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Clinton addresses social issues

By SARAH DORAN
Associate News Editor

Addressing Congress in his first State of the Union address,

NEWS ANALYSIS

President Clinton offered few surprises by echoing his dedication to the issues of health-care and welfare reform and a solution to the nation's crime crisis.

In keeping with the main theme of his election campaign, Clinton utilized the majority of his speech as a platform for appealing to Congress and the nation for the support of his healthcare package, according to Martin Saiz, assistant professor of government.

"The future of it looks terrible as Republicans are dead set against it," said Saiz. "It looks like it will be a huge fight and if Republicans hold the party line, there will be no bill to sign or veto."

Using the speech to convey his opinion of the nation's need for a health care proposal, Clinton made a strong appeal to both parties.

"He tried to counter his critics by talking about why he believes the nation is in a health crisis that must be acted on," said David Betson, professor of economics.

"Healthcare will be the defining thing of the Clinton Presidency," said Saiz.

The President effectively linked his call for healthcare reform with his future plans for welfare reform, said Saiz.

The welfare proposal, which has yet to be introduced, would put a limitation on benefits and combine them with new education and welfare training programs.



President Clinton delivered the annual State of the Union address to Congress last night, discussing issues such as crime and health care.

"The problem with welfare is figuring out finance," said Betson.

Turning to crime, Clinton made a strong appeal to both Democrats and Republicans for legislation that would increase the amount of police officers on streets, impose more stringent prison sentences for three-time felons, and ban assault weapons.

"It was passionate ending calling for leadership," said Betson. "He echoed a new democratic type of theme by saying that the government cannot fight crime on its own and that each member of soci-

ety must take on personal responsibilities."

The president tackled this historically Republican issue by following it with a transition into rebuilding communities and inner-cities, said Saiz.

"He bridged his constituency pretty well," he said.

Clinton also devoted speech time to his impending budget, which will be sent to Congress next month. Stating that the budget needs to be cut, the President said that he plans to completely eliminate over 100 domestic programs and make propose cuts for 300 programs.

All in all, the address had a social policy agenda, said Saiz.

El-Ganzouri/Peters take Saint Mary's election

By LYNN BAUWENS
Assistant Saint Mary's Editor

Noha El-Ganzouri and Melissa Peters were elected by sizable margin over Deborah Sheedy and Angela McNulty for Saint Mary's student body president and vice-president of academic affairs.



El-Ganzouri

The El-Ganzouri/Peters ticket received 53.5 percent of the votes in Tuesday's election while the Sheedy/McNulty ticket received 34.5 percent. 12 percent of students abstained from voting for either ticket, an eight percent increase over last year.

The Sheedy/McNulty ticket was disappointed with the low voter turn out, according to Sheedy.

Approximately 30 percent of the student population cast a ballot in the election. This year's turnout was similar to last year, according to Elections Commissioner Elizabeth Broghammer.

"Of course we are somewhat disappointed with the election results, but we offer our congratulations to Noha and Melissa and wish them best of luck with their new positions, particularly with Observer relations," Sheedy said.

Regarding future plans, she said, "I plan to continue to fight to provide students with ample yogurt flavors and salad dressings."

The winning ticket was pleased with the support of the student body, according to El-Ganzouri.

"I want to thank those who supported our ticket and the students who stood behind us. (We) thank our opponents and look forward to working with them next year," said El-Ganzouri. "We hope we can continue to be challenged by the work that lies ahead."

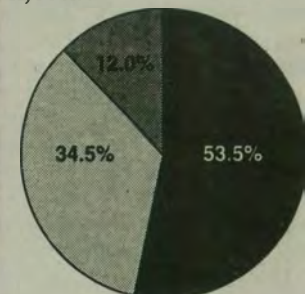
"I am really excited about working with Academic Council," said Peters, who plans to begin implementing aspects of their platform as soon as they take office.

"First of all, I would like to implement a class for freshman and underclassmen to introduce them to college life," she said. The proposed one credit course would provide an orientation to campus clubs and organizations, library and computer services, and majors available at the college.

El-Ganzouri and Peters will take office April 1.

THE RESULTS

How Saint Mary's students voted in yesterday's election:



■ Noha El-Ganzouri/Melissa Peters
■ Deborah Sheedy/Angela McNulty
■ Abstain

SMC government involves many facets

By LYNN BAUWENS
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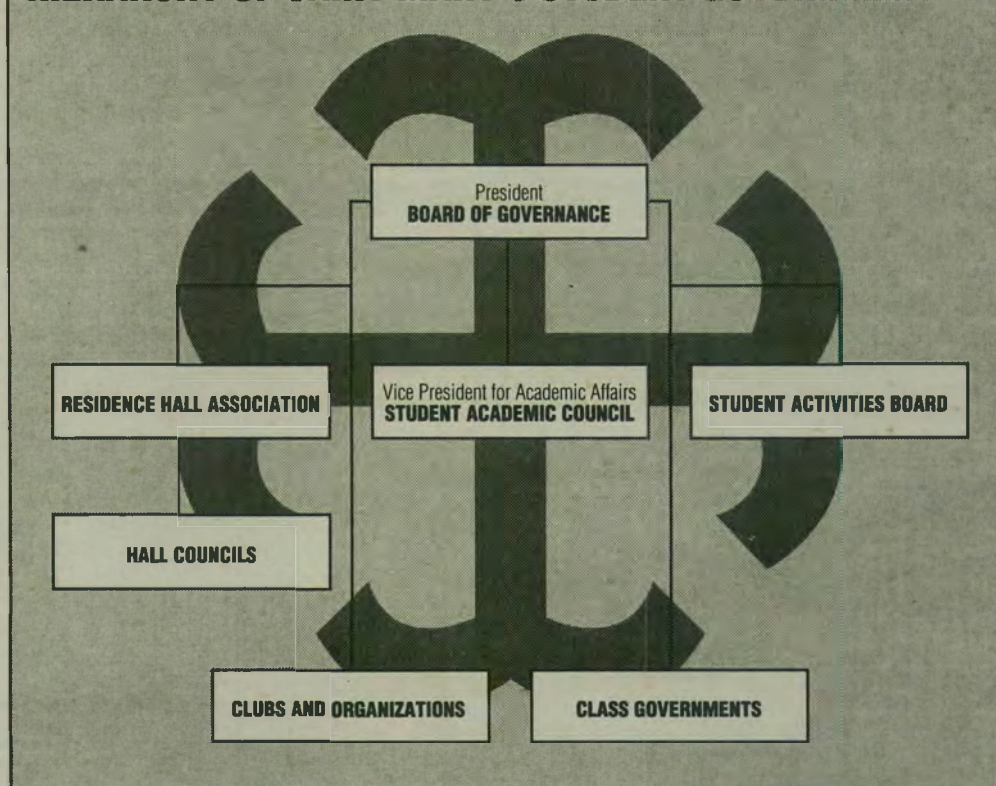
Student Government at Saint Mary's is a multifaceted organization that fulfills the mission of the college by responding to the needs of students.

The three levels of government interact to improve all aspects of student life- academic, social, and life in the five residence halls. The Board of Governance facilitates communication between all members of the College community and makes formal recommendations on issues and policies, according to the Student Leadership Manual. The Student Body President heads the three branches and presides over BOG meetings.

The Vice-President for Academic Affairs presides over the Student Academic Council. The council is comprised of student representatives from each department and four committees. The Student Activity Coordinator is the third member of the executive board who oversees Student Activities Board. SAB programs all events and activities sponsored by student government throughout the school year, according to Jill Hotek, the current coordinator. In the past, the coordinator of SAB was a third member on the elected ticket for president and vice-president. Beginning last year, the position was filled through an application process to ensure that the most qualified candidate received the responsibilities.

"One needs a good amount of experience programming and budgeting," according to Marlene Johnson, Assistant Director of

HIERARCHY OF SAINT MARY'S STUDENT GOVERNMENT



Student Activities.

The Residence Hall Association addresses the social and practical concerns of residents in all five resident halls, according to the Student Leadership Manual. The newly organized branch of student government works on policy proposals and improve-

ments within the halls and acts as a liaison between Hall Councils and BOG. The elected president of RHA sits on the BOG.

The class governments work together with BOG to be a "voice for (the class)," according to Janeen Gillig, president of the sophomore class.

Students announce candidacy

By KATIE MURPHY
News Writer

Four pairs of candidates will begin campaigning for student body president and vice-president on Monday, Jan. 31.

"We're just trying to get everything set up right now for the campaigns," said Judicial Council President Andrew Alfors.

In alphabetical order, the candidates are:

•Grace junior Brian Coughlin and Walsh junior Maria Capua;

•Morrissey junior Bryan Corbett and Breen-Phillips junior Karen DuBay;

•Morrissey junior David Hungeling and Fisher junior Matt Orsagh; and

•Howard junior Erin King and Sorin junior Deitz Lefort.

The candidates will debate on Tuesday, Feb. 1 in the LaFortune Ballroom at 7 p.m. The election will be held on Feb. 7, and a runoff will take place on Feb. 9 if necessary.

INSIDE COLUMN

Dalloway's: an alternative for Saint Mary's

A small white building sits quietly next to Holy Cross Hall at Saint Mary's camouflaged by the enormous piles of winter snow. On most days, the Clubhouse is silent, with only an occasional meeting or activity, but every once in a while a miracle happens. Something more exciting than an Irish football national championship or any hall formal—the Clubhouse becomes Clarissa Dalloway's Coffeehouse.



Laura Ferguson
Assistant News Editor

The building itself may not change but the life within its walls take a drastic flip. Student volunteers make coffee, cappuccino and sell juices to the music loving masses who venture out into the cold winter winds to watch their favorite campus band.

Electricity mixed with music, laughter, and caffeine runs through the audience and musicians while a cloud of cigarette smoke lingers high in the air. The floor pounds with the bass from the amps and nearly every foot in the room is tapping to the beat of the music.

On rare weekends this scene comes to life at Saint Mary's but it doesn't happen nearly as often as it should.

For several years, students at Saint Mary's, particularly student body leaders, have been brainstorming to find a way to make Saint Mary's a more social campus. Their goal is to facilitate a way for both Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students to relax and socialize on weekends without always going to Notre Dame or off-campus. They wanted to create a place unique to Saint Mary's. They succeeded when Dalloway's opened its doors.

Judging from past years, especially last year, the Coffeehouse was quite a success. Often the floor was crowded with coffee drinking music lovers while Saint Mary's own band, Sister Chain, energetically strummed acoustic guitars. Other campus bands from the school across the street also entertain the Dalloway's crowd.

But the past year has been a different story. There were only a couple of nights last term when live bands could be heard from outside the Coffeehouse walls. On too many weekends the smell of fresh coffee mixed with cigarette smoke only lingered in the imagination of the local music lovers. It is unfortunate that this happened because Dalloway's is a great place to hang out and the perfect setting to check out the campus music scene.

Last weekend, Dalloway's opened its doors to students once more. The Notre Dame band, True North (a crazy tune), provided the tunes and plenty of coffee and cappuccino was on hand. Like last year, every chair was filled at the peak hour and spirits were high.

It was good to know that Dalloway's was not dead. And it was equally good to know that many students from both Saint Mary's and Notre Dame came out to enjoy the music and, by their presence, encourage more events at Saint Mary's.

We can still make the Coffeehouse into a place of good music and good company.

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WORLD AT A GLANCE

Kennedy, Jr., to host "Heart of the City"

NEW YORK

Hunk-about-town John F. Kennedy Jr. is coming to TV this spring, as host of a local series about unsung heroes. Kennedy will introduce three or four segments on each half-hour edition of "Heart of the City," which will air on WNYC-TV, a PBS affiliate. Kennedy, unemployed since leaving the Manhattan district attorney's office in July, is doing the job pro bono. "He's already taped a few of the introductions," station publicist Judith Weiss said Tuesday. "He's been terrific. He's made suggestions. He's happy to be able to help people who are helping others." One of the segments is about an organization that promotes bicycle transportation, a familiar subject to Kennedy, an avid bicyclist. Other subjects include a group of corporate professionals who try to raise the self-esteem of homeless kids in Brooklyn shelters and a program in which retirees on Staten Island teach prisoners to read. The series will air for six consecutive weeks, beginning March 23.



Denied Powerball players settle claims

INDIANAPOLIS

The Hoosier Lottery announced a settlement Tuesday with two players whose \$100,000 tickets in the multistate Powerball were ruled invalid because they were purchased illegally from a broker. The lottery agreed to pay \$50,000 each to Scott Peterson of Eagan, Minn., and John Wall of Atlanta. Their attorneys received \$10,000 each. Powerball operates in 14 states and the District of Columbia. The Hoosier Lottery manages the game in Indiana. Peterson and Wall agreed to drop their claim that they were wrongfully denied payment when they matched five numbers, but missed the Powerball, in the July 7 drawing. Second-prize tickets are worth \$100,000. "They didn't have to pay us \$50,000," Peterson said at a news conference. "I think the settlement is completely fair." Jack Dillon, executive director of the Hoosier Lottery, said the Illinois ticket agency that sold the invalid tickets for Indiana Powerball, United States Lottery Group, should be held responsible, not Wall and Peterson.

Milk offsets bone loss in coffee drinkers

CHICAGO

Drinking milk regularly can offset bone loss linked to longtime coffee drinking in older women, researchers said. Previous research showed that caffeine increases urinary excretion of calcium. A lack of calcium can lead to osteoporosis, a progressive thinning of bones most common in post-menopausal women. That doesn't mean older women should give up coffee, the researchers from the University of California, San Diego, reported in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association. "If you're going to drink your coffee, eat your calcium," said co-author Sharon Edelstein. The study involved questioning 980 post-menopausal women ages 50 to 98 years about their lifetime dietary habits. The density of their hip bones and spine bones was tested. Women who consumed two or more cups of coffee daily and at least one glass of milk a day for about 40 years had bone density 6.5 percent higher than women who drank two cups of coffee each day and didn't drink milk, Edelstein said.

Philadelphia Latino newspaper firebombed

PHILADELPHIA

A Latino newspaper that has crusaded against drug dealers and police brutality was firebombed, authorities said. The pre-dawn fire Monday caused an estimated \$10,000 damage to desks, chairs and files at the offices of

Crime and punishment

A look at crime, guns and prisons in the U.S.



Violence in America: A main focus of President Clinton's State of the Union address to Congress yesterday.

the weekly paper Community Focus. No one was injured. "It appeared that someone had thrown a Molotov cocktail through a side window," Fire Department spokesman Michael Leak said. "The contents of the bottle splashed on a desk and a wall and started the fire." Police hadn't identified any suspects, Officer Ben Frazier said. "Somebody was seeking revenge on us," Publisher Efrain Roche said Tuesday. "Nobody is going to silence us." Most of the editorial work is done on the second floor, which sustained only smoke damage. The paper is printed elsewhere. Roche said it will be published as usual Thursday for door-to-door distribution to more than 16,500 homes. Street sales of the English- and Spanish-language paper boost overall circulation to 20,000.

Doctors criticize children's sedative sucker

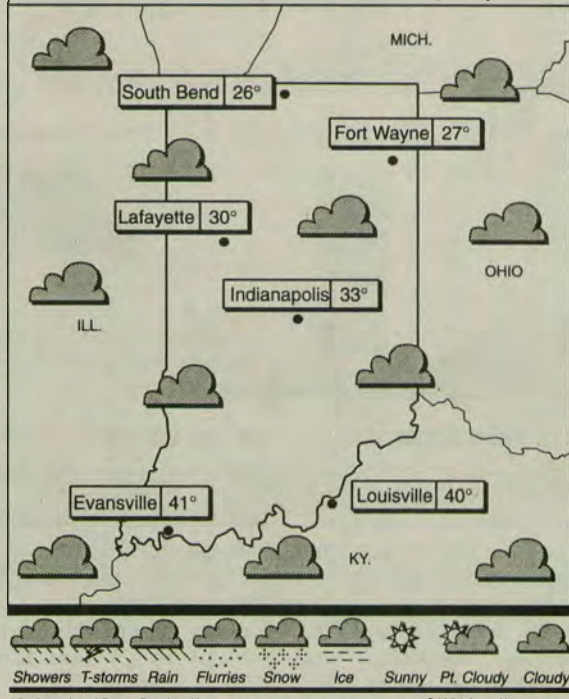
WASHINGTON

A drug manufacturer is preparing to sell a raspberry-flavored narcotic lollipop designed to relax children before surgery. But the government, which gave its approval to the drug last year, was asked Tuesday to reverse the decision. In a petition, a private group said the notion of putting an anesthetic into candy is "needlessly risking the lives of American children." The drug, to be marketed by Abbott Laboratories, is a candy containing fentanyl, a narcotic that has been used in patch form for three years for treating chronic pain in advanced cancer patients. Before that, it was injected for pain. "The lollipops smell like candy, look like candy; they are candy," Dr. Sidney Wolfe, director of Public Citizen's Health Research Group, told a news conference. "It is a setup for children being killed," he said. The lollipops, are to be marketed by Abbott Laboratories under the trade name Fentanyl Oralet. The drug is both a sedative and pain reliever.

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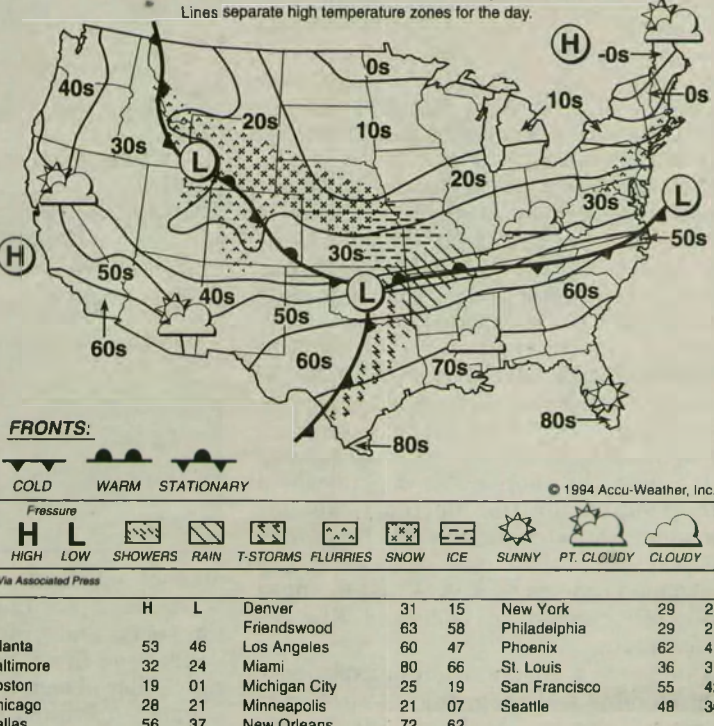
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Stone age tools have many uses

By DAVID TYLER
News Writer

The technology of early man was not just a bunch of sticks and stones, but a whole system of tools with many varied uses, according to anthropologists Nick Toth and Kathy Schick of the Indiana University Center for Research into the Anthropological Foundations of Technology (CRAFT) at a lecture yesterday.

Toth and Schick explained that their twenty years of research in Africa, Europe and Asia with well-known Anthropologists Richard Lekke and Glen Isaac led them to believe that ancient man had more intelligence than popular culture gives them credit.

"Protohumans, made tools as early as 2.5 million years ago," said Toth. "They could make a number of tools well and in a relatively short period of time."

As the ancestors of mankind began to evolve, so did the specialization of their tools. The development of the hand, smaller teeth and a larger brain made tool specialization

not just possible, but necessary, according to Schick.

"Man probably started out as a scavenger, so it is important for him to find and secure his nutrition quickly," Schick stated.

Tools made specifically for scraping animal hides and for butchering and dismembering animals were extremely important, according to Schick.

"These allowed humans to recover their food much faster than his animal competitors," said Schick.

Toth and Schick believe that these tools began to function as "Synthetic Biological Organs." Where a hyena needs its crushing teeth and jaws to consume the highly valuable protein and fat in animal bones, man could use his hammer and anvil rocks.

The tools also help separate early man from his primate relatives like the chimpanzee. While chimpanzees have been observed using tools, "they do not have the appreciation for geometry and aesthetics that we see in the tools of protohu-

mans," revealed Toth, who brought along with him an example of a crude tool fashioned by a chimp.

The two major subspecies of Homo Sapiens, Homo erectus and Homo habilis used and discarded the tools quite freely, according to Toth.

Fragments unearthed in a heap of animal bones, lead Schick and Toth to discount the ritual properties assigned to tools by movies and television.

A significant problem in conducting research is not discovering specimens of early tools, but deciphering their purpose, according to Toth and Schick. They consulted with Stone Age tribes in New Guinea, but found experimentation the easiest way to learn.

Toth and Schick have made countless tools themselves and even butchered wilderbeasts and elephants in their quest to discover the effectiveness of man's early tools.

They offered this view of our ancestors yesterday afternoon in a lecture entitled "The Dawn of Technology."



The Observer/Laura Grendahl
Professor of sociology and anthropology Bronislaw Misztal of IU-PU at Fort Wayne says more violence is likely in East Central Europe.

Social reforms remain peaceful

By ROB ADAMS
News Writer

Many optimistic scholars believe that the social reforms of East Central Europe will continue to go on peacefully, but the reforms will more likely turn violent, said Bronislaw Misztal, professor of sociology and anthropology at Indiana University-Purdue University at Fort Wayne, at a lecture yesterday.

"As we move from this era of peaceful reform to the new stage of post-communism, there

is no evidence to support that it will continue peacefully," said Misztal.

History teaches us that doing away with powerful states is usually not peaceful, according to Misztal, but the revolution in East Central Europe was unique because in many cases the state was unaffected by the sparse movements which occurred.

"Communism finished itself off through what I call social change by default," Misztal said.

Although some social movements may have precipitated the fall of communism, most had virtually no effect on the fall due to their lack of a solid, universal base, according to Misztal.

"There was no one movement, strategy, or agenda," Misztal said, "so it is hard to attribute this change to one cause."

Misztal cites the lack of historical continuity as a major

reason that the states of East Central Europe have ceased to become stable.


"Western European nations have the advantage of historical continuity," he said. "They can search deep into their history."

Communism, however, caused a major rift in between the past and the present, as if the past did not exist, according to Misztal.

"Many have been struggling to regain the historicity which was previously denied them," he said.

"What happened in East Central Europe was a revolution and it was peaceful," said Misztal, "but the fact that it began peacefully does not warrant that the conclusion will be peaceful as well."

The lecture, entitled "Nonviolent Social Movements and Transition to Democracy in Eastern Central Europe," was held yesterday afternoon in the Hesburgh Center for International Studies Auditorium.



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Women seek refuge in barn

DEEPAK SHARMA
Associated Press

BAGRIAN, India
Four women have been hiding for nearly a month in a barn behind a farmhouse in a Punjab village, ashamed to show their faces.

They're afraid of how their families will react, now that their foreheads have been tattooed with the word "pickpocket."

And they fear police retaliation, since they went to a court seeking compensation for plastic surgery to remove the brand they say was made by police.

"It would have been better if they had shot us," Parmeshwari Kaur, 47, said Saturday, her forehead covered by a wool scarf.

The women said they were branded in December because the police superintendent of the city of Amritsar, Sukhdev Singh Chinna, wanted to settle per-

sonal scores with them.

A police officer wrote the word with a ballpoint pen on their foreheads and a tattooist engraved it with a small electric drill, while the policemen stood by, laughing and joking, the women said.

The police version, which most people don't believe, is that the women were tattooed by angry victims of the pickpockets.

The alleged tattooing by the police has revived a national outcry against the often illegal treatment by security forces in Punjab state, the scene of a 10-year insurgency for an independent homeland for Sikhs.

It is the first reported tattooing as a punishment for crime in India.

Meanwhile, the women are holed up in the barn, hidden by some sympathetic neighbors.

"We cannot visit anyone in our village or any of our relatives," said Parmeshwari Kaur.

Gurdev Singh, 45, said she

and the other three suspects were beaten by officers before they were branded.

They have petitioned the Punjab High Court for compensation to undergo plastic surgery. The court has ordered a medical examination to confirm the tattooing.

All four women belong to an ethnic tribe called Sansi, whose members traditionally lived off burglaries and other petty crimes.

"We are paying the price for belonging to the Sansi community," said Gurdev Singh.

The women were arrested Dec. 8 in the Sikh holy city of Amritsar, 135 miles from Bagrian, and held in custody until Dec. 16, when they were freed on bail.

The tattooing was widely reported in the national press. Editorial writers and commentators said it added a new dimension to the oppression of women in this male-oriented society.

Things return to normal after recent earthquake

By NIKO PRICE
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

Commuters returned to traffic jams today and most students headed back to school after a week off forced on them by the city's earthquake. Overnight rain prompted many quake refugees to go indoors despite fear of aftershock, and thousands of others awoke in soggy tent cities.

"What's happening to California?" said Juan Galvez, staying in one of the six tent cities in the hard-hit San Fernando Valley. "It's too much now. The earthquake, the riots, the fires and now the rain."

The rain, however, moved out of the area before dawn today. There were no immediate reports of major mudslides on hillsides stripped by fires.

All but 65,000 of the Los Angeles school district's 640,000 students were due back in class today, meaning more traffic on and around the crippled freeways.

This morning's inbound commute around the smashed Interstate 5 junction north of the city was backed up about 90 minutes on Highway 14 as the rush hour geared up at 7

a.m., said Officer Brad Davis of the California Highway Patrol.

In Washington, White House Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers told reporters today that the administration will submit a proposed supplemental appropriations bill requesting "slightly higher" than \$5 billion in emergency earthquake funds for California. Some \$900 million in contingency funds already has been released, Myers said.

People in Southern California "should feel very good about it," Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., said as she emerged from a meeting about the administration proposal. California lawmakers said they were optimistic that Congress would pass an emergency aid bill before mid-February.

At Tent No. 48 on a baseball field in West Hills, Guillermo Ibarra was one of about 20 occupants trying to stay dry during the downpour that began shortly after nightfall Monday.

"The water comes in under the walls," said Ibarra, leaning his mattress against a pole in a fruitless attempt to keep it out of puddles forming on the packed-dirt floor. "I guess I'll have to sleep standing up."

Troops leave sooner than expected

By THOMAS WAGNER
Associated Press

MOGADISHU, Somalia
Discouraged U.S. troops are withdrawing from Mogadishu's streets faster than expected and moving to the heavily guarded seaport and airport to await ships and planes for the trip home.

Two months before the U.S. military is scheduled to finish removing its 5,300 soldiers from the capital, the sand dunes and beaches at the airport are crowded with tents.

Most U.S. bases and strongpoints around the city have been turned over to soldiers from other countries who are staying in Somalia as U.N. peacekeepers.

The American soldiers, the backbone of the operation, must finish withdrawing by March 31, along with their helicopters, howitzers, armored personnel carriers and anti-tank missiles. Many people believe that will leave U.N. forces far more susceptible to attacks by Somalis.

Somali militias, which appear to be rearming in Mogadishu,

already have taken over four posts that the reorganizing U.N. forces abandoned.

On Tuesday, a Somali child threw a hand grenade at the entrance of the Wahiliye Hotel 10 minutes after U.S. diplomat Stevenson McIlvaine left following a meeting with an ally of Ali Mahdi Mohamed, whose men control northern Mogadishu. The boy fled, and seven Somali civilians were wounded.

At the airport, many U.S. soldiers appear discouraged by a mission that went from a successful humanitarian operation that ended a famine to battles in the streets of southern Mogadishu when they were put in the role of policemen trying to arrest the faction leader who controls that sector, Mohamed Farrah Aidid.

Many believe that when their friends and families think of Somalia, they do not recall images of Marines carrying food to starving children. Instead, they picture a Somali mob dragging the body of an American soldier through the streets last October.

"I think a lot of people are going to think nothing was

accomplished here because this country is still in a state of disarray," said Cpl. Dennis D. Hill, 23, of Baltimore, sitting near the helicopters he and his buddies use to keep a lid on Mogadishu by flying over it day and night.

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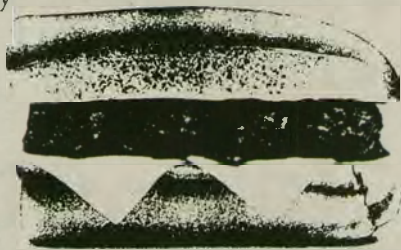
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Melendez to play guitar tonight in LaFortune

By ANALISE TAYLOR
News Writer

Over six years ago, armless guitar player Tony Melendez sang for the pope.

Today, he sings for the administration, faculty, and students of the University of Notre Dame.

"I think it's inspirational to see someone who has done so much with what he has been given," said Stephen Murphy, Speaker Commissioner for student government.

Melendez was born without arms, the result of his mother taking the drug thalidomide during pregnancy.

The part-time choral director, turned down for the priest-

hood because he has no arms, so moved the pope that he jumped from the stage to embrace and kiss Melendez.

Performing publicly is not new to the talented player. Melendez performs weekly for his parish in Chino, Calif.

The student government heard about Melendez from Father Pat Sullivan, according to Murphy.

"Father Sullivan met Tony's brother Jose last year," Murphy said. "I thought his religious fervor made it especially appropriate to invite him to Notre Dame."

The free concert will be held at 7 p.m. today in the LaFortune Ballroom. Coffee, hot chocolate, and cookies will be served.

BOG discusses upcoming lecture

By PATTI CARSON
News Writer

The Board of Governance (BOG) discussed a special

BOARD OF GOVERNANCE

Sesquicentennial conference at last night's meeting.

"Play of the Mind: the Catholic Women's College Experience" will be held at Saint Mary's from Feb. 3-6. Thirteen Catholic women's colleges will send a faculty mem-

ber along with two students to attend the conference.

In Other Business:

•BOG president Mary Beth Wilkinson approached the administration about graduate school guidance concerning academic programs and financial aid for students planning to study beyond college. Suggestions were made by board members for improvement of the current system. Members also discussed ways to promote the search for af-

fordable and reputable graduate schools.

•Board members talked about the NASCCU (National Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities) conference for the 1994-95 academic year. The theme for the conference is that of gender issues.

"The board is not completely comfortable making decisions at this time," said Wilkinson. "We will discuss the conference in more detail at future meetings."

Musical event in works for B.P.

By JOSLIN WARREN
News Writer

Judy's Jam, a musical even sponsored by Breen Phillips, is going to be held on Feb. 9 from

HALL PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL

7-2 a.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom, announced Breen Phillips Rector Judy Hutchinson during the meeting last night.

Various campus musical groups will be performing at the event which is being held

to raise money for the Catholic Worker House, a shelter for battered women and their children.

"It is a really good charity that doesn't get much support. We've raised \$1300 in the past and we look to raise more this year," Hutchinson said.

In other council news:

• Weekend Wheels will resume operation this weekend yet will not be picking up at as many sites as last semester, although there is talk of an ex-

pansion route to Corby's in the future.

• The Student Union Board will be sponsoring Winterfest from February 10-13. A snow sculpture competition between groups of 10-15 people from each dorm will be one of many events.

• Cavanaugh Hall will be putting on the play The Odd Couple this Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8:10 p.m.

• Fischer Hall will be holding a forum called "The Right to Die" on Wednesday, Feb. 2 at 7 p.m..

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Spacecraft launched on exploration mission

Associated Press

VANDENBERG AIR FORCE
BASE, Calif.

An unmanned spacecraft roared off a launch pad Tuesday on a seven-month journey to shoot the moon as part of the first U.S. lunar exploration mission in 21 years.

Clementine I will use sensors built by the Defense Department for missile defense to make pictures of the moon and an asteroid called Geographos.

Data collected when Clementine points its instruments at the moon next month and Geographos next summer will be merely a byproduct of a \$75 million-plus mission primarily intended to test new defense technology.

The key instruments are five advanced sensors designed for detecting and tracking missiles, said the Defense Department's Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, which jointly sponsored the mission with NASA.

A two-stage Titan 2G booster, a converted ballistic missile, lifted Clementine off at 8:34 a.m. and sent it southwestward over the Pacific.

"It went up and it's out of sight and it's making history," said Sgt. Kirby Lindner.

Contact with the spacecraft was achieved several hours later as planned. "Everything's going fine," said Tech. Sgt. Joel Ragan.

The mission is designed to test the detection capabilities of the sensors, using the Earth, moon and Geographos as targets.

Clementine will stay in Earth's orbit for about seven days, then begin a looping trajectory to enter the moon's orbit on Feb. 20.

The mission is the first lunar exploration since the Apollo moon missions ended 21 years ago. The last, Apollo 17, landed in December 1972.

Clementine will spend two months in two different orbits around the moon, mapping the entire surface.

The spacecraft will then leave lunar orbit on a four-month trip to Geographos, passing within 75 miles of the asteroid on Aug. 31.

The mission is expected to end after seven months.

The Clementine I cost \$55 million, and the Titan and other launch costs added another \$20 million to the mission, said Lt. Col. Michael Stepp. Stepp did not know the cost of running the mission, but said it was not included in the other figures.

The mission is the Defense Department's first deep space experiment, meaning the spacecraft will leave the earth's orbit.

Built by the Naval Research Laboratory, Clementine is less than 4 feet in diameter and just over 6 feet in length. Including fuel it weighs 933 pounds.

Jackson settles suit out of court

By JEFF WILSON
Associated Press

SANTA MONICA, Calif. Michael Jackson settled a child molestation lawsuit Tuesday on terms that left his 14-year-old accuser "very happy" and the singer proclaiming his innocence.

Terms of the out-of-court agreement were confidential, although a source put it at least \$10 million.

The settlement probably could end the criminal investigation, experts said, but Jackson's problems were far from over.

"I am very happy with the resolution of this matter," said Larry Feldman, attorney for the boy, now 14. The boy, Feldman told reporters, was also "very happy with the resolution of this matter."

Feldman said nothing in the settlement pertained to the criminal probe. He also didn't rule out having the boy testify in any criminal proceeding.

"Nobody has bought anyone's silence," Feldman said.

"We have been talking to the district attorney all along," he said. "The district attorney has taken all of our evidence."

Feldman and Jackson attorneys Johnnie Cochran and Howard Weitzman met privately in the chambers of Superior Court Judge David Rothman before the announcement.

"We signed off on the deal. That was it," Feldman said.

Jackson didn't issue any statement but insists he didn't do anything wrong. He will speak out about the case at an

undetermined time, his attorneys said.

"Michael Jackson has maintained his innocence since the beginning of this matter and now, since this matter will soon be concluded, he still maintains that innocence," Jackson's attorneys said in a statement.

"The resolution of this case is in no way an admission of guilt by Michael Jackson. In short, he is an innocent man who does not intend to have his career and his life destroyed by rumors and innuendo."

The lawsuit filed in September alleged that Jackson, 35, committed sexual battery, seduction, willful misconduct, intentional infliction of emotional distress, fraud and negligence in a campaign to entice the boy last year.

Based on the boy's allegations, authorities in Los Angeles and Santa Barbara

counties began a criminal probe that has continued for five months. No charges have been filed.

An out-of-court settlement in the civil case could severely diminish the state's criminal probe because, in California, victims of sexual abuse can't be forced to testify against their will.

"There's little reason the boy's parents would want to see their child exposed to public scrutiny and media scrutiny in a criminal trial," UCLA law professor Peter Arenella said. "It's very likely the boy won't want to cooperate, and the state lacks the authority to force him to cooperate by threatening him with contempt."

Santa Barbara County District Attorney Thomas Sneddon Jr. refused to discuss the county's Jackson criminal investigation.



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JOSH OZERSKY

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Beavis and Butthead: Cultural critics and music video saviors

This column kept me up an extra 15 minutes or so last night. I was trying to decide whether to write a) a lengthy diatribe against the Office of University Computing, who recently handed me the mitten; b) a comic parody of Father Charles Griffin's ever-popular *Letters to a Lonely God* feature; or c) a xenophobic rant against Canadians. But remembering all the nut jobs who, immune to irony, called me up and threatened me at home last semester, I decided against all three. And besides, I couldn't get Beavis and Butthead out of my mind.

I often thank the guiding minds at MTV for Beavis and Butthead, particularly for their decision to put them on late. I usually fall asleep to their voices, just as I used to wake up to Howard Stern's. If Chicago was a civilized place, I could do both now and be in low-culture heaven. Of course, MTV isn't infallible — the fact that they dropped the gorgeous and ultra-cool Duff and replaced her with frumpy, mindless Kennedy attests to that — and some critics have suggested that they have subverted themselves by making Beavis and Butthead stars.

After all, who can watch videos now and not think of Beavis and Butthead? I can't hear a note of Bon Jovi and not think of Butthead saying, "Uh...is that Bridget Fonda?" Or "Uh...they must have known how much this music sucked...so they put in all these naked chicks." There you have the MTV corporate philosophy in a nutshell.

But the network isn't really threatened. Beavis speaks for American youth everywhere when he replies, "Yeh! Heh

heh. They did the right thing."

They really did. Nothing could have been smarter than putting Beavis and Butthead on MTV. The videos have gotten more ridiculous every year. Big stars like Bono have to make themselves look like outpatient psychopaths in order to make an impression. Tom Petty flirts with necrophilia in his latest video; Madonna, for her part, has nothing left to do, and so has disappeared completely into her fashion designers and art directors. So MTV puts Beavis and Butthead on to say "Uh... is this a commercial?" and MTV has once again avoid-

ed eating its own tail.

But I don't really care about MTV and its cultural masterminding. I just can't get enough Beavis and Butthead. Their voices fill my head. When boring people talk to me in the library I look at them and hear that hoarse, frantic "Change it! Change it!" Then I hear that deeper, self-assured, "Shut up, Assmunch." Half of the male student body here looks like Beavis and Butthead's gym teacher; half the faculty looks like Beavis and Butthead's old neighbor. Many girls here look like Stuart. I'm obsessed.

A lot of other people are, too. The main reason, of course, is that their language rings so true; MTV pulled off a real imperial coup by capturing so accurately the idealized language of its real audience. Another part of it is that Beavis and Butthead look so real. For one thing, they are genuinely ugly, but not in the inhuman way of *The Simpsons*. They just look like ugly kids.

That's another thing: they really do look like kids. Generally, cartoon children are just miniature adults. Beavis and Butthead, especially when they are shown full-figure, look

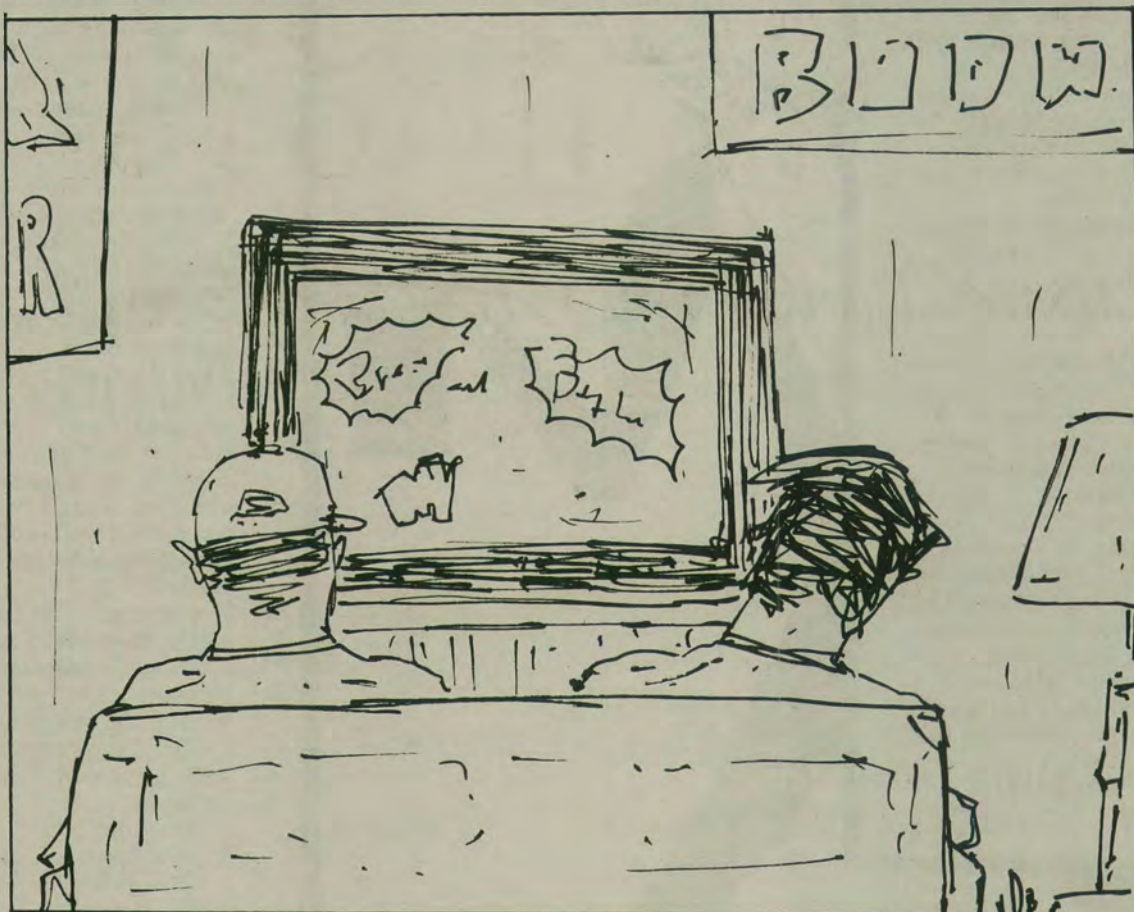
like children, with their weak, small bodies and disproportionately large heads. (In real life, naturally, kids don't have disproportionate heads, unless deformed. But you need big faces on TV, so Beavis and Butthead have to be hydrocephalic. The *Simpsons*, you'll notice, solves the problem by having everybody talk drawn from the waist or chest up.)

Then there is the relationship between Beavis and Butthead. You're always getting new nuances of it. Dave Letterman, sharp guy that he is, remarked on this to Mike Judge, B & B's creator: "Butthead has a little bit on the ball. But Beavis, nothing — he's just gum on Butthead's shoe."

So like Dick and Perry, Holmes and Watson, and other smart-and-dumb pairs, there's a continual inequality. Beavis is so stupid that he often doesn't even know when Butthead is insulting him. "Yeh! Heh heh," he'll say, then correct himself: "I mean, shut up, Butthead!" The two of them fall into perfect unison whenever the right cue comes along "Yes! Yes!" "This is cool!" "Da Da, Da Da, DUH-DADUHDADUHA!" (power chords).

That moment of shared response is what everyone loves about Beavis and Butthead. You'd get sick of them, I think, if all they did was argue. It's because they both know so well what sucks and what doesn't that we are drawn to them. Deep down, we all lust after unanimity. Perfectly reflexive cultural intuition is cool.

Josh Ozersky is a graduate student in history.



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GARRY TRUDEAU QUOTE OF THE DAY



"What do you call people who use the rhythm method of birth control...? Parents."

May Flink

Theatre Works Productions brings improvisational comedy to Michiana

By MATT CARBONE
Accent Writer

Teaching improvisational comedy. It sounds paradoxical, but to hear Kerry Cotter tell it, it actually seems reasonable.

Cotter is the director of Improv at Theatre Works, an arm of Theatre Works, a community-area acting troupe which has been performing for over a year at the 100 Center in Mishawaka.

Begun in July, Theatre Works has been performing a wide range of dramas and comedies, from "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" to Sam Shepard's dark comedy "True West," to "Tartuffe," by the seventeenth-century playwright Moliere.

Cotter is proud of the diversity and quantity of plays offered by his group. "We've never been dark," said Cotter.

It sounds strange, but there are a few basic rules to improv; Never deny what's going on and don't ask questions.

Kerry Cotter
Director of Improv
at Theatre Works

"We've always had a show going on, and have had a full season of theatre since we opened in July."

Theatre Works was formed by Cotter and Jim Robinson, now the artistic director of the troupe, last year when the two got together and thought that the Michiana region was lacking what they had to offer: fresh, live dramas and comedies in an intimate setting.

To that end, Cotter, a native of South Bend who has acted professionally in Indianapolis, New Orleans and Los Angeles, returned to his hometown and helped to form Theatre Works.

"I wanted to come back (to South Bend) and start a theatre," said Cotter.

Cotter and Robinson seem to have filled a community need with their group.

"(Our plays) have been very well-received," said Cotter, noting that many of the theatre's shows have filled the 90-seat 100 Center, the group's loft theatre which he described as "very intimate."

"This type of (performing) group is very unique for this area."

Back to teaching improv. Cotter is a former member of The Groundlings, the famous improvisational comedy group in Los Angeles which boasts such distinguished alumni as Pee-Wee Herman and Phil Hartman of "Saturday Night Live."

Returning to South Bend, Cotter wanted to form a theatre in which he could continue the improvisational comedy which is his love.

Out of this love grew Improv at Theatre Works and Improv Classes taught by Cotter.

"It sounds strange, but there are a few basic rules to improv," said Cotter about what would seem to be teaching the spontaneous. "Never deny what's going on and don't ask questions."

These are the tenets of improv which Cotter passes on to his pupils, who meet for three hours every Saturday for ten weeks.

After these building blocks of improv are imparted, Cotter then works with the class "on adding more complex structures to the comedy, developing their improv skills," he said.

Improv classes began in early October, with the students performing every weekend at the 100 Center since November. A new round of classes will be offered beginning in February.

The ten weeks of classes are given at a cost of \$85, and are open to the general public.

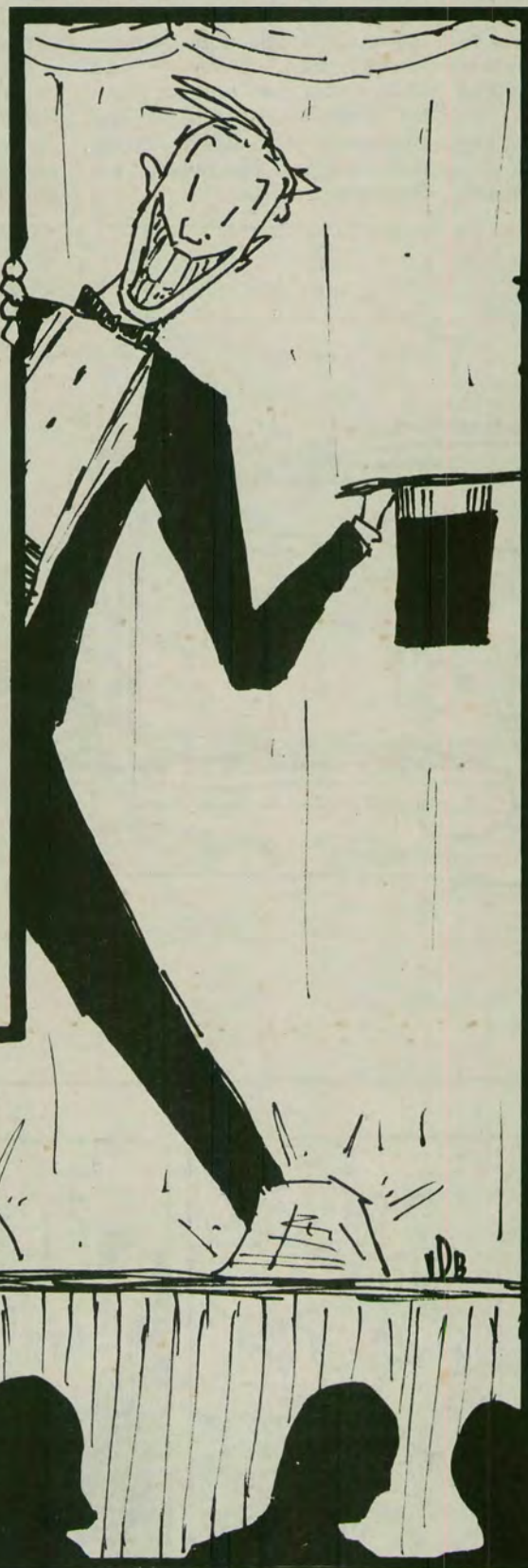
Cotter serves as host and director of his pupils in their performance entitled, "Under the Varnished Dome - The Musical."

"It's primarily improvisational comedy, where the performers are given situations by the audience," said Cotter.

"It's sketch comedy similar to Second City and SNL."

As far as music goes, the title of the show is "somewhat facetious," explained Cotter. "The opening number is music, but it's a cappella."

Improv at Theatre Works will perform "Under the Varnished Dome - The Musical," on Fri., Jan. 28 at 8 p.m., Sat., Jan. 29 at 9 p.m. and Feb., 5, 12 and 19 at 11 p.m. Tickets for the January shows are \$3, \$4 for the February shows.



Little Susie meets the Green-Fellas

One day Little Susie was walking through an enchanted forest when she found herself in a village.

"Thank goodness I've found this pleasant village," Little Susie said. "I need a good friend to talk to and rest my feet with."

Susie hoped she would make many new friends at this new village. Yet as she approached closer, Little Susie heard a frightful scream.

"Oh my word, what is it," a voice said. Susie looked behind her and found a green thing standing near her feet. He was only about half her size.

"What am I?," Susie repeated. "The question is what are you?"

"We're the Green-Fellas!" one of the green creatures said.

Little Susie extended her hand for a greeting. "Don't touch it," another small Green-Fella said. "You don't know what she may do to you."

Little Susie looked at the Green-Fellas with confusion. "Why are you scared of me?"

More Green-Fellas came out of their huts to look at Little Susie, the huge spectacle which invaded their peaceful, homogenous society.

"I've seen her kind before," one of the creatures, with blonde stringy hair, said. "I watch them on the gurrilope."

"What's a gurrilope?," Susie asked.

"What a dummy," the blonde Green-Fella said. The creature pointed to what seemed to be a television in the middle of the village. Susie laughed.

"Yea, we watch your kind on the gurrilope all the time," the Green-Fella continued. "You come into our villages and steal all that you can. You try to take our jobs and bring bad things into this peaceful haven we've taken so long to build."

Susie was sad that these strange looking creatures felt that way about her. "I know some of us do that, but we aren't all like that," Susie pleaded. "It's not fair for you to judge me like that."

Another Green-Fella, the only one with blue eyes, spoke up. "Yea, but look at you. You're ugly. You don't have green skin like us. You don't have red hair like us. You don't even use the same words that we do. What are you? You're something abnormal."

"Just because I am different, doesn't make me abnormal," Susie appealed. "To me all of you are abnormal."

The society of green beings gasped. "Yes. Where I am from there are nothing but others who look much like I do. Your green skin would frighten us."

"You're lying. Everyone has green skin," the blonde one said.

"Well, look at you. You're the only one amongst all your village who as blonde hair. Everyone else has red-hair. Is that normal? And you," Little Susie said as she turned another. "You are the only one with blue eyes. Why? Does that make you uglier than the others?"

A mummer spread among the Green-Fellas. Then, out of the blue, a baby Green-Fella crawled over to Little Susie. Someone tried to stop the baby, but it was too late. Little Susie had picked up the baby and tickled it under its arms.

"Look, she's trying to kill the baby," the chief Green-Fella screamed. Suddenly they heard a laugh from the baby.

"How did you do that?," the chief asked. "We've been trying to get the baby to laugh for weeks now."

Little Susie showed them how to tickle the baby just right. The Green-Fellas spent the whole day tickling each other and laughing.

"You've taught us something we never knew how to do before," the chief Green-Fella said. "Thank you. Sorry for the rude treatment we threw at you when you arrived."

Susie smiled and hugged the little Green-Fella. "That's okay. I understand. We all have stereotypes against things which seem foreign to us. But we must be careful not to act on those stereotypes. Every creature has something wonderful to offer to one another. Thank you for choosing to be my friend."

"Thank you for becoming our friend," all the Green-Fellas said simultaneously.

Susie spent all day with the Green-Fellas and as she walked home, she walked with a smile on her face. Not because she had made new friends. Not because she had played all day; but because Little Susie knew the world was one day closer to being at peace.



Kenya Johnson
Accent Editor

Community Scene

Sabatini enjoys success down under

By ROB GLOSTER
Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia
The best medicine for Gabriela Sabatini was a couple of sets against Jana Novotna at the Australian Open.

Sabatini, who woke up Tuesday morning with severe dizziness and nausea, took advantage of Novotna's sloppy play to win 6-3, 6-4 at night and advance to the semifinals.

"I was very fortunate that I had to play in the evening, because if I had to play during the day I don't think I was going to make it," she said. "At the beginning I was really tired, but after I started to move a little bit more and I started to get into the match more, I started to feel better."

The fourth-seeded Sabatini will play No. 2 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario in one of Thursday's semifinals. The other will match top-seeded Steffi Graf against No. 10 Kimiko Date.

Graf defeated Lindsay Davenport 6-3, 6-2 in a duel between two of the hardest hitters in women's tennis.

Graf, a three-time champion who has not lost a set so far in

the tournament, took advantage of Davenport's lack of speed by rifling forehand passing shots beyond the reach of the lumbering 17-year-old.

"She hits the ball so hard and she keeps you on the defensive. She just controls the points," Davenport said of Graf. "I've never played someone who hits it as hard as she does."

Davenport, 6-foot-2 and 165 pounds, was seeded No. 16 and playing in her first Grand Slam quarterfinal. She often froze Graf with blistering forehands and sharply angled two-handed backhands, but was too slow to give Graf much trouble.

"Because she's that big and tall, I think it's a bit more difficult for her to move," Graf said. "I think she knows physically she can get in better shape, and that's probably why she's not moving as well as she can."

Date became the first Japanese player to advance to a Grand Slam semifinal in more than two decades with a 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 defeat of third-seeded Conchita Martinez.

A right-hander who hit several shots left-handed during the match, Date was cheered on by

fans with red and white Japanese flags painted on their faces. Some fans bowed to her after the victory.

Date is naturally left-handed, but her grandfather convinced her to become a righty when she was young to stay in line with a Japanese preference for right-handed women.

The only other Japanese woman to reach a Grand Slam semifinal was Kazuko Sawamatsu, who reached the 1973 Australian Open semifinals. Jiro Sato reached four Grand Slam men's semifinals in the 1930s.

"It is a hard thing to reach this stage being Japanese, because we are not very big people and my height and strength is not perhaps very strong compared to opponents," the 5-foot-4, 117-pound Date said through an interpreter.

Sanchez Vicario reached the semifinals for the fourth straight year. She won 7-6 (7-3), 6-4 to end the Grand Slam career of Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere, who is retiring next month after a 13-year professional career.



AP File Photo
Gabriela Sabatini notched a straight set victory to advance in the Australian Open.

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Skelton trying to make statement with defense

By RUSTY MILLER

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Ohio State guard Jamie Skelton was asked Tuesday if there were similarities between his play and that of Michigan State guard Respert.

"Well, we both shoot a lot," Skelton began with a big grin.

But, all due respect to Skelton, the big difference is that Respert makes a lot, too.

With Michigan State coming to town Wednesday night for a Big Ten showdown, one of the top matchups figures to be Respert, a 6-foot-3 junior, against Skelton, a 6-3 senior.

"They both have the scorer's mentality," Ohio State coach Randy Ayers said.

Skelton will get the call to guard Respert in Ohio State's man-to-man defense. With Ohio State desperately seeking rebounds, the last thing the Buckeyes need is for Respert to light them up for 25 or 30.

Respert enters averaging 22.6 points a game. He is second in the Big Ten in 3-point field goals made per game (2.56), sixth in 3-point percentage (.422) and ninth in free-throw percentage (.791), to go with his third place in the league in scoring average.

"I can't let him knock down a

couple shots in a row," Skelton said. "I think he'll continue to shoot the ball well if he knocks down two or three in a row."

Ayers agrees. Of Respert, he said, "I think a guy who knows he has the green light and has confidence in his abilities is a dangerous threat."

The key, Skelton said, is to keep the ball from getting into Respert's hands.

"As many times as he touches the ball, that will be hard because that's who they focus their offense around," he said.

It's ironic that so much will be expected of Skelton on defense. Almost as much is expected on offense, where he is Ohio State's top perimeter threat.

But this hasn't been a vintage year for the Dayton native. He is second on the team with an average of 13.6 points per game but is shooting just 36.5 percent from the field — even worse than his 36.8 percent from 3-point range.

His poor shooting is one reason the Buckeyes have struggled from the start. They stand 9-8 entering the game with Michigan State.

He has taken 39 more shots than Derek Anderson, second on the team in shots attempted, but Anderson is shooting 45 percent from the field. Skelton has taken 60 more shots than Lawrence Funderburke but has scored just 23 more points.

Skelton said he has been working to be more patient, but that it's not in his nature.



Jamie Skelton

Great Midwest troubling Cincy

Associated Press

CINCINNATI

In less than a week, the University of Cincinnati has gone from a nationally-ranked, sure-bet NCAA tournament team to a conference also-ran struggling to keep its post-season hopes alive.

A week ago, the Bearcats were 12-3 and ranked No. 19.

After losses to Xavier of Ohio and Memphis State — the first time Cincinnati has lost consecutive games since near the end of the 1990-91 season — the Bearcats have slipped out of the polls.

Their five losses are more than in either of the past two whole seasons, and the toughest part of their Great Midwest Conference schedule is upcoming.

"Our league's so good, we're 12-5 and we're fifth in our league," said coach Bob Huggins. "We've got to get that turned around."

Even if Cincinnati were to win the Great Midwest Conference, the league — in its third year — does not get an automatic tournament bid until its fifth year.

Huggins says it's not too early to start worrying about the NCAA.

"I guess that's the one good thing about playing the schedule we play. You've got a lot of opportunities," Huggins said. "If you look at the records of

the teams we play, we've got a shot at some quality wins."

Winning six or seven of the remaining 11 is no easy task. Nine of the games are against ranked teams — No. 8 Massachusetts, No. 20 Alabama Birmingham, No. 22 Marquette (twice), No. 23 St. Louis (twice), No. 27 California and No. 30 DePaul (twice).

Collectively, those 11 opponents are 109-39.

"We just haven't been playing well," said sophomore guard Keith Gregor. "No one's really playing well."

UC's most obvious problem is shooting. The Bearcats shot 28 percent in Sunday's loss at Memphis State. It was their worst performance of the year, and UC hasn't been better than 40 percent in four games.

"We didn't get our shoulders square," Huggins said. "We

took some bad shots. We took some shots where we didn't have our feet underneath us, where we didn't have a good look at the goal."

Huggins also plans to let star freshman Dontonio Wingfield return for Thursday's game. Wingfield, averaging 16 points and nine rebounds, was suspended for Sunday's game because he skipped classes last week.

"It's not a matter of him struggling in school," Huggins said. "He's not struggling in school. Contrary to what people would like for you to believe, Don's a smart kid. But you've got to go to class."

"It's a matter of responsibility. Our guys are going to go to class."

"He understands that he let the team down and he said he's not going to do it anymore."



Bob Huggins

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OSU will attempt to stop fast breaking Spartans

By RUSTY MILLER
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio

There is a common drill used by basketball teams in which players line up and shoot layup after layup.

On Jan. 13 last year, Michigan State ran that drill against Ohio State. But not in practice: it was in front of 13,276 silent fans at St. John Arena.

According to the official play-by-play sheet, 24 of Michigan State's 29 field goals that night were simple layups. No fewer than 11 were uncontested breakaway drives in the Spartans' deceptively easy 77-60 victory.

With Ohio State (9-8 overall, 2-4 in the Big Ten) again having difficulties on the offensive boards and defense against the fastbreak, Wednesday night's matchup with Michigan State

could be a repeat.

"They push the ball upcourt," Ohio State senior guard Jamie Skelton said. "One of our problems this year has been transition defense. So if we don't get back, they'll get easy baskets early in the game and probably try to take our crowd out of it."

The Buckeyes rank last in the Big Ten in rebounding margin. And rebounds are the key to putting the clamps on opponents who like to get out on the break.

Largely because of its ineffectiveness on the boards, Ohio State is also last in the Big Ten in scoring margin and next to last in scoring defense.

Conversely, Michigan State (12-6, 3-3 Big Ten) is second to Illinois in the conference in rebound margin and permits opponents the fewest number of rebounds of any team in the league.

Michigan State is led by junior guard Shawn Respert, averaging 22.6 points a game, and 6-foot-9 center Anthony Miller (13.7 ppg). Six-four Kris Weshinsky is joined by a pair of

native Ohioans, 6-7 Quinton Brooks (12.9) and 6-3 Eric Snow (6.7) in the starting lineup.

Snow and Miller could be the keys to another easy victory. A year ago, Miller had 12 rebounds as the Spartans built a 44-34 advantage on the boards. Snow was the man who triggered the fastbreak.

"I think Eric Snow ... is one of the best guards in the conference in terms of pushing the ball up the floor," Ohio State coach Randy Ayers said. "That's a concern of ours because we've got to get back. Our transition defense has to improve for us to shut him down."

And the rebounding, particularly with Miller flexing his muscles inside, again will be a pain for a team that was throttled 45-22 on the boards Saturday on the way to a 101-63 loss at Purdue.

Ayers said he was "embarrassed" by his team's rebounding in that game.

Now he has decided to go

with a bigger lineup, with more time going to 6-9 Tony Watson, 6-8 Rickey Dudley and 6-7 Charles Macon to counteract timidity inside.

The Buckeyes will have the services of 6-11 Gerald Eaker, who missed Sunday and Monday practices after a death in the family, but will not have 6-11 Nate Wilbourne, still recovering from an infection in his left elbow.

Lawrence Funderburke, Skelton, Derek Anderson and Greg Simpson will be expected to step up and help out on the boards and against Snow and the fastbreak if another blowout is to be averted.

"If we can eliminate the times they get close to the basket and make them shoot outside, I think the game will be close to the end," Skelton said.

"Hopefully if the crowd's in the game we can pull it out at the end."

But that, of course, will depend on whether the Spartans have another layup drill.



Randy Ayers

SPORTS BRIEFS

Ski Trip: There will be an informational meeting for those interested in the spring break trip to Jackson Hole, Wyoming on Thursday January 27 in 127 Niewland at 8 p.m. Questions? Contact Dave Zidar at 273-3105 or Kevin Malone at 4-1062.

RecSports: There will be a meeting for soccer officials at the JACC auditorium at 5:30 p.m. on January 27. All interested officials please attend.

RecSports: Deadline is Thursday January 27 for Campus Indoor Soccer and Campus Badminton Doubles.

RecSports: There will be a soccer captains meeting at 5 p.m. on January 27 at the JACC auditorium.

RecSports: There will be a downhill ski trip Friday, January 28 with busses leaving library circle at 5:00 p.m. en route to Swiss Valley. The cost is \$25 including lift ticket, rental, and transportation; tickets available for \$17 without rental. The return bus will leave at 10:00 p.m. Beginner lessons are free. Register at RecSports by January 26 or call 1-6100.

Ketsu-ka self defense class meets Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in Rockne 219 and Sundays from 2:00-3:50 p.m. The registration fee is \$18 paid at RecSports.

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Lett also seeking redemption

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
Associated Press

ATLANTA

This was Leon Lett's day of dread.

The NFL mandated that he would have to appear at Super Bowl media day and explain why he was so accident prone.

Why, Leon, didn't you let the ball alone on Thanksgiving Day in a blunder that made the Bloop Hall of Fame?

What, Leon, will you do the next time you recover a fumble in the Super Bowl? Will you do a hot-dog dance and have Don Beebe slap the ball away again a yard from the end zone?

Sweat. It soaked through Lett's jersey as he flopped down on the Georgia Dome's 20-yard line. Sweat. It poured from his forehead and made the palms of his hands slippery.

"It's time to put it all behind me," whispered this gentle 6-foot-6er from tiny Fair Hope, Ala., who has such long arms it's like passing a ball through tree limbs.

It was a snowy Thanksgiving, and Lett forgot that a blocked field goal produces a live ball only if it's touched by the defending team. Lett did. Miami recovered and kicked the game-winning field goal as time expired.

The star-crossed Lett hadn't spoken to reporters since. Until Tuesday.

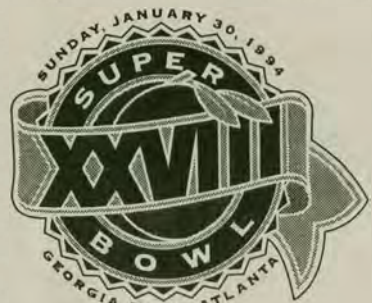
"I got some great letters and I answered everyone of them

that was positive," Lett said. "Fans can make too much of just one play. I don't want to say what I was thinking."

"But I thanked God when we beat the New York Giants, won the division and the homefield advantage. It meant I didn't hurt the team."

Lett had thought he was going to be a former Cowboy.

"I thought I had lost my job,"



Lett said. "But Coach Johnson told me the next day not to worry. That I was still one of the guys."

By now, the crush of bodies was overwhelming.

"I can't breathe, don't get behind me," The Cat said, springing to his feet with astonishing agility.

He fanned his face and sweat ran into his eyes. He pawed at his eyes until he could clear them.

Lett tried to explain what he would do if he recovered a fumble Sunday. In last year's 52-17 victory over Buffalo, Lett set a Super Bowl record by returning a fumble 64 yards. The laughs

came, however, after Lett slowed down and tried to jive his way to a touchdown. Beebe came from nowhere to slap the ball out of Lett's hands at the 1-yard line and the ball rolled out of the end zone for a touchback.

No touchdown! Buffalo's ball. This summer at training camp, Lett said, "I tried to give the crowd a show. I'll never forget what happened."

Asked again Tuesday, Lett smiled and said, "If it happens again, I'm going to run like hell. Beebe won't have a chance to catch me."

Odds makers in Las Vegas have made Lett a 200-to-1 shot to score the first touchdown on Sunday.

By now it was all too much for the claustrophobic Lett.

Only 11 minutes into his interview, Lett left.

"He's a shy guy, a little shell-shocked," said Dallas public relations director Rich Dalrymple. "He's from a small college at Emporia State. Not many big crowds there."

Defensive end Charles Haley blamed the media, saying "some of them make it look like all he can do is fumble the ball. Not that he is fixing to become a great player."

Offensive tackle Nate Newton said he encouraged Lett to open up.

"I hammered him and told him to come out and talk," Newton said. "I told him to get it over with."

Bills

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their possibility of being successful."

Until the biggest show.

"A lot of people are going to say they don't want to see us back," running back Ken Davis says, "but we want to be back for ourselves. All of us want to come back and dance in the streets of Buffalo."

First, they have to dance over and past the NFC, something no AFC representative has done in a decade.

The Bills certainly have the players to win a Super Bowl. Another measure of greatness is how many Hall of Fame-quality performers a team has. The Bills have three who deserve immediate consideration when eligible in Bruce Smith, Thurman Thomas and Jim Kelly. For the first three Super Bowl appearances,

they also had James Lofton, a certain Hall of Famer.

How about Pro Bowl players? Twelve Bills have been there.

As for impact on the sport, the Bills refined the no-huddle offense, which was nearly unstoppable in 1990. Thomas might be the best all-purpose back the sport has seen, and Kelly is well-suited for the hurry-up attack.

Even if the Bills lose on Sunday, their ability to get to the final step four straight times shouldn't be ignored.

But it will be.

"That kind of thing adds wood to the fire," says cornerback Nate Odomes, who — like so many teammates — bristles at the criticism leveled at his team for not bringing home the biggest prize. "Some people hate us for winning. Some people spoiled their appetites on us in the Super Bowls. We don't care. We're going to keep working and fighting until we get it right."



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Headline News!



Employees speculate bar's fate

By SARAH THOMAS

Associated Press

Employees of Bridget's speculate on the fate of the bar.

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Underage drinking cause of early closing of local bar

By SARAH THOMAS

Associated Press

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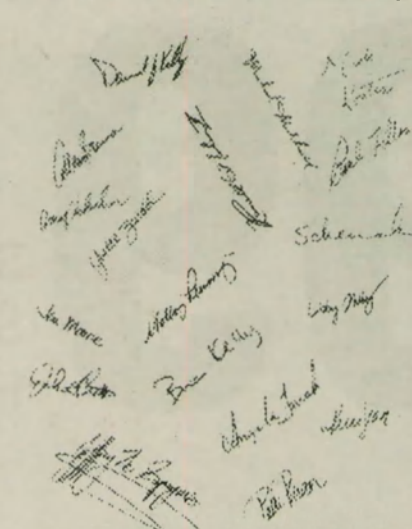
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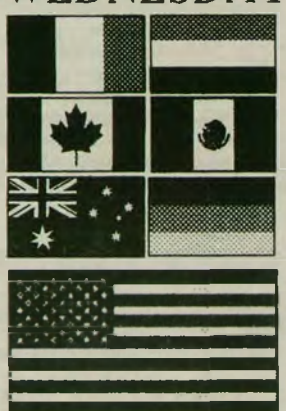


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Dueling quarterbacks matched again, but now Aikman ails Kelly trying to prove detractors wrong

By PAUL NEWBERRY

Associated Press

ATLANTA

Jim Kelly has become a collector. Not of cars or stamps or hats.

No, the Buffalo Bills quarterback has been collecting bad press: newspaper stories that mock him, his team and their failure to win the big one. One day, perhaps after a Super Bowl victory, he might let everyone else see his little scrapbook.

"Some guys think they are practical jokers, but they aren't," Kelly said of those reporters he finds offensive. "I don't have any respect for any of them."

Kelly began his scrapbook after Buffalo struggled to a 13-10 victory over New England in the eighth week of the season. There were tremors that the Bills were bickering again. Some players grumbled about the play calling, others complained that they weren't getting the ball enough.

"It's just some of the things I began to see and read," Kelly said. "I don't read too many newspapers, but I read enough."

Don't get Kelly wrong, he insists. This is not a personal crusade against the media, designed to propel him to even

greater heights in Sunday's Super Bowl against the Dallas Cowboys.

"It's just a few notes," he said. "It's definitely not a motivating factor. But it's something I want to make a point of. I'll leave it at that."

As if to demonstrate his point, Kelly said he even forgot to bring his clip file with him to Atlanta.

"I left it at home," he said. "I've got to get someone to bring it down to me."

"Everybody has a hobby," coach Marv Levy said with a smile. "That's his hobby."

At 33, Kelly appears to be on the downside of his career. His 18 touchdown passes this season were his lowest since 1988. His 3,382 passing yards were the fourth lowest of his nine-year career.

But his coach and teammates insist Kelly has never been better.

"He has a much greater appreciation of the running game," Levy said. "We have greater balance, and he's putting his input into the running game."

"This is the best Jim Kelly who's ever played," receiver Don Beebe said. "I know first hand because I see him in the huddle before every play. I've never seen him more confident,

more in control. Maybe he's not had as many big stat days. But he's always calling the right play at the right time. Nine out of 10 times, he's calling the right play."

The Super Bowl has been another story. Four times Kelly has led his team to the title game, a feat unmatched by any other quarterback. But no quarterback has ever lost four Super Bowls, and Kelly is only one away. Some have suggested that his career won't be complete unless he wins it.

Kelly will hear none of that. After last Sunday's 30-13 romp over Kansas City in the AFC championship, he seemed to take special glee in defying those who bemoaned another Super Bowl with Buffalo in it. "We're baaack," he chortled on the sideline.

"Nothing fazes Jim Kelly," Levy said. "He's the toughest-minded guy you'll ever find. He stands as an example of what the soul of this team is like."

Kelly waded into the horde of reporters and cameras on Tuesday with the same poise he shows when he stands in the pocket that extra half-second, willing to take a hit to get off the pass. There was no anger in his voice as he encountered question after question about a possible four-peat.

Aikman's failed memory won't distract in big game

By HAL BOCK

Associated Press

ATLANTA

Two, three, four times, Troy Aikman reviewed the details of his NFC championship game knockout, repeating over and over how the concussion had erased almost all of Sunday from his memory.

Was it scary? someone wondered.

Aikman smiled thinly, and seized the straight line the way a quarterback does a defense.

"You know," he said evenly Tuesday, "I don't remember."

There are some benefits to getting a knee to the head, after all. The frightening parts are forgotten. It also happens to be one of the hazards of his profession, something Aikman accepted a long time ago.

He is the kind of quarterback some football architect might have drawn up on a blueprint — 6-foot-4, 222 pounds, blond hair, blue eyes. There is an angry scrape on one elbow and a couple of nicks on his hands, souvenirs of his job, worn like badges of honor.

And, yes, he can't remember Sunday.

"It's part of the game," Aikman said matter-of-factly. "As long as you're going to play, you can't be too con-

cerned — unless it starts happening on a continuing basis."

There was a time, though, when sacks seemed to be part of the Dallas Cowboys offense. And Aikman, suffering through a 1-15 rookie season, was the sackee.

Drafted No. 1 in 1989 as the first building block in the reconstruction of the Cowboys, Aikman took his licks.

"It's hard to put into words, to explain how miserable 1-15 was," Aikman said. "It was the toughest year I ever went through. If that had continued, I could not have played past my first contract."

The turnaround came a year later when Norv Turner was hired as offensive coordinator and installed the offense Aikman had used in college, an attack designed to take better advantage of the weapons Dallas had.

"He throws the ball real well," wide receiver Alvin Harper said. "It's a ball you don't have to work for. You just have to run up under them."

Aikman is a star now, celebrated on the cover of a new NFL comic book, equipped with a \$50 million, eight-year contract that is the league's richest, owner of one Super Bowl ring and favored to capture another on Sunday.

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REWARDS

Women's sports combine in lawsuit against Virginia Tech

By DAVID REED
Associated Press

ROANOKE, Va. A federal class action lawsuit filed Tuesday by 12 female athletes at Virginia Tech accuses the university of discriminating against women athletes by denying female sports clubs varsity status.

"There are sacrifices a true athlete must make to succeed, but being victimized by sex discrimination should not be one of them," said Kathy Jones, one

of five field hockey club members joining the lawsuit.

The other plaintiffs are members of the women's softball, lacrosse and crew clubs. The lawsuit was filed in U.S. District Court in Roanoke by the National Women's Law Center on behalf of all women who want to participate in varsity athletics at Virginia Tech.

Club members must pay their own way to travel to their games, are given access to equipment only after the varsity

teams are finished and cannot receive athletic scholarships.

The Blacksburg school has women's varsity basketball, soccer, track, volleyball, tennis, cross country and swimming teams.

But the lawsuit said women make up 41 percent of Virginia Tech's enrollment and only 21 percent of varsity athletes. The lawsuit asks the court to order the university to elevate the women's clubs to intercollegiate teams.

The lawsuit alleges that Vir-

ginia Tech's athletic program violates Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the federal law prohibiting sex discrimination in education, and the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment.

In October, an internal review concluded that Virginia Tech spends a disproportionately small amount of resources on women's sports.

At a board of visitors meeting Feb. 14, a study committee

intends to present a plan to address the inequities over the next five years, Virginia Tech spokesman Larry Hincker said.

"We believe we have been making good progress toward gender equity," he said. "We believe the plan will address their concerns," he said of the plaintiffs.

Virginia Tech in the past two years has upgraded salaries of women's sports coaches and increased spending on women's sports by \$140,000.

Figure skating circus continues off ice

By JEFF BARNARD
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. The U.S. Figure Skating Association has dropped plans to try to get a closer look at the police investigation of national figure skating champion Tonya Harding.

Authorities in Portland, meanwhile, said today no witnesses were scheduled to testify before the grand jury hearing evidence on the alleged plot to injure Nancy Kerrigan, Harding's Olympic rival.

And a published report in the Detroit Free Press today quoted an unidentified source as saying that Harding's ex-husband, Jeff Gillooly, was trying to cut a deal on his conspiracy charge by implicating Harding.

Deputy District Attorney Norm Frink said today he had not heard that report, and had no comment on it.

Meanwhile, Harding skated out with a video camera at practice today and taped photographers who crowded one end of the rink.

"How do you like it?" she asked.

Harding's attorney released a statement today saying he believes it would be unjust if Harding was removed from the Olympic team "on the basis of unproven charges."

USFSA executive director Jerry Lace said Monday night that he has canceled a trip to Portland to gather inside information on the Jan. 6 attack in Detroit on 1992 Olympic bronze medalist Nancy Kerrigan.

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"We felt we couldn't get any additional information the public couldn't get," Lace said from his home in Payton, Colo. "Consequently, it was of no value to us to go up there."

Lace refused to comment on what prosecutors have told him about the case, but said the association wasn't feeling pressured to decide whether Harding will remain on the team going to the Winter Olympics next month in Lillehammer, Norway.

The association has until Monday to submit the team roster to the U.S. Olympic Committee, but can make substitutions up until Feb. 21, when skaters draw their turns for performing. The grand jury investigating the attack is due to report Feb. 3.

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good.

"The team is now beginning to feel the affects of the season which will be remedied by the beginning of a tapering period which will start next week," Janson said.

As for tonight's meet, the team has had ample time to recover from Saturday's meet, he added.

The energy level is high going into this meet which the team hopes will combat an anticipated angry attitude from Kalamazoo, which suffered a bitter loss last Saturday to Lake

Forest College, Janson said.

"As a whole, the team is feeling good about themselves. They are not too vocal about it, but it is obvious in the way they work," Janson said. "I can see the spark and drive we need to put out that extra effort to do well."

"We do our best when we know it will be a close meet," Rose confirmed. "We really pull together and the spirit and

CORRECTION

In the Saint Mary's basketball game on Monday, senior Anne Mulcahy scored 23 points for the Belles, not freshman Katy Lalli. The Observer regrets the error.

energy levels rise."

The team is also looking to their fans for a push.

"This is the closest meet of our season and it will help to have a little extra support in the stands," Janson said.

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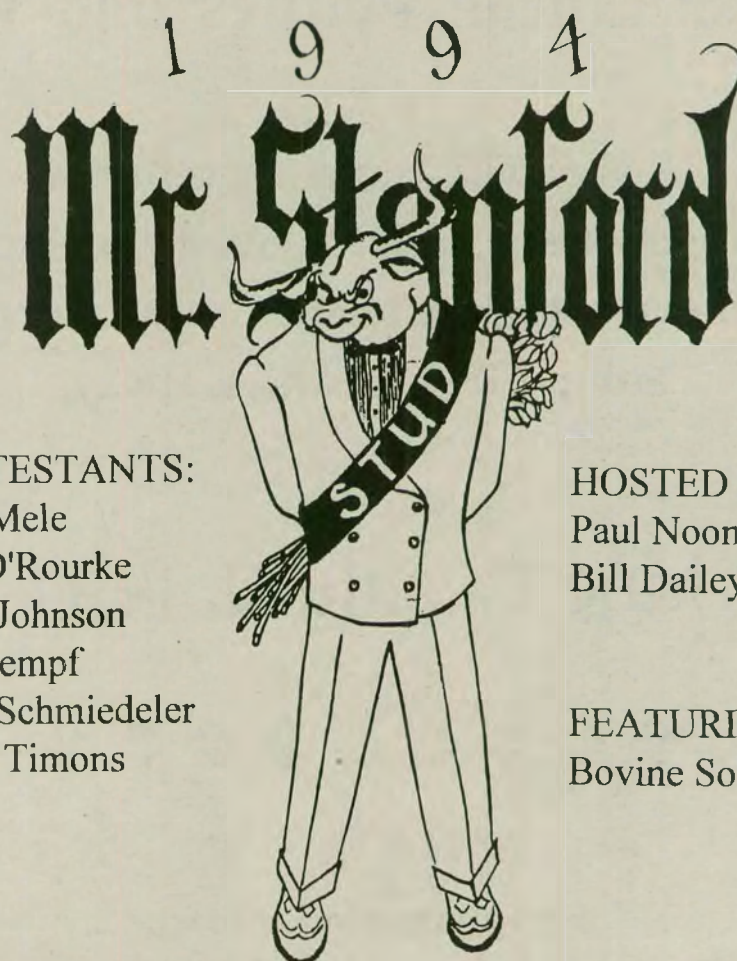
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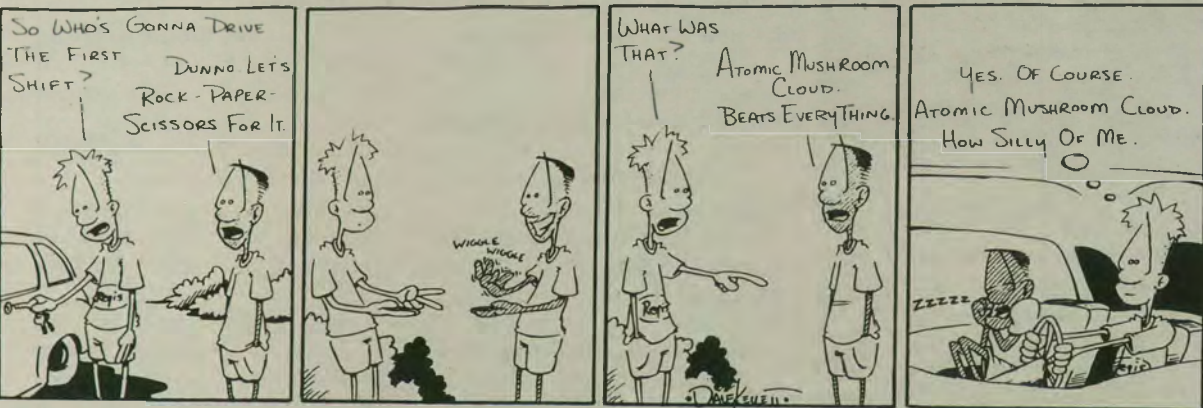
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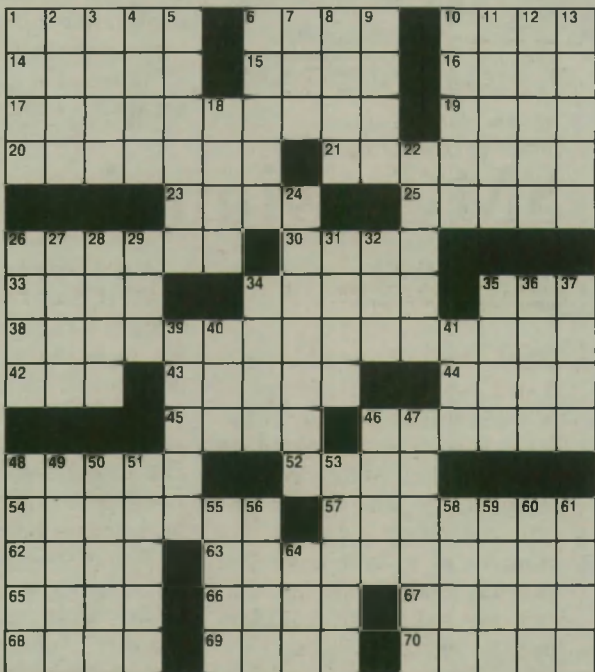
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THE FAR SIDE

GARY LARSON



After many years of marital bliss, tension enters the Kent household.

OF INTEREST

■Auditions for JPW lectors will be held today at 4 p.m. in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

■Alcoholics Anonymous meetings will take place today and every Wednesday of the semester at 5:45 p.m. at the Office of Alcohol and Drug Education in LaFortune.

■Two Holy Cross Associates who recently returned from Chile after two years of living and working there will be at the CSC in the Coffee House on Jan. 26 at 7 p.m. All are invited to attend.

■Recyclin' Irish will be holding a re-organizational meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 26, at 7 p.m. at the CSC. Anyone interested in volunteering for pick-ups, doing service hours or getting involved in the club for next year are strongly encouraged to attend. Any questions? Call 631-9013.

■Notre Dame Martial Arts Institute will be holding beginner classes on Thursdays from 8 to 9:30 p.m. and Sundays from 6 to 8 p.m. Classes are held in room 219 of the Rockne Memorial. For further information call either John at 4-4618 or Jennifer at 273-9765.

■A Hospitality Luncheon to benefit the Catholic Worker House will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 27. All are welcome.

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Sophomore guard Ryan Hoover will try to spark the struggling Notre Dame offense against Duke in Cameron Indoor Stadium.

The Observer/Kyle Kusek

No. 2 Duke difficult test for slumping Irish

By JASON KELLY
Associate Sports Editor

It isn't the ideal remedy for Notre Dame's basketball blues.

But an impressive performance tonight against No. 2 Duke would be a big shot in the arm for a team desperate to find a light at the end of a very long tunnel.

"We play Duke on Wednesday and Providence on Saturday," Irish coach John MacLeod said. "Duke is the No. 2 team and Providence is one of the best in the Big East. We're not exactly going into these games on a positive note."

That's like MacLeod saying his hair isn't exactly straight.

Four consecutive losses have turned Notre Dame's season from hope to horror, and Duke is as frightening as any Irish opponent this season.

Senior do-it-all Grant Hill paces the Blue Devils attack along with classmate Antonio Lang.

Junior center Cherokee Parks is growing into a dominant inside player and sophomore Chris Collins has been a more than capable compliment from long range.

The result is a better than expected 13-1 mark and the lofty

No. 2 ranking after eight of the top ten teams lost last week.

Duke's only loss came on a disputed 3-point shot against Wake Forest on January 13.

Notre Dame's losses haven't been disputed, although many have been disappointing.

The Irish have shot less than 40 percent in their last two games and appear to be headed for a fate similar to last year's 9-18 disappointment.

Even if the Irish play a perfect game against Duke a win is unlikely. However, they have played some of their best basketball of the season against top 25 teams.

Notre Dame made Arizona sweat in the Maui Classic and turned in a solid effort against Kentucky. Both ended as lopsided losses, but not without some encouraging signs.

A similar performance tonight, even if it ends in a loss, would lift the team's sinking spirits.

"This is the worst feeling there is," sophomore guard Ryan Hoover said after Monday's loss to Loyola.

The positive side of that remark is that there is nowhere to go but up.

But playing Duke isn't exactly a springboard to success.

Despite super setbacks, Bills still one of the best

By BARRY WILNER
Associated Press

ATLANTA

Here's one for all those Bills-haters who dread the idea of seeing Buffalo represent the AFC for a fourth straight time in the Super Bowl: too bad.

Face it, folks, these Buffalo Bills are a great team.

Their unprecedented three successive Super flops are well-known. So is the fact that also know that the Bills are the first team to advance to four Super Bowls in a row — the first to even come close to doing it, actually — and that's the first measure of greatness.

From 1933 until 1969, when it was the NFL, only the wartime Chicago Bears and the Cleveland Browns of the early 1950s got into four consecutive title games; the Browns made six from 1950-55. Chicago was 3-1 and Cleveland was 2-3 in those NFL championship games.

The 1970-73 Dallas Cowboys got to the NFC finals, going 2-2.

All of them are considered great teams.

In the 33 seasons as either the AFL or AFC, only the

Oakland Raiders got to the title game as many as four consecutive years. They did it from 1967-70, and went 1-3. Again, from 1973-77, the Raiders got to the conference championship game — and went 1-4.

The Bills are 4-0 in the 1990s with the AFC title on the line.

Because the Raiders won a Super Bowl in that span, they often are considered among the all-time best teams. Because the Bills haven't, they aren't.

"We've been a team which has won a lot of games," says coach Marv Levy. "We won more games in the 1990s than any other team. We've played in 10 playoff games and won seven of them. Unfortunately, the three we didn't win were the three Super Bowl games."

"It's been a tremendously resilient football team and I admire that in our players. They've bounced back from a lot of disappointments. They've come back with a lot of comeback victories. I see good things in our players. I like them and I like what they're made of. As a result, I think they maximize

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SMC swimming up for challenge

By MARY GOOD
Saint Mary's Sports Editor

With the right combination of strategy, speed, and spirit, the odds will be in favor of the Saint Mary's swim team as they meet their stiffest competition of the season tonight against Kalamazoo College.

Coming away from a win last Saturday against Hillsdale College, the Belles are confident that the nervousness and excitement surrounding tonight's meet is just what they need to up their 2-2 dual meet record.

"We are aware of the tough competition and it is making us a little more nervous than usual, but the adrenaline from the anticipation will push us to swim faster," sophomore Jill Cooper said.

"Coach Janson has really prepared us for this meet," captain Megan Hurley added. "He has told us what to expect so we know what to do and how to win it."

Recent little improvements in race strategy, pace, sprinting speed and times have all been building the team's momentum for tonight's match with Kalamazoo, coach Greg Janson said.

"I am expecting general overall improvement, and tonight's competition is what we need to make this improvement," Janson said.

Janson expects Kalamazoo to push the Belles in the 100 and 200 meter backstroke. These events will especially challenge backstroker Katie Rose.

"Kalamazoo has a couple of swimmers who are about where Katie is, maybe a little slower," Janson said. "This will be good for her."

"The competition will be good. It will make me work," Rose said. "I am a little nervous, but I am more excited to see how I will compete."

Janson also expects to see Teresa Popp improve against close competition in the 50 and 100 meter freestyle.

In addition to seeing improvement pay off, the team is also excitedly awaiting teammate Jill Cooper's return to the 100 and 200 breaststroke, Janson commented. Cooper has only been swimming only butterfly in recent meets due to a pulled leg muscle.

"The injury gave me a chance to get my mind off breaststroke for a little while so now I can really focus on

it," Cooper said. "I am excited because I am ready to go fast."

Janson hopes that improved performance in practice will raise the team's confidence level enough to allow them to push themselves as well as the other team.

"Everyone has been swimming fast in practice, almost as fast as in meets, so times should come down a lot," Cooper explained. "Also, coach Janson switched people around in events so we will be more evenly matched."

The team will be making their first appearance of the season in the 400 meter individual medley. They expect to perform well based on their practices and good endurance, Janson said.

Swimming this event for Saint Mary's will be Jen Gustafson, Jen Mitchell, Katie Rose and Megan Hurley.

"We've been practicing the 400 meter I.M. for the past couple of weeks so I am anxious to see how I'll do in it," Hurley said.

The team is beginning to become a little fatigued overall, but their muscles are feeling

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Women's Rights

The Virginia Tech athletic department was served with a lawsuit charging discrimination.



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Struggling Bearcats

The Cincinnati basketball team is having trouble in the competitive Great Midwest conference

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Big Ten Showdown

Judd Heathcote's MSU Spartans look to run and gun against Ohio State.

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