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A Golden Score

ND band director's music will open the Olympic Games

When the Olympic Games begin tonight in Sydney, Australia, Notre Dame band director Kenneth Dye will hold his breath. He will hear familiar sounds from the television as the Olympic Band plays his musical composition for the Parade of Athletes.

"If it goes well, it will be a feeling of relief," said Dye, who also serves as band director for the Olympic Games.

Dye composed and taught his music to a band of 2,000 young people of many nations for the opening ceremonies of the Games. His music consists of at least 36 pieces from the various countries of the band members and the athletes.

"It's amazing how they picked up on it," said Dye, who taught the band by reviewing videotaped rehearsals.

Language was never a barrier for Dye who said, "Music is the universal language."

Two years ago, Dye started the project, which included 18 months of music composition. In order to research the musical styles and traditions from the many countries, Dye collaborated with New York University ethnomusicologist Barry Spanier. Dye said that in addition to his work with Spanier, he used the Internet "extensively" and called people who were eager to assist him.

"Whenever you say the word Olympic, it has a universal appeal," said Dye.

After making more phone calls, Dye finally composed the music and had to go through the process of obtaining approval by an Olympic committee. This included receiving approval for style, content and the score until the committee finally approved the entire recording of the band piece.

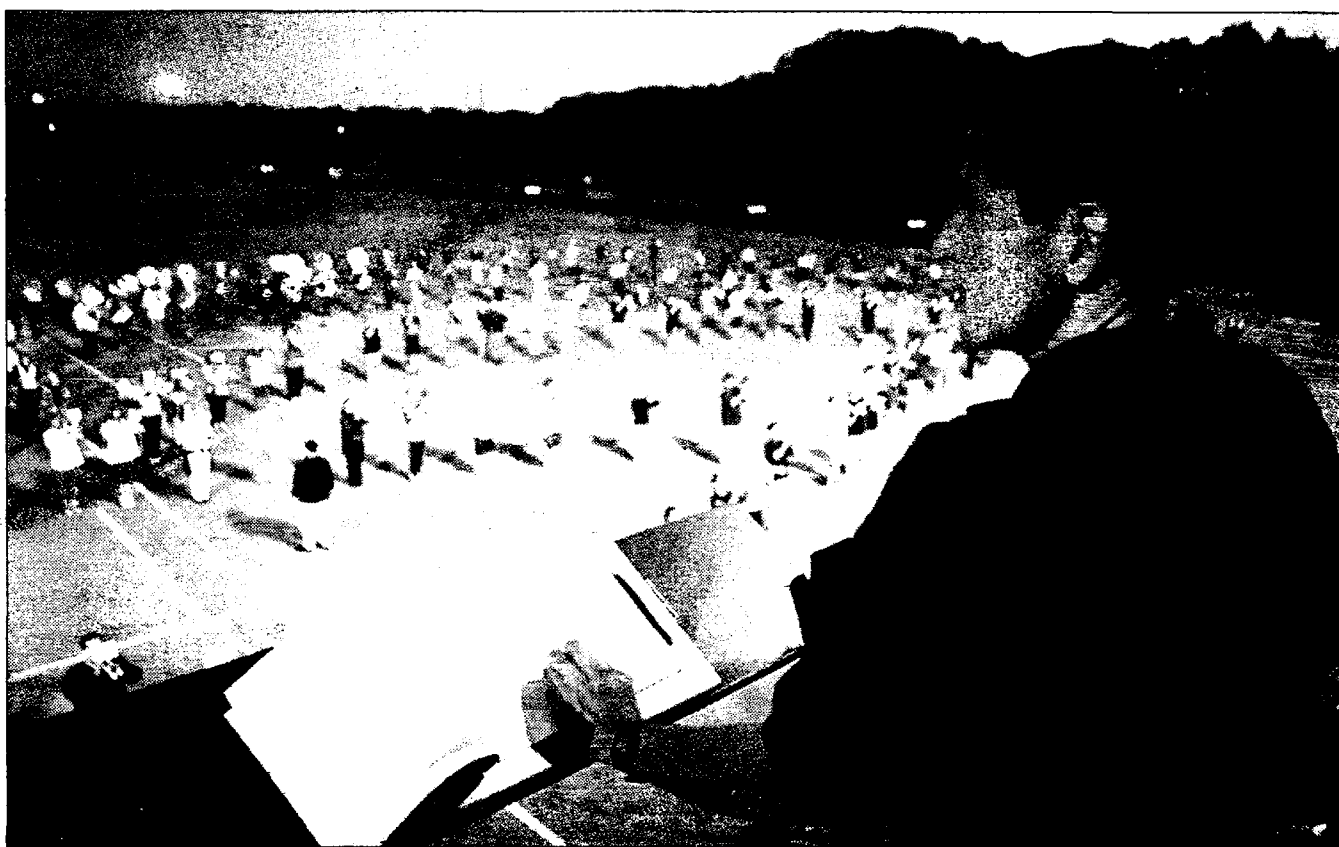
After the final approval, Dye said, "It was like finishing a really big term paper or dissertation."

Though Dye has taken new leadership with the 2000 Olympics, he has had prior Olympic Games experience as the associate band director for the 1984 Olympic Band in Los Angeles.

This year, however, will be more than a slight change for Dye.

"It's borderline overwhelming, but so far, so good," Dye said.

The 2000 Games will have live music for the first time in history and the band will play a 90-minute



Notre Dame band director Kenneth Dye (above) conducts marching band practice Thursday in preparation for the halftime show at this weekend's football game against Purdue. Dye will remain in South Bend to conduct that show while the music he composed is played in Sydney. Dye uses a variety of technologies in his office (below) for composing. It took Dye 18 months to compose the score that will be played tonight at the Opening Ceremony for the 2000 Olympic Games.



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Computer upgrades move ND closer to Web registration

By JASON McFARLEY
News Writer

Following this week's preliminary round of testing, the University is now one step closer to having an Internet-based class registration system by November, officials said Thursday.

Those closely connected with the project warned that implementing the new system by the Nov. 8 start of registration is still

no guarantee.

"We're trying to be prepared to have some usable form of registration, hopefully online," said Don Steinke, assistant registrar.

And Notre Dame may be on track to do so, following what Steinke called the "crossing of an initial hurdle" in the implementation process.

That hurdle comes in the form of upgrading current University software, a process officials said is necessary for ushering in Web

registration. Software testing began this week, with the analysis of systems in the University's admissions departments.

As of Thursday, no difficulties in upgrading the software had been reported.

"That [testing admissions software] was a critical step in our being able to move forward," said registrar Harold Pace.

The next stage in the process includes upgrading other University departments' software

over the course of the next two months, according to Steinke. While the change to Web registration will require an upgrade of the entire Notre Dame system, experts plan to focus their efforts on testing software in the offices of the registrar, financial aid and student accounts — departments in which problems would delay the process indefinitely.

"If any one of these [departments] experiences problems, it would certainly be a showstop-

per," Steinke said.

Barring any setbacks, a group of about 2,000 students, probably members of one University grade level, would be the first to test the new system when they register for spring semester courses. If all goes well with this experimental group, officials expect to utilize the system for the course drop/add period in January 2001. It would then be fully in place by next April, when students register for the 2001 fall semester.

INSIDE COLUMN

Offering up
opinions

Sports columnists have a tricky task — they are required to take up an issue, form an opinion and put it on paper for all to see.

Good columnists have facts to back up their opinions; bad ones don't. And whether the column is good or bad, someone will always be offended.

Recently, certain members of athletic teams have expressed anger about the opinions expressed by columnists in The Observer.

Commenting on issues in the athletic community responsibly means analyzing the performances of individuals or teams as they occur. Good columnists know when to be positive and when to be negative — their work ideally should reflect a mix of both.

The Observer exists to portray events in the Saint Mary's and Notre Dame communities fully and that means taking in the good with the bad.

While reporters are charged with portraying events as factually as possible, columnists are supposed to make a judgement. Sometimes those judgements run counter to the attitudes of the teams they analyze.

The Observer is not a literary cheerleader for Notre Dame and Saint Mary's. It is not the role of columnists to seek out only the positives of a team while ignoring any criticism it deserves. If a columnist did that, he or she would be turning in shoddy work.

Columnists are not supposed to be a morale leader and pump up the team with praising words; rather, columnists are supposed to call it as they see it.

The Observer has made an effort this year to improve athletic coverage on both the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's campuses. With the improved coverage of all teams comes more attention and scrutiny.

No team or individual is privy to special treatment — be they Division I or Division III teams, recruited or non-scholarship athletes.

Whether they are competing for All-American honors or simply for the joy of athletic activity, a columnist's task remains the same.

It is hypocritical to relish in the praises of a columnist when he or she portrays a team in a positive light only to complain when that same columnist highlights that team's weakness.

A columnist's criticism is not a personal attack — it is merely his or her evaluation of an event and should be seen as such by high-profile and low-profile athletes alike. The purpose of a column is only to inform readers and add the spice of an opinion for interest.

Existing in the dual role of student and columnist can be difficult. The same person that at heart is cheering for their team to do well must also form an opinion of the team's skills and performance. Columnists work hard to separate those two facets of working for a student newspaper. Just because a columnist happens to be a student, it does not mean his or her role is as a team advocate or booster.

Professional columnists operate as outside observers, and Observer columnists, although reporting on fellow students, work in the same fashion. They should not be held to a lower standard.

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

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THIS WEEK IN NOTRE DAME/SAINT MARY'S HISTORY

Notre Dame helps Michigan State lose
Sept. 19, 1994

This much is clear: Michigan State doesn't know how to win. How else can you explain Notre Dame's 21-2 win over the Spartans in a game where the Irish looked more giving than Saint Nick? They failed to take advantage of five Notre Dame turnovers and four on interceptions by quarterback Ron Powlus. Michigan State became Notre Dame's 16th road win.

Students crash golf cart into Huddle
Sept. 20, 1976

Three Notre Dame students drove a golf cart into the stairway outside the north entrance of the Huddle at 11:20 pm on Sunday. Three male students were responsible for the extensive structural damage, but no physical injuries were reported. The golf cart leveled the top part of a two foot brick wall which runs beside the steps and the students are expected to pay for the damages.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

MIT settles frat alcohol-related case for \$6M

Compiled from U-Wire reports

BOSTON
The Massachusetts Institute of Technology announced Wednesday that it will pay \$6 million to settle a civil suit filed by the family of former student Scott Krueger, who died after suffering from alcohol poisoning almost three years ago.

Under the agreement, the Krueger family will use \$1.25 to create new scholarships for MIT students. The payments will end all litigation surrounding the case, which began when Krueger was found unconscious and lying in a pool of vomit at the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity house. He died in a hospital three days later.

In a letter released Wednesday, MIT President Charles Vest apologized for the death.

"The death of Scott as a freshman



living in an MIT fraternity shows that our approach to alcohol education and policy, and our freshman housing options, were inadequate. I am deeply sorry for this," he said.

Since the incident, MIT has instituted a series of changes to combat binge drinking among its students. When a new dorm is completed in 2002, all freshmen will be required to live on campus. All fraternities and sororities must now have a resident advisor.

At least two members of every fraternity has been trained on the physiology of alcohol use, emergency first aid, CPR and liability and risk management, MIT officials said. More than 455 other students have received instruction in how to serve alcohol responsibly.

Peer and professional counseling programs were also extended in the wake of Krueger's death.

MIT requires that hosts register on-campus parties whenever there will be drinking and follow adopted guidelines, including limitations on using student group funds to purchase alcohol. Third-party cash vendor services are required for gatherings larger than 75 people. For smaller parties, the hosts must designate alcohol purchasers and servers.

OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

Police seizes student's computer

STILLWATER, Okla.

A 19-year-old student at Oklahoma State had his computer confiscated by the university police earlier this week on suspicion of illegally distributing copyrighted material. Police were notified of the problem after the Recording Industry Association of America, an organization that protects copyrights of recording artists, notified OSU's Computer Information Services that one of their service users was running a Web site that was illegally distributing copyrighted songs. The OSU Police Department is currently pursuing the case as a violation of state law. OSU Police served the student with a search warrant around 5 p.m. on Sept. 5. The student's computer and related equipment were seized and are currently undergoing forensic exams. The results of the exams will determine if charges will be filed against the student. Lt. David Altman of the OSU Police Department said if the crimes are confirmed the police have many options.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

School requires rape education

CHAMPAIGN, Ill.

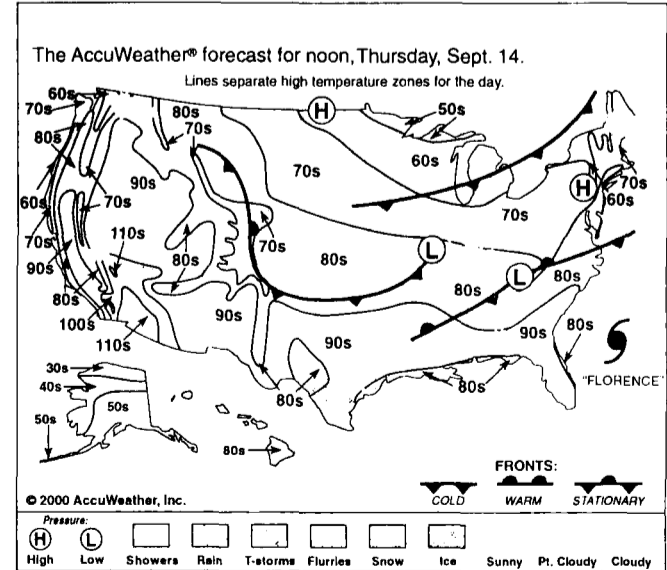
Sexual assault is more likely to occur during a student's first semester on campus, prompting the University of Illinois to require Campus Acquaintance Rape Education classes for freshmen. The average age of a sexual assault victim in college is 18 1/2, according to Debbie Murphy, coordinator of Sexual Assault Programs at the university. "It's primarily because they're new to campus," Murphy said. "People have a lot of new experiences, and they don't have a chance to think about the precautions." Chad Hinkle, a CARE workshop facilitator and RA at Bromley Hall, said he has seen first-year students "put themselves in positions that more experienced students wouldn't do. The naivete level among first-year students is extremely high," he said. Doris Lawyer, a nurse practitioner at McKinley Health Center, said the most important precautions for women to take are to go out in groups, stay in those groups and watch their drinks. "Date-rape drugs are realities here," she said. "Watch your drink all the time."

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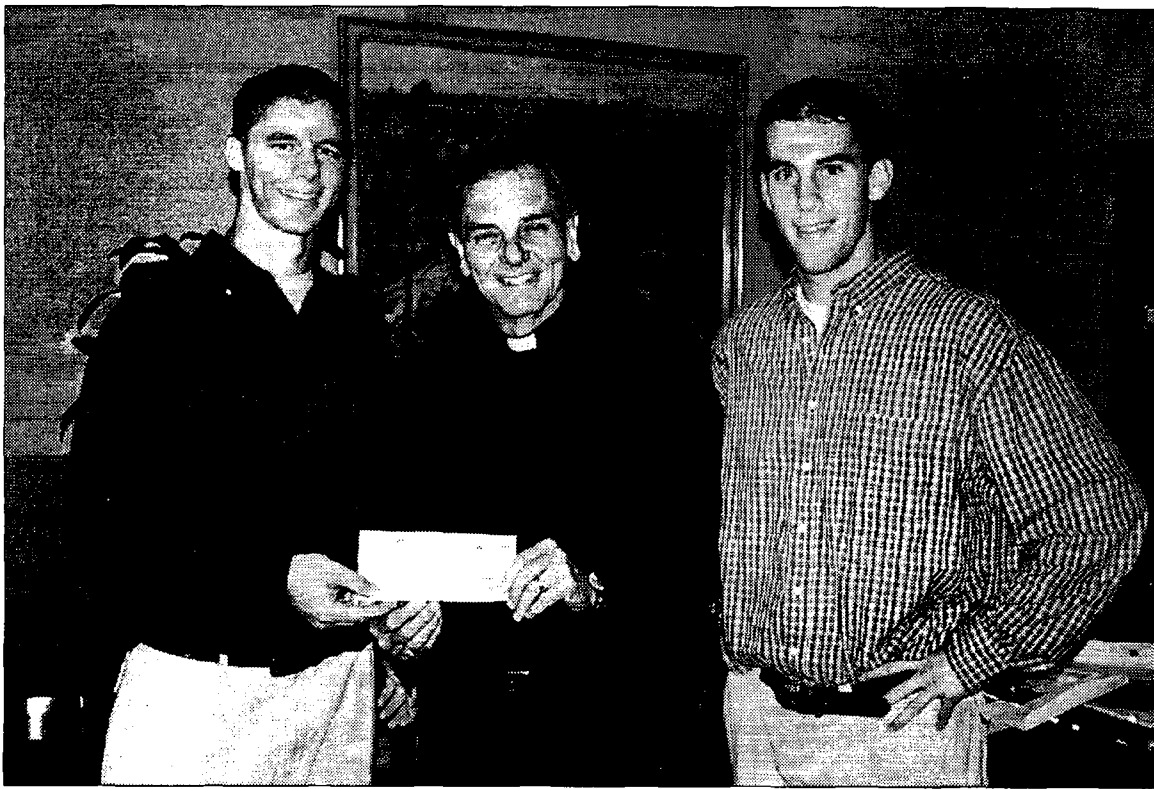


NATIONAL WEATHER



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Boston	68	60	Milwaukee	58	46	St. Louis	71	51
Chicago	63	46	New York	72	60	Tampa	87	73
Houston	95	68	Philadelphia	72	58	Washington DC	74	59

BOUTS BENEFITS



LIZ LANG/The Observer
Brian Hobbins (left) and Josh Thompson (right), two of this year's men's boxing team captains, present \$71,000 raised in last year's Bengal Bouts tournament — \$20,000 more than in any other year — to Father William Beauchamp (center). Bengal Bouts, an annual charity boxing tournament, has raised more than \$445,000 for missions in Bangladesh to date.

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ND priest, friend to Rudy passes away

By KYLIE CARTER
News Writer

A Notre Dame graduate, former student manager and an inspiration to Rudy, Father Leonard Kuberski, recently passed away, but will not be forgotten. Kuberski attended Notre Dame from 1960 to 1964, and later returned in 1976 to attain his master's degree in scripture.

It was during this time that he came in contact with Daniel "Rudy" Ruettiger, a graduate assistant to the football players. They met through a mutual friend, and Ruettiger told him his story. Kuberski was very interested and wrote a manuscript



Ruettiger

about his life.

"As we talked about the obstacles and the struggles," Ruettiger said, "Lenny [as he referred to him] would get excited and write things down, and that inspired me."

Although the manuscript Kuberski wrote did not end up being the actual script for the movie written by Angelo Pizzo, Kuberski played an instrumental role in the whole process.

"If Lenny hadn't done the book, I wouldn't have moved forward to do the movie," Ruettiger said. "He helped start something. The manuscript started the ball rolling. It was very positive, I thought, that he put it in that direction."

As an acknowledgement of his contribution, Kuberski had a few lines in a classroom scene in the movie.

In addition to his influential role in Ruettiger's life, he helped many others in his work with the football student manager program at Notre Dame. Having been a student manager during his undergraduate studies, he knew that it was a lot of work and little glory.

Wanting to give back to the program, he started the "Father Mad Dog Award." This scholarship award is given at the end of sophomore year to the student manager with the most heart and best mental attitude. Kuberski was known to some as Father Mad Dog because of his fun personality.

Dan Cooley, who graduated last spring from Notre Dame and received the award a few years ago, described Kuberski as "very fun, generous and loyal."

"He had a special place in his heart for the managers," he said.

Each year, he would take the recipient out to dinner, along with the three head football managers. Cooley said, "He was the life of the dinner. He kept everyone laughing, or their mouths hanging open."

"He was a great believer in Notre Dame — in the family," Ruettiger said. Kuberski passed away in mid-August from cancer, kidney failure and other ailments.

The Father Mad Dog award will still be awarded, although not as a scholarship.

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"Music is the universal language" - Kenneth Dye

Olympics

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piece for the Parade of Athletes and the 10-minute opening ceremonies music as opposed to only the 10 minutes of opening ceremonies music Dye directed in Los Angeles.

Dye believes the Sydney Olympics have taken even more of an international perspective than the Los Angeles Olympics.

Even with the excitement of the Games, Dye said he will remain in South Bend where he will direct the Notre Dame band for the Purdue football game.

"I'm expecting the band to do an outstanding job here at home," said Dye.

He said he expects band members to be committed enough to attend all practices, rehearsals, and performances and he needed to set that example by attending them as well — even if he misses the opening ceremonies of an athletic event that will likely get more attention and a larger crowd than any college football game.

Dye, in his third year at Notre Dame, is in his first year as the band director.

"It's going well, but I'm still learning," said Dye who has already witnessed changes in the band's rehearsals and performances along with the admission of the first female in the Irish Guard.

According to Dye, although the Olympic band is not his most frequent topic of conversation, he has received support, especially at the campus post office where he was a regular customer.

"They see me coming," Dye said laughing.

At the post office he mailed music back and forth to many countries, some of which, Dye said, required the workers to check the names because there were so many little known countries that sent him mail.

However, Dye, now finished with his post office trips will be able to watch the television tonight, see his "really big term paper" come to life and possibly breathe a sigh of relief.



In his first year as Notre Dame's marching band director, Kenneth Dye stands before the University band as they prepare for another halftime show. Although Dye's composition skills are worthy of tonight's Olympic Opening Ceremony in Sydney, Australia, he said he is "still learning" as a director.

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PETER RICHARDSON

Visiting scholars discuss political unrest in Columbia

By KIFLIN TURNER
News Writer

Columbia is on the brink of an open war, said visiting scholar Eduardo Pizarro, a noted political scientist, writer, and public intellectual. He began Thursday's current affairs panel discussion — entitled "Guns, Drugs, and Money: The Politics of Foreign Aid and Domestic Peace in Columbia" — on the rising internal conflicts in Columbia.

Alvaro Camacho and Nora Segura join Pizarro as visiting scholars who are a part of the larger Columbia Project that seeks solutions to reform the torn nation.

Much of the conflict is due to the institution of insurgent Revolutionary Armed Forces of Columbia (FARC) who receive economic support from ransom, kidnapping and by taxing the coca leaves within the regions that they control.

"On the one hand in the process of production, [cocaine]

finances FARC, which has a system of taxation on the peasant. On the other hand, cocaine finances the paramilitary," said Pizarro.

With 80 percent of cocaine coming from Columbia and with 25,000 to 30,000 people in paramilitaries, or armed militias, an internal collapse of the country is underway, said Pizarro.

"I would like to make one point clear, and the premise is that Columbia has to eradicate narcotics and it has to eradicate war," Pizarro said.

The undeclared war in Columbia has increased the rates of homicides and impaired the country's human rights. Pizarro went on to say that this war "has had an effect on the political system in terms of

reducing the power of political parties."

With a weakened political system, and the substantial role of paramilitaries, Pizarro cited this inherent instability as a "vicious circle" in which the Colombian people find themselves trapped.

"We don't have an alternative plan we have a fund, which is less that that which has been offered to Bolivia," said Pizarro.

One possible step towards the direction of reform is to provide "property rights to peasants so as to provide them with stability and security," said Pizarro.

By enabling the people to take back possession of their land, it would debilitate the power of the paramilitary and eventually reduce the subjugation of the people to a binding obligation to

produce massive amounts of cocaine.

"It has to come from a negotiation process," said Pizarro. The Colombian government must find a way to overtake the paramilitaries by strengthening their own armies.

After amending its own internal strife, said Pizarro, Columbia needs to repair its international relations as well.

"Columbia has to open a way with the European community to acquire a new way of looking at [the situation]," and to open the door for diplomacy, Columbia has to improve its record of human rights in order to gain respect, said Pizarro.

Alvaro Camacho, a noted sociologist in Columbia cites colonization as the "ghost of Latin

America," that is to say, a resurgence of violence. Pointing to the effects of hyper-violence and hyper-inflation on the country and on the rule of law, Camacho said that "Latin America has become the most violent macro-region in the world."

Camacho points to Columbia's instable economies and institutions as reasons why the violence rate has increased from 17 to 34 homicides per 4,000 inhabitants.

Through humanitarian intervention and the continuation of negotiating the peace process with the paramilitary, Columbia can begin to break down internal and international barriers. "The best war is the one that is won without a single bullet," said Camacho.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

U.S. tries to revive Mideast peace talks: The Clinton administration renewed its efforts Thursday to end a deadlock between Israel and the Palestinians over the future of Jerusalem. Hanging in the balance was a long-sought settlement of their half-century dispute. "This is the most delicate subject," Albright said as her senior aide, Dennis Ross, was meeting with Palestinian negotiators and before her own dinner meeting with the Israeli Foreign Minister, Shlomo Ben-Ami.

Iraq says Kuwait is stealing oil: Iraq accused Kuwait on Thursday of digging wells that allow it to steal Iraqi oil and warned that it will take proper measures to stop the actions. "The rulers of Kuwait have been, in the past few years, digging oil wells aimed at bleeding reserves in the border area," the official Iraqi News Agency quoted Oil Minister Amer Mohammed Rashid as saying.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Calif. fires keep growing: A wildfire at Vandenberg Air Force Base that forced evacuations in a nearby town grew to more than 11,000 acres Thursday, the largest of several blazes in Southern California. Another fire that destroyed two homes in the Agua Dulce area of the Angeles National Forest was 90 percent contained, fire officials said. "We're working on getting a complete, solid [bull]dozer line around the fire," said Inspector Roland Sprewell of the Los Angeles County Fire Department.

BIC recalls lighters: A New Jersey company is recalling about 294,000 disposable cigarette lighters because they lack required child-resistant mechanisms. The disposable lighters being recalled are oval-shaped "BIC" and mini-"BIC" brand lighters. They have a green, red, blue, black or yellow body and a metal top. The standard size lighters have the UPC number 3 086120 600020. The mini-lighters have the UPC number 3 086120 600051.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Pastor sentenced in church theft: A former pastor accused of gambling away thousands of dollars stolen from his small Baptist church was sentenced to four years in jail. Bryan Litton, 24, pleaded guilty to four counts of theft by deception for forging thousands of dollars worth of checks drawn on the church's account. He also was ordered to pay restitution, deputy Floyd County prosecutor Matthew McGovern said. Investigators are still tabulating the value of the forged checks, he said.

UNITED KINGDOM

Truckers end some gas protests

Associated Press

LONDON

Britain's fuel crisis eased Thursday as several blockades ended at refineries and depots, but other protests continued — and one abruptly restarted after demonstrators learned that an oil company had raised its prices.

The protesters won that round, as Esso quickly rescinded the increases.

"Not all the protests are over. There's some way to go," Prime Minister Tony Blair said. "It will be days before regular supplies get back to normal, even if the protests finish today."

As some protesters declared a moral victory and went home, others refused to budge. Some returned to the scenes of abandoned blockades, hoping to stop the tankers again.

Military tankers were pressed into service to help relieve the backlog, but at best, industry officials said it will take weeks to get supplies fully back to normal.

Elsewhere in Europe, there were also signs of an easing of the protests. In Belgium, protesting truck drivers agreed Thursday to lift the blockade of highways, fuel depots and city streets that has caused traffic chaos for five days.

Serge Adriaens, president of the most radical union leading the protests, said his men would remove their roadblocks at midnight, despite the government's refusal to bow to their demand for lower fuel taxes.

However, Adriaens' UPTR union refused to join other truckers' organizations in signing an \$85 million compensation package and said its campaign for tax cuts would continue.

The signs of an end to the truckers' stranglehold on Belgium's road traffic came after Prime Minister Guy Verhofstadt gave a televised address vowing not to give in to demands for lower fuel taxes.

"The government will not tolerate that a minority of truckers exposes our country, our people, our economy and our industry to further damage," Verhofstadt said.

In London, Blair promised to listen to protesters, but offered no concessions on the taxes that have made British fuel prices the highest in Europe. British truckers paid an average \$4.33 a gallon for diesel last month, compared to \$2.63 in Belgium, according to the Automobile Association.

"However much people may dislike paying petrol duty, there's no way that any government of this country could or should yield to this form of protest,"



AFP Photo

A Belgian trucker takes up a collection for "his expensive fuel" at a blockade protesting high gas prices and asking for government aid.

Blair told his third nationally televised news conference in as many days.

Rejecting claims of a sales tax windfall because of rising world oil prices, Blair said the extra revenue would not be enough to cut fuel taxes by even a cent.

Still, public opinion polls suggest many Britons blame Blair for the protests. A poll commissioned by the BBC and taken on Tuesday suggested that nearly 80 percent of those surveyed supported the demonstrators and 90 percent wanted cuts in the fuel tax.

The first protest to end in Britain was at Stanlow in northwestern

England, where the loosely organized coalition of truckers and farmers began the campaign a week ago.

"We have backed down," said Brynle Williams, spokesman for protesters at the Stanlow refinery in northwest England. "We have won a moral victory."

Pickets quickly left nearly a dozen other sites.

The men blocking the Coryton Oil Refinery northeast of London had voted to stop, but changed their minds after learning of Esso's decision to raise prices. Esso, facing criticism from Blair and others, backed down within hours.

CONGO

Militia massacres 99 Rwandan troops

Associated Press

KINSHASA

A pro-government militia said Thursday that it had killed nearly 100 Rwandan soldiers and six white mercenaries in eastern Congo.

The claim from the Mai-Mai militia came a day after a rebel leader declared an offensive on the militia, after the Mai-Mai group killed 15 civilians in eastern Congo.

A statement from Mai-Mai leader

Gen. Padiri Kalendo, read on state television, said his forces killed 93 Rwandans and six mercenaries in the village of Nyanga Walikale, about 60 miles east of the eastern Congolese city of Goma.

The fighting occurred Sept. 4-8, after Rwandan soldiers attacked a Mai-Mai stronghold in an attempt to capture Kalendo.

The statement said hundreds of Congolese civilians were injured during the fighting and that 41 fleeing

civilians were killed by Rwandan soldiers in the nearby village of Malembe.

The Mai-Mai have been fighting in eastern Congo since 1960, when Congo achieved independence from Belgium. They are known for their belief in magical charms that they feel protect them in battle. They have become an increasingly potent force in that part of the country during the two-year civil war to unseat President Laurent Kabila.

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Scholarship dinner honors Andrews

By KYLIE CARTER
News Writer

The Notre Dame community came together Thursday night in McKenna Hall to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Andrews Scholarship.

The Andrews scholarship was established in 1981 by Kathleen Andrews and John McMeel in honor of Jim Andrews, who passed away in 1980. Jim Andrews was Kathleen's husband and McMeel's business partner.

The evening started off with a video presentation of the Andrews scholarship and Summer Service Projects, produced by Father Steve Gibson. After dinner, Richard Conklin, associate vice president for University relations, spoke of his friend's passing and how the scholarship came into being. McMeel told Conklin that they should set up a scholarship in Andrews' name.

"It has to be something unique," McMeel said to Conklin. "It has to be Jim Andrews." During that time, the Summer Service Project program was just getting started, and there were only five students. They decided that this would be the perfect direction for the scholarship, and since then, over 2,500 students have participated in the program, helping out tens of thousands

of people all over the United States.

The Andrews scholarship helps smaller Notre Dame Alumni Organizations pay for the \$1,700 scholarship given to students who participate in Summer Service Projects. Last summer, 77 students received the \$800 Andrews scholarship and the associations contributed the remaining \$900.

Charles Lennon, executive director and assistant vice president of the Alumni Association enthusiastically praised the scholarship and all those who have participated in the Summer Service Project program.

McMeel spoke on the importance of the program.

"When you go to the gate and Saint Peter asks you that one question ... Jim Andrews would have been waived straight through — and you [referring to the Summer Service Project participants] would be too. Because I think that the question would be 'What have you done for the least of mine?' I think that's the most important question. And you've done a hell of a lot," he said.

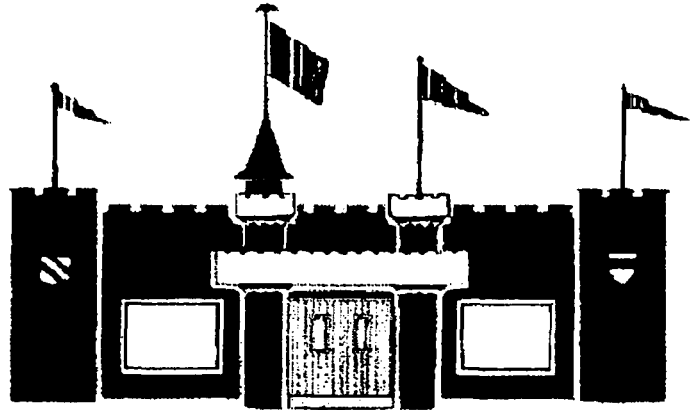
Kathleen Andrews spoke last, and thanked the students for their volunteer work. "In the long pull ... let me tell you that you have enriched this entire campus. It's a beautiful ripple effect going on, and you are that stone that was thrown into the water," she said.

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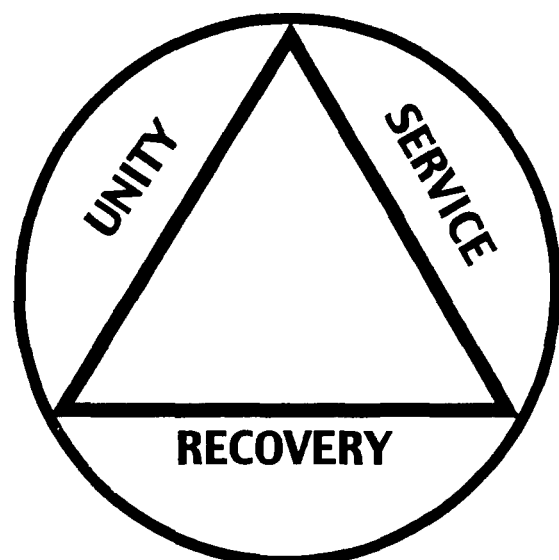


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SMC students adjust to indoor smoking ban

By KATIE MILLER
News Writer

Saint Mary's smokers have been banished from their dorms this year when they feel the need to light up.

Although the 1999-2000 student handbook "permitted smoking in student rooms [with transoms and door closed], if it is agreed by all roommates" and in vending areas, the 2000-2001 handbook bans smoking indoors.

"We are one of the last institutions to implement this type of smoking policy. So many have gone to nonsmoking elsewhere. Smokers probably thought it was only a matter of time before we altered the policy," said College President Marilou Eldred.

Students were involved in the creation of the new policy.

"The students who chose to get involved with health services last year [when the new smoking policy was being made] helped make the final decision," said Sara Scalzo, director of Le Mans Hall.

Under the old policy, many nonsmokers complained of outside smoke entering their rooms.

"It was hard for nonsmokers when smoke would travel between rooms. I think the new policy is better for everyone," said junior Erin Roberts.

"As a nonsmoker, I am very happy about the new policy. I have terrible allergies, and

my breathing suffered from outside smoke entering my room," said junior Kelly Koslow.

Some students see the new policy as a violation of their rights.

"I think it's ridiculous to take away the rights you have as an adult," said junior Carrie Cuellar.

Many students agree smokers should have an indoor place to smoke.

"If you're going to accommodate nonsmokers, smokers should be accommodated as well," said Cuellar.

"I support the policy, but I can understand how smokers are annoyed that they must leave the building in order to smoke," said junior Julia Fletcher.

Both Eldred and Scalzo have found students to be very cooperative with the new policy.

"Every time a student smokes too close to the building, I ask them to move, and they always do," said Scalzo.

Because of the increase in outdoor smoking, there are concerns about the amount of smokers not using the smoking receptacles.

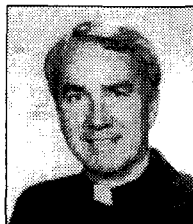
"Saint Mary's is littered with cigarette butts," said Cuellar.

"I really encourage smokers to use receptacles. Debris is not part of the image Saint Mary's wants to present, especially when prospective students are visiting," said Eldred.

Book examines codes of conduct

Special to The Observer

A new book coauthored by Oliver Williams, C.S.C., academic director of the University of Notre Dame's Center for Ethics and Religious Values in Business, analyzes how lessons learned from the Sullivan Principles may be used to develop worldwide codes of conduct in today's business environment.



Williams

Titled "Economic Imperatives and Ethical Values in Global Business: The South African Experience and International Codes Today," the book suggests solutions to many of the vexing issues facing large multinational corporations, including human rights, living and working conditions of workers, environmental protection, sustainable growth, and preservation of biodiversity.

The foundation of the 448-page book is the Sullivan Principles, a code of conduct created in 1977 by civil rights leader Father Leon Sullivan for U.S. companies operating in South Africa. The set of six principles called for corporations to, among other things, eliminate all types of discrimination between white and black workers, recognize black unions, and provide help to black communities with educa-

tion, health care and other social-support activities.

"From its modest beginnings," the authors write, "the Sullivan Principles program mushroomed into one of major national and international importance, and became a lightning rod in accelerating the process of sociopolitical change in South Africa," culminating in the end of apartheid in April 1994. Sullivan has received numerous honors for his lifelong struggle against racial prejudice and economic injustice, including the 1999 Notre Dame Award for humanitarian service.

Williams and his coauthor, S. Prakash Sethi, University Distinguished Professor at Baruch College, the City University of New York, bring to their analysis a combined experience of more than 15 years working with business corporations, non-governmental organizations, and other segments of the anti-apartheid movement in South Africa during the formulation and implementation of the Sullivan Principles. They also have engaged in extensive research, teaching and consultation on various aspects of business ethics and global codes of conduct.

Williams is an expert on economic and political issues in South Africa and specializes in understanding how the ethics of virtue might inform the ethical conduct of managers. He facilitated a landmark 1991 meeting at Notre Dame between U.S. corporate and government officials and leaders of the African National

Congress, the Inkatha Freedom Party and the Pan-Africanist Congress. He currently serves as chair of the U.S. board of the United States-South African Leadership Development Program.

Williams, an associate professor of management, is a faculty fellow in Notre Dame's Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies and was an associate provost at the University from 1987-94. He has been listed among the outstanding faculty in Business Week's ratings of MBA programs and in 1994 won the University's Reinhold Niebuhr Award, presented to faculty whose life and teachings "promote or exemplify the theological and philosophical concerns of Niebuhr."

The author or editor of 13 previous books, Williams earned his doctorate from Vanderbilt University and his bachelor's and master's degrees from Notre Dame. He was ordained a priest in the Congregation of Holy Cross in 1970.

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Rodriguez explores traditions

♦ Chicana 2000 speaker focuses on 'Day of the Dead'

By KRISTIN WYNKOOP
News Writer

Illuminated by the soft light of a candle, the small altar in Saint Mary's Stapleton Lounge was cluttered with pictures of skeletons, a photograph of a deceased grandmother, an old prayer book and a skull.

Father Arturo Perez Rodriguez, an administrator at two Chicago churches and instructor at the Catholic Theological Union, spoke about "The Day of the Dead" Thursday.

The lecture was the second in a series of four chosen for the theme of Jubilee Time: Chicana 2000 presented by the Center for Spirituality at Saint Mary's.

El Dia de los Muertos, or rather the Day of the Dead, is not a morbid and grief-filled day for its participants, according to Rodriguez.

"Some would say Mexicans enjoy a good party," said Rodriguez. "The Day of the Dead is a part of that."

The celebration occurs annually in conjunction with All Souls celebrations in the

Catholic Church, but the day plays a special role for Mexicans as a personal celebration among families. When a person dies, the family celebrates his entrance to eternal life for the nine days preceding the funeral.

Communal prayer, skeletal symbols and food in the shape of human forms are all important aspects of the celebration.

"Candy skulls are often bought with the name of the dead on them. Skulls mimic us, and remind us of who we will be one day," said Rodriguez.

Images of death are not dreaded by the Mexican culture because death is considered an inevitable reward for life.

"Every culture must learn to live with death. Death is not only to be expected, but to be embraced. It is to wake up from this dream called life," said Rodriguez.

The Day of the Dead is practiced by many other individuals who simply appreciate its enlightening view about a topic that is uncomfortable to many.

While the Day of the Dead does have strong historical and cultural roots, it is constantly

changing as new influences emerge. Rodriguez shared a story that hit much closer to home, but still embraces the traditional celebratory aspects.

Liturgy teams from a parish on the southwest side of Chicago recently decided to go out into their community and offer the Day of the Dead celebration to the gangs that had entered the area. The gang members took part in the activities of the celebration after one

of their members was killed.

"They taught them how to put together an altar, what should be included on

it, and what it meant to their culture. They were not judged and condemned, but rather invited to be a part of the celebration of death and to respect it," said Rodriguez.

Rodriguez believes the ceremony is not just for tradition's sake, but provides a working solution for dealing with death.

"It is so important because it challenges contemporary views on death," said Rodriguez. "Death is but one more way to celebrate life."

"Every culture must learn to live with death."

Arturo Perez Rodriguez
instructor
Catholic Theological Union

SMC freshman tickets promote platforms

By AMY GREENE
News Writer

Just a month after meeting roommates and finding their classrooms, Saint Mary's freshmen are preparing for elections Monday.

There are seven tickets running for presidential and vice presidential spots which is, "quite a response," said Stephanie Pace, elections commissioner. "The girls seem very enthusiastic and energetic about the whole election process and have been actively campaigning."

The seven presidential have a variety of plans for improving class unity and Saint Mary's spirit.

♦ Jamie Belcher and Kacey Starzyk are focusing on Saint Mary's pride and pep rallies

♦ Elizabeth Jablonski-Diehl and Annie Monoscalo plan a class shopping trip to Chicago and a freshman pajama party.

♦ Jessica Kendrick and Emily Agness are promoting athletic boosters and movie nights

♦ Desiree Paulin and Carrie Freeman plan to have class cookouts and Secret Santas.

♦ Michelle Twomey and Sarah Tynan hope to extend dining hall hours and increase Notre Dame-related activities.

♦ Abby Van Vlerah and Megan Olive would like to plan a father/daughter dance and establish more

class unity.

♦ Zoe Zelany and Madonna Weck hope to organize a "Big Brother" program with Notre Dame and freshman masses and picnics.

With seven tickets running, a run-off election is almost inevitable. One ticket needs to receive at least 50 percent of the vote to avoid a runoff. Pace said it is unlikely a ticket will receive more than 50 percent of the vote.

In the event of a run-off the two top presidential and vice presidential tickets will have a "Meet the Candidates" night Tuesday. This will be an open forum with questions from Pace and then questions from the entire class.

The run-off election will follow on Wednesday. In addition to the women running for president and vice president there are also seven tickets to fill 13 spots on Freshmen Class Board.

Board candidates include: Jillian Bernas, Becca Doll, Erika Kozlowski, Sarah Mahoney, and Jenny McGraw, Sarah McSherry and Lizzie Siefert.

The remaining board positions will be filled accordingly when a president and vice president are elected.

"It is up to the president and vice president to fill the remaining spots. Typically interviews have been conducted in the past, but it's up to the president and vice president to ultimately decide," said Pace.

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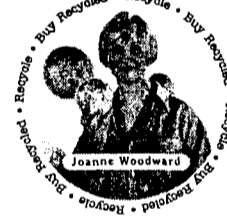
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Congress schedules hearings to investigate tire case

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Officials from Ford Motor Co. and Bridgestone/Firestone were invited on Thursday to return to Capitol Hill for another round of questioning on the Firestone tire recall.

Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La., chairman of the House Commerce Committee's Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, will hold two hearings on the case next Thursday, said his spokesman, Ken Johnson.

An afternoon hearing will focus on legislation that attempts to improve consumer protection through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the federal agency responsible for the Firestone case.

In the morning, a joint hearing with the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations will focus on tire tests conducted by the two companies and the companies' differing tire pressure recommendations.

Some have questioned whether Ford's recommended pressure of 26 pounds per square inch (psi) for the tires on its Explorers caused some of the accidents linked to scores of deaths. Bridgestone/Firestone recommends pressure of 30 psi.

Ford has rejected the theory, saying the Goodyear tires used on the Explorer at 26 psi have not experienced the same problems.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has said it is investigating 88 deaths and more than 250 injuries over the past decade involving Firestone

tires. The Wall Street Journal reported Thursday that five more deaths have occurred since the recall of 6.5 million ATX, ATX-II and Wilderness AT tires was announced Aug. 9. NHTSA said it would update its figures Monday.

Johnson said the hearing will feature officials from the NHTSA, Ford and

Bridgestone/Firestone and independent tire experts to discuss tire testing results that have been turned over to congressional investigators.

"Frankly, most of the test results are technical and even if there was a smoking gun in there we might not be able to see the smoke without the benefit of expert analysis," he said.

Senate Commerce Committee Chairman John McCain, R-Ariz., is holding a hearing on Wednesday to discuss legislation that he plans to introduce in the Senate.

Johnson said the House and Senate leaders of the investigation are coordinating to move a bill to the president's desk before Congress adjourns next

month. That would be an impressive feat, as a crowded legislative agenda is competing for the lawmakers' time.

"Congress is mad and the American public is demanding action," Johnson said. "Any special interests that try to short-circuit this legislation will get steamrolled. We're going to pass a bill this year."


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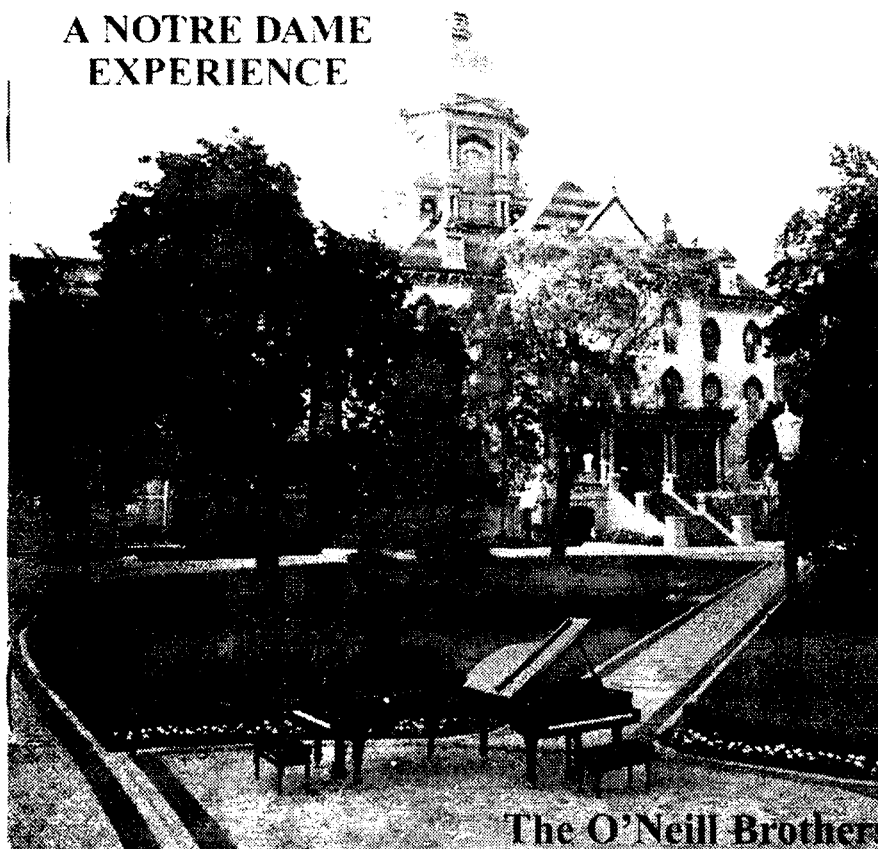
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GOP plan pushes debt reduction

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Democrats are deriding a Republican election-season plan for using 90 percent of next year's expected surplus for debt reduction. But Thursday, many Democrats voted for a blueprint of it anyway.



Hastert

The House Ways and Means Committee voted 33-0 to create a process for using 90 percent of next year's projected \$268 billion projected budget surplus for reducing the national debt. Only the remaining \$27 billion would be available for the tax cuts and extra spending the two parties agree to over the next few weeks, as Congress struggles to adjourn for the year.

The bill reflects the GOP's newest stated goal: reserving 90 percent of next year's expected federal surplus to trim the debt. Unable to force their biggest tax cuts into law over Clinton vetoes, Republicans hope their new drive will help them grab credit for debt reduction and limit President Clinton's efforts to use the money to boost spending.

Highlighting the wide popularity of debt reduction, Democratic leaders predicted the measure would sail through the House next week, with many from their party supporting it. But they mocked the bill as a GOP abandonment of their longtime tax-cutting priority that would never

make it through the Senate and would prove too restrictive for even Republicans to live with.

Democrats said the GOP plan would not leave enough to pay for both parties' desires to cut taxes for telephone users, students, inner cities and some small businesses and to boost spending for schools, hospitals and nursing homes, fighting forest fires, defense and other programs.

House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., defended the Republicans' plan for debt reduction, saying it was their response to Clinton's veto of major GOP bills cutting taxes for many married couples and on large, inherited estates.

Though stopping short of saying that Clinton opposes it, White House budget office spokeswoman Linda Ricci said the GOP measure "feels a bit like a bait and switch" because it would last for only one year. Administration officials and Democrats say the Republican plan would leave room for tax cuts that would grow over the years, crowding out debt reduction.

Democrats also said the Republican proposal marked an abandonment of GOP presidential candidate George W. Bush and his proposed \$1.3 trillion, 10-year tax cuts.

The GOP debt-reduction plan means "Republicans effectively declared their nominee's budget dead on arrival even before it's clear whether he'll be given an opportunity to submit a budget," said Ron Klain, adviser to Vice President Al Gore, the Democratic presidential candidate.

Bush spokesman Ari Fleischer said the congressional GOP's plan is "very under-

standable" because given Clinton's tax-bill vetoes, it was needed to keep Clinton from a "spending spree."

Under the measure, all of the Social Security and Medicare surpluses — plus most of the rest of next year's budget surplus — would be directed to debt reduction. It would take 60 votes in the 100-member Senate to do otherwise.

Meanwhile, Republicans ignored a White House veto threat and muscled two spending bills through the House on Thursday.

With the Oct. 1 start of fiscal 2001 drawing ever closer, the House approved a \$414 million measure financing the District of Columbia's government. The vote was 217-207.

A few hours later, they voted 212-209 for a second bill providing \$30.3 billion for Congress' own operations, the Treasury Department and smaller agencies.

Both votes were nearly party-line, with Republicans saying they had failed to work out compromises with Democrats.

But with 11 of the 13 annual spending bills for the coming fiscal year still incomplete — including eight that face Clinton administration veto threats — Congress has a long way to go before lawmakers can go home for the presidential and congressional elections.

Democrats complained about both measures the House approved Thursday, though only the Treasury-legislative measure faced a veto threat by Clinton. They complained about shortfalls for student aid and an environmental cleanup in the District of Columbia.

Liberians rally for immigration support

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Michael Williams left his parents, siblings and the violence in Liberia last year hoping for a better life in America.

Two weeks ago, the 19-year-old lost his job in Rhode Island because, he says, he can't prove to his boss that he'll be in this country beyond Sept. 28.

That's the day that he and other Liberians who fled their civil war-torn country will be eligible for deportation unless Congress makes them permanent residents.

"I was in danger in Liberia — everyone is in danger there," Williams said. "The rebels have no clear goals on who to kill and who not to kill, so they will kill anyone."

He hasn't been in touch with his family for months — many people in Liberia have no telephone service and mail is not delivered.

"All the post offices were burned down in the war years," Williams said. "And they haven't been rebuilt."

Williams was one of about 300 Liberians who turned out for a rally on Capitol Hill Thursday to draw attention to a pair of bills that would grant them permanent resident status. Without it, the Liberians and their supporters say, they face oppression, if not death, back home.

One woman at the rally held a poster-sized photograph of rows of skulls covering the ground. The caption read: "This is what awaits us."

In one of the longest-running immigration sagas of its kind, 10,000 to 15,000 Liberians have been living in the United States since 1991.

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When they first arrived, they received temporary protection status which allows for a stay of six to 18 months for people whose homeland is hit by natural disaster or war.

The Liberians were granted extension after extension as the civil war continued. But with the fighting officially over in 1997, Attorney General Janet Reno decided last year that another extension could not be made.

Instead, the Clinton administration allowed the Liberians to remain in America until Sept. 28 under a "deferred enforced departure" status. Sen. Jack Reed, the Rhode Island Democrat sponsoring the legislation, said President Clinton backs his bill. Both Massachusetts senators are co-sponsors; so is Rhode Island Sen.

Lincoln Chafee, a Republican.

Rep. Patrick Kennedy, D-R.I. is sponsoring a House version of the bill that is not likely to come up for a vote.

If Congress doesn't make the Liberians permanent residents, the Department of Immigration and Naturalization Service can hold off deportation procedures or extend their current status.

"No decisions have been made now," said Eyleen Schmidt, an INS spokeswoman. "We're waiting to see what Congress does."

Without permanent residency or citizenship, the Liberians must apply for annual work permits. And many employers are reluctant to hire workers who face possible deportation.

"My husband and I are not able to get jobs to use the skills we have," said Mai Yuan, who has lived with her husband and three children in Lynn, Mass. for 11 years. In Liberia, Yuan was as an agricultural economist and her husband was an electrical engineer. Yuan now works for the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health; her husband works for a data processing company.

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Friday, Sept. 15 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., University of Notre Dame President **Father Malloy** will be signing copies of his book, *Monk's Reflections*.

Also on **Friday, Sept. 15 at 5:00 p.m.,** and **Saturday, Sept. 16 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.,** **Murray Sperber** will discuss (Friday only) and sign copies of his book, *Beer and Circus: How Big-Time College Sports Is Crippling Undergraduate Education.*

Rudy Ruettiger became a household name with the release of the film "Rudy." Now a motivational speaker and author, Rudy will sign copies of his book, *Rudy's Insights for Winning in Life* on **Saturday, Sept. 16 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Storytime features the story *Hello Shoes*, with craft and sing-along on **Tuesday, Sept. 19 at 11:30 a.m.**

On **Saturday, Sept. 23 at 2:00 p.m.,** **Michael Phayer** will sign copies of his new book *The Catholic Church and the Holocaust, 1930-1965*, an important new examination of the Catholic Church, the Holocaust, and antisemitism.

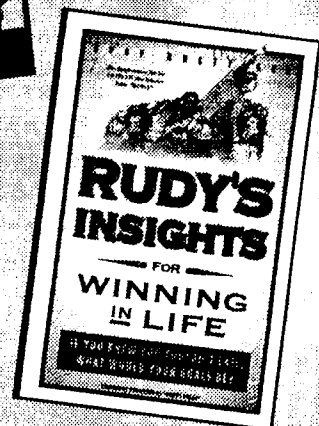
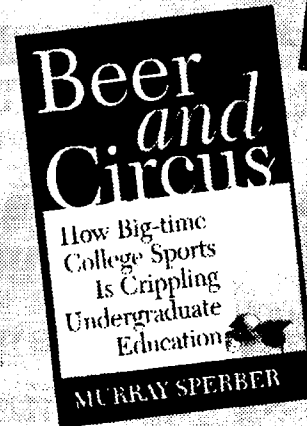
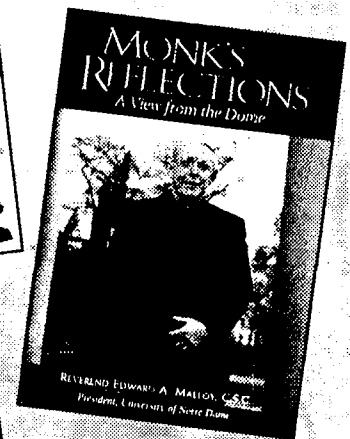
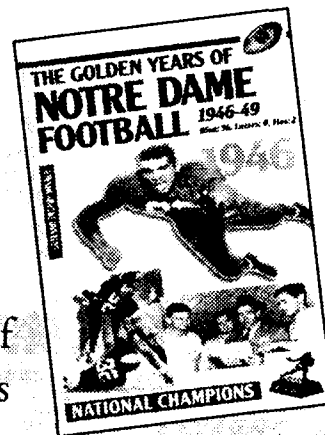
Storytime on **Tuesday, Sept. 26 at 11:30 a.m.** features crafts, songs, and a reading of *Look Alikes, Jr.*

Music Events:

On **Friday, Sept. 15 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** and **Sunday, Sept. 17 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.,** Pianist **Emmeline Schoen**, Class of '03, performs.

On **Saturday, Sept. 16 at 8:00 a.m.,** Bagpiper **Joe Smith**, Class of '01, performs. From **9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.,** Pianist **Joe Fremeau**, Class of '02, performs.

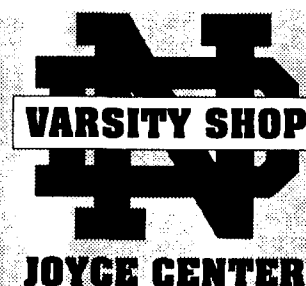
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Scientists reject ending blood ban

Associated Press

GAITHERSBURG, Md. Government scientists narrowly rejected a proposal to ease the ban on gay male blood donors Thursday, citing uncertainty whether the move would increase the AIDS risk to the nation's blood supply.

All men who seek to donate blood are asked if they have had sex, even once, with another man since 1977. Those who say they have are permanently banned from donating blood.

The Food and Drug Administration asked its scientific advisers Thursday whether it should change the blood-donation rule to ban only men who had sex with another man within the last five years.

But the advisers voted 7-6 that there was not enough evidence that it was safe to make that change. The FDA is not bound by its advisers' decisions but typically follows them.

Changing the policy would have resulted in about 62,300 gay men — or men who had experimented with homosexual activity only once — seeking to donate blood, estimated FDA medical officer Andrew Dayton. From them, 1.7 HIV-infected units of blood might sneak into the blood supply, he said.

The issue has split the blood industry, with half of the nation's blood banks supporting easing the policy even more — to one year instead of five — while the American Red Cross opposes any change.

All donated blood undergoes strict testing for the AIDS virus and other blood-borne diseases — that would not have changed. But testing isn't perfect. Of the nation's 12 million units of donated blood, about 10 HIV-infected units slip through each year, causing about two to three HIV infections a year, said

Michael Busch of the University of California-San Francisco.

So as an extra precaution, the FDA also requires blood banks to question potential donors about their risks for HIV and other diseases and refuse the blood of high-risk people. The hope is people will not lie, although studies show many do.

The ban on gay male donors was adopted in 1985 because the deadly AIDS virus first appeared here as an epidemic in the gay community. Later, other high-risk people were barred from donating, such as intravenous drug users and prostitutes.

But now — with the nation bracing for blood shortages and new genetic testing that promises to eliminate the rare cases of HIV still caused by donated blood — many blood banks are asking why they have to turn away thousands of potentially healthy men.

"I don't think there's enough information to make a decision at this point in time," said John Boyle, a Maryland blood safety consultant for the FDA.

But even panelists who voted against the change did encourage the FDA to continue to study how to change what several called a discriminatory policy that mandates no gay men can give blood even though doctors are only worried about a subset of that populations.

About 8 percent of gay men have HIV, the government estimates.

"We cannot change our procedures in a way that would result in increased numbers of infectious donation in our blood

supply," said Rebecca Haley, the Red Cross's chief medical officer.

The FDA considered easing the ban partly because the nation is facing an increasingly tight blood supply.

Only 8 million Americans donate blood, just 5 percent of currently eligible donors. Blood donations are decreasing about 1 percent a year, while demand for blood is increasing by 1 percent a year.

Already, some cities routinely experience blood shortages during holidays and the summer, when regular donors go on vacation, and blood banks are bracing for more serious shortages if donations continue to decline.

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Rebecca Haley
Red Cross chief medical officer

Until recently, all donated blood was tested for immune system cells that fight HIV. But those antibodies may not appear until 80 days after an infec-

tion, so newly infected donors have sometimes slipped through. Last year, however, blood banks began using a new genetic test that they believe can largely eliminate that risk. Nucleic acid testing, or NAT, can detect tiny amounts of a virus before the donor's body has even recognized the infection, 11 days after a person is infected.

That means the test could easily catch HIV infection in a man who had sex with an HIV-infected man a year ago, much less five, said some blood banks that urged the FDA to go with a one-year policy instead.

U.S. scholars urge anti-sweatshop study

Associated Press

CHICAGO

A group of U.S. scholars is asking more than 100 college presidents to reconsider their support of the popular anti-sweatshop movement.

"There was too much intimidation going on," said Jagdish Bhagwati, a Columbia University professor who is urging U.S. university officials to think carefully before jumping on the anti-sweatshop bandwagon.

Students across the country have led protest marches, sit-ins and hunger strikes to urge their schools to support the monitoring of working conditions in factories where collegiate clothes and caps are made.

The group co-founded by Bhagwati and calling itself the Academic Consortium on International Trade has written a letter to 150 college presidents asking them to reconsider their support.

The group claims many colleges have caved into student demands without letting faculty members and students express dissenting opinions.

Maria Roeper, an official with the Worker Rights Consortium, a group of 60 institutions aligned with labor unions and other social activist groups, argued that most universities had already held long debates on the subject of sweatshops.

She said members of Bhagwati's group were unable to admit defeat.

Federal inmate asks Clinton for life term

Associated Press

DALLAS

A Hispanic inmate who could become the first person executed by the federal government since 1963 has urged President Clinton to commute his sentence to life in prison because of the "long-standing racial bias" involving capital punishment sentencing.

Lawyers for Juan Raul Garza, sentenced to death in 1993 for three drug-related murders, asked the Justice Department for clemency in light of the department's admission this week that 80 percent of defendants charged with federal crimes punishable by death during the last five years were minorities.

Last month, Clinton delayed

Garza's scheduled Aug. 5 execution, setting a new Dec. 12 date and giving the 43-year-old inmate access to the Justice Department's findings as well as the opportunity to apply for clemency.

Garza's lawyers said they were asking for a new sentence "in the face of such profound doubts and uncertainties about the fundamental fairness of the federal death penalty."

Attorney General Janet Reno has said she was dismayed over the racial and geographic disparities but defended the federal capital punishment system's ultimate fairness.

Justice Department spokeswoman Gretchen Michael confirmed that Garza had submitted a new clemency petition.

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Gore appears on Letterman

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Al Gore pushed celebrity politicking to dizzying heights Thursday as he traded laughs with TV's David Letterman over rival George W. Bush's recent goofs, and raised millions with Bette Midler, Paul Simon and company.



Gore

Gore, who strode onto Letterman's unpredictable soundstage to the tune of Prince's "Kiss," booed the talk show host's suggestion that he had an anti-Clinton motive in mind when he laid a passionate kiss on wife Tipper at the Democratic National Convention.

"I'm not going to be chasing interns. That's really what it said," Letterman said.

Replied the vice president: "C'mon, c'mon. Boo. Give me a break."

In a video snippet and "Top Ten" list produced just for the occasion, Gore poked fun at Bush for recently uttering a vulgarity about a reporter into a microphone that he didn't know was live.

Gore offered, among his list of rejected campaign slogans, "We know when the microphone is on." Another, referring to running mate Joe Lieberman, an

Orthodox Jew, was: "With Lieberman on the ticket, you get all kinds of fun new days off. Vote for us, we're going to work 24/6."

The Democratic presidential candidate's coziness with movie mogul Harvey Weinstein — in the same week that Gore launched a fresh crusade against Hollywood smut — had Republicans crying, "Hypocrite."

Weinstein opened his Upper West Side apartment to Gore and Lieberman for a VIP reception with Harrison Ford and Salma Hayek, and then caught a ride in Gore's motorcade to a Radio City Music Hall extravaganza that, under the supervision of Weinstein and Rolling Stone publisher Jann Wenner, bagged more than \$6.5 million for the Democratic Party.

After saying nothing on the issue to the group in Weinstein's apartment, Gore won lame applause at Radio City when he admonished: "I'll be straightforward and honest about this. It is wrong to market inappropriate material to children. I believe this very deeply."

Performers following Gore to the grand stage made jokes of the Democrats' latest campaign issue.

Midler, who makes her TV sitcom debut this fall, said, "Joe Lieberman is smiling at me now. Just wait until sweeps. He's going to be coming after me with a broom."

Comic actor John Leguizamo cracked that the fund-raising

cast "had to take time off from our jobs where we push a lot of sexual and deviant material."

Republican National Committee Chairman Jim Nicholson was not laughing.

"Al Gore says he stands with the people against the powerful," Nicholson said.

"But with whom does he stand tonight — the parents whose young kids are having their minds polluted and their souls corrupted by Hollywood, or does he stand with the powerful Hollywood elite who put money in his pocket here tonight?"

Gore began the week threatening federal penalties against the entertainment industry if, within six months, it doesn't stop marketing adult-rated material to youngsters — as a Federal Trade Commission report this week accused it of doing.

Weinstein released the NC-17 rated "Kids" about adolescents using drugs and having sex. His Miramax studio was behind the extremely violent "Pulp Fiction."

Gore spokesman Mark Fabiani said Gore representatives were in contact with Weinstein and other entertainment executives this week to outline the candidate's position.

The night's songfest by Jon Bon Jovi, k.d. lang, Sheryl Crow, Jimmy Buffett and others was the grand finale to a trio of concerts that, along with lunches and dinners, earned the Democrats more than \$11 million for the week.

Bush debate tape appears in Gore office

♦ FBI investigates anonymously mailed video

Associated Press

POMONA, Calif.

George W. Bush's campaign said Thursday that a videotape mysteriously mailed to an Al Gore confidant appeared to be an authentic copy of the Texas governor's debate rehearsal.

The FBI is investigating how the tape and other material may have reached the Washington office of former Rep. Tom Downey, who had been helping Gore prepare for debates. The Gore campaign immediately turned the mystery package over to the FBI after getting it Wednesday.

"It appears that whoever obtained that tape did so in some sort of unethical way," Bush spokeswoman Karen Hughes told reporters. "The only people who would have had authorized access to that tape were the most senior members of our campaign."

Hughes refused to speculate on whether the tape may have

been stolen or how it may have been obtained. Bush officials said there was no evidence of a break-in, although the FBI will investigate the possibility.

The tape showed Bush rehearsing with Sen. Judd Gregg, R-N.H., who played Gore in rehearsals at Bush's ranch in Crawford, Texas, about a month ago, Hughes said.

The package, which was postmarked Austin, Texas, where the Bush campaign is headquartered, also included a

stack of documents that appeared to be debate preparation materials.

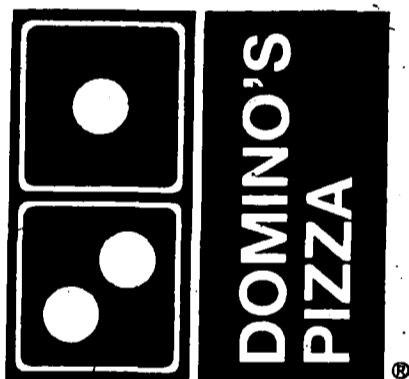
Hughes said she didn't know whether the documents were authentic.

"It's less clear about that," she said. "They appear to be Xerox copies of legitimate documents from the campaign."

Hughes said that those who had legitimate access to the tapes included herself, campaign manager Joe Allbaugh and top advisers Karl Rove and Mark McKinnon, Bush's ad man. None of these people would have sent the material to the Gore campaign, she said. Whoever obtained the tapes, she said, is "someone outside of our campaign."

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Karen Hughes
Bush spokeswoman



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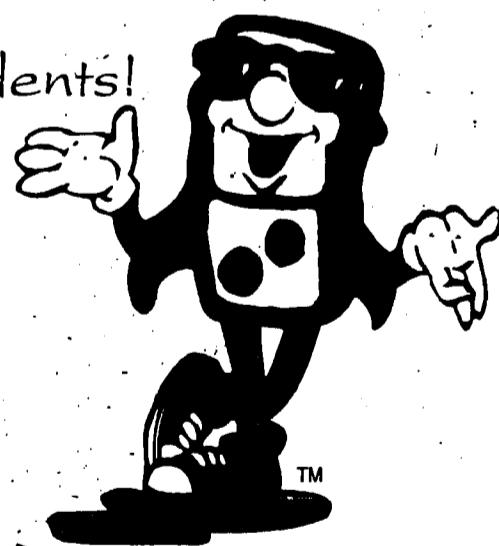
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Bush, Gore agree to face off in prime-time debate

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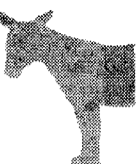
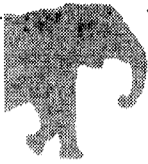
WASHINGTON
Republican George W. Bush, giving in after a two-week battle over debates, agreed Thursday to Democrat Al Gore's demand that they meet in three prime-time confrontations sponsored by a bipartisan panel. The running mates will debate once. Americans will see Bush and Gore go head to head on television Oct. 3 in Boston, Oct. 11 in Winston-Salem, N.C., and Oct. 17 in St. Louis, with each debate lasting 90 minutes, according to the

agreement reached Thursday. Details on the format must be worked out, and the campaigns are to meet on that today. Bush's communications director, Karen Hughes, said the Texas governor is still pressing for the "more free-flowing and more spontaneous format" that had been a major part of his earlier debate plans. Bush previously had balked at the proposal of the bipartisan Commission on Presidential Debates, but he has been under pressure to accept — not only from Democratic foes but from

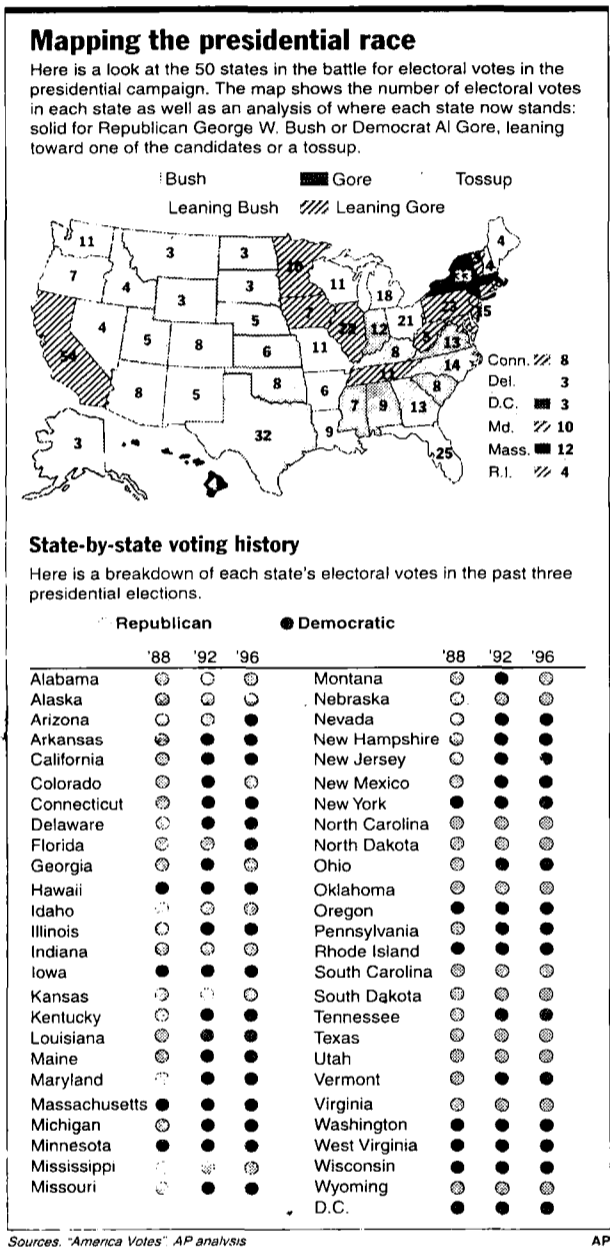
Republicans who wanted him to put the distraction behind him. The agreement was announced by Bush campaign chairman Don Evans and his Democratic counterpart, Gore campaign chairman William Daley, after their first joint meeting with the debate commission. "The governor is very eager to debate," Evans said. "We've made great progress," said Daley. "The American people want to hear from these people." The vice presidential candidates, Democrat Joseph Lieberman and Republican

Dick Cheney, will debate Oct. 5 in Danville, Ky. Reform Party nominee Pat Buchanan and Green Party nominee Ralph Nader, both registering single digits in national polls, most likely will not meet the commission's threshold of 15 percent in media polls for inclusion. The negotiations ended a standoff lasting several weeks in which Bush held out for doing only one debate sponsored by the commission and several less formal matchups in other venues, such as one on a special edition of NBC's "Meet the Press" and another on CNN's "Larry King Live."

PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE SCHEDULE

October 3:
Boston

October 11:
Winston-Salem
October 17:
St. Louis
VP DEBATE

October 5:
Danville, KY



Debates crucial to presidential race

Associated Press

WASHINGTON
While George W. Bush tried futilely to make an issue of debates, Al Gore kept demanding three traditional, prime-time confrontations, and won the argument. That set of 90-minute debates, over two crucial weeks beginning Oct. 3, may be decisive in the campaign for the White House. Debates, Gore versus Bush with one between their running mates, will dominate the campaign while they are on, and echo afterward. Between preparation, performance and that echo, October will be debate month. It also is the month when crucial undecided voters are likely to decide whether to go with Democrat Gore — edging ahead in the polls and gaining on turning point issues — or Republican Bush, who has seen his early lead fade away. Distractions from his chosen messages have been part of his problem. And his debate ploy became one such distraction, with Republican critics grumbling that he was wasting time by challenging Gore to talk show debates the vice president once had said he would

accept. Gore shifted, saying he would do so only as an addition to the kind of presidential debates that have become a tradition since 1976. "If we can't trust Al Gore on debates, why should we trust him on anything?" the GOP ad asked, but it turned out that potential voters didn't much care about that dispute over details. They just wanted debates. In an AP poll, more than half said they'd watch debates, and nearly 60 percent called them an important part of the campaign. Bush accepted what had become Gore's debate terms on Thursday. The vice president didn't design the schedule; the Commission on Presidential Debates, which sounds official but is private, did, setting the dates and picking the sites more than six months ago. The bipartisan commission has been doing so since the 1988 campaign, always subject to agreement by the nominees. That has led to some changes and bypassed debates. This time, the commission set debates for Boston on Oct. 3, Winston-Salem, N.C., on Oct. 11, and St. Louis on Oct. 17, with a debate between the vice presidential nominees, Republican Dick Cheney and Democrat Sen. Joseph Lieberman, in Danville, Ky.,

on Oct. 5. The Bush campaign issued its own proposal on Aug. 17, the day Gore accepted the Democratic nomination, and before the vice president's climb in the polls. Bush said he wanted three debates but not necessarily those the commission had set, and two between the vice presidential nominees. He later said he wanted the debates on NBC in Washington this week, on CNN in Los Angeles Oct. 3, with one commission debate on Oct. 17. Gore said Bush was trying to duck maximum exposure. The bickering is usual. So was the upshot — the candidate who most needs the headway that debates can produce is the one who yields, as Bush did. The formats are still to be decided. Bush's negotiators say they want free flowing discussions, not rigid formats that can be forums for rehearsed sound bites. Televised debates can turn a campaign. George Bush, this nominee's father, said he "just felt uncomfortable" debating in the 1992 series that set him back against challenger Bill Clinton. On the other hand, he gained in the polls after a 1988 debate against Democrat Michael Dukakis. In an interview for a PBS program to be broadcast Sept. 24, Bush said he found debates an ugly experience. "I don't like them," he said. Why not? "Partially, because I wasn't good at them. Secondly, some of it's contrived. Show business." George W. Bush has said repeatedly that he is eager to debate. But this round was not the first in which he has miscalculated. Riding high for the Republican nomination a year ago, he said he wouldn't debate the rest of the field until the 2000 campaign year began. But the polls in New Hampshire showed him slipping — he eventually lost to Sen. John McCain there — and he started debating his rivals, nine times before it was over. Gore has issued a stream of debate challenges since Bill Bradley started gaining on him early in their contest for the Democratic nomination. He said they should debate once a week, then upped it to twice a week. When the nominations were won, more than six months ago, the vice president challenged Bush to weekly debates. The governor ignored it. Now Bush and Gore will renew the tradition of presidential campaign debates that began in 1960, then lapsed for three campaigns because one nominee or the other saw no advantage in debating. They have been part of each campaign since 1976, managed by the debate commission since 1988.



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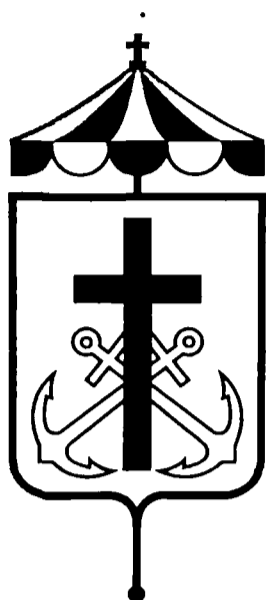
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Senate establishes China trade vote

Associated Press

WASHINGTON
The Senate on Thursday beat back the last proposed amendments to legislation putting normal trade with China on a permanent basis, setting up a vote on the historic bill next Tuesday.

With all obstacles now removed, at least 70 senators are expected to endorse the measure that would open China's markets and give American businesses and farmers the chance to significantly increase their sales.

Sen. William Roth, R-Del., a chief advocate, cited figures estimating that the new relationship would result in \$13 billion in new U.S. exports to China.

Passage of the bill, strongly backed by the Clinton administration and the business community, is necessary if the United States is to enjoy the lower tariffs and reduced trade barriers China is committed to as part of its accession to the World Trade Organization.

First, the Senate had to clear away 19 amendments offered in the past two weeks, including six on Thursday. China trade supporters had said any amendment would kill the bill's passage this year, because the House wouldn't have time to consider the changes before Congress adjourns next month.

The amendments were offered mainly by critics of China who objected to giving the Beijing government permanent trade status before China improves its human rights, labor and weapons proliferation policies.

Among the amendments considered Thursday were proposals by Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., requiring an end to deficits with China in cereals and advanced technology trade, and one by Sen. Robert Smith, R-N.H. on the monitoring of Chinese cooperation on POW-MIA issues. All were handily defeated or rejected by voice.

The biggest challenge to an amendment-free bill came Wednesday when the Senate voted 65-32 to defeat a measure offered by Sens. Fred Thompson, R-Tenn., and Robert Torricelli, R-N.J., on sanctioning Chinese and other companies trafficking in weapons of mass destruction.

Thompson said Thursday that, just one day after that vote, Chinese officials were again warning the United States of the "grave consequences" of build-

ing a national missile defense system.

"I find it ironic that, on the eve of our new relationship with China, Beijing is threatening us," Thompson said.

Another note of discord surfaced Thursday when Zeng Jianhui, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of China's National People's Congress said in Washington that Taiwan could enter the 135-nation WTO after China as a "separate customs territory of China."

The United States says that designation for Taiwan is unacceptable.

President Clinton, in a letter this week to Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said there was a common understanding with China that both China and Taiwan will be invited to accede to the WTO at the same WTO general council session and that Taiwan will join as the "Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu."

"The United States will not accept any other outcome," Clinton said.

"I find it ironic that, on the eve of our new relationship with China, Beijing is threatening us."

**Fred Thompson
senator, R-Tenn.**

CANADA

Three luxury cruise ships seized in Halifax

Associated Press

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia
Three luxury cruise ships operated by a U.S. company that abruptly went out of business were seized by authorities in the Bahamas and Canada Thursday, and at least 1,450 passengers were put ashore, officials said.

The Rembrandt and the SeaBreeze, were seized in Halifax, and the Oceanic was impounded in Nassau in the Bahamas. All are owned by Premier Cruise Lines of Port Canaveral, Fla.

About 850 passengers were directed ashore from the 15,000-ton Rembrandt, officials in Halifax said.

"Last night was pirates theme night [on the ship]," said a female passenger, who declined to give her name. "Today, we're walking the plank."

Meanwhile, some 600 passengers from the Oceanic were being flown back to Florida from Nassau.

A recording on Premier's telephone at its Florida headquarters said the company had shut down.

"To our loyal passengers and customers, we regret to inform you that Premier Cruise Lines was forced to suspend operations of all its vessels indefinitely," said the recording. "Our lender has taken possession of the ships pursuant to the ships' mortgages."

In June, the company dismissed nearly 10 percent of its work force to cut company costs amid ongoing financial losses.

Premier, which moved from Miami last year, also sold one of its seven ships and was trying to sell others. The company lost \$20 million last year, company officials said.

In Boston, Massachusetts Port Authority official Georgeane Tacelie, who confirmed that the SeaBreeze had been seized, said

Premier Cruise Lines notified the port that it had ceased operations Thursday. It wasn't immediately known how many passengers, if any, were

aboard the SeaBreeze. Halifax harbor master Randy Sherman said some of the passengers would remain overnight aboard other ships in the harbor.

"We're just hoping the passengers would be accommodated on the ships and it's my understanding they'll be flying home tomorrow," Sherman said.

The Rembrandt, which can carry 1,074 passengers, began its cruise in New York.

Premier Cruise Lines has made regular stops in Halifax harbor for several years.

"They're one of our most frequent callers and we've always had good business with them," said Sherman, who estimates the line has been in port 40 or 50 times.

"Last night was pirates theme [on the ship]. Today, we're walking the plank."

**anonymous female passenger
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ROTC justified by need for just leaders

Honorable and righteous leaders with a thorough understanding of justice and human dignity are imperative for a military to operate in a proper manner. The ROTC students at Notre Dame receive an education not only in military conduct and strategy but also in Catholic theology and moral philosophy.

Therefore, officers with strong moral character, such as those from the Notre Dame ROTC program, are crucial for the United States military to continue to protect the weak and defenseless. Peacekeeping missions in Kosovo and Somalia promote Christian values by protecting the poor and weak from

aggressors.

The temptation, however, to become the aggressor and misuse military power is great. Only moral and ethical officers can resist the urge to repress the defenseless. With required semesters in both philosophy and

theology, Notre Dame and Saint Mary's graduates have been exposed to moral and ethical teachings to guide their lives.

Unfortunately, the United States military does not always act ethically and morally. Some point to the problems with the U.S. military and call for Notre Dame to remove ROTC from campus. These

people, while well-intentioned, are taking the wrong approach to the moral dilemma of the military.

The occasional moral failures of the military only increase the need for ethical leaders in the military. Notre Dame ROTC graduates can provide the moral leadership the military needs.

To ensure the students graduating from the Notre Dame ROTC program have a solid understanding of Catholic ethics and moral teachings, all ROTC students should be required to take a class in just war theory. Classes such as Father Michael Baxter's War, Law and Ethics can provide ROTC students with an even greater understanding of the complex moral issues they will face in the line of duty.

The Observer Editorial

Combating prejudice in our daily lives

Something has been weighing on my mind recently.

The other day I got into a heated argument with a friend about a third person. My friend was telling me this person's opinion on a matter

and I began to argue that the person was wrong and offensive. A few minutes into the debate, my friend told me, "You just don't like him so you're going to try to find something wrong with anything that he says."

Of course I stood up for myself, telling my friend that I would never do that and that she just didn't see the offense in this person's opinion.

But the more that I thought about it and turned over the opinion in my mind, I realized that my friend had been right; I had allowed my personal evaluation of this person to guide my evaluation of his opinions.

Then I read a letter in this very space from a pair of Saint Mary's College students talking about how they heard their schoolmates (and by association, themselves) being labeled as "loose" by a Notre Dame student. I wondered how many times — despite having many friends from Saint Mary's and even having a sister who graduated from there — I had made the distinction between Notre Dame girls and Saint Mary's girls. Not that I would place one group above the other but that I would assume characteristics based on a stereotype.

I realized that, amongst my friends and amongst most of the people who I know have attended these schools, there is a judgment of one or both of these groups that, although it may not be true, has the effect of stigmatizing everyone in the particular group on the first glance.

Prejudice is something that we all have to live with. Because of the school I attended, people automatically assume characteristics about me that they have assigned to all Domers. Because of where I grew up and the financial situation of my parents, people label me as a spoiled suburban rich kid. While I was attending Notre Dame and living in Keenan Hall, I firmly believed the worst about residents of Zahm.

I am not saying that my situation is particularly unusual or even lamentable. Everyone has to deal with prejudice from others and from themselves about others. Prejudice, according to Webster's New World Dictionary is, "a judgment or opinion formed before the facts are known."

Everyone does this on some level. It is the only way to take in the volume of people that we encounter in our lifetime. We have to categorize everything that we encounter so that our minds can process this information. Because of that, we have to form at least a basic impression of people before we really get to know them. We can only base that opinion on physical characteristics or that person's association with a particular social group.

Thus, I say, some prejudices are not bad. They are, in fact, necessary. The question arises: When do these prejudices become something bad?

They become something bad when we allow this prejudgment to creep into our dealings with people. To not associate with someone because of skin color, social standing or association with a particular group of other people blinds us to the possibility of finding in this person the spark that ignites their humanity.

To say that all Saint Mary's women are "loose" is to ignore the empirical evidence that I have about my numerous acquaintances and friends who attended that school. It is to ignore everything that I have learned in 25 years of knowing my older sister.

To make any assumptions about guys who lived in a certain dorm is to ignore the friends that I have made from that dorm throughout my college career and in the ranks of the alumni.

I have always been able to keep a very open mind about the major prejudices that ravage our society: race, sexual orientation, gender and religion. But I never considered that my seemingly harmless judgments would infect my objective view of someone's opinion.

The answer for me (and I hope that my friend is reading this) is that I was wrong to judge someone's opinion by a limited experience of that person. Additionally, I was wrong to allow that experience to cloud my ability to learn more about him.

We cannot summarily dismiss people because of characteristics that equate them with other groups. We have to take each individual as just that, an individual. That is the only way to overcome these natural, snap judgments that pervade both our American society and our college community.

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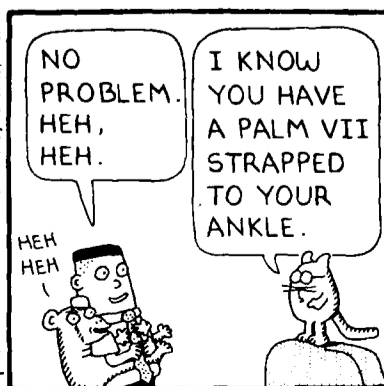
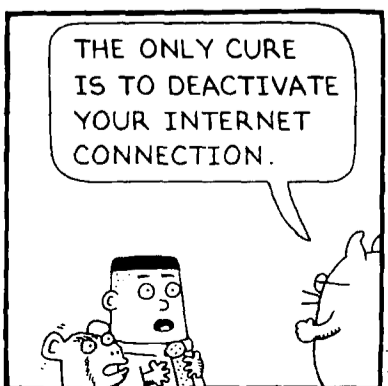


Matt Loughran

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Most men, when they think they are thinking, are merely rearranging their prejudices."

Knute Rockne
Notre Dame head football coach

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Expanding service projects to our outlying community

Early in last spring semester, residents of the Northeast Neighborhood (the neighborhood adjacent to the southern edge of campus and home to hundreds of Notre Dame students), members of the Center for Social Concerns staff and Notre Dame students gathered together on several occasions to brainstorm possible uses for a vacant building in the neighborhood. A former Goodwill store, the building is located on the corner of Howard and Notre Dame Avenue. Through the conversations, the need for a neighborhood-gathering place became increasingly apparent. As a Goodwill store, the building once provided a place where neighbors met while doing their weekly shopping. When Goodwill pulled out of the neighborhood, the neighbors not only lost a store but also a central place to meet.

The vision that emerged stressed the need to recreate a hospitable gathering place for the neighborhood. The neighbors emphasized the need to create a multi-generational appeal.

One of the first ideas proposed, as well as the most popular, was that of a computer learning center. Of the over 6,000 residents in the neighborhood, less than 80 people access the internet more than one time per week. The computers can be used for formal youth tutoring, SAT preparation, job training, additional communication with friends and family through e-mail and internet surfing.

Over the summer months, the project developed further as we continued to attend the Northeast Neighborhood Council Meetings to learn more about the neighborhood and its gifts and needs. We researched information on other university and neighborhood collaborations. After learning more about the types of programs the neighbors indicated would be beneficial, we contacted community agencies, Notre Dame faculty, staff and students to survey their potential interest in locating their resources in the building. The response was overwhelmingly positive. People were excited to think creatively about how they could respond to the needs and gifts in the neighborhood through a presence in the building. After compiling the information gathered in previous proposals (proposals drafted last semester and this past summer), and with the cooperation and suggestions of many persons from and units of the University, all of us then submitted a proposal to the University officers for approval of the use of the building for a community learning center.

We are excited to share with you that the proposal was approved by the officers late in August, and the Community Learning Center is expected to open at the start of spring semester 2001. In a portion of the 8,000

square-foot space, there will be a gathering area with couches, game tables and refreshments. It will serve to provide an atmosphere for one of the most important activities: conversation and interaction among people. Temporary offices and meeting rooms will allow for neighbors to hold meetings and for community and Notre Dame groups to provide programming opportunities. There will be a space for books and publications as well as a bulletin board to post neighborhood happenings and announcements.

A large portion of the building will be used for a variety of programming. Saint Joseph's Medical Center will provide healthcare services, education and programming. The Gigot Center of the Notre Dame Mendoza College of Business will offer a social entrepreneurship program. There will be tutoring opportunities, SAT/ACT preparation, and a variety of computer classes. Recreation such as aerobic classes, senior walking groups and martial arts will also be available. Art classes, crafts and dance are some of the many possibilities.

As Notre Dame students, our most valuable learning experiences are both in and out of the classroom. We already have the formative and growing experience that comes from being challenged through the work, but especially through the relationships we have formed with the neighbors and interested community organizations. We write to you today to invite you to join us in this amazing opportunity. Barring any major obstacles, the doors to the Center will be opened on Jan. 15th, 2001 and there is much work to be done in the interim. We will be forming committees and we hope to involve many members of the Notre Dame family in this venture. Without great support and involvement from you, the Notre Dame community, it will not be a success.

Thus, we hope to combine the gifts with which we have been blessed with the richness and diversity of the neighborhood in order to create a tradition of collaboration that will allow us to continue to learn together. We invite you to share your time and to meet your neighbors.

If you are interested in learning more about the Community Learning Center, please contact the Center for Social Concerns at 1-5293, or, by e-mail at ND.ndcncrsc.1@nd.edu

John Micek
Class of '01
Miggies Clemency
Class of '03
September 12, 2000

A call for sensitivity in personal ads

I am writing in response to a personal in the classified section of the Wednesday, Sept. 13 edition of The Observer. I realize that most of the personals reflect inside jokes among some students or Observer staff. However, there are some inside jokes that are better left unsaid. The ad stated, "I don't drink, but I have no problem taking advantage of girls that do." I do not see how anyone can find humor in that statement.

I am not only offended as a woman, but specifically as a rape survivor. I was intoxicated the night I was raped. Ninety percent of women are intoxicated when they are sexually assaulted. Is this classified trying to make fun of an area that has forever changed my life?

I can look at this ad and think, "boys will be boys," it is just guy talk. But when does it turn from just talk to actions? Men never believe they can play a part in ending sexual assault. Many programs are offered to become more educated on sexual assault, programs that very few men attend. Men are the only ones that can stop rape. I hope the person, or the Observer staff member who submitted the personal will rethink their statement and see the harm that it does. It is statements like those that condone rape and do not end it.

Anonymous
September 14, 2000



GUEST COLUMN

Redefining the role of the first lady

They say that behind every successful man there is a good woman. But when it comes to the president of the United States, some feel his wife should be relegated to playing "first hostess."

At the very least that's an unrealistic expectation. But more seriously, expecting the first lady to be the doting, silent servant at the side of her husband puts the accomplishments of women back a few decades.

Forty years after Jackie Kennedy was alternately scrutinized and adored by the press for her every fashion move, the media has done little to take the hopeful first ladies seriously. Remember seeing Hillary plastered on People magazine every time she changed the part in her hair?

Continuing the tradition of the first lady as a Stepford wife, Family Circle sponsored a cookie bake-off between Laura Bush and Tipper Gore this summer. For two women who hold masters' degrees, this request seemed a bit silly. The chances are slim that we will see a chili cook-off between Vice President Al Gore and Gov. George W. Bush to demonstrate their culinary prowess.

Laura Bush and Tipper Gore have both publicly worked for charities and causes, and both are working mothers. But each sees her role in the public spotlight

quite differently.

When George W. Bush ran for governor of Texas in 1994, Laura Bush was clearly reluctant at the prospect of being the first lady of Texas. In a Texas Monthly interview at the time, Skip Hollandsworth reported that "she wasn't going to be one of those wives who are always by their husbands' side. She liked being at home, reading books and taking care of their twin daughters."

One certainly can't get homier than that. But now the Bush's twin daughters are beyond needing maternal attention 24-hours-a-day. Yet six years later Laura Bush has barely budged from her stance. Her causes — children's reading programs and library support — are no doubt valuable. But by laying low she has severely limited a position of leadership that could have helped accomplish more of her goals for Texas children.

As the wife of the vice president, Tipper Gore has worked actively for the underprivileged of America, and hasn't backed down.

During her eight years as second lady, some of her activities have included serving as special adviser to the Interagency Council on the Homeless, mental health policy adviser to the Interagency Council on the Homeless, as well as mental health policy adviser to the president. Yet she still remains close to her four children and grandson.

Like the rock star who lives off the pocketbooks of the American public, yet shuns the media, the candidate's

wife who denies that her role carries an obligation to the public is fooling herself.

But it is not always the choice of the first lady to shy away from the spotlight. After Hillary Rodham Clinton's attempts to bring health care reform to the forefront, she was blasted for overstepping her boundaries as first lady. Hillary was instantly stereotyped as power-hungry and cold and as putting career before family.

How can a presidential wife balance an active career while seeing to the needs of her family? Just ask one of the millions of women who do it everyday.

It undermines the abilities of the candidates' wives to see them as unable to balance a role as wife and mother with that of an activist. Like politics and scandal, the first lady and the president can scarcely be separated. She should accordingly be allowed to use her role to work for the improvement of American life. A first lady who is not afraid to rock the boat is not a bad thing for America.

So when it comes to the presidency, let's put the trophy wife away.

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Karen Kalb

The Lariat

WACO, Texas

WARNING: UNDER 21 NOT ALLOWED

Like college towns across the country, South Bend is teeming with a myriad of bars from the bars visited by those possessing a discerning palate for fine liquor.

Scene Staff Report

The following is an all-purpose guide to some of the most frequented collegiate hot-spots in South Bend. Scene reporters spent long (and some forgotten) hours involved in an intense investigation, requiring thorough testing of menu items, sturdy trials of gaming machinery and the implementation of tried and true bar behavior tactics. The result: A comprehensive listing of what to look for in the places students such as yourself choose to procrastinate, socialize and/or engage in the carefree activities typical of our peer group. Though it is true that this feature focuses on establishments whose main purpose is the proffering of alcohol, it is not the intention of The Observer to in any way advocate alcohol consumption by minors, and we remind you to please drink responsibly.

The Linebacker Lounge

Commonly known as the 'Backer, this bar — located at the corner of Edison and South Bend Avenue — is rich with music and drink traditions. Patrons are charged a \$3 cover fee, which includes a free drink ticket. Most bar-goers use the ticket for one of the 'Backer's famous Long Island iced teas, then head out on the dance floor, where one is guaranteed to hear Madonna's "Like a Prayer" and Abba's "Dancing Queen" at least one time during the night.

Careful shoe shoppers should beware, though, as the floor is a veritable sea of leather-staining sludge. The dancing is good, if you're into an eclectic mix of '80s and '90s and don't mind the intense heat and sticky floor.

Tables surround the small dance area and non-swingers can feast on cheap drinks and popcorn. There's little recreation to offer visitors, save the one pool table for billiards lovers and one board for dart.

On any night, you're almost always guaranteed to see at least one of the following: a) a wedding reception after-party, where the bride is oblivious to the newly-stained bottom of her white dress; b) random Notre Dame coaches or trainers — of any/all sports; or c) drunken alumni.

The bar closes out each night by playing the Victory March, a tradition that in itself makes it a great stop — at least once before you graduate — for any Notre Dame or Saint Mary's student.

Alumni-Senior Club

Alumni-Senior bar provides the service and atmosphere that one can find at many of the off-campus establishments. But there is one thing that this bar offers that none can. As most of you already know, and you probably figured it out, this bar is on campus.

Located south of the stadium, Alumni-Senior bar is the only bar that is completely run by students. They are the bouncers at the door, they decide the music, they even make your drink.

The appeal of Alumni-Senior Bar is part location, part atmosphere and part the one-time cover that one pays to become a member.

As mentioned, the bar is here on Notre Dame's campus. This is convenient since you'll never have to flag a taxi to get there. How much time does one spend outside of the bar when it closes waiting for the taxi to arrive? Since you don't have to worry about the taxi factor, you save money, save time and you don't run the risk of climbing into the taxi with 10 other people and a deranged driver who has quite possibly consumed more alcohol that evening than you and your friends combined.

And the lifetime membership is definitely a nice perk. Twenty dollars will buy you a membership and a nice little card as proof. It's the only cover you'll have to shell out to get in the door.

The atmosphere is great, especially since you know you are surrounded by real kids, not any townies guilefully posing as fellow students. Wednesday nights are the busiest for the bar. Here you can find your classmates, coworkers and sometimes, if you are very lucky, you can find your TAs.

Alumni-Senior Bar — great atmosphere, great drinks, great place to hang out with your friends.

Corby's

Pilgrims on a quest to retrace the steps of "Rudy" will only find disappointment at Corby's. Though the movie portrays the establishment as a traditional Irish pub — complete with fiddles and bodhrans — none of these things are present. But there is plenty of beer, covering the full range from Bud to Newcastle, so it is easy to recover from "Rudy's" cruel deception. Instead of jigs and reels, you are more likely to hear live rock and roll, though the band/audience interaction is somewhat awkward due to the lack of a stage. The Corby's patron has several gaming options, most notable of which are the relatively inexpensive pool tables and video golf game. But the high point of Corby's has to be the outdoor "biergarten" in back, which provides a welcome escape from the often stuffy and overheated environment indoors. This is a fantastic place to have a conversation while enjoying your beverage.

Club23

No one starts a night out at Club23. So why is it that so many end up there?

"There's no real logic to why we go there," one senior commented as he pondered why Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students actually fill such a dank and paltry little bar every weekend. "I guess it's just that you go where everyone else is going, and for some unexplained reason, people are always going to Club."

But what is that unexplained reason?

Let's talk logistics. It's dark, dirty, kind of smelly and generally resembles a human-sized rat hole. Okay, strike one.

Let's talk proximity. It's really close. Oh, close — foul tip.

Let's try atmosphere. Club is notorious for carding its patrons with a brutal mentality. Consequently, Club has become an ever dependable haven for upperclassmen and graduate students who've had their fill of the underclass meat-markets like The Boat Club and Finnigan's. Club has become the prime destination for upperclassman after Senior Bar shuts down or Heartland dies out. But again we must ask, why?

Perhaps it's the Tuesday night drink specials, perhaps the great location — so close to campus. Perhaps it's the mystique of the



Shadowed by an artist's rendition of the Notre Dame Cathedral in France

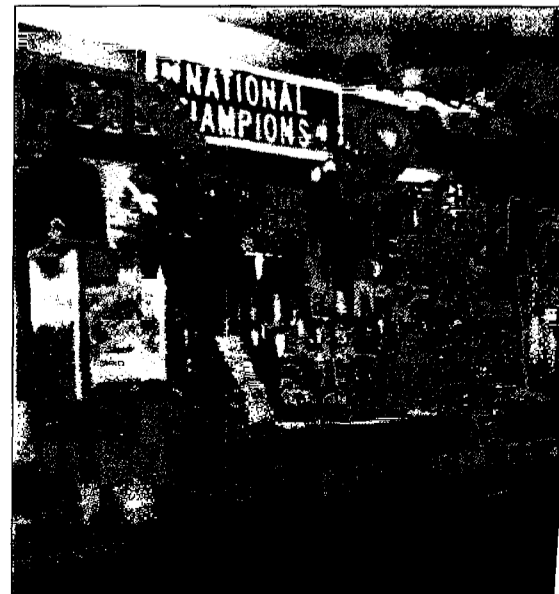
Club23 basement, where rumors have confirmed such non-duLac permissible activities as hardcore drug use and sexual acts that go far beyond that "which should be saved for the sanctity of marriage." Perhaps it's just a little of all these things.

So what if Club isn't exactly aesthetically pleasing. It isn't Club that makes Club so great. It's the people who show up there. Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students are the reason Club23 is such an Irish institution. So maybe there is no rationale behind why students go to Club. A guaranteed good time is had upon every visit, who wouldn't want to go?

But just to be safe, let's check in with our slightly confused senior just one last time. "Oh yeah, and they also have slushy Long Island iced-teas." And so the truth finally comes out.

The Boat Club

For the young at heart, with a fondness for cheap beer and cups tournaments, The Boat Club is for you. Located at the corner of North Hill Street, it's the place to be for late night recreation. With half an inch of sticky beer on the floor, two hundred people



Enshrined with ND memorabilia, CJ's is a true



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With full bar-supporting regalia, students can show just which pubs win their vote for favorite places to go to avoid homework.

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of drinking establishments. Here, Scene takes a look at area watering holes, bars, to those frequented by freshmen possessing exceptional printers.



MARY CALASH/The Observer

students partake of the festivities offered at an area hangout.

packed into a room meant to hold one hundred and the latest top 40 music blaring from the DJ booth, your first year of studies and memories of freshman dorm parties may come flooding back to you.

Looking for someone to dance with to the latest Britney Spears anthem? Try the second floor. (Note: watch out for flying pitchers of Keystone Light.) However, if you're not much for dancing, have no fear. The Boat Club offers an array of billiard tables and video games for those who just want to kick back and unwind with their friends on the first floor. If you'd like to make new friends, The Boat Club provides the perfect ambiance in which to do so — especially if you'd like to befriend some of the "local" attractions.

For all that The Boat Club provides, you'd think there'd be a high price of admission. As if! For only five bucks, all of this can be yours for an evening. So give The Boat Club a try. You may just develop a taste for Keystone Light.

CJ'S

From the photos and signatures of countless Irish athletes on the wall, to the Golden Domer burger on the menu, CJ's Pub overflows with Notre Dame spirit.

A signed picture on the wall from Bill Lambier credits the

beer at CJ's with his successes. If the beer at CJ's made the former Irish and Detroit Piston center a championship player, then the burgers would have made him a Hall of Famer.

While the drinks at CJ's are OK, the burgers are spectacular. These behemoth mounds of beef can satisfy even the hungriest college student. All the burgers come with chips, but you can get all the fresh popcorn you want from the self-serve popper.

If you are really hungry, a side of french fries might be in order. But be warned — one order of fries is more than enough for two people.

Wash your meal down with a Bill Lambier-inspired beer. While there are very few beers on tap, CJ's does feature many bottled selections. Drinks at CJ's are expensive, however. While CJ's is a great place to kick off a night of bar hopping with dinner and some drinks, spending the whole evening there will quickly drain your wallet.

If you really want the complete CJ's experience, go for dinner on Wednesday and then stick around for Karaoke. Watching a horde of Belles and Domers belting out the hits with a little bit of alcohol-induced musical talent is always a recipe for a good time.

Coach's

From the pool tables to the caged basketball hoop, Coach's is a true sports bar. A popular spot for non-ticket holders to watch Saturday's game, it's a place to relax, rewind and talk about the day's best tackles.

Unlike many of the bars and clubs around town, Coach's is a great place to drink and eat. From burgers to wings, it's the perfect site to sit back and chow as the latest college football game plays out on the big screens.

The bar has a small, understated dance floor, where little to no dancing usually takes place. Only when the bar is jam-packed — usually Friday nights — does the floor transform into a dance floor. A few dartboards and arcade games line the wall for the kid in you, and long tables allow for bigger groups to join in the revelry.

It's probably the most popular post-game bar, flooded with rival fans during home football weekends. Usually more of a low-key night of cheap pitchers and good conversation, home Saturdays turn the bar into a veritable debating floor, where Domer fans and enemy lovers can have free-reign shouting matches. It's then to be a loud and proud Irish fan.

Finnigan's

While Finnigan's has become a Thursday night favorite for those of legal drinking age in South Bend. The beauty of this downtown bar is that it provides better-than-average weekend entertainment, as well. Unlike the sweaty freshman crowd at The Boat Club and the unattainable fortresses of Heartland and Club 23, Finny's (as it is affectionately known) is easily accessible for those with a decent ID and a five to shove at the bouncer.

The popularity of Finnigan's is boosted by the rumors of "hey, it's owned by a cop — it'll never get busted!" Regardless of the truth behind the confidence, Finny's has occasionally been known to turn away or double-card on busy nights, thus giving it an edge above The BC (where you can easily slip through the back door without anyone noticing).

The Finny's crowd is guaranteed to show you a good time. After filling up a pitcher (or using your feminine wiles to obtain quality drinks) the packed dance floor offers music that is just loud and varied enough to please. For those with two left feet — or those who just need a break by this point in the night — there are plenty of places to sit aside and talk, including an upper balcony.

Finny's always offers a wide range of folks to talk to, from the athletes hanging out in their corner, to the sketchy townies making eyes on the dance floor, to the 40 year old podiatrist who is always hanging around the bar. (No, I'm not making this up: go find him this weekend.)

Finnigan's is popular with all sorts of students, so you're guaranteed to run into familiar faces. The DJ always plays your requests, the drinks are cheap and the atmosphere is always lively. So when looking for a good time in the party town of South Bend, Finny's can't be beat any day of the week.

Heartland

Heartland is for neither the faint of heart or hearing. The large dance club is a popular Thursday night stop for the best movers and shakers.

Black pants and tube tops flourish, as does the sweat of energetic patrons heating up the dance floor. The 1,000-plus crowd that inundates the club floods every inch of the building, from the dance floor to the second-floor billiards area. Drinks tend to be expensive, so it's best to watch your wallet and purchase wisely.

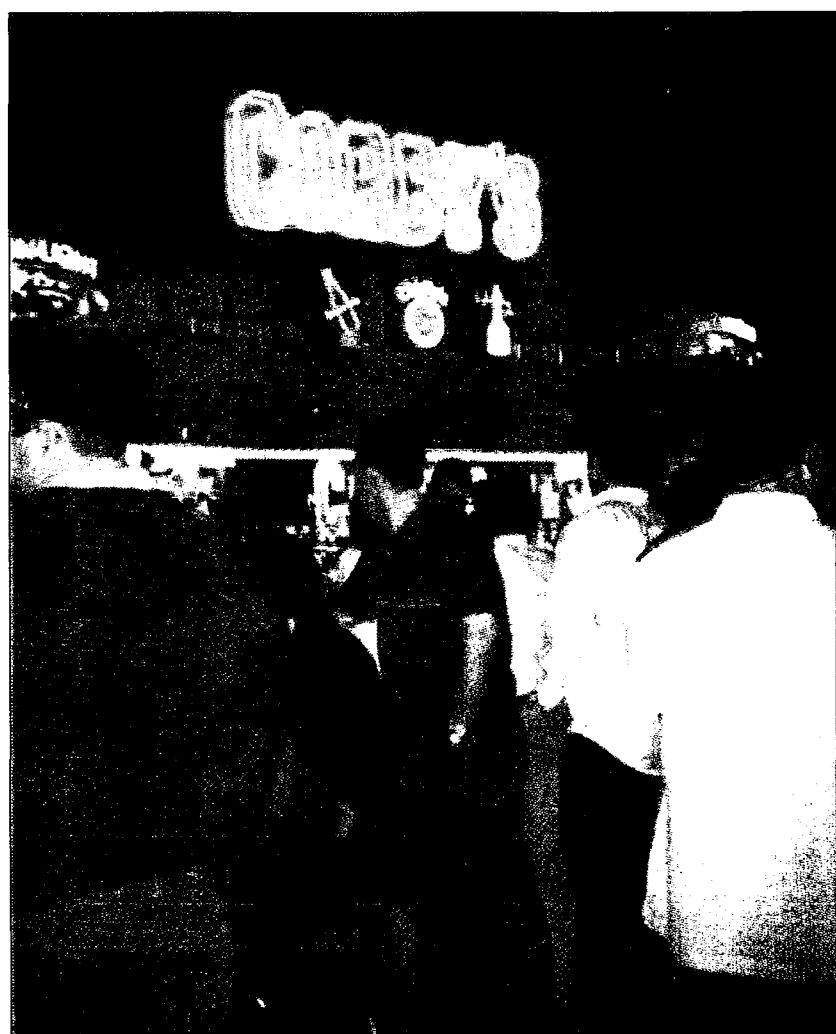
Looking for a quiet night of coffee talk and conversation? Stay away from Heartland. The club literally pulses with the latest pop, club and techno music and it's easy to get lost in the wave of bump-and-grinders.

The club is best for outgoing swingers — people who like to get out and get down. The more ambitious ones can find their moment of glory in one of the club's cages, set up for the most enthusiastic patrons to strut their stuff.

"Club ear" and tired legs are a common aftertaste of a Heartland night, and are best overcome with some good sleep.

Best advice: Get your homework done and set your alarm for the next morning before you go out. You'll be too tired and too hearing-impaired to make any important decisions.

Tim Bodony, Jacqueline Browder, Mike Connolly, Jose Cuellar, Sam Derheimer, Amanda Greco, Laura Kelly and Christine Kraly contributed to this report.



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Corby's provides a fun atmosphere and an easily accessible bar where college kids flock on any given night.



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sports bar, perfect for South Bend.

Gold

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against," Pawloski said.

Fisher is clearly looking forward to Sunday's game. "We want to get them back for last year, and I think we have the talent to beat them," said Marrs. "If we stick to our offense and leave it all on the field, we'll be tough to beat," he said.

The Juggs know just how difficult Sunday's game will be. "Fisher was the toughest opponent we faced all year, and I don't see how it'll be different this year," Pawloski said.

However, the defending interhall champions are confident they can beat Fisher. "We can hurt teams anywhere — offense, defense, it doesn't matter," Pawloski said. "We're just so deep and versatile. We have so many options available that it's hard for teams to prepare for us, much less beat us."

Zahm vs. St. Edwards

Another chapter in what is widely known as the longest and most bitter of all dorm rivalries will be written this Sunday at 2 p.m. on the Stepan field.

St. Edwards Hall hopes to reverse its football fortunes against neighboring Zahm Hall in a key opening day match-up.

St. Ed's is optimistic about an offense that returns veteran players at all key skill positions. Led by running back Ernesto Lacayo and playmaking wide receiver Nick Sciola, the offense has the potential to score points in bursts.

The quarterback position, which was a question mark last year, is now solidified under the leadership of Tim Greene, who threw for four touchdowns in the team's final three games last year.

Defensively, linebackers Mike Garafola and Jason Davila anchor a relatively young unit. The defense will play a key role in the Stedsmen's success this year. Two of their losses last season were by a single point.

On the other side of the field, Zahm Hall will look to improve on last year's disappointing finish. Expectations are high as quarterback Dan Burke and receivers Brian Zant and Joe Saenz return from last year's squad.

But the key to the team's prosperity might lie in the success of freshman running back Lawrence Santiago. A defense which features Defensive Lineman Peter Countryman and Linebacker Gabe Ibanez might cause concern for the St. Ed's offensive attack.

Not traditionally known as an interhall powerhouse, St. Ed's doesn't have history on its side as it tries to muster its first win in recent memory. Even Greene is cautious about predicting success.

"We'll have eleven guys out there on Sunday and just go from there," he said.

Even so, emotions should be high for this opening day battle.

"They haven't really fielded a team the past couple of years, so I can't say there's much hate between us," said Zant.

Carroll vs. Siegfried

The Bears vs. the Packers. Army vs. Navy. Notre Dame vs. Boston College.

Carroll vs. Siegfried?

Although their rivalry is a bit short on tradition, this match-up promises to be a game of intensity and ferocity, as both squads are hungry for an opening day victory.

When they hit Stepan Field at 1 p.m. this Sunday, Siegfried will aim to build upon their momentum from last season, a campaign that found them only one win shy of the champi-



JEFF HSU/The Observer

A member of the 1999 Fisher hall squad runs the ball during the regular season. The 2000 Green Wave takes on defending champion Knott Sunday.

onship game. Carroll, who did not field a team in 1999, hopes that their rejuvenated program can start fast with a strong showing this weekend.

The Siegfried Ramblers, led by captains Rob Plumby, Travis Smith, and Peter Aguiar, return twelve players from last year's team. Along with a dozen new recruits, the team plans on employing a variety of styles and tactics in their clash with Carroll.

Siegfried boasts a veteran core of skill position players who will enable the offense to "do a little bit of everything," according to junior quarterback Rob Plumby. He, along with Smith, a running back, and Aguiar, a flanker, intend to mix up their ground game with an explosive air attack that will light up the scoreboard early

and often.

"We're going to play hard and surprise some people," predicted Plumby.

The Ramblers will be introducing some significant changes to their 2000 game plan, including the institution of a new offensive system. However, don't expect any slow starts on either side of the ball.

The defense has more size and aggressiveness than last year's team, said Travis Smith.

As for the offense, Siegfried looks for dynamic play that will fuel them on their quest to avenge last year's finals loss to Sorin.

"The Ramblers will be as tough or tougher than last year," said Smith.

The Vermin of Carroll Hall, following a one-season hiatus from interhall football, is back

in action in 2000 with a young and enthusiastic team. Led by sophomore captains Geoff Polk, a linebacker, and Kevin Thomas, a safety, Carroll hopes to be spearheaded by a big-play offense and a commanding defense. Like Siegfried, they plan to experiment with a variety of offensive schemes.

Captain Geoff Polk recognizes that the Vermin is a bit unaccustomed to the interhall gridiron, but he sees their young lineup as a positive.

"We won't be losing any players next year, and we've got a lot of good young guys," said Polk.

As for their prospects against Siegfried, he anticipates an exciting but unpredictable game.

"We'll find out on Sunday," Polk said.

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PGA TOUR

Unknowns take advantage of Tour leaders' absences in Classic

Associated Press

PAOLI, Pa. — With most of the big names sitting this one out, a pair of relative unknowns topped the leaderboard in the first SEI Pennsylvania Classic.

Emlyn Aubrey and Danny Briggs shot 6-under-par 65s on Thursday to share the first-round lead in the first PGA Tour

event in Pennsylvania in 20 years.

"I didn't have a lot of expectation as far as what I was going to shoot," said Briggs, who has never won a PGA Tour event. "I never look at the scoreboard. I never even looked at the guy that was carrying in our group to see how many under I was."

Loren Roberts and Frank Lickliter opened with 67s on the Waynesborough Country Club course, and Mark

Calcavecchia topped a nine-player group at 68.

Briggs, who started on No. 10, birdied four of the last five holes. After he made a birdie putt on No. 8, a spectator shouted, "Tiger Who?"

Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson and Ernie Els head the list of no-shows that includes the tour's top seven money-winners. Aubrey is 194th and Briggs 196th on the list.

"There's times that you think, 'You know what man, I've had enough of this, traveling and hotels and airplanes being delayed,'" Briggs said. "I have tried to have a good attitude and confidence. If it goes the other direction, I'll still try to have a good attitude and be confident and continue to do whatever."

Aubrey, who also has never won a PGA Tour event, had six birdies in a bogey-free round. He missed short putts for birdie on the 16th and 17th holes.

"Seems like I've been missing the cuts by one shot lately," said Aubrey, who was born in Reading, Pa.

"Fortunately the last couple weeks I made them. Last two tournaments in Canada (Bell Canadian Open and Air Canada Championship), I made birdies on the last hole Friday to make the cut. Hopefully things are turning around."

Roberts, who has won seven PGA Tour events, including this year's Greater Milwaukee Open, birdied the final two holes to finish at 67. He double-bogeyed No. 11 after a birdie on No. 10.

Lickliter, 105th on the money list, had

four holes.

"You have to think your way around this golf course," Roberts said. "You have to know where to miss the ball. It's a real thinking man's golf course. It might be one of the best, new golf courses I've seen in a while."

Doug Dunakey, Jonathan Kaye, Carlos Franco, Chris DiMarco, Dudley Hart, Tom Purtzer, Kelly Gibson and Mike Sposa joined Calcavecchia at 68.

"I never check to see if people on the world rankings play here," Franco said. "For me, it is important to play the tournament and take a couple months off."

Aubrey, who missed much of last year with a back injury, got a medical exemption this year.

His road to recovery has been a long, arduous process.

"It was a lot more difficult than I thought," Aubrey said. "I felt like the physical side was ready to go after a week or two. You have several weeks where

you play bad and then your mind starts losing confidence and you're struggling that way. That's what I did the first half of the year."

Grant Waite, who finished second the last two weeks, tops a

13-player group at 69. Divots: Arnold Palmer, a native of Latrobe, Pa., was influential in bringing the PGA Tour back to Pennsylvania. "Pennsylvania has had some great golf tournaments, and I've had the opportunity to participate in them, and I think it was just very bad that we didn't have and do not have until this week a tournament here that is a PGA Tour event," Palmer said.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Lopez leads Atlanta in rally over Florida, 5-3

Associated Press

ATLANTA

Javy Lopez broke out of a 2-for-26 slump with a pair of run-scoring singles and the Atlanta Braves rallied to beat the Florida Marlins 5-3.

Andy Ashby (10-12) gave up a two-run single in the first to Mike Lowell, then held Florida scoreless until the eighth inning.

Atlanta, which began the day with a two-game lead over second-place New York in the NL East, won its second straight and completed a 6-3 homestand.

Ashby, 6-5 since the Braves acquired him from Philadelphia on July 12, allowed three runs and eight hits in 7 2-3 innings.

John Rocker, Atlanta's third pitcher, walked his first batter on four pitches leading off the ninth, then struck out the side for his 21st save in 23 chances.

Lopez, who went 2-for-3 with a walk, singled off Reid Cornelius (3-9) for a 3-2 lead in the sixth after Wally Joyner walked and Brian Jordan singled.

Keith Lockhart, who also drove in two runs, followed with a sacrifice fly.

Chipper Jones singled off Ricky Bones with two outs in the seventh, stole second and scored on a single by Andres Galarraga to make it 5-2.

Preston Wilson's RBI double chased Ashby in the eighth.

Cornelius (3-9) dropped to 0-7 in 12 starts since beating Montreal on July 2, giving up four runs and eight hits in 5 2-3 innings.

Lopez and Lockhart hit run-scoring singles that tied the game in the fourth.

Mets 10, Expos 4

Edgardo Alfonzo, Robin Ventura and Jay Payton homered as the New York Mets beat the Montreal Expos and remained two games behind Atlanta, the NL East leader.

Glendon Rusch (10-10) allowed eight hits in 7 1-3 innings, helping increase the Mets' lead to five games over Arizona in the wild card race.

Alfonzo hit a solo homer in

the first off Mike Thurman (4-6) to reach 20 homers for the second straight season.

Ventura, in a 2-for-31 slump before his game-tying double in the ninth Wednesday, hit a three-run drive on Sean Spencer's first pitch in the seventh.

Payton, who hit a three-run, game-winning homer in the 10th on Wednesday, added a two-run homer in the seventh.

New York has won four of five, including three in a row, after losing seven of eight.

Thurman allowed nine hits and seven runs — five earned — and nine hits in 6 1-3 innings.

After Alfonzo's homer put the Mets ahead 1-0 in the first, Fernando Seguignol's RBI double tied it in the bottom half and Vladimir Guerrero followed with a run-scoring single.

Rusch, 2-for-48 at the plate (.042) with no RBIs in his career coming in, tied it with a run-scoring single and Derek Bell drew a bases-loaded walk for a 3-2 lead. New York added a pair of runs in the third on Payton's sacrifice fly and Mike Bordick's RBI single.

Wilton Guerrero hit an RBI single in the fourth as Montreal closed to 5-3, and the Mets blew open the game with five runs in the seventh.

Jose Vidro hit an RBI single in the eighth.

Reds 6, Brewers 4

Geoff Jenkins and Lou Collier homered as the Milwaukee Brewers beat the Cincinnati Reds.

Collier, whose only previous homer this season had been for Double-A Huntsville, hit a solo shot in the fourth inning off Ron Villone (9-10). After Mark

Loretta singled, Jenkins followed with a two-run homer, his 27th of the season, to give Milwaukee a 6-2 lead.

Jimmy Haynes (12-12) gave up solo home runs to Pokey Reese in the second inning and Sean Casey in the fifth. Haynes allowed four runs on eight hits in 5 2-3 innings. He walked two and struck out one.

Curtis Leskanic pitched the ninth for his 10th save in 11 chances.

The Reds took a 1-0 lead in the first on an RBI single by Dmitri Young.

Milwaukee answered with three runs in the second.

Jeremy Burnitz and Ron Belliard hit consecutive one-out singles, and Raul Casanova walked to load the bases.

Villone then walked pitcher Haynes, who was batting .127, scoring Burnitz. Collier's sacrifice fly scored Belliard, and Loretta doubled in Casanova. Villone allowed six runs on seven hits in four innings.

Cincinnati made it 3-2 on Reese's 12th homer of the season.

The Reds added a run in the fifth on Casey's 15th homer and a run in the sixth on Juan Castro's RBI single.

Rockies 5, Dodgers 4

Brian Rose is happy to be pitching for a team that wanted him before he started winning.

The right-hander, who came to Colorado on July 27 in a seven-player deal that sent Mike Lansing to Boston, won his third straight decision as the Rockies beat the Los Angeles Dodgers.

"When I got here, these guys told me that they wanted to see me go out there and pitch, and that they were excited about

me coming over here," Rose said. "That's uplifting, and it makes me want to pitch well."

Rose (4-2), who didn't get a decision against the Dodgers last Saturday despite being staked to a 6-0 lead in the first inning, allowed three runs and six hits in six innings this time.

"He really made good pitches when he had to," Rockies manager Buddy Bell said. "He got into some situations where he got in a hole, but was able to pitch his way out of it. His command was much better than it had been the last couple of times out."

Rookie Ben Petrick doubled home two runs and Jose Jimenez pitched the ninth for his 21st save in 27 chances. After allowing runners to reach second and third with one out, he allowed an RBI groundout by pinch-hitter Eric Karros and retired Mark Grudzielanek on a grounder.

Rockies left fielder Todd Hollandsworth returned to Dodger Stadium for the first time since the July 31 trade that sent Tom Gooden to Los Angeles and went 2-for-4, singling his first two times up and scoring on Petrick's fourth-inning double.

"I've actually never been on this side of the stadium before, so it was weird," Hollandsworth said. "But I came out early today, just to get acclimated again."

"I still have a lot of memories of wonderful things that have happened to me here — and some tough things. But it was just a part of my life where I learned a lot. I enjoyed the people I worked for and worked with, and I'm very appreciating of having been a part of the Dodgers organiza-

tion for such a long time."

Jeff Cirillo, who entered with an NL-leading .387 average with runners in scoring position, capped the Rockies' three-run fourth with an RBI single for a 3-1 lead against Chan Ho Park (15-10). The right-hander allowed five runs — four earned — and nine hits in 5 1/3 innings.

"My control was not there. That's the bottom line," said Park, who walked four and struck out four. "I felt my arm dragging a little."

Alex Cora, in an 0-for-20 drought, did not move as a breaking ball from Rose brushed his right kneecap with the bases loaded in the fourth and forced in the Dodgers' second run.

Rose walked toward the plate to complain to umpire Tim Welke. So did Bell — but only to protect his pitcher.

"We had probably the best umpire working behind the plate tonight, so I had a hard time saying anything to Tim Welke," Bell said. "That's a really tough call for the umpires, but I think they've got to look at that rule over the winter and try to decide on how to enforce it."

The Rockies got that run back in the fifth, when Park tried to pick Jeffrey Hammonds off second and his errant throw deflected off the glove of Cora and into right-center as Hammonds scored.

The Dodgers closed to 4-3 in the bottom half on a two-out single by Shawn Green, who needs four RBI to reach 100 for the third straight season.

Colorado made it 5-3 in the sixth when Rose singled for his first major league hit and scored on Neifi Perez's single.

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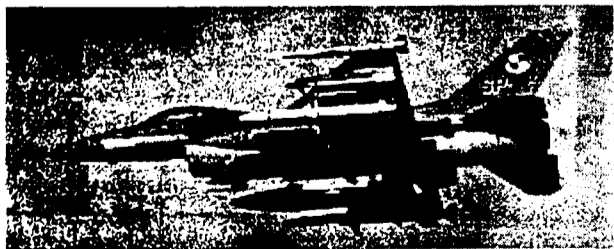
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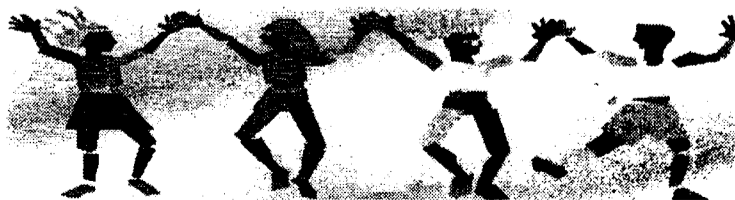
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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Martinez gives Red Sox win over Indians

Associated Press

CLEVELAND

Pedro Martinez did it to the Cleveland Indians once again. Unbeaten against Cleveland, he allowed four hits in seven innings night and Carl Everett had three RBIs Thursday night to lead the Boston Red Sox over the Indians 7-4.

Martinez (17-5) improved to 7-0 in seven regular-season starts against the Indians.

He's also 2-0 against Cleveland in the postseason, and has been branded Public Enemy No. 1 around Jacobs Field.

Everett went 4-for-5 with a two-run homer and Dante Bichette homered off Charles Nagy (2-5) as the Red Sox moved within two games of the Indians, who lead the AL wild card race.

David Segui hit a two-run homer and an RBI single for the Indians, who play five games at Fenway Park next week, including back-to-back doubleheaders.

Martinez was making his first appearance at Jacobs Field since April 30, when he hit Roberto Alomar with a pitch, earning a five-game suspension.

He buzzed a couple of hitters, but baseball's best pitcher zeroed in on the strike zone when he needed to.

Martinez struck out 10, including the side in the third and seventh, when the Indians put two on with none out.

Derek Lowe got four outs for his 34th save, his second of the series.

Everett's two-run homer capped Boston's four-run sixth, with the Red Sox scoring all their runs with two outs.

The Indians had a chance to get out of the inning, but first baseman Jim Thome couldn't come up with Trot Nixon's hard smash.

The Red Sox scored their other runs in the inning on a wild pitch by reliever Justin Speier and Nomar Garciaparra's RBI double.

Segui's homer in the fifth gave the Indians their first earned runs in 32 1-3 innings against Martinez, who had

not allowed Cleveland to score since Sept. 15 last season, a span that includes the playoffs.

Martinez retired the first 13 hitters so easily, it looked like he might be on his way to finally pitching the no-hitter that has somehow eluded him.

Thome became Cleveland's first runner, drawing Martinez's lone walk before Segui hit his sixth homer since coming to the Indians in a July trade.

Segui had been 3-for-24 with 11 strikeouts against Martinez before connecting.

Before the game, Indians manager Charlie Manuel said his scouting reports showed that Martinez hadn't been topping 92 mph on the radar gun recently.

"He may not be able to blow the ball by us like he used to," Manuel said.

But Martinez's fastball hit 98 mph several times in the third, when he needed 16 pitches to fan Travis Fryman, Russell Branyan and Sandy Alomar.

Bichette put the Red Sox ahead 3-0 in the fourth with his fourth homer since coming to Boston in an Aug. 31 trade from Cincinnati.

Nagy, making his first start since undergoing elbow surgery in May, fell behind 1-0 in the first when Everett reached on an infield single and Garciaparra followed with a double.

Everett's wind-blown RBI double made it 2-0 in the third.

Notes:

Everett's steal of second in the fifth was just Boston's 39th steal this season. Only Oakland, which has 35, has fewer in the majors. ... Indians manager Charlie Manuel was ejected in the seventh inning by third-base umpire Eric Cooper, who called Jim Thome out on a checked-swing. ... The Indians added security personnel around the Boston dugout and bullpen in response to Martinez saying he received a death threat while warming up in last year's playoffs. ... Martinez has 15 double-digit strikeout games this season. He had 19 last year.

OLYMPICS

Sydney: 'Let the games begin'

Associated Press

SYDNEY, Australia

At the opera house, they packed the water's edge and cheered.

They watched from buildings, from a docked ocean liner, even from atop the steel skeleton of the fabled Harbor Bridge. They oohed and ahed as the Olympic flame went by.

Ready to greet the world, Sydneysiders paused at the edge of the Olympics on Thursday night to see their downtown awash in fireworks, an Olympic-rings light show and even a big round moon, delivered against a cloudless sky. The collective exhortation: Let the games begin.

A million people turned central Sydney into a giant street party to celebrate the arrival of the flame that heralds the opening of the biggest Olympic Games in history.

"This shows people what we're about — whatever that may be," said a smiling Gloria Garton, pressed up against a barricade with her husband Thursday night to see blind Italian opera singer Andrea Bocelli pass the Olympic torch to Australian pop star Olivia

Newton-John.

Australian sprinter Melinda Gainsford-Taylor, women's captain of her nation's Olympic team, brought the torch into the Sydney Opera House grounds at dusk, passing it to Bocelli.

He held it aloft before thousands of cheering people crowded into Bennelong Point, then handed it to a grinning Newton-John. She carried it off into the night on the last leg of its journey toward Olympic Park and Friday's opening ceremony. Then Bocelli sang Verdi's "Di quella pira."

With the crowd roaring, the Olympic rings that hang from the landmark bridge illuminated as the last sunlight faded, and fireworks shot from the bridge's anchorage. Five helicopters and the Goodyear Blimp — rechristened the "G'Day Blimp" for the games — hovered overhead.

"It's all happening," enthused Lawrence Nethery of Sydney. "The rings look fantastic, but the moon looks even better. One of the best things I've ever been to."

"A lovely day on the harbor," said spectator Lorraine Askew.

Half of the seats outside the opera house went to the general public; the other half went to those attending the Thursday opera program. It created an odd juxtaposition: On one side, rowdy youths held Australian flags aloft and chanted "Aussie! Aussie!" while opera-goers in formal garb applauded sedately on the other.

In the crowd on the quay, chants and shouts erupted after a clarinet player in the crowd performed a slow, haunting rendition of "Waltzing Matilda," the unofficial national anthem.

Afterward, downtown erupted into an exuberant festival of happy anticipation. Exuberant fans popped champagne, guzzled beer and sipped wine in the streets in a manner both jubilant and — as befits the Aussie attitude, it seems — mellow.

Friday's arrival ratcheted the excitement level up several notches.

Thousands of early risers thronged the Harbor Bridge, many chanting golfer Greg Norman's name as he carried the torch across. Norman said he was overwhelmed by the crowd's size and fervor.

BOXING

Tyson talks about Zoloft use

Associated Press

During a bizarre, profanity-laced tirade Thursday, Mike Tyson said he's on antidepressant medication for a reason.

"I'm on the Zoloft to keep me from killing y'all," he told reporters during a news conference to promote his Oct. 20 fight against Andrew Golota in Auburn Hills, Mich.

The state boxing commission in Michigan has expressed concern about Tyson taking the drug and the fact that he stops taking it before fights.

"It has really messed me up, and I don't want to be taking it, but they are concerned about the fact that I am a violent person, almost an animal," Tyson said. "And they only want me to be an animal in the ring."

"That's why I set the pay-per-view records. There are nine million people who see me in the ring who hate my guts, most of them white. But that's OK. Just spell my name right."

Tyson showed up more than 2 1/2 hours late for the scheduled start of the news conference, having missed his flight out of Las Vegas. The start was rescheduled from noon to 2 p.m., but Tyson still didn't make an appearance until 2:40. By that time, Golota had answered a few questions and left.

Tyson was highly agitated, at one point stripping off his shirt and jumping onto the table on the dais, responding to a question about his condition.

He also apologized for his almost constant stream of profanity, saying: "This is how I talk. I'm a street person. I

never wanted to be a street person; I don't even like them. But that's how my life has turned out."

"I've had a lot of tragedy, humiliation and degradation."

He said he only recently figured out why reporters don't like him.

"I'm so ghetto, I didn't realize it's because I'm being paid, not because I'm a black man," he said. "And you know what I'm going to do? I'm going to keep getting paid."

Once the undisputed world heavyweight champion, Tyson said he isn't interested in titles now.

"I don't know anything about being the heavyweight champion, or being a good, respectable person," he said. "I just want them to keep bringing guys on and I'm going to strip them of their health. I bring pain, a lot of pain."

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NBA

Smith contract may violate salary cap

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS

Joe Smith could get as much as \$93 million over 10 years from the Minnesota Timberwolves under a contract arrangement the NBA believes violates the salary cap.

The secret deal guarantees Smith three one-year contracts of \$1.75 million, \$2.1 million and \$3.6 million. The New York Times reported Thursday, attributing the figures to "several people" who have seen the contract.

Also, owner Glen Taylor agreed to give Smith two additional contracts prior to the 2001-2002 season that cumulatively would be worth between \$40.6 million and \$86 million over seven years, the newspaper said.

The amount would be dependent on performance clauses, such as whether Smith made the All-Star team or led the Timberwolves to a championship.

The league last week claimed the deal violated the salary cap, and sent the case to arbitrator Kenneth Dam. If Dam confirms a secret deal, commissioner David Stern could impose multimillion-dollar fines, loss of draft picks,

the voiding of player contracts and suspension of team personnel.

Smith in 1999 signed a one-year contract for \$1.75 million, a figure which some in the NBA considered low for a 6-foot-10 forward who was the first overall pick of the 1995 draft.

However, Taylor and Smith had earlier made a deal that was not reported to the league, and it was that arrangement NBA said was for "tens of millions of dollars, and was deliberately hidden."

Neither Taylor nor Timberwolves' vice president Kevin McHale returned phone calls on Thursday.

The NBA said it would have no further comment because the matter is in arbitration.

Joel Litvin, the NBA's general counsel, said last week,

"This is the most serious salary cap offense that can be committed by teams, players or agents."

Joel Litvin
NBA general counsel

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Taylor told The Associated Press last week that he met with NBA Stern and told him he thinks the team followed procedures in reaching an agreement with Smith on a \$2.35 million, one-year deal.

Smith, selected first overall by Golden State in the 1995 draft, averaged 9.9 points and 6.2 rebounds last season.

OLYMPICS

Journal questions hormone use

Associated Press

LONDON

A prestigious science journal says "unscrupulous" athletes will be able to use human growth hormone "with impunity" in the Sydney Olympics and criticizes the IOC for focusing its anti-doping effort on the hormone EPO.

The article in the Sept. 14 issue of "Nature" also says the International Olympic Committee's two highly publicized tests for EPO will catch few cheats.

Human growth hormone or hGH, which was designed to treat dwarfism, is now used by some athletes to build muscle. In January 1999, a consortium headed by Peter Sonksen, a London endocrinologist, told the IOC it had found a "very credible test" for hGH.

He said validation studies would cost about \$5 million, which the IOC called too high and declined to fund.

"Although the scientists

developing the tests are confident that they could have been readied in time for Sydney, the IOC refused to sanction funding for the necessary validation studies," the journal said. "As a result, unscrupulous athletes know that they can abuse hGH with impunity."

The magazine also found flaws in the IOC's tests for EPO, a hormone that raises the level of oxygen-carrying red blood cells and is favored by endurance athletes.

"But few athletes (taking EPO) are likely to be caught out at the games," the article said. "Provided they stop taking EPO a few days before their events, they will probably test negative."

The IOC's crackdown on EPO involves two tests — one blood

and one urine. To avoid a "false positive" that could result in lawsuits, the IOC will only take action against athletes who fail both tests.

The magazine says few athletes are likely to fail both.

EPO's effects start to decline about three days after its last use, according to Jacques de Ceaurriz of the French National Anti-Doping

"But few athletes [taking EPO] are likely to be caught out at the games."

Nature Magazine

Laboratory near Paris, who helped develop the urine test. EPO is flushed out of the urine within two or three days.

The magazine notes an athlete can take EPO up to a few days before competition and still test negative in a urine sample. Even a positive blood test would not mean punishment since the IOC requires two failed tests.

NFL

Johnson will play despite injury

Associated Press

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y.

Bills quarterback Rob Johnson has tendinitis in his right throwing elbow, but it should not prevent him from playing this weekend.

"I've had it for a while now.

It's just something that I've had to deal with," Johnson said on Thursday after he was wincing and grabbing his arm while warming up in practice.

"I've taken a couple of hits on my elbow. I've got some scabs around it. It's been a little more tender than it has been before. But I'll be all right."

Buffalo travels to face the New York Jets on Sunday in a battle of two 2-0 teams.

Johnson, the NFL's third-rated quarterback after two games this season, has been sacked 10 times and taken heavy hits on numerous other

occasions. In two games, he's gone 27-for-44 for 360 yards, thrown four touchdowns and one interception.

"It's not like Favre's but it's similar," said Bills coach Wade Phillips, comparing Johnson to Green Bay quarterback Brett Favre who is also playing with tendinitis in his throwing arm. "It's a nagging type thing that he's gone through especially since he's been here."

Doug Flutie is still listed as the Bills' third quarterback, not fully recovered from a torn groin muscle he hurt in training camp, while Alex Van Pelt is the team's backup.

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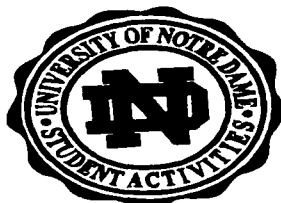
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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

McGwire content with role

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS
Mark McGwire is slowly getting used to the idea he'll get just one at-bat a game for the rest of this year.

St. Louis Cardinals manager Tony La Russa put McGwire in the starting lineup during the team's just-completed six-game trip, let him bat in the first, and then removed him.

McGwire made four "starts" at second base and one each in left field and shortstop, going 2-for-5 with a home run and a long single that would have been a double if he could run.

The NL Central leaders began a seven-game homestand Thursday night, so La Russa will have to use McGwire strictly as a pinch hitter, where he has zero experience this year.

McGwire, on the disabled list from July 7 to Sept. 8 with a severe case of patella tendinitis in his right knee, has been in obvious pain when running the bases.

La Russa floated the idea of having McGwire play first base

at least at the start of games during the trip.

"What's better than one at-bat? Two at-bats," La Russa said.

"I nixed it," McGwire said before the Cardinals began a four-game series against the Chicago Cubs. "There's no way. My knee can't handle it."

McGwire said just running to first is enough of a chore.

"Getting out of the box and running down the line, it's on fire," he said.

"I can only imagine what it'd be like at first base, bending down and trying to make a play."

At one point during the trip, La Russa suggested McGwire could just stand at first. McGwire nixed that, too.

"I'm not going to go out there and be an ornament," he said. "When you're out there playing, people don't care if you're injured or not. The ball gets by or something like that, it's not good for the team, it's not good

for me."

La Russa said he'll use McGwire according to the game situation, avoiding situations where he could ground into an easy double play for instance. He's been impressed McGwire, who was batting .305 with 31 homers and 71 RBIs, has been able to get his stroke back so fast.

The Cardinals will give him some extra swings on Saturday when Andy Benes, getting ready to return to the rotation next week, throws a simulated game.

"Every one of his at-bats, he's had a chance," La Russa said. "That's how amazing he is."

La Russa said McGwire, who hit a record 70 homers in 1998 and 65 last year, is making the best of a bad situation.

"He's tired of sitting around and not participating, but he doesn't like it," La Russa said. "He's an everyday player, but there's nothing you can do."

"Getting out of the box and running down the line, it's on fire."

Mark McGwire
Cardinals' first baseman

Umps enter new bargaining agreement

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Major league umpires voted 40-2 to approve their new collective bargaining agreement.

Umpires who are members of the new union, the World Umpires Association, participated in the mail ballot, and 42 of 44 eligible members voted, WUA lawyer Larry Gibson said Thursday.

Votes were counted by Edward J. Angeletti, a retired Maryland Circuit Court Judge. There are about 90 major league umpires, but many did not join the new union and remain loyal to Richie Phillips' Major League Umpires Association.

Nevertheless, the deal covers all major league umpires.

The union's executive board and team owners must also approve the agreement, which calls for umpires' pay to rise from \$95,000 to \$282,500 in 1999 to \$104,704 to \$324,545 this year, depending on seniority.

In 2004, the final season of the five-year deal, the range will be \$108,716 to \$404,705.

Also Thursday, minor league umpires said they voted 187-10 to form a union to negotiate with the governing body of the minor leagues.

The umpires approved the union in a secret mail

vote conducted by the National Labor Relations Board's Baltimore office, which counted the ballots Monday.

"The outcome of the election confirms that minor league umpires need to have a voice in a system where they take on considerable personal risks and hardships in the hope of becoming a major league umpire," said Beth Saindon, a lawyer for the Association of Minor League Umpires.

She said the average salary for umpires is \$15,000 at Triple-A, \$12,000 at Double-A, \$10,000 at full-season A-ball and \$5,500 at rookies leagues and short-season A-leagues. Minor league umpires have a health plan but no pension benefits.

The union will negotiate with Professional Baseball Umpire Corp., an affiliate of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, the governing body of the minor league.

The NABPL has until Monday to file objections to the election.

"We didn't feel and still don't feel a union is necessary," NABPL spokesman Jim Ferguson. "Now that they've voted, as we said all along, we'll deal with them in good faith."

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Jim Ferguson
NABPL spokesman

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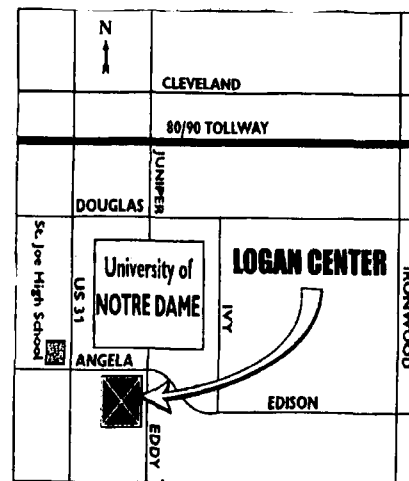
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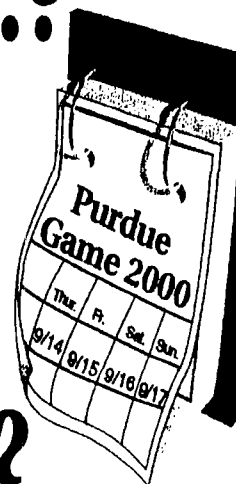


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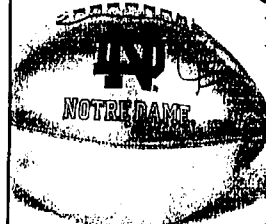
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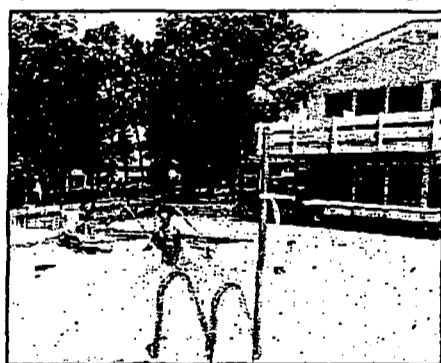
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SOCCER

FIFA suspends U.S. captain for qualifiers

Associated Press

NEW YORK

U.S. soccer captain Claudio Reyna was suspended for two World Cup qualifiers on Thursday by FIFA and coach Bruce Arena was suspended for three games for arguing following the July 23 game at Costa Rica.

The suspensions mean the Americans will be missing three players for their Oct. 11 qualifier against Costa Rica at Columbus, Ohio. Midfielder Earnie Stewart and Eddie Lewis will be serving one-game suspensions for their actions in the Sept. 3 win over Guatemala.

Reyna will also miss the final game of the regional semifinals, on Nov. 15

at Barbados. The United States needs at least one win in the final two games to qualify for next year's regional finals.

Costa Rica won 2-1 the July 23 game in San Jose on Hernan Medford's penalty kick in the final minute, awarded by Jamaican referee Peter Prendergast, who ruled defender Gregg Berhalter handled the ball in the penalty area. The Americans were convinced the ball went off Berhalter's shoulder.

After the game, Reyna and Arena vehemently argued with Prendergast.

"The game in Costa Rica was an emotional defeat for us, and our reactions to that loss were equally emotional," Arena said. "We acknowledge and understand FIFA's decision in this

process, and we need to put it behind us and move forward in our preparation for these upcoming games."

With the suspension of Reyna, Tab Ramos probably will be called on to run the U.S. offense.

"Everyone that has watched me throughout my career, knows how uncharacteristic my actions were after the loss in Costa Rica, and I am sorry for losing my composure," Reyna said in a statement released by the U.S. Soccer Federation.

The USSF is investigating whether it can appeal Arena's suspension, issued by the disciplinary committee of FIFA, soccer's governing body.

Reyna's suspension is final.

Lewis must sit out the Oct. 11 game because he was ejected from the Guatemala qualifier for throwing an elbow. Stewart received his second yellow card of qualifying in that game, drawing an automatic one-game suspension.

The United States (2-1-1) is second with seven points in Group E of the semifinals of soccer's North and Central American and Caribbean region, two points behind Costa Rica (3-1) and three points ahead of Guatemala (1-2-1). Barbados (1-3) is last with three points.

Only the top two teams advance to next year's regional finals, which will produce three qualifiers for the 2002 World Cup in Japan and South Korea.

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Claudio Reyna
U.S. soccer captain

NFL

San Diego benches Leaf for game

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO

Ryan Leaf, ineffective in San Diego's first two regular-season games after a strong preseason, will not start the Chargers' game Sunday in Kansas City.

Coach Mike Riley said Thursday that Moses Moreno will open at quarterback against the Chiefs.

"I think it's our best chance to win right now," Riley said. "This is obviously something that didn't happen in the last 24 hours. I've thought about it. It's a big move."

"One of our biggest goals was to be a productive team on offense. We haven't been. I think right now our team needs a spark."

In San Diego's opening losses

to Oakland and New Orleans, Leaf threw five interceptions and had a 33.4 quarterback rating. He did throw a touchdown pass Sunday against the Saints.

"The Kansas City week has been bad for me, huh?" Leaf said, referring to a 1-for-15, five-turnover performance against the Chiefs during his rookie season.

"All three of us are capable of starting and winning for this ballclub. Jim (Harbaugh) and Moses have supported me through all this. I'm going to support Moses."

Moreno has seen limited action this season and has just one career start as a rookie with Chicago in 1998.

"It was a little shocking," Moreno said. "They have to make those decisions some-

times. He (Riley) looked me right in the eye and said, 'We feel confident, we feel comfortable with you in there.' That lets you know it's the real deal."

Riley stressed the move was based solely on performance, ending speculation that Leaf's rebuilt right shoulder was hurting or that he had been subordinate in any way.

"Absolutely not," Riley said. "I think for Ryan in the long run, and the team in the immediate, this is the right decision."

Leaf, the second pick overall in the 1998 draft, had a different take on his future.

"I don't think I'll be the starter again unless Moses goes down or is hurt," Leaf said. "It's not in my hands. I did the most I could to put myself out on the football field."

Shanahan replies to accusations

Associated Press

DENVER

After hearing a second complaint from opposing players alleging that his offensive linemen are guilty of illegal blocking techniques, Denver Broncos coach Mike Shanahan fired back.

Shanahan labeled the accusers as "whiners" and insisted Thursday that since his team hasn't been fined by the NFL for any blocking violations, his players are in compliance with league rules.

St. Louis players accused Denver linemen of making questionable blocks during the Monday night opener, won by the Rams 41-36. Broncos linemen responded that the Rams were the dirty ones, and they accused St. Louis defensive tackle D'Marco Farr of punching Denver tackle Matt Lepsis in the groin. Farr was flagged for unnecessary roughness on the play.



Shanahan

Prior to this weekend's game at Oakland, Raiders defensive tackle Darrell Russell leveled a similar charge, one he has made in previous seasons. In particular, Russell accused the Broncos of "outright holding and cut-blocking. This is a man's sport, and that's not being a man."

In response, Shanahan said, "I don't like people that whine, to start with. I'm not talking about Darrell Russell but people in general."

"Every play that we do in the offensive line is scrutinized by the NFL. If we do something illegal, we get fined for it. We haven't gotten fined. I heard the same thing after the game with the Rams. They were complaining, and there was no fine after that game. You take it for whatever it's worth."

"I get tired of people whining when we have success running the football."

After Denver's back-to-back Super Bowl titles following the 1997 and 1998 seasons, the NFL enacted blocking rules aimed particularly at curtailing some of Denver's tactics.

"They put in rules for us, supposedly because we were doing something illegal," Shanahan said. "Otherwise, we couldn't

have the success running the football like we did. Last year we were 6-10, and I didn't hear any complaints at all."

"All of a sudden after a couple of games where we run the football well, the complaints are coming back. But we haven't been fined. I kind of find it amusing."

Following Thursday's practice, Shanahan also was in a good humor concerning the health of two of his injured starters.

Running back Terrell Davis, whose recovery from reconstructive surgery on his right knee last October was slowed by a sprained left ankle in the season opener, practiced for the second straight day, as did middle linebacker Al Wilson, who has a shoulder injury.

"Terrell looked pretty good," Shanahan said. "Exactly how he'll feel by game day, I can't tell you. Hopefully there's no setback and he keeps on improving. I kept him out of contact for obvious reasons. We're still listing him as questionable. But so far, so good."

Shanahan said Wilson, who will wear a harness over his dislocated shoulder, "went through all the live contact and said he felt good. He was full go today."

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MEN'S NCAA BASKETBALL

Knight begins to move on after leaving Indiana

♦ Pacers' Thomas sees wisdom, knowledge in Knight

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS
Indiana Pacers coach Isiah Thomas

reasserted his interest in hiring Bob Knight as a mentor. Thomas said he first discussed a position with his former college coach after joining the Pacers in late July. "I'm looking for wisdom and I'm looking for knowledge. I hope that now that he has more time, he would be more involved with me as a mentor,"

said Thomas, who has never coached at any level. Knight, fired by Indiana University on Sunday for violating a zero-tolerance behavior policy imposed by university president Myles Brand, has said he still wants to coach. "That offer still stands and I hope he decides to tutor me," said Thomas, who led the Hoosiers to one of their three NCAA championships under Knight.

"When you look at the brainpower that he possesses, and the knowledge that he possesses about the game ... when you're looking at passing game and weakside defense, he wrote the book."

Thomas said Knight planned to talk with several friends he respects, including former NFL coach Bill Parcells, St. Louis Cardinals manager Tony La Russa and former college basketball coach Pete Newell, about his future.

"In the process of doing that, I think he would consider being more heavily and more involved in myself," Thomas said. "I don't think I find a better person, or a better coach to help me along."

Thomas said he was uncertain what role Knight would fill with the Pacers.

"I don't see him coming to practice every day unless he was getting paid. From my standpoint, I would love if he would be there every moment where I could say, 'Hey, coach! What do you think?' Just like Phil Jackson has with Tex Winter," Thomas said.

♦ Knight plans to visit friend LaRussa

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS

Bobby Knight will be back in the locker room Friday night — at Busch Stadium.

Knight, fired earlier this week as Indiana's basketball coach, is scheduled to visit Cardinals manager Tony La Russa on Friday, before St. Louis plays the Chicago Cubs. The two first met during La Russa's years as manager of the Oakland Athletics. Cardinals trainer Barry Weinberg, who received his master's degree at Indiana, introduced the two.

"I watched what he said. He said he's interested. There's going to be some place [he will coach]"

Tony La Russa
Cardinals' manager

It will be Knight's second visit to Busch Stadium this season.

La Russa said Thursday that he has not spoken to Knight since he was fired on Sunday after 29 seasons at Indiana.

La Russa had no insight on whether Knight would coach again.

"I have no idea, but I watched what he said," La Russa said. "He says he's interested. There's going to be some place."

Knight was one of several celebrity coaching visitors to the Cardinals' spring training site in Jupiter, Fla.

During one game, he sat on the bench with Bill Parcells and Charlie Spoonhour, a former college basketball coach at Saint Louis.

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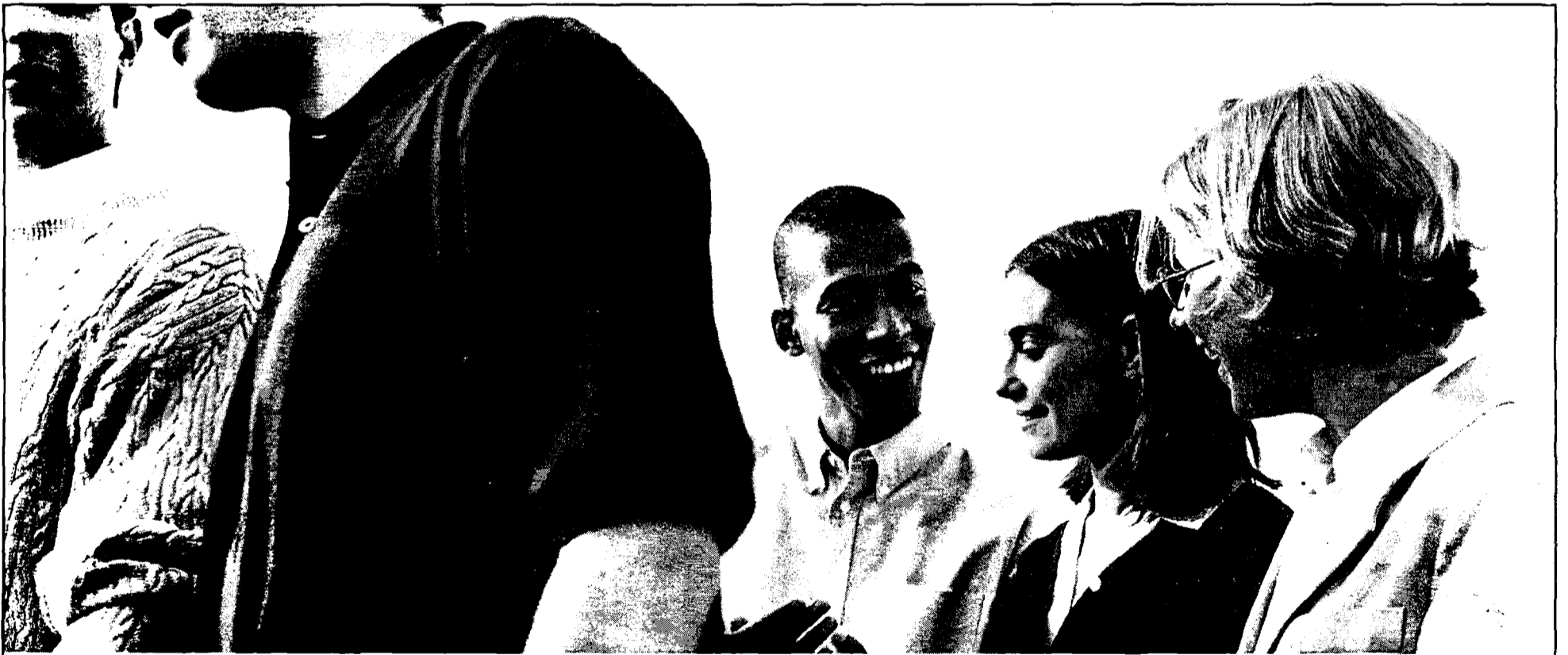
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first start of the season.

While the team has been able to create good shots all season, they have had trouble converting chances into points.

A healthy Braun would make the Irish offense quite potent.

"Erich looked pretty good," said Maio. "He's gonna take a

little time to get really flying again, but he's starting to look more like himself every practice."

In addition to adding Braun to the lineup, Head Coach Chris Apple plans to shake up the lineup a bit in other places as well.

"I think we're gonna shake things up a little with the starting lineup," said Apple. "We changed things around today in an intersquad scrimmage, and the group looked good. It's a very competitive

"Player for player we will be the more talented team. As long as our effort is right and our concentration is right we should win."

Chris Apple
head coach

team and the guys who are performing the best at the time are the ones who are

going to get to start. We should get 16 to 18 guys in the game if we do well."

Despite giving up more than one goal in both of the last two games, the defense has looked extremely strong.

Most of the goals allowed have come on breakaway goals caused by offensive breakdowns.

By eliminating these breakdowns, and adding a proven finisher to the offense, the Irish could prove very quickly to be a force to be reckoned

with in the Big East.

Apple feels extremely confident heading into Syracuse.

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WOMEN'S INTERHALL BLUE LEAGUE

Whirlwinds, Grubb take on Pyros

By JEFF BALTRUZAK, JOE LICANDRO, and MARIAH QUINN
Sports Writers

The last time Pasquerilla East and Welsh Family met, it was in the shadow of Touchdown Jesus in last year's championship game in the stadium.

This year, they reprise Welsh's triple overtime thriller on the McGlinn fields Sunday at noon.

PE is led by senior captain receiver Stacy Leicht, returning nose guard Gina Locklar and senior defensive lineman Brinda McCullough. The Pyros will have a new quarterback at the helm, sophomore Lindsay Perisay.

Leicht expects the team to have a mixed offense of run and pass. After making the finals last year, the Pyros are taking the season game by game. "We are just looking to make the playoffs," said Leicht. "We're young and very talented at the same time."

The Welsh Family Whirlwinds will rely on the services of returning senior starters Maria Feilmeyer, Alison Tullis and quarterback Katie Rak.

Welsh is counting on veteran play to be a team strength. "We have a core group of people that are sophomores that were outstanding as freshmen," said Feilmeyer.

Former varsity soccer player and four-time All-American Jenn Grubb will play for the Whirlwinds this year.

"She will be one of our greatest strengths," said Feilmeyer.

Howard vs. Lewis

The Ducks take on the Chicks in a Blue League divisional showdown Sunday at 2 p.m. on the McGlinn fields.

This game is important for both teams to get their 2000 campaigns started off in the right direction.

Lewis has a wealth of talented incoming freshmen — including quarterback Erin Nasrallah and is welcoming the return of flashy wide receiver Katie Schlosser, who missed last season while studying abroad.

While Lewis has many new faces, Howard, a playoff team a year ago, has a majority of last year's team returning and is led by star quarterback Jill Veselik and captain Jeanne Trelease. The battle of Lewis' young talent versus Howard's more experienced lineup makes for an intriguing matchup.

Cavanaugh vs. Lyons

Last year the Cavanaugh Chaos dispatched Lyons Hall in the first round of the women's flag football playoffs, and this Sunday the two teams will reunite on McGlinn Field with high hopes for the coming season.

"We're hoping to make it to the stadium," said Lyons captain senior Lisa Thomas.

"We're pretty excited. We have a decent shot of doing really well," said the Cavanaugh captain, senior Amy Szeshtak.

Lyons was 3-2-1 last year before losing in the first round of the playoffs, and Cavanaugh, 4-2 last year, made it to the second round before being eliminated.

WOMEN'S INTERHALL GOLD LEAGUE

Off-Campus teases Wild Women

By LAUREN CONTI, TODD NIETO, and JOHN BACSIK
Sports Writers

The Wild Women of Walsh Hall will face off against the Off-Campus team this Sunday at 4:00 p.m. in the season opener of Women's Gold League Interhall Football.

Spectators can expect a competitive game filled with surprises. Walsh enters still riding high off a 7-0 victory in a scrimmage against the Pasquerilla East Pyros, last season's runners-up, this past Sunday.

The Wild Women also managed to hold the score to 0-0 in a recent scrimmage against Pangborn.

The Off-Campus women have not played any scrimmages, and don't plan to before Sunday. As a result, Sunday's game is potentially full of surprises.

"They can play a wild card, you know," said Walsh coach Steve Dillenburg. "They haven't had a team in a couple of years."

Off-campus team captain and quarterback Marita Keane expresses confidence. "Everybody on our team has played before," she said. "We don't have any new players or freshmen, so we were able to get right down to business and run the plays. We're pretty confident."

The Walsh offense could take some by surprise. "We have a young offense, but we're really getting things moving on the field," said Walsh Hall quarterback Lauren Walsh. "We're fired up."

The Off Campus offense will start one of three possible quarterbacks on Sunday: Keane, formerly of Breen-Phillips Hall,

Nicole Benjamin, formerly of McGlinn Hall, or Jamie Stouffer, a Saint Mary's transfer.

"They should be pretty skilled," said Dillenburg of the Off-Campus offense. "I know they've got a bunch of good athletes from past dorm teams. We have a strong defense, though. That's where a lot of our veterans are."

"We have a lot of tricks up our sleeve," said Keane. "Because we have representatives from almost every dorm, we were able to put their plays together, compile a lot of things."

Badin vs. Pasquerilla West

One of the final games of the weekend pits the Badin Hall Bullfrogs against the Pasquerilla West Purple Weasels in a battle on the gridiron on Sunday at McGlinn field at 5 p.m.

"We are looking to get off to a good start," Badin Hall team captain Tiffney Colon said. The team is coached by Anthony Pilcher, Brett Gansen, and Patrick Scoggins and is looking to improve on last year's playoff appearance.

Returning to the Bullfrog squad is senior quarterback Prissy Clements and senior split end Betsy Cavo. "We have been practicing for awhile and are ready," said Colon.

Coached by Tony Baldea and Tim Lane, the Purple Weasels are out to defeat the Bullfrogs and are hoping to eventually secure a playoff berth.

"Badin's going down," said Weasel captain Amanda Gallen. "Coach Anthony needs to watch out."

The Pasquerilla Weasel team is lead by senior tight end Kori Yelle, middle linebacker Kelly Drief, and running back Hannah Jo.

"We are looking forward to the playoffs and playing Pasquerilla East in the stadium," Gallen said.

McGlinn vs. Farley

Last year's game between McGlinn and Farley ended in a scoreless tie. This Sunday, both teams hope to heat things up on McGlinn field.

McGlinn looks to improve on their offense from last season. Jody Greaney will be taking the snaps from freshman center Kate Van Litta.

"Jody is a tremendous athlete," said coach Geoff Heiple. "She has a strong arm, and she runs the option well."


Co-captain Mary Lenzini will be one of Greaney's main targets down the field, while Julie Kremer provides an option threat out of the backfield.

Senior linebacker Jamie Glasser looks to take care of things on the defensive end for the Shamrocks. The team lost two linebackers from last season, but their coach isn't worried. "Jamie is the heart and soul of this team, and freshman Brianne McNicholas will be a staple at linebacker," said Heiple.

Junior cornerback Christa Gray will anchor the secondary along with safety Angela Bertelli. Gray and Bertelli should have their work cut out for them against Farley quarterback Jenny Geraci.

Geraci, along with wide receivers Beth McKay and Courtney Gleason, returns from a year abroad to lead Farley's offensive attack.

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VOLLEYBALL

Belles hope to earn first win against Flying Dutch

♦ 0-8 Saint Mary's defends home court

By ALICIA ORTIZ
Sports Writer

The 0-8 Belles volleyball team will defend its home court against the 5-3 Flying Dutch of Hope College Saturday afternoon.

"We know Hope will be as much of a challenge as Kalamazoo," said Leigh Anne Matesich. "We need

to be mentally and physically prepared."

After losing to Kalamazoo College Tuesday, the Belles hope to improve their performance for upcoming games.

"Hope is always tough competition. We are looking forward to this game," said coach Julie Schroeder-Biek.

Hope defeated Saint Mary's in 1999 and finished the season with a 7-1 record.

"We always seem to play

hard against Hope. It is one of our best games," said junior Jolie LeBeau. "Our biggest goal is to be able to play as one unit."

The Belles are enthusiastic despite their record and said the coaching staff is helping them improve every game.

"The coaching staff, especially Julie Schroeder-Biek and Sue Ushela, is the best since I have been here," senior Victoria Butcko said.

The Belles derive motivation and inspiration from Schroeder-Biek.

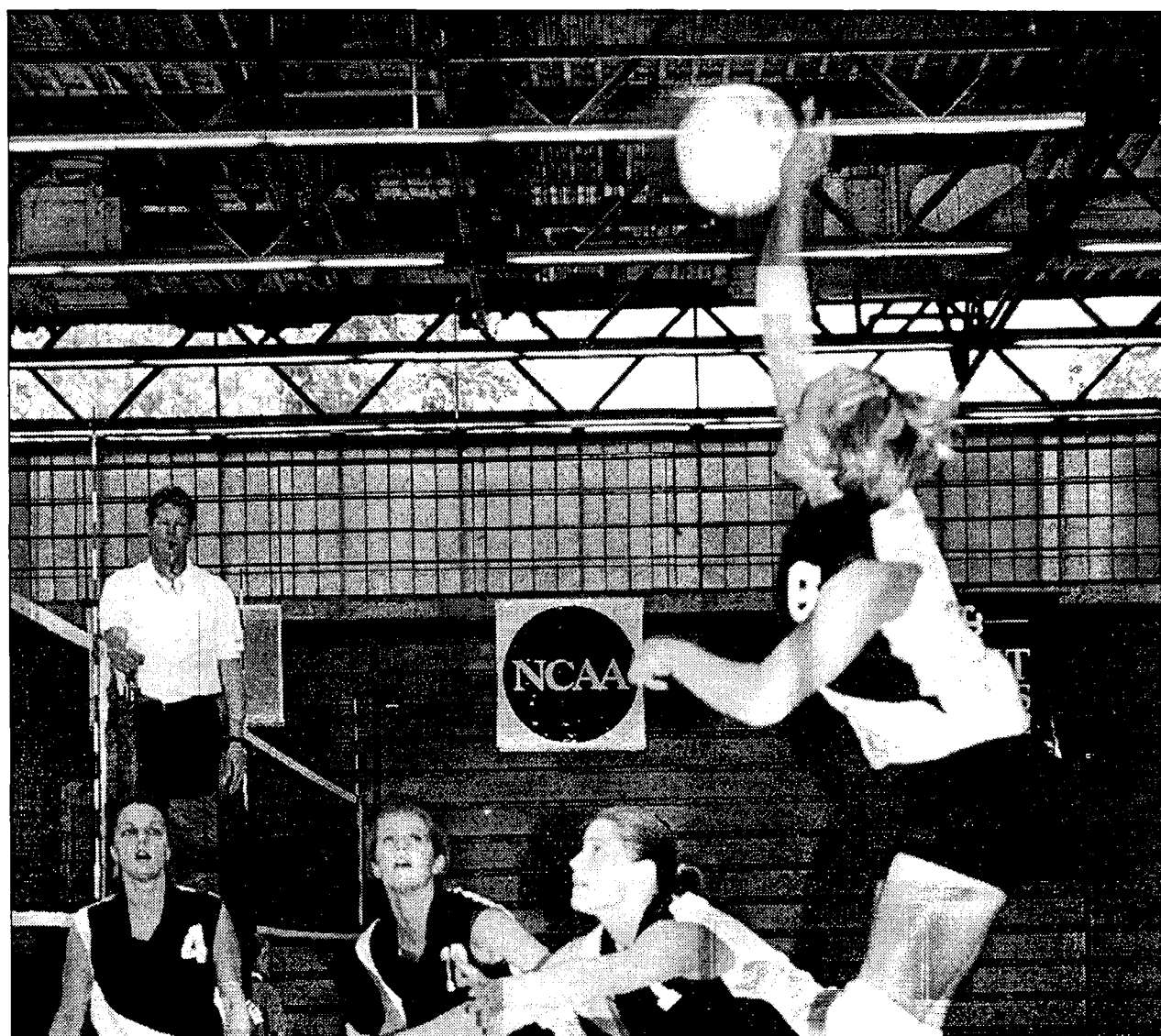
"We play to show her [Schroeder-Biek] that she has taught us well," said LeBeau. "We do it for ourselves and for her."

The Belles are focused mostly on improving this weekend.

"We want to improve with every game," said Butcko. "We want to reach and surpass goals, if we can do that on Saturday, in our eyes we will have won no matter what the scoreboard says."

"We always seem to play hard against Hope. It is one of our best games. Our biggest goal is to be able to play as one unit."

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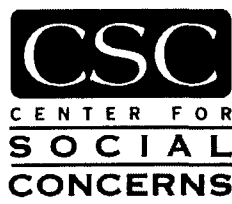


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Leigh Anne Masteich and the Belles host the Flying Dutch of Hope College Saturday. The Belles are looking to avenge their 1999 loss to the Flying Dutch.

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Irish defender Kerri Bakker clears a ball against a University of Detroit defender last week. The Irish travel to Portland to take on unbeaten No. 15 Washington and No. 23 Portland.

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Irish

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winning streak. Washington also notched an impressive win against 17th-ranked BYU.

Washington's formidable offensive attack will be anchored by seniors Tami Bennett and Theresa Wagner, who combine to form one of the nation's most potent scoring tandems.

After facing the Huskies on Friday, the Irish will face the Pilots on Sunday. The Pilots are also off to an unblemished 6-0 start, including a comeback win against the BYU Cougars.

Notre Dame will continue to play the same up-tempo style that has netted them their first five wins.

"We need to continue playing solid soccer," said Makinen. "We have to keep moving the ball around and get our chances."

As always Makinen will play a central role in creating those chances, but she won't be alone as several members of a highly touted freshmen class have stepped up.

Randi Scheller, Amy Warner and Amanda Guertin have all been solid if not spectacular for Notre Dame. Warner's blinding speed has afforded her a number of goal scoring chances, many of which she has converted, while Guertin is already one of the team's top playmakers.

"Our freshmen have really stepped up," said Makinen. "They have a great work ethic and are really amazing people."

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Saint Mary's looks to end 3-game slump against Olivet



DOROTHY CARDER/The Observer

Saint Mary's is looking for vindication Saturday against Olivet after suffering shutout losses to two ranked teams earlier this season.

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's soccer team is out for revenge.

They want vindication after three shutout losses, including 5th-ranked DePauw and 22nd-ranked Kalamazoo, the defending MIAA champion.

"We have gotten through the toughest stretch of this season," head coach Jason Milligan said. "[The DePauw, Rose-Hulman and Kalamazoo games were] a great experience for them to see different levels of competition."

As they enter Saturday's match against Olivet, the Belles will seek to avenge last year's shutout losses to the Lady Comets. The comets beat the Belles 3-0 in both the regular season the first round of the 1999 MIAA playoffs.

"We're looking forward to an entertaining game," Belles sweeper Alissa Brasseur said.

The Lady Comets finished third in the MIAA in 1999, with a league record of 5-2-1 and an overall slate of 14-4-1. They are led by head coach Mark Fales, who returns a strong corps of players.

Doris Sullivan led her team as a sophomore in 1999 in scoring and points, finding the net 15 times and finishing with 32 points, despite sitting out eight games with a broken collarbone. Junior goalie Tanja Roberts returns to the net for 2000, after recording seven shutouts and averaging less than one goal allowed per game.

Despite the Comets formidable roster, the Belles said they are ready.

"We had a great practice [Wednesday]," Milligan said. "We know exactly where we're at and where we need to go."

The Belles are looking for their second conference victory, after opening the season with a shutout of Alma. That conference victory was also the last time the Belles scored.

Olivet has also had its share of trouble this season, as it was forced to forfeit a non-conference match against Northern Michigan because of an injury. It bounced back quickly, however, to defeat Alma 2-1.

"We're excited because we know it is going to be a physical game," co-captain Jessica Klink said. "We're ready to put the pressure on."

VOLLEYBALL

Irish head to Florida riding high after sweep of Valpo

By RACHAEL PROTZMAN
Sports Writer

Notre Dame volleyball will compete in the Lady Seminole Volleyball Classic beginning today in Tallahassee, Florida.

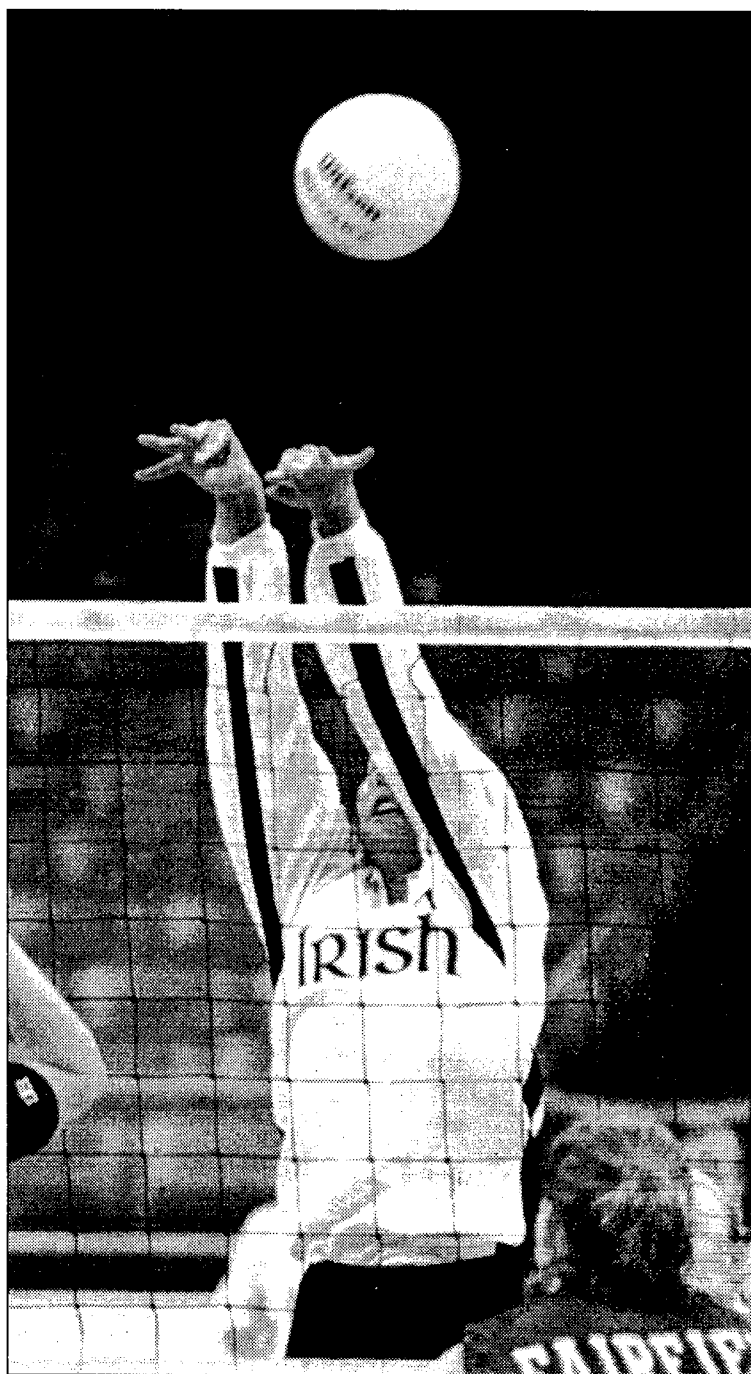
Notre Dame is coming off a three-game sweep of Valparaiso (15-7, 15-8, 15-3) which moved the Irish up to 4-3 on the season after losing their first matches of the season to No. 1 Nebraska, No. 7 UCLA and No. 17 Michigan State in the adidas Invitational held at the Joyce Center. Junior Kristy Kreher put in a strong performance last weekend with 21 kills, nine digs and four assists in game three against the

Spartans to be named to the all-tournament team while classmate Malinda Goralski racked up a career high 15 kills. Senior co-captain Denise Boylan topped Notre Dame in the Shamrock Invitational (Sept. 1-3) with 136 assists, 27 blocks, ten blocks, ten kills and five aces to be named the Big East player of the week.

Freshmen Jessica Kinder and Kim Fletcher have put in an impressive performance this year. Fletcher has totaled 18 kills, 11 digs and ten blocks while Kinder has racked up 20 digs, eight aces and eight kills. The Irish will face Florida A&M for the first time today at noon. The Rattlerettes are currently 1-

1 flowing a successful 1999 season in which they qualified for the NCAA tournament. Shante Hymore leads Florida A&M with 32 kills and 16 digs so far this season. At 7 p.m. Notre Dame will meet with Florida State for the third time in Irish history with each team having a win.

The Seminoles are currently 8-1 on the season with Alex Seveillano proving to be a threat with 125 kills and 84 digs in 2000. Saturday morning Notre Dame will face Samford for the first time. The Bulldogs are 5-3 this year with a strong performance from Shellie Ouldhouse who has totaled 104 kills and ten aces this year.



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The 4-3 Irish look to put a couple notches in the win column when they face Florida A&M and Samford.

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MEN'S INTERHALL BLUE LEAGUE

Dillon aims to avenge disappointing 1999 season end

By MATT CASSADY, JAMES VERALDI, and BRIAN SHARP
Sports Writers

The Dillon Big Red interhall football team looks for redemption Sunday afternoon as it faces an improved Stanford team at 3 p.m. at Stepan fields.

While Dillon was an impressive 3-1 during the regular season last year, the Big Red made a first round exit from the playoffs, falling victim to Knott Hall. Dillon looks to rebound from its early exit by relying on its ground game against Stanford.

"We are going to mix it up," linebacker-fullback and senior co-captain Jason Visner said. "But primarily (we will do it) on the ground."

Visner leads the defense against a Stanford offense that managed just 21 points last fall. The Griffins won their season opener 21-0 last year, and then failed to score a single point for the duration of their schedule.

"I think everyone who plays interhall has one goal: to get to the stadium at the end of the year," Griffins senior captain Hugh Roberts said. "I guess it would be good to score more than 21 points though."

In spite of last year's offensive futility, Roberts sees this season's unit as one that is on the rise.

"Last year we had some problems with passing, so we had to depend a little too much on the run," he said. "But so far, our offense has looked pretty good."

A Stanford defense — which returns 10 of 11 starters from last year — should give the offense time to develop. The presence of senior cornerback Corey Hartmann and junior defensive lineman Josh Kaakua will keep the defense up to the task of dealing with Dillon's offensive arsenal.

That offensive arsenal will only go as far as its backfield takes it. Junior running backs Chris Crane and J.P. Camardo, along

with the senior fullback Visner will carry the bulk of the offensive load for the Big Red. When the running backs are not pounding the ball at the Griffins on the ground, it will be up to junior quarterback Tayt Odom to find the open man among an unproven receiving corps.

"I will just try to spread it around and find the open man," Odom said. "I think our offense will primarily be running the ball, though."

The Stanford defense must be wary of an altogether new offensive game plan from the Big Red. This season, Dillon has changed its offensive strategy, according to Odom.

"In years past, we would run random plays here and there," he said. "But last spring after the season had ended, we sat down and went through some things, and we put a system in place." Just how well that system works will come down to execution.

"I think we are the team to beat," Visner said. "But we still have to go do it on the field."

This guarded optimism does not sell well with the Griffins. "I don't think anyone is the team to beat," Roberts said. "Look what happened to Keenan and Morrissey last year. They both thought they were going to win it all last year and neither of them made it that far."

Keenan vs. Morrissey

It may not have the hype of Notre Dame-Nebraska, but Sunday's interhall football game between Keenan and Morrissey should be just as entertaining and hard-fought.

After suffering its first loss in three seasons last year, Keenan looks to build on a young team against an optimistic and experienced Morrissey team. The game will be held at 2 p.m.

Keenan brings a very young team to the field, particularly on defense, where they have to replace many graduated seniors. The defense is lead by captain linebackers Herb Giorgio and

Brian Kuhitzer. Steve Gehrman anchors the defensive line.

Offensively, Keenan is lead by quarterback Billy Ellsworth and a young offensive line featuring mostly sophomores and freshmen. Overall, Keenan is focusing on rebuilding after dominating interhall football over the past three years.

Although relatively inexperienced in the secondary, Morrissey Hall will send an overall experienced team that lost only a few starters from a year ago.

The linebacker core of Vince DeGennaro, Jose Ronchetta, John Carver, and Joe Larson anchors the defense. Notable freshmen Justin Baumler will be rotating in at defensive end on an athletic defensive line lead by nose tackle Nick Davis.

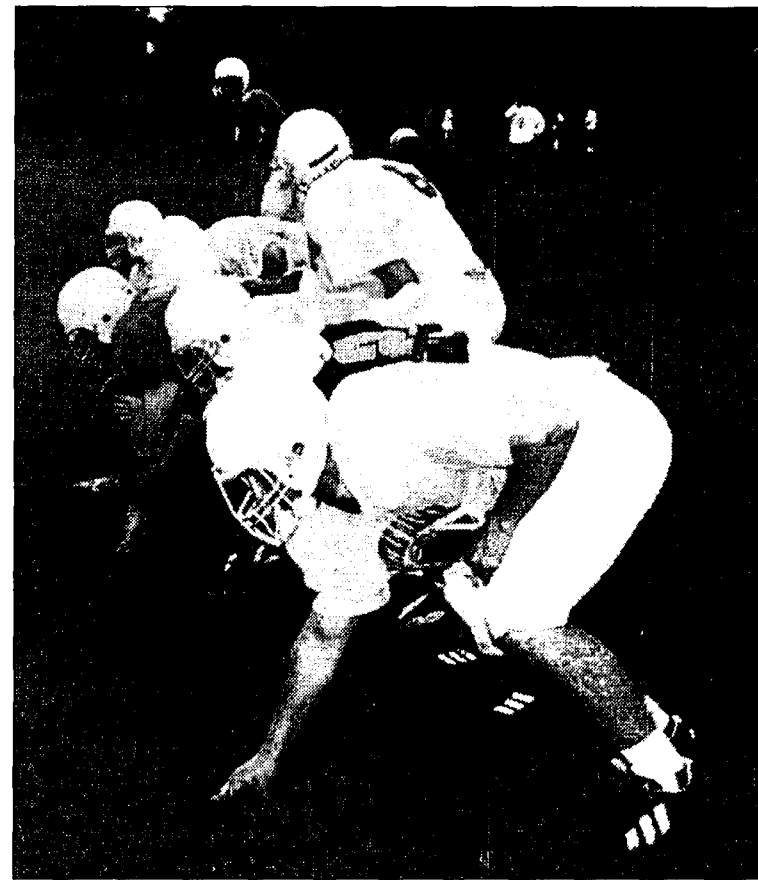
Offensively, senior captain Mark Berndt will be replacing the legendary Danny Sullivan at quarterback. Other than Josh Rife replacing Steve Barlett at tailback, most of last year's offensive starters are back. Morrissey was an underachieving team a year ago, and expects big things this year.

Alumni vs. O'Neill

This weekend, Notre Dame's varsity football team is not the only one that will enter into battle with an inexperienced hand at the helm of their battleship.

Alumni Hall will also be guided by a newcomer as they open up their season against O'Neill this weekend at 2 p.m. on Sunday with freshman Chris Cottingham getting the starting nod at quarterback. They will also start freshman Alex Roodhouse at tailback.

Alumni hopes to build on the success they had last year. Dominating throughout the regular season with a relentless



TONY FLOYD/The Observer

Alumni suits up for practice Thursday in preparation for its season opener against O'Neill.

defense, they held their opponents without a point. Despite entering into the playoffs with the number one seed, they fell in the first round.

A deep and experienced team, they return 16 players from that squad, and only took 8 new players this year. "I wish that we had thirty spots," said team captain Mitch Karam. "Some of the kids we had to cut were very talented."

Players to look out for are the freshmen offensive duo along with defensive standouts Pat Paquette and John Salivilno.

O'Neill is looking to build some momentum to start the season with after a winless 1999 campaign. Sophomore Mark Yost, one of ten returnees, when asked how his team did last year, responded simply "not too well" But he also added that they will be "looking for a W this week."

Junior quarterback Paul Irvine will lead O'Neill's wishbone attack, as they try to grind it out on their opponents. Regardless of the outcome, this should be just one of several games that will make for an exciting weekend full of great football.

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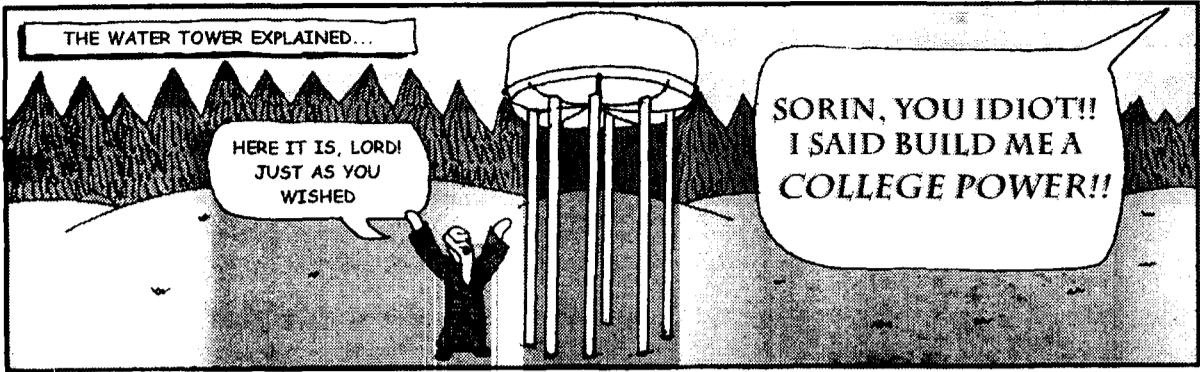
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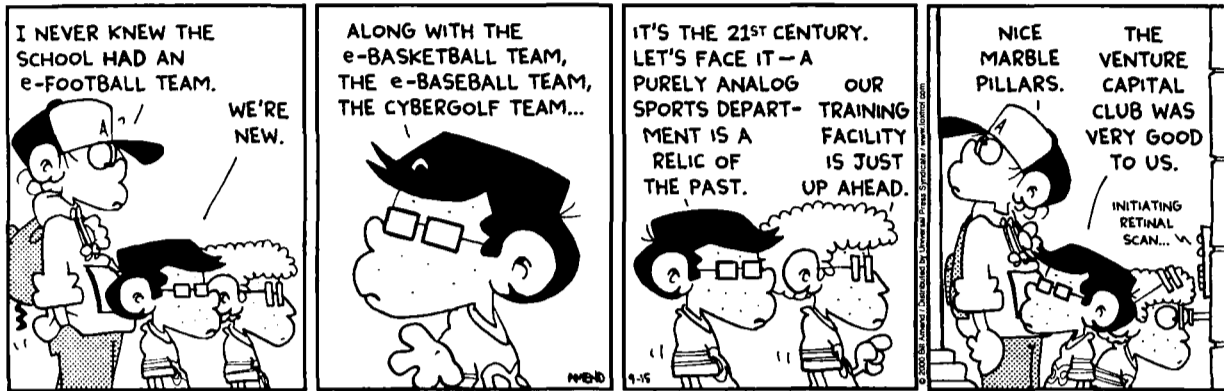
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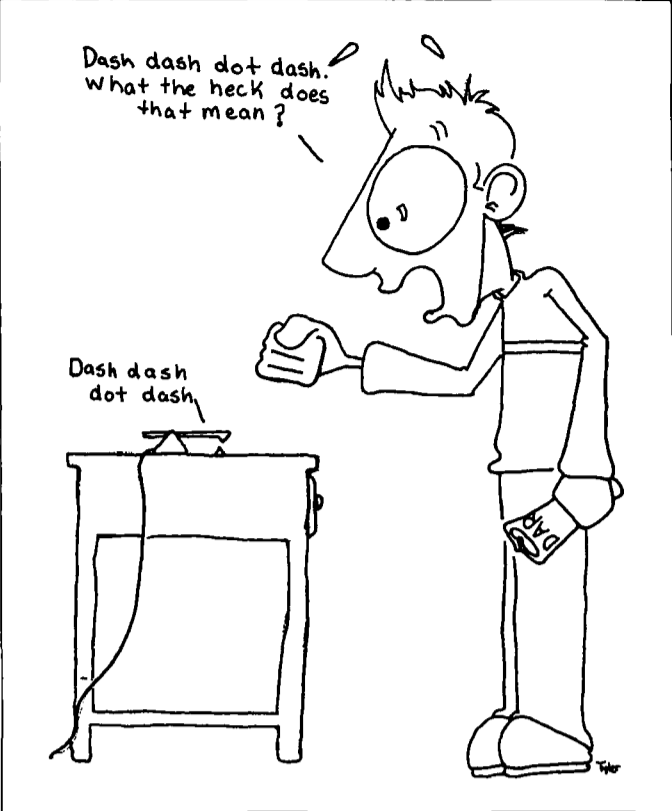
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1 They may deliver a pair of socks

6 Step across the Seine?

9 Record acronym

14 Suggestions

15 View from Airlberg Pass

16 Friend of Porky

17 "Harold and Maude" director

18 Like some strolls

20 Raid a Southern garden?

22 Bucket, maybe

23 Keyboard abbr.

24 They're on the horizon: Abbr.

26 Spanish root word?

27 Glove material

29 Ship material
- 30 Guillermo's "good"

32 GMC truck model

34 Walked through a campground?

36 Vino choice

38 No longer under

39 Gaetano's "good"

40 Aid for a group photo

42 Film producer Spiegel

45 All-natural food no-no

46 Drinking problem

47 Darkening

50 Human resources department?

53 You may be in it on the highway
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2 Hook up: Var.

3 Bailiwick

4 Bass line players

5 Give a do to

6 Hill on which Romulus lived

7 Something to shake

8 Kind of cord

9 Kind of supervision

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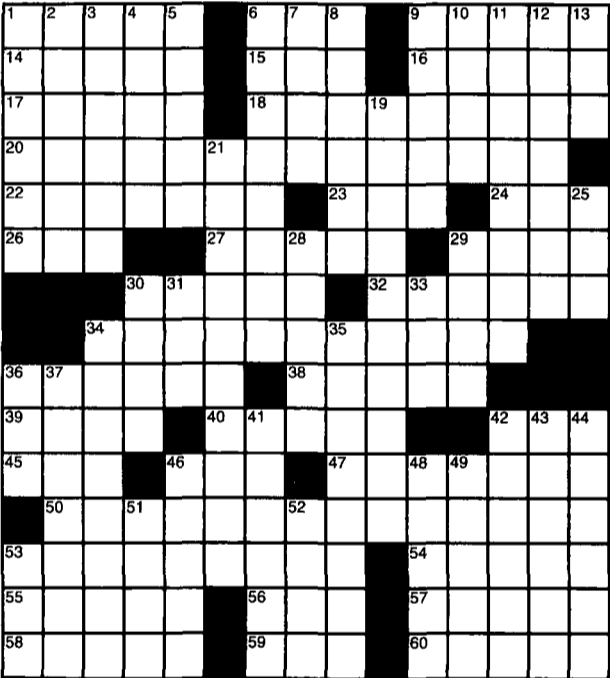
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- 34 Heroes' resting place

35 They put out high-frequency sounds

36 Fraud finder: Abbr.

37 English Channel port

41 "Four Essays on Liberty" author Berlin

42 Bridal wreath shrub

43 Like some giants
- 44 Ann ___, first woman to sign with the N.B.A.

46 "Nuthin' But a 'G' Thang" rapper

48 Pertaining to the lungs, e.g.
- 49 About to erupt

51 Bank offerings

52 Ophthalmological study

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Take hold of your future. You must put your financial situation back on track. Start rebuilding your resources. You have the ability and the energy to make the changes necessary. *****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You'll change your way of thinking if you let your lover influence you. Ulterior motives are possible and must be considered before you make a commitment from the heart. **

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You'll get into a disagreement if you push your opinions on others. You won't be willing to listen or give in to the suggestions that are offered. Don't let your stubbornness make you look bad. *****

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You need to get out and join in events that will include the whole family. You'll be admired by those less talented for the tremendous organizing job you did in order to plan such a fun-filled day. ***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You'll face troubles at home if you confront your partner with the things that you don't like about your relationship. Expect to get an earful and to spend the day by yourself if you aren't

diplomatic. ****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You've got the travel bug. Don't hesitate to pack up and take off. You need a break, and now is as good a time as any. You need to cast your fate to the wind. ****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Financial limitations will contribute to your depression. Talk to an older, established individual about your current situation and get some hints on how to budget yourself a little better. *****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You need to express yourself physically. Don't let interaction turn into a debate that will put a damper on your love life. "Make love, not war" should be your motto if you want to enjoy your day. **

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Make plans to get out with friends or sign up for a challenging event that will keep you busy. You can mix business with pleasure for favorable results, but don't get intimate with clients. *****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Attending informative events will lead to valuable knowledge that will help you get ahead. Be careful while traveling. You will be preoccupied with the knowledge you've acquired. ****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Be careful not to say something that will set off a temper tantrum at home. Trying to make changes will be like pulling teeth. It is best to sit back and relax for the time being. ***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Spend some time with individuals you regard highly. Their conversation will help you solve some of the personal dilemmas that have been causing you grief. ****

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Irish take show on road at Invitational

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

The second-ranked Notre Dame women's soccer team will compete in the Portland adidas Invitational this weekend looking to continue a recent run of success.

The Irish have been surging as of late, and are coming off impressive wins against top-10 opponents the Santa Clara Broncos and the Stanford Cardinal. After beating two West Coast teams at home, Notre Dame will take its show on the road when it heads west to take on the 15th-ranked Washington Huskies and the 23rd-ranked Portland Pilots.

Both teams are undefeated and will present challenges for Notre Dame.

"They'll both be pretty confident," said senior captain Anne Makinen. "I'm sure they're looking forward to getting a shot at us."

Makinen hopes the 5-0 Irish can avoid a letdown after last weekend's impressive showing.

"I think we're ready to get going again," she said. "At this point, there's no reason to think we're not going to get tested."

The Huskies will be looking for their first victory against the Irish, who lead the all-time series 3-0. Additionally, the Huskies must overcome a poor record against top-10 opponents (3-29-2) if they are to defeat the Irish.

The Huskies have their best shot at besting the Irish this time around. They have amassed a 6-0 record, including a monumental upset win at Santa Clara, snapping the Broncos' 45-match home

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LIZ LANG/The Observer

Notre Dame's Mia Sarkesian splits two University of Detroit defenders in a recent Irish win. The No. 2 squad will test its strengths against Washington and Portland this weekend.

MEN'S SOCCER

Irish get ready for Orangemen

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Assistant Sports Editor

Following two consecutive losses which saw the team lose both their home and conference openers despite controlling the ball in each game, the Irish men's soccer team (1-2-1, 0-1-0 conference) travels to Syracuse University on Saturday searching for their first Big East win.

The game follows a week off in which the team practiced hard to regroup from the two losses.

On Sept. 9 the Irish fell 2-0 to Boston College despite being even with the Eagles both in shots taken and time of possession of the ball.

That loss followed a heartbreaking 3-1 loss to then No. 21-ranked Bradley in which Notre Dame took 25 shots while Bradley only managed seven.

"We had a tough week of practice, so I think the guys are a lot more focused," said senior tri-captain Steve Maio. "After the two losses I think the guys know what it takes to win games no matter who we're playing. We've been putting forth a good effort all week and hopefully it'll carry over into Saturday and the rest of the season."

The Irish will field a slightly different lineup when the whistle blows.

Sophomore Erich Braun, last season's Big East Rookie of the Year, returns from a hamstring injury to make his

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MEN'S INTERHALL GOLD LEAGUE

Defending champion Knott opens season against Fisher

By ANDREW SOUKUP,
COLIN BOYLAN and
JOHNNY LEITNER
Sports Writers

Who said regular season games don't matter?

Sunday's interhall football season opener between Fisher and Knott is more than just a season opener. It's a rematch of last year's semifinal, which Knott won 7-0 in overtime on their way to the interhall championship.

"They knocked us out of the

playoffs last year," said Fisher co-captain Dahx Marrs. "I think it's safe to say we're motivated this time around."

Many can expect to see the smash-mouth football team that carried Fisher to the semifinal last year. "We're just going to keep powering through the middle," said Marrs. "We've spent most of our practices working on our offense, teaching the young guys the plays."

Quarterback Byron Levkulich will direct the Wave aerial assault, and junior Steve Doherty is one of Fisher's top

receivers.

The Wave also have an experienced defense. Junior co-captain Dean Koralis leads an elite linebacker corps that includes Ray Aftandilians, Andrew Wagemaker, and Justin Westervelt. "We're pretty solid," Koralis said. "We've got a lot of guys coming back, and I think that will make a big difference."

However, Fisher's veteran defense will have a difficult time containing Knott's versatile offense.

"I think you'll see the ball spread out a lot more simply

because we have so many offensive weapons," said Knott co-captain Brian Pawloski.

Fifth-year senior Mario Suarez returns at quarterback to lead Knott's high-powered, balanced offense. When Suarez isn't throwing to receivers Jonathan Smith and Pawloski, he's most likely handing off to running back Pat Virtue. "Pat loves to hit," Pawloski said. "He'll see someone coming at him, and he'll actually lower his shoulders and initiate contact."

Knott is just as dominant on defense. "Our defense was the

best in the league last year," Pawloski said. "This year, they can only improve." Knott's ruthless defensive line will have to play perfectly to stop Fisher's powerful running attack, anchored by tailback Zach Allen.

If Knott can force Fisher to go to the air, freshman Brian Schmutzler could make Levkulich's day miserable.

"I go up against Brian in scrimmages, and he's easily the best corner I've faced off

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***Getting
in the zone***



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Gary Godsey
Irish quarterback

"I know I can play and have confidence in my abilities. I really am ready."

"Losing Battle provides no safety net for me or this football team. All it comes down to is how we play as a football team."



Bob Davie
Irish head coach



Brock Williams
Irish cornerback

"We treated last week's game like the National Championship game and we're treating this week the same."



Drew Brees
Bollermakers quarterback

"I really don't think there's any kind of a defense or a scheme that's going to leave us ineffective."

Irish look to answer question marks

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Associate Sports Editor

Notre Dame enters Saturday's showdown with No. 13 Purdue with two Touchdown Jesus-sized question marks — how the Irish quarterback will play and whether the defense can slow down Purdue's Drew Brees.

Can sophomore Gary Godsey, a quarterback who has never taken a college snap, adequately fill the abyss left by Arnaz Battle's absence?

Godsey projects a confident demeanor, but taking the field before 80,232 fans hungry for victory could throw off even a poised veteran, let alone a rookie recruited as a tight end. He will need receivers Joey Getherall, Jabari Holloway and Dan O'Leary to do a better job of getting to the ball since Godsey cannot run the option like Battle.

"The concerns would be it's a first-time experience again," Irish head coach Bob Davie said. "Not knowing what Gary is going to do, how Gary is going to react. Taking away the creativity that Arnaz had or the ability to make plays is certainly a concern as you go in."

Notre Dame's running backs must carry a little heavier load as well. Battle led the team in rushing against Nebraska, and without him on the field, tailback Julius Jones and Co. have 107 yards to make up.

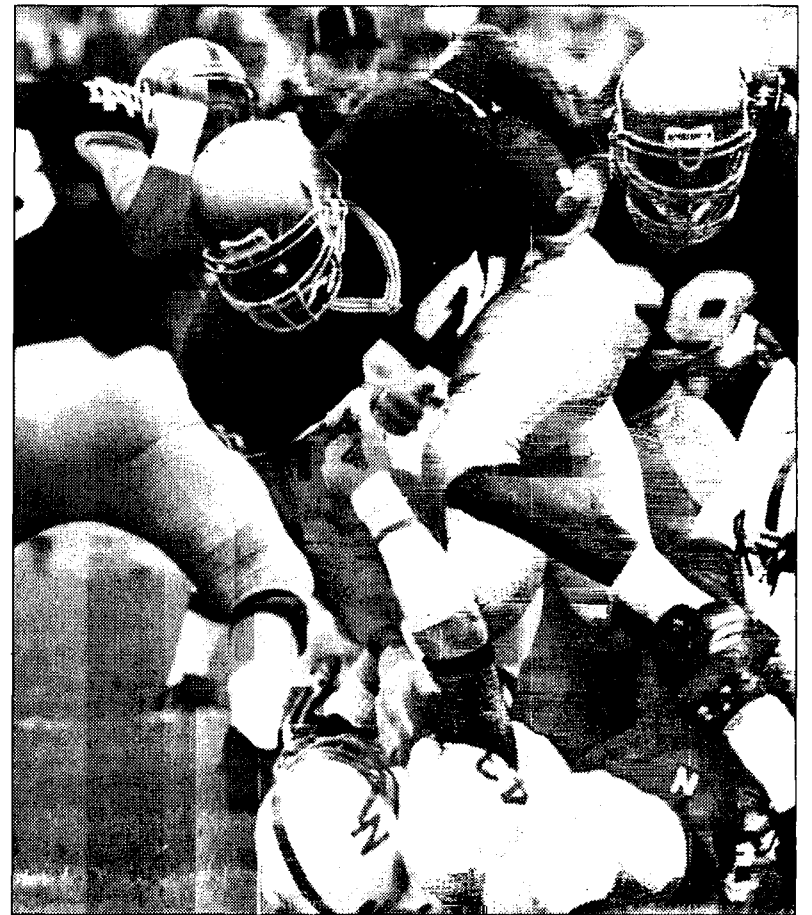
The Irish defense proved it can stop the run against the

rush-oriented No. 1 Huskers last week. The Irish limited their opponents to 21 points during regulation despite spending most of the day on the field. They clamped down on the Huskers during the clutch, holding them to 24 yards on 11 plays in the final three possessions of regulation.

But the defense, playing without senior captain Grant Irons, goes up against the wind this week. Purdue is the No. 1 team in the nation in total offense, utilizing a pass-happy attack that Notre Dame has not yet met the likes of. In the quest to shut down Brees, another interception by free safety Tony Driver or cornerback Shane Walton wouldn't hurt.

"Anytime you have a high-caliber quarterback like himself [Brees] up for the [Heisman] and with his ability to complete a lot of passes, it's a challenge for the secondary," strong safety Ron Israel said. "What we have to do is just lock in on what he does best, and that's throw, and lock in on the receivers."

A special teams display like last week could easily alter the game's outcome.




ERNESTO LACAYO/The Observer

Tailback Tony Fisher (No. 12) attempts to run over a Nebraska defender last week. He will be a key part of this week's offense.

Kicker Nick Setta is a flawless six-for-six in points after touchdowns and two-for-two in field goal attempts this season. The Irish average 37.6 yards per kick return, a number bolstered by Jones' 100-yard touchdown return last week, and Getherall dashed

back an 83-yard punt return against Nebraska.

"I think it all boils down to making tackles in the secondary, and if the receiver does catch the ball, not letting him get yards after the catch," Notre Dame cornerback Brock Williams said.



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Godsey takes helm of Irish offense

♦ **Florida native came to Notre Dame a tight end**

By KERRY SMITH
Sports Editor



Godsey

Gary Godsey sat in his home two years ago as Irish head coach Bob Davie tried to convince him to come to Notre Dame.

Had Davie told Godsey, then a senior at Jesuit High School in Tampa, Fla., that he would emerge as Notre Dame's starting quarterback in the third game of his sophomore season, Godsey would have packed his bags and caught the next flight to South Bend.

"I grew up loving Notre Dame," Godsey said. "I guess it was just right. I was going to Catholic school and I knew that's what I wanted to do."

But it was not that easy.

Davie refused to recruit Godsey as a quarterback, but two years and an injured starting signal caller later, Davie is counting on the sophomore to pull the Irish through the rest of the season.

"When I went into Gary Godsey's house, I said, 'Look, we're not going to recruit you as a quarterback because I gave my word to some other young man [C.J. Leak] that I would only take one quarterback and he's told me he's coming. I know that's going to stink. You have to sit down and you have to make a decision if you want to come to Notre Dame as a tight end. Is it worth it to you?'"

Luckily for Davie and the Irish it was.

"What can you say, it's Notre Dame," Godsey said. "That's all there is to it: it's Notre Dame."

Godsey could have gone to any of a number of big-name schools, including Purdue, as a quarterback recruit, but the lure of the blue and gold was too strong for a young man who grew up in the shadow of football greatness.

His father was a star at Alabama, while his older brothers have made names for themselves at Air Force and Georgia Tech.

Regardless of the outcome of Notre Dame's matchup with No. 12 Purdue, Godsey will also make a name for himself after Saturday.

The Irish hope it is a good one — Godsey knows it will be.

"I know I can play and have confidence in my abilities," Godsey said. "I really am [ready]. This is what you wait for as a football player. I have a chance right now and it's kind of like I was thrown into it, but that's just how football is. You have to

"This is what you wait for as a football player. I have a chance right now and it's kind of like I was thrown into it, but that's just how football is."

Gary Godsey
quarterback

position: quarterback
year: sophomore
awards: USA Today honorable mention All-America pick in high school, rated 25th nationally by Chicago Sun-Times, rated one of top 25 Florida prospects by Palm Beach Post, team captain and MVP, two-time all-state selection
notables: completed 12 of 23 passes for 148 yards in 2000 Blue-Gold final spring game, has not seen varsity action.

be ready and I will be ready."

Ready or not, Heisman-candidate Drew Brees and the Boilermakers plan to steamroll through South Bend and leave with their unblemished record intact. Much of Purdue's glory has come from its fifth-year quarterback Brees, but the Boilermaker defense is nothing to shrug at, especially with an untested quarterback at the Irish helm.

With the loss of quarterback Arnaz Battle to a broken navicular bone in his left wrist, Davie and the Irish need to alter the offense to tailor it to Godsey's strengths. The 6-foot-7, 235-pound sophomore cannot run the option, a big blow to an Irish strategy that prided itself on Battle's proven ability as a scrambler.

"Arnaz created so much offense on his own," Davie said. "You think back to the A&M game, the linebacker comes one time completely clean, smacks him on the blind side; he breaks tackle, spins out of there. Another time a corner comes, hits him right flush in the back again; and he makes the play. You go to the Nebraska game, 1st and 20, he scrambles for 43 yards out of the empty formation. He was able to create plays within our offense, and our offense is built on that. Taking away the creativity that Arnaz had or his ability to make plays is certainly a concern as you go in."

Even though the option is not much of an option, no one on the Irish sideline is questioning Godsey's abilities behind the line of scrimmage.

"[The offense] will not be limited in any way because it is Gary Godsey," Davie said. "We'll just



LIZ LANG/The Observer

Sophomore quarterback Gary Godsey has seen his share of practice time for the Fighting Irish. However, Saturday will be his first time taking a snap in a college game, and all eyes are on him.

do some different things. It's obvious we're not going to do as much, if any, option with Gary in the game. I'm not giving away any secret there. But we're going to throw the ball — maybe in some situations a little bit better. If he gets into a rhythm and gets comfortable, I'm totally comfortable with him."

Godsey, who played the quarterback position for only two years in high school, proved he was capable of leading the offense in the spring drill's Blue and Gold game.

"The spring was really important," Godsey said. "I hadn't played in front of people in a year — since high school. I was

able to get a feel for the stadium and it gave me some confidence."

The then-No. 2 quarterback completed 12 of 23 passes for 148 yards.

Godsey's debut in the Blue and Gold game is nothing compared to the spotlight that will shine down Saturday on the rookie.

"I'm getting a lot of help from the other guys in practice," Godsey said. "They're picking their levels up to help me out. The thing I need to be ready for is just going out on the field — I know things are going to come at me a lot faster in the game."

If Godsey's work ethic and dedication is any indication of

his ability to rise to a challenge, Davie is confident in his new quarterback.

When Godsey knew there was only a slight chance of him ever controlling the ball for the Irish this season, the tight-end recruit slimmed down from 260 to 235, studied the offense and refused to be discouraged by Notre Dame's decision to recruit three freshmen quarterbacks.

"Gary Godsey did not tuck his tail. Gary Godsey sat and kept working," Davie said.

It is that work ethic that the Irish will be counting on Saturday when they step onto the field.

**up close &
personal
WITH GARY GODSEY**

birthdate: March 16, 1981
hometown: Tampa, Fla.
dorm: O'Neill Hall
major: business
dimensions: 6-foot-7,
240 lbs.

"It's the fear of the unknown. You can hope he goes out there and focuses and just acts like it's another practice."

Kevin Rogers
offensive coordinator

"I feel more comfortable about the situation right now than I did [when Battle replaced Jackson at USC]."

Bob Davie
head coach

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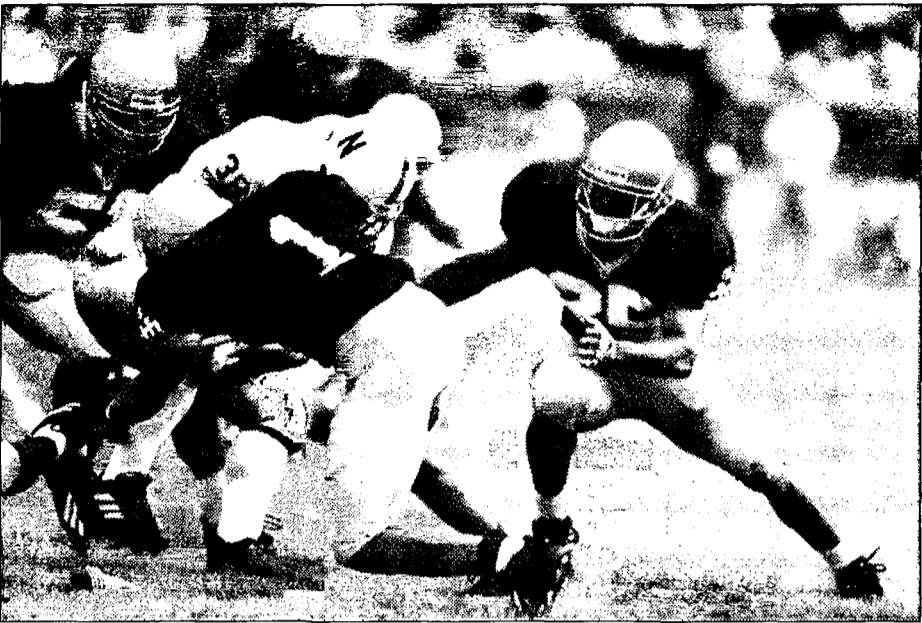
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2	Dan Novakov	QB	6-1	220	SO
3	Arnaz Battle	QB	6-1	218	JR
5	Ron Israel	SS	6-0	208	SR
6	David Givens	FL	6-3	217	JR
7	Carlyle Holiday	QB	6-2	190	FR
8	Lorenzo Crawford	WR	5-11	175	FR
9	Jared Clark	QB	6-4	220	FR
10	Matt LoVecchio	QB	6-3	200	FR
10	Ryan Krueger	QB	5-9	178	JR
11	Jay Johnson	SE	5-11	195	FR
12	Tony Fisher	TB	6-2	225	JR
13	Nick Setta	K/P	6-0	175	SO
13	Joe Recendez	QB/TE	6-0	222	SR
14	Gary Godsey	QB	6-7	240	SO
15	Clifford Jefferson	CB	5-9	180	JR
16	Abram Elam	QB/DB	6-1	190	FR
17	Joey Hildbold	P	5-10	190	SO
18	Joey Getherall	FL	5-7	175	SR
19	Glenn Earl	SS	6-2	215	SO
20	Gerome Sapp	FS	6-0	210	FR
21	Javin Hunter	SE	6-0	186	JR
22	Julius Jones	TB	5-10	201	SO
23	Chris Yura	FB	5-11	211	SO
24	Chad DeBolt	CB	5-10	193	SO
25	Tony Driver	FS	6-2	220	SR
26	Garron Bible	RB	5-10	185	FR
27	Jason Beckstrom	CB	5-10	190	SO
28	Donald Dykes	SS	5-11	195	JR
29	Justin Smith	FS	5-11	193	SR
29	Brian Oleniczak	FL	5-11	195	SR
30	Rocky Boiman	OLB	6-4	240	JR
31	Dwayne Francis	CB	6-0	195	JR
32	Terrance Howard	TB	6-1	195	JR
33	Courtney Watson	ILB	6-1	220	SO
34	Vontez Duff	RB	6-1	175	FR
34	Jascint Vukelich	FB	5-10	229	SR
35	David Miller	K	5-11	191	JR
35	Tim O'Neill	TB	5-5	170	JR
36	Tom Lopienski	FB	6-1	245	JR
38	Preston Jackson	DB	5-10	172	FR
38	Eric Nelson	LB	6-0	225	JR
39	Anthony Denman	ILB	6-2	235	SR
40	Jason Murray	FB	6-1	259	SR
41	Mike Goolsby	LB	6-4	225	FR
42	Shane Walton	CB	5-11	183	JR
43	Anthony Brannan	ILB	5-10	215	SR
44	Grant Irons	DE	6-5	275	SR
45	Matt Sarb	SS	5-11	201	JR
46	Jeremy Juarez	FB	5-11	251	SR
47	Mike McNair	FB	6-0	240	JR
48	Kyle Budinscak	DL	6-5	250	FR
48	Derek Curry	LB	6-4	225	FR
50	Cedric Hilliard	DT	6-2	290	SO
51	Tyreo Harrison	ILB	6-2	242	JR
51	Jeff Faine	C	6-3	292	SO
52	Mark Mitchell	OLB	5-10	220	SR
53	Jason Halvorson	LB	6-2	230	SO
54	Luigi Rao	ILB	5-10	215	SR
55	Jim Jones	OG	6-2	310	SR
56	Pat Ryan	ILB	6-3	235	SO
57	Justin Thomas	OLB	6-1	245	SO
58	Joseph Mueller	LB	5-11	195	SR
59	Brian Dierckman	ILB	6-1	255	SR
60	Darrell Campbell	DE	6-4	285	SO
61	Mike Zelenka	FB	6-0	225	SR
62	Casey Robin	OT	6-7	305	SR
63	Brennan Curtin	OT	6-8	315	SO
64	John Crowther	C	6-2	240	JR
65	Sean Milligan	OG	6-4	295	SO
66	JW Jordan	C	6-1	275	SR
67	Ryan Gillis	OG	6-3	292	SO
69	Mike Gandy	OG	6-4	315	SR
70	Jim Molinaro	DE	6-6	265	SO
72	Ryan Scarola	OG	6-5	301	JR
73	Adam Tibble	K	5-11	201	JR
75	Kurt Vollers	OT	6-7	310	SR
76	John Teasdale	OT	6-5	305	SR
77	Greg Pauly	DL	6-6	275	FR
78	Jordan Black	OT	6-6	310	JR
79	Sean Mahan	OT	6-3	288	JR
80	Omar Jenkins	WR	6-2	180	FR
81	Jerome Collins	WR	6-4	200	FR
82	Ronnie Rodamer	WR	6-4	185	FR
83	Bernard Akatu	SE	5-10	180	JR
83	Josh Gentile	K/P	5-11	199	SO
84	John Owens	DE	6-3	265	JR
85	Jeffrey Campbell	TE/DE	6-1	200	JR
86	Dan O'Leary	TE	6-3	260	SR
87	Jabari Holloway	TE	6-3	260	SR
88	Jovan Witherspoon	WR	6-4	205	FR
89	Gerald Morgan	TE	6-4	261	JR
90	Lance Legree	NG	6-1	285	SR
91	Andrew Dempsey	DE	6-2	265	SR
92	Matt McNew	K	6-3	200	SR
93	B.J. Scott	DT	6-3	290	SR
94	Andy Wisne	DT	6-3	272	SR
95	Ryan Roberts	DE	6-2	251	JR
96	Billy Palmer	TE	6-3	250	FR
98	Anthony Weaver	DT	6-3	276	JR
99	Jason Sapp	LB	6-3	230	FR

IN POSITION: secondary



LIZ LANG/The Observer

Cornerback Brock Williams (No. 1) and free safety Tony Driver (No. 25) get in on the action in a tackle of Nebraska's Dan Alexander (No. 38) in Notre Dame's 27-24 loss.

Irish have hands full in Brees

Observer Staff Report

Attempting to tie down a Heisman candidate is no easy task, but it's one the Irish secondary plans to accomplish Saturday.

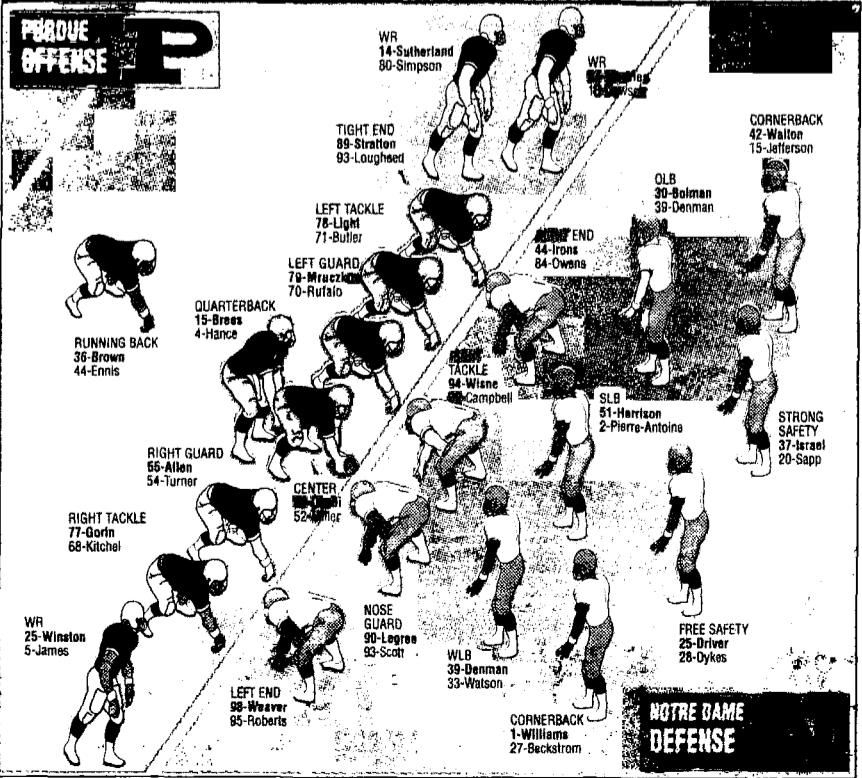
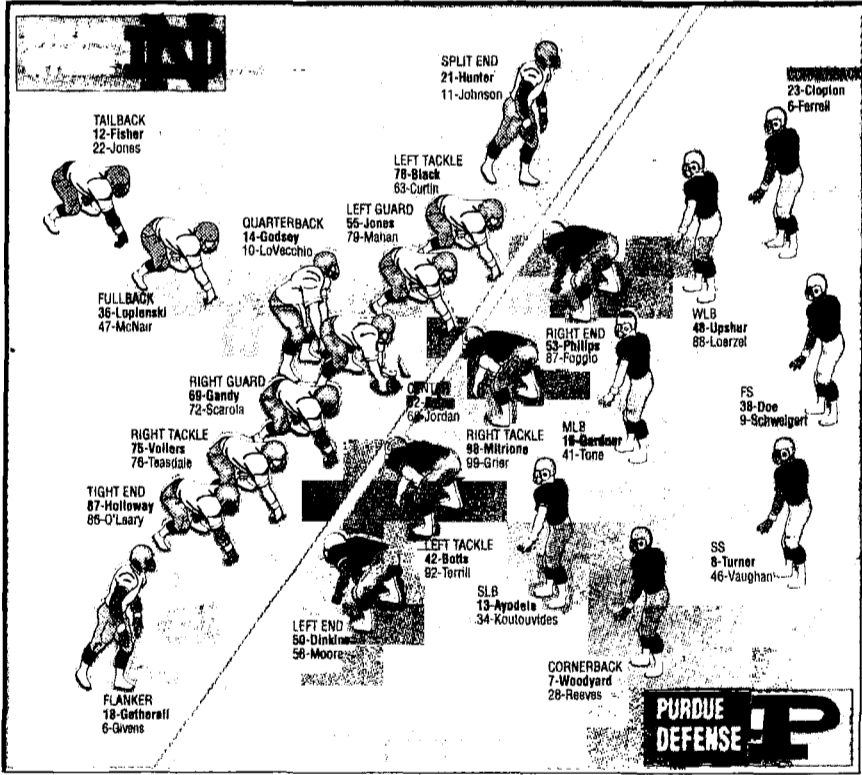
Senior free safety Tony Driver is Notre Dame's second-leading tackler with 20 on the year. The 6-foot-2, 220-pounder added a 19-yard interception return against Texas A&M. If he continues in the same way, he may fulfill

preseason All-America predictions.

Joining Driver on the secondary is a veteran lineup in senior cornerback Brock Williams, junior cornerback Shane Walton and senior strong safety Ron Israel.

In two games, the Irish have been called for five pass interception penalties, a mistake they can't afford to repeat, especially not with All-American quarterback Drew Brees in town. On the up side, they have added two interceptions.

DEPTH CHARTS



Boilermakers schedule

Sep. 2	CENTRAL MICHIGAN	W
Sep. 9	KENT STATE	W
Sep. 16	Notre Dame	
Sep. 23	MINNESOTA	
Sep. 30	at Penn State	
Oct. 7	MICHIGAN	
Oct. 14	at Northwestern	
Oct. 21	at Wisconsin	
Oct. 28	OHIO STATE	
Nov. 11	at Michigan State	
Nov. 18	INDIANA	



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career record:
66-42-1
at Purdue:
27-12
against Notre
Dame: 2-1

Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR
2	Tim Olmstead	LB	6-2	235	SO
2	Gary Hoaggans	WR	6-3	185	FR
3	Montrell Lowe	RB	5-8	186	SO
4	Brandon Hance	QB	6-1	185	FR
5	Chris James	WR	5-10	180	SO
6	Deaunte Ferrell	RB/DB	5-11	185	FR
7	Ashante Woodyard	CB	6-2	204	CB
8	Ralph Turner	SS	6-2	209	SO
9	Stuart Schweigert	WR/DB	6-3	194	FR
10	David Edgerton	QB	6-1	221	SR
11	Scott Kurz	K/P	6-1	194	JR
12	Antwaun Rogers	CB	6-2	158	FR
13	Akin Ayodele	DE/ILB	6-3	247	JR
14	Vinny Sutherland	WR	5-9	188	SR
15	Drew Brees	QB	6-1	220	SR
16	Gilbert Gardner	WR	6-2	205	WR
17	Ben Smith	FS	6-3	209	JR
18	Keith Dawson	WR	6-3	206	JR
18	Jon Getz	SS	6-1	184	SO
19	R'Kes Starling	CB	5-7	187	JR
20	Chuck McQuaid	CB	5-11	200	CB
21	Taylor Stubblefield	WR	6-1	165	WR
22	Rich Gillerece	RB/DB	6-2	195	FR
23	Chris Clopton	CB	5-7	170	SR
24	Joey Harris	RB	5-11	200	FR
25	Donald Winston	WR	5-6	160	SR
26	Carl Buegler	DB	6-0	207	SO
27	Daveon Walker	SS	5-10	182	FR
28	Jacques Reeves	CB	6-1	180	FR
29	Aaron Levin	P	5-11	185	FR
30	Travis Dorsch	K/P	6-6	212	JR
31	Brandon Robinson	RB	5-10	194	SO
31	Sean Morris	CB	5-6	158	SO
32	Cornell Middlebrook	LB	6-2	225	SO
33	Jared Curtis	CB	5-9	164	SO
33	Drew Witchger	K	5-10	180	SO
34	Niko Koutouvides	LB	6-3	230	FR
35	Marcus Hill	CB	5-8	156	SO
36	Sedrick Brown	RB	6-1	242	SO
37	Bryan Jacquay	CB	5-8	167	SR
38	Brady Doe	FS	6-0	188	JR
39	Jon Goldsberry	RB/LB	6-3	215	FR
40	Kevin Nesfield	LB	6-3	221	SO
41	Alex Tone	LB	5-10	210	JR
42	Brent Botts	DT	6-3	265	DT
43	Daniel Giles	DT	6-1	237	SO
44	Steve Ennis	RB	6-0	218	SO
45	Jacob Rowe	RB	5-9	213	SO
46	Tom Vaughan	SS	6-0	199	SR
47	Landon Johnson	LB	6-2	217	SO
48	Tim Upshur	SS	6-1	205	JR
49	Eric Reynolds	LB	6-3	200	SO
50	Brian Dinkins	DE	6-2	263	SR
51	Joe Odom	LB	6-2	223	SO
52	Max Miller	C	6-3	282	SO
53	Shaun Phillips	DE	6-3	239	SO
54	Rob Turner	OG	6-4	301	SO
55	Ian Allen	OG	6-5	290	SR
56	Chukky Okobi	C	6-1	316	SR
58	Warren Moore	DE	6-3	253	SR
59	Doug Swann	LB	6-5	215	FR
60	Kory Smith	LS	6-1	225	SO
61	Mike Gurnee	C	6-2	326	JR
62	Vedran Dzolovic	DE	6-3	239	SO
63	Dave Owen	DE	6-6	255	FR
64	John James	LS	6-5	265	JR
65	Chad Martin	OL	6-4	256	FR
66	Jason Eisele	OL	6-5	248	FR
68	Kelly Kitchel	OT	6-6	286	SO
69	John Shelbourne	LS	6-6	264	SO
70	Sean Rufofo	OG	6-2	291	JR
71	Kelly Butler	OT	6-8	285	FR
72	Josh Kirkpatrick	OT	6-0	284	JR
73	Pat Mankin	OG	6-3	287	JR
74	Nick Pilipauskis	OL	6-2	246	SO
75	Tyler Moore	OL	6-7	255	FR
76	Rafael Dengra	TE	6-0	230	SR
77	Brandon Gorin	OT	6-6	294	SR
78	Matt Light	OT	6-5	297	SR
79	Gene Mruczkowski	OG	6-2	299	SO
80	A.T. Simpson	WR	6-4	222	JR
81	Chris Randolph	TE	6-4	252	JR
82	John Standeford	WR	6-4	180	FR
83	Andre Henderson	WR	6-3	195	FR
84	Seth Morales	WR	5-10	165	SO
85	Court Stephens	DT	6-3	265	SR
86	Joe Roa	TE	6-2	203	JR
87	Rocco Foggio	DE	6-5	291	SR
88	Jason Loerzel	LB	6-3	213	JR
89	Tim Stratton	TE	6-4	250	JR
90	Derrick Williams	DT	6-4	308	SR
91	Jordan Dame	TE	6-3	292	SO
92	Craig Terrill	DE	6-3	270	SO
93	Pete Lougheed	TE	6-5	272	SO
94	Luke Burroughs	DE	6-4	223	FR
95	Jody Goatley	DT	6-3	260	SR
96	Mike Lawrence	DT	6-5	265	FR
97	Bernardo Nino	DE	6-3	292	JR
98	Matt Mittrione	DT	6-3	278	JR
99	Daemon Grier	DT	6-1	302	SO

EYE ON THE ENEMY

Stopping Brees will be tough task for Irish

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Associate Sports Editor

Notre Dame fans may be looking at this year's Heisman Trophy winner Saturday when Purdue quarterback Drew Brees blows into town.

The Fighting Irish hope their only view of Brees will be of the senior quarterback on the ground after being sacked by a Notre Dame defender.

A year ago, Brees was sacked just 15 times, or once every 38 throws. He finished fourth in Heisman balloting a year ago after passing for 3,909 yards and throwing 25 touchdowns on the season. This year, he's an odds-on favorite to walk away with the Heisman.

"They come in with the potential Heisman Trophy winner at quarterback," Irish coach Bob Davie said of the Boilermakers. "They are the No. 1 college team in football right now on total offense. They have an opportunity, I would think, to red letter in this game."

Despite all his success, Brees still has something to prove

against the Irish. While he has passed for a total of 578 yards in the last two games with Notre Dame, Brees has also tossed three passes into the hands of Notre Dame defenders. Two years ago, Notre Dame's Tony Driver intercepted a pass at game's end and returned it for the game-winning touchdown.

"Our whole entire focus is on Drew Brees and their offense, from a secondary perspective," strong safety Ron Israel said.

Notre Dame's secondary will spend the day under pressure as Purdue senior Vinny Sutherland offers a sure-handed mark for Brees. The wide receiver caught six passes for 86 yards and two touchdowns in his first game of the year. Freshmen John Standeford and junior tight end Tim Stratton complement Sutherland.

The Irish should be in better position to stop the Boilermakers on the ground. The Boilermakers employ a balanced, but less-used rushing game. They average 156.5 yards rushing per game, but only sophomore Sedrick Brown runs for more than 35 yards per outing.

Purdue's defense is imposing on paper, having given up only 10 points on the year. At second glance, however, the quality of their opponents wasn't so great. Purdue's first two opponents were Central Michigan and Kent State, teams that went a combined 6-16 in '99.

The loss of Notre Dame's starting quarterback Arnaz Battle should give the Boilermakers cause for a big sigh of relief, since their defensive roster was decimated by graduation.

On special teams, Purdue kicker Travis Dorsch is three for four on field goal attempts this year, and averages 52.2 yards per punt. The Boilermakers' punt return and kick return crews are strong, but the Irish have squeezed their first two opponents into poor showings.

"There might not be many times where guys are getting tackled and helping each other off the ground," Brees said. "This might be one of those games where you just try to knock their heads in the dirt, talk a little bit, get back in the huddle, go out and try to do it again."



JOHN DAILY/The Observer

Purdue quarterback Drew Brees goes up for a pass in last year's 28-23 victory over Notre Dame. The senior is a candidate for the Heisman Trophy.

fast facts

ABOUT
PURDUE

- ◆ Location: West Lafayette, Ind.
- ◆ Enrollment: 36,878
- ◆ Colors: Old Gold and Black
- ◆ Nickname: Boilermakers
- ◆ Conference: Big Ten
- ◆ Fight Song: "Hail Purdue"

- ◆ Notre Dame and Purdue have met for 55 straight years — tied with USC for the Irish's second-longest rivalry — behind only Navy.
- ◆ Purdue has not won a game at Notre Dame since 1974.



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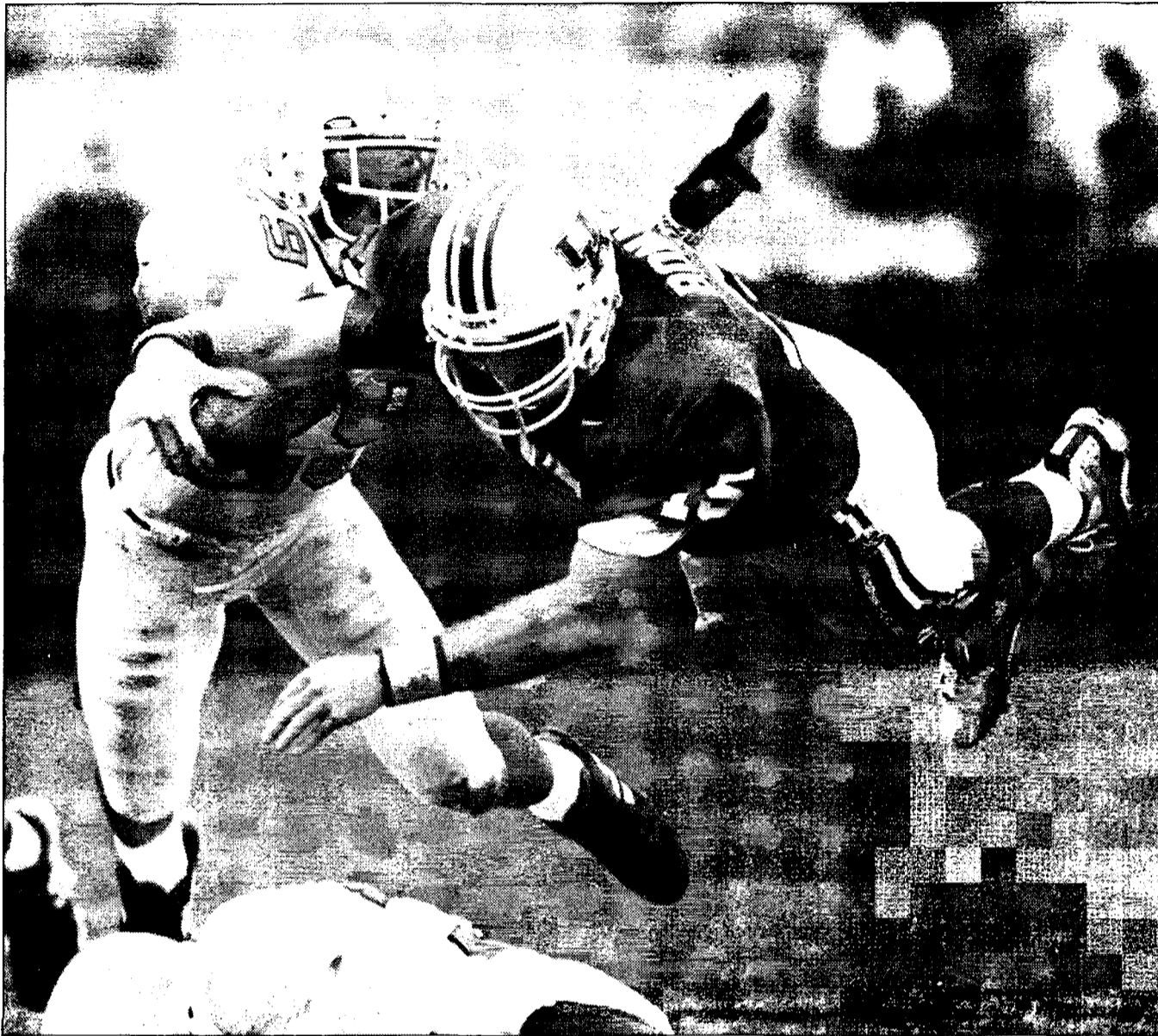
Associated Press Top 25

	team	record	points
1	Nebraska	1-0	1,736
2	Florida State	1-0	1,725
3	Michigan	1-0	1,513
4	Wisconsin	1-0	1,493
5	Texas	1-0	1,391
6	Florida	0-0	1,345
7	Kansas State	2-0	1,334
8	Virginia Tech	1-0	1,263
9	Washington	1-0	1,245
10	Southern California	1-0	1,119
11	Tennessee	1-0	964
12	Miami (Fla.)	1-0	901
13	Purdue	0-1	824
14	UCLA	1-0	805
15	Alabama	1-0	773
16	Clemson	1-0	766
17	Ohio State	1-0	612
18	Oklahoma	1-0	591
19	Illinois	1-0	528
20	TCU	1-0	487
21	NOTRE DAME	1-0	398
22	Michigan State	0-0	354
23	Georgia	1-0	166
24	Auburn	0-0	150
25	Southern Mississippi	0-1	125

ESPN/USA Today poll

	team	record	points
1	Nebraska	2-0	1,461
2	Florida State	2-0	1,415
3	Michigan	2-0	1,336
4	Florida	2-0	1,241
5	Wisconsin	2-0	1,165
6	Texas	1-0	1,137
7	Kansas State	2-0	1,124
8	Virginia Tech	2-0	1,113
9	Tennessee	1-0	916
10	Washington	2-0	875
11	Southern California	2-0	842
12	Purdue	2-0	797
13	Alabama	1-1	707
14	Miami (Fla.)	1-1	669
15	Ohio State	2-0	597
16	Clemson	2-0	572
17	UCLA	2-0	564
18	Oklahoma	2-0	469
19	Illinois	2-0	438
20	Michigan State	1-0	326
21	TCU	1-0	321
22	Georgia	1-1	283
23	NOTRE DAME	1-1	163
24	Auburn	2-0	115
25	Colorado State	2-0	111

GAME OF THE WEEK



The Volunteers lost defensive back Mikki Allen (No. 29), pictured here in a 1999 game against the Kentucky Wildcats. Tennessee had 11 players drafted by the NFL, and will be hard-pressed to win at Florida.

AFP Photo

Gators hope to sink Vols in Swamp

By PEYTON BERG
Sports Writer

Florida hosts the annual game for SEC East supremacy, pitting the No. 9 Volunteers against the No. 4 Gators in The Swamp. Last week, Georgia lost a key conference game when it fell to South Carolina. This loss will give the winner of Saturday's game a decisive early edge in the conference standings.

Forget statistics, these two teams don't like each other.

Gator fans saw last year's 9-4 campaign as a losing season, and look to contend for the National Championship once again. Look for another vintage contest that showcases speed, hard hits, high-octane offenses and plenty of trash talking on both sides of the field. Once again, the game will probably come down to special teams and who can run the

ball more effectively.

Florida coach Steve Spurrier demands nothing less than perfection from his quarterbacks. This is the reason why he routinely plays two per game, and has even rotated quarterbacks every other play. Look for incumbent Jesse Palmer to start, but highly-touted redshirt freshman Rex Grossman will likely see significant playing time.

Tennessee is in a rebuilding year after losing eleven players to the 1999 NFL

draft. The nucleus of the 1998 National Championship team has since departed, and head coach Phillip Fulmer must now turn to inexperienced but talented youngsters.

Junior tailback Travis Henry is sensational, averaging over 6 yards per carry last year. Middle line-backer Eric Westmoreland is the lone remaining starter from the 1998 team, and looks to lead the Volunteer defense against the Gator attack.

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OTHER TOP GAMES

Michigan at UCLA

UCLA sent shock waves through the college football world when they soundly defeated then-No. 3 Alabama. For an encore, the Bruins will attempt to knock off the current No. 3 for the second time in three weeks.

Michigan is quietly planning to crash the BCS party in January, largely thanks to a soft schedule and a deep stable of returning offensive talent.

Wolverine tailback Anthony Johnson earns the designation as the most over-rated running back in college football, despite what ABC TV's Brent Musberger would have you believe. Behind offensive linemen Steve Hutchinson and Jeff Backus, even Michigan coach Lloyd Carr could rush for 1,000 yards.

Impressive talent exists at quarterback and wide receiver as well. Due to Drew Henson's broken foot, freshman John Navarre has enjoyed considerable playing time. Wideouts Marquise Walker and David Terrell form an

explosive receiving tandem.

Penn State at Pittsburgh

Rivals collide at Three Rivers Stadium in order to decide the State Championship.

Penn State has struggled early this season, limping to a 1-2 record. The Nittany Lions continue to struggle at quarterback, where Rashard Casey has not been able to play well consistently. The defense sorely misses end Courtney Brown and linebacker LaVar Arrington.

Head coach Walt Harris seems to have the Pittsburgh program heading in the right direction. The Panthers defeated the Irish in the final game at Pitt Stadium last year, but ended up 5-6. They have depth at all of the skill positions, but the line remains a question mark.

Pittsburgh's success hinges on catching Penn State looking ahead to its Big 10 opener at Ohio State. The Panther line-backers, the strength of the defense, must stop the run and force Penn State to throw.

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California at Illinois
11 a.m., ESPN
Florida at Tennessee
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Indiana at Kentucky
5 p.m., ESPN2
Michigan State at Missouri
6 p.m., FOXSN
LSU at Auburn
6:30 p.m., ESPN
Texas at Stanford
9:15 p.m., FOXSN

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records: 1-1
A.P. rank: No. 21
coach's poll: No. 23



records: 2-0
A.P. rank: No. 13
coach's poll: No. 12

Series Record

Notre Dame: 46-23-2
leads Purdue



quarterbacks: Brees is a favorite to win the Heisman Trophy. Godsey has never played in a college game.



running backs: This is one of the strongest positions for the Irish, especially with the talented Jones at TB. The Boilermakers' top back is Montrell Lowe.



receivers: Purdue lost its top two receivers, but returns honorable mention All-Big Ten player Sutherland. Notre Dame's receivers were shaky against Nebraska, but have potential to shine.



offensive line: The Irish are much-improved here, but the Boilermakers rarely allow their Heisman prospect to get sacked.



defensive line: Even without Irons, Notre Dame stuck it to Nebraska, a good sign. Purdue returns all-Big Ten player Akin Ayodele.



linebackers: Denman and Boiman are among Notre Dame's tackle leaders. Purdue lost most of its linebackers from '99.



secondary: Driver was a preseason All-American, but needs better help to counter Brees. The Boilermakers are fairly weak at this position.



special teams: Purdue's kicker Dorsch missed three field goals in last year's bowl game, but was otherwise strong. Sutherland set a school record on punt returns. Setta has been perfect this year, and Jones and Getherall broke for huge returns last week.



coaching: After the past two weeks, Davie's stock is rising. Tiller has turned Purdue's program again with three straight bowl game berths.



intangibles: The Irish are highly motivated after a close loss to the 'Huskers. They need to prove that their play was no fluke, and that they can survive without Battle and Irons.



Overall

The key to the game will be how well Godsey steps up in his first college start at quarterback. This is the biggest question mark and most unexpected downturn for Notre Dame after losing Battle. While the Irish won't be able to stop Brees, they need to at least contain him.

IRISH INSIGHT

Freshmen QBs struggle to adjust

When then-Syracuse quarterbacks coach Kevin Rogers recruited Donovan McNabb out of Mt. Carmel High School in Chicago, he coveted the quick, elusive signal caller as the Orangemen's top prospect.

By the time McNabb arrived in upper New York State in the fall of 1994, he looked more like a dud than a stud.

"He was raw, real raw," said Rogers, now Notre Dame's offensive coordinator. "He had trouble throwing spirals. He wasn't even close to being ready. He was no better than the three guys we got here."

Those three Irish players — Jared Clark, Matt LoVecchio and Carlyle Holiday — may all be freshmen quarterbacks. But unlike McNabb, who redshirted his first year, the trio is only one injury away from making the most difficult transition in college sports: High school quarterback to true freshmen starter at a major Division 1 program.

With Arnaz Battle's broken wrist sidelining the Irish starter for at least six weeks, coach Bob Davie has turned the reins over to sophomore Gary Godsey. Behind Godsey, who has never taken a snap in a college game, are three freshmen, just four months removed from the Senior Prom.

"We had Dan Marino at Pittsburgh as a true freshman and he didn't even start," said Davie, of his days as an assistant at Pitt from 1980-82. "You've got to be a special guy to do it."

And with Davie's luck (certainly not the "Luck of the Irish" as lazy scribes like to write every time Notre Dame wins a close game), one of the three may end up starting before the conclusion of the 2000 campaign.

Bad news for Irish fans.

That's not a criticism of any of the freshmen. It's just history talking.

Battle was the last Notre Dame freshman quarterback to play in a game. Against USC in 1998, he came off the bench and completed 7-of-19 passes and threw two interceptions.

Then there are the Irish starters before Battle. Jarious Jackson did

not play as a freshman, Ron Powlus broke his right clavicle in the final scrimmage prior to his rookie year in 1993 and Rick Mirer never started in 1989 playing behind Tony Rice.

And Rice, who led the Irish to their last national title in 1988, sat out the 1986 season as a Proposition 48 non-qualifier, then came off the bench in 1987 before replacing injured starter Terry Andrysiak.

Terry Andrysiak playing instead of Tony Rice?

Sounds odd now. But during Lou Holtz's second season, Andrysiak was a senior, a veteran. And Rice was an unproven sophomore.

Maybe in the 2003 or 2004 season, when one of the three current freshmen are starting, Irish students will look back and say the same about Gary Godsey.

For now, Godsey is the man. Not as much for his physical skills or potential but rather because of his knowledge of the system. He understands the Irish offense, has taken snaps against a "live" defense, has been around the program for a year and has the confidence of his teammates.

How important are those assets to a quarterback?

Ask Ronald Curry, the University of North Carolina's current starting quarterback.

When he came to Chapel Hill in 1998, Curry was the most highly recruited player in the country, maybe the most sought after quarterback ever. An NFL Films crew followed him around Hampton High School in Virginia. He was everybody's high school player of the year.

At the start of his first season, Curry was the backup behind Oscar Davenport. But after Davenport suffered an injury, Curry took the helm. He struggled, completing less than 45 percent of his passes, throwing six touchdowns and seven interceptions.

Any advice for true freshmen quarterbacks, Ronald?

"I would recommend being red-shirted," Curry said on Wednesday. "There's so much you can learn in that year — being bigger, faster, seeing the guys every day. That can really be a bonus. Instead of learning on the run you can learn by watching."

Curry would know. He grew up overshadowing another Virginia native, Michael Vick, currently the Heisman Trophy front-runner. While Curry was suiting up against the ACC's finest, Vick was a red-shirt, watching his Virginia Tech

teammates and adjusting to college life. One year later, Vick led the Hokies to the national championship game.

Vick's closest preseason competitor for college football's most prestigious award, Purdue's Drew Brees, only completed 19-of-43 passes as a true freshman backup to Billy Dicken in 1997. The next year, he was the Big Ten Offensive Player of the Year. Last season, he was fourth in Heisman balloting.

The list of freshmen flops to future stars could go on and on.

Holiday knew the difficulties he would face when Rogers this summer arrived from Rogers this summer.

"When the playbook got to my house I was like 'What is this?'" Holiday said. "It was like Playstation or something. And that one wasn't even that big. Now it's huge."

When they arrived for preseason camp, the freshmen made another adjustment.

"At my high school, we'd get more of a pre-snap read and just throw off of that," Clark said. "Now we've got to read the men as we drop back. It's a lot tougher. Things happen so quick, you've got to make a decision in an instant."

The three 18-year olds can point to another example to boost some confidence.

After sitting out his freshman year, McNabb was a three-time Big East Offensive Player of the Year, set league records for passing yards, touchdown passes, total touchdowns, and total offensive yards and was the No. 2 pick in the 1999 NFL Draft.

And now, six years later, he is the starting quarterback for the Philadelphia Eagles.

Clark, after an outstanding career at Cardinal Mooney High School in Sarasota, Fla., has learned at least one thing during his first two months here.

"It's a lot more waiting than you think you're going to do but you've got to realize everybody goes through this," Clark said. "You've got to tell yourself, just be patient, be patient. When you get in there, make the most of it. That's what I keep telling myself."

"I have a lot more respect for people who play as a true freshman now than I ever did, even red-shirt freshmen. A lot more respect. It's a whole different deal than I thought it was."

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Saturday's game is last call for Purdue

The two words the Irish hate to hear most are "last call."

This is Purdue quarterback Drew Brees' last call. This is the last time

Brees gets to blow into South Bend and

avenge the 31-30 Notre Dame win of two years ago at Notre Dame Stadium. Brees hopes that come Saturday afternoon, the Irish's new least favorite words are Purdue Boilermakers.

It's also time for this Boilermaker squad to make the Leprechaun leap from football team to football program.

Of course the media has put this pressure on the Boilers to take the next step every season since gentlemen Joe Tiller rode in to West Lafayette on his white horse from the Wyoming Cowboys program he helped turn around. And yes, the pressure to improve was doubled last season amid high expectations of being able to play with the tough kids in the conference. So, why say the same things that were said just one year ago? Because it didn't get done. It's that simple and you won't find anyone involved with Boilermaker football that disputes this claim.

Now, after beating up on a couple of MAC teams — outscoring Central Michigan and Kent State by a total of 93-10 — it's time for Purdue to take that step and take advantage of the Limping Irish, who lost some key players last week against No. 1 Nebraska.

Considering Purdue still plays Big Ten bullies Michigan, Penn State, Wisconsin and Ohio State, beating Notre Dame Saturday afternoon in front of a sold-out Irish crowd is absolutely vital to the suc-

cess of this Boiler season.

Notre Dame won't be a pushover either. They're coming off of two well-played football games, beating Texas A&M and taking the 'Huskers to overtime.

And although Notre Dame is starting an untested quarterback — thank you, Nebraska — it is still Notre Dame. And, it's still in South Bend.

However, now that the Irish are done tap-dancing through the Big XII, please allow the Big Ten to show you why you didn't want to join this conference (i.e., playing five to seven top-25 caliber teams every year).

Purdue fans, believe it or not, do have some love for the Irish. They may even thank Notre Dame for accepting former Boiler head coach Jim Colletto, thus allowing Joe Tillerific to enter and show this generation what it feels like to win football games.

Brees has been upgraded to a strong wind when compared with the 1998 team that visited Notre Dame, and he's hungry for revenge.

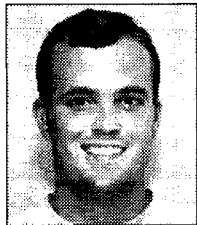
He said he hasn't been able to forget about that game and won't until he is able to lay it (or the Irish secondary) to rest.

With a win on Saturday, Purdue will have the most wins witnessed by the "Touchdown Jesus" at South Bend by an opposing team with 10 — one more than USC and Michigan State.

It all starts in South Bend for the Boilers, who want more than anything this week to remain guardians of the Shillelagh Trophy.

If the Boilermakers want to stop being the Rodney Dangerfield of college football, they have to prove they can win the big games. This Saturday's noon contest with the Limping Irish is certainly no exception.

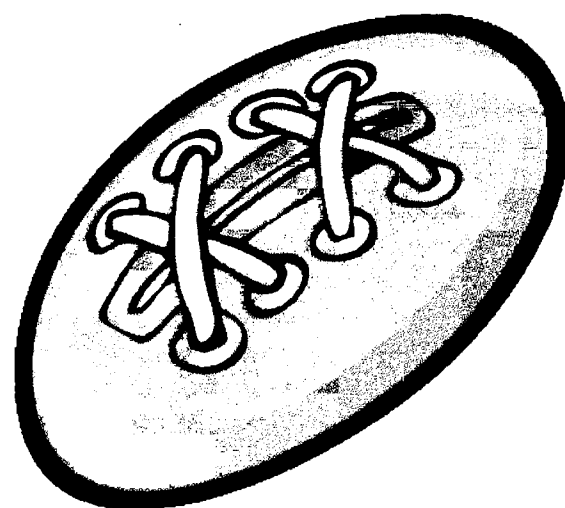
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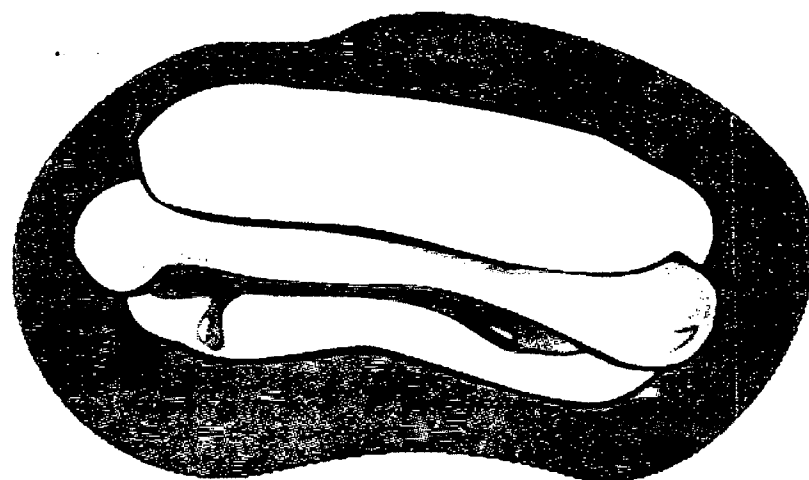
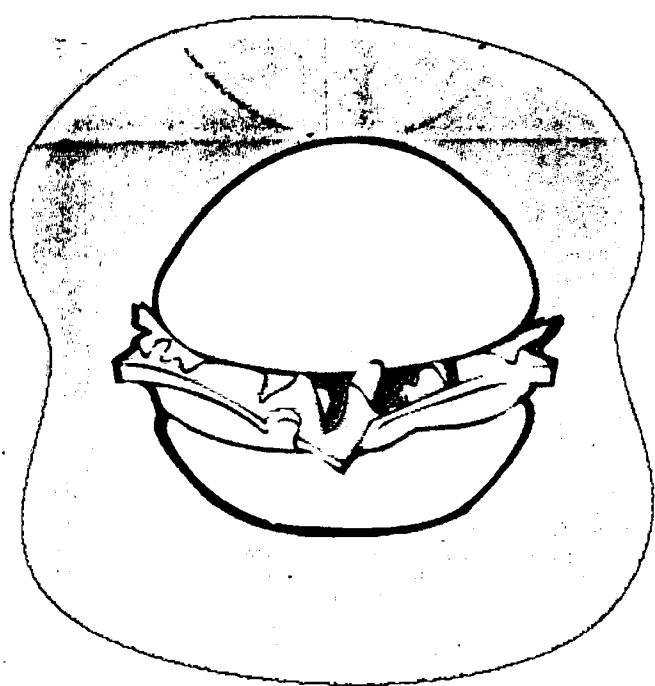
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