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■ SECURITY BEAT

Police: Imposter officer pulls over ND student

Observer Staff Report

A Notre Dame student driving near campus was pulled over by a man claiming to be a St. Joseph County police officer early Thursday morning.

At 12:45 a.m., the student was turning onto Ironwood Road after stopping at the Burger King at the intersection of that road and Indiana 23 when she noticed a vehicle with flashing lights on its grill following her, according to a Notre Dame

Security/Police report.

The student, thinking the vehicle was in fact a police car, pulled to the side of the road near the intersection of Bulla and Ironwood roads. The driver of the other car allegedly approached her vehicle and requested her driver's license and registration.

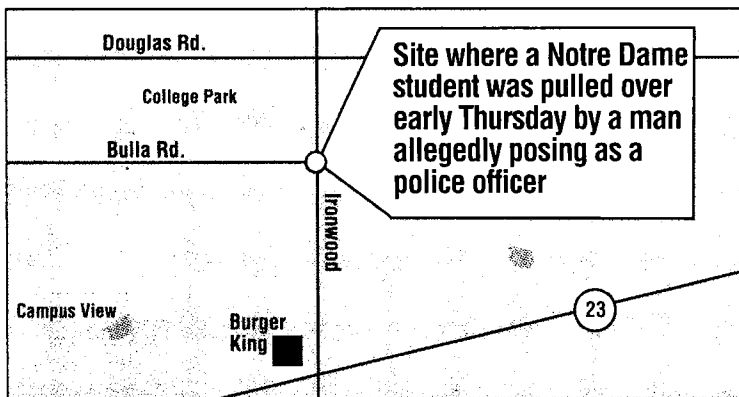
When the student said she could not find the registration, the man told her that she would have to get into his car and "go down to the police station," the

report said.

At that point, the student found the registration, and the man let her go, the report continued.

"We don't believe [the man's vehicle] was a police car," said Chuck Hurley, assistant director of Notre Dame Security, who noted that St. Joseph County police reports indicate that no one was pulled over by county authorities at that location at

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FRIDAY FEATURE



Workin'... in a van down by the Joyce Center

GTE Road Trip brings on-site college football coverage to Internet

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Associate News Editor

The heavily decorated recreational vehicle parked by Gate 10 of the Joyce Center is the office of two men who call themselves "Road Warriors."

Matt Thomson and Bill Emkow, in town for the Notre Dame vs. USC football game on Saturday, started the season at Notre Dame vs. Georgia Tech; drove to West Lafayette for the Purdue game the following week; and to Columbus for the Ohio State vs. Arizona game in week three.

Their job? To travel to the biggest college football game in the country every week of the season, an operation called the GTE Road Trip.



The Observer/Kevin Dalum

Pat Garrity of Notre Dame's men's basketball squad participates in an on-line chat Tuesday night in the GTE Road Trip RV. The chat is still accessible on the Web.

At each stop along the way, the two write pre-game features, a story about the game and post-game features, all of which are then posted to the World Wide Web. Thomson takes pictures of the game and Emkow writes the stories.

"We roll into town on Sunday and try to get the phone lines set up so that we can go on the Internet," Emkow said. "Then we look for stories about the town, the people and the experience of

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Malloy, alums try to aid girl's quest for visa

Filipino student hopes to attend ND in August '98

By KRISTINA ZURCHER
News Writer

The U.S. Embassy in Manila has repeatedly denied a 15-year-old Filipino girl access to a student visa because she is poor, according to Commander Vincent Converse, a 1976 Notre Dame alumnus.

Jenalee Almes received a full scholarship to St. Gregory's Preparatory School in Arizona and intended to come to the U.S. in August. She had planned to apply to Notre Dame for further study in the area of computer science. However, the U.S. Embassy refused her request for a student visa, Converse said.

Many poor foreign students remain in the U.S. after their instruction because the opportunities are greater here than in their own countries. The embassies assume that most poor students will stay in the U.S. instead of returning to their homes and thus deny their visa requests.

"The situation is a catch-22. If you're a poor student overseas, you have to stay that way because there are no opportunities available to you," said Converse, who is trying to help Almes.

Converse stayed in the Philippines while with the Navy and employed members of the Almes family for a time. According to Converse, he and his wife "adopted" several Filipino families, including the Almes family.

Converse contacted University President Father Edward Malloy regarding Almes' visa problem, and both men wrote several letters to congressmen about the case. Several Indiana

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This is the last issue of
The Observer until Tues.,
Oct. 28.

Cheer on the Irish football
team when it plays USC
and Boston College, and
have a safe October break.

■ INSIDE COLUMN

Change the Cheer

As the daily editor of this column, I have the opportunity to read about some wide ranging topics expressed by our Observer staff — whether I want to or not.

Some of my favorite columns, and most frequent I might add, deal with such issues as stress, friendship, idiots riding on golf carts, and my personal favorite — campus squirrels.

This is all well and good, and believe me these columns are necessary every once in awhile. But the problem is that we are avoiding the crucial issue on campus.

No, I am not talking about the "Spirit of Inclusion," or Saint Mary's rights, or that business is a shallow major. These issues have been covered. What I am referring to has been weighing heavily on many a students' mind: the changing of the Lou Holtz cheer.

For years the 1812 Overture has been a fixture at Notre Dame sporting events. In the early 1980s, at basketball games, it was played frequently. At football games in the late 1980s it developed into a tribute to Lou Holtz — and will always be remembered as such.

We are all very aware that at the end of the third quarter at football games it's time to raise our arms. We do it almost subconsciously. But instead of the familiar "Lou" in time with the music, this year we have been informed to chant "Bob."

I have noticed that many of us are not very enthusiastic about the change. Some students have taken to raising L's instead of B's and continue to chant Lou. Others refuse to participate at all.

Why is this? It's not because the Notre Dame student body doesn't like Coach Davie. Most of us accept him and look forward to him leading the team for years to come. The problem is that the cheer is the Lou Holtz Cheer.

Period. This cheer was a special tribute every game by the student body to Lou Holtz and an indication of the relationship built between the two over the years. In other words, Lou Holtz earned that cheer. It does not seem right to simply switch it over to another person. Even if we were instructed to change the cheer for the president of the United States, or better yet the pope, I have a feeling it would still be a strange transition for the student body, and hard to accept.

We don't have to get rid of the 1812 Overture. It's a tradition and should remain that way. And if we would like to do a cheer to honor Coach Davie, let's be original. I think the creative minds at this University should be able to think of something.

Maybe instead of focusing on squirrels and how stressed out we all are, we should spend more of our time on issues like devising a cheer for our present coach if that's what we want.

But, nevertheless, let's not cheapen the tribute to our former coach by passing it down to everyone that comes along.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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Outside the Dome

compiled from U-Wire reports

Lawsuit against U of M may reach Supreme Court

ANN ARBOR, Mich. The lawsuit filed Tuesday against the University claiming that undergraduate admissions policies blatantly discriminate by race has the potential of setting precedent in the U.S. Supreme Court, some legal experts say.



The Center for Individual Rights, the same law firm that won the groundbreaking Hopwood affirmative action case in the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals last year, filed a class-action lawsuit against the University, the College of Literature, Science and Arts, University President Lee Bollinger and former President James Duderstadt. The suit claims that race is a deciding factor in admissions.

The last Supreme Court case that

ruled on affirmative action in higher education was Bakke vs. University of California in 1978.

"It seems clear to me that the court will have a case before it to clarify Bakke," said University of Alabama Law Prof. Bryan Fair, who recently wrote a book supporting affirmative action. "It seems unavoidable. The litigation is mounting."

Opponents of affirmative action agree that the Supreme Court must hear a case involving affirmative action in admissions to colleges and universities.

"I don't normally think we need to have one solid ruling for everything across the board," said David Boaz, executive vice president of the Cato Institute, a conservative think tank. "But in these circumstances, there are fundamental rights being violated."

William Allen, former chair of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and a

law professor at Michigan State University, said there are currently no guidelines set by the Supreme Court regarding affirmative action in admissions.

"Bakke does not answer the questions of affirmative action that current lawsuits produce," Allen said.

In the Bakke ruling, Justice Lewis Powell wrote that admissions policies that use racial quotas are unconstitutional, but universities may use race as one of many factors to determine admission if it rectifies past discrimination.

Those are not specific guidelines, Allen contends, but only Powell's opinion.

"There is a need for the Supreme Court to set concrete guidelines," Allen said, adding that lawsuits such as the one against the University would not occur once the Supreme Court rules definitively on the issue.

■ YALE UNIVERSITY

District Court scrutinizes housing policy

NEW HAVEN, Conn. The four Orthodox Jewish students' civil suit, filed yesterday afternoon in the New Haven U.S. District Court, claimed that Yale's mandatory housing policy violates the students' federal constitutional rights and contractual agreements between the students and Yale. Naming Yale University, Yale college dean Richard Brodhead, and dean of Student Affairs Betty Trachtenburg as defendants, the students' lawyer Nathan Lewin filed a thirty-page list of eight legal claims. The suit followed weeks of failed negotiations, in which the students decided they were unable to live in the Yale dorms without compromising the modesty their religion requires. In the suit, Lewin alleged that Yale religiously discriminates against the students by refusing either to grant exceptions to the housing rules or to accommodate the students within the dormitories. He asked the court to abolish Yale's housing policy, and to force Yale to return the students' money and pay the students' legal fees. Yale legal counsel Dorothy Robinson said Yale will probably file a motion to dismiss the claims.

■ OKLAHOMA UNIVERSITY

OU professor recovers from shooting

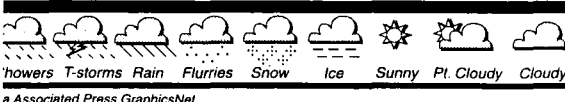
NORMAN, Okla. An OU professor who was mugged and grazed by a bullet Tuesday night was back at work Wednesday. Charles Sexauer, who is also a pediatric doctor at University Hospital in Oklahoma City, was walking to his car at around 11 p.m. in an OU Health Sciences Center parking lot when a 17-year-old man accosted him, said Jake Lowrey, University Hospital spokesman. "He asked him for his keys and wallet," Lowrey said. "The doctor gave them to him and then he was told to turn around." Lowrey said the doctor turned around and the man fired a gun at him. The bullet hit the doctor above and behind his ear. "Luckily the bullet just grazed him," Lowrey said. He said the suspect ran away, not making any effort to take the professor's car. Sexauer went across the street to University Hospital where he was immediately placed in the emergency room, Lowrey said. "A Health Sciences Center police unit heard the shot ... and apprehended him."

■ SOUTH BEND WEATHER

5 Day South Bend Forecast

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Tuesday	54	36



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■ COLORADO UNIVERSITY

Sports, sweatshops, and the swoosh

BOULDER, Colo. Varsity athletes have many anxiety-creating responsibilities to fulfill on game day. They must get enough sleep, eat right and they must remember to bring all of their Nike apparel. Nike's \$5.6 million contract with CU requires varsity athletes to wear the Nike issued gear, with the visible swoosh, to all practices, games, exhibitions, clinics and any other sporting event sponsored by CU. For varsity volleyball player Shana Bowen, this means grabbing the correct Nike shoes, shorts, kneepads, socks and shirt. "I feel privileged to be sponsored by Nike," the sophomore sociology major said. "It's like being paid." CU signed the six-year contract with Nike in June. The initial face-value is \$5.6 million, not including bonuses the school may receive from Nike. In addition to the money, the \$5.6 million includes footwear, apparel and equipment. The contract originated in October 1995 and CU took two years to examine the contract, which was officially signed May 12, by athletic director Richard Tharp and chancellor Richard Byyny. The contract goes through the 2000-01 school year.

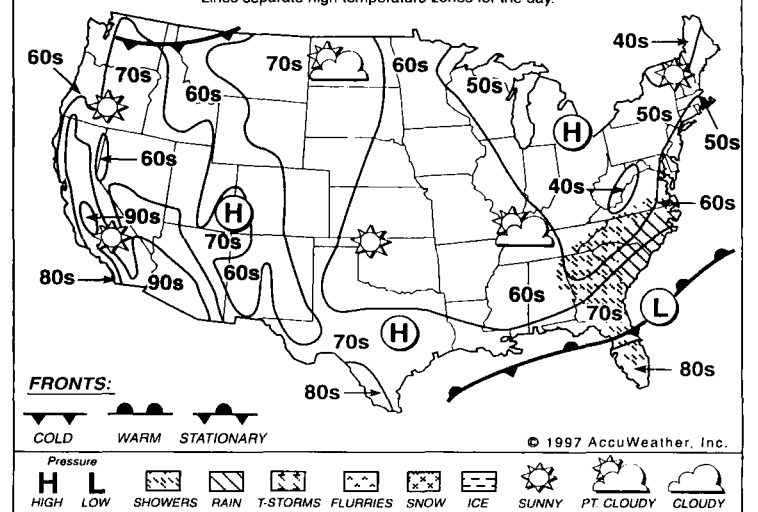
■ IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY

ISU faces lawsuit over credit policy

PROVO, Utah A lawsuit challenging Idaho State University's policy of offering university credit for religious classes is continuing through the efforts of 10 Idaho residents and numerous anonymous donors. The lawsuit, which originally protested a land-swap between ISU and the LDS church, was allowed to continue on the issue of the for-credit institute classes after of the the land-swap issue was thrown out of court. Carole Wells, a local board member of the American Civil Liberties Union, who became a full-time student after filing the lawsuit, leads the suit claiming that college credit for institute classes violates separation of church and state. "I feel that since we do have a first amendment that calls for separation of church and state, we need to be very careful about the oversight that they exert over a program like that," Wells said. She enrolled in two courses offered by the LDS institute of religion courses last year.

■ NATIONAL WEATHER

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Friday, Oct. 17.
Lines separate high temperature zones for the day.



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Boston	57	42	Los Angeles	89	67	Philadelphia	60	46
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Columbus	58	36	Minneapolis	64	45	St. Louis	61	43

■ CONSTRUCTION BEAT

SDH switches to buffet format after fall break

By NICOLE
SWARTZENTRUBER
News Writer

While Notre Dame students prepare for a week of rejuvenation, South Dining Hall awaits a week of reorganization.

To allow for further construction, the east and west dining rooms will convert to buffet style, effectively closing off South's kitchen services.

North Dining Hall will supply the majority of the food for South's buffets. A truck will run entrees in "hot boxes" from North to South with three major deliveries per meal, and

any needed in between.

"Our job is to get the food out of North in a timely manner, making sure South is provided with hot food," said Todd Hill, operations manager for North Dining Hall.

North will supply the buffets with three entrees, two starch foods, and two vegetables. The selection will simply be a condensed version of the North Dining Hall menu.

Notre Dame Food Services is, however, attempting to create some alluring aspects for the buffet. The salad, pasta, and hot food bars will remain intact, and Eggo waffles may be available for every meal.

Food Services plans to offer Pop Tarts and Hot Pockets, along with a "mini-special."

South Dining Hall general manager Reggie Kalili, expressed his interest in providing a greater variety with the "mini-special." He listed specials such as "dessert night," or "dishes from around the world" as some possibilities.

Kalili said that he is open for suggestions as well: "As long as we can do it, we'll try it," he said. Suggestion boxes are in every dining room on campus, and students are encouraged to submit their ideas for improvement.

The change in physical layout of the dining halls will require students' patience and cooperation. The partition currently separating the east and west dining rooms will come down, and all five sets of doors will be open for use.

Students will enter the dining rooms through the two sets of double doors on either end of the foyer. The path for food will run across the stage, to the far wall, down the steps, and along the two buffet tables. Four lines of traffic will go down either side of the tables, and flow into the salad bar area. Students will exit through the double doors adja-

cent to the entrance.

South Dining Hall will significantly depend on North Dining Hall for its provisions after October break, but it will have a mini-kitchen at the front of the dining hall to cook as much food on location as possible.

Kalili admits that buffet style is not an ideal mode of service for the masses that eat at South Dining Hall, but he said, "right now it seems to be the best plan to accommodate everyone."

South Dining Hall will remain buffet style through the end of the school year, with the anticipation of a new and improved dining hall next fall.

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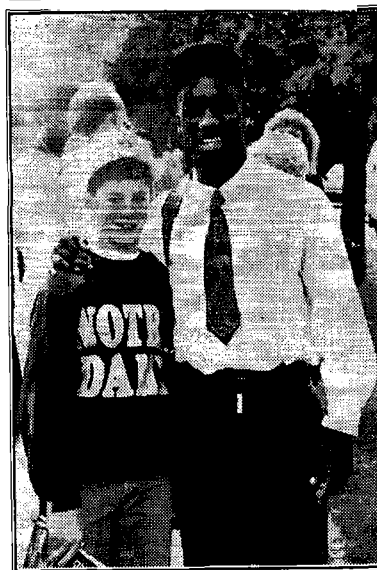
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Brooklyn Law School	No. Illinois University
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■ WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

NATO urges Serbs to vote against Karadzic supporters

SARAJEVO

The NATO-led peace force has dropped leaflets over the northern Bosnian town of Brcko, urging voters not to support war crimes suspect Radovan Karadzic in elections later this year. "Support the leaders who, by their cooperation with the international community, make your equal participation in the programs of reconstruction possible," says one of the thousands of leaflets NATO dropped this week. Brcko is crucial to Serbs, Croats and Muslims because of its strategic location — its proximity to Croatia and its position on a narrow stretch of territory linking Serb-held lands in Bosnia's east and west. It is currently held by the Serbs under strict international supervision, but its future will be decided by international arbitration. Elections for a new Serb National Assembly and president are scheduled for November and December.

Lawyers: Kevorkian unlikely to get prosecuted

DETROIT

Dr. Jack Kevorkian is practically in a free-suicide zone these days. Dr. Death has taken part in at least 23 suicides since August 1996, and neither state nor county prosecutors have brought charges against him. Police haven't even bothered to bring him in for questioning; they usually just talk with his lawyer. Last fall, David Gorceyca got elected Oakland County prosecutor in part by arguing that his predecessor had wasted money pursuing cases against Kevorkian. And in Macomb County, the prosecutor has all but given up, and even agreed to meet with Kevorkian about working out a more dignified way to drop off the bodies. "It does appear as if Jack Kevorkian has been granted the implicit authority to be able to assist in suicides in southeastern Michigan under the current state of the law," said Larry Dubin, law professor at University of Detroit Mercy. Said Kevorkian's lawyer, Geoffrey Fieger: "They're afraid. They're never going to prosecute."

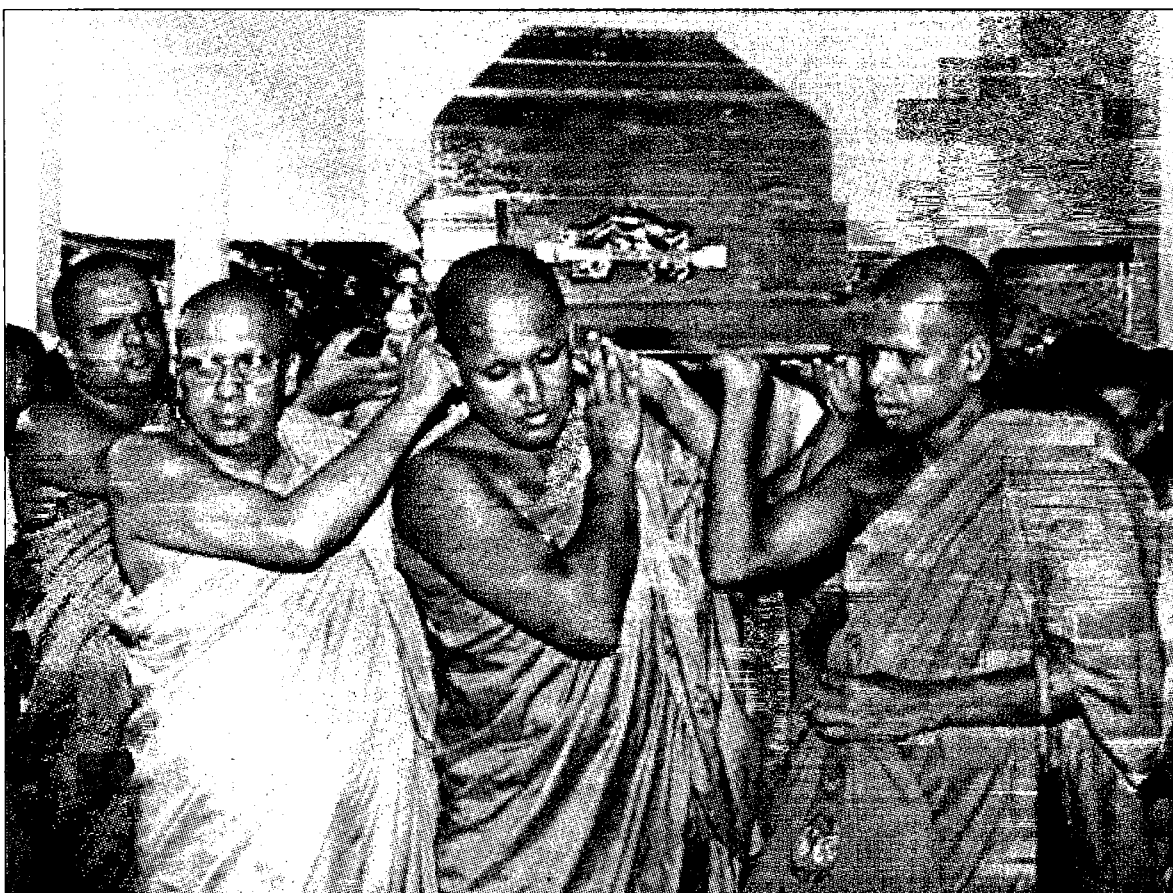


Canada mourns crash victims

ST-BERNARD, Que.

Farming families and politicians, including Canada's prime minister, grieved together Thursday at a memorial Mass for 42 senior citizens killed when their bus plunged into a ravine. As the Rev. Marc-Andre Lachance slowly read the names of the victims of Monday's crash, his voice sometimes breaking with emotion, a mourner lit a candle and placed a red rose near the altar. Dozens of burning candles and roses soon filled the area. The accident, which killed the driver as well as the 42 Golden Age Club members, was the worst bus crash ever in Canada. Five members of the tour group survived and are in serious but stable condition at a hospital in Quebec City, about 20 miles from the site of the accident. "Despite the pain that I have in my heart, I have a lot of admiration for them," Lachance said of the victims.

Sri Lanka probes cause of bombing



AFP Photo

Buddhist monks carry the coffin of top monk Vitharandeniye Chandrajothi Thursday. Chandrajothi was shot dead Wednesday by Tamil Tiger guerrillas. The authorities have blamed the Tamil Tiger guerrillas for the truck bombing that devastated the World Trade Center building and several others, killing at least 20 and wounding 105.

Seven Americans die in explosion; officials suspect rebel faction

By NIRESH ELIATAMBY
Associated Press Writer

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka

A day after a truck bomb exploded in the heart of Colombo, many residents of Sri Lanka's capital refused to leave their homes, afraid of more attacks despite an abundance of fresh troops in the streets.

The truck bomb went off in the parking lot of a five-star hotel, causing heavy damage to the building, a neighboring hotel and the twin towers of the 39-story World Trade Center, which had just opened on Sunday. Eighteen people were killed in the bombing and subsequent gunbattles with rebels in Colombo on Wednesday. More than 100 were wounded, including seven Americans.

The government blamed Tamil

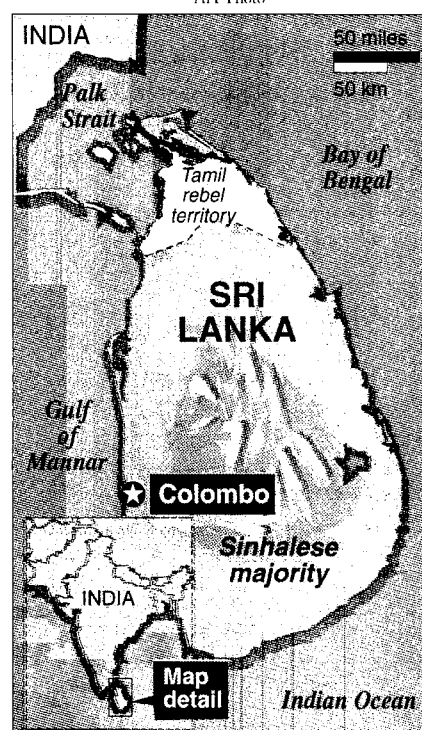
rebels, who want an independent nation in the north of Sri Lanka — formerly Ceylon — which lies at the southern tip of India.

Sri Lanka's largest Tamil rebel group, the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, denied responsibility. But the attack had all the hallmarks of the Tigers — a truck bomb and suicide squads carrying cyanide tablets on cords around their necks. Last week the group was designated a terrorist organization by the Clinton administration.

On Thursday, workers cleared away broken glass and chunks of concrete from the shattered high rises. In all, 18 buildings were damaged.

The government began an investigation into how Tamil rebels were able to get past security. Only trucks clearly marked as belonging to the two hotels were supposed to be allowed into the area of the bombing.

With much of the business district still sealed off, Sri Lanka's stock



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AP

■ ARGENTINA

Clinton allies U.S. with Argentina

By TERENCE HUNT
Associated Press Writer

BUENOS AIRES

In moves watched uneasily in South America, President Clinton proclaimed Argentina a special military ally Thursday and defended his willingness to sell F-16 fighter jets to Chile.

He said neither step would upset Latin America's military balance.

"It would be the height of stupidity for these countries to go to war with each other," Clinton said of Latin America nations, which have been transformed from military dictatorships to stable democracies.

Clinton reached out across

Latin America in a televised town hall meeting whose sponsors said it was beamed to 500 million people in 33 countries in the hemisphere, some U.S. cities, as well as Spain and Portugal.

Even far from home, Clinton was asked to defend his campaign fund-raising tactics, the subject of congressional hearings and a federal investigation. The president seemed surprised the issue arose among town hall questions focusing mostly on immigration, drugs, trade and human rights.

"The fundamental problem in America is there is no effective limitation on spending" during campaigns and no free or reduced-cost

access to communications for national and congressional candidates, he said.

Clinton opened the day at a welcoming ceremony with President Carlos Menem at a monument to Argentina's founding father, Gen. Jose de San Martin, this country's equivalent of George Washington. A military band wore colorful uniforms and tall black hats, each adorned with a white feather.

The president announced he had notified Congress of his intention to designate Argentina as a major non-NATO ally, the first country to win such status since the Cold War. It would rank with the likes of Australia, Israel, Egypt, Japan, South Korea

and Jordan. Congress can object within 30 days.

"Argentina has answered the call to peace," Clinton said, noting he was recognizing the country for participating in U.N. peacekeeping missions from Guatemala and Haiti to Bosnia, Cyprus and Mozambique.

Chile, Argentina's neighbor across the Andes, has expressed concern that the designation would upset the regional military balance. The political opposition here has raised similar questions.

"There is nothing here designed to upset the military balance in South America," Clinton said, answering a critic at the town hall meeting.

Almes

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and Arizona congressmen, including Dan Coates and Richard Lugar, have promised their support for Almes.

Almes presently attends a high school in Manila and is living with relatives there. Converse said that in the Philippines, when a child lives with relatives, she is expected to do their housework.

He said that Almes' typical day begins at 3:30 a.m. when she cooks the family breakfast. She goes to school in the morning and comes home to make lunch. She returns to school in the afternoon and then goes home to cook dinner and clean. In the evenings, she does her homework.

"Jenalee is doing well so far, but I don't know how long she can keep it up," Converse said.

Converse added that if an overseas company made Almes an offer now for a job after graduation, she would be able to prove to the U.S. Embassy her intent to leave the U.S. after finishing school. He is searching for an American company with branches overseas that would offer Almes a job.

"She [Almes] has the drive and determination to succeed, if only given a chance," Converse said.

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■ CONGO

Congo's president won't admit defeat

By KAMANGA MUTOND
Associated Press Writer

KINSHASA, Congo — Militiamen who seized the capital of the Republic of Congo looted what was left by their rivals Thursday, and their triumphant leader promised to name a new government within days.

Gen. Denis Sassou-Nguesso's Cobra militia captured Brazzaville, the capital of this central African nation, and Pointe Noire, its second-largest city, on Wednesday. With the fall of the two cities, Sassou-Nguesso told Radio France Internationale on Thursday that he considered his four-month war against President Pascal Lissouba's forces over.

"We have nearly total control of the country, control of the political capital, and of the economic capital," he said.

Many reports on the conflict in Brazzaville and the Republic of Congo were coming from just across the river in Kinshasa, capital of the similarly named Congo. The U.S. Embassy in Kinshasa confirmed Sassou-Nguesso's con-

quest of Brazzaville.

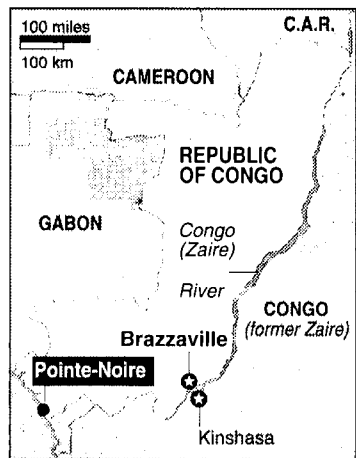
Lissouba refused to admit defeat and said from hiding Thursday that he still considered himself the country's leader.

"I cannot but consider myself president since I do not yet have before me a successor democratically elected as I was," Lissouba said in a telephone interview with Radio France Internationale.

Nevertheless, the rest of the world appeared to have accepted that Sassou-Nguesso had driven his longtime rival from power. The French ambassador in Brazzaville, Raymond Cesaire, said Sassou-Nguesso's men controlled the city and were encountering "fewer and fewer pockets of resistance."

"We're not far from the conclusion of the war," Cesaire said by telephone.

Militiamen were rushing to loot what little of value remained in the city after four months of warfare, he said, and were targeting neighborhoods considered strongholds of Lissouba and his prime minister, Bernard Kolelas.



France, Congo's former colonial ruler, said it saw no need to evacuate its roughly 1,400 citizens from Pointe Noire, the commercial capital.

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that time.

The man is described as a white male in his 20s, 5-foot-6, with a heavy build and shoulder-length hair, and wearing a blue shirt and blue jeans. His car was a four-door, maroon-colored, older model vehicle.

Hurley cautioned students that if an unmarked car with flashing lights pulls up behind their cars, they should drive to a populated area before they pull over.

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3 to 10:30 p.m.	Irish Courtyard — open to public	Morris Inn
3, 3:30 p.m.	Center for the Homeless tours	Main Circle
4:30 p.m.	Marching Band Rehearsal	Fieldhouse Mall
6:20 to 7 p.m.	Cheerleaders and pom poms	TBA
7 p.m.	Pep Rally	TBA
7 p.m.	"Joseph & the Technicolor Dreamcoat"	Washington Hall

Saturday, October 18

8 a.m. to 8 p.m.	Special Bookstore Hours	Bookstore
10 a.m.	Saint Mary's College tour	122 LeMans Hall
10 a.m.	Alumni flag football	Stegan Field
10 to 10:30 a.m.	Cheerleaders and Pom Poms	Bookstore
10:30 a.m.	AA closed meeting	CSC
10:40 to 11 a.m.	Cheerleaders and Pom Poms	Joyce Center
12:30 to 1 p.m.	Glee Club — ND in Revue	Joyce Center
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2:10 p.m.	Marching Band pre-game	ND Stadium
2:30 p.m.	Notre Dame vs. Southern Cal	ND Stadium
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45 min. after game	Mass	Stegan Center
4:45 to 7 p.m.	Candlelight Dinner	ND Dining Halls
7 p.m.	"Joseph & the Technicolor Dreamcoat"	Washington Hall

Sunday, October 19

8, 10, & 11:45 a.m.	Mass	Basilica
9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Special Bookstore hours	Bookstore

SMC adjusts financial aid program

By COLLEEN MCCARTHY
News Writer

The financial aid process can bring about feelings of love or hate, depending on which students or parents one speaks with. But the financial aid office at Saint Mary's College is trying to make the process as painless as possible for students and parents alike by instituting an individualized approach and dealing with some process problems.

Because Saint Mary's College is an institution which costs over \$20,000 a year with living expenses, financial aid is an issue for many students.

"We look at each student's case on an individual basis and we go by the standards of ethical principles and practices for financial aid," said Mary Nucciarone, director of financial aid. "Our office always tries to adhere to that philosophy. We have a limited amount of

resources and we try to distribute them as equitably as possible."

The first option for those seeking financial aid is a scholarship which is based on both need and academic eligibility. Scholarships are followed by need-based grants and then campus employment opportunities. According to Nucciarone, loans are viewed as a last resort.

"There is a lot to the process, but our goal at Saint Mary's is to treat each person and family as an individual," she said. The commitment to individual treatment means that the office takes into account factors such as the death of a family member or fluctuation in income.

According to Nucciarone, sometimes difficult situations arise involving students and families. One common situation that the office runs into is when a family refuses to contribute to a student's education.

In this case, the student wishes to be viewed as independent in order to receive financial assistance. However, due to federal regulations, the student is seen as a dependent.

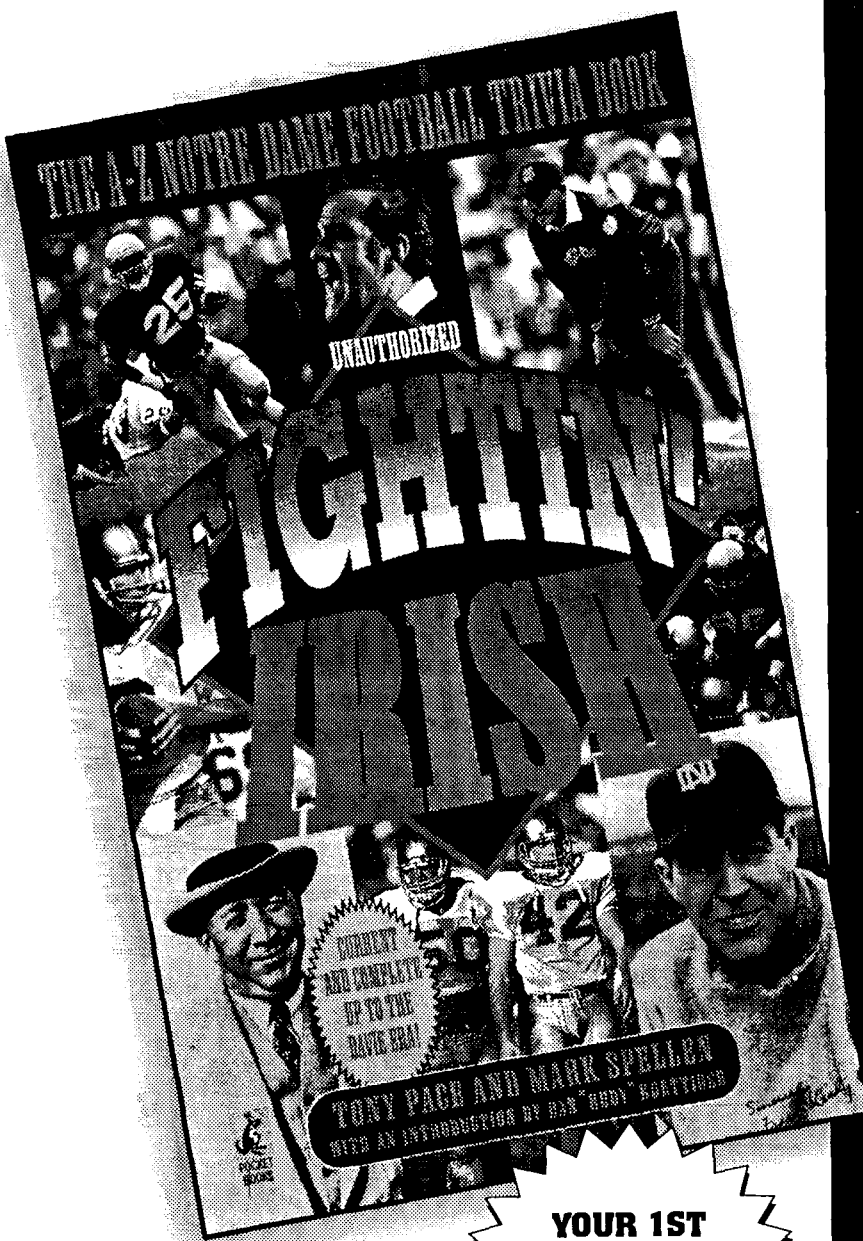
"In this situation, we have to ask many questions and while we empathize with the students and families, we can't help everyone," Nucciarone said. "This is sometimes perceived as being a negative experience with the financial aid office."

She added, "While our goal is to always support the individual student, we train our support staff, which includes student workers, to be able to listen to what the students say when they come into the office and to be able to answer common questions."

Because the office is in a small space, some students are uncomfortable sharing confidential information with the support staff.

The staff often needs more information and facts to know who to refer the people to. Regarding this, Nucciarone said, "This is a problem that we are keenly aware of."

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Social Security checks pale compared to cost of living

By ALICE ANN LOVE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON
Along with 44 million other Americans who receive Social Security benefits, Rufus Clayton will see his monthly check grow next year by just 2.1 percent — in his case, \$10.50 — the lowest cost-of-living raise in a decade.

"They give you a little increase," said Clayton, 77, a retired bricklayer who helped

build the Pentagon. "But you can believe me, you don't have ... extra money on Social Security. I mean, you have to watch your budget and watch it close."

Like about 15 percent of retirees, Clayton's only income is from Social Security. Next year's cost-of-living increase, announced Thursday, will push his monthly check to about \$514.50 from this year's \$504.

Clayton, who lives in a subsidized apartment for low-

income elderly, still won't be able to afford market-rate rents in the nation's capital. And Clayton also will have to forgo buying any more of the snappy hats and ties he likes to wear.

"That's the way you get through," Clayton said.

Checks from the government's biggest benefit program are adjusted annually to keep inflation from eroding their buying power.

For 1998, the adjustment means that starting in January

the average monthly check for retirees will rise by \$16 to \$765, said Commissioner Kenneth S. Apfel. The maximum check for retirees will rise to \$1,342 from \$1,326, based on a combination of factors including the cost-of-living adjustment.

The average monthly payment to disabled workers will rise to \$722 from \$707.

And the maximum monthly Supplemental Security payment for 6.5 million elderly or disabled individuals with low incomes also will rise 2.1 percent, or \$10, to \$494.

That's the second-lowest cost of living increase since the adjustment became automatic in 1975. The low was 1.3 percent in 1987.

"It is low, but that's the direct result of low inflation," said Apfel. "This low inflation is very good news."

Separately, the agency said that for 144 million working Americans, the maximum annual earnings subject to Social Security payroll taxes next year will rise to \$68,400 from \$65,400. Because the rate at which earnings are taxed remains at 6.2 percent, the maximum Social Security tax will be \$4,241.

The cost-of-living adjustments are based on changes in the Consumer Price Index from the third quarter of one year to the third quarter of the next.

Union contracts guarantee about 5 million working Americans similar raises tied to inflation, the AFL-CIO says. For most workers, however, raises are not a sure thing and wages grow at a lesser rate — a seasonally adjusted 0.8 percent

Social Security		
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	1998	1997
Average monthly benefits		
■ Retired worker	\$765	\$749
■ Retired couple	\$1,288	\$1,261
■ Widowed mother, two children	\$1,522	\$1,491
■ Elderly widow or widower	\$731	\$716
■ Disabled worker, spouse and children	\$1,198	\$1,173
■ Disabled worker	\$722	\$707
■ Supplemental Security Income, individual	\$494	\$484
■ Supplemental Security Income, couple	\$741	\$726

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Frozen eggs produce baby Disease-free old age not impossible, studies say

By TARA MEYER
Associated Press Writer

ATLANTA — In what may be the first such case in the United States, a Georgia woman gave birth after being implanted with eggs that had been frozen.

Up to now, U.S. doctors have been able to produce pregnancies from frozen embryos — that is, eggs fertilized with sperm and then frozen — but eggs alone were considered too fragile to freeze.

The latest feat, which has been achieved only sporadically elsewhere around the world, could give women some new reproductive options and sidestep some of the ethical objections to

test-tube fertilization.

"This stretches the reproductive field as far as you can envision it right now," said Dr. Joe Massey, co-founder of Reproductive Biology Associates, the Atlanta clinic that accomplished the feat. The same clinic in 1993 produced the first U.S. baby using sperm injected directly into a woman's egg.

In 1986, a doctor in Australia was able to produce the first known births from frozen eggs. A year later, a team of German doctors also produced frozen-egg pregnancies. But until now, U.S. doctors have not been able to mimic the results, said Michael Tucker, scientific director of the Atlanta clinic.

"This is an area in our field in

which no one has been able to reliably achieve results over the past decade," said Dr. Anna Namnoum, director of in vitro fertilization at Emory University's Center for Reproductive Medicine. "This is a significant development."

The 39-year-old woman came to the clinic almost a year ago suffering from premature ovarian failure, which caused her to go through menopause early.

She had tried in vitro fertilization, where eggs taken from a woman's ovaries are fertilized with sperm in the lab and the resulting embryo is implanted in the woman's uterus. But it didn't work because her husband's sperm were too weak.

The clinic had been running a donor program for frozen eggs as part of its research since 1994. It successfully produced two earlier pregnancies using those eggs, but both ended in miscarriage. The clinic decided to use frozen eggs from a 29-year-old donor to try to help the 39-year-old woman.

"We had the eggs sitting around and she was sort of backed into a hole," Tucker said. "All things considered, this was sort of an end-of-the-line option."

By LAURAN NEERGAARD
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON

Along with those first gray hairs may soon come a new tradition: a midlife medical checkup in which Americans could get a customized prescription for an old age free of disease.

Don't expect a fountain of youth. But a new review of geriatric practice recommends that scientists refocus how they study and treat the rapidly aging U.S. population — because of new evidence that getting old doesn't have to mean getting sick.

Friday's edition of the journal *Science* hails this as "the new gerontology," and calls for the study of hormones that decrease with age and how lifestyle, not genes, may play the biggest role in life expectancy.

"Many aspects of 'usual aging' can be avoided or reversed," Dr. John Rowe, president of the Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York,

wrote in an editorial accompanying the review.

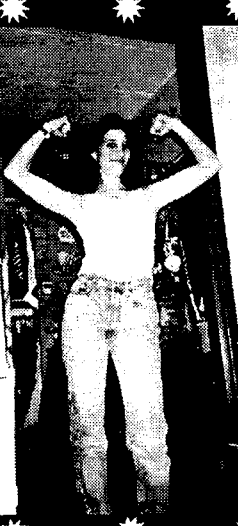
"The stage is set for major community-based intervention studies designed to enhance the likelihood of older persons not only to avoid disease and disability, but to truly age successfully."


The U.S. National Institute on Aging already is starting such research. A five-year national study will test whether brain exercises can help healthy older people avoid Alzheimer's disease and stay mentally sharp overall. It's based on findings that people who have "active brains" at younger ages seem protected, a kind of "use it or lose it" prospect.


"We now move into a realm where we make an effort to achieve optimal function for every person," explained NIA Deputy Director Terrie Wetle. "The exciting findings that are leading us down these paths have to do with our untangling the mysteries of normal aging."

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that weekend.

"We are working with University Netcasting, which hosts the athletic pages for most of these schools, such as Notre Dame, Michigan State, Stanford, Purdue and others," he added. "Because of this we have inside access to the athletic departments and football teams at each school that we go to."

They stop the RV in or near the tailgating area of the stadium at every game and they set up their tent with computers and a big television screen that broadcasts ESPN's College GamePlan show.

"We were in the middle of the tailgating at Clemson," Emkow said. "So we had a lot of people come by and send their kids over to watch the TV or get on the Internet."

The two added that the stops on their trip so far have varied greatly, but that all have their high points.

"The best game so far was Purdue vs. Notre Dame," said Thomson, who graduated from Purdue. "But every place has its different aspects that make them fun."

"The best so far has been Clemson," he added. "When we went down there, everyone was interested in what we were doing — the football beat writers, the coaches, the

players, everyone. We are heading down to University of Virginia next week and I understand that is a beautiful campus."

"We have been to South Bend twice now for games, and I don't really consider it a 'stop' on the tour, because it is home," added Emkow, who grew up in South Bend. "I didn't even know what state Clemson was in before we went there, but when we got there I loved the place."

The site features a weekly chat with the two writers as

were needed to bring the experience of a college football weekend to the Internet.

"Basically, we have all the equipment that we need," said Matt Thomson, who takes the pictures for the Web site. "I think it is telling that we have a scanner, but because of our digital cameras, we have not even taken it out of the box yet."

Both described the program as a test-case.

"People said that this couldn't be done," Emkow said. "They said that this kind of inside access to each place couldn't happen. So if this goes well, the sponsors may start it up again next year. There has even been talk of doing something like this for the NCAA basketball tournament."

The "Road Warriors" have visited the University of Kentucky, Florida State University, Clemson University, Ohio State University, Purdue University and Notre Dame.

The next two weeks will find them in Charlottesville, Va., for Virginia vs. Florida State and East Lansing, Mich., for Michigan State vs. Ohio State.

The last three weeks of the season, mid-to late November, they will travel to Los Angeles for USC vs. Stanford; Tucson, Ariz., for University of Arizona vs. California University; and back to Los Angeles for the USC vs. UCLA game.

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Bill Emkow

well as any interesting people on campus. This week Notre Dame basketball forward Pat Garrity joined the chat room.

"Our chats are not always focused on football," Emkow said. "We figured that, with Midnight Madness coming up this week it would be good to get him on here. Besides he is an important figure in college sports."

As the mobile Web-production studio for the road trip, the RV contains computers, a scanner, digital cameras, a digital video camera and all the other hardware and soft-

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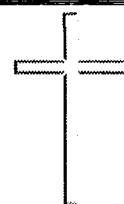
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Labor Department hopes to reduce TB cases

By JENNIFER ROTHACKER
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — The Labor Department proposed regulations Thursday designed to slash the number of tuberculosis cases among employees in such high-risk work sites as hospitals, prisons and homeless shelters.

Respirators and routine medical testing for the highly contagious and sometimes fatal disease are among requirements the Occupational Safety and Health Administration is recommending for 5 million workers in 100,000 work sites.

The regulations would require high-risk workplaces to provide exposure control plans for all employees and respirators for those most at risk of contracting the disease. They also would have to create isolation areas for TB patients and conduct periodic medical examinations.

"We have made significant progress in the past 2 1/2 decades ..., but it still remains a substantial problem particularly for workers," said Greg Watchman, OSHA's acting assistant secretary.

OSHA lacks specific rules governing TB

but uses its "general duty clause" to deal with outbreaks. The agency estimates that 50 percent of hospitals fail to meet TB prevention guidelines issued by the Centers for

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*Greg Watchman
secretary for the Occupational Safety
and Health Administration*

Disease Control in Atlanta.

Tuberculosis routinely ranks among the most common infectious diseases, with an estimated 13 million adult Americans now infected. It spreads easily through simple contact, like coughing or sneezing, and tends to attack the lungs.

OSHA estimates that its regulations — based on the CDC guidelines — would cost

of \$245 million annually while preventing 21,000 to 25,000 infections a year.

The rules would apply to workplaces where TB exposure is likely, such as hospitals, nursing homes, prisons, hospices, drug abuse treatment facilities, homeless shelters and certain laboratories. Teachers, lawyers and social workers also are included if their work puts them in contact with people who have or could have TB. Restaurants are not included.

OSHA is making exceptions for medical facilities that don't accept TB patients, have not had a confirmed case in 12 months or are based in counties with low TB rates.

A series of public hearings on the proposed standards will be held throughout the United States before OSHA puts them into effect.

The American Lung Association applauded OSHA for following the disease control center's findings but suggested regulations include giving preventive medicines to employees facing the highest risk of infection.

"The dangerous case of TB is the undiagnosed case," said Dr. Lee B. Reichman, past lung association president.

U.S. ports bar ships from Japan

By MICHAEL WHITE
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — The U.S. Maritime Commission's order to bar Japanese ships from U.S. ports could put Uncle Sam in the role of Scrooge to U.S. merchants stocking shelves for the Christmas shopping season.

Ports along the West Coast are just wrapping up their Christmas rush, with hundreds of millions of dollars worth of Christmas goodies — from cameras and computers to stereos — still making its way across the Pacific. Should it last very long, the impact of a shipping embargo would be felt by both retailers and consumers across the nation.

"You have retailers getting their last-minute Christmas goods in. It could have an impact on all of us real quick," said Jack Kyser, chief economist for the Economic Development Corp. of Los Angeles County. "It could take a lot of joy out of the Christmas holidays."

Of the \$170 billion in trade passing each year in and out the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach — the nation's busiest — \$45.6 billion is heading for or coming in from Japan, said Kyser.

The commission on Thursday ordered the Coast Guard to bar Japanese ships from entering U.S. ports and told the Customs Service to detain those already at berth.

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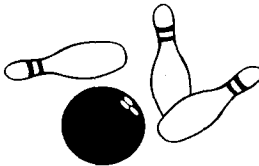


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Lawmakers want FTC to stand by 'USA' label

By JOHN D. McCLAIN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON

Criticism from lawmakers and labor unions have turned back a plan to allow substantially foreign-made items to bear the label "Made in the USA."

The Federal Trade Commission was expected to kill its proposal to allow companies to use the label if "substantially all" of a product was made from American parts or assembled by U.S. workers, according to a source who spoke on condition of anonymity.

That would have meant that products with as little as 75 percent American content would have been allowed to bear the label.

The commission had argued that American factories needed such a designation in order to compete globally. But labor unions and some lawmakers

opposed the proposed guidelines, arguing they would encourage corporations to send jobs overseas.

Under that pressure, the FTC was expected to retain the current requirement that forbids companies from using the "Made in USA" label if a product has more than a small amount of foreign content.

Jodie Bernstein, director of the FTC's consumer protection bureau, was expected to recommend to the full commission that the old "all or virtually all" standard be retained, said the source.

But because the current standard had been criticized as vague, Bernstein also will recommend that the commission clarify the definition of the "Made in USA" phrase and require that products are the result of least 90 percent American parts and labor.

That requirement was recommended by the attorneys general of 16 states.

James Michener dies at 90

By JUAN B. ELIZONDO Jr.
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN, Texas

James A. Michener, who guided millions of readers from the South Pacific to the fringes of space in giant, best-selling novels, died Thursday at his home of kidney failure. He was 90.

Michener's death came less than a week after he ordered doctors to disconnect him from life-sustaining dialysis treatments.

Harold Evans, president of Random House, which published several of Michener's books, called him "America's storyteller."

"He took enormous delight in satisfying his own intrepid intellectual curiosity, and we are the richer for it," Evans said. "The world was his home, as he entitled his 1992 autobiography."

Said Michener's longtime friend and assistant John Kinds: "His loss will be great not only the literary scene but to the many colleges he has nurtured through the years and the many thousands of people who feel he is their friend."

Michener's heralded writing career, which spanned nearly 50 years, began in his mid-life, with "Tales of the South Pacific." The book, written during his tour of duty with the Navy in World War II won the Pulitzer Prize in 1948 and was the basis for "South Pacific," a long-running Broadway musical and later a motion picture.

Michener then spent decades wandering the globe, from

Japan and Korea to Hungary, Hawaii, Afghanistan, Spain, South Africa, Colorado, Israel, Chesapeake Bay, Poland, Texas, Alaska and the Caribbean.

He wrote historical-geographic blockbusters, living in and absorbing the culture of the places of which he wrote. His books argued for universal ideals: religious and racial tolerance, hard work and self-reliance.

"I'm not a stylist," Michener said of his writing. "There are a whole lot of things I'm not good at. I'm not hard in dialogue; I don't have that wonderful crispness. I don't think I'm good at psychology. But what I can do is put a good narrative together and hold the reader's interest."

Every one of his books was a commercial success. The first printing of his 1985 novel, "Texas," was 750,000 copies; it eventually sold more than 1 million copies.

He never quit working, saying "as long as the old brain keeps functioning, I know the desire will always be there. I can hardly wait to get up in the

morning, to get back to work."

He released his latest book, "A Century of Sonnets," earlier this year and reportedly was working on a book about his illness.

Michener was born Feb. 3, 1907, in New York City, and was taken as an orphan to the Bucks County Poorhouse in Doylestown, Pa. His name, James Albert Michener, came from his adoptive Quaker parents, Edwin and Mabel Michener.

His childhood was spent in poverty, he recalled, "so that accounts for my social attitude — I'm a fiery liberal."

"I've never felt in a position to reject anybody," he said in a 1972 interview. "I could be Jewish, part Negro, probably not Oriental, but almost anything else. This has loomed large in my thoughts."

Michener followed "South Pacific" with "The Fires of Spring" in 1949. It was filled with autobiographical touches, telling of a poor Pennsylvania boy who becomes a writer.

In "Voice of Asia" in 1951, Michener presented a variety of points of view gathered from interviews in Japan, India and other countries of the Orient. "The Bridges at Toko-ri" (1953) and "Sayonara" (1954) were based on the Korean war, and in 1955 Michener produced "The Floating World," a history of Japanese prints.

During the Hungarian revolt in 1956, Michener was in Austria where some 20,000 refugees crossed to the West. He assisted dozens to safety, writing about the experience in 1957's "The Bridge at Andau."

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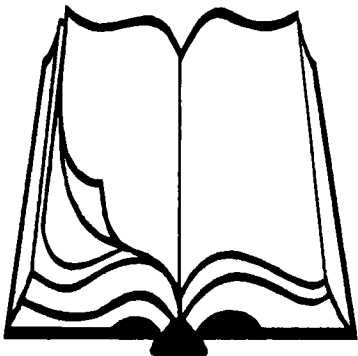
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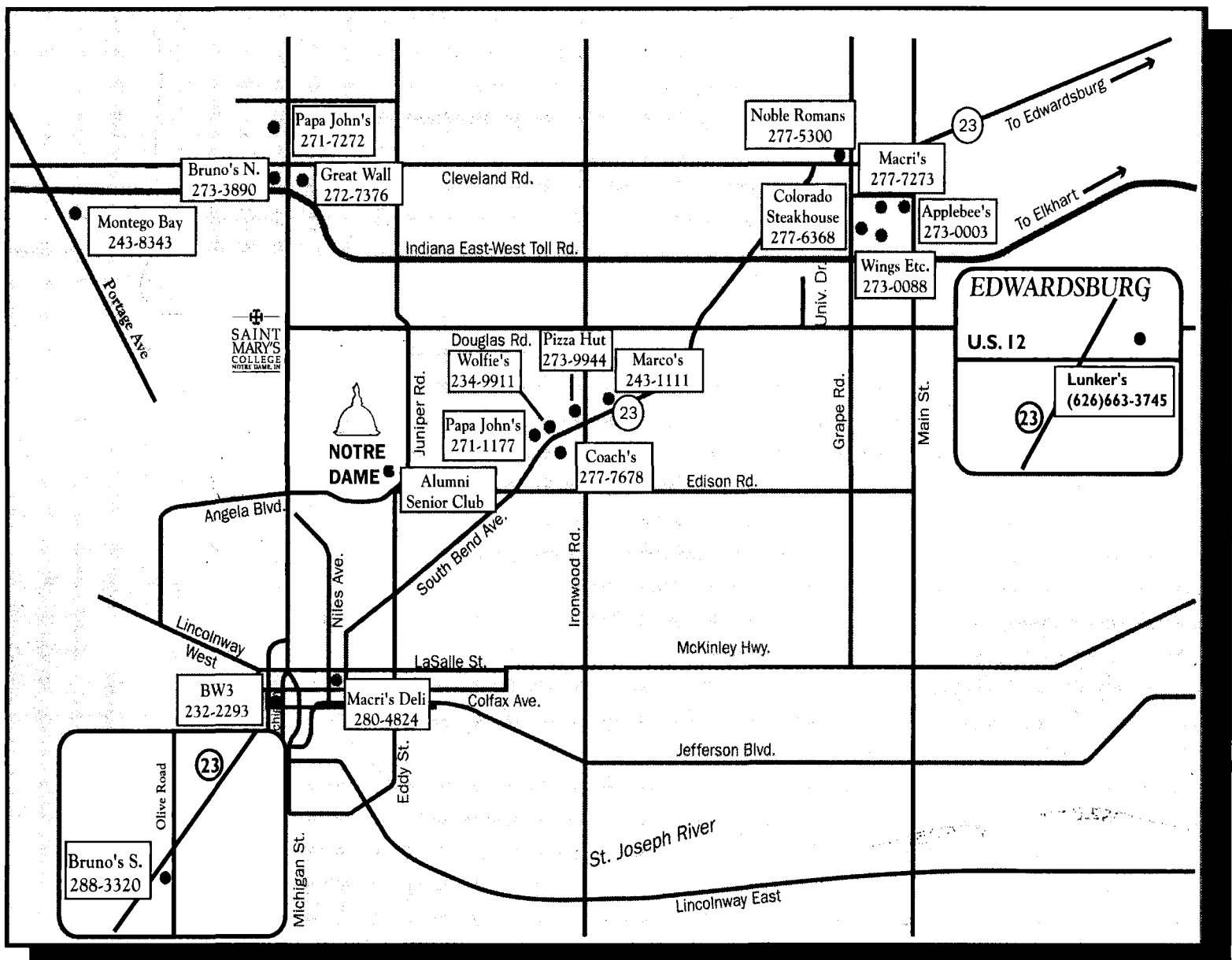
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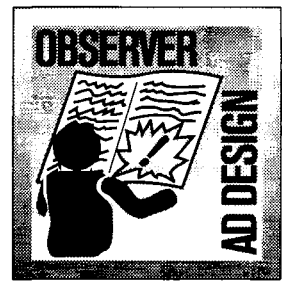
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ON THE POLLEN PATH

Americans not immune from atrocities of Tibetan plight

Until the new movie "Seven Years in Tibet" came out last week, few Americans realized the atrocities committed by China against the people of Tibet. In the movie, the young Dalai Lama, while watching black and white news reels from World War II, asks friend and mountaineer Heinrich Harrer (Brad Pitt), "Do you wonder if

years, China has been resettling its citizens in Tibet and forcing abortion and sterilization amongst Tibetans — making them almost a minority in their own country.

As if it wasn't bad enough, the terror of the Chinese government does not stop with humans; the Communists have clear-cut acre upon acre of forests, dumped radioactive nuclear waste throughout Tibet and drained Tibet's most sacred lake, Yamdrok Tso, to construct a hydroelectric power plant for China.

After all the horrific acts committed against them by the Chinese government, the Dalai Lama and many other Tibetan Buddhists still harbor no animosity toward China.

The Dalai Lama once said, "We [Tibetans] must embrace our enemy, because with two arms wrapped around them, they cannot point a gun at us." The Dalai Lama has even said that he and other Tibetans could live under Chinese rule if only Tibet could be reestablished as a demilitarized zone of Ahimsa (non-violence), yet the Chinese government, along with the governments of other nations, has turned a deaf ear to the plight of Tibet.

What has the world, namely the U.S., done to help Tibet? Virtually nothing. Instead of taking a pro-active role toward peace and democracy in the post-Cold War world, the U.S. has placed political and economic interests ahead of human rights and the environment by once again granting China most-favored nation trading status. The Clinton administration went so far as to de-link human rights and trade — in effect telling the world that the U.S. doesn't care how workers are treated as long as trade is not affected. As the Dalai Lama said, "Nothing in politics is a matter of honor."

The World Parliamentarians Convention in Washington last April declared that there were no negotiations between China and Tibet, and

that the Dalai Lama's talks with President Clinton and Secretary of State Madeline Albright accomplished little. Public criticism of China, however, is kept quiet to preserve what Washington has dubbed the more important issues, namely the economic relations between the U.S. and China.

Still, the ill-conceived notion that U.S. economic involvement in China helps to

footage of thousands of Kuwaitis waving little American flags and thanking the U.S. Marines for liberating Kuwait City. If there was oil in Lhasa, would we have seen those same images on CNN from Tibet?

China claims that its oppression of Tibet is occurring only because it seeks to uncover criminal activity. It compares the situation in Tibet to the governmental crackdowns in the U.S. on religious cults who carry out violent acts. The Chinese government, however, overlooks one huge difference: Buddhism advocates peace and compassion, and the Dalai Lama is a compassionate and peaceful leader, not a mental case like Marshall Applewhite or David Koresh.

Two hundred years ago, our nation was founded on principles of freedom — namely freedom from religious oppression. Massachusetts was a place of refuge for the Puritans, Pennsylvania for the Quakers, Maryland for the Catholics, and the list goes on.

America and democracy exist because people wanted to be free from tyrannical rule and free to worship as they pleased, yet now when fellow humans in Tibet are trying to exercise their right to peace and religious freedom, we turn our heads. Greed, no longer freedom, is at the top of our list. We invaded Iraq under the guise of democracy so as to save a nickel at the gas pump, yet we allow Tibet to bleed so China can continue to produce cheap, plastic toys.

The Dalai Lama hoped that people would wonder what happened to Tibet — I wonder what happened to America.

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someday people will look at Tibet on the movie screen and wonder what happened to us?"

What has happened to Tibet? To begin, the Communist government of China, which has occupied Tibet for nearly 50 years, has virtually erased the identity of the Tibetan people and eliminated freedom of religion, freedom of speech and freedom of the press.

Predominantly Buddhists, Tibetans are some of the most peaceful people on earth; yet China, since its occupation of Tibet began, has abolished religious freedom and has punished those who maintain their traditional cultural ways. For those who assert their Tibetan heritage, the Chinese military has tortured, imprisoned and executed them.

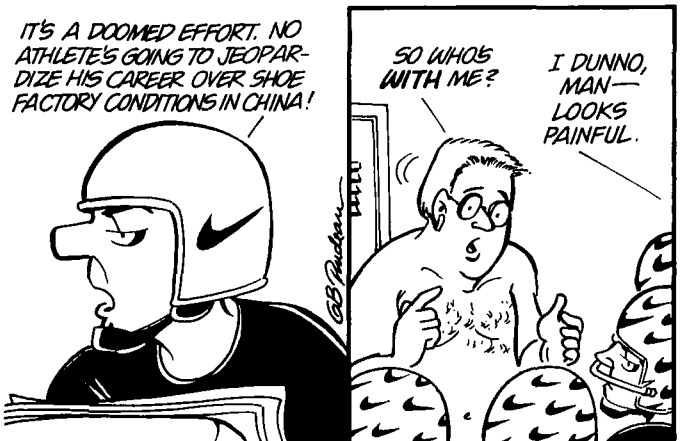
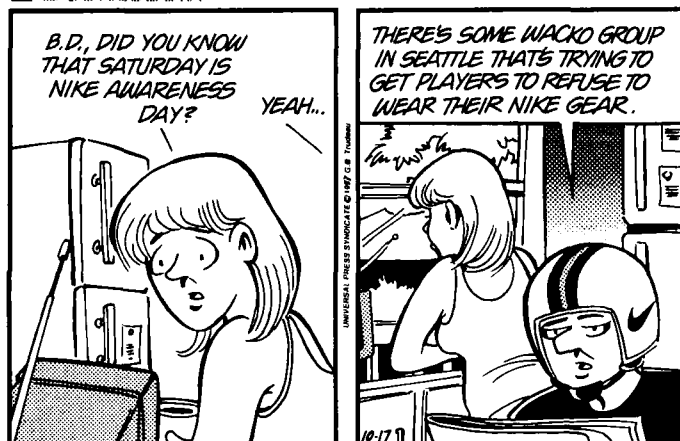
Unarmed Buddhist monks continuing to peacefully practice their religion have seen their monasteries burned and their spiritual leader, the Dalai Lama, exiled to India. China's eradication of the Tibetan culture is so widespread that Tibetan universities have been shut down and the Tibetan language banned. And in the past few

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lower the amount of human rights violations in Tibet and China pervades Washington politics. In fact, a 1995 study by the State Department itself concluded that human rights conditions actually become worse the more the U.S. becomes economically involved in China.

The U.S. has no strategic interest in Tibet because of our economic interest in China. President Bush lauded the Gulf War as a victory of freedom and democracy over the tyranny of a ruthless dictator, but what was our real motivation and strategic interest in liberating Kuwait? The military and the media were instrumental in persuading the American public that the U.S. actually does care about people and freedom; I recall, specifically, the CNN

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■ POSTCARDS FROM MEXICO

'Football': The great 'American' pastime

MEXICO CITY

America, for some reason, is the only country in the world which insists upon referring to football as "football" and soccer as "soccer." In most other nations soccer, a game in which you spend 95 percent of the

fight over who has priority for tickets (students or alumni), no more lack of seats. Of course, the nosebleed view is horrendous and the traffic even worse. But it's a small price to pay for America finally jumping on the global bandwagon and joining England, Ireland, Mexico, Brazil and a few hundred other countries in an ever-growing passion for soccer.

Third, soccer players are more macho than football players. In football, if a player is injured, the game stops. Bruised knee? Half an hour extra on the clock. In soccer, a player can have a bleeding head wound and be writing around in agony on the grass, and the game goes on around him. No excuses. Soccer players are used to pain; soccer players don't wear helmets. They kick, they dodge, they swivel. A football player would *never* think about using his head to stop an oncoming football. Real men wear shorts and kneesocks when they play sports.

Fourth, soccer provides fans with a quick-paced game that never slows down. Football fans complain that a game in which a winning score is 2-1 isn't really a game at all, but I would rather see two equally-matched soccer teams struggle valiantly to finally score a goal in 90 minutes of play and end up tied than two mediocre teams just bat a football back and forth for three hours and finish with a high score that doesn't really mean anything at all. Besides, scoring rules in soccer make much more sense. One goal equals one point. Period.

Fifth, football is going the way of the dinosaur anyway. If you don't believe me, take a head count of the number of cousins, nieces, nephews, little brothers and sisters and young friends of the family that are currently playing soccer. Political analysts like to say that one of the swing votes in the last presidential election came from the "soccer moms," the mothers of young, middle-class families responsible for driving the kids around to practice three times a week. Soccer camps have sprung up everywhere around the country, teams at high schools, junior highs and grade



schools abound, and it is quickly becoming the fastest-growing sport in the U.S.

In a few years, most of these little rugrats will be coming to Notre Dame with more experience in bopping a ball off of their head than throwing it with their hands. It's easy to imagine the problems the football team will have if any of them find their way onto the field.

Finally, the soccer experience really isn't all that different from football. Notre Dame shouldn't have any problems adjusting if we start competing for the World Cup next year instead of a college football bowl. Both have strange mascots running around: little red-headed leprechaun with a goatee (Notre Dame), big fluffy-headed chicken that's supposed to be an eagle (Aguilas de Mexico).

Crazy fans painting their chests with giant letters that spell out VIVA MEXI-

CO, CABRONES! (Mexico) or LET'S GO ND! (Notre Dame) in a variety of proud colors. Weird traditions: The Lou chant at Notre Dame, tooting big plastic horns every three seconds in the Aztec Stadium. Odd game-day food: Eating bratwursts out of the trunk of the car at Notre Dame, eating bags of pre-popped microwave popcorn with lemon and chili pepper in Mexico.

This only proves that while the culture varies from place to place in the world, the passion for the sport, football or soccer, never really changes at all.

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game kicking the ball around with your feet, is aptly named "football," and American football, a game in which you usually just run around with the ball in your hands, is called "American football."

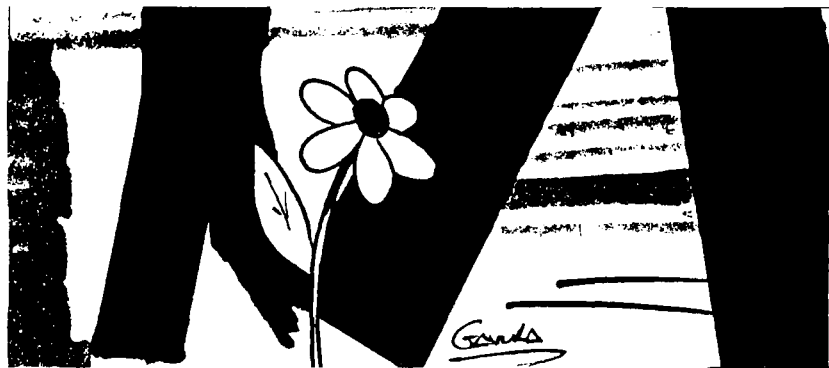
My own dislike of organized sports aside, soccer is infinitely more exciting than football for a variety of reasons, and I would like to propose that Notre Dame scrap its football team and replace it with soccer.

First, soccer players take up significantly less space than football players. The entire Mexican national team, for instance, can easily fit into a Saint Mary's shuttle bus. That means less transportation costs for Notre Dame. And I'm talking about both the physical size of players as well as their number. Jorge Campos, star of the Mexican national league and a goal tender like no other, stands just about as tall as me when I'm barefoot. And I'm a girl. The last American football player I dated used to do one-armed push-ups with me standing on his back.

Second, soccer fans outnumber football fans worldwide. This means more revenue for Notre Dame as soon as we expand the stadium again. Just as an example, the Aztec Stadium in Mexico City holds 120,000 fans, ranking second behind Brazil as the largest in the world.

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■ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Take Time to Enjoy ND

As a fairly recent alumnus of Notre Dame (Class of '96), I was fortunate to visit campus this weekend. I was glad to be here on a non-football weekend, which meant the atmosphere was normal and not frenzied with visitors.

While I was visiting friends from dorm to dorm, however, I stopped myself. Not to gaze at the still-magnificent Dome or mammoth new dorms or ugly enclosure of the Jesus statue; I stopped because I was rushing myself. I realized that all around me, students were also rushing in every direction.

At that precise moment, I saw what Notre Dame does to a person — it makes you feel pressured enough that each moment is consumed with stress and a need to rush, rush, rush. So to current students, I say save that for the real world. Enjoy what you have now which is an abundance of friends, bad-tasting beer, a glorious campus, and a lifetime of memories in the making.

Take tons of pictures, go to your dorm dances, stop complaining about the football team (Coach Davie will be hailed as a genius someday), support our soccer and fencing team, and only walk fast if you are on your way to the Dining Hall for a two-hour meal. Life is good — enjoy it.

Alex Montoya
Class of 1996
San Diego

Jones Reception Rewarded Student Volunteers

First of all, I'd like to take the opportunity to thank any and all of those who helped plan and organize the James Earl Jones lecture, sponsored by SUB, OMSA, and The Student Activities Office. The lecture was a resounding success enjoyed by many. Volunteers put in many hours distributing posters, making banners, planning receptions, and taking tickets. I would like to thank them very much.

Secondly, I'd like to address some of the recent letters submitted to The Observer. Apparently, there was some confusion as to how the guest list of the reception was formed.

I would like to clear up that confusion so that those who felt that the list was unjust can understand what they may do in the future to be a guest of the reception.

Unfortunately, SUB has a limited budget. Because of this, we are forced to limit the amount of money we can spend on a reception. This translates to a limit on the number of guests. For the James Earl Jones lecture, we were limited to 50 guests including Mr. Jones.

In establishing criteria for the guest list, one must surely concede that those who helped in the lecture's organization should be considered first. This totaled nearly 50. A lecture of this magnitude consists of a large group of people planning and performing many tasks that

most people would not even think need to be done. The majority of the invitations were all slated to those people who helped.

As for the issue of why faculty were not invited, I can respond by saying that this event was planned by students, for students. It was put on using student activity fees and therefore, we believe that students' interests should be first (and foremost) considered.

Furthermore, I would like to convey that SUB was deeply hurt by these allegations. This event was solely intended to be fun, it was not intended to turn into an issue of race. Mr. Jones expressed his reason for being here was to be an entertainer, not a spokesperson. SUB's main goal is to provide fun and entertainment for all students.

Finally, I would like to mention that SUB is always accepting of new members. We encourage people to sign up at anytime in the year, no matter if one is "in the loop" or not. Anyone interested in joining SUB may stop by 201 LaFortune. I hope that I have cleared up any misunderstandings.

Brian Churney
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■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A Remembrance of Denver's Life and Love

After hearing the news of John Denver's death, please allow an admirer to digress on newfound revelations.

In recent years, people have tended to look over people like John Denver, seeing them as hippies, or lost romantics. For all practical purposes, this is true. But let's take a closer look. One of the things I admire most of John Denver when I listen to his songs is his complete vulnerability in his love of life. It is so obvious. His words, his voice, his style all reflect an unashamed love, and in that love he reaches the freedom and peace that God meant for us to have. This may sound fairly radical and excessive, but look at it from your own life. Isn't it the one goal of life to say you actually lived and made the most of your time here? John Denver reached this goal in his life — as he said, who he is in his songs. I am the type of person who tends to ask why on Earth anyone would want to be so vulnerable? There's nothing so ridiculous as being completely honest and opening oneself to the world. And then it dawned on me. It is the only way to become a complete person. Self-protection is merely fear and pride, a stopper to growth.

Today, we tend to roll our eyes at ideals like this, but if we could be completely honest with ourselves for one instant, we would see that those who live their lives as John Denver did are making the most of their time. This does not mean they have a perfect life or do not make mistakes, but that they are not afraid to live. It is a tossing away of pride and opening oneself up, in spite of the vulnerability, to live.

To continue this train of thought a moment longer brings me to the thought of heaven. If life is lived as was by John Denver and those like him, I believe we will see our passing from this Earth as a continuation of love. It is a love of life that brings us to depart from this place. In excitement of life, we see heaven as the fulfillment of love.

I will forever admire John Denver and his ability to truly live life. For those who know me, this is completely against ANYTHING I have ever said about love, but it occurred to me while thinking of John Denver that in my pride, I am unable to appreciate this gift of life. The only way to truly appreciate it is to open myself to love and be loved, to hurt and be hurt by life. In this realization I decided if John Denver can dedicate his whole life to making others aware of ideals like this, it is the least I can do to risk a little and write this. It is a step in opening myself, regardless of what anyone thinks as they read this now.

Our time is here and now, let us soak in life, let it "fill up our senses" and in this, give back everything we can in the time we are here.

Molly Noem
Saint Mary's College

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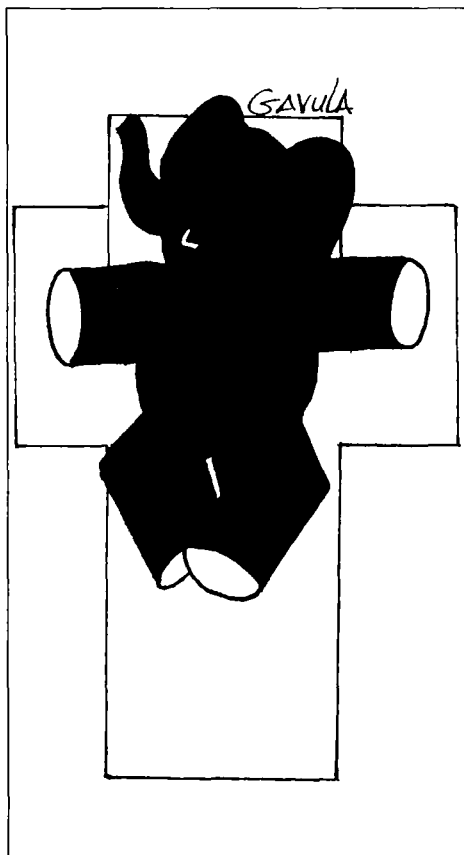
"God has given bishops of the Catholic Church the ability to summon Him to their presence." God is not your bishop's bellhop. God rushes to the cries for justice of the sodomized altar boys and the sexually abused children in their care. They cry for the Almighty to bear his mighty arm in vengeance. Millstones tied around the neck. Shame.

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"Right Reason: Where Charity and Love Prevail." Woe to those who call evil good.

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■ CAPITOL COMMENTS

Offensive behavior is only in the eye of the beholder

Let's face it. Despite all of the outcries from Irish Catholics who attended the Notre Dame football game at Stanford, the most offensive and obnoxious band in the country is not from Stanford. It is the band of the University of Southern California.

Gary Caruso



The incessant "da, da, da, da, da-da, da, da, da, da-da, da, da da, da, da" it will softly play throughout every waking moment of tomorrow's football game rivals only Florida State's tomahawk and "Indian" chant for the irritation of the year award. Nobody here knows the purpose of the "da, das" song, and probably would not care to understand anyway. Everybody tires of it as quickly as one tires of the cry of a baby.

The only logical conclusion those of us not affiliated with USC could make is that the "da, das" song is a tool utilized to intimidate and agitate the opposition. Its sole purpose can only be to neutralize any advantage the home field or a superior opposing team might have over USC. If not, then could the USC contingent be mere self-righteous snobs showing off their "da, das" song?

Regardless of how fans react to the USC band's annoying "da, das," few will probably object as vociferously as Irish Catholics did over the Stanford band's performance two weeks ago. Calling the Irish "stinking drunks," the announcer began a parody of the potato famine featuring "Seamus O'Hungry" whose "sparse cultural heritage consisted only of fighting, then starving."

The Stanford performance included a mock debate between the devil and a Catholic "Cardinal," a pun on the university's mascot, the color cardinal. It seems funny to me that the "Cardinal" was actually defending good against the devil. Sounds like something that would compete with Harvard's annual funny Lamppoon Pudding whatever the hell (oops, I've fallen to the devil) the award is they present each year to a major celebrity.

As a reaction to the performance, overly sensitive Irish Catholics with no sense of humor have demanded that Stanford University officials place sanctions upon the band members. Stanford, not being a religious-affiliated institution with a sense of moral self-righteousness, refuses. Its officers see the antics as possibly in poor taste, but not outrageously offensive. The hope of them ever taking action against the band probably has as much chance as Notre Dame officers officially recognizing a gay student organization on campus. The wrath of Hell does powerfully persuade some clergy members.

The only time in my recollection that the Stanford band did receive a sanction for its actions happened several years ago. The band members, marching in boxer shorts, took their curtain call by dropping trousers and mooning the stadium audience. Granted, they exposed themselves which borders on breaking local laws regarding indecency. But then again, so do all those fans who tomorrow will flaunt their open beer cans as they parade around the campus.

What actions cross the line of decency and respect? How can we judge whose sense of humor is unacceptable? When does sophomoric humor become vicious and vulgar? That debate could sound as familiar as the issues raised last summer when the Supreme Court struck down the attempt by Congress to censor material on the Internet.

How many movies, usually portraying a coming-of-age theme, show young per-

sons mooning someone? Television comedy on such shows as "Saturday Night Live," "Mad TV" and "In Living Color" are continually making fun of African Americans. We didn't hear much from their community leaders when Eddie Murphy was one of the first to push his comedy to the edge years ago ... during a more sensitive time in our society.

Some in this country, including Irish Catholics and fundamentalist Christians, need to lighten up a bit and "get a clue and get over it." Too many super sensitive people take too many incidents too literally, overreacting to minor situations like an atomic bomb on an ant hill. They need to let such obnoxious things like the USC band's "da, das" song roll off their backs. Or better yet, they need to exert their humor against the agitators.

As Halloween approaches, many homes in this country will be egged and covered with toilet paper. Those owners will undoubtedly be upset, but I'm sure they will not put razor blades in their candy next year. Our super sensitive Irish Catholics need to take the incident for what it was, not for what they want to make it. In the case of the USC band, I suggest we stuff rolls of toilet paper in every instrument we can before the game and muffle their "da, das" attempts.

Recently, I was walking in Washington, D.C., when I passed an African American woman with her son and overheard part of their conversation. The boy could not have been more than eight years old. He obviously had complained about someone calling him or his race a name.

As we passed, here is what I heard his mother say, "Don't you never mind what anyone says. You ain't nothing. Look what they did to Jesus. You remember, we ain't nothing, and ignore them."

Powerful advice from an inner-city woman who obviously attends church and is trying to properly counsel her son. Her son's environment is far more dramatically at risk than the surroundings of a Catholic high school principal's who wrote the Stanford University president to complain about its band's performance. Of course, the principal does make one slightly relevant point in his complaint ... he paid for admission to witness the band's spectacle. It is amazing that this one, paid-for incident has not seriously affected more fans in the stadium that day, especially compared to that inner-city youth who probably faces thousands of more incidents each year ... and for free.

Tomorrow, when the myriad "da, das" inundate us from USC's sideline to the point of wanting to walk down and throw up on the band, remember what one of my Notre Dame classmates had to say this week. He is another of the disgusted and frustrated alumni who have had a miserable time this football season. He had lived in southern California for many years when USC had a string of wins over Notre Dame, thus making his personal life as a fan miserable.

While discussing the Stanford band's antics versus the USC band's "da, das," my classmate got somewhat philosophical. "Hell," he said, "I can imagine the heart attack that holy roller principal might have had if the Stanford band had mooned us. Maybe Notre Dame should apply for a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts and arrange for its band to moon USC next year in an 'artistic' display at the Coliseum. That might make Jesse Helms happy."

Maybe, just maybe. At least it would make me laugh.

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Thinking of Leaving Early? Think Again

Joseph and his Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat hit Notre Dame with a storm of color

By JOSEPH WEILER
Assistant Accent Editor

asquerilla East breaks out the the steel drums and golden chariots this weekend for the triumphant return musical theater to Notre Dame. It has been ten years since Washington Hall has been exposed to this much singing and dancing and Andrew Lloyd Weber and Tim Rice's "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" brings Broadway back with a vengeance.

Director Kelly McGann, a sophomore from P.E., brings an interesting combination of professionalism and fun to this rendition of one of the world's most popular musicals. The audience is never quite sure what it's going to get. While cast members bound onto the stage in wonderfully ornate costumes suited perfectly for storytelling, at the same time they are placed in a very simple set with few details, leaving the onlookers the responsibility of filling the scenery.

While the voices of Merideth Watt (Narrator) and Jeff Cloninger (Joseph) are both outstanding, they are supported surprisingly well by a large cast which includes a choir of small children at least 60 strong — a difficult crew to work with for even the most experienced professional. For the most part they serve mostly as cute

scenery, but McGann uses them well at certain to make "Joseph" an entirely amusing and entertaining event.

This is P.E.'s first attempt to break into the ranks of the various legitimate theater groups around campus and the whole company brings both the quality and pizzazz that should make this production a success.

Shows run this weekend, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 7:30 pm and will be held in Washington Hall. Tickets can be purchased at the LaFortune box office.



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■ BASKETBALL

Jordan injures toe, worries Jackson

By STEPHEN WADE
Associated Press Writer

PARIS Michael Jordan has a sore toe, and the Chicago Bulls are already missing Scottie Pippen and Dennis Rodman. Could a stumble be coming in the McDonald's Championship?

Jordan cut his practice time in half Thursday as the Bulls prepared for their opener Friday in this six-team international championship, and Bulls coach Phil Jackson sounded worried.

"He had one toe bothering him (Monday) and now the other toe is bothering him," Jackson said. "It hurts him and he can't jump. We have a big concern about it, but that's a minor problem. Hopefully by tomorrow (Friday), he'll be better."

Jackson then slapped on his game face. This may be a pre-season tournament, but the NBA is 14-0 in seven previous events and Jackson doesn't want a blemish.

Would he rest Jordan?

"Not if it threatens winning," Jackson said. "I don't think it's anything about saving face. I think it's that the NBA has something they have to uphold. It is a status we have to uphold."

No mistaking how big this biennial showdown has become between the NBA and five of the world's best clubs laden with American and international talent.

More than 1,000 reporters and photographers have been accredited, more than for the NBA finals — and 40 percent more than six years ago when Magic Johnson and the Los Angeles Lakers played in Paris' Bercy Sports Palace.

"I want to win, whatever it takes to win," Jordan said.

■ MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Orioles plan to build on season

By DAVID GINSBURG
Associated Press Writer

BALTIMORE

There was a different mood in the Baltimore Orioles' clubhouse this year as they cleared out their lockers after losing the AL championship series.

A year ago, immediately after the Orioles were eliminated from the ALCS in five games by the New York Yankees, general manager Pat Gillick talked about tearing apart a team that depended too heavily on the long ball.

It was an open concession that the Yankees were the better team and that Baltimore couldn't win the AL East without making significant changes.

This year's Orioles didn't get any farther in the playoffs, succumbing in six games to the Cleveland Indians in the second round. The difference is, Baltimore heads into this off-season with the firm belief that no heavy maintenance will be required to prepare for 1998.

"In my heart I feel we're the best team," assistant general manager Kevin Malone said. "No matter how good you are,

you have to get breaks, you have to get lucky, you have to execute."

The Orioles accomplished quite a bit this season, winning more games than any team in the league in becoming only the third team in AL history to remain in first place for the entire season. They also claimed their first division flag since 1983.

They then beat Seattle ace Randy Johnson twice in dumping Seattle from the playoffs before dropping four one-run games to the Indians.

"I think the Yankees took care of us a lot easier last year," center fielder Brady Anderson said. "It wasn't that close. Our team is clearly better than last year; we could have won every single game."

And so the Orioles fell short of their ultimate goal: reaching the World Series. That disappointment, however, didn't detract from what had been accomplished beforehand.

"The fact of the matter is we had a tremendous year," Cal Ripken said. "We went wire-to-wire. We won 98 games. It makes you feel really good

when you set out in spring training to play good baseball then you have the kind of year that we had. So we're kind of celebrating that."

The season included one of the more uplifting sagas in team history, the return in September of Eric Davis just three months removed from colon cancer surgery. His plight made everyone on the team realize that winning the pennant is not life or death.

"I have a renewed sense of what life is all about when I look at Eric Davis," Ripken said. "There were a lot of inspiring things to come out of Mr. Davis' locker."

Ripken had a discussion with manager Davey Johnson in the wake of Wednesday's finale, a 1-0 defeat in 11 innings. The chat had nothing to do with the third baseman's consecutive games streak, which reached 2,478 but became a distraction late in the season because of his ailing back.

"I told him that we had something to build on when we get to spring training next year," Ripken said. "The expectation will be a little higher again."

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■ MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Hernandez pitches his way into his 'wildest dreams'

By STEVEN WINE
Associated Press Writer

MIAMI

Growing up in Cuba, just 300 miles from Miami, Livan Hernandez managed to get his hands on videotapes of the 1992 and '93 World Series.

But watching a World Series game live on TV? Or listening on the radio? No way.

"I've never seen one," Hernandez said Thursday. "Not even dreaming."

That will change Saturday, when Hernandez looks in at his catcher, winds up and throws the first pitch of Game 1. In a scenario literally beyond his

wildest dreams, the 22-year-old rookie will start for the Florida Marlins against the Cleveland Indians.

His family and friends in Cuba may not be able to watch, but much of the rest of the world will. Even the president is talking about the Marlins.

"I want to congratulate those in Miami because their baseball team is going to be in the World Series," President Clinton said Thursday during his tour of South America.

In Miami, the bandwagon is overflowing. Their new hero is Hernandez, the MVP in the National League championship series. He caused such a commo-

tion walking into a Little Havana restaurant Wednesday that it took him four hours to eat lunch.

"I love all the fans," Hernandez said. "I hope they fill the stadium and yell a lot."

Hernandez will be opposed by Cleveland's 39-year-old Orel Hersher, who started — and lost — the first game in Marlins' history in April 1993, when he pitched for the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Five seasons later, the Marlins are in the postseason for the first time, and they're thriving. The NL's wild-card team went 7-2 in the first two rounds and reached the World Series by surprising two-time defending NL champi-

on Atlanta.

Cleveland, seeking its first world championship since 1948, is also regarded as an upstart despite winning its second American League title in three years. The Indians beat Baltimore in the AL championship series thanks to four one-run victories.

"Whether anybody believes it or not, the best two teams are here," Marlins manager Jim Leyland said. "Neither team fluked into this thing. Both teams did what they had to do."

"I'll have to get a feel for the umpire," Hernandez said through an interpreter. "I'm going to work the corners and

change up my pitches like I did against Atlanta."

Hernandez said he doesn't know where the city of Cleveland is, but he has faced the Indians. In 1996, his first professional season, he allowed them eight runs and 12 hits in 6 2-3 in consecutive spring training appearances that earned him a demerol to the minors.

The Marlins blamed culture shock for that slow start. This year Hernandez quit eating Big Macs, dropped 20 pounds, won his first nine major league decisions and even learned a little English.

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■ SAINT MARY'S SOCCER

Saint Mary's cruises to 8-0 shutout of Defiance

By LYNETTE MALECKI
Sports Writer

The weather may have been frigid Tuesday afternoon, but the SMC soccer team was on fire as it crushed Defiance College, 8-0.

The Belles were able to dominate ball control with the majority of the game taking place on Defiance's end of the field. During the first half Saint Mary's outshot Defiance 20-0. The Belles' defense only allowed one shot early in the second half, shutting down the Defiance offense.

Junior fullback Katie Wagner led the Belles' attack, scoring the first goal of the game 10:35 into the first half off an assist from junior midfielder Monica Cernanec. Less than a minute later, Wagner scored again from several yards out. Assists were credited to Cernanec and sophomore midfielder Mary Woodka. Cernanec was also able to net her own goal at the 14:05 mark, giving the Belles a

3-0 lead at the end of the half.

The Belles continued to dominate in the second half, outshooting Defiance 18-1 and racking up five more unanswered goals.

"I was pleased with the team's performance during the second half. We were able to work the ball well which gave us more shot opportunities," said head coach Bob Sharp.

Senior tri-captain Debbie Diemer scored 3:15 into the second half, rolling it right by Defiance's goalkeeper. Woodka scored next, blasting the ball from close range at the 8:20 mark.

With the Belles up 5-0, Sharp made several changes in the lineup. Katie Wagner dropped back to play defense, while senior fullback Keary Sullivan was moved up. In addition, junior Mary K. Hoffman, who usually plays midfield, was substituted for junior goalkeeper and tri-captain Jo Wagner.

The remaining three goals for the Belles all came from senior

tri-captain Eileen Newell, who tied the school record for the most goals scored in a single game.

The Belles' dominance of the game Tuesday indicates the team's steady improvement, Sharp said.

"We have a bunch of girls who want to win. We are improving with each game, and the team has continued to bond. The seniors remain the strength of the team," Sharp said.

Still, Sharp does see room for improvement.

"To win, we need to sustain a high level of intensity for the full 90 minutes. That is still what we are lacking. It's all a matter of mind set," said Sharp.

It was a much-needed victory by the Belles, bringing their record to 5-12-0. The win could give them confidence and momentum going into today's home game against John Carroll at 3 p.m.

"We'll take the win against Defiance, but [today] will be the real test," Sharp said.



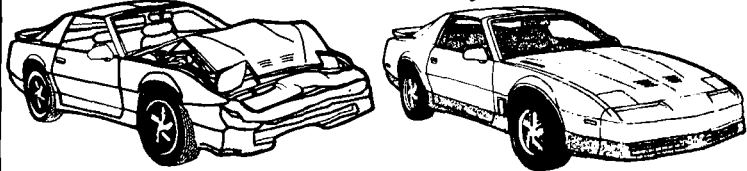
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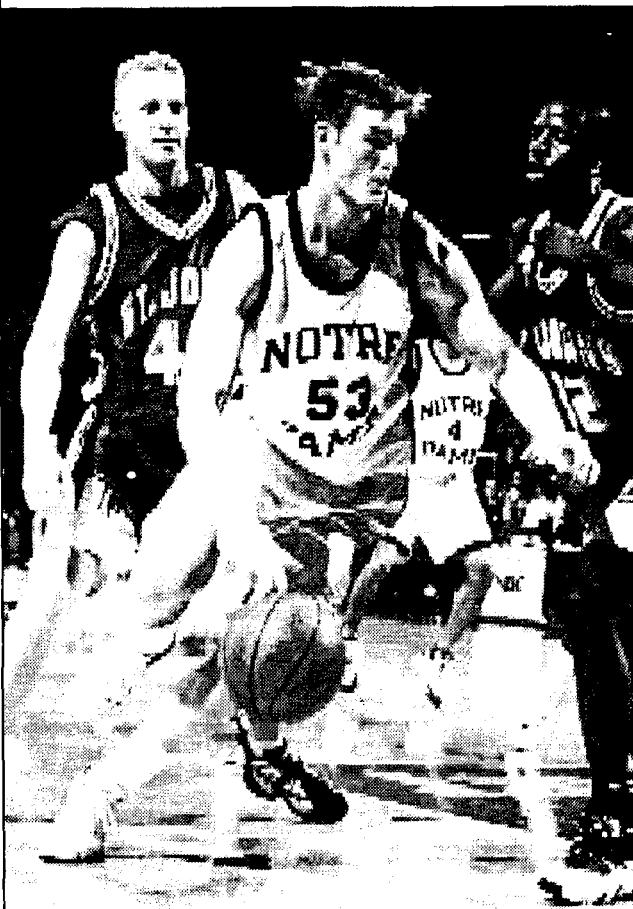
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	Big East	Overall
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Villanova	4-0	14-5
Syracuse	3-1	15-6
Seton Hall	2-2	13-9
Connecticut	2-2	13-10
Pittsburgh	2-2	9-7
West Virginia	2-2	10-8
Georgetown	2-2	10-9
Providence	1-3	15-9
Rutgers	1-3	13-11
Boston College	1-3	5-16
St. John's	0-4	6-10

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Volleyball

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many players placing high in game statistics.

Sophomore Mary Leffers leads the conference in blocking with an average of 1.3 per game, while senior hitter Jaimie Lee leads in hitting with 4.61 kills a game. Freshman setter Denise Boylan, who was named Big East rookie of the week recently, is second in assists, averaging 11.36 per game.

The match will serve as a reunion of sorts for members of a prominent family in women's volleyball, as sisters Elaina and Kim Oden will compete against each other as assistant coaches at Notre Dame and North Carolina, respectively.

The two sisters both were on the U.S. national team which won the bronze medal in the 1992 Olympic Games in Barcelona. Kim served as cap-

tain of that team, and also captained the U.S. at the 1988 Olympics in Seoul. Both sisters were named to the NCAA 1980s All-Decade Team, with Kim taking player of the decade honors.

"The match will be kind of different for us because it's not like the pressure you feel as a player, or even had as a coach," said Elaina Oden. "It won't be anything personal whichever one of us loses ... but I still want us to win, no question."

"This will be special for us,

because it has never happened before," Kim Oden commented. "It's always difficult to be on opposing sides. I want her team to do well but of course I want to win. I think Notre Dame is very fortunate to have Elaina here. I'm really excited to see her and spend some time visiting."

The match begins tonight at approximately 8 p.m. in the Joyce Center, following the Notre Dame-Southern California pep rally and shortly before the "Midnight Madness" basketball practice.

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■ IRISH INSIGHT

Midnight Madness opens promising Notre Dame season

Fall break is upon us, and with it comes an end of sorts for many groups on campus.

For the football team, although it rarely gets to relax and enjoy much of it, the mid-semester week off from classes marks the end of the first half of the season.

For students in general, it represents the end of midterm exams and the first chance in the course of the aca-

ademic year to put papers and projects aside, at least for a few days.

For all of us, it is a time to look back and analyze successes and failures that we have experienced since mid-August, in hopes of making adjustments and improvements to better ourselves down the stretch run of 1997.

There is one group on campus, though, for whom fall break represents a beginning and a clean slate. It is hard to believe that the time has already come, but the 1997-98 basketball season will get underway tonight at midnight.

That's right, Irish hoops fans, Midnight Madness is coming to the Joyce Center. The festivities begin at 11:10 p.m., and T-shirts will be awarded to the first 1,000 fans in attendance.

Notre Dame will launch its campaign in an attempt to build on the success of a year ago, when the Irish made a run to the NIT quarterfinals before being ousted by the Wolverines of Michigan on a running jump shot in the waning moments of the game.

After knocking off Oral Roberts and TCU in the opening rounds, Notre Dame was given the opportunity to host hated

rival Michigan for the right to travel to New York's Madison Square Garden for the NIT semi-finals.

The Irish erased an early first half deficit of 20 points before halftime and grabbed their first lead with just minutes remaining on the clock in the second half. Unfortunately, the Irish came up just short on a last-second attempt of their own, and the exciting season came to an end.

This year, 1996-97 Big East player of the year Pat Garrity returns to try to boost Notre Dame to the next step. Pre-season honors have already begun piling up on Garrity's résumé. Among other accolades, The Sporting News has rated Garrity as the third-best power forward in the nation and picked him to repeat as Big East player of the year. Inside Sports and Street & Smith's magazine have be-

stowed pre-season all-America honors on Garrity, and the Irish senior has been listed among the top 10 candidates for the Naismith College Player of the Year Award.

Despite the loss of a number of key players to graduation, Garrity is also pleased with his supporting cast for the coming season. Among the freshmen who will be on display for the first time in their Notre Dame careers are forwards Leviticus Williamson and Hans Rasmussen, guards Martin Ingelsby and Tom Krizmanich, and center Peter Okwalinga.

So in between celebrating with your friends and packing your bags for a week away from South Bend, take an hour or so and come out to support the Notre Dame basketball team as it enters what could be its most exciting year in decades.



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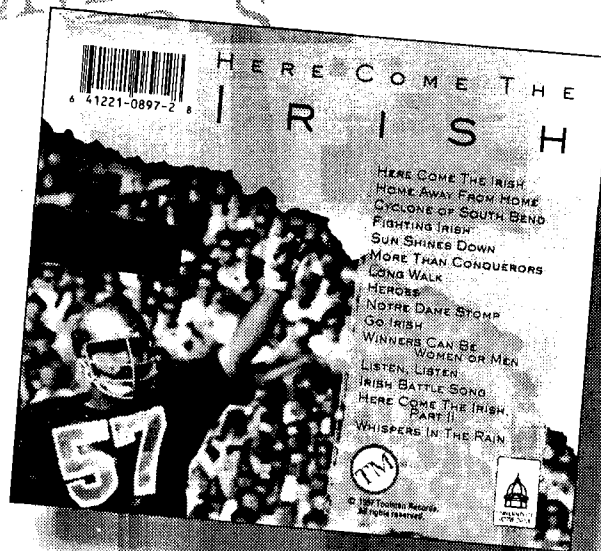
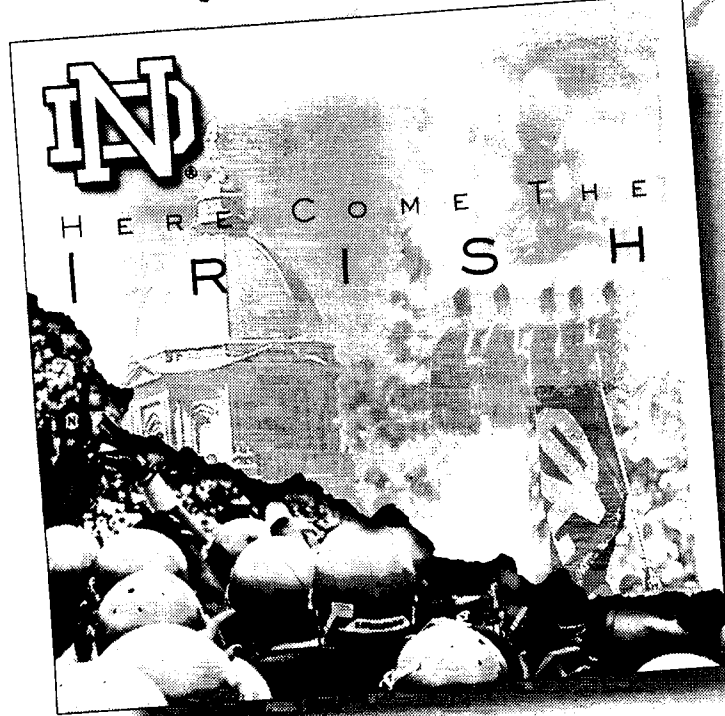
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Undefeated Notre Dame enters home stretch

By ALLISON KRILLA
Sports Writer

Entering the home stretch of the regular season, the Notre Dame women's soccer team finds some of its most challenging conference games still on the horizon.



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Jen Grubb and the Irish finish their conference season next week.

In their final four Big East games, the Irish (13-0-1, 7-0-0) take on three of the top four teams in the conference. They face fourth-place Syracuse (12-3-0, 5-3-0) on the road, followed by Seton Hall (12-2-0, 7-0-0) and first place UConn (13-1-0, 8-0-0) at Alumni Field.

The team carries a seven-game winning streak into Sunday's contest with Syracuse, including five consecutive shutouts.

Notre Dame hopes to use its last few games to tune up for the postseason tournaments, but its Big East opponents seek to play the role of spoiler against the blue and gold.

"I'm very excited for the rest of the season," said sophomore defender Jen Grubb. "Training has been really good recently, and I think it showed in the last few games. It's going to be fun to play in these games and also fun for the fans."

Grubb and the rest of the defense will be tested more as the regular season draws to a close by the powerful offenses of the conference's top teams.

Seton Hall is led by Big East rookie of the week, sophomore Kelly Smith, who led the Pirates with five goals and one assist in two shutout victories last week. Smith has scored in nine games,

and her 36 points set a single-season scoring record for Seton Hall.

Notre Dame has a high flying offense of its own, paced by Big East offensive player of the week Jenny Streiffer, whose four-goal effort against Georgetown ranks second on the conference charts.

It will be the defense, however, that determines Notre Dame's success.

Goalkeeper LaKeysia Beene has recorded 11 shutouts and owns the best goals against average in the nation (0.29). Defenders Grubb, Kate Sobrero, and Kelly Lindsey, while forced to play on the other side of mid-field during the lopsided victories, have been working hard to keep their focus.

"My job is to keep us solid in the back," said Grubb. "We need to keep our focus and not give up any soft goals. I go into the game thinking about taking care of the defensive end first, the assists come later."

"It will be a good test for us," said Grubb of the tough contests ahead. "It's a little more challenging to play the tougher [conference] teams at the end, and then turn around and play them again in the Big East tourna-

Women's Soccer Schedule

Oct. 19	at Syracuse
Oct. 24	Seton Hall
Oct. 26	Connecticut
Oct. 31	Michigan
Nov. 2	Providence
Nov. 7-9	at BIG EAST
Nov. 15-16	NCAA 1st Round
Nov. 21-23	NCAA 2nd Round
Nov. 28-30	NCAA 3rd Round
Dec. 5	NCAA Semifinals
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ment."

Notre Dame also has another advantage in the coming weeks: the games will take place in the friendly confines of Alumni Field. Opponents will deal with the jet

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"Everybody is really excited to play at home," said Grubb. "I think it will be great for us and for our fans to be back at home."

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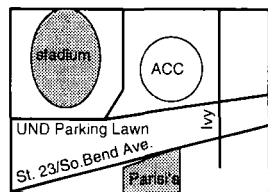
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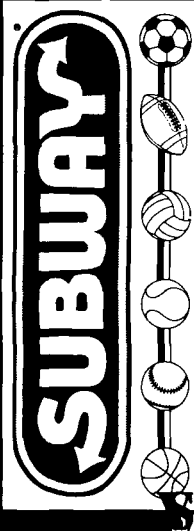
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■ FOOTBALL

Notre Dame off to a good start in recruiting race

By ERIK KUSHTO
Sports Writer

When the Notre Dame football team has a 2-4 start, people will look everywhere to find an answer.

One of the areas most frequently cited for the Irish decline this season has been recruiting, or lack thereof. It has been mentioned so often, in fact, that former head coach Lou Holtz took an opportunity on national television to address the issue and the fingers that were inevitably pointed at him. Recruiting is an issue that Bob Davie has made his No. 1 priority, and while it is unclear what

effect, if any, Notre Dame's slow start will have on this year's recruiting class, the Irish have acquired several commitments from some of the nation's best prep athletes.


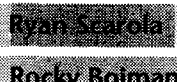

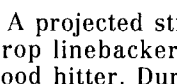
Notre Dame received its first verbal commitment in March when Tom Lopienski, a 6-foot-3, 235-pound fullback verbally committed to the Irish. Lopienski, from Walsh Jesuit High School in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, selected Notre Dame over the likes of Michigan, Michigan State, Penn State and Ohio State. Lopienski played tailback during his junior year, rushing for more than 500 yards before injuring his ankle halfway

through the season. A talented receiver with excellent hands, Lopienski could contribute at fullback, tight end, linebacker or interior lineman. The son of a former Notre Dame cornerback, Lopienski is the first Walsh product to commit to Notre Dame since Hal Von Wyl, who wore the blue and gold in the early 1980s.

The Irish received their second commitment later last spring when Ryan Scarola announced he would attend Notre Dame. At 6-foot-5 and 308 pounds, Scarola was one of the most coveted linemen in the country. A native of Murrysville, Pa., Scarola is projected as an offensive tackle in college. Also the son of a Notre Dame alumnus, Scarola turned down early offers from Northwestern and Penn State.

Notre Dame's third commitment came as a surprise to many in the recruiting world. Although not listed as one of the top 600 seniors in country, Rocky Boiman, a 6-foot-4, 210-pound free safety from Cincinnati, Ohio, was offered a scholarship by Bob Davie after attending the Notre Dame summer football camp in June.

"He has very good speed for a kid that size and can really cover," said Brian Smith of Inside Irish Recruiting/Student Sports Magazine. Boiman runs a 4.5 40-yard dash.

Notre Dame Football Recruits for the '98 Season		
	Tom Lopienski	Fullback Cuyahoga Falls, OH
	Ryan Scarola	Offensive Tackle Murrysville, PA
	Rocky Boiman	Free Safety Cincinnati, OH
	David Terrell	Wide Receiver Richmond, VA

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A projected strong safety or drop linebacker, Boiman is a good hitter. During his junior year, Boiman had 51 tackles, three interceptions for 80 yards, and three broken passes. He also returned six kicks for 152 yards. Boiman will add some much-needed size to the Notre Dame secondary.

The jewel of Notre Dame's recruiting class so far is wide receiver David Terrell. At 6-foot-3 and 200 pounds, Terrell runs the 40 in 4.3 seconds. As a junior at Huguenot High School in Richmond, Va., Terrell caught 35 passes for 712 yards and 12 touchdowns. Terrell has been rated as one of the top five prospects in the nation.

"He is the bomb," raved Smith

of Terrell. "To start with, he has a terrific work ethic. He spends his summers in Chicago with his uncle who played pro football and works out everyday. He is an extremely confident young man."

Rumors began to surface recently that Terrell was wavering on his commitment, but both he and his coach put that rumor to rest. As Huguenot High School coach Richard McFee told Lou Somogyi of Blue and Gold Illustrated, "(Terrell) is lock, stock, signed, sealed and delivered to Notre Dame."

To these four commitments, the Irish are hoping to add between 15 and 19 more before the National Signing Day on Feb. 4, 1998.

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Jock Strip

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have this air. None can be more blatantly obvious than the sophomore members of the Notre Dame Hockey team. No one would mind it if the team was good, but coming off last season with only nine wins and 25 losses, there is nothing these men should gloat about. Maybe they are the best players this school has seen in a long time. One still doesn't gloat coming off two back-to-back sub-10 win seasons.

Here's an example to ponder. A month ago, when Alumni Field held the adidas/Lady Footlocker classic, these players and a certain "lefthanded" member of our basketball team could be heard talking smack to the North Carolina woman's soccer team as it headed to the locker room at halftime down 1-0. Phrases such as, "Good try, you always have Sunday to win," and "At least on Sunday you will be able to finish at .500" were heard. Now one might say that, if any other fan was chanting this, it wouldn't matter. These other fans would know that the game was not over. They know that North Carolina is not ranked No. 1 for nothing. The Lady Tar Heels expect to hear cat calls from the crowd, but not from a team who scored fewer goals than they did last year.

The hockey coach, Dave Poulin, a veteran NHL player, has a great deal of class, a great personality, and is very open with anyone who wants to talk. It is a shame that his image could be tarnished by these arrogant players. These players should forget about their inflated egos and worry about winning hockey games.

There are only two teams on this campus that may walk the walk and talk the talk: the football team and the woman's soccer team. The football team, although it is the main reason that a majority of students come

here, is rather subdued and is neither very cocky nor arrogant. The only players who are really conceited are rather low on the depth chart. You don't see Ron Powlus, Kory Minor, or Melvin Dansby walking around campus as if they are the man.

The woman's soccer team can walk around the way it does for one reason: it has produced results. Since the program's inception in 1989, the team has worked to become winners. For the past three years, the team has been in the NCAA finals, so it has the right to boast.

A premier example for all athletes to follow is Notre Dame basketball star Pat Garrity. Garrity has been a star on the court ever since he was a sophomore, yet no one would even know who he was if he didn't tower over us. He strolls along campus and keeps to himself. He knows his star status, but plays it off as no big deal.

Attitudes exist on every campus and there is nothing anyone can do to change the way the athletes are. Hopefully, they will quickly realize that they should forgo personal superstar status and try to be liked by everyone on campus. If this doesn't happen, they will never get any respect, unless they win an NCAA championship.

That may make their swelled heads explode.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Hershiser accused of cheating

By JIM LITKE
Associated Press Writer

When a pitcher is 39 years old and somehow still at the peak of his powers, people joke that he must have discovered the fountain of youth. Manager Davey Johnson wasn't laughing, though, when Orel Hershiser stuffed his Orioles through seven solid innings the other night in the American League playoffs.

"I know from experience that Orel likes to put water on the back of his neck," said Johnson, who managed against Hershiser for nine seasons when both were in the National League.

"He prefers to have the cover of the ball moist as opposed to dry, and he will get water wherever he can get it. He was going right from his mouth right to the ball and that's illegal."

There are a number of ways to view Johnson's comments. The obvious one is as sour grapes, since the loss of that game last Saturday put his team down 2-1 in the series


and the Orioles were going to face Hershiser and that wicked sinker one more time if the series went to seven games. (It didn't.)

One chance to get Hershiser to say it ain't so evaporated Wednesday, when the Indians finished off the ALCS in Baltimore. He blew off a scheduled appearance in the inter-

view room before that Game 6, saying he would answer questions only afterward and only if he were going to pitch Game 7.

Florida teammate Bobby Bonilla has heard the rumors, too, but he's not sure what to make of them.

"He is getting a little older," Bonilla chuckled. "He's got to be crafty."



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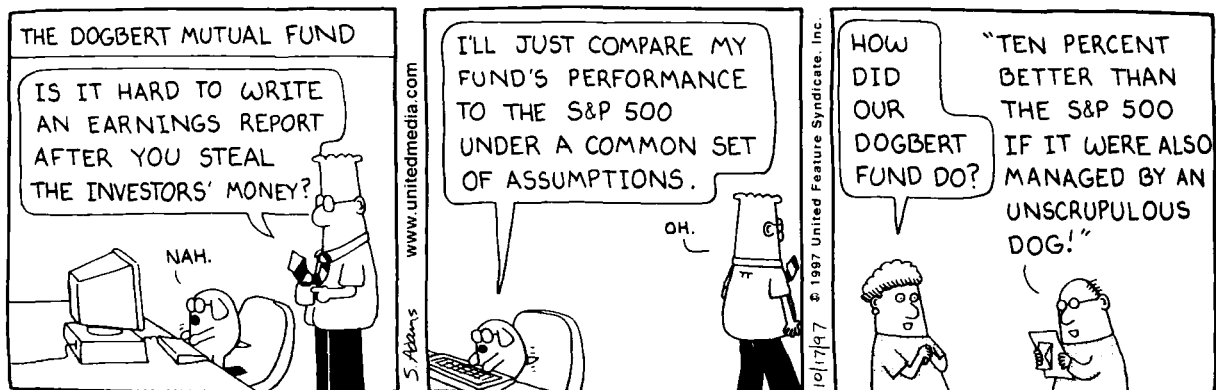
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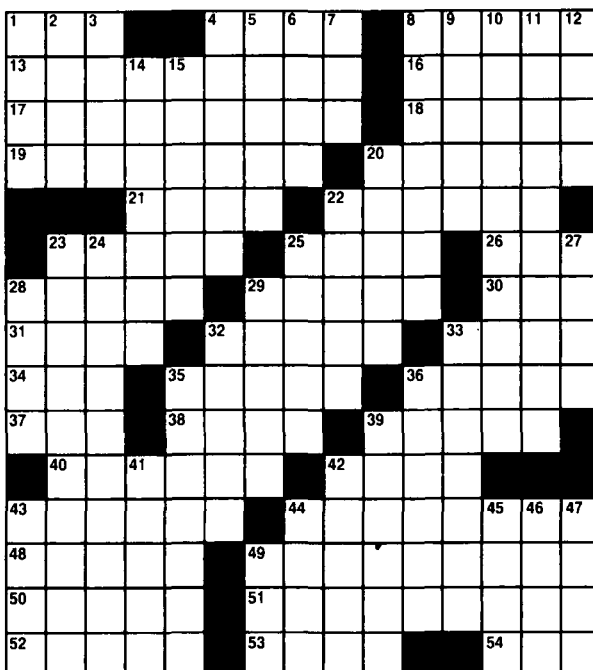


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- ACROSS**
- 1 Thoroughfares: Abbr.
 - 4 1920's chess champion
 - 8 Nubia Desert site
 - 13 Canvas coats?
 - 16 Where to see Ben Franklin's portrait
 - 17 Pump thump
 - 18 Attorney modifier
 - 19 Going around the world
 - 20 Much of boot camp
 - 21 Fax button
 - 22 Give away
 - 23 Projecting part
 - 25 Cry of glee
 - 26 A.C.L.U. concerns: Abbr.
 - 28 Vogue
 - 29 Cigs
 - 30 One of Frank's exes
 - 31 Bill and Bob's opponent
 - 32 Sheds
 - 33 Archly theatrical
 - 34 Ab — (from the beginning)
 - 35 Cornerstone of Cartesianism
 - 36 Centers
 - 37 Nonexistent
 - 38 Air France terminal
 - 39 Goggles
 - 40 Threw over
 - 42 !, to a printer
 - 43 Particular
 - 44 Greens, politically
 - 48 Ardent
 - 49 Quid pro quo
 - 50 Sweetie pie
 - 51 Monet subject
 - 52 Physicist Mach
 - 53 Raw material
 - 54 Tarquin's title
- DOWN**
- 1 Area near TriBeCa
 - 2 Class
 - 3 Tabletop, perhaps
 - 4 In agreement
 - 5 Upright
 - 6 Actaeon, ultimately, in Greek myth
 - 7 Hrs. in Quebec
 - 8 Hermès accessories
 - 9 Free from restraint
 - 10 Important monetary currency peg
 - 11 Every minute
 - 12 Intelligence
 - 14 Cooler places?
 - 15 Work on, with "to"
 - 20 Hero's list
 - 22 Butler of fiction
 - 23 Support
 - 24 Denouement

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Puzzle by Harvey Estes

- 25 Young role on TV
- 27 Drains
- 28 Suffix in high-tech company names
- 29 —be
- 32 Prized mushroom
- 33 Rodeo rider
- 35 Most moronic
- 36 Psalms singer
- 39 Faux pas
- 41 Exchanges
- 42 She played Margo in "All About Eve"
- 43 See
- 44 Jim Carrey, in a 1997 movie
- 45 Sensation
- 46 Scheherazade specialty
- 47 An oath on it was once held to be inviolable
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Taurus: Spend as much time as possible in the present tense today. You are in touch with your feelings but out of touch with the future. Being observant of your surroundings will keep you out of trouble.

Gemini: Today you are the social butterfly in a field of bright flowers. You know what you want, and you act swiftly and decisively to get it. Your words hold everyone enthralled.

Cancer: You feel blown over by a wind of data and details. Someone is going to ignore you no matter how many times you explain something to him. It's okay to give up on others today after you've done your best with them.

Leo: With the Moon visiting Gemini's house, the wind will fan your flames over the next few days. No idea or impulse is too strange to investigate. Love will find you even if you are not looking for it.

Virgo: Today's slightest stammer or misplaced punctuation mark could be turned against you. Everyone's standards have suddenly become very high. The traditional approach may be the best right now.

Libra: You experience a

rich moment of introspection or heart to heart communication today. Take a new approach to an old theme. It may be hard to keep from dancing.

Scorpio: This is not your lucky day, unless you consider it good luck if nothing truly awful happens. You are tempted to trust someone with pretty words or a pleasant smile. Minor details could become major problems.

Sagittarius: Gamblers may break the bank today; then again, they may lose everything. Be clear and direct with your partner if you have any kind of future together. Important events happen quickly.

Capricorn: The presence of uninformed or unfocused people makes you feel like a genius. Your mental health may require that you spend some time in isolation today. Get outside for open sky time, and don't talk to strangers.

Aquarius: Surrender to the moment today, disconnecting it from past and future. The Moon in Gemini causes events to happen with greater speed than you could have imagined. An erotic experience might take you beyond the realm of words.

Pisces: Stay right where you are, or get to a safe place as soon as you can. The winds of confusion are about to stir things up again. Keep your perplexed state to yourself — others may not be able to relate.

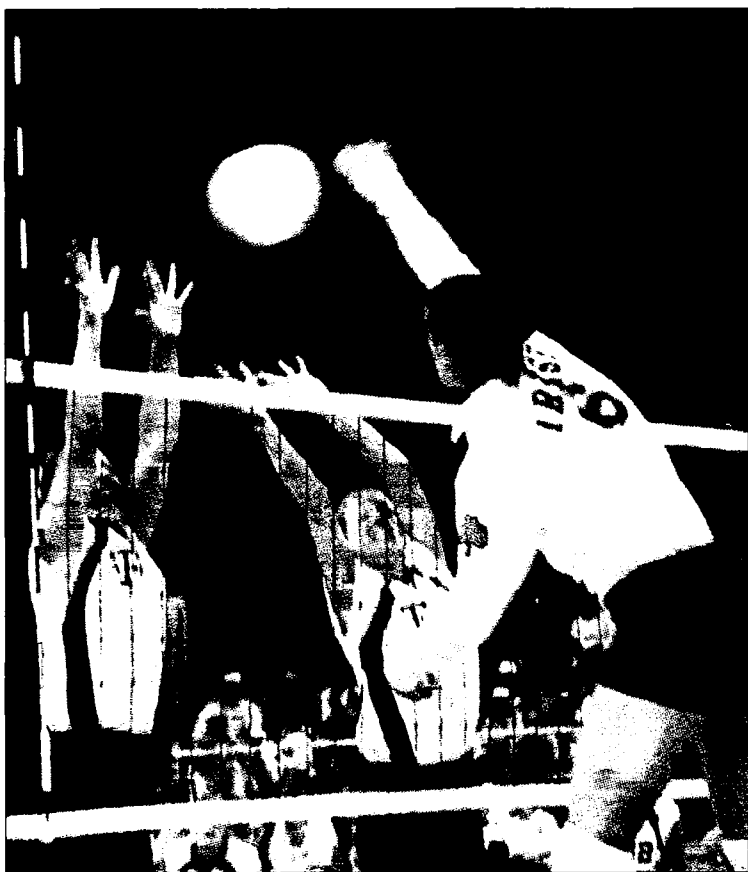
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Notre Dame looks for home court win



Angie Harris and the Notre Dame volleyball team build off a winning streak as they face North Carolina tonight.

By BILL HART
Sports Writer

Notre Dame's volleyball team will hope to continue its winning ways tonight, taking the home court against North Carolina in the team's final home match of the month.

North Carolina, despite the difficult task put before it, has played very solidly and consistently this season. The Tar Heels are 12-8 on the season and 4-3 in ACC action.

The Tar Heels just recently ended a two-match skid with a four-game win over NC State on Tuesday. They are led by senior hitter Alicia Alford, who had 20 kills in the win over the Wolfpack, and sophomore Tori Seibert, who has averaged 3.642 kills per game.

Last season, the Tar Heels went 20-12 on the season and tied for fourth in the ACC.

"We've watched quite a bit of tape on them," head coach Debbie Brown said about the Irish's opponents, "and we've learned quite a bit off of it. They're a solid team, well balanced between offense and defense. They've been very

competitive in the ACC recently. This should be a tough match."

Notre Dame (12-5), on the other hand, has reached one of its highest points of the season. With wins over conference opponents Boston College and Providence last weekend, the Irish are riding a six-match winning streak, their longest of the season.

The team is currently 4-0 in Big East play, tied with Villanova for first place in the conference. The Irish have won 52 of their last 53 matches against unranked opponents in the Joyce Center and have not lost to an unranked team since early last season.

This is the last match for the team before it begins a five-match road trip which will last through the end of the month.

The Irish have been relatively successful against the Tar Heels, having won the only two contests that have occurred. However, the last time the two teams played was a 3-0 win in 1986.

Notre Dame continues to excel in the Big East, with

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■ JOCK STRIP

Trash talk nothing but bad attitude

Last week on the ESPN Web page, viewers were asked to determine if athletes exude sportsmanship. Of the responses 30 percent said that athletes somewhat showed sportsmanship.



Gene Btralik
Sports Writer

Sportsmanship is a necessary component of making sports fun.

Nobody wants to go out and play a pick-up game of touch football if a kid on the other team is going to mock his opponent. The only thing this brings about is a game-ending fight and a few trips to the infirmary.

Trash talk also reflects poorly on the person who speaks it. Take Charles Woodson for example. Woodson, an All-American candidate cornerback from Michigan, is quoted as saying, "Water covers three-fourths of the land, I cover the other fourth." That statement and many other trash-talking comments make Michigan's opponents want to destroy the Wolverines. This was evident when we played them three weeks ago. The only thing that stopped Bobby Brown from a touchdown was Woodson's hand on his shoulder pads.

On the basketball court trash-talking is experienced even more with the constant heckling of one's man in order to throw off his concentration, and make him cause a turnover.

Sportsmanship is an idea that needs to be grasped by all athletes, no matter the sport. But where does this notion of sportsmanship come from? Usually, it will come from the athlete's attitude in general. Athletes whose attitude is negative will usually be unfriendly and not the type one would go up to after a game. They, in a sense, always have their game faces on. Athletes with a positive attitude may talk smack during the game, but when the contest is over they are kind, personal, and friendly.

Let's take a deep look at the attitudes the exude from the athletes here on campus. The athletes can be found interwoven among us, walking to class, in the dining hall, and in our own dorm. Most of them walk around without a certain air of importance, but there exist a few who do

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Irish face four tough teams over break

By TOM STUDEBAKER
and DAN LUZIETTI
Sports Writers

The Notre Dame men's soccer team does not exactly have a relaxing fall break this year. Over the course of the week, the Irish will play four big conference games against Georgetown, St. John's, Seton Hall, and Connecticut. All of these games will be crucial to the Big East standings as the post-season tournament approaches.

The Georgetown Hoyas are currently ranked first in the Big East with a conference record of 6-1 and a season record of 8-4. The Irish, 8-4-2 on the year and 4-1-1 in conference play, are in second place. A win for the Irish would put them one point behind the Hoyas and in great position to make a late-season run.

Last year, the Irish beat the Hoyas twice by a score of 2-1, with one game going into overtime. Georgetown is coming off of an emotional overtime win over conference foe Pittsburgh. Junior midfielder Billy Bednarz scored with just one minute remaining in the first overtime to give Georgetown the victory.

Friday's match against Georgetown promises to be a showdown of two of the top goaltenders in the Big East. Sophomore goalie Tyler Purtil has played tremendously in the net for the Hoyas all season long. He has not allowed more than one goal in any of the 12 games this year. Irish goalie junior Greg Velho has also had a great year thus far. He has posted seven shutouts on the year and did not allow a Big East opponent to score until Notre Dame's sixth conference game.

The Irish attack is coming off of a stellar performance against Western Michigan on Tuesday night. After being held in check



The Observer/Brandon Candura

Notre Dame takes a strong offense into four Big East games next week.

for the first half, Notre Dame exploded in the second, scoring an astounding seven unanswered goals. Senior co-captain Ryan Turner, senior Bill Savarino, and junior Ben Bocklage each scored two goals for the Irish.

The Irish defense will be called on to stop Hoyas forward Eric Kvello, who has scored nine goals on the year, seven of which came against Big East opponents. Kvello, a junior, is second in scoring in the Big East. He is joined up front by senior Tom Greaser and sophomore Jason Partenza.

The Irish will then play defending

national champion St. John's on Tuesday. Last year, Notre Dame tied the Red Storm 2-2, and this year's game is extremely important because both teams are currently tied for second place in the Big East.

The next stop on the Irish road trip will be Seton Hall. Notre Dame holds a series advantage of 3-1 against the Pirates.

The last stop on the trip will be Connecticut. The last time that these two teams played was in the semifinals of the Big East tournament last year, with the Irish prevailing 2-1.

Notre Dame takes on Georgetown tonight, at 7:30 p.m., at Alumni Field.



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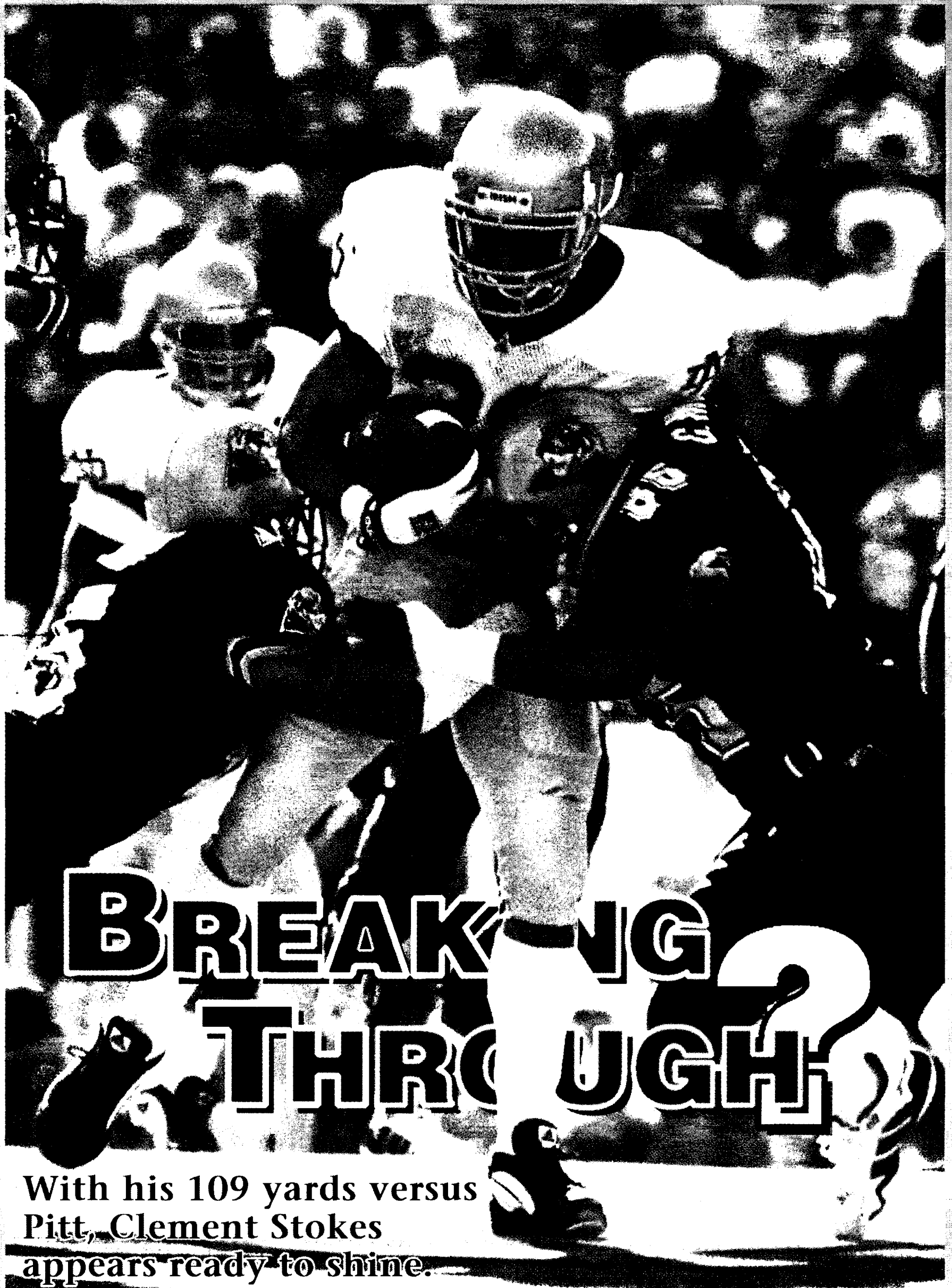
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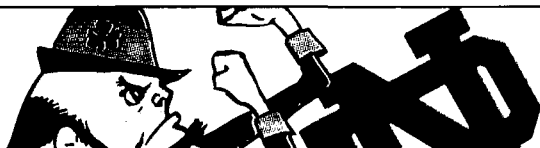
With his 109 yards versus Pitt, Clement Stokes appears ready to shine.

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Bobby Brown leads the Irish with 32 receptions on the year.



FIGHTIN' IRISH

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Notre Dame	31	33	10	41	115
Opponents	28	30	38	43	139

Team Statistics	ND	Opp
First Downs	126	136
Rushing	56	63
Passing	63	62
Penalty	7	11
Rushing Yardage	984	1155
Average Per Rush	4.1	4.5
Average Per Game	164.0	192.5
TDs Rushing	8	13
Passing Yardage	1233	1186
Att-Cmp-Int	178-118-5	174-107-4
Average Per Pass	6.9	6.8
Average Per Catch	10.4	11.1
Average Per Game	205.5	197.7
TDs Passing	5	3
Total Offense	2217	2341
Total Plays	418	428
Average Per Play	5.3	5.5
Average Per Game	369.5	390.2
Kickoff Return Average	22.6	23.9
Int Return Average	9.5	10.6

Punt Return Average	5.4	10.7
Fumbles-Lost	5-2	7-4
Penalties-Yards	41-374	36-300
Average Per Game	62.3	50.0
Average Per Punt	43.2	42.2
Time Of Possession/Game	31:03	28:55
3rd Down Percentage	44%	48%
4th Down Percentage	22%	50%
Sacks By-Yards	10-69	8-56

Individual Statistics

Passing	Effic	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Avg/G
Powlus	129	177-118-5	66.7	1233	5	205.5
Smith	0.00	1-0-0	0.0	0	0	0

Rushing	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Denson	126	550	4.4	5	50	91.7
Stokes	17	110	6.5	0	17	22.0
Goodspeed	18	81	4.5	0	14	27.0
Driver	23	71	3.1	1	9	11.8
Spencer	13	66	5.1	1	23	11.0

Receiving	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Brown	32	380	11.9	3	39	63.3

Johnson	27	340	12.6	0	38	56.7
Denson	20	175	8.8	1	47	29.2
Nelson	10	80	8.0	0	16	13.3
Barry	6	45	7.5	0	12	7.5

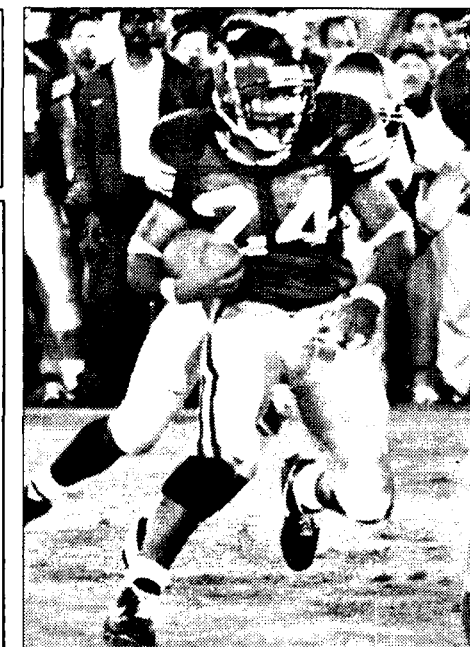
Punt Returns	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Rossum	6	19	3.2	0	7
Denson	2	24	12.0	0	13

Interceptions	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Minor	2	37	18.5	0	33
Rossum	1	1	1.0	0	1
Guilbeau	1	0	0.0	0	0

Kick Returns	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Rossum	8	229	28.6	1	93
Driver	7	137	19.6	0	49
Denson	5	93	18.6	0	33
Harper	3	57	19.0	0	23
Sanders	1	10	10.0	0	10

Defensive	UT	AT	Tot	ForL	Sacks	Int
Friday	30	30	60	0	1.0-5	0
Dansby	28	24	52	4-21	1.5-26	0
Minor	30	14	44	4-8	1.5-14	2-37

TROJANS



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Tailback Delon Washington has been held to just 112 yards on 50 carries.

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
USC	14	39	15	29	97
Opponents	24	27	30	34	115

Team Statistics	USC	Opp
First Downs	89	102
Rushing	31	29
Passing	47	69
Penalty	11	4
Rushing Yardage	474	424
Average Per Rush	2.6	2.6
Average Per Game	94.8	84.8
TDs Rushing	6	6
Passing Yardage	1108	1561
Att-Cmp-Int	164-91-4	195-107-7
Average Per Pass	6.8	8.0
Average Per Catch	12.2	14.6
Average Per Game	221.6	312.2
TDs Passing	6	9
Total Offense	1582	1985
Total Plays	349	361
Average Per Play	4.5	5.5

Average Per Game	316.4	397.0
Kickoff Return Average	24.0	17.0
Punt Return Average	9.0	9.0
Int Return Average	14.6	8.3
Fumbles-Lost	5-2	12-4
Penalties-Yards	34-287	39-343
Average Per Game	57.4	68.6
Average Per Punt	42.4	39.0
3rd Down Percentage	33%	35%
4th Down Percentage	20%	50%
Sacks By-Yards	22-147	13-81

Individual Statistics

Rushing	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
MacKenzie	46	163	3.5	3	20	32.6
Woods	35	139	4.0	2	12	34.8
Washington	50	112	2.2	0	9	22.4
Sermons	18	71	3.9	0	11	14.2
Papadakis	7	28	4.0	0	11	7.0

Passing	Effic	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Avg/G
Fox	118	157-87-4	55.4	1063	5	78

Woods	52.93	3-1-0	33.3	7	0	3.5
Raaphorst	131.1	3-2-0	66.7	23	0	11.5
Woods	556.0	1-1-0	100.0	15	1	3.8

Receiving	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Miller	32	362	11.3	0	41	72.4
Soward	22	419	19.0	4	78	83.8
Bastianelli	19	223	11.7	2	27	44.6
Harris	4	67	16.8	0	23	13.4
Sermons	4	16	4.0	0	10	3.2

Punt Returns	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Morton	17	149	8.8	0	21
Soward	2	7	3.5	0	6
Steen	1	18	18.0	0	18
Cook	1	14	14.0	0	14

Interceptions	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Morton	2	32	16.0	0	29
Kelly	2	32	16.0	0	22
McCutcheon	1	0	0.0	0	0
Cook	1	0	0.0	0	0

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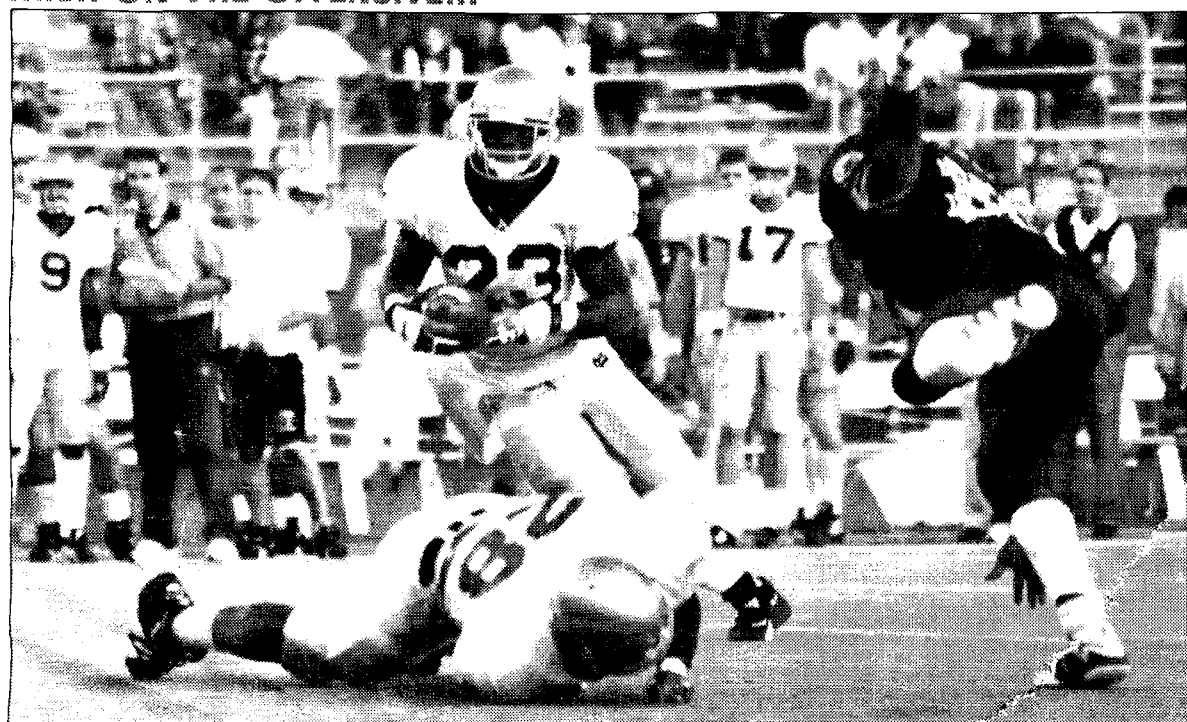
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IRISH ON THE OFFENSIVE...



The Observer/Brandon Candura

Tailback Autry Denson and the Notre Dame rushing attack hope to build on last week's 17-yard performance.

This week, head coach Bob Davie has been able to do something that he hasn't been able to do: build on a win.

Last week, the Irish finally found the end zone which had been as elusive as goals against the women's soccer team. Against Pittsburgh, the Irish rolled up 45 points and 317 yards on the ground. This week, they will try to find out if they can do it against a decent team.

Though the Trojans are limping into South Bend with a 2-3 record, they still rank third in the nation in run defense and all of their losses have come to solid opponents.

But Davie's squad now has a bit of confidence that it hopes to build on as it aims to turn around the season.

"We made some improvement against Pittsburgh," Davie said. "I think the thing that stands out is we had players step up and make plays. That is what gives you confidence."

Bobby Brown and Malcolm Johnson will be challenged tomorrow by one of the best secondaries in the nation. USC's cornerbacks Daylon McCutcheon and Brian Kelly will line up nose to nose with the Irish receivers, freeing up the rest of their defense.

"They have two big time corners in McCutcheon and Kelly," Davie said. "They certainly have the ability to line up and just play bump-and-run. They play with a lot of personality and are not afraid to get up and take chances."

So far this season the receiving corps has been up to the challenge and arguably the brightest spot for the offensive unit.

"I think our receivers are as improved as any element or any dimension of our football team," Davie expressed. "They have made some big, big third down conversions through the course of the season."

Despite the play of the receivers

and on Powlus, Davie knows that the game will be won in the trenches.

"Let's face it, for us to win, we have to run the football and that isn't any different than what I said going into the Georgia Tech game," Davie said.

Last week's emergence of Clement Stokes and a healthier Jamie Spencer flashed the talent that the running attack had bottled up for the first four games.

"I think that at running back it is obvious with competition it brings out the best in players," Davie said. "Clement Stokes deserved a chance to play, but I think Autry Denson responded just as well."

"We are pleased with Jamie Spencer," Davie continued. "He looks like he is getting back close to 100 percent."

Davie also hopes that his offense will continue to make strides at playing at 100 percent of its potential tomorrow.

-Joe Cavato

... TROJANS ON THE OFFENSIVE

The Trojan rushing attack is certainly nothing to fear. That is, of course, unless your defense ranks 90th nationally against the run. Although Southern California has averaged only 90 yards rushing per game, Notre Dame goes into Saturday's contest allowing 204 yards per game on the ground on 4.7 yards per carry. Not to mention the fact that the Trojans boast a mammoth offensive line which measures 6-foot-5, 315 pounds per man.

"Everyone looks at our offensive line and says how big we are," commented Irish head coach Bob Davie. "You know, we have got some size, but we are nowhere close to what Southern Cal is across the front."

The expected return of Bobbie Howard and Corey Bennett could bolster the Irish front seven enough to keep USC tailbacks Delon Washington and Malaefou MacKenzie under wraps. The two have combined for only 175 rushing on the year and are averaging less than three yards per carry. MacKenzie, a true freshman, has been the better of the two thus far. The first and second string fullbacks, Rodney Sermons and Ted Jacenda, have combined for only 19 carries in 1997.

Sophomore John Fox has led the Trojans through the air, but has completed just 55.4 percent of his passes. R. Jay Howard provides Fox with a deep threat target. Soward leads Southern Cal in receiving yardage (419 yards), despite catching only 22 balls, 10 less than reception leader Billy Miller.

"I can't imagine there are many receivers in this country better than (Soward)," commented Irish



The Observer/Brandon Candura

The linebacking corps will gladly welcome back junior Bobbie Howard.

coach Bob Davie. "He is a game-breaker."

Cornerback Allen Rossum has his work cut out for him covering Soward. In 16 games at the collegiate level, the sophomore has already broken eight touchdowns for 60 yards or more. The rest of the secondary must also step it up in order to force the Trojans to rely on their sputtering ground game.

Other changes in the defensive unit for the Irish include the

replacement of senior cornerback Ivory Covington, with classmate Ty Goode. Goode has provided a spark in the backfield with his spirited play and heavy hitting in games at Stanford and Pittsburgh. Up front, Bennett will play nose guard, moving Lance Legree to the back-up position. Howard should start with Jimmy Friday at inside linebacker, and Grant Irons will have a chance to come off the bench.

-Brian Reinthaler

Quarterbacks

Experience gives the edge to Powlus over the sophomore John Fox. The signal-callers share almost identical numbers.

Running Backs

Robinson has used a tailback by committee, which means he's not really thrilled with any of them. A healthy Spencer could provide the Irish with what they need.

Receivers

Brown and Johnson have been all they can be for the Irish, but USC's Soward is a play-maker, something that Davie is still without.

Offensive Line

Both are immense and look terrific on paper. However, both have underachieved. This is a pivotal aspect, and as always, this is where the game will be won and lost.

Defensive Line

Perry, Matlock, and Jefferson have something the Irish lack up front — size. Though none of its opponents is known for the run, USC still has the third-best run defense.

Linebackers

Kory Minor and the return of Bobbie Howard from a knee injury give the Blue and Gold the edge. Trojan inside linebacker Chris Claiborne is big and makes things happen.

Secondary

Are you kidding? McCutcheon and Kelly are cornerbacks but play a different game than Covington and Rossum.

Special Teams

These units practically mirror each other. Both possess proven return men and premiere punters, and the only question lies in place kicking.

Coaching

Even though Robinson is on the hot seat, he is still a legend who has beaten the Irish seven out of 11 attempts.

Overall

After the Trojans spoiled ND's hopes for a big post-season payday, ending the Decade of Dominance, the Irish hope to take one step closer to the .500 mark.

His turn in the SPOTLIGHT

Senior tailback Clement Stokes finally shines through adversity

By BETSY BAKER
Associate Sports Editor

The words "spark" and "elusive" may very well be two of the most overused adjectives to describe a good tailback in college football. But with his 109-yard performance last week against Pittsburgh, Clement Stokes epitomized them both.

The senior tailback worked his way into the lineup last week and provided the type of performance that helped open up the Irish offense, maximizing its potential across the boards and producing the kind of success it had been searching for all season.

The Irish scored 45 points against the Panthers, and although Stokes was not personally responsible for any of the points, his contribution on offense allowed for a balanced attack that left the Pitt defense spinning.

So where has this "spark" been all season? Add "patient" to that list of adjectives because Stokes has been there all along, waiting for his chance to break through.

Stokes, who is considered a junior eligibility-wise, began his career with the Irish as a back-up tailback and a member of the special teams. He did not play his freshman year but saw the field in all games except Boston College and Navy during his sophomore year, ranking sixth among Irish rushers in 1995.

The spring of his sophomore year brought academic turmoil for Stokes and almost led to him leaving the University. After spending the fall semester of his junior year away from the University, Stokes returned with a renewed focus.

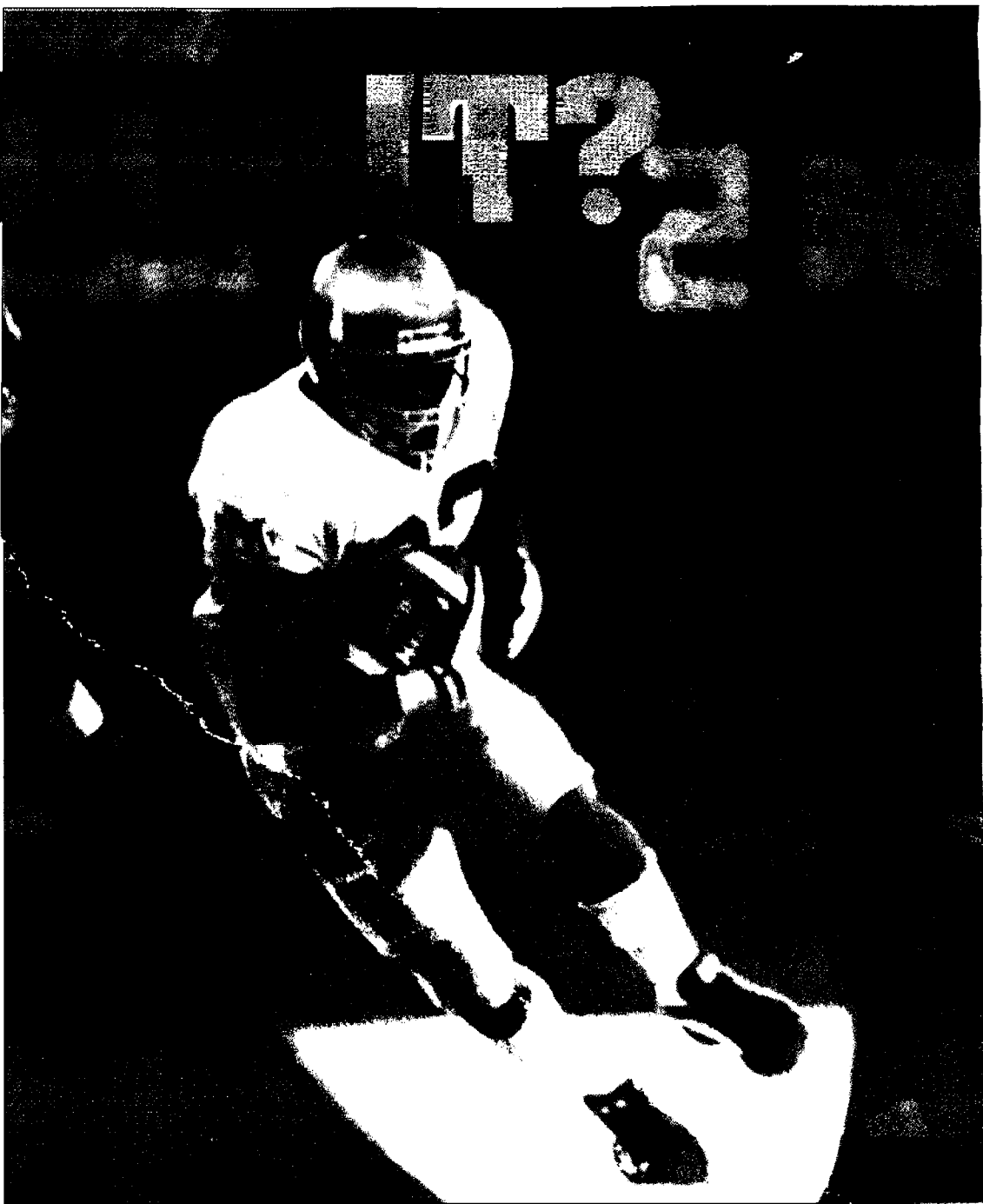
"My sophomore year, I was a little unsure of things," Stokes said. "I think that's where I got away for a semester — and stepping back from football and just really looking at your academics and what you want to do long term — really helps you. When I was away, I realized that I really did love Notre Dame."

Stokes' renewal spread from inside the classroom onto the football field as he was one of the premiere performers last spring. Stokes ran for 139 yards on 26 carries in the second of the two Blue-Gold scrimmages, earning him offensive MVP honors for the spring game.

Going into this fall, it appeared as if Stokes was going to have the opportunity to finally prove himself. However, the emergence of freshman tailback Tony Driver, combined with the inability of the running game to establish a consistent rhythm in its first five games, put Stokes once again in the role of a reserve with his main contribution as a member of the special teams.

Still, Davie recognized Stokes' work ethic early and began to realize that while his team did not lack the speed or talent that Stokes could contribute, his proven resilience could be exemplary for the downtrodden Irish. Davie began to refer to Stokes as the "spark" of the special teams before the Michigan game, and his vote of confidence for the senior last week proved successful.

"He deserves to play," Davie said after the win at Pittsburgh. "Clement hasn't stopped working. He has given 100 percent in practice and on special teams. He deserves some play-



The Observer/John Dally

Clement Stokes is looking to prove that he is capable of duplicating his performance from last week.

ing time."

The most valuable asset Stokes contributes to the Irish, however, is the fact that he is a team player. Although he has waited patiently to prove himself, and did so last week, he is still willing to do what is in the best interest of the team.

"I'm a player just like anyone else, and I just want to do what's best for the team, and what is going to win football games for us," Stokes comment-

ed.

If last week's performance is any indication, it appears to be in the best interest of the Irish to have Stokes in the game. Stokes' style complements that of leading-rusher Autry Denson, and the combination of the two could provide a deadly one-two punch for the Southern Cal defense. The two tailbacks seem to push each other, as shown by each having a 100-plus yard performance, but they

also remain each other's biggest supporters.

Davie couldn't be happier with the Stokes-Denson combination, especially with the product of the competition.

"The thing I was pleased with the most in the second half last week is that I saw Clement Stokes run the football — I was watching the tape at four in the morning — and I saw a kid jumping up and down on the sidelines. It was Autry Denson," Davie said. "So I think we have good chemistry at that position. We have a lot of good competition and that will bring out the best in all of them."

Stokes realizes the value of the competition also.

"You get motivated by competition," Stokes commented. "When you have good guys that play up to the level you're around, it motivates you. Whenever one person does well, we all enjoy to see them do well, but when it's our turn, we push for the person who's in there."

Regardless of who is on the field, though, Stokes' focus will remain the same — continue to work hard so that whatever capacity he fulfills will be a positive contribution to the team. He is not complacent with where he is now, though, and hopes that in the next year and a half, his contribution to the team will coincide with the development of a career that places him in the long history of great Irish tailbacks.

"I've worked a long time to get where I am, but I'm not content where I am right now," Stokes said. "I just have to continue to work hard. I don't think it's one thing that you can put your finger on, like I have to do this to win, or this to play. I didn't approach it that way up until this point. It's just a matter of going 100 percent every down, and when you get the opportunity you need to step up."



The Observer/John Dally

Stokes' perseverance and persistence have helped him overcome obstacles during his first three years to become an asset to the Irish squad.

Trojan-Irish rivalry rich despite lackluster starts

This meeting marks the 52nd

"I love playing in South Bend," Robinson said. "It's not easy and I rec-

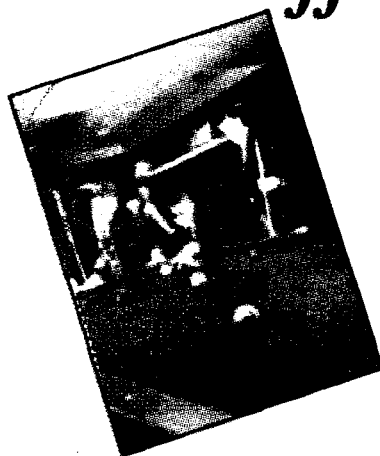


The USC-Notre Dame game is always an anticipated battle regardless of the records or national rankings.

Often times you hear amongst students and fans that the football season is not worth anything anymore. Both Robinson and Davie feel the opposite. This game is crucial for both teams. The rivalry, the history, and the mystique surrounding this series is second to none. This could be the turning point for Davie and Co. in a season of lackluster play, but Robinson and the Trojans are in search of bragging rights. They want nothing more than back-to-back defeats of Notre Dame, which hasn't happened since 1982.

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NOTRE DAME SCHEDULE

Sept. 8	GEORGIA TECH	W 17-14
Sept. 15	at Purdue	L 17-23
Sept. 20	MICHIGAN STATE	L 17-23
Sept. 27	at Michigan	L 14-21
Oct. 4	at Stanford	L 15-33
Oct. 11	at Pittsburgh	W 45-21
Oct. 18	at USC	
Oct. 25	BOSTON COLLEGE	
Nov. 1	NAVY	
Nov. 15	at LSU	
Nov. 22	WEST VIRGINIA	
Nov. 29	at Hawaii	



Bob Davie

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Career record: 2-4
At Notre Dame: 2-4
Against Southern Cal: 0-0

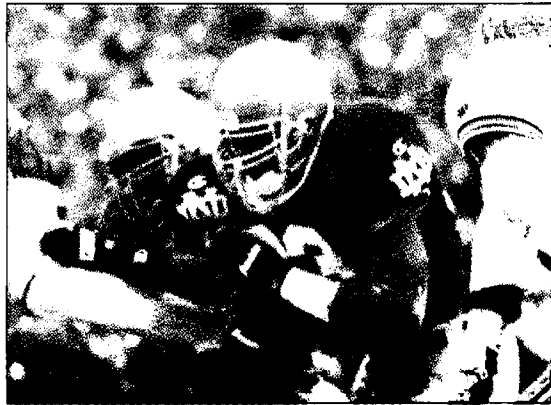
In the Spotlight

Fullback Jamie Spencer

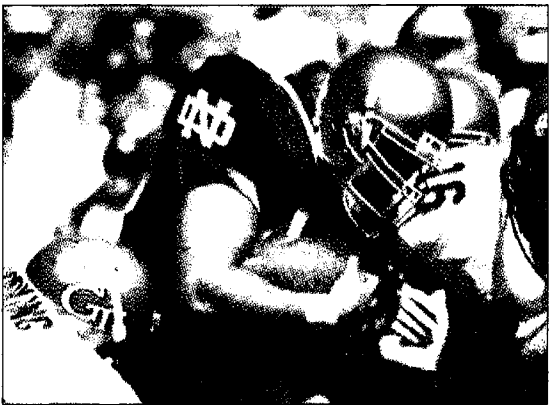
Spencer's return to good health has given the Irish the opportunity to move backup Joey Goodspeed to inside linebacker. After missing the bulk of the first six games, the 6-foot-1, 248-pound Spencer appeared to regain his old form last Saturday, rushing for a 33-yard touchdown late in the third quarter at

Pittsburgh.

One of the chief reasons for Notre Dame's offensive demise this season has been the ineffective play at the fullback position. In six games, Irish fullbacks have combined for just 196 yards. Spencer hopes to give the Irish an option they've been missing on Saturday.



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Jamie Spencer is back in top playing form.



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Joey Goodspeed was moved to inside linebacker.

SOUTHERN CAL SCHEDULE

Sept. 8	FLORIDA STATE	L 7-14
Sept. 15	WASHINGTON ST	L 21-28
Sept. 27	at California	W 27-21
Oct. 4	UNLV	W 35-21
Oct. 11	at Arizona State	L 7-35
Oct. 18	at Notre Dame	
Oct. 25	OREGON	
Nov. 1	at Washington	
Nov. 8	STANFORD	
Nov. 15	at Oregon State	
Nov. 22	UCLA	

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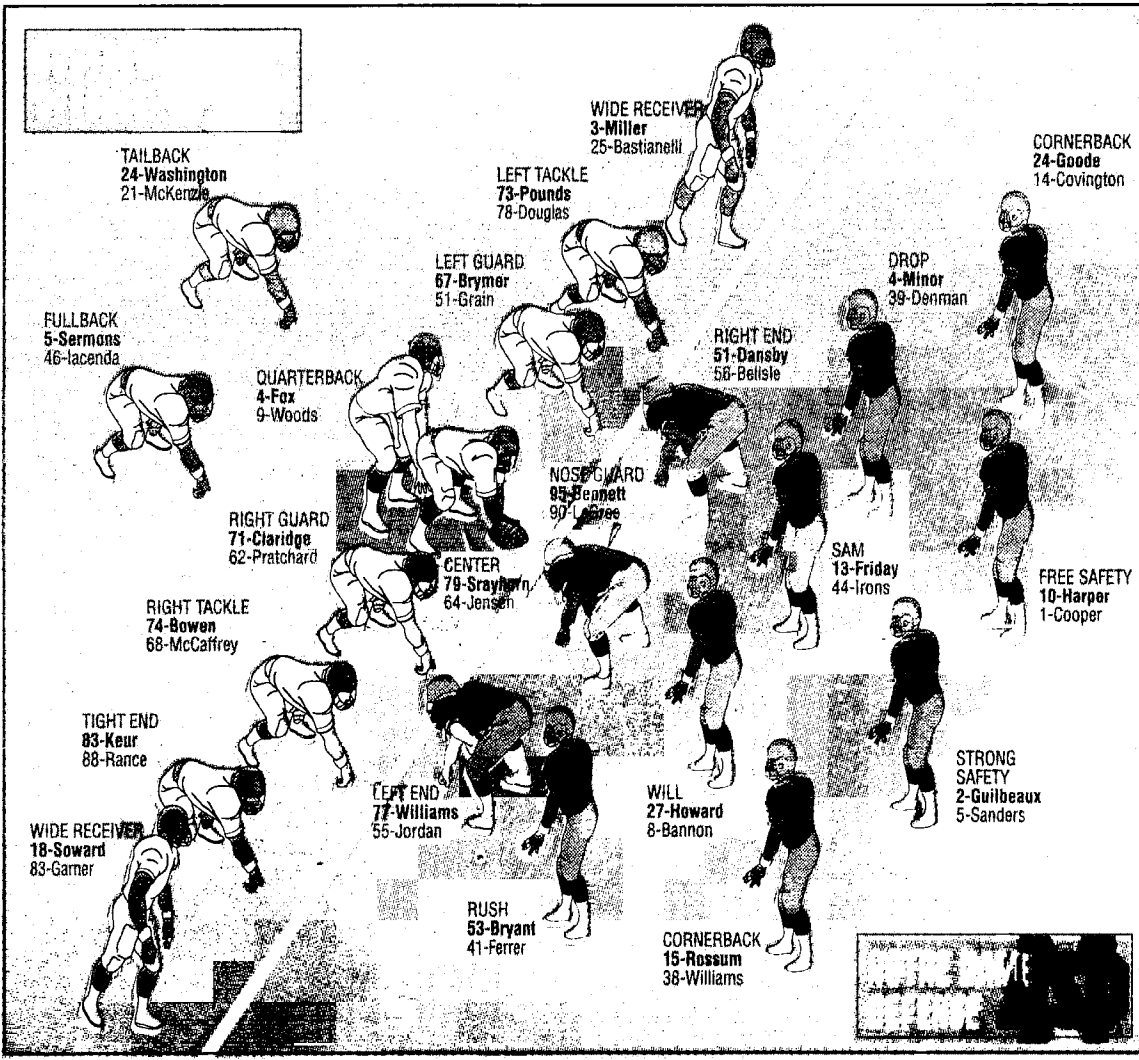
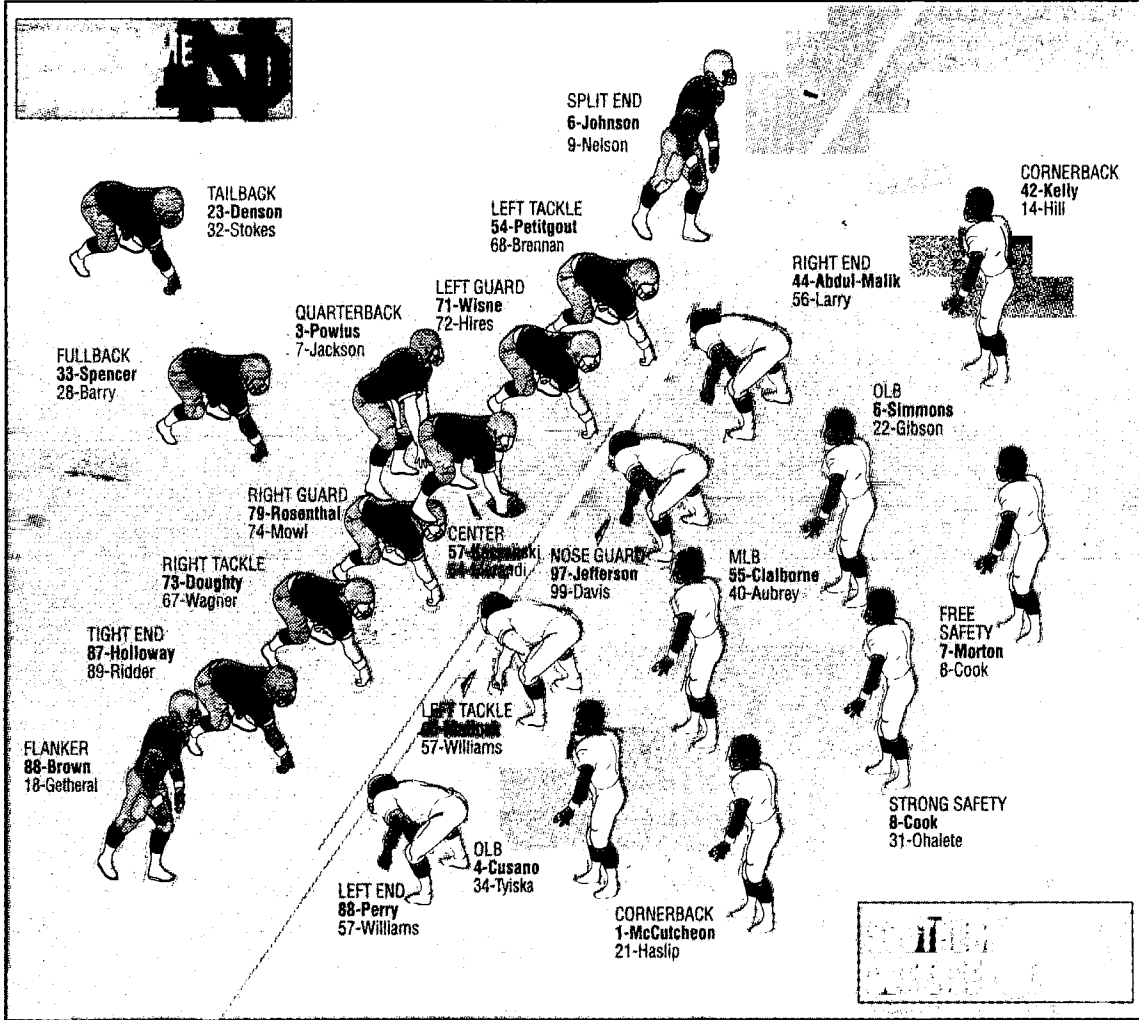


John Robinson

Career record: 98-30-4
At Southern Cal: 98-30-4
Against Notre Dame: 7-3-1

NOTRE DAME

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR
1	Deke Cooper	FS	6-3	209	SO
2	Benny Guilbeau	SS	6-1	207	JR
3	Ron Powilus	QB	6-3	225	SR
4	Kory Minor	OLB	6-1	234	JR
5	A'jani Sanders	SS	5-11	188	JR
6	Malcolm Johnson	SE	6-5	213	SR
7	Jarius Jackson	QB	6-0	219	JR
8	Eric Chappell	QB	6-4	213	SO
9	Raki Nelson	FL	5-11	189	SO
10	Deveron Harper	CB	5-11	185	SO
11	Jay Johnson	SE	6-0	186	SO
12	Scott Cengia	K	5-10	181	SR
13	Mario Strayhorn	OLB	6-1	214	JR
14	Jimmy Friday	ILB	6-2	227	JR
15	Ivory Covington	CB	5-10	169	SR
16	Allen Rossum	QB	5-8	179	SR
17	Zak Kustok	CB	6-2	190	FR
18	Hunter Smith	P	6-2	210	JR
19	Cikai Champion	SE	5-10	183	BR
20	Joey Getherall	WR	5-9	165	FR
21	Jim Sanson	K	5-9	179	SO
22	Wayne Gunn	OLB	6-2	210	JR
23	Kevin Kopka	K	5-7	214	JR
24	Byron Joyner	FS	6-1	188	JR
25	Shannon Stephens	FL	5-10	175	JR
26	Jay Vickers	TB	5-11	218	SO
27	Autry Denson	TB	5-10	184	JR
28	Ty Goode	CB	5-11	184	SR
29	Tony Driver	TB	6-3	205	FR
30	Lee Lafayette	CB	5-9	189	SO
31	Bobbie Howard	ILB	5-10	228	JR
32	Ken Barry	FB	6-0	221	SR
33	Cooper Rego	TB	5-9	185	FR
34	Jarvis Edison	FS	6-4	221	SR
35	Darcey Levy	RB	6-2	195	FR
36	Clement Stokes	TB	6-0	205	SR
37	Jamie Spencer	FB	6-1	248	JR
38	Ronnie Nicks	ILB	6-0	220	SO
39	Robert Phelps	CB	6-0	189	SR
40	Chris Wachtel	P	5-11	207	SR
41	Tim Lynch	CB	5-9	177	SR
42	Ron Israel	DB	6-1	175	FR
43	Kevin Rice	FB	6-0	200	SR
44	Brock Williams	CB	5-11	175	FR
45	Paul Grimm	CB	5-9	170	SR
46	Anthony Denman	LB	6-3	205	FR
47	Jason Murray	FB	6-2	235	FR
48	Brendan Farrell	SS	5-11	215	SO
49	Joe Ferrer	OLB	6-2	230	SO
50	Antwoine Wellington	ILB	6-0	237	SO
51	Grant Irons	ILB	6-5	225	FR
52	Joey Goodspeed	FB	6-0	225	SO
53	Chris McCarthy	K	5-11	205	SR
54	Kevin Dansby	LB	6-2	210	FR
55	Bill Mitoulas	OLB	6-1	225	SR
56	Johnathan Herbert	WR	5-11	194	SO
57	Joe Thomas	ILB	6-2	223	JR
58	David Payne	C	6-0	281	JR
59	Melvin Dansby	DE	6-4	276	JR
60	Alex Mueller	OG	6-6	270	JR
61	Lamont Bryant	OLB	6-3	243	JR
62	Luke Pettigout	OT	6-5	287	SR
63	Shelton Jordan	DE	6-3	241	JR
64	Kurt Belisle	DE	6-2	266	SR
65	Rick Kaczinski	C	6-4	258	SR
66	Brendan O'Connor	OG	6-2	294	SO
67	Mike Burdorf	TE	6-0	205	JR
68	Matthew Kunz	ILB	6-0	215	SR
69	Scott Fagan	OLB	6-2	219	SO
70	Casey Robin	OL	6-7	285	FR
71	John Merandi	C	6-3	272	SO
72	Anthony Brannan	SS	5-11	194	SO
73	JW Jordan	OL	6-1	284	FR
74	John Wagner	OT	6-7	320	JR
75	Tim Ridder	OG	6-7	298	JR
76	Jerry Wisne	OG	6-6	295	JR
77	Leon Hires	OG	6-4	287	SO
78	Mike Doughty	OT	6-7	303	SR
79	Rob Mow	OT	6-5	294	SO
80	Chris Clevenger	OT	6-8	312	SR
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84	Mike Rosenthal	OG	6-7	315	JR
85	Justin Smith	WR	6-1	185	FR
86	Lewis Dawson	SE	5-11	186	SO
87	Mike Gandy	TE	6-5	264	SO
88	Justin Orr	FL	6-2	233	SR
89	Mike Derivir	TE	6-4	243	SR
90	Antwon Jones	NG	6-3	267	JR
91	Dan O'Leary	TE	6-4	243	SO
92	Jabari Holloway	TE	6-4	235	FR
93	Bobby Brown	FL	6-3	185	JR
94	Lance Legree	NG	6-1	271	SO
95	N. VanHook-Drucker	DE	6-2	228	SO
96	Bryan Mulvena	LB	6-2	225	JR
97	B.J. Scott	DE	6-3	267	SO
98	Andy Wisne	DL	6-5	255	FR
99	Corey Bennett	NG	6-1	253	SR
100	Jim Jones	NG	6-2	280	SO
101	Eric Glass	DT	6-4	220	SO
102	John Teasdale	TE	6-6	255	FR
103	Jason Ching	DE	6-3	235	SO



SOUTHERN CAL

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR
1	Dayton McCutcheon	CB	5-11	175	JR
2	Darnell Lacy	S	6-3	195	SO
3	Rod Perry Jr	WR	5-10	180	FR
4	Billy Miller	WR	6-4	210	JR
5	John Fox	QB	6-4	205	SO
6	Mark Cusano	LB	6-2	225	JR
7	Rodney Sermos	FB	6-0	210	SR
8	Antuan Simmons	LB/S	5-11	185	FR
9	Chad Morton	S	5-8	180	SO
10	Rashard Cook	S	6-0	200	JR
11	Quincy Woods	QB	6-1	185	SO
12	Zeke Moreno	LB	6-3	240	FR
13	Stanley Steen	DE	6-4	220	FR
14	Darriyl Knight	S	6-2	195	FR
15	Adam Rendon	PK	6-2	205	JR
16	Kris Richard	CB	6-0	170	FR
17	Mike Van Raaphorst	QB	6-5	220	FR
18	Junior Rickman	TE	6-4	245	SR
19	Matt Dalton	QB	6-2	185	FR
20	Jim Wren	P	6-0	220	SR
21	R. Jay Soward	WR	5-9	175	SO
22	Adam Abrams	PK	5-11	185	JR
23	Stanley Guyness	WR	6-2	185	FR
24	Ken Haslip	CB	5-10	160	JR
25	Malae'ou MacKenzie	TB	6-0	210	FR
26	David Gibson	LB/S	6-2	215	SO
27	Anthony Volsan	CB	5-10	170	SR
28	Delon Washington	TB	5-11	205	SR
29	Mike Bastianelli	WR	6-1	195	JR
30	Eric Reese	TB	5-11	185	FR
31	Jabari Jackson	TB	6-2	215	JR
32	Charlie Landrigan	FB	6-0	210	FR
33	Frank Carter	S	6-0	185	SO
34	LaVale Woods	FB/TB	5-7	220	SR
35	Ifeanyi Ohaletle	LB/S	6-2	205	FR
36	Ryan Tyiska	LB	6-2	220	SR
37	Petros Papadakis	TB	6-0	205	SO
38	Chris Reyes	S	6-0	205	SO
39	Miguel Marco	WR/S	5-11	185	FR
40	David Bell	PK	6-1	200	SO
41	Rick Luce	S	5-11	185	JR
42	Mike MacGillivray	P/PK	5-10	205	FR
43	Danny Bravo	S	6-0	205	FR
44	Marvin Powell III	TE	6-2	235	JR
45	Rob Aubrey	LB	6-3	235	JR
46	Antoinne Harris	CB	5-8	170	SO
47	Rocky Brown	WR	5-11	175	JR
48	Brian Kelly	CB	6-1	190	SR
49	Grant Pearsall	LB/S	6-1	210	SR
50	Sultan Abdul-Malik	DE	6-3	225	FR
51	Henry Wallace	FB	6-2	210	FR
52	Ted Iacenda	FB	6-0	225	FR
53	Jahl Johnson	TB	5-7	185	JR
54	Mathieu Faltys	S	6-2	210	FR
55	Brennan Ochs	FB	6-1	205	FR
56	Ryan Shapiro	FB	6-0	230	FR
57	Eric Denmon	C	6-2	260	SO
58	Jason Grain	OG	6-5	310	SO
59	Dennis Tolbert	DT	6-2	260	SR
60	Jonathan Mosley	LB	6-0	225	SR
61	Chris Claiborne	LB	6-3	250	SO
62	Jonathan Himebauch	C	6-3	295	SR
63	Aaron Williams	DE/DT	6-4	270	SO
64	Rocky Seto	S	5-11	200	JR
65	Matt McShane	C	6-5	285	SO
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68	Brent McCaffrey	OT	6-5	265	FR
69	Mike Whicanack	OT	6-7	305	FR
70	Travis Claridge	OG	6-6	300	SO
71	Todd Keneley	DT	6-0	260	JR
72	Phalen Pounds	OT	6-7	325	SR
73	Ken Bowen	OT	6-8	330	JR
74	Faasea Mailo	OT/OG	6-5	330	SO
75	Joel Sugg	OT	6-6	275	FR
76	Trevor Roberts	OG	6-4	305	FR
77	Rome Douglas	OT	6-7	300	JR
78	Grant Boelter	OT/OG	6-5	315	SR
79	Larry Parker	WR	6-2	195	SR
80	Antoine Harris	TE	6-4	220	FR
81	Gurjit Dhalwal	TE	6-3	230	JR
82	Troy Garner	WR	6-3	200	FR
83	Jeff Daley	TE	6-4	235	SR
84	Dylan Weiss	WR	5-10	170	FR
85	Gerard Khorozi	TE	6-5	245	SO
86	Kevin McLaughlin	WR	6-3	205	FR
87	George Perry	DE	6-5	260	SR
88	Lonnie Ford	TE	6-3	220	FR
89	Ryan Nielsen	DE	6-5	235	FR
90	Bobby DeMars	LB	6-4	235	FR
91	Kori Dickerson	DE	6-4	215	FR
92	Tommie Townsend	DT	6-4	255	FR
93	Pat Swanson	TE/SNP	6-4	235	SO
94	Marc Mallock	DT	6-5	280	JR
95	S. Abdul-Sheheed	DE	6-4	260	FR
96	Cedric Jefferson	DT	6-2	280	SR
97	Carl Colley	TE	6-4	230	FR
98	Steve Davis	DT	6-2	280	SR
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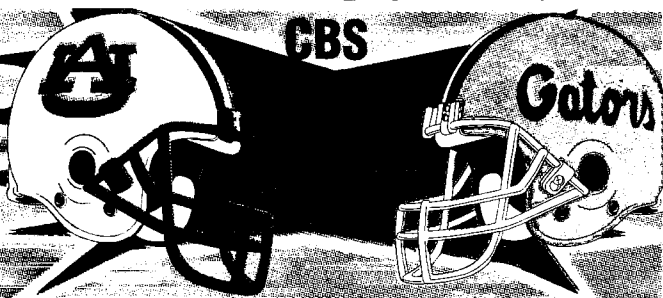
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Gators try to avoid a second loss

Big Ten rivals Michigan, Iowa set to battle

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No. 7 Florida
at No. 6 Auburn

The Gators have not lost back-to-back regular season games since 1992 and the Tigers, who have already defeated the LSU squad that removed Florida from the No. 1 ranking last weekend, are not about to console Spurrier's soldiers as they march into Jordan-Hare Stadium on Saturday. Auburn quarterback Dameyune Craig will try to improve his mediocre career numbers against Florida as he aims for a fifth straight week of throwing for 300 yards or more.

He will have a number of wide-outs to look to against the Gators, including Tyrone Goodson, who compiled 138 yards last weekend against Louisiana Tech.

Don't expect the boys from Gainesville to sit back and watch the Tiger offense go to work though. The Florida defense shut Craig and the Auburn passing game down in 1996, holding them to just a 25 percent completion rate and 82 yards passing.

Spurrier and the Gators will be anxious to remind the upstart Auburn squad what real competition is like.

Terry Bowden's squad has gotten fat on the likes of Central Florida and Louisiana Tech in two of the last three weeks. If Florida is not up to the task though, there will be Tigers in the nightmares of Gator fans for some time to come.



No. 15 Iowa
at No. 5 Michigan

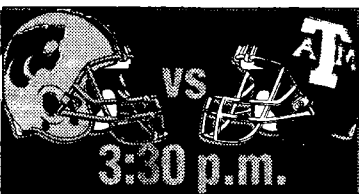
There are a number of intriguing battles within the war that will take place in Ann Arbor on Saturday. Primarily, the game will pit a high-powered Hawkeye offense, featuring tailback Tavian Banks and wide receiver Tim Dwight against a Wolverine defense that has allowed just 20 points in three home contests, 14 of which were scored by the Irish back on Sept. 27. On one hand, Michigan's defense looks invincible at home, but on the other, if the Notre Dame offense can score two touchdowns in one half, why shouldn't Iowa light it up?

Going deeper into the struggle, Banks needs just 81 yards to surpass 1,000 just halfway through the season, but the most yards gained by a running back against Michigan this year has been 72 by Autry



Chris Howard and the Wolverines will put their undefeated record on the line when they host conference foe No. 15 Iowa in a pivotal Big Ten battle.

Denson. Banks should reach his mark regardless. Also, Wolverine cornerback Charles Woodson will draw the assignment of covering pre-season Heisman hopeful Tim Dwight.



No. 14 Texas A&M
at No. 20 Kansas State

This game presents an interesting Big 12 showdown between relative unknowns. The Aggies can prove that they are, in fact, for real with a win on homecoming week in Manhattan. They also need a victory to keep pace with surprising Oklahoma State in the South division of the conference.

Kansas State's chances to represent the North division in the Big 12 championship game are pretty slim at the moment, but that will not prevent quarterback Michael Bishop and the Wildcats from getting fired up to spoil A&M's undefeated season.

Bishop took to the ground last weekend against Missouri and racked up 194 rushing yards on his own. The Aggies held Kansas State to just 39 yards rushing in last year's contest, so it should be interesting to see how they attempt to contain Bishop this Saturday.

AP TOP 25				
TEAM	RECORD	POINTS	PREV	
1. Penn State (51)	5-0	1724	2	
2. Nebraska (14)	5-0	1668	3	
3. Florida State (3)	5-0	1603	4	
4. N. Carolina (2)	6-0	1521	5	
5. Michigan	5-0	1490	6	
6. Auburn	6-0	1366	8	
7. Florida	5-1	1280	1	
8. LSU	5-1	1199	14	
9. Tennessee	4-1	1126	9	
10. Washington	4-1	1121	10	
11. Ohio State	5-1	1113	7	
12. Michigan State	5-0	1058	11	
13. Washington St.	5-0	958	12	
14. Texas A&M	5-0	827	15	
15. Iowa	4-1	703	17	
16. Oklahoma St.	6-0	665	20	
17. UCLA	4-2	637	18	
18. Air Force	7-0	516	19	
19. Georgia	4-1	446	13	
20. Kansas State	4-1	388	22	
21. Georgia Tech	4-1	281	25	
22. Virginia Tech	5-1	274	23	
23. West Virginia	5-1	182	--	
24. Wisconsin	6-1	134	--	
25. Stanford	4-2	119	16	

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