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Junior Ann Gurucharri tries to find a bone marrow donor to save her father's life.

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Police give forensic evidence to lab

♦ **Investigation of
rape allegation due
to wrap up this
week**

By HELENA PAYNE
News Editor

St. Joseph County police are handing over evidence from the alleged rape of a Notre Dame 20-year-old female student to a state crime lab, Sheriff Richard Seniff said Friday morning at a press conference.

The sheriff said the suspects in the alleged rape are one former and three current Notre Dame football players. On April 10, police searched the house of one of the suspects, located about one mile east of the University.

"The fact that the suspects are Notre Dame football players will have little effect

on how we aggressively pursue the investigation," said Seniff.

Police have been investigating the rape accusation since April 6, when the alleged victim filed a report with the South Bend Police Department claiming the four men raped her early March 28. The woman also filed a separate report with University authorities on April 10 and will have a hearing with Notre Dame's Office of Residence Life and Housing on Wednesday.

So far, Seniff said police have interviewed one of the suspects but the remaining three have hired attorneys and would not speak to police about the case.

"It's a very sensitive case, and we're certainly sensitive to the plaintiff and the suspects," said Seniff.

No criminal charges have been filed, but Maj. Bob Finn, the public information officer of the St. Joseph County police, said the investigation would be passed on to the county prosecutor this week.

Seniff said there was no indication of heavy drinking or use of date rape drugs.

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SAIL AWAY



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Four Fisher freshmen plow their way through St. Mary's Lake Saturday in the annual Fisher Regatta. Clockwise, from left, Jimmy Costanzo, Alex LaConde, Tom Gorman and Bill Hessert try to get their hand-crafted "Green Seamen III" ahead of the pack. Thirty-three boats entered the race, and Carroll Hall's "Wood-N-Caulk" emerged the victor.

Faculty Senate prepares for elections

By SHEILA FLYNN
News Writer

The Faculty Senate, revamped with a new body configuration and election process, will collect nominations for 2002-03 senators Friday and will determine election results by April 29.

Now the reconfigured Senate is waiting to receive nominations for the representatives who will institute the changes in next year's session.

The changes come after the Senate voted to disband itself last May. During the summer, several members made an effort to restructure the governing body to make it more effective. The final resolutions were finalized and approved by University President Father Edward Malloy at the beginning of April.

Key changes include eligibility for a Senate seat, membership numbers and the election process.

"Any faculty member can nominate themselves or be nominated," said Jacqueline Brogan, Senate chair. "They

can be tenured or untenured."

Under the new election guidelines, departments will elect their own senators, rather than each College. Several separate bodies, such as professional specialists, will also elect their own representatives. The change will enable senators to more easily report back and listen to specific constituencies.

The Senate's membership will decrease from 53 to 45.

Once elected to the Senate, representatives will elect chairs of the four standing subcommittees: Administrative Affairs, Academic Affairs, Benefits or Student Affairs. These four chairs, in addition to the Senate chair, will then be ex-officio voting members of the Academic Council. This creates a significant overlap between the Senate and the Council, allowing for more faculty representation than ever before.

"In addition to the four chairs, Father Malloy added three more faculty to the Council," Brogan said. "That adds seven more faculty to the Council with no new administrators, making it closer to 70 percent faculty. Before the changes the

Council was 51 percent faculty and 49 percent administrators."

The Senate and Council will also form joint committees when necessary to tackle special concerns. One joint committee is currently examining faculty grievance procedures.

In the spirit of the new configurations, the Senate will re-elect all 45 members, creating the unlikely possibility that the 2002-03 Senate will consist of an entirely fresh corps of representatives without any veteran senators. The senator terms, normally three years, will be initially staggered due to the completely new elected body. One-third of the departments will elect representatives for three-year positions, one-third will be electing senators for two years, and one-third will be electing senators for one year.

The newly elected senators will be seated May 15 at the final Senate meeting of the academic year.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Facing the facts

The jig is up. I've had my last fling as a junior and it's time to admit to myself that I am a senior and graduation is in a month. Each year, Saint Mary's and Notre Dame plan parent weekends, and to me these are rights of passage that signify growth and maturity. I went to Rome last spring, so I missed Sophomore Parent's weekend. But I wasn't really a sophomore by then. I missed Senior Dad's weekend while I studied in Washington, D.C. last fall. I was a senior by then, but there was nothing I could do.

Sarah Rykowski
Saint Mary's
News Editor

So, a couple weeks ago, I asked my mother if she wanted to come up for Junior Mom's Weekend. She said yes, although she reminded me that I wasn't really a junior. We had a great time, and after she left Saturday night, I cried. I cried because she'd been there and then she was gone, but I also cried because I knew that there was no chance or time for me to lie to myself anymore. I had to tell myself the truth. The truth is, I'm not even 21 yet and I will graduate in May. I was one of the "lucky" ones who took a lot of advanced placement tests in high school, and came into college with a lot of credit from them, but even though I've saved a lot of money because of it, I still don't know if I would do it again.

The truth is, it is so hard to spend one semester saying hello to long lost friends and making new ones when you know you will only be there until May. It is so hard to do activities with your graduating class when the class of your youth and your heart has another year to go through the hard stuff. It is so hard to grow up and graduate and go to law school when you are so much younger than everyone else.

What I have learned is that if you have friends, family, and a school or two behind you, pulling for you, no matter how hard things get, you will be okay. You will graduate, and it will be worth it.

Thank you to my family, my friends, my professors, and my school: from Le Mans to Rome to Washington D.C. to Regina, I have had three wonderful years as a Saint Mary's woman. I know now that I will always be a Saint Mary's woman, just not always on campus.

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In a front-page article in the April 9 edition, The Observer incorrectly spelled the name of Mexican restaurant Boracho Burrito, 1724 N. Ironwood Dr. The Observer regrets the error.

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THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Monday
♦ Performance: "Womyn with Wings," 7 to 9 p.m., LaFortune Ballroom
♦ Lectures: "Cavanaugh Chairs Inaugural Lectures," all day, Center for Continuing Education, McKenna Hall

Tuesday
♦ Lecture: "Sleep Disorders," Mini-Med School Lecture Series, Brian Foresman, 7 to 9 p.m., DeBartolo, Room 102
♦ Film: "A Mongolian Tale," 7 and 9 p.m., LaFortune, Montgomery Theater

Wednesday
♦ Event: "Teachers as Scholars Spring Seminars," 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., McKenna Hall
♦ Concert: Notre Dame Choral and Chamber Orchestra, 8 p.m., Basilica

BEYOND CAMPUS

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Berkeley students file lawsuit over alleged gang rape

BERKELEY, Calif. Two female University of California-Berkeley students who allege they were gang raped by a group of San Diego State University rugby players filed suit against the university, its team and the Southside bar where they met their alleged attackers.

Raleigh's American Pub & Grill, San Diego State University and its rugby team all were named in the suit that was filed earlier this week at Alameda County Superior Court in Oakland, Calif.

The suit alleges all the defendants behaved negligently, and their behavior resulted in the rapes.

The suit, which seeks an unspecified amount of damages, alleges the plaintiffs were gang raped April 20, 2001, by six members of the rugby team at the Ramada Inn in Berkeley, Calif.,



after meeting two other players at Raleigh's.

Berkeley police investigated the allegations, but Alameda County District Attorney's office declined to pursue the case because of insufficient evidence, said Berkeley police Sgt. Kay Lantow, supervisor of the sex crimes unit.

The suit claims the two women, both younger than 21 at the time, were served alcoholic drinks at the

bar even though bar staffers knew they were underage. The plaintiffs became very intoxicated, which played a direct role in their rape, according to papers filed in court.

At the bar, the plaintiffs met two of the rugby players and agreed to go to their hotel room, where they had sex, the suit alleges.

During the sexual activities six other rugby team members entered the hotel room and also engaged in sexual acts with the plaintiffs, the suit charges.

The suit charges the two UC-Berkeley students did not consent to the activities because of their intoxication. It also states the two women tried to escape but were restrained.

The suit claims the rugby coaches were aware of the gang rape at the time.

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

Admissions rates hit record low

HANOVER, N.H.

Students applying to Ivy League institutions faced formidable challenges this year as admission rates at several schools dipped to record-low levels in the face of growing numbers of applicants. Dartmouth experienced a sharp drop in its admittance rate which fell to 20 percent while registering a 5 percent rise in total applications, the greatest such increase among its peer institutions. Harvard was still the most selective Ivy, admitting only 10.5 percent and sending out over 17,000 rejection letters. Following close behind was Princeton with a 10.8 percent acceptance rate. Yale, Columbia and Cornell also admitted a smaller proportion of applicants than in the past. Yale granted admission to 2,008 students out of a record-setting pool of 15,443 applicants. The acceptance rate, which fell to 13 percent from 13.5 percent last year, was the lowest in the school's history. Cornell had an overall acceptance rate of 24.4 percent this year, down from 25.7 last year. The drop occurred despite a slight decline in the total number of applications.

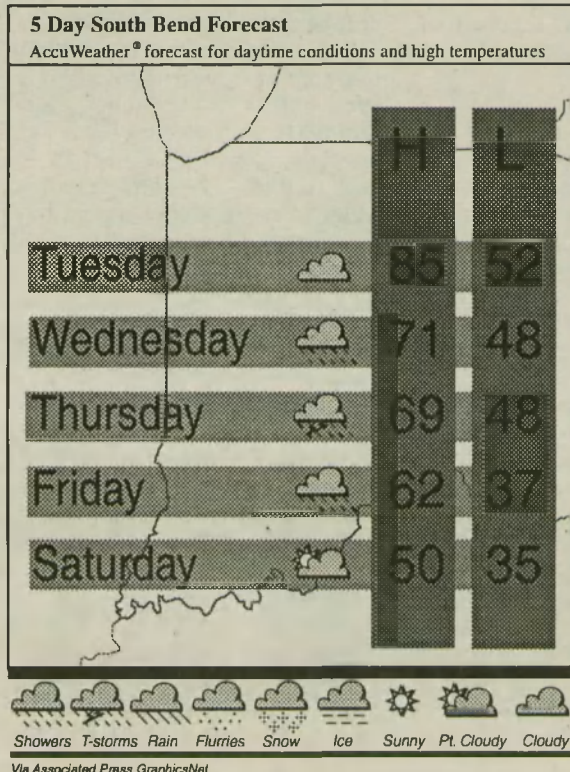
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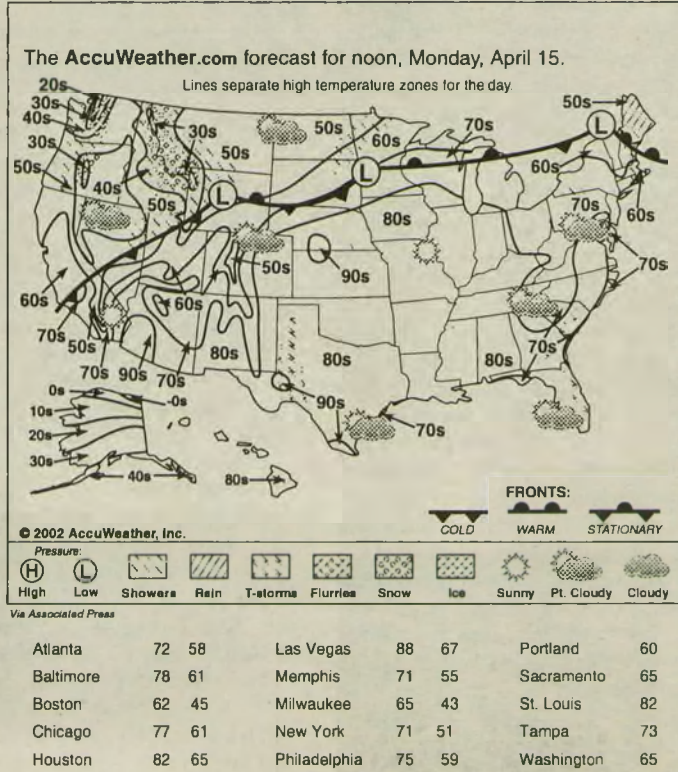
SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif.

As the investigation into the death of 19-year-old Brian Gillis continues, the San Luis Obispo Police Department talked to several members of the Sigma Chi fraternity to ascertain the events of April 3, which may have led to Gillis' death. The journalism sophomore was found around 11 a.m. at his Stenner Glen apartment by his roommate, who had been gone the night before. Although further information could not be released, police department Lt. Gary Orback said the investigation team is waiting for the toxicology test results to determine the cause of death. Orback said he already has ruled out the possibility of murder, and there is no evidence to suspect Sigma Chi of having anything to do with Gillis' death. Orback added the coroner's office will take the normal routine to test for alcohol and other drugs in Gillis' system; however, he declined to comment on whether or not the coroner's office would be testing for specific drugs, such as GHB that do not normally show up on basic toxicology reports.

LOCAL WEATHER



NATIONAL WEATHER



Student organizes bone marrow drive

♦ Junior tries to find match to save father's life

By HELENA PAYNE
News Editor

When junior Ann Gurucharri discovered that her father, Vincent Gurucharri of Columbia, Mo., was diagnosed with a life-threatening blood disease in January, she decided to seek help through the Notre Dame community. Along with several Notre Dame students, she organized a bone marrow drive that will be in the LaFortune

Bone Marrow Drive

♦ Tuesday
♦ LaFortune Ballroom
♦ 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Ballroom Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in hopes of finding a match for her father.

In light of recent struggles of Notre Dame students due to cancer and other diseases, Ann Gurucharri said she was optimistic that students would be sympathetic.

"I knew that I would get good support," said Gurucharri recalling the March 2000 bone marrow drive for Conor Murphy, a student who died from leukemia last year.

Gurucharri's father, a Notre Dame 1967 graduate, currently has a rare disease called myelodysplasia. In a letter to the University's student body, Gurucharri told students, "You could be the match that saves my father's life. Today, there are over three thousand patients waiting for someone like you to have the grace to commit to sharing your marrow."

She said she is encouraging people of all ethnicities to come to the drive because her father's mixed ethnic background could

have a variety of matches.

"We don't know what will be his match," said Gurucharri.

Gurucharri started her process of organizing the drive soon after discovering her father's illness by searching articles online from The Observer about University-sponsored blood drives. She contacted former Zahm Hall rector Father Jim Lies, who is currently at the University of Minnesota.

Lies helped her by giving her more information about the drive for Murphy, who had been a Zahm Hall resident.

Gurucharri talked to Nick Fellers, a friend and Notre Dame graduate who eventually led her

to student government. Coincidentally, both the senior class and the Minority Pre-Med Society wanted to do a bone marrow drive.

"It was really pretty impressive that all of this was happening at the same time," said Gurucharri. "We all coordinated the efforts and got it going."

Howard Hall, Gurucharri's dorm, also supported her as a co-sponsor with the other two groups. The money came from "The Shirt"

fund to pay for Life Source blood services, a Chicago-based company, to come to campus for the drive.

"When you talk about a Notre Dame family, this is the perfect

example," said Senior Class President Pete Rossman.

The senior class lost three people to cancer — Murphy, Brionne Clary and Miranda Thomas. Both Rossman and Lisa Sestile, the senior class secretary, said they remembered the drive for Murphy, which drew hundreds of supporters, and were looking forward to the same turnout.

"We'd love to see the same results this time around," said Sestile, adding that she wanted to do "one last thing in memory of our classmates."

All potential donors at Tuesday's drive will give about a teaspoon of blood to the National Bone Marrow Donor Program. In the case that a potential donor would be a match for a patient, the donor would receive a call and would undergo additional testing to guarantee a match exists.

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"You could be the match that saves my father's life. Today, there are over three thousand patients waiting for someone like you to have the grace to commit to sharing your marrow."

letter to students from
junior Ann Gurucharri

State crime labs backlogged with cases

♦ Technicians estimate years before all evidence can be tested

Associated Press

FORT WAYNE, Ind.

Technicians at the state's crime labs say they will likely need years to analyze a mounting backlog of evidence, despite lawmakers' attempt to ease the problem with an additional \$12.2 million.

"The state earmarking money will help tremendously," said 1st Sgt. John Vanderkolk, manager of the crime lab in Fort Wayne, which serves about 30 counties in northern Indiana. "But it will take time to see the impact."

All four of the state lab locations — Fort Wayne, Indianapolis, Lowell and Evansville — are wrestling with backlogs of evidence awaiting testing.

Some of that evidence is from the rape allegation by a 20-year old

female Notre Dame student. Police said in a press conference Friday forensic evidence from the allegation was being handed over to state crime labs.

Fort Wayne has handled the highest volume of evidence annually since 1998, but it has the lowest number of backlogged cases, according to numbers provided by Indiana State Police.

The Fort Wayne lab is currently working on evidence submitted in June 2001. As of April 1, the lab is backlogged by 779 cases.

The lab performs latent fingerprint identification, drug screening, ballistics testing and firearms identification. It also prepares DNA and trace evidence samples for testing completed at the Indianapolis lab.

If no additional evidence were sub-

mitted to Fort Wayne's lab, the current backlog could be eliminated in four months. Instead, new evidence arrives daily, Vanderkolk said.

State lawmakers agreed to spend additional money on the problem before they adjourned in mid-March. Some of the funding will be used to hire new technicians, which can take six months to two years.

In the meantime, as technology advances, still more evidence arrives, Vanderkolk said.

"This is an age-old problem," he told The Journal Gazette for a story published Sunday. "New technology allows for new testing, and service requests go up."

Like most of the labs, the Fort Wayne facility accepts evidence from a wide range of agencies, from small-town police forces to much larger sheriff's departments and fire investigators.

Evidence is prioritized by urgency. If a suspect is still on the street, the evidence usually is tested and completed as a higher priority.

An ever-changing court docket with plea agreements and continued cases further disrupts technicians' schedules.

"We do not rush through the exam, but we reprioritize cases based on court dates," said Sgt. Rick Oatess, who works at the Fort Wayne lab.

The constant juggling of backlogged cases is nothing new for the state police technicians. The labs hope to eventually catch up so that everything submitted for analysis is returned within 30 days.

"The backlog has always been a problem," Vanderkolk said. "Before it's always fallen on deaf ears. More people are starting to wake up."

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1st Sgt. John Vanderkolk
manager of state crime lab in
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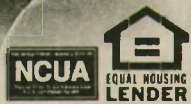
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Indiana job losses are worst in nation

Associated Press

Indiana has lost more jobs in the past two years than any other state.

The 95,000 jobs — about 3 percent of Indiana's work force, which is seven times worse than the national average — were shed from retailing, services and the state's core industry of manufacturing, an analysis of recent government statistics shows.

Economists say prospects for a rebound are uncertain.

More than in past recessions, competitive pressures to cut costs will force some manufacturers to buy machines or move work out of the country instead of hire back laid-off employees.

"Everything depends on the future of manufacturing," Hudson Institute economist Graham Toft told The Indianapolis Star for a story published Sunday. "I am not sanguine about the uptick."

Declining employment, with its fallout of crimping state tax revenue, is only the latest symptom in a decades-long trend of Hoosiers losing ground in earnings.

Much of the problem is attributed to international competition and corporate buyouts that swept away well-paying management positions.

Low unemployment rates are deceptive because they do not track people who drop out of the labor market. As the number of available jobs shrink, so does the number of people looking for work.

There's nothing new about a recession pounding Indiana. In the eight recessions since World War II, only in 1990-91 did Indiana do better than the country as a whole.

The current recession began in March 2001, and many experts think it ended late last year or early this year. As a barometer of economic health, employment shows the total number of jobs available. Shrinking job opportunities usually mean people earn less money.

The two-year period beginning in January 2000 dates to a couple of months before the technology bubble bust and more than a year before the recession began, said Indiana University economist James C. Smith, who analyzed the Bureau of Labor statistics.

"Indiana just fared pretty poorly across the board," Smith said. Yet, Hudson Institute's Toft, who formerly headed the state's economic development think tank, said the 3.16 percent loss is better than average for the state during recessions.

Indiana's job-creation woes stretch back further than two years. Few jobs have been created since the mid-90s, leaving total employment stubbornly entrenched at just below 3 million, Toft said.

CHECKING IT OUT



ELLIE ASHBY/The Observer

Potential Saint Mary's students and parents talk to sophomore Student Body Vice President Elizabeth Jablonski-Diehl, left, at Accepted Day on Campus Sunday. The fair in Angela Athletic Facility featured stations where accepted students could find out more about academics and activities at the College.

Ebersol speaks about changing Olympics

By JESSICA DALSING
News Writer

Executive Producer of NBC Sports Dick Ebersol spoke on Saturday about changing the face of the Olympics. As one of the lecturers featured at the Student International Business Council Forum held this weekend, Ebersol embodied the "peace through commerce" motto of the Council.

In light of the tragedy of Sept. 11, Ebersol noted that the 2002 Winter Olympics fulfilled "a need for many

people to feel closer together."

Ebersol said the Olympics is an image of, as the promotional segment said, "a world as we wish it could be." According to Ebersol, the 2002 Olympics needed a personal appeal.

NBC highlighted individual stories making each young man or woman come to life for the viewing public. For the participants, an Olympic event is the culmination of a life's work. When an audience can empathize with an athlete's struggle it provides viewers with adrenaline for

the race, said Ebersol.

Ebersol was present at the inception of such personalized athlete coverage when he worked with legendary sports producer Boone Arledge. His first job with ABC in the early 1970s consisted of being given a credit card without a limit and a mission to learn the stories of Olympic hopefuls.

Ebersol has fine-tuned the skill of no longer allowing foreign and domestic athletes to be strangers to the viewing public.

To continue making this possible, Ebersol had to turn

sportscasters known for their play-by-play announcing of informed narrations into prize-winning storytellers. The announcers had to build emotional attachment of the audience to the athletes participating.

For Ebersol this approach was logical. "The beauty of sport is that it is unscribed; it's real," Ebersol said.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Arabs reject Arafat's peace appeals:

Even Arabs who supported Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's decision to speak out against violence called it a painful choice Sunday in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, and many accused Secretary of State Colin Powell of siding with Israel in his Mideast peace mission. "Once again, President Arafat yields to pressure, especially American pressure," said an unsigned column in the Saudi Al Watan daily.

Court wants bodies returned:

Israel's Supreme Court told the army Sunday that it must give the Palestinians the bodies of those killed in Jenin's refugee camp, a move that could help clear up the escalating dispute over how many Palestinians died in the fierce fighting. Also, the army gave journalists a limited tour of the devastated camp.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

People want dressy doctors:

Despite the casual appearance of their TV counterparts, patients want their doctors to dress formally and not show up in blue jeans and sandals, a new study suggests. Name badges, white coats and dress shoes are preferable for both male and female doctors, the patients in the study said. "A carefully dressed provider might convey the image that he or she is meticulous and careful," said the researchers, Drs. Matthew Kanzler and David Gorsulowsky, two northern California dermatologists.

Florida Dems still support Gore:

Florida Democrats' hearts were with Al Gore this weekend, but many delegates said they're keeping an open mind about their preferences for the 2004 presidential race. Gore's speech electrified their state convention in Lake Buena Vista Saturday as the Florida delegates recalled his narrow and disputed loss.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Court keeps silent on judge's case:

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COLOMBIA



AFF Photo

A bomb exploded aboard a bus Sunday, targeting the leading Colombian presidential candidate, Alvaro Uribe Sunday. Uribe was unharmed, but two people inside the bus died. Officials have not identified any suspects.

Presidential candidate survives bomb

Associated Press

BOGOTA

A bus exploded near the motorcade of Colombia's leading presidential candidate on Sunday, leaving him unharmed but killing two people and injuring two officers, officials said.

Alvaro Uribe's caravan was going through the Caribbean coastal city of Barranquilla when a bus exploded nearby. Uribe, a hard-liner running on pledges to crack down on leftist guerrillas, told Caracol radio moments later that he was unharmed.

"What happened is lam-

entable. I hope that the wounds that my colleagues suffered are not serious," Uribe said.

Two people who were inside the bus were killed, and two members of a police escort who were riding on a motorcycle were injured, Uribe spokesman Ricardo Galan told The Associated Press by telephone from Barranquilla.

Television images showed men carrying a body from the site of the blast, and two sport utility vehicles pocked with what appeared to be shrapnel marks.

Officials did not immediately say who they believe

was behind the bombing but suspicion was likely to turn on Colombia's main rebel group, the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, who have allegedly plotted to assassinate the hard-line candidate on at least one occasion.

Earlier this month Uribe's vice-presidential candidate, Francisco Santos, said the two were aware they could be targets during the campaign.

Uribe, a former state governor, holds a commanding lead ahead of May 26 presidential elections — in large part because his tough rhetoric

against the FARC has resonated with Colombians fed up with rebel violence.

The country's 38-year war pits the FARC and another leftist guerrilla faction against Colombia's U.S.-backed military and an illegal right-wing paramilitary group. An estimated 3,500 people have died annually, most of them unarmed civilians. The FARC is thought to be responsible for a recent wave of urban bombings and a mass kidnapping Thursday, in which rebels disguised as an army bomb squad abducted 12 provincial lawmakers in southwest Colombia.

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Priest abuse allegations top 450

Associated Press

BOSTON

Attorneys for people who say were sexually abused by Boston-area priests said more than 450 alleged victims have come forward with new allegations since the scandal broke in January.

"Some of them realize for the first time that they're not an isolated incident," said Mitchell Garabedian, who settled with the Boston Archdiocese last month on behalf of 86 people who accused former priest John Geoghan

of abusing them.

Court documents released in January showed Cardinal Bernard Law and other Roman Catholic church officials knew Geoghan had been accused of abuse but kept moving him from parish to parish.

Garabedian said he has taken on 250 new clients who said they were assaulted by Geoghan and other priests.

"The Geoghan case has opened up the flood gates," he said.

Attorney Jeffrey Newman said he has taken on 100 new cases since January. He said that after each news

report about allegations against particular priests, new clients have come forward accusing those priests of abuse.

Garabedian said alleged victims "seem to draw strength from the media coverage."

Attorney Roderick MacLeish told the Boston Sunday Globe he also has received 100 new clients. A call to his office from The Associated Press was not immediately returned Sunday. Calls for Law's resignation mounted after MacLeish released personnel records at a news conference last week.

Powell presses Arafat to end violence

♦ Sharon already abandoned idea of making peace with Palestinian leader

Associated Press

JERUSALEM

Struggling to get a cease-fire in place and peacemaking started, Secretary of State Colin Powell is pressing Yasser Arafat in his mostly destroyed Ramallah headquarters Sunday to take "effective action" to end Palestinian attacks against Israel.

The heavily guarded visit where Arafat is confined by Israeli troops is bound to boost Arafat's standing as the leader of the Palestinian people and the one Israel must deal with to seek a peace accord.

Powell also is calling for restraint by Israeli forces on the West Bank and for "unimpeded access to humanitarian organizations" for the Palestinian people caught up in the 16-day Israeli siege.

Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon has already dismissed any notion of making peace with Arafat, whom he accuses of being responsible for a deadly rash of suicide bombings.

But Powell is determined to begin a process that would culminate in Palestinian statehood on land Israel captured from the Arabs in the 1967 Mideast war.

Powell decided to meet with Arafat after the Palestinian leader denounced terrorism on Saturday in a statement the White House demanded.

The talks had been delayed 24 hours because Arafat initially ignored U.S. calls to condemn the Friday attack of a suicide bomber near a Jerusalem marketplace, which killed six and injured scores.

"We are condemning strongly all the attacks which are targeting civilians from both sides and especially the attack that

"We are condemning strongly all the attacks which are targeting civilians from both sides and especially the attack that took place against Israeli citizens yesterday in Jerusalem."

Yasser Arafat
Palestinian leader

took place against Israeli citizens yesterday in Jerusalem," Arafat said Saturday.

Arafat's statement, in Arabic, was distributed by the Palestinian news service Wafa and was read several times on Palestinian television and radio, giving it the circulation the Bush administration sought.

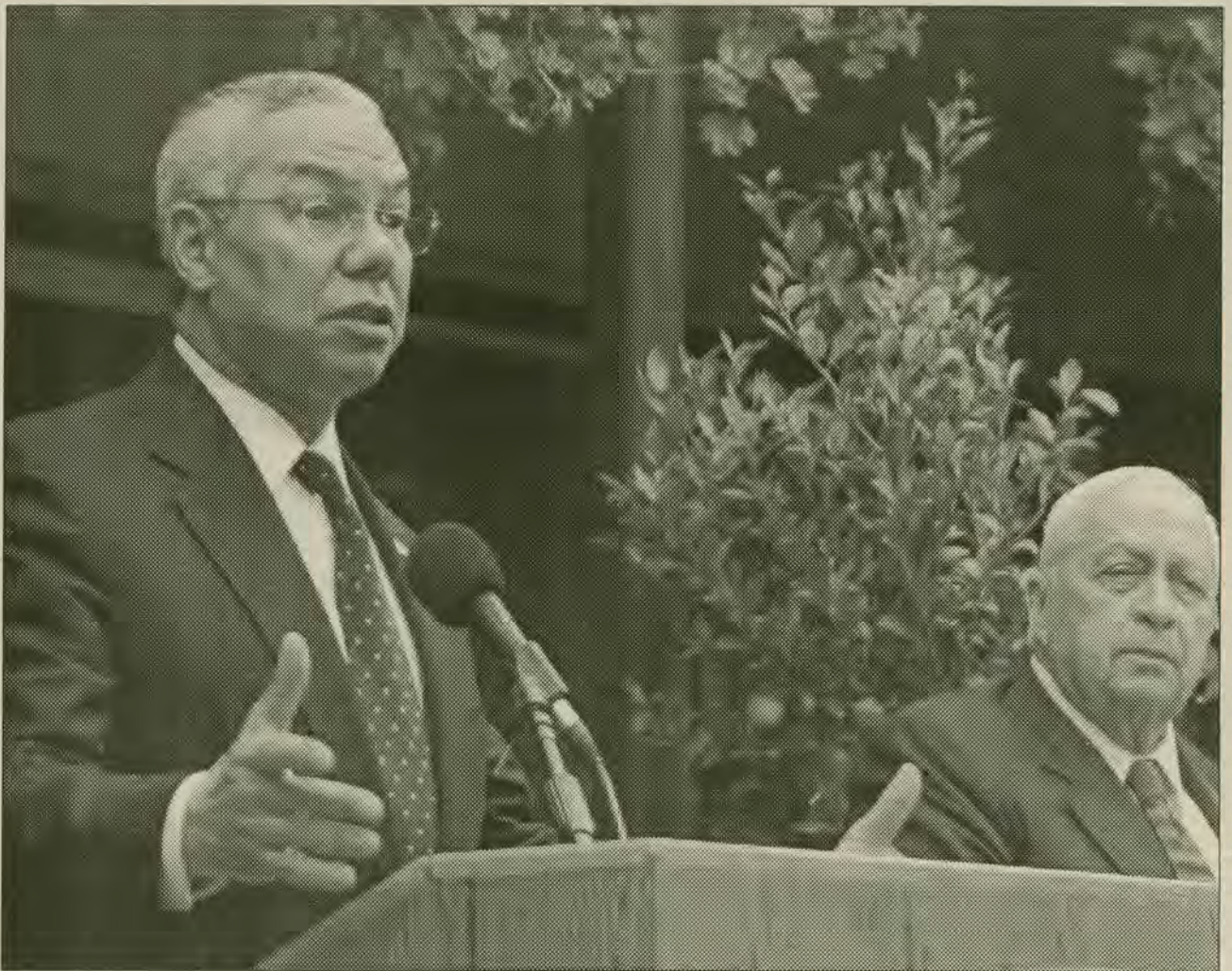
Arafat also lashed out at Israel's West Bank operation: "We also condemn very strongly the massacre that was committed by the Israeli occupation troops against our refugees in Jenin and against our people in Ramallah, Nablus and Tulkarem and also the brutal aggression against the church in Bethlehem during the last two weeks."

Israeli forces moved into more West Bank villages Saturday, and sporadic fighting continued, especially in Nablus where seven Israeli tanks began shelling the main local government complex.

The Israeli government dismissed the Palestinian leader's statement and noted that the suicide bomber who struck Friday was sent by Al Aqsa Martyrs' Brigade, a militia linked to Arafat's Fatah movement.

"We want deeds, not words," said Danny Ayalon, foreign policy adviser to Sharon. "We cannot be impressed by any condemnation of their doings and their own strategies, which contin-

ue." State Department spokesman Richard Boucher declined to make a judgment on Powell's chances of securing a cease-fire and steering the two sides



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U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell speaks at a press conference with Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon. Powell is attempting to negotiate a cease-fire in the Middle East, but Sharon dismissed the idea of peace with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. Powell met with Arafat Sunday.

to peacemaking and a Palestinian state.

Boucher said Arafat's statement contained "a number of interesting and positive elements," including condemnation of terror and a reaffirmation of a Palestinian commitment to a negotiated peace with Israel.

Also, the statement called for immediate implementation of a

shelved cease-fire plan prepared by CIA Director George Tenet, Boucher said.

"The secretary will work with Chairman Arafat and the Palestinian leadership to show leadership and to help make these statements a reality, with effective action to bring an end to terror and violence and an early resumption of a political process," Boucher said.

It was disclosed Saturday that U.S. mediator Anthony Zinni had met Friday in Jericho with Palestinian officials.

Powell consulted by telephone with King Abdullah II of Jordan, Egyptian Foreign Minister Ahmed Maher, Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov and European officials before deciding to meet Arafat.

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Study finds federal doctors convicted of crimes

♦ Most doctors work for VA hospitals

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

More than 100 federal government doctors have been convicted of crimes or disciplined by state medical boards, including one physician now treating veterans who was convicted of helping a terrorist group, an Associated Press review of medical licenses has found.

Federal agencies are required to check the backgrounds of doctors they employ but are not prohibited from hiring those with criminal records, revoked licenses or medical punishments.

All a doctor needs is a medical license valid in one state to get a government job.

Dr. Suzy Melkonian, who is paid \$48 an hour as a blood cancer specialist at a Veterans Affairs hospital in Los Angeles, was convicted 21 years ago in Switzerland of extorting money for a group that staged terrorist bombings and assassinations.

Melkonian was reprimanded five years ago by California for failing to disclose her Swiss conviction when applying for a medical license.

Despite Melkonian's conviction, VA managers believed her training and patient care were good and "she'd be a qualified member of our staff," said Dr. Dean Norman, chief of staff for the Los Angeles VA hospital.

An AP review of medical board disciplinary records identified at least 118 federal doctors who have worked for the government in the past two years who were convicted of crimes or punished by state authorities for offenses ranging from sex and drug abuse to incompetence.

Three of those doctors have been fired in recent months, including one whose conviction for attempted child molestation should have legally barred him from getting his job, and two who had relapses of conduct that prompted earlier punishments.

In all, 0.5 percent of the more than 20,800 doctors employed by the government have been convicted of crimes or punished, the records showed. Nationally, the rate is 2.6 percent.

But advocates say the government's choice of doctors should be better than the public at large, particularly because federal physicians serve the vulnerable, the underprivileged and those who fought to keep the country safe.

"How many times do we have to get screwed over? Nobody seems to care all that much," said Sherri Siegle, a Choctaw nurse who worked for the Indian Health Service. Siegle said she checked the backgrounds of doctors at her Oklahoma hospital after seeing them make mistakes, and found several who had been previously punished.

Fourteen punished doctors currently work for IHS.

Punished federal physicians

have treated veterans, soldiers, American Indians, astronauts and federal prisoners. They also have researched drug safety, investigated new addiction treatments and acted as agency medical advisers.

They include:

♦ At least five reprimanded for neglecting patients who died.

♦ 11 convicted criminals, including doctors who ordered child pornography, defrauded Medicaid and stole drugs from the VA.

♦ 18 punished for sexual misconduct, including a doctor disciplined for having sex with five patients.

♦ Thirty-seven punished for drug violations, including three whose drug use forced them to leave surgeries and three federal prison doctors who now treat prisoners for drug abuse and other ailments.

The majority — 75 — work for the VA, the largest federal health care agency. Some veterans' groups want VA Secretary Anthony Principi to investigate.

"If this is true — and these are some serious allegations — I assume the secretary will do something about it," said Dick Flanagan, a spokesman for the group AMVETS.

Federal officials acknowledge screening processes are not always thorough.

Dr. Thomas Craig, the VA's

chief medical officer, said overworked hospital officials sometimes can miss problems or fail to check a doctor's background thoroughly. The VA has a new computer system to assist background checks.

Melkonian and other punished doctors said they told supervisors about their pasts.

Melkonian was convicted in 1981 of extorting about \$6,000 from a Swiss businessman to help the now-defunct Armenian Secret Army for the Liberation of Armenia, according to California medical board records and news reports.

ASALA, identified by the U.S. government as a terrorist group, claimed credit for scores of bombings and assassinations, mostly of Turkish targets.

Melkonian was arrested in 1980 after an explosion in her Geneva hotel room led police to discover a partly assembled bomb. Afterward, ASALA and a splinter group began a bombing campaign aimed at freeing her and an ASALA leader.

Melkonian denied being a member of the terrorist group. The Swiss court convicted her of extortion, gave her an 18-month suspended sentence and expelled her.

"These events have nothing whatsoever to do with my practice of medicine," Melkonian, 46, said in a written statement. She attended medical school in

Chicago after leaving Switzerland.

The California Medical Board reprimanded Melkonian in 1997 for failing to disclose her conviction on her 1996 license application.

Her lawyer, Theodora Polynis-Engen, said Melkonian did not know she had been convicted because Swiss authorities never told her and the court proceedings were conducted in French, which Melkonian does not understand.

Other punished federal doctors include:

♦ Dr. Brian K. Bevacqua, head of anesthesiology at the VA hospital in Madison, Wis. In 1987, Bevacqua pleaded guilty to ordering child pornography and was sentenced to two years' probation and a \$1,500 fine, according to Pennsylvania and Ohio medical board and court records. He declined comment.

♦ Dr. Robert H. Gerner, whose California license was suspended for 60 days in 1994 for having sex with a patient during psychotherapy sessions. Gerner now makes more than \$52 per hour at the VA hospital in Los Angeles.

Norman, the hospital's chief of staff, said hospital officials knew about Gerner's punishment and required him to be supervised by another doctor.

♦ Dr. Stephen John Davis, who earned \$111,245 at a Nevada federal prison last year. Michigan and Georgia suspended his medical licenses for six months in 1993 on charges he neglected one of his nursing home patients who died.

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Wealthy, lower class targets for auditors

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The wealthy and low-income people stand a better chance of being audited than the typical middle-class family, which is paying the lowest share of its income to the Treasury since 1957.

Rich, poor and the middle class all are affected by one tax trend — the 17,000-page, 2.8 million-word tax code is more complex than ever. One estimate is that it now takes 28 hours and six minutes to tackle the Internal Revenue Service's 1040 form and do the necessary record keeping.

This year's filing deadline is midnight Monday for most of the country.

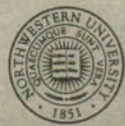
IRS data and reports from several tax research organizations depict a tax system that

does not treat everyone equally but is, by far, the single biggest source of government paperwork and red tape.

"An abomination," Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill calls it.

Consider IRS audits. Individuals making \$100,000 or more and those making \$25,000 or less are much more likely to face an audit than the tens of millions in between. High-income people tend to have more complicated returns that invite more audits; about 0.69 percent of all these returns were audited in 2001.

Those making under \$25,000 usually have simple returns, yet about 0.40 percent were audited last year. That is almost twice the rate of taxpayers in the middle-income range and is largely attributable to the earned income tax credit.



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Lindbergh flies grandfather's journey again

♦ 75 years later, descendant recreates aviator's historic flight

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO

The grandson of aviation hero Charles Lindbergh took off from San Diego under hazy skies Sunday on the first leg of an attempt to duplicate his grandfather's historic 1927 solo crossing of the Atlantic.

Erik Lindbergh's flight recreation is part of the 75th anniversary celebration of Charles Lindbergh's cross-

Atlantic flight, which began in San Diego, where the original Spirit of St. Louis was built.

Wearing a blue flight suit, the young Lindbergh, 36, left San Diego's airport, Lindbergh Field, at 9:32 a.m. without speaking to reporters.

He expected to make the trip to St. Louis in nine hours. From there, he plans to fly on April 20 to Farmingdale, N.Y., where he will begin his crossing of the Atlantic on May 1.

The cross-Atlantic trip took Charles Lindbergh 33 1/2 hours; his grandson expects to make it in less than 21 hours.

Erik Lindbergh's New Spirit of St. Louis, made of a glass and carbon composite and outfitted with modern communications technology and safety gear, was built in Bend, Ore., for \$289,000. Its average cruise speed is 184 mph, compared to the 108 mph of the original Spirit of St. Louis, which was built for \$10,580.

Dozens of reporters and supporters gathered at Lindbergh Field to see off the young Lindbergh, a commercial pilot and artist who lives in the Seattle area.

Among them was Tom Young, who as a 6-year-old saw Charles Lindbergh leave the San Diego airfield then known as Dutch Flats in 1927.

"It's quite a thrill to see the grandchild take off," Young said. "I have a memory of going down to Dutch Flats with my father ... and being moved out of the way so (Lindbergh) could get in."

"I hope that all these young children here today will remember this in 75 years," Young said.

The risks of crossing the Atlantic now are less than what the elder Lindbergh faced in 1927, event organizers acknowledged, but the challenge is still considerable.

"Each time one person does it, it's a personal challenge and inherently risky," said Gregg Maryniak, flight director for the New Spirit of St. Louis.

The adventure also is intended to raise awareness of rheumatoid arthritis, which Erik Lindbergh has struggled with for years.

Organizers also hope the journey will promote the X Prize Foundation, a non-profit group based in St. Louis that is offering \$10 million to the first private group that can build and launch a manned spacecraft into space, then repeat the feat within two weeks.

The competition is modeled after the Orteig Prize, the \$25,000 bounty won by Charles Lindbergh for making the New York-to-Paris trip.

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World Bank faces critics

♦ Financial institution faces "tough talk" in harsh economy

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

If a worldwide economic slowdown and Argentina's default were not enough to worry about, the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank are enduring name-calling and fingerpointing — even from the finance ministers who set the institutions' policy.

It's not always the case that the toughest language comes from anti-globalization protesters, who are expected to turn out in the thousands for this weekend's spring meetings.

For example, Clare Short, Britain's outspoken international development secretary, termed a U.S. proposal to shift World Bank loans to grants "crazy." Not to be outdone, the equally blunt Paul O'Neill, President Bush's Treasury secretary, labeled Short's counterproposal "just stupid."

Such tough talk in public is not the norm for finance ministers and central bank presidents who meet twice a year to set policy for the 183-nation IMF and its sister lending organization, the World Bank.

But in the wake of Sept. 11, the rich countries are feeling

pressured as never before to do a better job of dealing with the 1 billion people in the world — one in six — who live in abject poverty, getting by on less than \$1 per day.

President Bush and world leaders were in Monterrey, Mexico, last month to endorse development goals to deal with the economic despair that has proved a fertile breeding ground for terrorist groups.

Under the consensus reached in Monterrey, the wealthy countries will increase their foreign aid spending and be more selective about which countries get the assistance. Favored will be countries that adopt sound economic reforms and control corruption.

Much disagreement remain over just how these goals will be put into practice by organizations such as the World Bank, the world's biggest source of development assistance, and the IMF, which specializes in helping countries deal with financial crises.

At the meetings in Washington, anti-globalization protesters will be joined by anti-war demonstrators who plan to press their opposition to an expanded U.S. war on terrorism and the violence in the Middle East.

From within, the lending institutions are facing unaccustomed criticism.

William Easterly, an econo-

mist on leave from the World Bank, has written a searing indictment that the bank over its 57-year history has wasted billions in failed efforts to boost economic growth in many parts of the world.

A former chief economist at the IMF said this month in a study that the IMF had botched its handling of the economic crisis in Argentina. Michael Mussa, who left his IMF post last year, said the IMF did little to avert what became a disastrous default.

The Bush administration, led by O'Neill, often cites the various critics in the U.S. push for major changes at both institutions.

For the World Bank, the administration wants to see half of the loans to the poorest nations switched to grants that do not have to be repaid.

Short and other Europeans contend that change would deplete World Bank funds in the future unless rich nations make a greater commitment to increase their support.

While touring Europe last week to build support for greater efforts to choke off terrorist financing, O'Neill said he believed both the terrorist financing issue and the grants versus loans battle would be resolved during the IMF spring meetings.

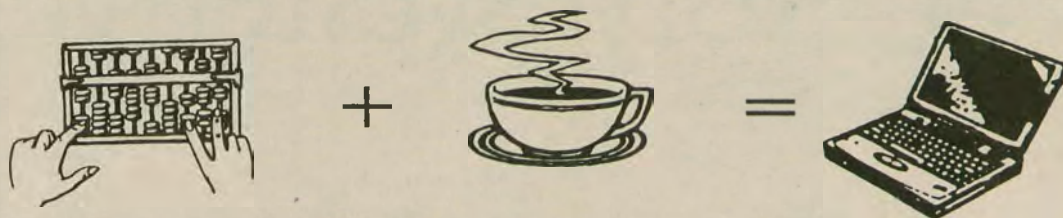
Likewise, the administration is hoping for increased support for a U.S. proposal to make it easier for countries facing economic difficulty to default on their loans, through new clauses in future bond contracts.

Critics say few countries would willingly adopt such clauses because they would drive up borrowing costs.

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Bridgestone CEO reports strong company

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn.

Despite a federal investigation and recall of tires, Bridgestone/Firestone's chief executive, John Lampe, said the company is stronger than ever.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration closed its 16-month investigation into Firestone Steeltex tires last Tuesday, saying it could find no evidence of a design defect. It was the last open federal investigation into Firestone tires.

In August 2000, the Nashville-based company recalled 6.5 million ATX, ATX II and Wilderness AT tires, many sold as standard equipment on the Ford Explorer.

"I'm convinced we have

emerged from the recall stronger than we've ever been before," Lampe said at a National Manufacturers Association conference in Nashville.

Lampe credited the company's "Making it Right" program that was aimed at restoring confidence with consumers, regulators and employees. He said the company also benefited from an effort begun in 1992 to build the Firestone brand as a consumer tire.

Through that strategy, the company helped many of its 8,000 independent tire dealers expand their businesses and build a loyal network that didn't waver during the hard times of 2000 and 2001, Lampe said.

"Not one major dealer of ours switched brands because

of the recall," he said.

Last October, Bridgestone/Firestone agreed to recall 3.5 million more Wilderness AT tires.

The company, which lost more than \$1 billion last year, should return to profit this year, say several analysts who track the company.

Bridgestone/Firestone, the U.S. subsidiary of Bridgestone Corp. of Japan, underwent a major restructuring last year. It divided its operating units into four separate companies and closed its manufacturing plant in Decatur, Ill., because of excess capacity at all of its plants.

The restructuring and cash reserves already set aside for legal costs should be sufficient to handle any further problems stemming from the recall and make all divisions

of the company profitable, according to an analyst report prepared last month by Steve Usher of J.P. Morgan Securities Asia.

Bridgestone/Firestone intends to build its market share with new products for its Bridgestone and Firestone tire brands with Bridgestone, the company's premium tire brand, making inroads into the consumer market, Lampe said.

In the aftermath of the recall, Lampe broke off business ties with Ford Motor Co. in May 2001, ending a 95-year relationship between the two companies.

Last November, state attorneys general announced Bridgestone/Firestone will pay \$41.5 million in a settlement to end state lawsuits about the tires.

KMart revises CEO salary

Associated Press

DETROIT

Kmart Corp. has asked a federal bankruptcy judge to approve a \$1.5 million annual base salary for chief executive and chairman James Adamson.

The bankrupt retailer earlier proposed paying Adamson \$1 million a year. But in its motion filed Friday night with U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Chicago, Kmart said Adamson's "wealth of experience in both retailing and restructurings" justified paying him the higher amount.

Attorneys for Troy-based Kmart told Chief Bankruptcy Judge Susan Pierson Sonderby that they would present the revised proposal for Adamson's compensation on April 23 or April 24.

In addition to the \$1.5 million salary, the new proposal would give Adamson a bonus equal to 125 percent of his base salary upon Kmart's emergence from Chapter 11 bankruptcy. He could receive a smaller or larger bonus, depending on the achievement of performance goals.

The motion also asked to give Adamson to a "success payment" to be determined by the development and execution of Kmart's reorganization plan. The payment would be made by Kmart's unsecured creditors as a combination of cash, Kmart stock or other Kmart securities.

Additionally, the retailer wants to pay for Adamson's salary, bonuses, incentives, benefits and perks with a \$10 million letter of credit pending bankruptcy court approval of the revised employment agreement. The letter of credit in effect guarantees that Adamson will be compensated as promised.

Calif. proposes strict audit reforms

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif.

Corporations would be required to change auditing firms every four years, under legislation being proposed Monday by California lawmakers in response to the Enron and Arthur Andersen accounting scandals.

The measures also would

restrict consulting work by auditing firms. Critics say the firms' dual role as consultants can create conflicts of interest for auditors who are supposed to maintain their objectivity.

Lawmakers touted their bills as consumer protection legislation needed to restore investor confidence. They said California investors need better information and protections to make

wise decisions.

"Our goal is very simple: re-establish credibility to the auditing process," said Assemblyman Lou Correa, D-Anaheim, chairman of the Business and Professions Committee.

There's no doubt the profession's credibility is in question, said Mike Ueltzen, past president of the California Society of Certified Public Accountants.

But Ueltzen, who chairs CalCPA's government affairs committee, said corporations, stock analysts and regulators also are to blame.

Most of the proposed bills are unnecessary or should be handled nationally instead of creating piecemeal regulations in 50 states, Ueltzen said.

Correa said California can be a national leader while state and federal regulators spend their time "pointing fingers everywhere as to where the problem lies." It's not uncommon for businesses to face both state and federal rules, he said.

"We can't count on the federal government to do anything," said Dan Jacobson, legislative advocate for CalPIRG, the California Public Interest Research Group. CalPIRG backed the legislation with eight pages of recommendations.

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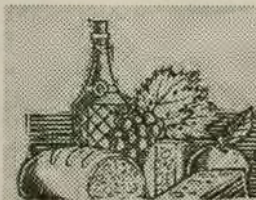
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Even in the Middle East, the ends do not justify the means

The recent violence in the Middle East has polarized many people in the world. The idea of a people searching for a home generates a visceral, gut reaction. As does a people attempting to protect itself from terrorism. As does the death of so many people in a land three major religions consider holy. So it generates strong feelings, either one way or the other, or on neither side, just hoping the violence will end.

Mike Marchand

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Essentially, there are two major problems: Israel's occupation of Palestinian territory and Palestine's use of terrorism against Israeli citizens. So many people who've expressed their opinions usually only consider one problem and completely ignore the other. Or, they pronounce a moral equivalence between the two.

But in this case, the problems are not morally equivalent. They are also not conjoined problems; they can be solved separately. In fact, they must be considered separately, because while the Palestinians' claims have merit, their actions do not.

People who support the Palestinians either totally dismiss the suicide bombings that have killed Israeli citizens or claim that the terrorists are freedom fighters for the worthy cause of the ending of Israeli occupation and the creation of a Palestinian homeland. For example, Palestinian Representative to the United States Hassan Abdel Rahman said on "Meet The Press" last week that the occupation is "a systematic, constant terror directed against [the Palestinians] and against their lives because it steals from them their dignity, their livelihood."

Does he have a point? Of course. But however noble the means, nothing justifies the use of terror against innocent civilians. This has been official U.S. poli-

cy since Sept. 11, echoed by all the responsible nations of the world. And the organizations responsible for the suicide attacks — Hamas, Hezbollah, Islamic Jihad and others — should be familiar to all of us, considering we declared war on them for associating with Osama bin Laden's al-Qaeda group.

The most recent intifada began shortly after Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat pulled out of the conference with President Bill Clinton and Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak at Camp David in late 2000. Arafat was given very generous concessions, but the poison pill was that the terrorism must stop. He walked away.

This has been the stumbling block of every major peace negotiation. Arafat and his cronies simply refuse to end the violence, hoping that civilian death will force the Israelis into giving away more land. For once, the Israelis are fighting fire with fire instead of negotiations. When Arafat did not call off the intifada, the Israelis moved in.

Let's deal with some empty rhetoric right here. First, Palestinian sympathizers argue that there is no way that Arafat can stop the terrorists while under virtual house arrest in Ramallah. However true this may be, he has not even tried. In fact, he recently encouraged more Palestinians to become suicide bombers and "sacrifice themselves as martyrs in jihad for Palestine," according to USA Today.

Second, the moral equivalency crowd counters that in the recent military action, Israeli soldiers have killed as many as 250 Palestinians, many of them innocents, women and children. However, deliberate terroristic targeting of civilians must not be confused with the accidental collateral damage that is a tragic yet unavoidable consequence of legitimate warfare. As an act of self-defense, Israel has the right to move into Palestinian land to root out the terrorists whose only goal is the destruction of the

Jewish state, just as the United States attacked Afghanistan following the Sept. 11 attacks.

Third, pro-Palestinians claim that the Israelis are violating Palestinians' human rights by herding them into refugee camps and not allowing such things as emergency vehicles in. That is indeed lamentable, but it's a result of terrorism. The terrorists have so effectively blurred the lines between themselves and the innocent that the Israelis can't trust anyone. Is that ambulance going to pick up injured Palestinians, or will it be driven into a crowded Israeli village? Is that young mother really going to get food for her child, or to blow herself up in a busy town square? The current plight of the Palestinians is on the hands of Yasser Arafat, not the Israelis.

The Israelis also have responsibilities. Once they have destroyed the terrorist cells and once Palestine is ready to be ruled by a stable, peace-loving government, nothing would justify them further occupying Palestinian territory. So, they should pull out as instructed by President Bush and the U.N. Security Council, as well as the much-vaunted Saudi peace initiative. While this would leave them in a precarious defensive position, being as narrow as nine miles wide in the middle and therefore vulnerable to an attack which would cut them in two, if the Palestinians and the rest of the Arab world hold to their agreements, there may finally be a lasting peace in the Holy Land.

Mike Marchand, class of 2001, an analyst for RealClearPolitics and a contributor to The Politix Group, thinks "Ariel Sharon" isn't nearly as cool a name as "Benjamin Netanyahu." His e-mail address is Marchand.3@nd.edu. The final "Undistinguished Alumnus" appears April 29.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of the Observer.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Petition confirms student voice

Thank you to all who have signed the petition calling for an increased student voice and a continuation of in-hall dances. The approximately 4,000 signatures we received in just three days shows the importance of these issues to students and the necessity of involving everyone in both identifying the problem and creating solutions.

We are also encouraged by the recently released report co-chaired by University President Father Edward Malloy entitled "A Call to Action: Changing the Culture of Drinking at U.S. Colleges." We believe this report provides an important framework for establishing student participation in the creation of programs to address alcohol abuse. As the report notes, "student participation not only improved a school's policy, but also increased campus-wide 'owner-

ship' of the prevention efforts emanating from it." One important recommendation to achieve this level of participation is through direct student-led "reviews of proposed policies before they are finalized." It is this level of active student involvement that we are calling for in this petition.

The strong support we have received demonstrates the power of a unified student voice. We are committed to ensuring this voice is heard.

Libby Bishop

student body president

Trip Foley

student body vice president

April 15, 2002

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"More than an end to war, we want an end to the beginnings of all wars."

Franklin Delano Roosevelt
U.S. president

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Move Commencement to the Stadium

Notre Dame is a school which prides itself on tradition. As anyone who knows me could attest, I am usually a strong supporter of tradition in general. However, some traditions are not worth keeping and need to be adapted to fit the times. Specifically, the tradition of holding Commencement in the Joyce Center is untenable and it should be changed.

Holding Commencement in the Joyce Center means that there is extremely limited seating for graduates' families, such that the University only guarantees three tickets (and possibly a fourth) for each graduate. Anyone else who wants to attend must watch on video in DeBartolo. I was lucky enough to get a fourth ticket in the lottery, but this is still unfair. In my immediate family, there are six other people — my parents and my four younger siblings. I was hoping that my grandmother would be able to come to the ceremony from San Antonio, as well, but if she does, I still have to decide which one of my brothers or sisters will be able to be in the Joyce Center. My sis-

ter Theresa, a sophomore in Welsh, will face the same dilemma two years from now.

I'm not alone in having to make this choice, however. The registrar announced recently that there were 1,836 requests for a fourth ticket, over 200 more requests than the University was able to fill. That means that an overwhelming majority of the graduating class wanted a fourth ticket, and quite probably still more tickets. Memo to the administration: this was not an unforeseeable event. At the very least, one would think that a Catholic university would not expect most families to consist simply of two parents and 1.5 children. Besides that, of course,

many graduates have extended families or remarried parents, which might automatically put them over the three-person limit. It is absurd to require families who have made long trips all the way to South Bend for an event as important as college graduation, to be relegated to a nearby classroom building. How to decide who can attend? Graduates should not be forced to make this decision.

This problem does not have to exist, though. In fact, the solution is simple and with precedent at other schools, and I urge the University to consider it: move Commencement from the Joyce Center to the football stadium. Each graduate's family would then be able to view

the ceremony directly, not on monitors in a classroom building. I imagine that few families (or graduates) would be so tied to the "tradition" that they would not want to see the ceremony for themselves, having travelled in many cases very long distances to be here.

I understand there are concerns about security and about having to prepare two locations in the event of rain, but these are not insurmountable challenges. Adequate security can be arranged in the Stadium and a decision can be made a day or two ahead of time as to the final location. If there looks to be inclement weather, well, the three or four tickets each graduate has already been assigned would easily allow the move back into the Joyce Center.

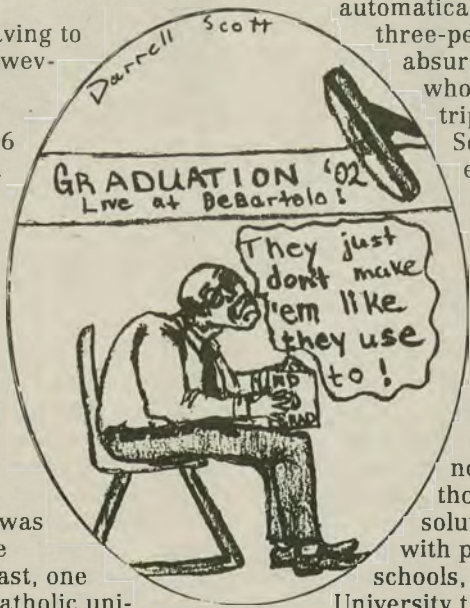
In the meantime, most seniors I know would agree to the alternative: hold Commencement in the Stadium.

Kimberly Blackwell

senior

Lyons Hall

April 15, 2002



Donor drive supports Domer

Today, over 3,000 patients await a gracious bone marrow donor to save their life. We invite the entire Notre Dame community to join us in offering a second chance to those in need.

Tuesday, the class of 2002, Howard Hall and the Minority Pre-Medical Society will sponsor "Domer Donors," a bone marrow drive to register new potential donors in the National Bone Marrow Bank. Join us on Tuesday in LaFortune ballroom anytime from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. You will not have to pay the typical \$70 registration fee, and you will be registered until age 61. Entering the National Registry requires an initial blood sample, similar to a mono or strep blood test.

The drive came together in response to the growing awareness of the necessity of bone marrow donors within the Notre Dame community. Please support the senior class in remembering three classmates who died of leukemia, a cancer that, at times, is curable with a successful bone marrow transplant. Because minorities are under-represented in the National Registry and matches are often consistent with ethnic backgrounds, we join the Minority Pre-Medical Society in extending a special invitation to those of us of non-Caucasian and mixed ethnicities.

Perhaps most personally, please have your blood tested to see if you are the match that saves the father of Howard Hall resident Ann Gurucharri.

Having your bone marrow typed not only enables you to help a stranger, this information might one day quicken a family member's search or even your own in the case that you yourself become sick. However, the decision to register should be considered a commitment to donate, as there is nothing more devastating than thinking a match has been found but the donor will not share his or her marrow.

If you do become someone's life-saving match, you will undergo both a physical exam and a secondary blood test to ensure that you are indeed a genetic match and able to give you marrow. You will go to the nearest collection center, either Fort Wayne or Chicago, to have approximately one pint of marrow drawn from your hipbone under either local or general anesthesia. Typically, the donor feels slight pressure in the hip area for about three days following the procedure. Most return to normal activity the day after donation. The cost of this outpatient procedure and travel is covered by the recipient's insurance.

Though walk-ins will be welcomed on Tuesday, interested donors may save time by pre-registering online. To schedule an appointment, check your eligibility or for more information, visit www.nd.edu/~class02/donor. For more information regarding the National Bone Marrow Donor Program visit www.marrow.org.

See you on Tuesday.

Ann Gurucharri

drive director

Peter Rossmann

class of 2002 president

Lisa Sestile

class of 2002 secretary

April 15, 2002

Israelis fight for survival

No one ever thought that the Oslo Accord in 1993 would ever take place, and yet it happened. After the signing of the peace agreement, Israel supplied the Palestinian Authority with police weaponry in order to help govern its people. And as soon as it assumed its governing role, it started an intensive incitement process and taught many children to hate ferociously the Israelis and hope for the total destruction of Israel. These children have grown up surrounded by propaganda that has become so deep and so rooted in their minds that has made possible for them to go and blow themselves up indiscriminately. It did not and still does not matter if the vaporized humans are elderly, young men and women or even babies, as long as they are Israelis. This exhaustive and deadly encouragement is the true reason the suicide bombers blow themselves up, not the alleged occupation issue.

The Oslo Accord was just one step of Yasser Arafat's strategic mission in getting closer to his and his terrorist militants' vision — eliminating Israel. In the last nine years, Yasser Arafat has been the only Palestinian Chairman in the region while four Israeli prime ministers have come and gone, practicing true democracy. Not one of them was good enough for Arafat to lead his people to the "peace of the braves" as he always puts it. The sad reality is that the entire world claims that Arafat is the free elected president of the Palestinian people and the fact that we must negotiate peace only with him is questionable. Well, what the world calls free elections I call fiction since no Palestinian official dared to run for presidency against Arafat; most likely he or she would have been shot.

Furthermore, the international observers who supervised these elections policed how people voted but failed to see that the results were already set. It is also worth mentioning that there have not been any elections in the Palestinian territories since 1996.

During the last couple of weeks, the Israeli Defense Force (IDF) has been cleaning up the "mess" that Arafat left all over the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Its mission is to root out all terrorist infrastructures, which Arafat has been supporting all along right after the Oslo Accord. The amount of illegal weapons and documentations uncovered by the IDF directly proves how Arafat supports attacks against Israelis while talking about peace. The IDF found documents that lead not only to the financing of weapons, such as the ship carrying 53 tons intercepted by Israeli Commandos, but also to the financing of suicide bombers so that they can blow themselves up in public areas in Israel. Had Arafat

used these funds to improve the economic conditions for his people, the Palestinians would have been better off today and many lives would have been spared.

Just 18 months ago, Arafat had an agreement to sign: the Palestinians would get back over 95 percent of the West Bank, 100 percent of Gaza Strip, a foothold in East Jerusalem and the chance of declaring it as their capital. Arafat blew the deal by saying he could not sign this agreement because the Hamas and Islamic Jihad would kill him if the agreement would not include the return of the refugees to their initial houses located all over Israel. He knew that by bringing in this demand, it would be like asking the American government to allow all Native Americans to go back to their past houses before the first English settlers, now Americans, arrived.

Since 1993, Arafat has had all the time in the world to truly prepare his people for making peace with the Israelis. Instead, he resorted to what he knows best: the use of terrorism for his personal agenda — not the use of wisdom to make his people prosper. Arafat and his militants brought a disaster to the Palestinian people instead of freedom and self-determination. They encouraged innocent Palestinian youths to confront the IDF and risk their lives instead of sending them to schools and teaching them peace.

As an Israeli, I can assure you that Arafat, with his terror campaign, is responsible for Ariel Sharon's election as prime minister. The Israelis panicked with massive bombings and voted for the man who just happens to know Arafat's terror tactics best. Sharon was elected only to combat terrorism, nothing else. At the present, the IDF is fighting to achieve peace in the region for the long run and not for letting another Arafat or his terror militants arise once again.

Now the Israeli mental state is in a stage where its own survival is at stake and the only time when true peace can be realized will be when the true mission of those who seek to eliminate Israel are gone for good. Yes, innocent people, both Israelis and Palestinians, suffer because of this war. But as Golda Meir, a former Israeli prime minister, once said, "The only time when the Arab World would recognize Israel's right to exist will be when they start loving their children more than they hate us." Now think about that.

Hagay Amrami

senior

off-campus

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The Magic of D.

World famous illusionist gives South Bend

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Scene Editor

South Bend will witness a bit of the impossible today. And, no, the University has not changed its mind on the alcohol policy. Tonight, world famous magician David Copperfield will perform his latest stage show, "The Portal" at the Morris Performing Arts Center. And while many recognize the magician from his many television appearances, few know the fascinating life that he leads off camera.

The man now known as David Copperfield was born on Sept. 16, 1956, in Metuchen, N.J., as David Seth Kotkin. When Copperfield was seven, he learned his first magic trick from his grandfather, "The Four Ace Trick," an illusion that Copperfield will often still include in his shows.

But, Copperfield originally aspired to be a ventriloquist; but when he visited a prop shop that also doubled as a magic shop, he ended up buying a bag of magic tricks rather than a vent dummy. It would be the beginning of a career that would eventually make him a household name and even get him officially mandated a living legend by the U.S. Library of Congress

and knighted as Chevalier of Arts and Letters by the French government.

By the time he was 12, the young magician was already performing professionally as "Davino, the boy magician," in his hometown. In fact, he was and is the youngest person ever to be admitted as a member of the Society of American Magicians, one of the three major fraternal organizations for magicians. By the time he was 16, he was teaching classes on his art at New York University; his title: Professor of Magic.

At 18, Copperfield enrolled at Fordham University in New York, but was cast in the lead role of the Chicago-based musical "The Magic Man" three weeks into his freshman year. Adopting the stage name of David Copperfield from Charles Dickens' novel of the same name just because he liked the sound of it, the young magician left Fordham to work on the show. Copperfield was the show: he sang, he danced and he created most of the original illusions it used. "The Magic Man" put Copperfield's name on the map; in fact, the show became the longest running musical in Chicago's history.

Though Copperfield had made a name for himself with "The Magic

Man," he had not yet become the celebrity that he is today. Copperfield returned to New York at 19 after leaving "The Magic Man" and spent an impoverished year in an apartment creating magic and sending résumé tapes to agents. After a year of barley being able to pay his heating bills, Copperfield received an opportunity of a lifetime: ABC wanted him to host its upcoming magic special "The Magic of ABC, Starring David Copperfield."

The success of the special landed Copperfield a contract with CBS to produce "The Magic of David Copperfield" series. It was Copperfield's fifth installment of the series that rocketed him to superstardom when he vanished the Statue of Liberty in front of a live audience. The illusion reportedly cost over \$500,000 to create and Copperfield had to get special permission from the White House to use the national monument.

1984's "The Magic of David Copperfield VI" topped the ratings for its time slot and won two Emmys. Out of the 16 specials, the series has won a total of 19 Emmys. The specials have been the cutting edge of illusion technology. Some of Copperfield's most memorable feats are: vanishing

a Lear jet, levitating over the Grand Canyon, walking through the Great Wall of China, riding over Niagara Falls, levitating and vanishing the Orient Express, escaping from Alcatraz, escaping from an imploding building, standing inside of a tornado of fire and his signature stage effect, flying.

While Copperfield is best known for his television appearances, which have aired in over 40 countries and reached and been seen by an estimated 3 billion people, his live stage shows are a phenomenon unto themselves. In fact, Copperfield performs about 550 shows a year.

His latest production, "The Portal," has been touring for almost two years and features the famous illusion of the same name. In the illusion, Copperfield selects 12 members from the audience, vanishes them and has them reappear in impossible places like across the country or even the globe. The rest of Copperfield's show varies at each venue at which he performs. He even claims to have multiple methods to perform some of his illusions so the audience will not be able to figure out the tricks.

Of course, figuring out the trick is not the purpose of going to see a magic show. Copperfield and other professional magicians ask their audiences to suspend their disbelief to witness the impossible, not create an "I know how to do this and you don't" kind of atmosphere. Even so, audiences can't help but scratch their heads when Copperfield completes an illusion.



World famous illusionist David Copperfield performing his touring show, "The Portal" at the Morris Performing Arts Center.



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Copperfield teaching rope tricks to children in a Croatian hospital. The "Project Magic" program includes over 1,000 hospitals worldwide. Copperfield visits patients in person whenever he can.

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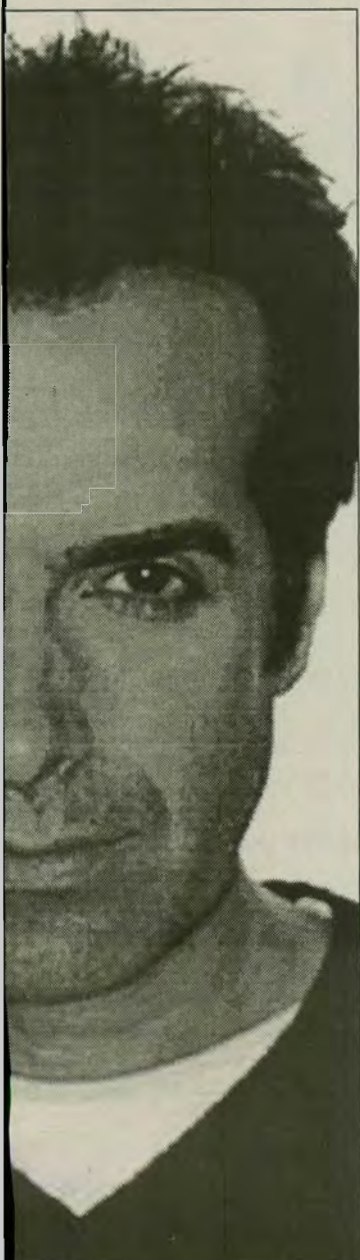
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David Copperfield

a lesson in the impossible with "The Portal"



But performance isn't a small thing. Copperfield is interested in. Copperfield heads a program called "Project Magic," which teaches magic to patients who need rehabilitation. Teams of magicians and occupational therapists use various magic tricks to help patients regain some or all of their dexterity, coordination, special perception or cognitive processing.

Copperfield started "Project Magic" in 1982 after receiving a press clipping of a young magician with whom he had been corresponding. Copperfield was astounded to discover that his acquaintance was in a wheelchair. He realized

that magic had helped shape the young man's self-image. Copperfield could relate: As a boy, he had used magic to help him feel more self-confident in social settings. He began to wonder whether magic could be used to help other disabled people gain the same type of self-image.

Copperfield pitched the idea to Memorial Hospital in Inglewood, Calif. The staff was receptive to the idea and had positive results; the American Occupational Therapists Association has even approved "Project Magic" as an authentic therapeutic treatment.

Today, "Project Magic" is used in over 1,000 hospitals worldwide. But, Copperfield wants to extend the program with other performing arts, including: dance, music, photography and puppetry. Furthermore, Copperfield participates in the program whenever he has time between tours.

Copperfield also has an interest in giving back to the magic community.

His house in Nevada is home to the International Museum and Library of the Conjuring Arts, a collection that preserves antique magic props, books and other artifacts from the world of conjuring. Eventually, Copperfield would like to create a monument that celebrates magic as a performing art.

Of course, Copperfield dreams big. In the mid '90s he announced plans for a magic-themed restaurant called Copperfield Magic Underground to be opened in Times Square and Disney World. Although plans for the restaurant aren't in the near future, Copperfield is hopeful to get the project off the drawing board. That is, of course, after he completes designing his wanted illusions of putting a woman's face on Mount

Rushmore and straightening the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

But, the man who has so much mystery around him has also been chased by rumors. Copperfield, a very private man, has said little to the media

regarding these tales except to succinctly deny them. Among favorites are that he and his ex-wife, supermodel Claudia Schiffer, had a contract to fake a marriage to cover up the fact that Copperfield was secretly gay. In fact, the rumor was started by the French gossip magazine Paris Match

after receiving photos that they believed were incriminating. Copperfield sued the magazine for defamation and won.

Some rumors, however, have a little more truth to them, such as the story that Copperfield's illusions were held

hostage by the Russian Mafia during his tour there last year. Copperfield has declined to divulge the details of the incident, but allegedly Copperfield paid a very large bribe and received a favor from higher ups on Capitol Hill to get the equipment returned.

In the end, Copperfield has led a magical life in every respect. His art has touched the lives of almost half the globe. Now if he would just make the new alcohol restrictions vanish, he'd be the best magician in history.

David Copperfield's "The Portal" will be performed tonight at the Morris Performing Arts Center in downtown South Bend (211 North Michigan Street). There will be two shows beginning at 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. respectively. Tickets range from \$42.50, \$32.50 to \$22.50. Seniors, students, military personnel and children under 12 get \$5 off with proper identification. Children that are three and younger can sit on laps and don't need tickets. Call the box office at (574) 235-9190 to reserve tickets.

David Copperfield's "The Portal"

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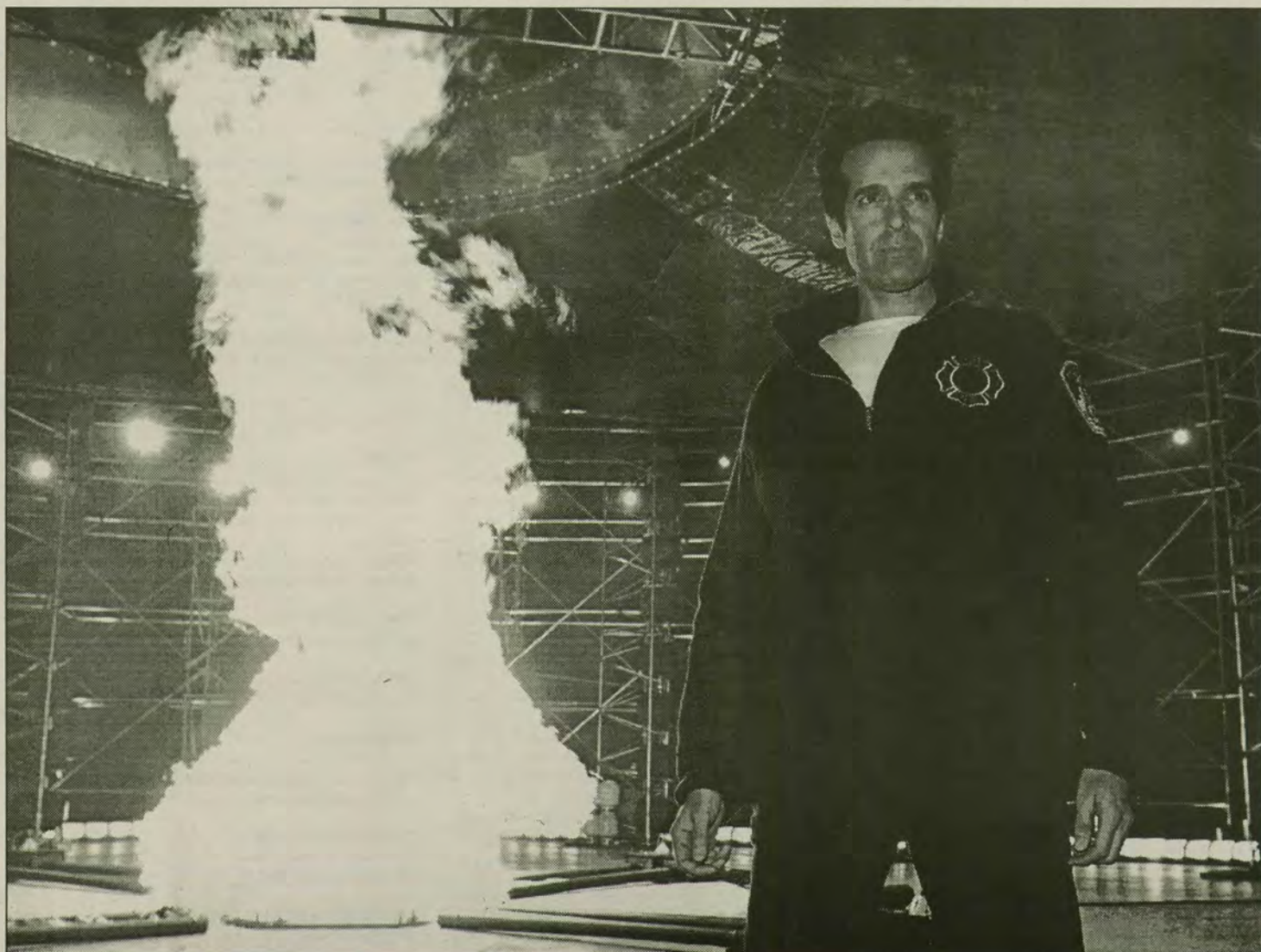
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Magician David Copperfield before his "Tornado of Fire" illusion. Copperfield will take up to seven years to design and properly prepare an illusion.

MASTERS

Woods proves to be unstoppable in Masters

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. Not the best players in the world, not a toughened up Augusta National could stop Tiger Woods' march to Masters history.

An early burst of birdies gave Woods control of the redesigned course Sunday, and he never let anyone closer than two strokes the rest of the way. He closed with a 1-under 71 to claim a three-stroke victory over U.S. Open champion Retief Goosen to become only the third player to win back-to-back titles.

"After the front nine, I knew it was all over for me," Goosen said. "I just tried really hard for second. It is obviously difficult playing with Tiger."

Despite all the changes to the course, the scene was all too familiar.

Woods walking up the 18th fairway in a victory parade, tugging on the brim of his cap to acknowledge the applause. Give him the lead at Augusta — or just about any major — and just wait for everyone else to back down.

Woods looked to the sky and smiled when his 18-foot birdie putt just missed, but he tapped in for par and walked over to hug his parents.

He finished at 276 and won a green jacket for the third time in six years. He became the first player to repeat as Masters champion since Nick Faldo in 1990. Jack Nicklaus was the only other, in 1965-66, and Woods' victory put him halfway to Nicklaus' mark of six Masters.

Last year, Woods battled Phil Mickelson and David Duval down the stretch to win the Masters and become the first

player to sweep the four professional majors.

Another tight finish loomed, with six of the top seven players in the world all poised to win the Masters. By the end of the day, they were scratching their heads, trying to figure out what they could do — if anything — to tame Tiger.

"We were all trying to make something happen to catch Tiger, because we knew he wasn't going to falter," said Mickelson, who closed with a 71 to finish third, his 39th major and still regarded as the best to never win one.

Woods accepted his green jacket from Augusta National chairman Hootie Johnson — usually, that's the job of the defending champion.

"I think we're going to wear this jacket out putting it on you before your career is over," Johnson told Woods as he slipped it over his shoulders.

Johnson is the one who ordered the changes at Augusta, adding 285 yards, stretching the bunkers and shifting the tees, all designed to make the Masters a tougher test.

Rain softened the course and allowed for lower scoring. Perhaps it was Woods' presence that turned so many top challengers into mush.

Two-time U.S. Open champion Ernie Els tried to make a charge, and wound up with an 8 by hitting into the trees and into the creek.

Former Masters and PGA champion Vijay Singh went into the creek, into the crowd, into the trees and then took a 9 on No. 15. Goosen, who started the final round tied with Woods, was already three strokes behind after three holes.



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Tiger Woods dominated the Masters and claimed a three-stroke victory to become the only player to win two consecutive titles.

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nice shooting touch.

At halftime, the All-Stars treated the crowd to a Last Supper of white bread and potato chips. One of the female fans also washed the feet of the players.

Throughout the game, the All-Stars' coach tried to intimidate The Outsiders with The Word Of God. The Word Of God chastised The Outsiders frequently for breaking the Seventh Commandment: thou shall not steal (the ball), but The Outsiders kept sinning and cruised to an easy victory.

Youth was served in another game Sunday as Pasty Moe And The Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat defeated Dootin The Vitamin G 21-14. The all-freshman squad pulled away in the second half from the all-senior Vitamin G. Pasty Moe took a 12-7 lead early in the second half and held on to win.

"They had the height advantage, and they were better shooters. They were also faster," Vitamin G's Kyle Eller said.

Three members of the Saint Mary's basketball team bowed out of the tournament early this year as With Ourselves defeated Hardcore Stokers 21-10.

With Ourselves used its height and athletic advantage to jump out to a 10-4 lead and never looked back. The first-round Bookstore loss was the earliest of Saint Mary's senior Anne Blair's career.

"Usually we play really easy or funny guys in the first round who don't take it very seriously," Blair said. "These guys didn't take it easy on us. I think they will go pretty far."

First-round Bookstore games continue today and Tuesday at Stepan, Lyons and McGlinn courts.

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A member of Team Booyah dribbles around Team We're all 6'11" in the first round of Bookstore games.

BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXXI

Ganggrene upsets No. 31 Manstallion

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Senior Staff Writer

The first of the mighty have fallen.

No. 31-seeded Manstallion lost to unranked Team Ganggrene 21-17 in the first round of Bookstore Basketball XXXI Friday. Manstallion is the first ranked team to report a loss in this year's tournament.

"We played hard," Ganggrene's Ben Dillon said. "We got some lucky bounces and banked some shots in."

Ganggrene built a 17-11 second-half lead before Manstallion stormed back to cut the lead to 19-17. Matt Horney scored the last two points for Ganggrene to steal the upset win.

Ganggrene is made up of four seniors and a junior from Zahm. Three of the players have played together for three years. Their previous experience together gave them an advantage, according to Dillon.

"We play a lot together," he said. "We just enjoy playing basketball. We know how each other play."

Although the 21-17 victory was an upset, it was not necessarily a surprise. Three players from Ganggrene made it to the round of 32 in 2001 but requested not to be ranked this year.

"We thought [a ranking] would pretty much jinx us," Dillon said. "We got a good draw last year. We don't really feel like we are one of the top 32 teams. We figured if we were ranked, we would just lose in the first round."

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NCAA BASKETBALL

Minnesota faces NCAA infractions

Associated Press

SAVANNAH, Ga.

Minnesota administrators spent nearly 11 hours before an NCAA infractions committee Saturday arguing against sanctions for alleged rule violations in its women's basketball program.

The NCAA could impose cuts in scholarships and recruiting or even shut down the program for two years if it rules Minnesota violated a four-year probation that began in October 2000. The school expects a decision in no more than six weeks.

Both the NCAA and the university have accused former women's basketball coach Cheryl Littlejohn of giving \$200 to \$300 to a player, buying clothes for others and encouraging players to lie in an investigation.

The alleged violations of NCAA rules were discovered after Minnesota went on probation for a messy academic fraud scandal in the men's basketball program that led to the dismissal of coach Clem Haskins.

University officials argued Littlejohn actually broke the rules before the probation began for the men's basketball affair.

"Our position is that there's a magic date — October of 2000," university president Mark Yudof said after the hearing.

Since Littlejohn's alleged violations occurred before

then, administrators argue the university shouldn't be subject to the penalties in the NCAA's "repeat violator rule." They argue self-imposed sanctions, such as cutbacks in recruiting visits, are enough punishment.

The hearing was closed to reporters, and Yudof declined to discuss specifically what happened.

"I thought they were very thorough," he said. "I thought they'd done their homework. But whether they were favorably or unfavorably disposed, I'm really not supposed to say. And it would be total speculation anyhow."

Littlejohn, who was fired last May and now coaches at Chicago State, attended Saturday's hearing but declined to comment.

The hearing Saturday capped two difficult weeks for the Minnesota athletics program. On April 3, women's basketball coach Brenda Oldfield was hired away by Maryland after one season, in which she led Minnesota to its first NCAA tournament in eight years.

And last week, Minnesota decided to merge its men's and women's athletic departments to reduce chronic budget deficits. Administrators also recommended cutting men's gymnastics and men's and women's golf.

"It's been a hectic week," Yudof said. "But I actually have not felt that worn down or discouraged. I think people overestimate that."

SMC SOFTBALL

Belles fall to Alma 7-0, 6-5

By NATALIE BAILEY
Sports Writer

The Belles pulled out a surprising performance Saturday in their doubleheader against the MIAA's top team but still lost both games to Alma, 7-0 and 6-5.

With an 0-4 record, Saint Mary's entered the games as the underdogs, but once the Belles warmed up, they showed 8-0 Alma a high level of competition.

"In the second game, we did a lot better than we have all year long," Belles coach John Ganef said. "The multiple hits within the innings really helped us out in the second game. Timely hitting and shutting down Alma's hitting was key for us."

The Belles lost the first game

7-0 after Alma scored five of its seven runs in the sixth inning.

Until the fifth inning, the second game was much like the first. But in the bottom of the fifth, the Belles came alive.

With a runner on first, the Belles anticipated a bunt and caused a double play to end the inning. First baseman Rachel Deer knocked in two runs in the top of the sixth with a home run to give the Belles a 5-4 lead, and in the bottom half of the sixth, Saint Mary's set Alma down 1-2-3.

In the seventh, the Belles strung together several hits but could not score a run.

With the door open, Alma wrapped up the game with two base hits and two runs batted in with a hit into left field to win the game 6-5.

Libby Wilhelmy pitched two

strikeouts and shortstop Marnie Walsh, who made several key defensive plays, stopped a line drive making for an impressive defensive display.

"Our defense was strong but the offense is what makes or breaks a game," senior co-captain Melissa Hayes said.

Although Saint Mary's lost both games on Saturday, the Belles are walking away from their doubleheader with a new confidence.

"We need to take the momentum from our last game and continue to hit strongly," Hayes said of their upcoming game against Olivet.

The two losses dropped the Belles to 0-6 in the MIAA and 5-10 overall.

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MLB

Brewers end losing streak

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

Barry Bonds left after the third inning with a hamstring injury, and the Milwaukee Brewers rallied past the San Francisco Giants 4-3 Sunday to stop a seven-game losing streak.

Bonds, who hit 574th home run Saturday to move past Harmon Killebrew into sole possession sixth place on the career list, walked leading off the third inning, advanced on an infield groundout and

scored on Shawon Dunston's single.

Bonds left the game at the end of the inning, and the Giants said he had a mild right hamstring strain, an injury he first sustained during the final week of spring training.

Milwaukee trailed 3-2 in the eighth when Felix Rodriguez (0-1) walked Geoff Jenkins with one out and pinch-hitter Matt Stairs doubled off the right-field wall to drive in the tying run.

Raul Casanova was inten-

tionally walked and, one out later, Ronnie Belliard walked to load the bases. Alex Sanchez then singled home the go-ahead run.

Belliard was thrown out at third by left fielder Marvin Benard before Casanova could cross the plate with another run.

Luis Vizcaino (1-1) induced a seventh-inning double-play grounder by Yorvit Torrealba, his only batter, as the Brewers came from behind for the first time this season.

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BRIAN PUCEVICH/The Observer

Senior captain Alissa Moser contributes to the Irish cause as Notre Dame falls to the Blue Devils in triple overtime.

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the Irish closed off defensively and started winning more balls. Senior captain Alissa Moser then took things into her own hands.

Despite being double teamed, she spun off her defenders, scored and brought the game back to within two. Then Moser found teammate Anne Riley streaking toward the net for an easy put-in to make the score 4-3.

The Irish defensive four, Tina Fedarcyk, Kathryn Lam, Henwood and Kelly McCardell, took control of the game and lessened some of the pressure off Irish keeper Jen White who had a career-high 15 saves.

Henwood made an end-to-end run to almost score a third goal on the day, but the Irish didn't convert and entered halftime trailing by one.

Duke opened the half with a quick goal, but Loftus and Danielle Shearer both responded to tie the game 5-5.

Eleanor Willie, trying to even the game again at six after another Duke goal, ran over her defender and caught a pass from Shearer which she quickly dumped in the net to tie it again.

The scoring then slowed down with the game tied, and neither team could find the net.

Gallagher finally broke through the Irish defense and scored with eight minutes left. Duke then scored again to take an 8-6 lead with six minutes left.

Shearer, the Irish leading scorer, got a yellow card with 3:14 left. Duke controlled the ball well after the penalty and it appeared that its two-goal lead was unbreakable. The Irish finally forced a turnover and with 1:40 to play, Maureen Henwood got fouled and scored on the free position chance.

The Irish got the ball again and with 27 seconds left, Simon hustled for the loose ball and circled around the net to tie the game at eight.

Both teams scored one goal in the first overtime to force a second, and no one scored in the second.

In the third sudden death overtime, after Loftus' near game-winning shot rang off the post, Megan Miller scored her second goal of the game to end the 72-minute contest, 10-9.

The hard-fought comeback gave the Irish momentum heading into the game with No. 12 Yale as the Irish won 11-8.

"We came off the loss from Duke, and we were pumped,"

"I knew we were going to win against Yale. There was no way we were going to let that happen to us twice."

Meredith Simon
Irish player

said Irish assistant coach Danielle Gallagher. "Somebody had to pay for it — it was Yale."

"I knew we were going to win

against Yale," said Simon, who had three goals against the Bulldogs. "There was no way we were going to let that happen to us twice."

The effort against Yale was led by Simon but was helped out by performances off the bench from Kassen Delano, Eleanor Weille and Elizabeth Knight. Loftus and Moser both scored twice in the victory.

The Irish let Yale open the scoring, but Delano came back and scored quickly. Defenses picked up and nobody scored until Katie Sargent weaved through the Irish to score her first of three for the Bulldogs. After Yale scored another, the Irish went on a run.

Simon started the run using the same move that put the Irish in overtime against Duke, a run around the back on the net, then Loftus scored off a free position chance.

Simon then burned the goalie again using her crease spin move to give the Irish the lead.

McCardell got her first goal of the year off a pass from classmate Shearer. Anne Riley, also a junior, got the final goal for the Irish in the half, putting them up 6-3.

Sargent then responded for Yale, making it 6-4 in the half.

The Irish would not let the Bulldogs get any closer, getting second-half goals from Simon, Fischer, Loftus and two from Moser with the Irish ending up on top 11-8.

The Irish face Georgetown Saturday in Washington in a game that will decide the fate

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SMC GOLF

Belles finish 2nd at 1st tournament

By DONNA LUBBERS
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's golf team finished a close second at a tournament at the Brookwood Golf Course Saturday just two strokes behind tournament winner DePauw.

"It was our first tournament of the spring season, and with nerves and all, we just couldn't put it all together," Belles' coach Theresa Pekarek said.

The Belles shot a team total score of 363. Freshman Julia Adams led the way with the team low of 87, followed closely by freshman Stephanie Simmerman shooting 88 and senior captain Megan Keleher with 91.

"The consistency of our freshmen is probably one of our biggest strengths right now," Pekarek said. "They'll definitely be leading the way over the next three years."

"I feel like I could have shot four or five strokes better," said Adams. "I missed three or four two-foot putts that I probably should have made. It felt good to lead the team, but I still feel like I could improve."

Playing at Brookwood Golf Course in Buchanan, Mich., the Belles definitely felt like they had home course advantage.

"I felt like we knew the course a little better because we play it so much. We got some of the holes the other teams messed up on," Adams said.

"The greens were recently aerated and bumpy — they are always tough to read," said Simmerman. "My putting wasn't up to pa, either."

The Belles had hoped to finish first Saturday but are more confident in their upcoming tournament at Tri-State University, Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m. and 10 a.m., respectively. They will only have two tournaments for the spring season.

"I think we all played well but could have done a little better," said Adams. "I was pretty happy overall."

"It was our first competition this season," Simmerman said. "We went out there expecting a good time. I'm looking forward to a better overall finish for myself and for the team next weekend."

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TRACK AND FIELD

Irish men take 1st place

By DAVE COOK
Sports Writer

Exactly one year ago, Ayesha Boyd won her first collegiate race — the 400-meter dash at the Tom Botts Invitational.

Last weekend, Boyd returned to the Invitational not as an aspiring freshman but as an experienced veteran. She won all three races she competed in and earned Female Athlete of the Meet honors. Boyd led the Irish women to a second-place finish, while the men finished in first place among the four teams present at the meet.

"Ayesha has made tremendous improvements," sprinting coach John Millar said. "She's a lot more confident in what she's doing. It was just a matter of time with her."

Although Boyd continues to be strong in the 400, she has found her own niche as the top Irish runner in both the 100- and 200-meter dash. She won both the 100- and 200-meter dashes at the Invitational and concluded her impressive showing with a victory in the 4x100 relay. Boyd's 100-meter time of 11.73 seconds was also a personal-best for the sophomore.

Boyd set the pace in a meet dominated by Irish sprinters. The sprinting corps, in its most impressive showing of the year, won 12 of the 13 events. Its only loss came in the men's 400-meter hurdles where Napoleon Suarez came in second place, losing to winner Ryan Boyington of Missouri by only .12 seconds.

Overall, the sprinting corps had 26 top-five finishes with two Irish runners scoring in each of the 10 individual events.

"On the women's side, we had some people who we felt could go in there and win," Millar said.

"I was really excited about the men. Going into the meet we didn't expect to win the 100- and 200-meter. Our men's sprinters in the last couple weeks have really improved and are on a mission to do well and perform well."

The men's sprint team showed their depth this weekend, finishing with 16 top-five finishes in the seven sprint events. After losing three of their top sprinters at the conclusion of the indoor season, several runners, such as sophomore Ryan Hurd and freshman Trevor McClain-Duer, stepped up.

The two sprinters combined for four victories on the weekend — Hurd in the 200-meter and 4x100 relay and McClain-Duer in the 400-meter and 4x400 relay. Also having a strong weekend was Nick Saracco, who ran a personal-best 400-meter time in 49.56 seconds and was also part of the 4x400 relay team.

"I noticed this weekend that the morale on the team was pretty high," Saracco said. "It was just a great meet and a great boost and we're now looking forward to all the meets coming up because we're very confident we can perform well in all these meets."

The women's sprinting corps continued its record-breaking season this weekend under the stellar performance of Liz Grow. Grow finished the meet with two victories — the 400-meter dash and the 4x100 relay — and a second-place effort in the 200-meter. Her times in the 400 and the 4x100 relay also provisionally qualified her for the NCAA championships in May. Her 53.14-second time in the 400 is also her second-best time of the season behind a 53.1-second effort at the Alex Wilson

Invitational during the indoor season.

"I feel comfortable and confident about where she's at right now," Millar said. "We hoped she would be right around the [NCAA] automatic time so we wouldn't have to worry about her qualifying anymore."

Also with multiple wins on the weekend was junior Tameisha King, who has proved to be perhaps the most versatile athlete on the Irish squad. King had victories in the 100-meter hurdles, the long jump and the 4x100 relay at the Invitational. A 2002 NCAA Indoor Championship qualifier in the long jump, King out-jumped her opponents by almost seven inches in the long jump competition.

In the men's 1,500-meter run, Pat Conway defended his title at the Invitational with a 3:50.74 effort. Conway is also looking to defend his 1,500-meter title next week at the Mt. SAC Relays.

Fellow senior Luke Watson was re-acclimating himself in the 3,000-meter steeplechase, running an 8:50.68 time good enough for a NCAA provisional qualifier. The last time Watson competed in the steeplechase was sophomore year at the 2000 NCAA Outdoor Championships.

The success of the Irish track and field team was only secondary to its ultimate goal: to get ready for next weekend's Mt. SAC Relays and the Big East Championships that are only three weeks away.

"It's a good gauge to see where we're at," Millar said. "We're healthy, and going into the next three weeks we have things we want to achieve."

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WOMEN'S TENNIS

Notre Dame upsets William & Mary

Observer Staff Report

The 25th-ranked Notre Dame women's tennis team captured its second victory against a top-20 opponent this season, downing No. 14 William & Mary, 5-2, Saturday afternoon at the Busch Tennis Courts in Williamsburg, Va.

The win moved the team's record to 13-11 on the season, while the Tribe falls to 15-7.

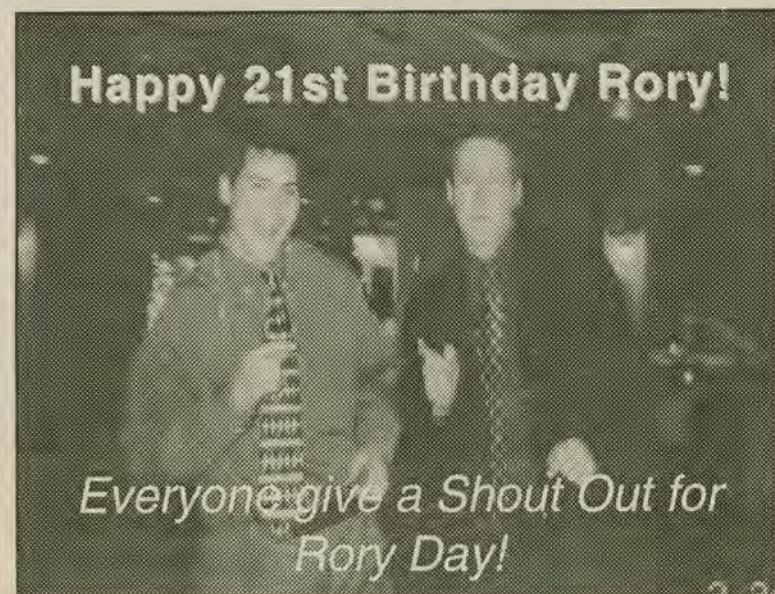
"This is a huge win for us because it gives us two top-20 wins," Notre Dame head coach Jay Louderback said. "We've come so close to getting some other big wins, so for us to get this one, it definitely helps our confidence going into the [Big East] tournament."

For the third consecutive match, the Irish got off on the right foot, picking up the criti-

cal doubles point. On Saturday, Notre Dame took two of the three doubles matches, as Katie Cunha and Lindsey Green won 8-2 at the No. 1 flight, and Sarah Jane Connelly and Alicia Salas rallied from a 5-6 deficit to claim an 8-6 victory at the No. 3 spot.

Notre Dame will wind up its two-match road swing today at 5:30 p.m. when it squares off with No. 10 Texas in the regular-season finale at the Penick-Allison Tennis Center in Austin. The Irish then will look ahead to the Big East Championships which begin Friday in Coral Gables, Fla.

Notre Dame is the defending champion after winning its fourth title in six years with a 4-1 victory over Miami last season.



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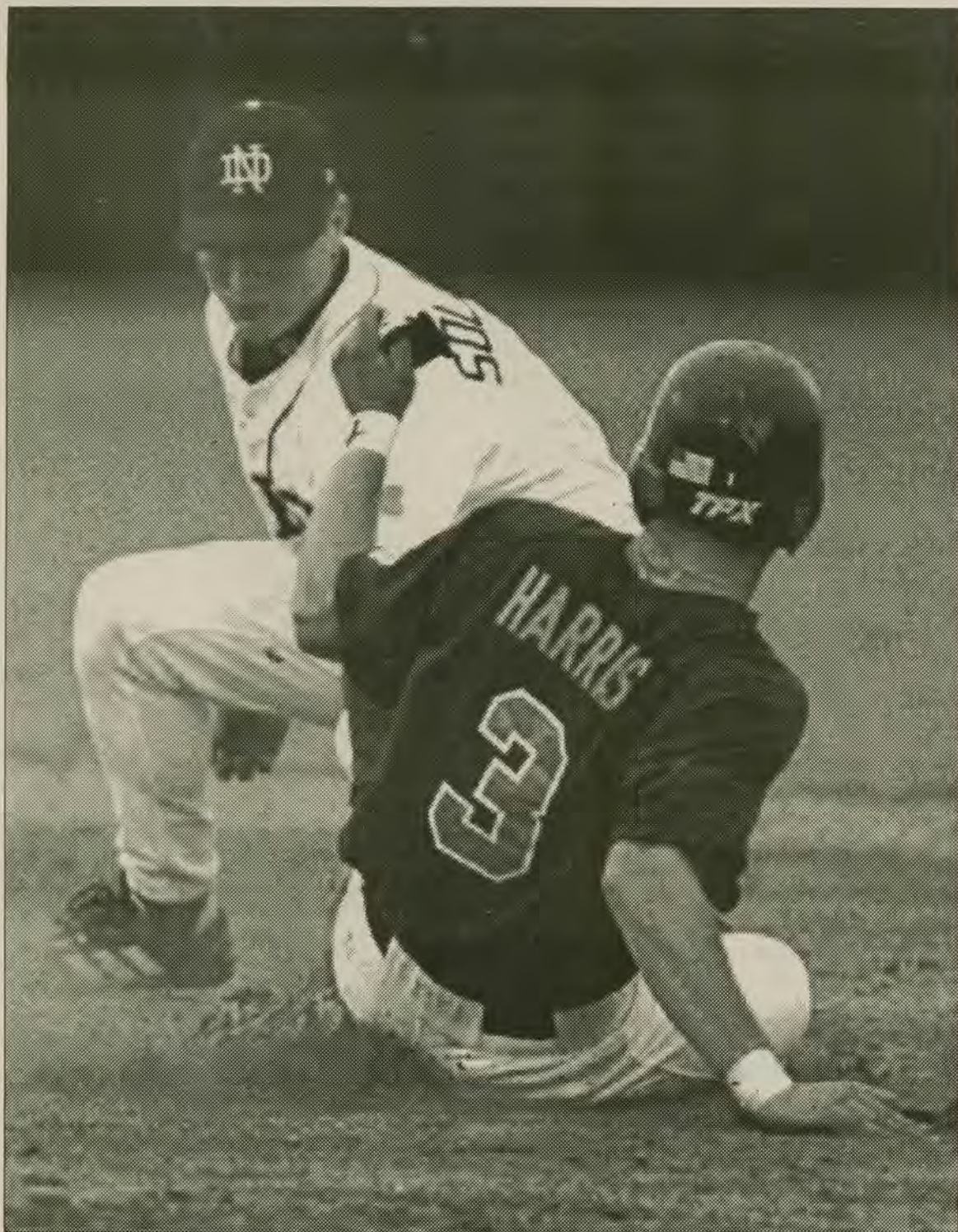
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Sophomore Steve Sollman attempts to make a play in Notre Dame's wins in a double header against Virginia Tech on Friday.

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Baseball

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"You just have to keep playing hard and there's a lot of baseball still to be played and people are going to beat each other in this league. If you just keep plugging away and keep battling, good things can happen."

In the first game, which was scheduled for seven innings, the Hokies scored first in the top of third inning after loading the bases against Irish starting pitcher Ryan Kalita. Kalita was a late decision after freshman pitcher Chris Niesel could not throw because of an illness.

With two outs, Kalita induced a ground ball to shortstop Javier Sanchez. Sanchez, however, bobbled the ball, allowing Virginia Tech to score an unearned run and take the early 1-0 lead. Kalita came back to strikeout the next batter to retire the side.

The Irish offense, on the other hand, had the unpleasant job of facing Hokie ace Joe Saunders. Saunders entered the game with a 5-0 record and an ERA of only 2.32. He baffled Notre Dame's hitters for most of the game by locating his pitches and using both sides of the plate. The Irish, however, finally got to him when center fielder Steve Stanley hit a bloop double down the left line to open the sixth inning. Two batters later, right fielder Kris Billmaier drilled a 1-2 pitch into the outfield, scoring Stanley and tying the game at 1-1.

Not until the bottom of the 11th did the score change, when Bok's triple and Thaman's infield single ended the game.

The main reason the Irish were able to keep pace with the Hokies was because of the outstanding Kalita's outstanding pitching performance.

"The key to the whole night for us was the way Ryan Kalita went out there and just pitched so marvelously and gave us a chance to win that first game," Mainieri said. "We were going up against a kid that, I would say, is a lock to be a first-round draft pick and be in the big leagues probably within a couple of years, and Ryan went out there and matched him pitch for pitch for six innings. He gave us a chance to win the ball game."

Right-hander J.P. Gagne also played a major role in keeping the score tied at 1-1 for several innings.

"What can you say about J.P. Gagne? He was just a gutty competitor, like he always is,"

Mainieri said. "He pitches five scoreless innings and holds [Virginia Tech] until finally were able to get a big hit from Matt Bok, and then in the 11th inning we're able to win that game."

In the nightcap, the Irish jumped out to the early lead when Stanley singled and was later knocked in by left fielder Brian Stavisky's sacrifice fly.

Virginia Tech bounced back to take a 2-1 lead in the top of the third when center fielder Chris Winterfeldt singled and was followed by back-to-back doubles by Marc Tugwell and John West off Notre Dame starter Paul Ogilvie.

Those would be the only runs the Hokies could score off Ogilvie, who went the distance for the victory and, more importantly, saved the Irish from using any pitchers in relief.

"We go out there in the second game knowing we have a very thin bullpen, and Pete Ogilvie goes out there and pitches a complete game for us," Mainieri said.

Despite not feeling his best when the game started, Ogilvie became stronger and more dominant as the game progressed.

"During the game I actually didn't feel all that great," Ogilvie said. "But as the game went, I started to settle in and I felt almost stronger as the game went on. We made some great plays in the field, and I think I just pitched well to do the job."

Notre Dame tied the game in the bottom of the third inning when Bok singled and Stavisky doubled him home a few batters later.

The Irish took the lead for good in the sixth when Stavisky walked. O'Toole bunted him over to second before Billmaier knocked him with a single two batters later.

In the seventh, Notre Dame added an insurance run when Bok singled and Stavisky doubled him in a few batters later.

The Irish will face three straight Mid-American conference teams this week, beginning with Central Michigan on today. Mainieri believes it is important for the Irish to continue to play well and pick up some much-needed victories.

"It's important for us to continue to play good baseball and continue to build the confidence in ourselves which I think is growing with each passing game," Mainieri said. "So we're going to take these games very seriously."

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NCAA FOOTBALL

LSU faces recruiting violations by coaches

Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La. — LSU has disciplined head football coach Nick Saban and two assistants for three minor NCAA recruiting violations.

"All schools that self-report, schools like us, report 25 to 30 of these violations a year," athletic director Skip Bertman said. "They are benign rule violations that are so cumbersome because of the large amount of information in the NCAA manual."

LSU found that either Saban or the assistant coaches, whose names the university would not release, may have improperly contacted two potential recruits. It also found that a former assistant violated a rule about telephone contact with recruits.

As a result, the university reduced the number of days the three coaches can go on the road during the spring evaluation period from 24 to 18 and ordered the football staff to stop recruiting two players.

FOOTBALL

Irish use 6th practice to play in game atmosphere

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

And on the sixth practice, the Irish scrimmaged.

For 30 minutes of Notre Dame's two-hour practice Saturday, the Irish drew on nearly four months of studying playbooks and a week's worth of practices as they practiced full-speed in a simulated game atmosphere.

"We had a very good session, but the session was probably focused more on good things coming from our energy level and not necessarily from our execution," Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham said about the scrimmage that included officials. "There were some bright things, but overall we need a lot of work."

The Irish still have a long way to go before they completely understand the new systems that Willingham's staff is implementing. But the focus of Saturday's scrimmage was less on execution and more on intensity.

"You have to understand the process they're going through," Willingham said. "You understand that some things will not be as a coach would like it, but at the same time, there's still progress being made, even though the execution may not be flawless yet."

"The thing I was really interested in today was did we play hard?" said defensive coordinator Kent Baer. "... I know there's going to be mistakes, you just have to keep coaching and hope they don't make too many mistakes."

While the players are being asked to learn a lot of new things in a short period of time — something

Willingham is more than well aware of — he says he can't forgive execution errors even at this early stage.

"You're always tough on all aspects. That's the only way we can get truly better and become the team we should become," he said. "The guys worked hard, but there's a lot of thought process in what they do right now, and that usually inhibits the execution, so we're about par for the course."

Note:

While the Irish were busy practicing Thursday, Tiger Woods shot a third-round 66 at The Masters to claim a share of the lead. Woods won the tournament Sunday.

Willingham, formerly Stanford's head football coach from 1995 to 2001, was pleased to learn after practice that Woods, who golfed for Stanford from 1994 to 96, had jumped into the lead.

"Tiger did some great things for us in terms of being a model student-athlete," Willingham said.

But the Irish coach added that he has yet to play a round with Woods.

"I would not put my game in the same foursome as Tiger," he said.

Woods, who is sponsored by Nike, has recently worn a hat with the letters "TW" embroidered on the front. After practice, a reporter wondered if Willingham would wear one of those hats.

"I don't think so," the coach laughed. "We have a conflict of sponsors."

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An Irish player prepares for the 2002 season. Notre Dame pulled its previous practicing together in a recent scrimmage.

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An Irish player takes a swing as Notre Dame splits a doubleheader with Syracuse this weekend, losing the second game and ending a 14-game winning streak.

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The Orangewomen jumped on the scoreboard early in the second game with a run in the first inning on an RBI double by Syracuse first baseman Cheryl Julicher that scored catcher Katie Kaempfer.

In the third inning, Kaempfer would give DiMaggio another run to work with as she sent a 2-2 pitch from Irish pitcher Steffany Stenglein over the left-field fence for a 2-0 lead.

The Irish bats, which had been on fire since the beginning of Big East play, cooled off as the Irish only squeezed out eight hits on Sunday.

"We didn't play well all day," Gumpf said. "We were able to fight a little bit harder in the first game and found a way to get it done. We didn't hit the ball all day."

The Orangewomen added an unearned run in the seventh as they improved their record to 17-11 and 5-1 in the Big East.

In the first game of the doubleheader, the Irish were able to get to Syracuse pitcher Heather Brown in the fourth inning.

"We started swinging at strikes," said Gumpf. "We started laying off the rise ball and she had to bring it down."

Bledsoe set the first pitch of the fourth inning down the left-field line to tie the score at one. After Talyor Peterson relieved Brown, Irish center fielder Jenny Kriech hit a bloop double down the right-field line to score first baseman Lisa Mattison and designated hitter Carrie Wisen.

The three runs would hold up, as Stenglein would shut down the Orangewomen the rest of the way for the 3-1 victory.

On Friday against the Huskies the Irish relied on the arm of Stenglein (14-9) as she picked up her 12th and 13th victories of the year. Stenglein had been battling a groin injury over the past week.

"I felt really good," Stenglein said. "I was happy to be back on the mound throwing again."

In the first game against the Huskies, Stenglein and Connecticut pitcher Barbara Cook squared off in a pitchers' duel as they matched zeros through the first seven innings.

"She [Cook] is a good little pitcher," Gumpf said. "We hit her decent. We got seven hits off her, but we just didn't get the runs we needed."

After being frustrated all day by Cook, the Irish were finally able to push a run across the plate in the eighth inning. With two outs, right fielder Megan Ciolli started the rally with a double just inside the right-field line to put a runner in scoring position. Third baseman Andrea Loman lined Cook's 2-0 pitch into center field to score Ciolli from second and give the Irish 1-0 victory.

"I was definitely looking for a fastball all the way, she just happened to throw it right in there and I was looking to hit it hard somewhere," Loman said.

In the second game of the doubleheader, both teams started the same starting pitchers, hoping for a repeat performance. The Irish were the ones who received a repeat pitching performance as they defeated the Huskies 8-0.

Unfortunately for the Huskies, Cook was forced to leave the game in second inning when she was struck in the face by a Mattison line drive. On the play, Bledsoe scored to give the Irish a 1-0 lead.

The Irish scored three more runs, one of them unearned, in the fourth to take a commanding 4-0 lead.

In the sixth, the Irish would score four runs on only two hits. After consecutive walks to Bledsoe, Mattison and leftfielder Liz Hartmann, designated hitter Nicole deFau singled through the left side of the infield to score Bledsoe. After a wild pitch allowed Mattison to score, pitch hitter Annie Dell'Aria knocked in Hartmann and deFau as she doubled down the left field line.

Stenglein and Wisen's pitching silenced the Husky bats Friday. The two combined to give up only eight hits and no runs in 14 innings.

"Steffany did a great job," Gumpf said. "She did exactly what I needed her to do; set the tone and keep them off balance a bit. Then Carrie comes in with her changeup and shuts the door."

The Irish will have a chance to start a new winning streak Wednesday as they take a break from Big East play and square off against Indiana State. The Irish will then play Bowling Green on Thursday and then resume Big East play on Saturday against Virginia Tech.

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MEN'S TENNIS

Irish end home winning streak with loss to Kentucky

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's tennis team entered the weekend looking to finish the season undefeated on the squad's home courts.

The Irish, 19-6, failed in that respect, but they still finished the weekend strong, closing with their best regular-season record since 1994, when they went 21-9.

Their home winning streak was halted as the No. 16 Kentucky Wildcats handed the seventh-ranked Irish a 4-1 loss at the Courtney Tennis Center. The Irish redeemed themselves on Sunday, though, defeating Ball State 4-3, without the services of three players, including No. 18 Javier Taborga.

"We got a little down [after the loss] on Saturday because it was our big match, but we all got fired up and fought well [on Sunday]," sophomore Luis Haddock-Morales said.

Both days began the same way, with the Irish posting wins in the first doubles matches. On Saturday against Kentucky, after that promising start, Notre Dame went on to lose the doubles point, as well as four of six singles matches. Against Ball State, though, the Irish earned the doubles point and won the first three singles matches, clinching victory.

Taborga could not play on Sunday because of NCAA playing-date restrictions. Notre was also without freshman Brent D'Amico, who was hurt while playing the Wildcats and junior Brian Farrell, who is out for the rest of the season due to injury.

Sunday's match, though, saw Casey Smith and Ashok Raju, replacing Smith's usual partner Taborga, defeat Ball State's Kevin Burnett and Jason Pressel, 8-5. It was the Irish duo's first time playing together.

After their victory and a loss by seniors James Malhame and Aaron Talarico, the sophomore duo of Haddock-Morales and Matt Scott gave the Irish the doubles point for the first time in four matches with their 8-4 triumph against Clint Knable and Andrew Seni.

Although the duo of Taborga and Smith is ranked fourth nationally, the rest of the Irish doubles pairs, whose make-up has varied over the past weeks, continue to be a concern for the team, even after the win against unranked Ball State.

"We have the tools, but we need to put it together," Haddock-Morales said.

Sunday's victory was secured for Notre Dame by the singles triumphs of Scott, ranked 79th nationally, senior Andrew Laflin and Haddock Morales.

All three defeated their opponent in straight sets.

"The score was four to three,



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An Irish player returns the ball as Notre Dame finished the weekend with a regular-season record of 19-6.

but the four points we won, we won quickly," Haddock-Morales said.

After Notre Dame had secured victory against Ball State, the Irish suffered three post-clinching losses by No. 87 Smith, Talarico and Malhame.

Bayliss called the loss to Kentucky a bad day, saying that he could not analyze what went

wrong with his players, because everything theoretically should have gone well for the Irish.

"Every now and then, not often, we'll have a match where a number of plays don't have a good day," Bayliss said. "Andrew Laflin played exceptionally well [on Saturday]. Matt Scott, after a slow start, really regrouped well. None of the other players really

had a good day."

The Irish hope their win against the Cardinals on Sunday will help propel them into the Big East Championships, which begin on Friday. Notre Dame is expected to receive the No. 1 seed in the tournament.

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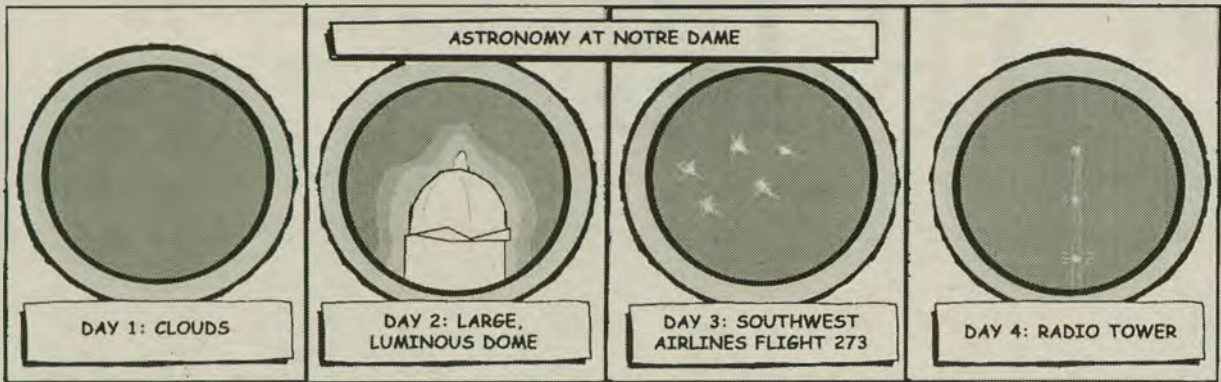
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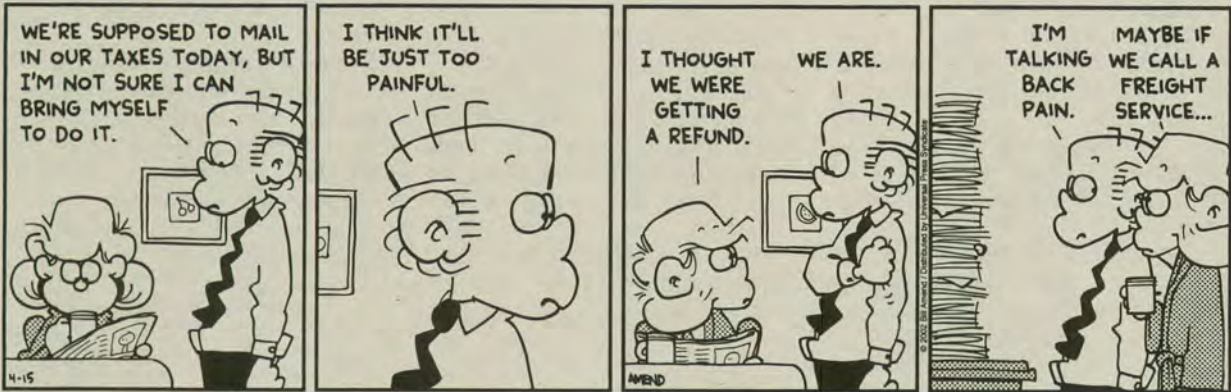
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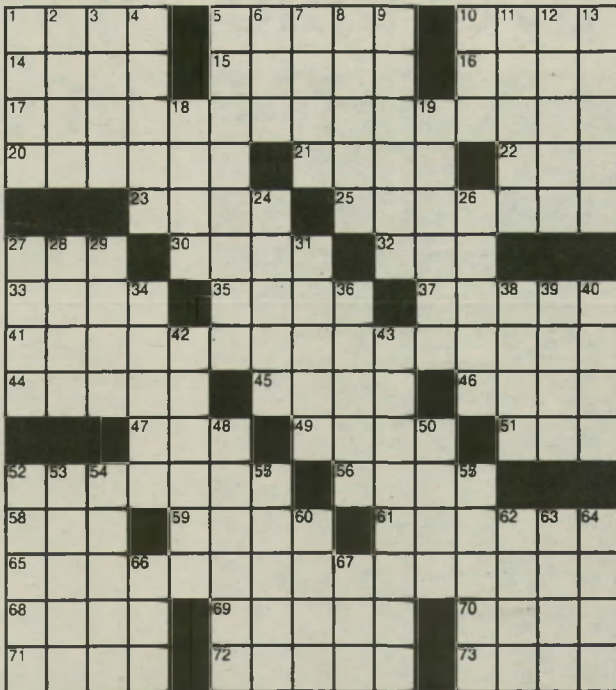


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 - 17 1952 Gene Kelly classic
 - 20 Film director's cry
 - 21 Pub pints
 - 22 Altar vow
 - 23 One-named New Age singer
 - 25 Walked in
 - 27 Remodeled Clay?
 - 30 P.D.Q.
 - 32 "Wailing" instrument
 - 33 "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes" writer Anita
 - 35 Metallic rocks
 - 37 To the point
 - 41 1929 Irving Berlin song
 - 44 Death row reprieves
 - 45 Scruff
 - 46 Ivan or Nicholas
 - 47 Old Ford
 - 49 Alan of "Shane"
 - 51 Pitcher's stat.
 - 52 This could raise a pitcher's
 - 56 End-of-the-week cry
 - 58 Ailing
 - 59 "___ my words"
 - 61 Got around
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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Strategically position yourself so that you can make the most of every opportunity that presents itself this year. You will have a passion for what you do best and will reach your highest potential today. ☼☼☼

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You'll have to work hard in order to keep up with everything that is happening in your life. Don't spread yourself too thin. Instead, set your priorities and stick to them. ☼☼

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Greater interaction with officials or government agencies will add to your frustration today. Try to get all your papers in order to avoid too many delays. ☼☼

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): There may be lots going on around you today but be an observer for the time being. Someone may try to rock your boat if you leave yourself in too vulnerable a position. Sports activity will be exhilarating and probably your best outlet. ☼☼

Birthday Baby: You will have a need to live well but will never squander in order to do so. You will always try to help others but will not forgive if someone treats you poorly.

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You can make your mark if you practice what you preach. You will have excellent ideas and although not everyone will agree, if you fight hard enough you will gain ground and accomplish your goals. ☼☼☼☼

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Someone may try to get you to donate to a cause you don't necessarily believe in. Tell that individual that charity begins at home and invest in yourself. There are all sorts of valid opportunities for you. ☼☼

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your personal life may be going through some changes today that may appear to be disruptive. If you are patient and let things unfold as they may, you will discover that you are actually sitting in a pretty good position. ☼☼

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Difficulties with family members may cause alarm. Be careful not to overreact to the situation. Take time to listen to everyone's side of the story before you decide what to do. ☼☼

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BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXXI

Team Inebriation lives up to its name with playing style

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Senior Staff Writer

As soon as Falco's 1985 hit "Rock Me Amadeus" started blasting across Stepan Courts, all predictability went right out the window.

Team Inebriation strutted onto the court, living up to its name and garbed in old-school basketball uniforms and other

original shirts. Although it had the height and athletic advantage over its opponent, Longitude, Team Inebriation's choice of playing style hurt its chances for victory.

"If they weren't drunk, we probably would have lost," Longitude's Steven Schrantz said after his team's 21-11 win.

Point guard Brendan Slattery typified Team Inebriation bizarre playing style when he

took a fast break chance and charged right past the basket. He continued down another court and scored a lay-up in wrong basket, on the wrong court.

"We were absolutely confused," Slattery said. "I didn't even know what court we were on."

Five guys all older than 2,000 years old could not defeat their youthful rivals as The

Outsiders beat the Biblical All-Stars 21-8 in first round Bookstore Basketball action Sunday.

Dressed as Adam, Jesus, Moses, David and an Obscure Bible Guy, the five men from Stanford could not overcome the athletic advantage of The Outsiders.

"We thought that God was with us and if God was with us, who can be against us?" asked

Jesus, a.k.a. Steve Gillespie. "But we were wrong. God has forsaken us."

Shane Hudnall, dressed as Adam, played the entire game barefoot and clad only in fig leaves. Despite playing the second half with one hand because he was eating an apple, Hudnall still displayed effective ball handling and a

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WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Irish lose in triple overtime

By CHRIS COLEMAN
Sports Writer

When down 8-6 with 1:40 left, the ninth-ranked Irish could have given up and gone home. The No. 7 Blue Devils would have been happy to take the win. But the Irish refused to give up and took the Blue Devils to triple overtime before falling 10-9.

The game was pushed into overtime by a free position score from Maureen Henwood followed by Meredith Simon's wrap around goal with 19 seconds left.

"The Duke game was unbelievable, unfortunately we didn't come out with a win," White said. "As a team we did the best we've ever done. Defensively, I've never been more proud of them."

Duke scored the first goal in overtime but Shearer responded for the Irish and evened the game at nine. In the third overtime period — sudden death — Notre Dame's Natalie Loftus beat the entire Duke team and the goalie, but her shot clanged off the post.

Duke marched downfield and found a seam to steal the game from the Irish, 10-9.

Duke had jumped out to an early lead, 3-0, by capitalizing on several turnovers by the Irish, especially on the offensive end.

Loftus, who was constantly running around Duke defenders, opened the Irish scoring to make the game 3-1.

When Duke scored again

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BRIAN PUCEVICH/The Observer

Senior Maureen Henwood pushed the game into overtime by scoring in the last minutes of the Irish 10-9 loss to Duke.

BASEBALL

Irish oust Hokies in doubleheader

By JOE HETTLER
Assistant Sports Editor

Neither Matt Bok nor Joe Thaman started the opening game of a doubleheader against Virginia Tech Friday night for the Irish baseball team, but they definitely did their part to help end it.

Bok's pinch-hit triple in the bottom of the 11th inning was followed by Thaman's hard ground ball up the middle that ricocheted off Hokie pitcher Matt Crisci's head, allowing Bok to score from third base and give the Irish a 2-1 win.

A day after head coach Paul Mainieri challenged his team to play better, the Irish picked up their second win of the evening a few hours later in the night cap by defeating the Hokies 4-2.

With the wins, Notre Dame improves to 8-6 in the Big East and 21-12 overall, while Virginia Tech dropped to 7-5 in Big East play and 15-15 overall.

"Those two wins for us against Virginia Tech were as big of wins as we've had this season," Mainieri said. "I keep telling our players all year that

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ND SOFTBALL

Syracuse snaps Irish win streak

By AARON RONSHEIM
Sports Writer

For the Notre Dame softball team, the weekend opened with a bang but closed with a whimper.

On Sunday afternoon, the Irish (22-9, 9-1) saw numerous streaks snapped by Syracuse and Orangewoman pitcher Tara DiMaggio in the second game of a doubleheader. The

3-0 loss ended Notre Dame's 14-game win streak, its 26-game Ivy Field win streak and its Big East conference regular-season win streak at 36.

"The one thing we have to do is bring some energy to the field," Irish coach Deanna Gumpf said. "I think we were a little flat. We're here playing and we have to give it our all and we didn't."

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