley, is a leading expert on dangerous viruses like Ebola, the mystery of his disappearance has provoked wider attention as well. Professor Wiley has been missing since early Nov. 16, when the police found his rental car abandoned on a bridge over the Mississippi River outside Memphis.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

City zoo raises entrance fees:

The Indianapolis Zoo plans to increase its admission and membership fees in March and eventually ask city officials to pitch in tax money to support its activities. Ticket prices will increase between 75 cents and \$1, raising admission to \$10.75 for adults, \$7.75 for seniors and \$6.75 for children ages 2-12. Zoo President Jeffrey Bonner cited a 27 percent increase in employee health insurance and rising utility bills — just under \$1 million this year — as some of the reasons for higher prices, the first increase since 1998.

Market Watch November 27

Dow Jones	9,872.60	-110.15
Up:	1,392	
Same:	227	
Down:	1,728	
Composite Volume:	1,304,878,720	
AMEX:	808.16	+4.18
NASDAQ:	1,935.96	-5.27
NYSE:	584.58	-3.65
S&P 500:	1,149.50	-7.92

TOP 5 VOLUME LEADERS

COMPANY/SECURITY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
NASDAQ-100 INDEX (QQQ)	-0.12	-0.05	40.20
INTEL CORP (INTC)	+1.38	+0.44	32.31
CISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO)	-1.15	-0.23	19.70
ENRON CORP (ENE)	+2.49	+0.10	4.11
SUN MICROSYSTEM (SUNW)	+1.28	+0.17	13.47

AFGHANISTAN



AFP PHOTO

American soldiers take cover before joining the fight against Taliban forces Nov. 26, 2001 at a fort near Mazar-e-Sharif, Northern Afghanistan. The fighting came after several hundred prisoners captured parts of the fortress.

Prison uprising suppressed

Associated Press

ALA JANGI

The Northern Alliance said today that it had crushed a three-day uprising by captured Taliban fighters as its soldiers, with the help of British and American special forces, took control of the fortress here where the prisoners were held.

All of the prisoners were thought to be dead, the alliance soldiers said.

But Gen. Tommy Franks, who as head of the Central Command is in charge of the day-to-day conduct of the war, said he believed that the battle

was not completely over at the prison. He said 30 to 40 hard-core Taliban holdouts continued to fight.

According to alliance soldiers, the battle between the two sides raged throughout the day at the prison several miles west of Mazar-i-Sharif, with heavy artillery being exchanged from both sides. Two or three Taliban prisoners, the last of up to 400 who staged a revolt on Sunday, held out for hours today in one building of the fortress, the soldiers said.

The turning point of the

fight occurred at about 3:30 p.m. local time, when Northern Alliance troops moved a T-55 Russian-made tank into the area where the last known Taliban prisoners were holding out. Once in position, the tank fired on the building at point-blank range. No one returned fire, the alliance soldiers said.

This evening, Northern Alliance soldiers continued to fire on the prison just in case there were any survivors. But an alliance commander said his forces had found no survivors. Local commanders estimate that 300 to

400 prisoners were killed. They said the fort was littered with the bodies of the Taliban prisoners, most of them Pakistanis, Chechens and Arabs.

"They are all dead; it's over," said Kalaji, a Northern Alliance commander. "The tank shell destroyed everything."

Northern Alliance soldiers also estimated that 100 of their fighters were injured in the battle. At least 50 others died, the soldiers said. The alliance said it would return to the prison on Wednesday during daylight and begin counting and retrieving the bodies.

Scientists make extrasolar discovery

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Astronomers have made the first measurement of a chemical in the atmosphere of a planet orbiting a distant star, using a technique that could help them find Earth-like bodies around other suns.

Using the Hubble Space Telescope, astronomers analyzed light shining through a planet's atmosphere as it orbited a star 150 light-years away. The changes in the color of the light proved the planet's atmosphere contained sodium.

"This is the first measurement ever of any atom in the atmosphere of an extrasolar planet," said Timothy Brown, a scientist at the National Center for Atmospheric Research and a co-author of the study. "This proves it is possible to do a detailed analysis of an atmosphere so far away."

Brown's co-author, David Charbonneau of the California Institute of Technology, said the achievement illustrates how far astronomers have advanced in the search for other worlds that might hold life.

"Ten years ago it was considered

crazy to talk about planets about other stars," Charbonneau said Tuesday at a news conference. Since then, astronomers have found 76 planets orbiting stars outside of the solar system, he said.

Alan P. Boss, an astronomer at the Carnegie Institution of Washington and an expert on planetary formation, called the Charbonneau-Brown discovery "a milestone" that pushes astronomy "into a new phase of extrasolar planetary exploration."

Boss said the finding means "there are indeed other solar systems out there waiting for us to discover."

White House: no more terror spending

Associated Press

WASHINGTON White House officials and Republican leaders renewed their opposition Tuesday to a Democratic drive to boost anti-terrorism spending on the eve of a House showdown the GOP seemed likely to win.

Led by Rep. David Obey, D-Wis., Democrats were hoping to add \$7.2 billion to a bipartisan package providing \$20 billion for the Pentagon and a host of domestic security efforts, including hiring sky marshals and beefing up border security.

Republicans who control the House were expected to deny an Obey request for a vote on his proposal on Wednesday, as well as other Democratic-led attempts to boost funds for New York City and defense. That would force Democrats to resort to procedural votes, which seemed unlikely to succeed but might let them score political points.

"We have a war on two fronts," Obey told members of the GOP-dominated House Rules Committee, which sets the rules under which legislation is debated. "This is a grave national security issue. I am asking you to give us an opportunity to at least have it voted on the House floor."

President Bush has threatened to veto any legislation that would spend more than the \$40 billion in emergency anti-terrorism spending he and lawmakers agreed to on Sept. 14. That was three days after the attacks that leveled the World Trade Center towers and dam-

aged the Pentagon, killing more than 3,000 people.

Bush controls half that money. The other \$20 billion, which needs congressional approval, is part of a \$318 billion defense bill for this year the House will debate on Wednesday.

"Congress made an agreement, and the president thinks it's important that when an agreement is made, the agreement should be kept," said White House spokesman Ari Fleischer.

Fleischer also repeated administration arguments that the initial \$40 billion is enough until next year, when White House officials have said a request for additional spending may be made.

In the Senate, majority Democrats are trying to add \$15 billion for domestic security programs and have a better chance of prevailing.

House Democrats were hoping that during Congress' week-long Thanksgiving break, Republicans from New York or other border or port states would feel pressure to support the proposed additional spending. Groups representing mail-order companies, ports, airports and the travel industry have tried to round up support for the Democratic plan, but apparently without sufficient success.

But as lawmakers returned in force to the Capitol on Tuesday, Republicans said they were unaware of any GOP lawmakers — other than Rep. John Sweeney of New York — who might support the Democratic drive.

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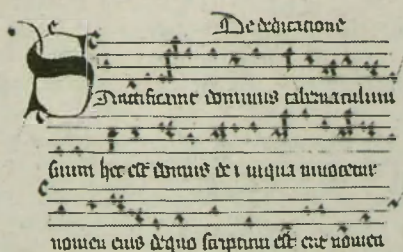
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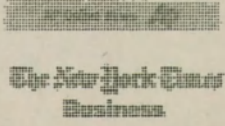
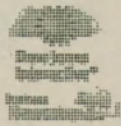
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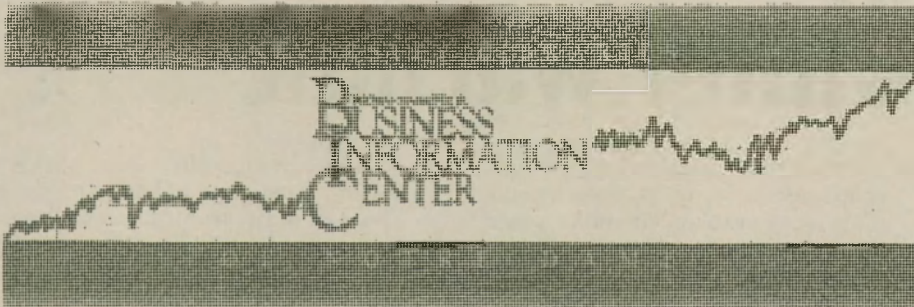
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Palestinian attack kills 2

Associated Press

AFULA

Two Palestinians sprayed a bus station and open-air market with gunfire Tuesday, killing two Israelis and wounding 14 others before being shot to death. Two U.S. envoys witnessed the immediate aftermath of the attack from the air, flying over Afula in a helicopter tour narrated by Israel's prime minister.

Later, a Palestinian attacker in Gaza fired at a car and killed an Israeli woman, the military said. Three other Israelis, including a baby, were wounded. Israeli soldiers shot and killed the gunman, Palestinian security and Israeli military sources said.

An Israeli army spokesman said the attacker fired at the convoy and threw grenades. In a faxed message to The Associated Press, the militant Hamas organization took responsibility.

One of the American mediators, retired Marine Corps Gen. Anthony Zinni, said the bloodshed underscored the need for a truce after 14 months of fighting. "A cease-fire is what we need to get to something more comprehensive and lasting," he said.

Two Palestinian groups — Islamic Jihad and the Al Aqsa Brigades linked to Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's Fatah movement — claimed responsibility for what they said was a joint attack to avenge the targeted killings of Palestinians.

The Palestinian Cabinet issued a statement condemning the two attacks "and all operations targeting Israeli civilians."

The gunmen were from the Jenin refugee camp in the West Bank, about 10 miles south of Afula. They slipped into Israel, reportedly in a stolen car with Israeli plates, despite a strict security closure of the West Bank and of Jenin in particular. Only a few hours earlier, Israeli troops had withdrawn from



areas in Jenin, the last of six West Bank towns Israel partly occupied for several weeks.

At about 11:30 a.m., the gunmen opened fire near the central bus station in Afula. Uri Kalman, a shopowner, said the assailants fired methodically at a traffic light.

"They were firing at the cars, one car, then another car, then another, time after time. There were five cars, all facing different ways. They had nowhere to turn," Kalman told Israel TV's Channel Two.

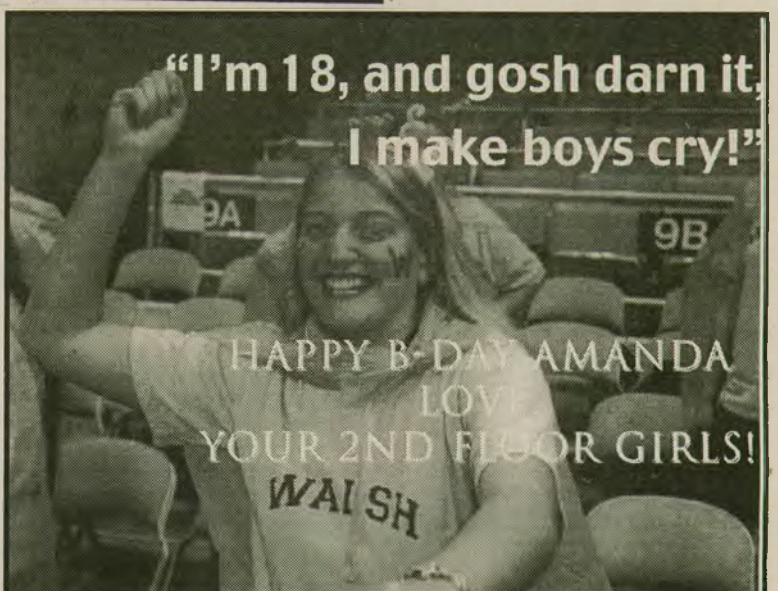
The assailants then ran to the nearby open-air market.

"They shot the first person (they encountered) in the head," witness Mordechai Cohen told Israel Radio.

One woman approached a gunman from behind and tried to attack him, but he turned around and shot her, said another woman who gave her name as Iris. "It was shocking. It's a mess," she said.

After several minutes, the assailants were cornered by security forces and killed in a firefight, said police spokesman Gil Kleiman. A reserve soldier, Menashe Mekonnen, said he shot one of the gunmen in the head. "He shot again, and then he fell," Mekonnen said.

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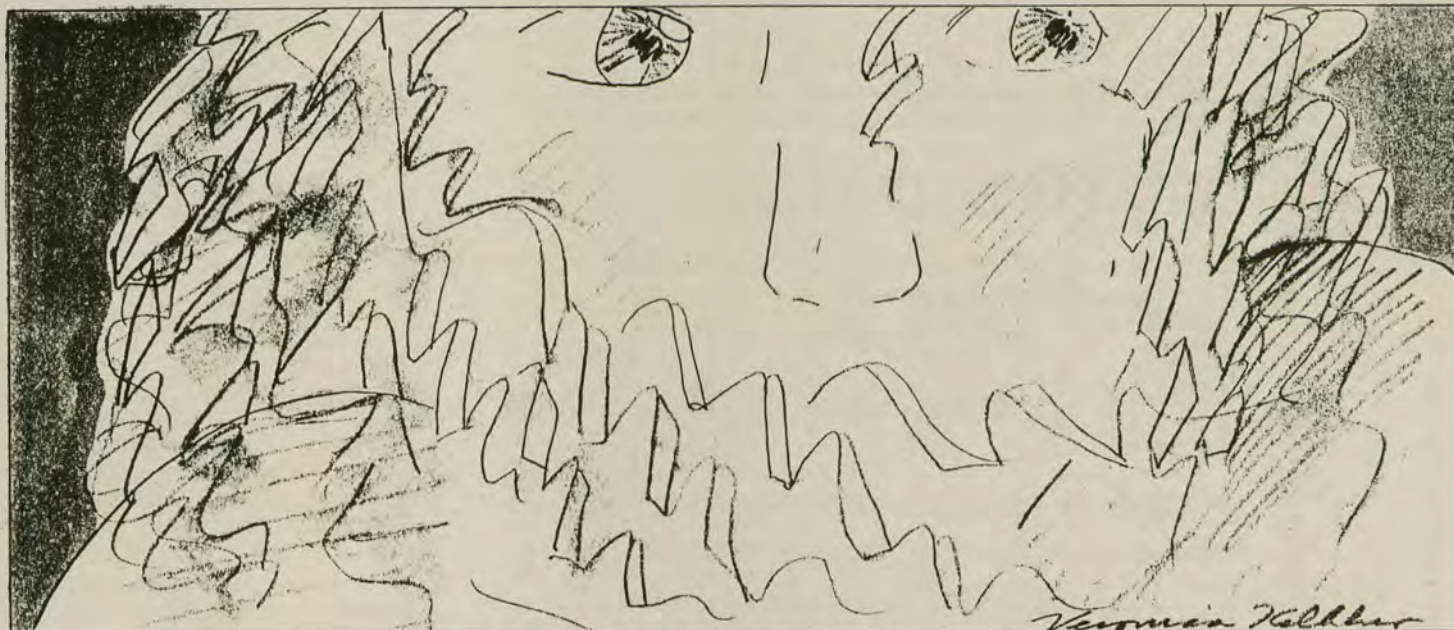
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Long hair perfect
for winter warmth

Winter is nearly upon us in the greater Michiana area, and that means the ground will soon be enshrouded with pristine white. Temperatures will fall from their current balmy altitudes, and the wind will cut through that J.Crew suede coat you received last Christmas.

Eric Long

*Fitter,
Happier*

As many of you remember from 4th grade science class, 70 percent of the body's heat flees by way of the head. Such as it is, I've steadfastly cultivated my hair since before last spring break. Considering the outrageous, inflation-addled cost of winter hats, I calculated that hair growth is the best way to stay warm and accumulate a little extra coin for holiday shopping.

In the past several months, a mass of hair the size of a stocky porcupine has grown up on top of my head. I frighten small children and the elderly with my massive coiffure, and my parents seem to think that I no longer look "respectable."

This leads me to a frivolous topic, but one that nevertheless proves worthy of inquiry. Since when does respectability vary inversely with hair length? Is this not America, the freest country in the universe? Worst of all, friends, my practical and stylish hair might adversely affect my post-graduation plans. I hope you have some spare time, for you are about to encounter a tale of woe and whimsy, a yarn that will elicit hilarious cackling and hot, desperate tears: the story of a young man and his 'fro.

It begins in my elementary school years. Many of my classmates found a stable identity with a trademark haircut. Some of the girls wore perms or crimped hair, and many boys sported the crew cut and bowl haircut. The

most stylish of all boy cuts, the tight-rolled jean of haircuts, was the spike.

The coolest of my classmates strutted through the halls with hair gelled into sharp points. A few of my more adventurous comrades married the spike with the mullet. If there is a time in life when that indulgent haircut is permissible, elementary school is the time.

Unfortunately, my hair grew in a meandering follicle pattern. My earth-bound hair would not rise in a gravity-defying spike, except for an obnoxious cowlick in the back that mysteriously sprouted annually on picture day. I settled for a boring right-side part. My playground stock plummeted as a result, and I spent many a recess lamenting the cursed genes that ruined my chance at popularity.

In junior high I hit rock bottom. I mowed off my hair, shaving down to a thin coat of fuzz.

But defying reason, like Phoenix rising from ash, my hair grew back curly. Looking back through time's cloudy lens, I believe that my hair always possessed a slight wave that I would comb out before school. Finally, I had acquired the self-confidence to unleash the fury. I grew my hair with abandon the first two years of high school, cut it and then finished boldly with curly wings emerging from the sides of my graduation mortarboard.

Today my hair is longer than it's been since senior year of high school. Sadly, the pressure to chop it off is mounting. Oh, I've dealt with my share of taunting. I've been called Richard Simmons, Sideshow Bob, Mr. Kotter (my personal favorite) and others. I've been accused of perming, and more than one person has tugged on my hair as if it were a wig. And only yesterday the woman at Dunkin' Donuts skeptically regarded my hair as "interesting." But these traumas are only minor incidents in the grand scheme of things.

Or so I thought. The day approaches when I must get a haircut and get a real job. Many friends and well-wishers assure me that I'll be able to keep my hair long and still find gainful employment. I don't believe them. No, the world frowns on the longhaired, unless one aspires to be a disc jockey or comic book shop proprietor. And today's recessing economy, combined with my arts and letters major, could add up to my struggling to find a comfortable hair net.

The world is not fair. A person's merit should rest on a far more stable surface than the thin web of protein outcroppings atop the skull. But humanity in mass is quick to judge, to search for an identifying characteristic and to form categories accordingly. This is a self-defense mechanism. It is much easier for my interviewer to dismiss me as a longhaired hippy than to consider me an upstanding, determined gentleman.

Does it look easy to grow one's hair to this length? On the contrary, it is a challenge I stand up to everyday.

By now you might be asking, what is the point of this column? Well, I haven't given up on changing the world just yet. Perhaps some of you fellows out there have long hair. Perhaps some of you ladies have been clowning longhaired guys, or perhaps you have been pressuring your boyfriend or brother to get a haircut. I propose a three-week moratorium on haircuts. Let it fly until Christmas break, and if you have any money left over buy your haircut and hat.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"If you do not tell the truth about yourself, you cannot tell it about other people."

Virginia Woolf
author

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Legalizing drugs would cause more problems

I am writing in response to John Little's column about legalizing all drugs. Before ranting on about how it would be better economically if drugs were legalized, perhaps the author should have done a little research first. I completely agree that if a drug addict wants to go overdose on heroin, that's his own fault. But the reasoning behind legalizing drugs is ignorant at best. Let's look at the numbers. First of all, the government's drug budget is \$18.2 billion a year. The overall federal budget is over \$2 trillion. So that's less than one percent. You want to eliminate the DEA? Well, they only get \$1 billion of that. So what do you want, a cookie? Because that's what the average tax payer would get back — about a dollar if the agency was eliminated.

Secondly, the argument about intoxicated crime was that it'd be punished harshly. His reasoning is like saying that it's okay to have a nuclear missile in your basement as long as you don't actually use it, which would, of course, infringe on their rights by blowing them up. And plus, where do you think the money to combat

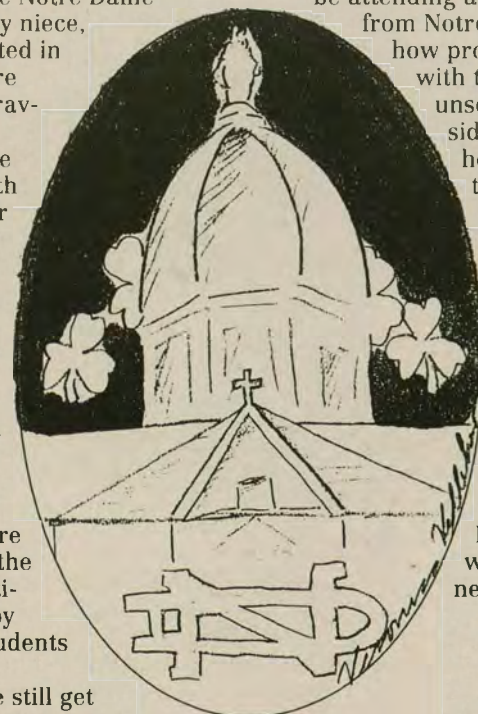
this new influx of intoxicated crime will come from? Taxpayers. I agree with tough crime laws, but I think it'd be much better if we could prevent the crime from happening in the first place.

Lastly, I am definitely for less government involvement in our everyday lives. But there's a point where we have to draw the line. The most important role of government is to protect the lives of its citizens. This is not just fulfilled by protecting our borders against foreign powers and terrorism. Thousands of times the number of people who were killed on Sept. 11 die because of murder or drugs. Outwardly, we are a strong nation, but inwardly, we have room for improvement. I don't know about Mr. Little, but personally, I think \$20 bucks of my taxes is worth the knowledge I won't have a drug dealer across the street trying to push them on my children.

Bryce Cooper
Freshman
Zahm Hall
Nov. 26, 2001

Respect shows true Notre Dame spirit

I was visiting your campus the weekend of the Notre Dame - Navy game. My niece, who is interested in attending Notre Dame, and I travelled from Louisiana to be on campus with my nephew for his last senior year Notre Dame home game. We were so impressed with the respect shown Navy by the Notre Dame students. We were even more impressed by the loyalty and attitudes shown by these same students towards their University. We still get goose bumps on our arms and tears in our eyes when we tell anyone who will listen about how

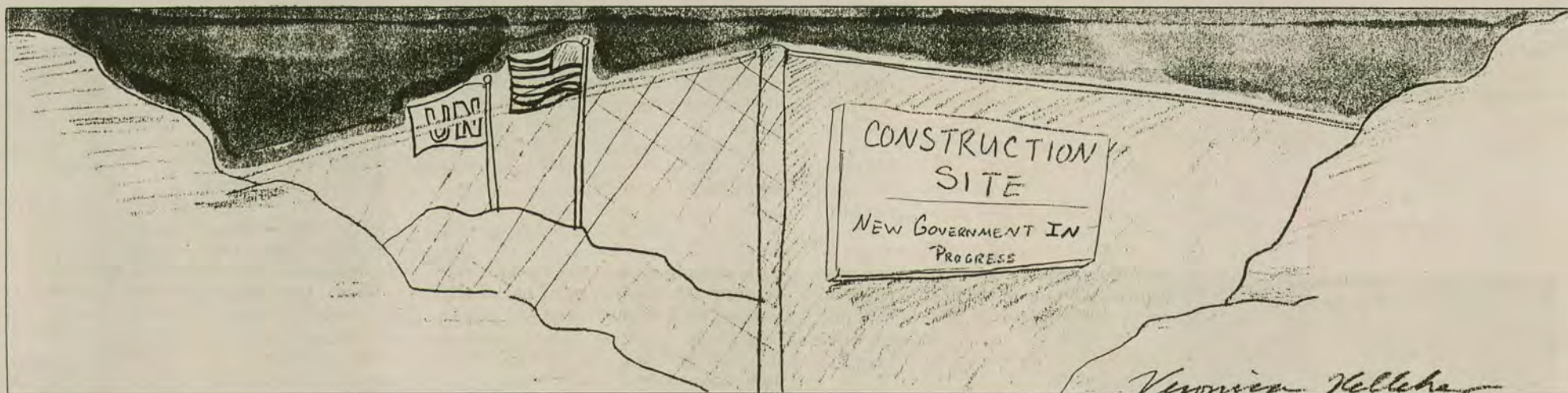


proud Notre Dame students are to be attending and/or graduating from Notre Dame, and about how proud alumni return with the same devotion unscathed by the outside world. If only the heart and soul of these present and former students could be bottled and sold to other universities.

Congratulations on developing young men and women who will make Notre Dame proud all over the world.

Keep on fighting, Irish, to make the world in your likeness.

Peggy Bernard
Lafayette, La.
Nov. 26, 2001



Let U.N. rebuild Afghanistan

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.

Now that Northern Alliance has routed the Taliban from much of Afghanistan, the need to form a new government in the war-ravaged country has become urgent. Every day that the current power vacuum continues, regional warlords work to consolidate their power further and reduce the chances of a truly representative government taking the Taliban's place. Although America's armed forces continue to search for members of the al Qaeda network, we cannot wait until the military operations are over to begin working in the political sphere to establish a stable interim government to protect the Afghan people.

The entry of the Northern Alliance into Kabul makes it imperative that the United States and the United Nations expedite the work of forming a coalition government. In a sign of progress, a U.N. envoy said Tuesday that several Afghan groups (including the Northern Alliance) had agreed to meet in Berlin this weekend to begin talks, and had signed on to the United Nations' vision of broad-based, multiethnic rule. The Northern Alliance has agreed to cede control in Kabul to such an interim government, but it must also allow a multinational peacekeeping force to tem-

porarily take over in Kabul while the U.N. talks are ongoing.

To take on a broader role in Afghanistan, the United Nations needs the strong support of America and the world. The United States has traditionally been reluctant to stand behind the United Nations, preferring to focus on its failures. The need for an impartial international institution to manage this crisis is paramount. The road ahead for Afghanistan is rocky, filled with too many pitfalls for any one nation to traverse alone. The United States and the United Nations must effectively build a nation from scratch, as Afghanistan's infrastructure and institutions have been decimated over its many decades of war.

The next government will have the opportunity to lift Afghanistan out of the strife and hopelessness that have been the defining features of its recent history. But for the United States, the stakes are also high. Allowing Afghanistan to collapse once again raises the risk that dangerous movements and terrorist groups will again find a safe haven there.

Furthermore, the way America treats Afghanistan will be taken as an indication of the way we will treat other failed states in the future. If we abandon the country after locating Osama bin Laden and other leaders of al Qaeda, the world will assume that we have no other goal than our immediate self-interest. The United States must show that it is genuinely con-

cerned about the fate of the Afghan people, and the only way to do that is to strongly support, in both word and deed, the United Nations' efforts to rebuild Afghanistan.

To this end, Secretary of State Colin L. Powell recently suggested that peacekeepers in Afghanistan should come from majority-Muslim countries, to demonstrate that this is not a religious war and that America has no interest in colonizing the area. If nations like Bangladesh, Turkey and Indonesia would be willing to send significant peacekeeping contingents to Afghanistan, such an arrangement would be far preferable to a long-term American-only occupation.

America and the world face a challenge in Afghanistan. The United Nations' attempts to establish a provisional government are essential, but they are only the first steps. If we leave without considering the future of the Afghan people, the tragedy that they have lived over the last several decades — and the tragedy that we have suffered in the last few months — will almost certainly be repeated.

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Searching for

FTT presents the third episode of Sophocles

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Scene Editor

Tragedy is timeless. This week Notre Dame's Department of Film, Television and Theatre will bring Sophocles' 2,500 year old tragedy, "Antigone," to Washington Hall to prove it.

"Antigone" is the third installment of Sophocles' tragic trilogy of the house of Laius, the legendary king of Thebes. The play details the dramatic death of Antigone, the daughter and sister of cursed Oedipus.

In the first play of the series, "Oedipus Rex," Antigone and her siblings are left in the custody of Oedipus' brother-in-law, Creon, after Oedipus abdicates the throne upon the revelation of his murdering his father and marrying his mother.

The second play, "Oedipus at Colonus," sets the stage for "Antigone." After years of wandering

Hellas as and outcast and prophet with Antigone by his side, Oedipus arrives at Athens, his foretold place of death. Oedipus' burial site was to be a holy place for the city that possessed it.

Upon hearing the news of Oedipus' impending death, both Creon, who had helped Oedipus' youngest son Eteocles usurp the throne, and Polynices, Oedipus' eldest son,

attempt to get Oedipus to die in their land, hoping that it will aid them in their struggle for power. After thwarting an attempted kidnapping by Creon and dismissing Polynices with a curse and the prophecy that he and his brother will kill each other in battle, Oedipus meets a mysterious end. Antigone, who

swore to bury her brother if Oedipus' prophecy came true, returns to Thebes.

At the beginning of "Antigone," Polynices and Eteocles have, as prophesized, killed each other in bat-

tle, leaving the throne once again to Creon. Once coronated, Creon commands that Polynices should remain unburied, a great dishonor in Greek society, for bringing a foreign army against Thebes.

Antigone, who has been betrothed to Creon's son Haemon, defies Creon's command, buries her brother and performs the funeral rites, fulfilling her promise. When Antigone is caught in the act, the furious Creon brings her to trial and must decide her fate in this tale of justice, family and accountability.

Director Mark Pilkinton auditioned and cast the show the first week of school. The original concept for the show had been decided last April; however, when the Sept. 11 attacks occurred, Pilkinton and the cast decided to change the design of the show.

"We felt that we had to do something to recognize Sept. 11," Kate Dolack, a sophomore who plays a chorus member and Eurydice, said.

The cast has set the show at a cancelled performance of "Antigone" on Sept. 11. As cast members, they discuss the events of the day and decide to put the show on anyway with whatever props and costumes they can scrounge up.

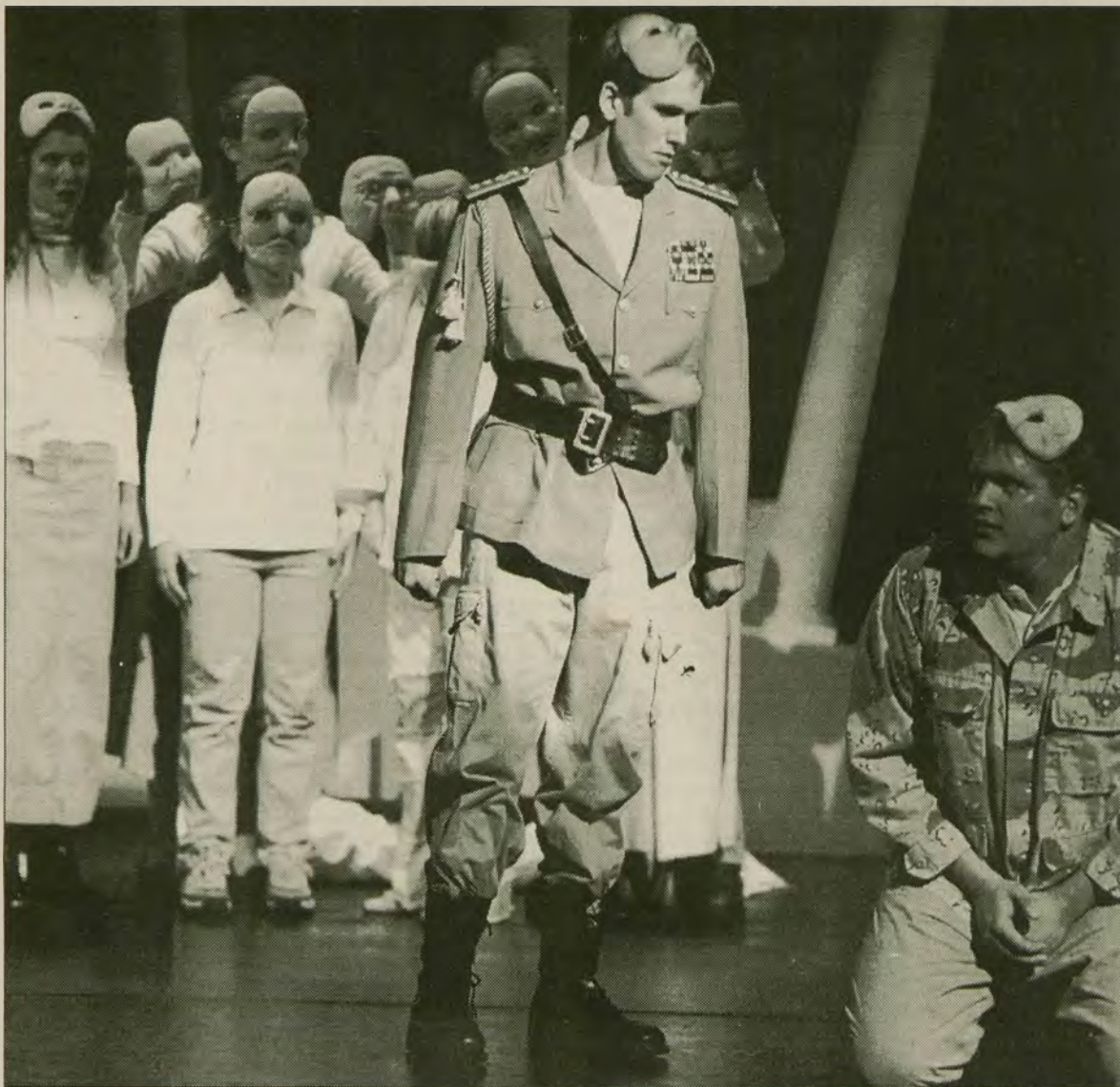
Pilkinton and the cast wrote the framing play together from improvised scenes and things the cast found themselves saying on Sept. 11. Pilkinton wanted the framing piece to evolve naturally.

"The whole show has been very organic and very collaborative... we've all pooled ideas and pooled our concerns," Pilkinton said.

After the actors decide to do the show, they search the stage for props and costume pieces and slowly begin the show. Most of the accessories come on and off the stage by way of a metal dolly which serves as an ekkyklema. An ekkyklema, literally translating as "wheeled-out thing," is a traditional Greek theatrical device used to reveal action from off stage or in another scene. For example, the Greek playwrights had a convention that violent action

"Sophocles has wonderful things to say... We have fought for the past few months against melodrama to make it as real life and down to Earth as you can possibly make it."

Maura Malloy
actor



Towering over a sentry, Creon is observed by Antigone and the chorus.



Mike Crowley, who plays Creon, gazes he:

not be portrayed to the audience directly; dead bodies were often brought into a scene by use of an ekkyklema.

Because the show is done in this "found-object" style, it is almost entirely devoid of the lavish production value characteristic of last year's "Oedipus Rex." In fact, one of the most striking aspects of the production is the utter silence in the theater.

The sparse set and neutral earth-toned costumes give the show a washed-out look. Combined with the predominate harsh, white lighting scheme, the actors appear ghostly at time, especially when they wear the chorus wears their masks. Pilkinton wanted to create a dusted-over look.

"The dust is so symbolic of the dust we've seen coming off the World

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'final justice'

Sophocles' tragic trilogy, "Antigone," this week

C. SPENCER BEGGS/ The Observer

ird during a monologue.

structured religion or law and spirituality.

"One of the biggest themes (of the show) for me was spirituality, which I didn't really expect. It just came about as a result of reading the play. The more I read it the more I was impressed by how spiritual Antigone is," Malloy said.

Senior Beth Hoffmann, who plays Ismene, agrees and thinks that students will be able to draw parallels with their own lives.

"Theatre is a dynamic place where we can explore our own personal lives and our own personal feelings... we're offering something special," Hoffmann said.

The cast works well as an ensemble and the amount of effort they put in to being in the moment shows through. Because "Antigone" is presented with a traditional chorus structure all the actors play two or three parts and each does a good job of differentiating between their characters.

Although the show is solid overall, the Sept. 11 tie-in is unnecessary. The parallels, while done with good intentions, reveal themselves inadequately and partially distract the audience from the play overall. The abrupt and disconnected nature of the dialogue at the beginning of the show flirts with melodrama.

"Antigone" has persevered as an essential dramatic work for two millennia; it does not need added agony to make it a strong show. The show doesn't need to be modernized because it already is modern. Audiences have found relevance in the tragedy's timelessness; Sophocles doesn't need to be second-guessed.

Despite its conceptual blemishes, audiences should enjoy an otherwise well constructed show.

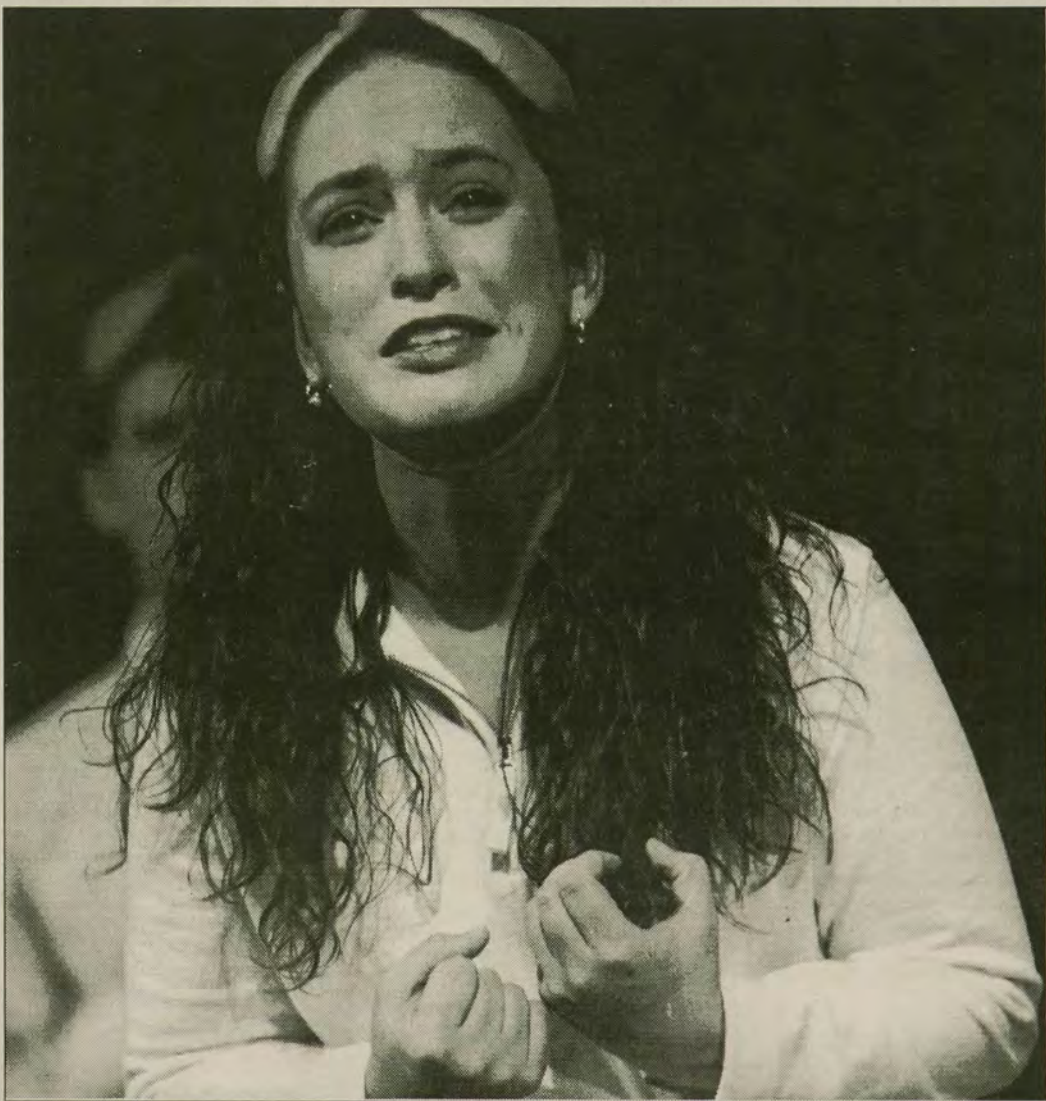
Performances of "Antigone" will run from today through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 PM. Tickets are \$10 for general admission, \$9 for senior citizens and \$7 for students \$7. Reserved seats and are available at the door or in advance at the LaFortune Student Center Box Office. To order tickets call 631-8128.

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James Gieselmann, Mike Crowley and Maura Malloy share the stage in a scene depicting conflict between Creon and Antigone.



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Meg Ryan, a member of the chorus. Sophocles used choruses as a means of conveying the thoughts and emotions of onlookers.

Trade Center," Dolack said.

Unlike "Oedipus Rex," which was charged with frantic energy, flashy production effects and elaborately choreographed modern dance, "Antigone" takes a much more reserved tone, which allows it to focus on the interpersonal relationships of its characters.

Such interplay is especially evident between senior Maura Malloy, who plays Antigone, and senior Mike Crowley, who plays Creon. At the same time, the actors try to stay away from being simply melodramatic.

"Sophocles has wonderful things to say... We have fought for the past few months against melodrama to make it as real life and down to Earth as you can possibly make it," Malloy said.

Malloy, an FTT veteran, thinks that the show details a conflict between

NBA

Jordan just ordinary in loss

Associated Press

CLEVELAND

It had been an awful long time since Michael Jordan looked quite so ordinary against the Cleveland Cavaliers.

Jordan, who used to destroy the Cavaliers nearly every time he played them, scored 18 points in his first game back with Washington in Cleveland's 94-75 win over the Wizards.

Ricky Davis scored 14 of his 18 points in the fourth quarter, and Lamond Murray had 14 points and 10 rebounds for the Cavs, who won their third straight at home.

A sellout crowd of 20,562 came to Gund Arena to see Jordan, who gave the fans a few thrills but had another poor shooting night.

Jordan came in shooting just 40.4 percent — a career-low — and went only 9-of-24 from the floor and didn't attempt a free throw in 31 minutes. He added four rebounds and five assists, but sat out the final 4:33 with the Wizards down by 20.

He certainly wasn't the old Jordan, who averaged 31.6 points in his first 80 games against the Cavaliers and eliminated them four times in the playoffs.

It was against Cleveland in 1989 that he made "The Shot" over Craig Ehlo in the decisive Game 5 to advance the Chicago Bulls.

He also scored 69 points — his career-high — on March 28, 1990, against Cleveland. But also had just 8 points in a loss on March 12, 1986, the last time he scored in single digits.

Jordan isn't making as many shots these day, and his supporting cast isn't offering much help. Richard Hamilton shot 3-of-13 and had 13 points and Christian Laettner 10 for the Wizards, who shot just 34 percent from the field and dropped to 3-10.

Jumaine Jones added 15 points, Andre Miller 14 and Chris Mihm had 13 points and 10 rebounds for Cleveland.

Cavs coach John Lucas was as nervous as his players, some of whom had posters of Jordan on their bedroom walls.

"My only concern is that he loves Cleveland," Lucas said before the game. "Even though he's old and all. An old dog wakes up in familiar places."

It took the old dog a while to warm up. Jordan missed four of his first five shots, including a short jumper and

layup off an alley-oop in a five-second span. However, he helped bring the Wizards back from a 20-point deficit.

Jordan drilled a 16-footer, banked in a 10-footer and hit two short turnaround shots as Washington closed the half with an 18-6 run to pull to 48-40 at halftime.

The Wizards got within two in the third, but the Cavs took an eight-point lead and quickly built it to 20 as Davis scored eight straight points and Bimbo Coles chipped in with two straight baskets.

Celtics 84, Heat 83

Paul Pierce scored 33 points, including a driving layup as time expired, to lift the Boston Celtics to a victory over the Miami Heat.

Pierce's shot snapped Boston's four-game losing streak and ran Miami's slide to nine straight losses.

After Miami went ahead 83-82 on a pair of free throws by Eddie House, Boston called time out with 3.5 seconds remaining in regulation.

Taking an inbound pass from Eric Williams at the top of the foul circle, Pierce drove left past Eddie Jones and sank a left-handed layup before Alonzo Mourning could provide help.

Antoine Walker added 28 points for the Celtics, who scored just 13 points in the fourth quarter.

Jones led Miami with 27 points. Chris Gatling added 13 points and LaPhonso Ellis had 11.

Miami is in the midst of its longest losing streak since dropping 10 straight in the 1990-91 season. Since Pat Riley became Heat coach, his previous longest drought was five games in the 1995-96 season.

The lead changed six times in the final quarter and the game was tied once, at 81. Pierce had seven points in the fourth.

In the first half, Boston trailed by nine points early before going on a 15-0 run. Walker had 17 points and Pierce 15 at the break.

The Celtics shot 43 percent from the field and 44 percent from 3-point range. Pierce was 13-for-23 from the field, and Walker had six 3-point baskets in 11 attempts.

Nets 100, Bulls 68

Todd MacCulloch had 18 points and 13 rebounds and the New Jersey Nets tied a team-record by holding Chicago to six

third-quarter points in defeating the Bulls.

Keith Van Horn added 19 points and 10 rebounds as the Nets handed the woeful Bulls (1-12) their 10th straight loss. Chicago is winless in nine road games.

The 68 points was a season low for Chicago, which got 13 points apiece from Marcus Fizer and Brad Miller.

The victory gave the Nets a 10-5 record, their best start since 1978-79, and was witnessed by a crowd of 5,234 — the Nets' smallest of the year. Last season, New Jersey didn't win its 10th game until Jan. 2.

The six points tied the Nets' record for fewest points allowed in a quarter, set against Boston on Jan. 9, 1990. It also tied the Bulls' record for fewest points scored, set on Nov. 6, 1993 against Miami.

That was in the season after Michael Jordan retired for the first time. Those Bulls had Scottie Pippen, Toni Kukoc and some other good players. This Chicago team has almost no talent, and the Nets toyed with it despite just returning from a five-game West Coast trip.

Kerry Kittles had 10 of his 14 points in the big third quarter and Jason Kidd had 12 points and eight assists in a game that New Jersey led for all but the opening seconds.

With Kidd shooting 5-of-7 and scoring all his points, the Nets took a 28-21 lead after the first quarter. The margin grew to 10 at halftime, and then New Jersey put the game away in the third quarter, outscoring Chicago 24-6.

Chicago hit two baskets in the opening 1:49 and then made only one more shot the rest of the way in being outscored 21-2. The Bulls shot 3-of-18, or 16.7 percent.

Kittles started a 17-0 run with 9:49 to go, hitting a jumper. Greg Anthony finally ended the run with a driving layup with 2:37 to go to make the score 72-48.

Mavericks 116, Warriors 106

Michael Finley matched his career-high with 39 points and Dirk Nowitzki added 33 as the Dallas Mavericks came back from a 21-point deficit to stretch their winning streak to four games with a victory over the Golden State Warriors.

Dallas used a 33-17 third-quarter charge, including eight points by Finley during an 11-2 run over the final 3:45 of the third quarter, to go in front for good.

Tim Hardaway's 3-pointer with 36.5 seconds left in the third quarter broke a 79-all tie and gave the Mavericks their first lead since midway through the opening quarter.

The Mavericks went ahead by as many as 12 points in the fourth quarter, with the Warriors only able to get as close as 112-106 with 31.9 seconds left on Larry Hughes' two free throws.

Steve Nash and Adrian Griffin had 12 points each to help the Mavericks to their 10th consecutive win over the Warriors.

Antawn Jamison had 23 of his season-high 32 points in the first quarter as the Warriors jumped out to a 39-23 lead. Jamison's first-quarter total was the most by a Mavericks opponent in any quarter in team history.

Kings 89, Rockets 84

Peja Stojakovic scored 24 points, including four free throws the final minute, as the Sacramento Kings held off the undermanned Houston Rockets.

The Rockets were without their starting backcourt of Steve Francis, sidelined 4-6 weeks with a foot injury, and Cuttino Mobley, who is day-to-day with sprained ankle.

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NHL

Lang, Moran star in Penguins win

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH

Robert Lang scored a goal and set up three others, one when New Jersey goalie Martin Brodeur wandered nearly 50 feet from the net, and the Pittsburgh Penguins again dominated the Devils 6-0.

Ian Moran and Alexei Kovalev scored on two of the Penguins' first three shots — Kovalev has four goals in two games against New Jersey — as they again confounded Brodeur, who has less success against them than any other team.

Johan Hedberg turned aside a flurry of early shots while making 39 saves for his third shutout of the season as the Penguins scored one more goal than they had in their previous four games.

Even as New Jersey took 20 of the first 26 shots, the game was as one-sided as the Penguins' 5-1 victory at New Jersey on Nov. 13, when Kovalev returned from knee surgery to score three goals.

Brodeur, who must be glad he didn't play this poorly against Pittsburgh in the Eastern Conference finals last spring, left after allowing four goals on eight shots. He came into the season without a losing record against any NHL team, but fell to 12-13-4 against Pittsburgh.

Devils coach Larry Robinson, whose defending conference champions are 1-5-2-1 in their last nine games, lifted Brodeur after Lang accounted for two



Lang

goals in just over three minutes midway through the second period.

With the Penguins up 2-0, Brodeur left the net to play a puck between the left circle and the blue line, but Lang stole it off his stick as the Penguins rushed back into the New Jersey zone.

Lang then slid the puck to rookie Toby Petersen, who had to beat only defenseman Scott Niedermayer for his first goal since a three-goal game on Mario Lemieux's line Oct. 16 against Ottawa. He got a second goal late in the game, 24 seconds after Milan Kraft scored.

Lang scored at 14:58 of the second with a hard wrister from the left circle, and Robinson sent backup goalie Jean-Francois Damphousse onto the ice almost before the red light went off.

Islanders 5, Capitals 5

Mariusz Czerkawski scored his third goal of the game with 46.3 seconds left to lift the New York Islanders to a tie with the Washington Capitals.

Czerkawski had possession behind the goal and angled the puck toward net. It appeared to bounce off a defenseman and then the glove of goalie Craig Billington before going in.

Alexei Yashin had a goal and an assist and Kenny Jonsson also scored for New York, which remained in first place in the Eastern Conference but had its winless streak against Washington extended to 20 games at 0-17-3.

Adam Oates had two goals and an assist for Washington, which has the longest current unbeaten streak against one team. Sergei Gonchar and Peter Bondra also scored.

Washington's Dainius Zubrus scored

with 2:39 left to give the Capitals a brief 5-4 lead.

Jonsson scored to tie it at 4 at 1:16 of the third when he chipped the puck high over Billington's head.

The Capitals pulled ahead 4-3 on Peter Bondra's goal at 18:43 of the second when goalie Chris Osgood couldn't pounce on a rebound of Andrei Nikolishin's shot. Bondra back-handed in the rebound for his 14th goal.

Gonchar opened the scoring at 7:13 of the first.

Oates scored a power-play goal at 10:38 of the first and scored again 2:10 later at even strength by chipping in the puck as he slid across the crease with two defenders hanging on him to give the Caps a 3-0 lead. Ulf Dahlen assisted on all three scores.

But Czerkawski brought the Islanders all the way back at 10:11 of the second when he fired the puck across the goalmouth from the boards and it ricocheted in off a defender to make it 3-3.

Czerkawski's first goal brought New York within 3-2 at 18:16 of the first on a power play. Brad Isbister missed a shot from the left side, but hit his own rebound back toward the crease from behind goal. The puck trickled between Billington's leg and the left post and out into the crease where Czerkawski ripped it into net.

Yashin started the comeback with his 14th goal at 15:47 of the first, also on a power play.

Blue Jackets 3, Coyotes 0

Ron Tugnutt made 26 saves for his 20th career shutout, and Mike Sillinger and Espen Knutsen each had a goal and

an assist as the Columbus Blue Jackets beat the Phoenix Coyotes.

Chris Nielsen also scored, and Ray Whitney had two assists for Columbus, which is 4-0-1-1 in its last six home games. Since opening the season 1-8-4-0, the Blue Jackets are 6-4-1-1 at Nationwide Arena.

Tugnutt won his second in a row, and recorded the Blue Jackets' first shutout of the season. Tugnutt ended an eight-game losing streak after making 29 saves in the Blue Jackets' 4-3 win over Calgary on Sunday.

The Coyotes, who have lost three straight, took five shots at the goaltender the first four minutes of the second period, including a sprawling pad save on Ladislav Nagy alone in front.

Phoenix, like they had done in the previous two games of a three-game road trip, fell behind in the first period and never recovered.

Columbus scored twice in a span of 53 seconds with goals from Chris Nielsen and Sillinger to make it 2-0 after the first period.

Coyote goaltender Sean Burke returned after being sidelined three games with a groin strain. He looked rusty early on.

He was penalized for delay of game after sending the puck over the glass just two minutes into the game, and the Blue Jackets' first period goals came on successive shots.

Knutsen threaded a back-hand pass from the left corner to Nielson for the easy tap-in and his first of the season at 13:00 to open the scoring.

Sillinger, who has scored in three straight, sent a wrist shot through a screen and past Burke at 13:53 to make it 2-0.

STUDENT UNION

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	7:30pm	SUB Student Coffee House	LaFun Ballroom	free
	8:00pm	ND Concert Band Fall Concert	Band Building	free
	8:00-9:00pm	Coffee at the Co-Mo		
	9:30pm	ND Schola Musicorum	Basilica	free
	10:30pm	Sophomore Class Mass	Morrissey Chapel	
THURS	11:30pm-12:00am	Eucharistic Adoration & Confession	Morrissey Chapel	
	7:00pm	ND Cinema "Into the Arms of Strangers: Stories of the Kindertransport"	Hesburgh Library Aud.	
	7:00-9:00pm	Class of 2003 Dinner	BW-3's	
	7:30pm	Antigone	Washington Hall	tickets at LaFun Box Office
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Browns' fullback Sellers released

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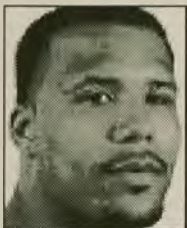
CLEVELAND
Fullback Mike Sellers, arrested last week and charged with felony drug abuse, was released Tuesday by the Cleveland Browns "for a combination of reasons."

Sellers was expected to be reinstated by Browns coach Butch Davis, but the team instead decided to cut its ties with the free agent who signed a three-year, \$2.4 million contract in February with the

Browns.

"We have released Mike Sellers for a combination of reasons relating to his performance and conduct," Browns president Carmen Policy said in a statement. "We decided it is in the best interests of the Cleveland Browns organization, the team and Mike Sellers that this

action be taken.



Sellers

"As part of his release, the Browns have offered to help provide Mike with any guidance, counseling or similar type assistance he might request relative to his personal issues."

Sellers, 26, was arrested late last Monday night along with cornerback Lamar Chapman after being stopped by Cleveland police.

Sellers was suspended for Sunday's game against the Cincinnati Bengals along with defensive tackle Gerard Warren and Chapman by Davis, who said Monday he would put Sellers back on the team providing the NFL didn't plan any

further penalties against Sellers or Chapman.

Warren was arrested outside a Pittsburgh nightclub on charges of carrying a concealed weapon just hours after the arrests of Sellers and Chapman. Warren has a court hearing Friday in Pittsburgh.

Sellers has not spoken with reporters since his arrest, and declined comment Monday when approached in the locker room at the Browns' training facility.

Kenneth Austin, his agent, was stunned to learn Sellers was released.

"I'm shocked," Austin said. "I don't

OLYMPICS

Bush denies IOC request for truce

Associated Press

WASHINGTON
President Bush on Tuesday turned aside an IOC request for a military truce during the Salt Lake City Olympics and will propose a U.N. resolution calling for athletes to travel safely to and from the games.

After a meeting, International Olympic Committee president Jacques Rogge said Bush assured him he would submit the resolution — a tradition for Olympic host nations — to the United Nations on Dec. 11. It will advocate safe passage of Olympic athletes and urge nations to compete peacefully, Rogge said.

"We did not go into specific issues. He just assured me of the support of the government for the resolution," Rogge said.

An administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the resolution would not contain the word "truce," or address a cease-fire. Earlier this month, Secretary of State Colin Powell said the U.S. military campaign in Afghanistan would continue.

The U.N. General Assembly approved a resolution calling for a global cease-fire during the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta. Earlier this month, Rogge asked the Bush administration for a truce — which he defined as a cease-fire — during the Feb. 8-24 Salt Lake City Games.

On Tuesday, Rogge said the idea of a truce was not tied to the situation in Afghanistan, or any other region or country. "It's a world concept," he said.

Afghanistan is the only

nation barred from participating in the Winter Games. The country was suspended two years ago after the ruling Taliban would not allow female athletes to compete.

"We would love to see an Afghan team at the next Olympic Games, but that will only be possible when there is a stable government in place, and when all the conditions that are put by the (IOC) are fulfilled," Rogge said.

Bush also met Tuesday with U.S. Olympic Committee president Sandy Baldwin, CEO Lloyd Ward, Salt Lake Olympics chief Mitt Romney and a few Olympic athletes to discuss security for the games.

Ward said Bush did not go into specifics about security. The federal government will contribute \$240 million of the more than \$300 million for security.

"There's no question after (Sept. 11), our view of security in the United States and, I would suggest, in the world is different," Ward said. "We have taken every effort to provide a secure, competitive environment for all participants and spectators and sponsors, and we feel we have a very solid plan."

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Jacques Rogge
IOC president

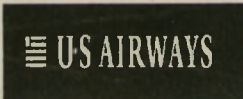
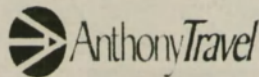
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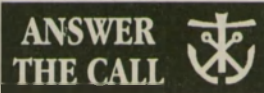
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SAN FRANCISCO
The baseball Barry Bonds swatted for his record 73rd home run is headed to trial.

A judge ruled it's unclear who should keep the million-dollar memento — the man who first gloved it, or the man who took it home after a tussle among fans.

Superior Court Judge David Garcia ruled the ball should remain locked up until a trial answers whether it belongs to Alex Popov, who snatched it and says he was robbed in the ensuing struggle, or Patrick Hayashi, who says he found it loose amid the skirmish.

Garcia did not set a date, but the trial likely won't start until next baseball season, lawyers for both men said.

The custody dispute is believed to be the nation's first trial over fan ownership of a ball hit into the stands at a major league stadium.

Popov sued Hayashi days after the San Francisco Giants slugger hit the home run Oct. 7 at Pacific Bell Park. The ball could be worth more than \$1 million, according to the man who brokered the \$3 million sale of Mark McGwire's then-record 70th home run ball in 1998.

But that value will dip if, next spring, someone begins to launch home runs at a pace projected to surpass Bonds' single-season record.

To protect against potential loss of value, the judge ordered Popov to post a \$100,000 bond within three days. Garcia also agreed to Popov's request that lawyers from both sides go to verify that the ball sitting in a safe deposit box is indeed No. 73 and not a fake.

He said he'd prefer to settle the issue over a beer, but failing that, must press forward.

"The mob mugged me," Popov said. "I want my ball back."

Hayashi shied away from court, but in a written statement said he was compelled to defend his reputation.

Yankee Brosius retires

Associated Press

McMINNVILLE, Ore.

Having accomplished more in baseball than he ever imagined, New York Yankees third baseman Scott Brosius retired Tuesday, overjoyed to be with his family and already reflecting on his brief but glorious career in pinstripes.

"I'm just ready to be home," Brosius said at Linfield College, his old school. "I can look back with no regrets and know that everything I wanted to do as a baseball player, every dream I had, has been fulfilled, and there's nothing else for me to chase as a ballplayer."

Brosius, 35, became a free agent after the Yankees' loss to Arizona in Game 7 of the World Series, and returned home to Oregon immediately.

"I was surprised about Scott," Yankees owner George Steinbrenner said in Rosemont, Ill. "But he wanted to retire a Yankee. He's a great warrior. I hate to lose him."

The Yankees did not plan to re-sign the former World Series MVP. Although he could have tried to play elsewhere, he felt the toll on his wife and three children would be too high.

"I still feel like I could play,

but I never wanted the game to feel like work," he said. "I never wanted to play the game when my heart was in two different places, and I was getting to that point where a huge side of me just wanted to be home, and I still had a job to do out in New York."

Brosius guessed that he had missed about one-third of his 10-year-old daughter Allyson's life while on the road.

"I just never wanted to get to the point where I looked back 10 years or 20 years from now and my daughter asks me, 'Why weren't you there when I needed you?' And I would say, 'Well, because I wanted to play one more year.' I couldn't answer that question that way."

Brosius, who came to the Yankees from Oakland as a player to be named in a deal for Kenny Rogers, made a name for himself in New York. He reached the World Series in all four seasons he spent in the Bronx, winning three times.

Steady in the field and a clutch hitter in big spots, Brosius was a key contributor in the Yankees' recent run of championships.

He was the MVP of the 1998 World Series, hitting .471 with two home runs and six RBIs in a four-game sweep of San Diego.

Brosius' greatest moment came in Game 5 of this year's Series against the Diamondbacks. In his final at-bat in Yankee Stadium, he hit a tying, two-run homer off closer Byung-Hyun Kim with two outs in the bottom of the ninth. Alfonso Soriano's single

in the 12th won it.

"That's a pretty good memory to end on," Brosius said of his fist-pumping trip around the bases.

Brosius said he plans to help out with the Linfield baseball team, for which he played from 1985-87. But first he plans to get his degree in business. He was drafted after his junior year by Oakland, and wanted to show his children the value of finishing what he started.

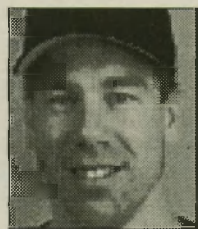
After completing correspondence courses he began in the summer of 2000, he'll attend commencement ceremonies on Dec. 16.

"In about a month I'll be an unemployed college grad," he joked. "It probably should have happened when I was 21, but now that I'm 35 it's come back to get me."

Acquired from Oakland after slumping to .203 in 1997 with Oakland, Brosius was an All-Star in his first season in New York. He batted .300 with 98 RBIs. Marks he did not reach in his final three seasons with the Yankees. He hit .247 in 1999, .230 in 2000 and .287 in 2001 with 13 homers and 49 RBIs.

Brosius, who played seven seasons for Oakland, was a .257 career hitter with 141 homers and 534 RBIs. He won a Gold Glove in '99.

"I guess by Hall of Fame standards it wasn't a great career, but I had some great moments in it," he said. "How many people have the opportunity to really live the dream of a 5-year-old out in the backyards playing games?"



Brosius

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MEN'S NCAA BASKETBALL

No. 1 Duke drops No. 7 Iowa 80-62

Associated Press

CHICAGO

Facing its first top 10 opponent of the season, Duke made easy work of No. 7 Iowa on Tuesday night, beating the Hawkeyes 80-62 in the first night of the ACC/Big Ten Challenge.

The Blue Devils (5-0) got contributions from just about everyone, and served notice they can be as dominant as last season's NCAA championship squad — even without Shane Battier.

Jason Williams scored 25 points and had five assists, and Carlos Boozer had his third straight double-double, scoring 22 points and grabbing 14 rebounds. Chris Duhon had 11 assists to go with his nine points — including a nice alley-oop feed to Williams.

Mike Dunleavy had 18 points, going 3-of-7 from 3-point range.

Iowa (4-2) cut the lead to 73-61 on Luke Recker's layup with 4:21 to play, but the Hawkeyes just didn't have the firepower to keep up. Recker led Iowa with 15 points, and Chauncey Leslie had 11 points. But Reggie Evans, who came into the game averaging 21.6 points and 11.4 rebounds, was held to eight points and nine rebounds.

It was Iowa's second loss to a top 5 team in the past week. The Hawkeyes lost to then-No. 5 Missouri last Wednesday.

The Blue Devils improved their record against ranked teams to 34-13 since 1997-98. They've won 15 of 19

games when both teams are in the top 10.

It may only be December, but this had all the makings of a late-season matchup. Both teams played with the energy and intensity of a tournament game, and when Williams appeared to get knocked over early in the second half, things got a little testy. Both coaches protested to referees, and there were some hard fouls on each side the rest of the game.

But it takes more than a physical game to derail Duke.

The Hawkeyes won four games in as many days at the United Center last March to capture the Big Ten Tournament title, and the pro-Iowa crowd sensed another big victory as Duke got off to a sluggish start.

In the first eight minutes, the Blue Devils turned the ball over five times and were outrebounded a whopping 15-5. And when Chicago native Ryan Hogan hit a 15-foot jumper to spark a 7-0 run that gave Iowa a 17-14 lead with 10:35 left in the first half, the crowd was on its feet and roaring.

But in a two-minute span, Duke took control of the game. After Ryan Hogan connected on a short jumper, Duhon hit a 3-pointer from the left corner. Recker responded with a pull-up jumper, but Duhon came right back with another 3.

Then Williams picked off a bad pass by Pierre Pierce and raced downcourt for the easy dunk. Just like that, Duke had a 30-23 lead with 4:45 to play in the first half.

Terps build 20 point lead, hold off Illini

Associated Press

COLLEGE PARK, Md.

The Streak remains intact, while the loss to Arizona is quickly becoming a distant memory.

Juan Dixon scored 25 points and Maryland (No. 4 ESPN/USA Today, No. 5 AP) built a 20-point lead and held off No. 2 Illinois 76-63 in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge.

It was the 80th consecutive non-conference home victory for Maryland, the longest such run in the nation. It was also the Terrapins' fourth straight win overall after a season-opening defeat against Arizona.

"This is good for us to get this big game early in the year. It let people know that we're for real," Dixon said. "I guess a lot of people counted us out after we lost to Arizona, but we did well today."

After the Terrapins (4-1) went up by 12 at halftime, Dixon scored seven points in a 10-2 run at the outset of the second half to make it 51-31.

Despite playing its fifth game in nine days, Illinois (5-1) fought back — even after leading rebounder Brian Cook fouled out with 5:11 left.

The comeback was aided by poor free throw shooting by Maryland, which finished 12-for-24 at the line. The Fighting Illini closed to 66-58 with 2:56 left, but Chris Wilcox scored in the lane, then made one of two free throws on Maryland's next

possession for an 11-point cushion.

At that point, the Cole Field House crowd began chanting, "ACC! ACC!"

"The hardest thing to do in basketball is play with the lead," Maryland coach Gary Williams said. "But I thought we did a good job of that in the late part of the game. You try and stay aggressive, and you try to run some clock."

Wilcox scored 19 points and six rebounds off the bench for Maryland, which beat a Top 5 team for the first time since 1998.

"Wilcox just owned us inside," Illinois coach Bill Self said.

Blandon Ferguson had 11 points for Illinois, which three days earlier won the Las Vegas Invitational and was off to its best start in six years. But on this night, the Illini looked rather ordinary.

"We're not very good yet," Self said. "We were exposed. We don't trust each other much. But give Maryland credit — that was a 13-point game that felt like it could be 25."

The Illini shot 33 percent and committed seven turnovers in the decisive first half.

Four different players scored in a 9-2 run that put Illinois up 17-10, but Wilcox had four points and Steve Blake and Byron Mouton hit 3-pointers during a 12-0 spurt that put Maryland ahead for good.

After Ferguson made a free throw for the Illini, Wilcox sank a hook shot and scored on an alley-oop pass from Blake for a 26-18 lead.

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Basketball

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going to be scared coming in here. They're men. You have to respect that and I respect that."

Army, which plays in the Patriot League, will bring a tough defensive and outside-shooting corps to the court.

But Brey is confident his team is ready for another non-conference opponent before the tough games hit later in the season.

"I think our frame of mind and our confidence is high," Brey said.

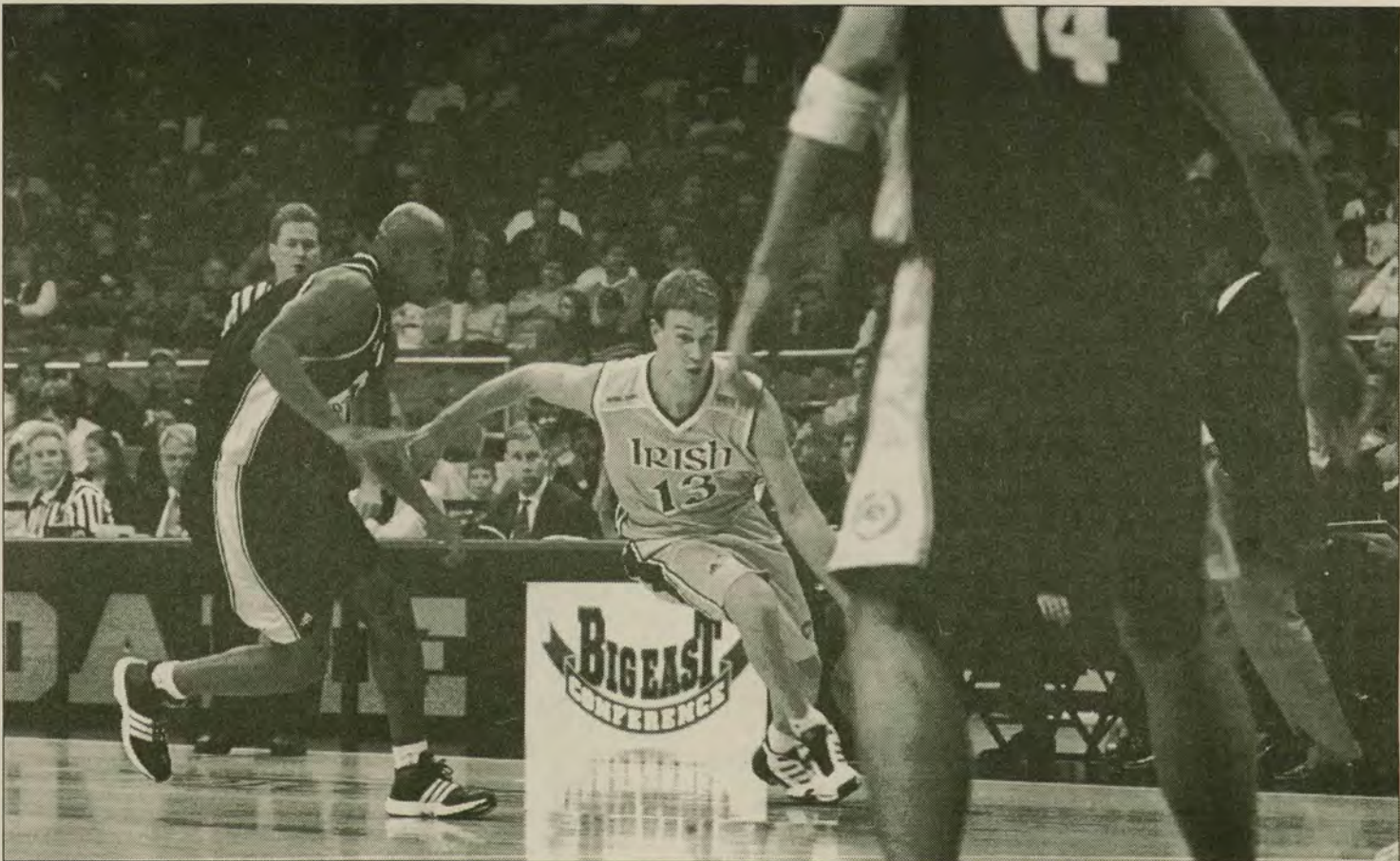
Army plans to test that confidence tonight.

Senior captain Chris Spatola has led the Black Knights so far this season. He scored 20 points in the team's last outing and is currently ranked 16th on Army's career scoring list.

But Humphrey, eager to get back to the Joyce Center isn't worried about tonight's test.

"We prepare and we know what we have to do," Humphrey said. "If we keep playing how we are, we'll be a good team."

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Irish guard Matt Carroll drives up the court against the EA Sports All Stars Nov. 8. Notre Dame faces Army tonight at home at the Joyce Center, looking to extend their opening winning streak to six games.



Bob Davie looks on as the Irish lose to Stanford Saturday. Davie said Tuesday that he still felt he meets the expectations of a Notre Dame football coach, despite the Irish's 4-6 record this season.

Davie

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big picture of a program that a couple of years ago was put on probation and there was so many things swirling around, I think if you look at the conduct of our football team, I think if you look at the retention of our student athletes, if you look at the grade point average of the last two semesters of the fall and the spring, they are the highest in the history of this foot-

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Bob Davie
football coach

ball team," Davie said. "I think there is a big picture."

Davie said that for all of those reasons, the University gave him a contract extension last year. In his mind, he still meets the expectations of a Notre Dame football coach.

"I have not changed [since the contract extension]," Davie said. "Obviously a lot of evaluation went into me last December, unless I've changed, which I don't think I've changed, then I would think those good reasons are still there. I'm probably not the one to answer that question. You know, someone else should answer that."

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Volleyball

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him, I think he's a very good coach."

During Thanksgiving weekend, the Irish fell to No. 9 Florida on Saturday in four games after sweeping LSU the day before.

Against LSU, Notre Dame's strength was its balance and blocking. Five players scored over six kills, led by Emily Loomis and Malinda Goralski with nine each. Kristy Kreher and Kim Fletcher had eight, while Jessica Kinder came off the bench to add seven kills.

Jessica Kinder played a large role in all three games, entering late in game one.

"Jess went in and gave us a pretty big boost immediately and ended up playing part of game one and all of games two and three," Brown said. "I think that experience for her at this time of the year is really valuable and really helps add to the depth and confidence level of the team."

Once again, a strength for the Irish was their blocking. Although the official scorer credited the team with only six blocks in the three games, Brown thought there were more.

"We actually think we had a few more blocks than what they gave us," Brown said. "We have been real pleased with blocks not just this weekend but throughout the last half of the season it seems to be coming together very well for us."

Against Florida, the Irish fell 30-24, 30-26, 30-32, 30-24 in a

hard-fought match. Kreher led Notre Dame with 15 kills while Goralski added 12.

After hitting .195 and .189 in the first two games of the match, the Irish reversed their fortunes in game 3, finishing with a .371 team mark as Goralski and Kreher each had four kills and Jessica Kinder served an ace to give Notre Dame the match point.

But the Irish couldn't keep up that momentum in game four, as eventual tournament MVP Nicole McCray scored six kills in leading the Gators to the match victory.

Despite the loss, Brown was proud of how her team performed against a ranked opponent.

"I think that probably the biggest thing is just the level of confidence the team has in being able to play against a top ten team and being very competitive in each game," Brown said. "Also, seeing the areas where we fell a little bit short and knowing those are areas where we can definitely do better."

With the Thanksgiving tournament coming one week after the Irish won the Big East Tournament, Brown is confident in her team's abilities heading into the NCAA's.

"I think we've played at a higher level going into the championships and this past weekend," Brown said. "I think it was real good and something the team needed at this time of the year going into the NCAA Championships with a high confidence level."

Irish defensive specialist Keara Coughlin passes the ball in Notre Dame's 3-0 victory against Rutgers Oct. 14. The Irish will face Michigan State in the first round of the NCAA Championships.

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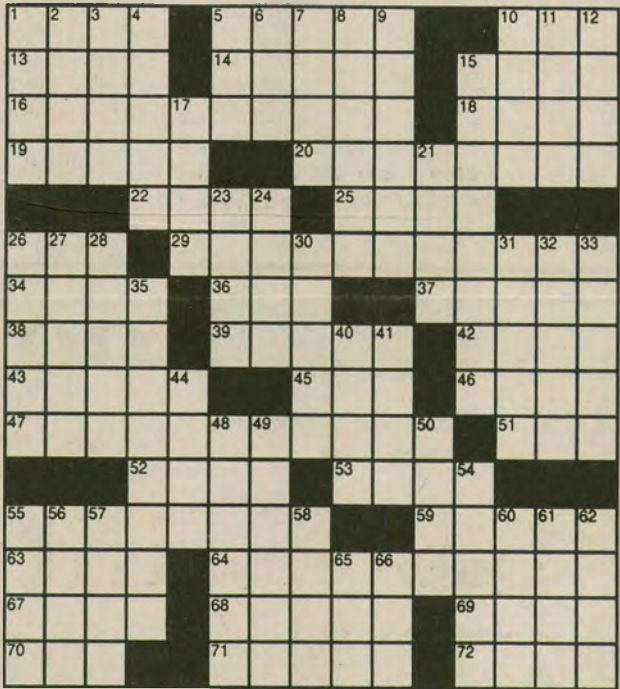
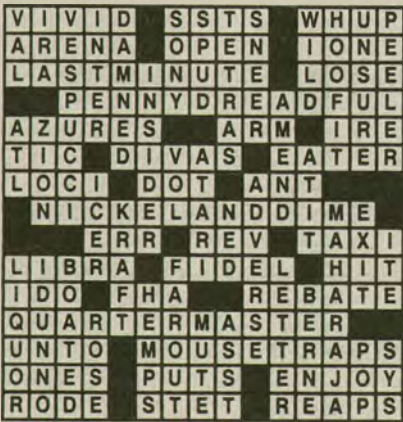
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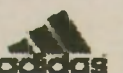
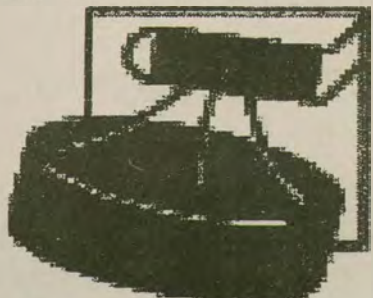
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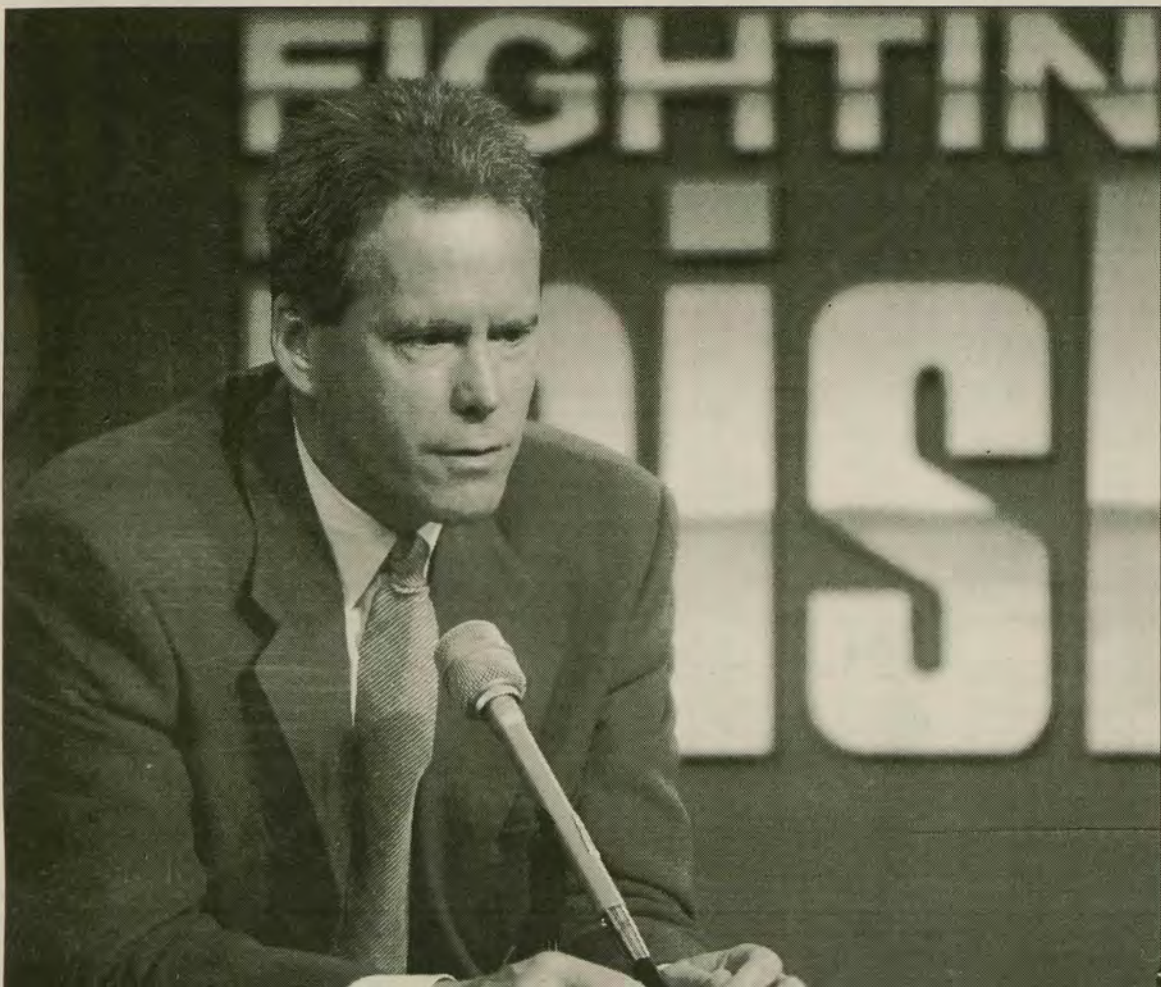
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FOOTBALL

Davie: Keep me or fire me



Irish head coach Bob Davie speaks to the media at his Tuesday press conference. Davie stated that he would not resign as football coach, and would have to be fired to be removed.

PETER RICHARDSON/The Observer

◆ Coach says he will 'never resign,' would rather be publicly fired

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Writer

If Notre Dame doesn't want Bob Davie, the University will have to publicly fire him, the head coach said at his Tuesday press conference.

Despite his team's 4-6 record and post-season ineligibility, Davie reiterated Tuesday that he would "never" resign as head coach under any circumstances. When asked if he would resign if the University gave him the option of resigning or being fired publicly, Davie said he would choose the latter.

After addressing questions concerning his possible dismissal, the Irish coach said he didn't feel he should have to defend himself. Notre



White

Dame gave him a five-year contract in December and Davie plans on honoring that contract.

"There's a reason that the University of Notre Dame in December came to me and gave me a new five-year contract," Davie said. "I did not go to the University of Notre Dame and ask for a new contract. So I don't think I am the should have to defend why that contract was given to me."

Athletic director Kevin White will not issue any statement in response to Davie's comments, director of Sports Information John Heisler said. White's only statement concerning Davie's future at Notre Dame was released in October. In that statement White said that the football program would be evaluated at the end of the season to determine if any changes needed to be made. White has not publicly wavered from that stance.

Davie pointed to his clean program, high graduation rate and the academic achievements of his team as reasons for Notre Dame to keep him as head coach.

"If you stop and look at the

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ND WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Irish draw No. 20 MSU in NCAAs

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Editor

After splitting two matches in a tournament at Disney World last weekend to finish the regular season with a 22-6 record, the No. 25 Notre Dame volleyball team drew No. 20 Michigan State as its first round opponent when the NCAA Championships begin this weekend.

The Irish travel to Madison, Wisc., to take on the Spartans at 5 p.m. Should Notre Dame win, the team plays the winner of Friday's match between sixth-ranked Wisconsin and Wisconsin-Milwaukee at 7 p.m. Saturday.

"Michigan State typically is a team that we can be very competitive with," Irish head coach Debbie Brown said Monday

afternoon. "They're definitely playing good volleyball right now but I think that's okay. We do have tape on them and we have a few days to study the tape and prepare."

Brown's counterpart on the Spartan bench will be Chuck Erbe, Brown's head coach at USC in the early 1980s. Brown thinks the common bond helps her know what to expect, but doesn't really see it as an advantage.

"I think I was in college just a few years ago and the game has changed a little bit since then," Brown joked. "I think I have a pretty good feel for the way he coaches and kind of know what to expect out of his teams. I don't know that it's any advantage or disadvantage. I have a ton of respect for

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Humphrey returns in MVP fashion

◆ Forward also named Big East co-player of the week in return from suspension

By KERRY SMITH
Sports Writer

Irish forward Ryan Humphrey sent a dominating message when he returned to the court last weekend in the Hawaii Pacific Thanksgiving Classic after sitting out a two-game NCAA suspension.

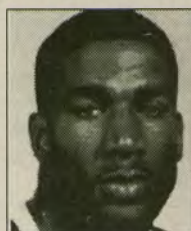
Shooting 74 percent from the field and averaging 24 points a game, the senior

tri-captain easily led the Irish to the tournament title.

And the Big East conference noticed.

Not only was Humphrey named the tournament's Most Valuable Player, but the Big East named him co-player of the week for his effort.

"It was great," Irish head coach Mike Brey said. "He certainly raised his hand and said 'I'm back' in game one in the first half. I was worried he'd be so excited he'd foul out."



Humphrey



Brey

But instead, Humphrey delivered what he hopes is the first series of a season of successful outings.

"It was just fun to get out there and finally get to play with the

guys again and be one unit," Humphrey said.

Humphrey will make his first regular-season appearance back at the Joyce Center with his team tonight when the Irish take on the Black Knights of Army.

With an unblemished 5-0 record coming into the contest, the Irish are ready to take on an Army team which is at its most competitive levels in years.

The Black Knights own a 3-0 record, marking their best start since 1980. The team also posted its largest margin of victory Saturday with a 43-point win against New York Maritime. All 13 Army players who suited up for the game scored.

"Army is an older team," Brey said. "What scares me about teams is when they have juniors and seniors coming back. They're not

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- ◆ Men's Basketball vs. Army, Tonight, 7:30 p.m.
- ◆ SMC Basketball vs. Marian College, Friday, 8 p.m.
- ◆ Volleyball vs. Michigan State, Friday, 5 p.m.
- ◆ Football at Purdue, Saturday, 4:30 p.m.

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