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Malloy addresses faculty, sets new goals for Generations



By TIM LOGAN
 News Editor

In his annual address to the faculty Tuesday, University president Father Edward Malloy outlined several broad themes affecting Notre Dame but discussed few specific goals or proposals for the school's future.

He called on the faculty to work with his administration to keep bringing Notre Dame closer to the elite of American universities.

"We are closer to realizing our goal of being not only the preeminent Catholic university in the world, but also a great Catholic university," he said. "I'm confident we can do it together."

The bulk of his speech reflected on the themes he pledged to address when he took over the

University's presidency in 1987. These themes were Notre Dame's institutional self-definition, its distinction as a Catholic school, the unique nature of its residential community, the University's tradition of service and the importance of academic freedom.

Malloy spoke to the faculty about improvements in the quality of teaching.

"I feel very positive, personally, about the progress we've made with regard to teaching," he said. The University has added an average of 10 full-time faculty positions each year since he took over.

He also said Notre Dame would continue its efforts to improve and expand its research programs.

"I don't think we can pull back," he said. "Too many people have invested too much from their resources."

Malloy noted that, up to now, most research has been conducted in the Colleges of Engineering and Science. Funding dollars will be spread more evenly in the future, he said.

The president also discussed

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Father Edward Malloy
 University president

Father Malloy addressed the faculty Tuesday and announced his hopes that Generations will raise one billion dollars.

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GSU looks to improve programs

By CHRISTINE KRALY
 Associate News Editor

Maria Canalas is excited about computers and coupons. The Student Advantage card and the upcoming computer sale are a couple of programs the Graduate Student Union (GSU) president is happy to see progressing on campus.

At last night's GSU meeting, Canalas updated members on the progress of initiatives such as the Advantage card and alumni relations.

The Student Advantage card is a coupon card used by students nationwide that Canalas is trying to bring to campus. She had recently gotten approval from Joe Cassidy in Student Activities and anticipates the card's arrival on campus as early as February. Once graduate students get use of the card, it could become available to undergraduates as well.

"We're not doing much for the graduate students," said Chuck Lennon, executive director of the Alumni Association.

Lennon spoke to Union members about developing better ties between grad students and the Association.

"[When you graduate], you become one of my [many] bosses," Lennon said. "We try to involve graduate students,

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SMC prof-student teams present research

By KATIE MILLER
 News Writer

Four student-professor pairs gathered Tuesday to discuss their experiences with the Student Independent Study And Research (SISTAR) programs as part of a Saint Mary's Pride Week Presentation.

In order to participate in SISTAR, a student must approach a professor with whom she would be interested in spending a summer studying independently. If the professor agrees, the student spends the summer at Saint Mary's working alongside that professor in their chosen area of interest.

"The SISTAR grant for summer work is an opportunity to work independently and interdependently on building new knowledge and skills outside the classroom," said associate professor Deborah McCarthy.

The teams consisted of Deborah McCarthy and Anne Pangilinan from the department of chemistry and physics, associate professor Charles Peltier and Chengdong Liu from the department of mathematics, professor Ann Loux and Cara Ford from the department of English, and associate professor Max Westler and Emily Cardinali also from the

department of English.

"She learned to make a decision, follow a method and find a meaning," said McCarthy whose project with Pangilinan was based on "Studies of Antioxidants Produced for Use on Carbon/Carbon Composite Friction Materials."

"I consider the SISTAR project very beneficial. Learning to teach yourself is very useful, whether you are going into graduate school or the workforce," said Chengdong Liu whose

SISTAR project, "Determination of the Variables that are Significant to Student Retention at Saint Mary's College," focused on variables and statistics.

From their research, the Peltier-Liu partnership found characteristics that predict a student's retention based on her first semester GPA, importance of parents' opinion, if Saint Mary's was her first choice and the size of her high school.

"It's nice to be on the same terms as Ann," said student Cara Ford. Her project, "Voices from the Avenue and Beyond: A Current Reader for Literary Non-Fiction," consisted of actually working with Loux to put together a text that will be used in a class next semester.



KRISTINE KAAI/The Observer

Associate professor Charles Peltier [left] and Saint Mary's student Chengdong Liu [right] listen to a group of research presentations given Tuesday at Saint Mary's.

ter. In addition to enjoying her work with Loux, Ford felt as though SISTAR provided her with many benefits.

"SISTAR was something I actually enjoyed doing, and it

gave me direction," said Ford. Emily Cardinali also enjoyed the freedom she experienced with the SISTAR program in

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INSIDE COLUMN

Father knows best

Everywhere I go, people are *too* busy. All over campus, there are papers to write, midterms to study for, practices to make, and absolutely no time to do anything else — least of all to call the parents. Calling home is always something easily left until tomorrow.

When tomorrow comes, so have a million other things with pressing deadlines, so our parents are put off for another time. We manage to complain about our work and our lives to nearly everyone around us, and never get around to calling the people who would actually love to hear about it.

I suffered from this myself at the beginning of this year. I was home for only a week before I was to move back to school, and had to cram errands at the last moment to get ready. I ran around my Kentucky hometown doing so many things I thought were so important, I barely had time to have lunch with my dad the day before I left.

I showed up late at the restaurant where I was meeting him, joked with him for a few minutes and wolfed down my plate, eager to get to my other errands. In the parking lot, I shook his hand, thanked him for taking me out to eat, and ran off on another important venture, promising to call once I got settled in at school.

Two weeks later, I saw my dad in a hospital bed, and he was dying.

My brother called just before the Michigan weekend and told me to come home to Louisville. A rare and violent virus had attacked my father's liver and was systematically destroying his organs. I had been joking with my dad about some stupid Monty Python skit the week before, and now he had less than 24 hours to live. As I drove south on 31, I fought tears, listened to the loudest music I had, and pressed harder and harder on the gas.

While I passed Kokomo, still three hours from home, his blood pressure dropped 50 points, and he nearly died. As I passed Indianapolis, my stepmother was at his bedside, urging him to hang on long enough for me to say goodbye. Eventually I arrived at the hospital, but he was semi-conscious and agonizing over every breath. Only my faith tells me he knew his entire family was at his side when he finally gave in to the pain.

Now I am back in South Bend, and my dad is buried beneath the Kentucky Bluegrass he grew up on. Now there is a stone above him that tells the world what a fantastic father he really was. Now there is no amount of class work or personal trouble that will keep me from talking to my mother or my brothers when I should. Our conversations have never been more frequent, more enjoyable or more needed.

As you agonize in the library or at the computer lab, think of the last conversation you had with your parents. Now, imagine it was actually the last.

Yes, your Core paper is important. Yes, that Biology midterm is going to ruin your grade if you bomb it. Yes, football weekends are full of the things that make going to Notre Dame so special, but don't you think your parents want to hear about all of it?

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THIS WEEK IN SOUTH BEND

Today	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
♦ "Annie Get Your Gun": Round Barn Theater, Nappanee, 2 p.m.	♦ Open Line Dancing: South Bend Eagles Lodge, South Bend, 6 p.m. to 11 p.m.	♦ The Sting: Battell Community Center, Mishawaka, 8 p.m.	♦ Sue Witty: Borders Books and Music, Mishawaka, 8 p.m.
♦ S. Ray Miller Auto Museum: Elkhart, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.	♦ Spirit of the Dance: ELCO Performing Arts Center, Elkhart, 8 p.m.	♦ Haunted Scream Park: Niles, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. EDT	♦ Haunted Scream Park: Niles, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. EDT

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Arizona legislator maintains anti-co-ed stance

TUCSON, Ariz.

In the wake of the reaction to her recent controversial comments, Arizona Rep. Jean McGrath, R-Glendale, has not softened in her belief that co-ed dormitories are immoral, endorsing premarital sex and underage drinking and that some women's studies courses need to undergo a name change.

"It doesn't take a rocket scientist to realize that it's wrong for the state to be paying for students to have a place to party and have sex," McGrath said Friday.

The driving force behind McGrath's positions is her belief that state funding should be kept to a minimum. The thought of money being spent "supporting immoral behavior," is her biggest concern, she said.

McGrath said she has received a



"ton of e-mails" from University of Arizona students responding negatively to her comments at the Arizona Board of Regents meeting on Sept. 23.

"They were very nasty, with a lot of name calling and vulgarity," McGrath said. "They were all just very immature, and it certainly doesn't further their point."

McGrath said the responses that she has received from non-students

has been positive and appreciative to her for speaking her mind. The majority of student responses came from UA students, McGrath said.

"It's really the adult view of the world versus the student view of the world that has created the problem," she said.

While McGrath would not reveal the names of the authors of the e-mails, she said they called her a "puppet head for right-wing propaganda, a rambling idiot," and said she is effectively destroying our society.

"These students need to learn to disagree without being disagreeable," McGrath said. "Some students don't understand what I was saying. I don't want the Women's Studies [department] to be canceled. I just want the course material to match the course title."

Northwestern celebrates life

EVANSTON, Ill.

Every nook and cranny of The Rock was aglow Thursday night with burning candles after several hundred Northwestern students, faculty and community members held a vigil against violence. "A little bit of light dispels a lot of darkness," said Rabbi Dov Hillel Klein, director of the Tannenbaum Chabad House. The anti-violence vigil, sponsored by the Associated Student Government and 10 student groups, was a response to the deaths this summer of five people with links to NU. Robert Russ, a former football player, and Ricky Byrdsong, a former basketball coach, were both shot to death. Jason Rynd and Beth Pancoe, both Speech juniors, died of leukemia. Matt Hartl, another former football player, was a victim of Hodgkin's disease. "Tonight we are gathered here to celebrate the lives of members of the Northwestern community we lost over the summer," said ASG President Steve Spaulding. "No one at Northwestern has had a chance to come to terms with it in a public way and think about. It didn't seem right for Northwestern not to do anything."

Yale endowment hits \$7 billion

NEW HAVEN, Conn.

The Yale Endowment has passed the \$7 billion mark, according to figures released Monday by the Yale Investment Office. Although the year's return — at 12.2 percent — ranks nearly the lowest in the last half-decade, it was a better-than-average year in comparison to other universities' returns. In addition, the endowment has enjoyed an above-median 15 percent annualized investment return over the last decade. Yale analysts stressed that an overview of the endowment since 1989 is more important than this year's figures in seclusion. Yale's 15 percent annualized return bested the median 13 percent returns of similar endowments, as calculated by the independent consulting firm of Cambridge Associates. Had Yale's investments followed the 13 percent rate, yesterday's endowment figure would be \$1.2 billion lower. In addition to the ten-year overall upswing, this year's endowment performed well in terms of absolute dollars, earning \$780 million. Although the percentage increase is less than that of last year, the endowment earned more than it spent and, also in light of Cambridge Associates figures, enjoyed above-median returns.

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Wednesday	59	44
Thursday	64	44
Friday	63	52
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NATIONAL WEATHER

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Baltimore	58	39	Memphis	80	59	Sacramento	69	56
Boston	50	38	Milwaukee	58	50	St. Louis	77	57
Chicago	64	49	New York	54	44	Tampa	89	64
Houston	86	65	Philadelphia	55	42	Wash DC	58	44

Pax Christi guest speaker urges students to protest SOA

By MATT BUNDA
News Writer

John Giulano, a guest of Pax Christi, spoke to a group of students and professors in the Center for Social Concerns Tuesday night about the situation in El Salvador.

"Armed guards block the doors to the McDonalds in El Salvador; if you go and ask the gas station attendant for the key to the restroom he cocks a shotgun and hands you the key," said Giulano.

Giulano is an ex-Jesuit who lives and works with the poor in El Salvador attempting to rebuild their communities from the devastation of the 12 year war that raged there through the 1980s. He recounted some horror stories for the group from his experience during the conflict.

"We were all sprayed with chemicals, myself included. People are dying from cancer who were sprayed and never diagnosed," he said. In conjunction with this personal destruction was the damaging and tarnishing of the land by bombing and chemical warfare.

He spoke of the murder of

Oscar Romero, the Jesuit Archbishop who was murdered by the Salvadoran government, and the murder of four priests and two women at the Jesuit University in El Salvador; he knew and worked with the priests and women and was working at the university at the time of the murders.

He described the climate of the time as social atmosphere when "Be a patriot, kill a priest" was a common motto.

This massacre of the clergy in El Salvador brought Giulano to the country and began his work there. As he pointed out, "They murdered the priests, killed the nuns and the teachers and created a need for more help in El Salvador."

Giulano was previously working in the underground railroad in Mexico helping ferry Mexicans and Salvadorans into the United States. He made friends with Salvadorans during this assignment and felt it necessary to answer the call for help in El Salvador.

He also spoke of the effects of U.S. involvement in the war, denouncing the controversial School of the Americas (SOA), as well as calling attention to U.S.

troops who fought on the ground against the rebellion in El Salvador.

According to Giulano, he was arrested several times during the war and taken into government camps and bases, in which he saw American soldiers working for the Salvadoran government. He said the government that committed horrific atrocities against the people of the country in the name of population reduction.

He learned from American veterans of the Salvadoran conflict that the Pentagon has denied all knowledge of U.S. involvement and has refused veterans' requests for benefits due to them as war veterans.

One of the more compelling anecdotes was his explanation of "disappeared" children in El Salvador.

"Children don't disappear, they were stolen and they were sold to adoption agencies or re-indoctrinated and retrained to fight against the guerilla movement from which they were taken," Giulano said. He met children who were stolen from their freedom-fighting parents and who

later went on to drop bombs over their own villages as agents for their government's military. The tactic of stealing children and retraining apparently appears in the SOA handbook.

Giulano vehemently called for a close to the SOA, because, as he said, "I work with the mothers of kids who have been virtually massacred by [SOA trained] military."

"Even the poorest woman in El Salvador can talk about the School of the Americas," he said of the impact of the school on the country.

Focusing on sweatshop labor, neo-liberalism and the duty of Notre Dame to alter the situation in places like El Salvador, Giulano called for a greater participation in Notre Dame's International Summer Service Learning Program, which is a CSC-sponsored program that sends students to countries like El Salvador for two months during the summer.

"We accompany, we build community, it is not service. Who am I serving? I was served by the people," he said of his outlook on service to the people in

El Salvador.

"The problem is here (in the U.S.) — don't buy the stuff," Giulano said of his solution to sweatshop labor. However, his lecture provided a complex explanation for the proliferation of sweatshop labor and its effects on the Salvadoran economy. As he pointed out, the war in El Salvador and the current trend in the economy toward privatization and factorization and away from agriculture is crippling the people of El Salvador, who formerly depended on farming as a way of life.

These people, who have no income, are given no choice but to work in a sweatshop for a large corporation taking advantage of their willingness to work for very low wages.

He also cited the mass exodus of young men from El Salvador to the U.S. as a cause of the current difficulties in the country. But, as Giulano said, the situation is so hopeless that people must leave to stay alive.

Giulano asked for help from Notre Dame in his efforts to help the people of El Salvador. He said he hopes to see more people from the Notre Dame community become active in human rights issues.

"I would like to see this university have busloads of people travel to the School of the Americas protest this November," Giulano said.

"Even the poorest woman in El Salvador can talk about the School of the Americas."

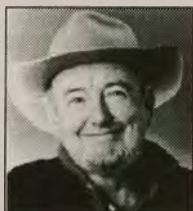
John Giulano
guest speaker

Keneally to discuss new book

By ELLEN FITZGERALD
News Writer

Thomas Keneally, notable Australian writer and author of "Schindler's List," will visit campus today as a part of his nationwide book tour.

He will give a reading from his new book, "The Great Shame and the Triumph of the Irish in the English-Speaking World," at 4 p.m. at the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore and will also



Keneally

give a public lecture at 8 p.m. in the Hesburgh Library auditorium.

"The Great Shame" is an account of 80 years of Irish despora in the English speaking world. This book explores, through specific individuals, the experience of persecuted Irish in the 19th century. Some of the individuals who are tracked in "The Great Shame" are even relatives of Keneally.

According to Father Bill Miscamble, a Notre Dame history professor, "this book tracks the long journey and experience of the Irish in Australia. It also follows a number of them who either escaped from Australia or left Australia after their completed prison terms." This book chronicles how the Irish broke free of the past.

Miscamble was key in Keneally's visit to Notre Dame.

He invited Keneally because "it seemed that it was a fascinating topic to have come to Notre Dame because of all the connections between Ireland, Australia and the United States."

"[The Great Shame] tracks the long journey and experience of the Irish in Australia."

Father Bill Miscamble
history professor

Keneally also was interested in making Notre Dame a stop on his book tour because of these same connections.

In addition to his book signing and lecture, Keneally will be a guest speaker in two classes. He will speak in professor Jay Dolan's Irish and Irish Americans class and in professor Doris Bergman's Nazi Era class.

Keneally's visit is sponsored by Notre Dame's Australian Studies program, Dan and Mary Ann Rogers, Jack and Silva Schuster, the Nanovic Institute for European Studies and the Keough Institute for Irish Studies.

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A U D I T I O N S

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the Catholic character of Notre Dame, calling it the University's "greatest strength." At the same time, however, he repeated his opposition to the proposed implementation of Ex Corde Ecclesiae, Pope John Paul II's 1990 apostolic statement on Catholic higher education.

The implementation would require that Catholic university presidents take an oath of fidelity to the Church and that Catholic theology professors receive a mandate from the local ecclesiastical authority.

Malloy did say, however, that the University needed to hire Catholic faculty members who understand and value Notre Dame's mission and understand its religious nature.

"[If this doesn't happen] I think, over time, the challenge of us sustaining what we are will be much more difficult," he said.

The president said Notre Dame must strive to maintain its active residence life environment in order to maintain the quality of students' learning outside the classroom.

"We cannot lose that commitment to the residential nature of this university," he said.

The University must also uphold its traditions of service learning and academic freedom, he said.

One specific the president discussed was the success of "Generations," a fundraising campaign which the University hoped would raise \$767 million by early 2001. The campaign passed that goal during the summer and, according to the most recent figures, has topped \$820 million. Malloy said the cam-

paign would continue.

"Can we reach \$1 billion? Who knows, we'll try," he said. He said the excess funds would go to areas in the University that are still underfunded.

Faculty members had mixed reactions.

"It was a nice overview," said Tom Nowak, professor of chemistry and biochemistry. "But I'm not sure of what the real goals are."

"I wish there could be a little more substance," he said.

Others see the president's annual address not as a specific statement on policy, but more of a rallying call for the faculty.

"This is a pep talk at the beginning of the academic year," said Leonard Chrobot, adjunct professor of economics. "The specifics are laid out in different documents during the year."

Malloy gives this address each year during the fall semester.

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her project, "Words and Images: Exploring Screen Writing."

"This summer, I was able to figure out for myself what I wanted to learn. No one was handing me a syllabus saying, 'This is what we are going to learn,'" she said.

"You start seeing yourself. I got an insight into the world of academia, how it is for a professor to put together a film class," Cardinali said.

Associate Professor Westler is as enthusiastic about SISTAR as the participating students are.

"It was the most delightful project I've worked on in 25 years at Saint Mary's. Talking and learning about just one subject over the summer was wonderful," he said.

All of the students and professors who participated in the SISTAR program seemed to enjoy the extra focus on a singular topic all summer long.

In researching their chosen topic, they were able to experience life at the other end of the spectrum as well as forge special friendships.

The SISTAR program is made possible from a grant given by the respective department in which the study and research would take place.

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but we don't know how."

Lennon invited members to consider ways to improve alumni ties and to let the Association know how it can help.

"[Graduate students need to] know there's a network out there for you," he said.

The Union addressed issues it will bring up to the Board of Trustees, including a proposal for a graduate student center. The proposal, Canalas said, would have to go through both graduate school vice president James Merz and provost Nathan Hatch before it could

reach the Board.

"Chuck [Lennon] can give us some power [in getting the proposal passed]," said member Suzanne Coshow.

Coshow, chair of the Union's health care committee, also reported on the progress of graduate student health care coverage. The committee has been fighting "an extremely long fight" for health care improvements from the University, Coshow said. The University doesn't subsidize health care for graduate student's children and Coshow's committee is working to change its policy.

In other GSU news:

- Members discussed new ways to publicize graduate school research projects and

events. Suggested methods included via the GSU and University webpages.

- Members debated over who benefits from the Gordon travel grant for grad student travel.

- Members were reminded about the computer sale Thursday and were asked for volunteers to work the sale.

- Member Paige Doub was installed as the Union's new human diversity chair.

- Canalas informed members that the Union now has representatives from all academic departments. Representatives, new and old, were called off.

- Members were also reminded that tickets for the graduate school fall break trip to Chicago are now on sale.

TONIGHT!

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COLLECTIVE

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LEMANS HALL
WOMENS CENTER

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Notre Dame Right to Life Club Presents:

Respect Life Week: October 3-8, 1999

We look forward to seeing you at the following activities:

Wednesday: 4:45 pm. Meet at Library Circle for Baby Shower at Hannah's House for single mothers.

Thursday: 3:45 pm. Meet at Library Circle to take a tour of the St. Joseph County Hospice for the terminally ill. Come and find out how important the final stage of life is.

Friday: Cemetery for the Innocents. There will be white crosses on the library lawn in front of Touchdown Jesus signifying the number of children killed by abortion each day in the U.S. Set up will begin at 6 am and take down will be after the pep rally. Please come out and support this important memorial. Also on Friday, from 12-5 pm, there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Lady Chapel of the basilica.

Saturday: ND RTL Concession Stand in front of South Quad Flagpole. Shifts begin at 8am and last until about 1 pm. Any help would be greatly appreciated!

Please call the office at 1-9008 with any questions or to offer support with the concession stand. Thanks for all your support!

Irish Fighting for Life

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Russia charges into Chechnya

GROZNY

The distant echo of crashing artillery rounds signaled the approach of the Russian military Tuesday — now only 15 miles outside Chechnya's gloomy capital. Russian tanks and infantry, supported by daily airstrikes, have faced only scattered resistance since crossing into Chechnya a week ago with the aim of establishing a security zone along the rim of the renegade republic. Russian forces have seized the northern third of Chechnya, and additional military operations are planned, Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin said in Moscow. Russia took military action after Muslim militants based in Chechnya invaded neighboring Dagestan in August and September, seeking to create an Islamic state in southern Russia.

Ballot box security concerns India

NEW DELHI

Soldiers patrolled in front of warehouses holding millions of ballots ahead of the start of vote counting Wednesday in India's parliamentary elections. "We have got several guards in the rooms where the ballots are," said Saurabh Sivestra, head of election security troops in Chandigarh in northern India. The security of the ballots is a major concern in India, where political activists capture voting booths, stuff ballot boxes, tear up votes for rival candidates, vote in other people's names and cast duplicate ballots. The vote counting comes as India's monthlong election process draws to a close.

Mob boss found guilty of ordering priest's death

PALERMO, Sicily

A Palermo court convicted a Mafia boss on Tuesday of ordering the 1993 murder of a Sicilian priest who spoke out against organized crime. Rev. Giuseppe Puglisi, a 56-year-old priest in one of Palermo's worst slums, was fatally shot in the back of the neck while on the doorstep of his home. Giuseppe Graviano was sentenced to life imprisonment for ordering the murder, Italian news agencies reported. The gunman, Salvatore Grigoli, confessed in 1997 to shooting Puglisi on orders from mobsters in the priest's neighborhood in Palermo, a city on the northern coast of Sicily. Puglisi was slain just a few months after Pope John Paul II toured Sicily and urged priests to speak out in the battle against organized crime. Thousands of people attended Puglisi's funeral and, later, the pope praised his courage.

GREAT BRITAIN



AFP Photo

Rescue workers attend the scene of a train crash in west London Tuesday. At least 26 people were killed and 160 others injured when two trains collided and burst into flames near London's Paddington Station. The collision was the worst England has seen in more than 10 years.

Commuter wreck leaves 26 dead

Associated Press

LONDON

Two London commuter trains smashed into each other during rush hour Tuesday, killing 26 passengers and injuring 160 on the same rail line as a previous fatal crash just two years ago.

Ambulances, fire crews, police and rail workers swarmed around the overturned, mangled rail cars for hours, locating and freeing injured survivors in the smoldering wreckage near the Ladbroke Grove residential area in west London.

Many passengers sobbed

as they described frantically crawling out broken windows after Britain's worst train accident in more than a decade.

"I was thinking, God, please don't let me die,"

Stuart

Allen said.

"You've got

flames.

You've got

smoke.

You've got

a big

bang.

You've

just got to

think the worst."

Police said one badly damaged car could contain

more bodies, but called off

the search for more victims until daylight Wednesday.

The cause of the collision was not immediately known, but health and safety officials have

already

began an

investigation.

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Western,

one of

the train

company

is involved

in

Tuesday's disaster, had

been fined \$2.47 million

for "dereliction of duty" in

connection with the crash

in 1997 that killed seven people and injured 150 others.

"I felt an almighty bang," passenger David Taylor said of Tuesday's crash, which occurred at 8:11 a.m. "I looked up, and I could see the front of the coach was on fire. There were balls of flames coming down both sides."

Emergency crews said 18 people were seriously injured and 124 transported to area hospitals.

"Injuries are among the worst I have seen in my professional career," said Robin Touquet, an accident and emergency consultant at St. Mary's Hospital.

"Injuries are among the worst I have ever seen in my professional career."

Robin Touquet
London hospital worker

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Nuclear power plant reports leak

Associated Press

SEOUL

Radioactive water leaked inside a South Korean nuclear powerplant during repair work, exposing 22 workers to small amounts of radiation, the government said Tuesday.

About 12 gallons of so-called "heavy water" was leaked during the accident Monday evening at a nuclear plant in Wolsung, 190 miles southeast of the capital Seoul, the Science

and Technology Ministry said in a statement.

It said the radioactive water was contained in the plant and did not escape into the environment.

The mishap followed neighboring Japan's worst nuclear accident, in which 49 people were exposed to radiation last week. The town of Tokaimura was temporarily closed down amid heightened fears about the safety of Japan's nuclear plants.

Those exposed to radiation in the Wolsung acci-

dent were employees of the state Korea Electric Power Corp., which runs three nuclear reactors in Wolsung. The Canadian designed reactors use the heavy water to generate needed electricity.

Heavy water behaves like ordinary water, but it contains a heavier version of hydrogen. It is not naturally radioactive, but as it circulates in pipes it can pick up traces of radioactive metals. So when workers handle the water, they routinely treat it as

radioactive.

South Korea and some other countries use heavy water for cooling in power plants because it won't absorb neutrons used for the energy-making chain reactions. American nuclear plants instead use a different design, which uses ordinary, or light, water.

The leak occurred during repair work on a cooling water pump at Wolsung. It was the first scheduled maintenance work on that reactor since it opened.

Eliach to speak on Holocaust

By ERIN PIROUTEK
News Writer

As a young girl, Yaffa Eliach escaped from horror, destruction and death of the Holocaust carrying several family photographs in her shoes.

Separated from her family — many of whom were killed — Eliach was smuggled out of her native Poland (now part of Lithuania) under an assumed name. Her brother did not want the young girl to forget the family, so he carefully hid the photographs under the cardboard liners in her shoes.

The photographs, including one showing a smiling 4-year-old Eliach, clad in a gingham dress among a flock of chickens and another depicting Eliach held tightly in her father's arms, became her main link to her past.

"Sometimes, when I was very lonely, and I wanted to see my mother or father, I would hide and look at the pictures," said Eliach.

Her town, Eishyshok, was destroyed by the Holocaust. Only 29 of the 3,500 members of the town's Jewish population survived.

Eliach became dedicated to preserving the memory of Eishyshok — the bustling, vibrant Eishyshok that existed before the Holocaust.

"I wanted to concentrate on life and not on death. We were a creative, dynamic people," said Eliach in an interview with the Philadelphia Inquirer.

The photos that had been so carefully hidden in Eliach's shoes became the inspiration for a collection that now numbers 6,000 photos. Approximately 1,500 of these photos are displayed in the three-story Tower of Life at the Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C.

The photos depict residents of Eishyshok at home, weddings, bar mitzvahs, the marketplace — celebrating the joy of daily existence.

"My first reaction, similar to that of many others, was to marvel at how rich and varied of a life was destroyed," said Marianne Hirsch, describing her visit to the Tower of Life in the book "Family Frames."

The Tower of Life provides a sharp contrast to other areas of the Holocaust Museum that show concentration camps and mass graves. Those in the concentration camps had already been stripped of their humanity and individuality — the Tower of Life showcases the humanity and individuality that was lost.

Eliach spent 17 years gathering this collection of photos, as well as interviewing survivors, reading diaries and searching for official documents. Her search covered six continents and required intense efforts to procure the photos and informa-

tion.

Her efforts culminated in not only the Tower of Life but also the book "There Once was a World: A 900 Year Chronicle of the Shtetl of Eishyshok," a detailed history of Jewish life in Eishyshok from the creation of the town through its destruction during the Holocaust. Eliach's ancestors were among the original founders of the town in the 11th century.

"I am telling Adolph Hitler and all of his collaborators, here is a Jewish mother and grandmother who continues Jewish life, not only biologically, but intellectually as well. And I am in the midst of the heart of democracy," Eliach told the Philadelphia

Inquirer.

"It's important for people to see that out of [the Holocaust] came something that's very positive, creative, and energetic," said Betty Signer, coordinator of the Notre Dame Holocaust project, a sponsor of Eliach's visit.

"We want people to think about what has happened and how they as an individual can prevent things like this from happening again," said Signer, describing the importance of the Notre Dame Holocaust project.

Eliach will describe her experiences in the lecture "Restoring a Vanished Past: There Once was a World" tonight at 8 p.m. in the Notre Dame Center for Continuing Education.



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As a young girl living in Poland, Yaffa Eliach experienced the horror and evil of the Holocaust. She will lecture about her experiences on Wednesday at 8 p.m.

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Gunther: Southern Europe searches for identity

By BASIL FARJO
News Writer

While southern Europe may not have its own unique political identity, many countries in the region have a tradition of major structural changes over the last 50 years, said Ohio State political scientist Richard Gunther Tuesday.

Gunther's lecture examined the social and economic trends that have influenced Spain, Portugal, Italy and Greece since World War II.

He began the lecture with the question of whether or not

southern Europe could be considered a region with a distinct style of government. Traditionally, the area had been designated the "semi-periphery of Europe."

All four countries completely lack a genuine democratic tradition by western European or American standards. Even the parliaments of these countries have been exclusionary and subject to the coercion of those in the top levels of power, according to Gunther.

Another feature of southern European politics has been sharp polarization. In Portugal, Spain and Italy, the peasant

populations have tended toward radicalism, while the urban classes have at different times supported Communism and anarchism, he said. Schism has occurred along both regional and class lines.

The consistent exception to this last rule has been Greece, Gunther said. The rapid and uneven industrialization that has swept the other countries has passed over Greece, leaving small, family-owned businesses

to play a major economic role.

Gunther examined the influence of religion on the polarization of politics. In Italy, for example, religion played a very large role, more than any other factor, in the sharp polarization of politics, Gunther said. However, during the 1990s, religion

became less politically divisive, affecting Italian politics even less than it affected American politics. In Portugal, there have been many tensions between believers and atheists.

But these tensions remain outside the political arena, he said. In contrast, Spain's Second Republic has experienced civil war over the status of the Church in society.

One of the reasons that Greece has not experienced such polarization is that it is united by the Greek Orthodox Church.

In the post-WWII era, all four countries have seen extreme left-right divisions. These have often given rise to right-wing corporate dictatorships, like Mussolini's regime in WWII-era Italy.

All four countries have been late industrializers, he said. At the beginning of the 20th century, they had largely agricultural societies consisting of a majority of uneducated people.

Because of the belated and rapid industrialization they underwent relative to northern Europe, these nations experienced "leap-frogging," becoming post-industrial societies without ever having been industrial.

This phenomena can help explain some of the paradoxes of southern Europe today. One of the main points Gunther made was that there was no convergence toward one southern European political model.

"Politics has a life of its own," he said, contending that this life cannot be reduced to simple socioeconomic causes.

The political center in Italy has actually collapsed in the past 15 years, with the support increasing for both left-wing and right-wing parties.

Another paradox created by these unique socioeconomic trends in southern Europe has been that the region has completely skipped the era of mass competition politics, in which ideology played a major role in defining the divisions between parties. Instead, it has jumped directly into the politics of today's world, which is shaped by mass media and allows politicians to send their message directly to the voters.

As a result, southern European politics are more fickle than politics in northern Europe. Especially in Italy, politicians attack each other openly on television. In the past decade, Greece and Italy have seen the least cabinet durability.

The unique position of the southern European nations, economically, socially and culturally, have put each of them on a course of difficult transitions and sudden political changes.

Gunther concluded his lecture by saying that it was impossible to make any predictions about the political courses of these nations with the information we have; he sought only to explain the "broad parameters" used in the study of this area of the world.

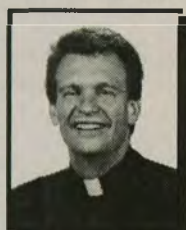
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University pressures cause CBLD rate cuts

By MATTHEW SMITH
News Writer

Notre Dame pressured Cincinnati Bell Long Distance (CBLD) into lowering their rates this semester because of

increased competition, said Steve Ellis, telecommunications manager for the University.

Over the summer, the contract was renegotiated, prior to its expiration date in July of 2000. It was extended to July of 2001, Ellis said, because CBLD brought their excessive prices down to the level of competition.

Last year, CBLD charged 26 cents a minute, and 12 cents a minute after 11 p.m. This year, after 7 p.m., any Notre Dame student can make calls for a flat rate of 9.9 cents a minute.

"We will continue to push them to lower their prices again next time their contract comes up," said Ellis.

He explained that CBLD couldn't afford to keep prices where they were without losing a lot of business. "Competition is getting tougher," he said.

"[CBLD] was losing business to other companies, and prepaid phone cards were being widely used," Ellis said.

Ellis also stressed that competition will aid the students in receiving lower prices every time they renegotiate the CBLD contract.

"[Competition] is a very good thing for students, and hopefully each year prices will get lower," he said.

Ellis also said that the telecommunications department is working with CBLD on expanded long-distance possibilities for Notre Dame's off-campus students.

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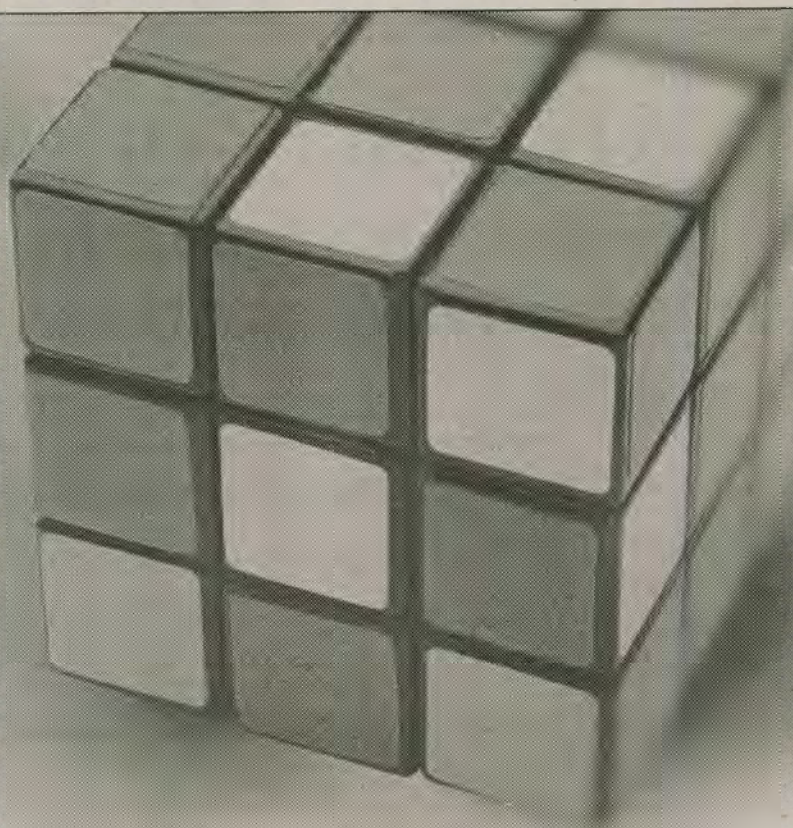
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Bush chides GOP on social issues

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Edging away from an unpopular Congress, George W. Bush said Tuesday fellow Republicans are too often dour, pessimistic and focused on economics "to the exclusion of all else."

"Too often, my party has confused the need for limited government with a disdain for government itself," the GOP presidential front-runner told New York conservatives.

It marked the second time in a week the Texas governor has declared his independence from the congressional wing of the party, suggesting that he feels comfortable challenging elements of the GOP establishment — a contrast to the 1996 presidential nominee, Bob Dole, who struggled constantly to keep party leaders satisfied.

Unveiling his second education initiative in the Democratic bastion of New York also underscored Bush's intention to pursue a general election strategy that courts voters outside the GOP base.

In a speech to a conservative thinktank, Bush said: "Too often, on social issues, my party has painted an image of America slouching toward Gomorrah." He borrowed the line from the title of a book by conservative Robert Bork. "Too often, my party has focused on the national economy, to the exclusion of all else — speaking a sterile language of rates and numbers, of CBO this and GNP that."

Government should be limited, but not to the point that Americans get hurt. "That should be our goal: A limited government, respected for doing a few things and doing them well."

In each case, he said Republicans have a good point: There are too many broken homes and lives; a vigorous economy should be sought and small government is good government.

But he weighed in with a flip side — a rosier view — by saying welfare, education and crime problems are being combatted with compassion by Republican reforms.

"Problems that seemed inevitable proved to be reversible," Bush said. "They gave way to an optimistic, governing conservatism."

Advisers and aides say Bush is fleshing out his "compassionate conservative" philosophy with examples that show his desire to blend conservative principles with more moderate rhetoric.

In many ways, it's a matter of tone.

"It's a continuation of his highlighting the differences between conservatism with a frown and conservatism with a smile," spokeswoman Mindy Tucker said.

Democrats called Bush's remarks a ploy to mask his true conservative leanings.

"George Bush is just offering new rhetorical wrapping paper on the same Republican package of wrong ideas for America," Democratic National Committee spokeswoman Jenny Backus said.

To some Democratic and Republican operatives, the strategy is reminiscent of Clinton's 1996 effort to distance

himself from both his own party and the GOP majority.

Bush advisers said, however, that the governor's goal is less Machiavellian. He simply wants to rise above the partisan leadership style of congressional leaders and discuss social issues in a positive light — rather than in a way that seems to condemn people.

One Bush adviser used this example: Welfare reformers need to find fault with men who haven't paid child support, not single mothers who are trying to make ends meet.

Polls show that many Americans find Republicans in Congress are too strident and give them lower approval ratings than President Clinton.

"I think what he's doing is laying out a vision of where he wants to take the Republican Party and it is frankly a very different direction from where it has been the last five years," said Ralph Reed, a GOP consultant who advises the Bush campaign.

Last week, Bush criticized the Republican Congress for plans to trim tax credits to the working poor. He slipped his latest assessment of the GOP establishment in an education address Tuesday that separated himself from the views of many conservatives by calling for federally mandated state testing of students.

States, he said, should be required to participate in the National Assessment Educational Program, which tests randomly selected students every two to four years. Participation is now voluntary. Bush also proposed expanding the tax-free, interest-bearing education savings account program. The governor's distancing himself from Congress has irked some GOP lawmakers.

"We're getting stuff done here. Real stuff. Compassionate conservative stuff," House Majority Whip Tom DeLay, R-Texas, said.

"The fact of the matter is, he's out campaigning and we right now are in the position of governing," Rep. David Dreier, R-Calif., said.

Gore targets women's vote in NY

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Seeking the women's vote, Vice President Al Gore proposed Tuesday to make life better for working families by providing preschool for every child and encouraging employers to provide on-site day-care and emergency baby-sitting.

"If you do not understand the fatigue of the American working woman, then you don't deserve to be president of the United States," Gore said to cheers from about 600 mostly female supporters at a Manhattan fund-raising luncheon.

"If you elect me president, I will honor your struggle by making it easier to be a good worker and a good parent at the same time," he said.

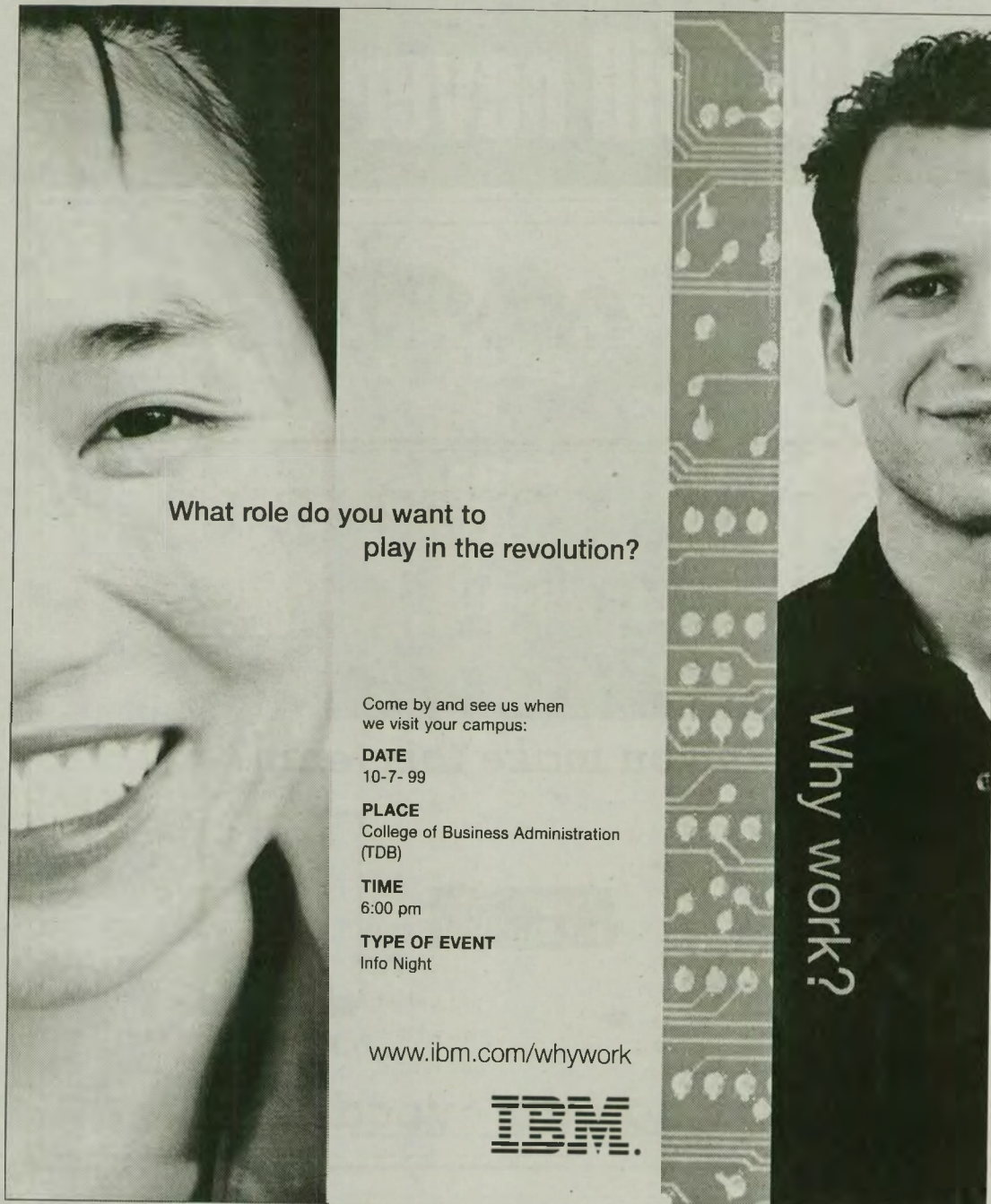
Gore, fighting former Sen. Bill Bradley for the Democratic presidential nomination, also said he wanted to further women's rights by ensuring equal pay for equal work, keeping abortion legal and offering help to those juggling the demands of jobs and family.

"If you elect me president, I will make available high-quality preschool for every child in every family across the United States," he said. "It's the single

best investment we can make."

Gore said he wants to create tax incentives for employers who provide on-site day care or help to parents when child-care arrangements fall through. He also said he would encourage businesses to offer job shares, flexible schedules and telecommuting.

Gore also criticized Republican presidential front-runner George W. Bush's proposal to cut federal education funds to underperforming public schools and give their students \$1,500 each to use for tuition at private schools or tutoring.



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FCC wary of merger between MCI WorldCom and Sprint

Associated Press

NEW YORK MCI WorldCom Inc.'s bold \$115 billion plan to take over Sprint Corporation and unite the nation's second- and third-largest long-distance companies met immediate resistance from a top federal regulator who asked "How can this be good for consumers?"

MCI WorldCom and Sprint, however, insist their deal, the richest corporate buyout ever, would strengthen competition across the board.

WorldCom, as the combined company will be known, could offer customers local and long-distance service, as well as mobile phone, paging and Internet products, all for one, flat-rate monthly fee.

Regulators, however, point to WorldCom's control of 36 percent of the \$110 billion U.S. long-distance market, second only to AT&T Corp.'s 43 percent.

"Competition has produced a price war in the long-distance market. This merger appears

to be a surrender," William Kennard, chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, said in Washington.

Kennard said the companies "will bear a heavy burden to show how consumers would be better off" as a result of the merger.

In addition to FCC approval, the deal also faces antitrust scrutiny from the Justice Department.

His concerns were echoed by consumer groups and rival Baby Bell companies.

The static coming out of Washington had many people, including investors, wondering if the deal would fall apart.

Sprint's shares unexpectedly fell \$2 to \$58.87 1/2 Tuesday on the New York Stock Exchange, despite MCI WorldCom's offer of \$76 a

share in stock. MCI WorldCom's stock slumped \$3.68 3/4 to \$67.93 3/4 a share on the Nasdaq Stock Market.

Bernard Ebbers, president and chief executive of MCI WorldCom, defended his deal during a New York news conference.

"We understood from day one it is our burden of proof to show this is pro-competitive," he said. "The chairman [of the FCC] told us he would keep an open mind."

The long-distance market in the United States is expected to get new entrants as Baby Bells, such as Bell Atlantic Corporation, get the green light from regulators.

Congress passed the Telecommunications Act of 1996 to promote competition in local and long-distance mar-

kets and cable television. But in the past three years, new technology has changed the competitive landscape, and started a wave of mergers and acquisitions.

Consumers can now make a telephone call that is carried over the Internet, receive e-mail messages over their wireless phones and watch movies on their computers.

"Like many of the recent events in our industry, this merger would have seemed improbable a few years ago," Ebbers said.

MCI WorldCom topped a competing \$100 billion offer from BellSouth Corporation to win control of Sprint. MCI WorldCom, based in Clinton, Miss., sweetened its offer rather than risk losing Sprint's 4 million wireless customers and 1.7 million paging customers.

Ebbers, 58, will be president and chief executive of the new WorldCom.

William Esrey, 59, chairman and chief executive of Kansas City, Mo.-based Sprint, will be chairman of WorldCom.

For Ebbers, it is the second stunning takeover in two years. His upstart WorldCom acquired what was then MCI Communications in 1998, beating out foreign rival British Telecommunications PLC.

Tuesday's deal is structured so that Sprint shareholders will get \$76 worth in MCI WorldCom's stock for each Sprint share as long as MCI WorldCom shares trade between \$62.15 and \$80.85.

Shareholders of Sprint PCS, the stock that tracks the performance of Sprint's wireless business, will exchange their shares, on a 1-for-1 basis, for shares in WorldCom PCS. They also will receive 0.1547 of a share of MCI WorldCom stock, worth \$10.51, based on Tuesday's closing price.

MCI WorldCom also will assume \$14 billion in Sprint debt and preferred stock.

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Bank of NY involved in money scam

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Federal prosecutors say \$7 billion from Russia was illegally funneled through accounts at the Bank of New York in one of the largest money laundering cases in U.S. history, according to a criminal indictment unsealed Tuesday.

Three individuals and three companies were charged with channelling the money — believed to have ties to the Russian mafia — in the first criminal charges to be brought in the case. The charges were contained in a three-count indictment filed under seal in U.S. District Court in Manhattan on Sept. 16.

Peter Berlin, 44, Lucy Edwards, 41, — a former vice president at the Bank of New York — and Aleksey Volkov, 34, as well as Benex International Company Incorporated, Bees International L.L.C. and Torfinex Corp. were named as defendants. The Bank of New York, the nation's 15th-largest bank, was not named in the indictments.

U.S. Attorney Mary Jo White said in a statement that "the ongoing investigation is very intense and broad, and it is likely to go on for some time."

"Many questions about the various sources of the monies flowing through the accounts at the Bank of New York remain to be answered," she added.

Lewis Schiliro, an FBI assistant director in charge of the New York office, said the FBI is primarily focused on determining the origin of the funds

and tracing the path of transactions through accounts at the Bank of New York.

"As this investigation has progressed, cooperation from the Russian authorities has been forthcoming and has been helpful," he said. "Unsealing this indictment will serve to facilitate the mutual flow of information."

Barry Kingham, a lawyer for Berlin and Edwards, said the couple — naturalized U.S. citizens who live in London — will "appear in whatever court they're required to appear in."

Otherwise, he said, "We cannot comment on the indictment except to state that we will respond at the appropriate time in the appropriate forum."

He said he could not comment on whether the couple will fight extradition.

It could not immediately be determined who represents Volkov; prosecutors believe he is not in the United States.

Federal investigators have been working for several months in attempt to unravel the Bank of New York case. Russian businesses and individuals — including organized crime groups — are suspected of illegally laundering the \$7 billion through accounts at the bank.

Money laundering is the process of moving criminal gains through a series of bank accounts to make them look like legitimate business proceeds.

The indictment alleges that the defendants conspired from 1996 to August 1999 to illegally transmit funds and receive deposits through the Benex and Bees accounts at the Bank of New York.

Torfinex allegedly handled the transfer of moneys.

"Many questions about the various sources of the monies flowing through the accounts at the Bank of New York remain to be answered."

Mary Jo White
U.S. attorney

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We must bridge the racial gap from within

We are writing this column together because we feel that it's important to include both of our perspectives on an issue that is a sensitive topic to students at Notre Dame. One of us is a Caucasian female majoring in PLS and one of us is an African American male majoring in computer engineering. Last year we met at a Notre Dame retreat known as an LTR: a Learning To Talk About Race Retreat. We were among 40 students who watched a film, and participated in discussions and group activities, where we made friends and socialized together. After the scheduled part of the day had passed, every one of us stayed up until 4 a.m. crammed into one of the bedrooms ... talking about race ... on our own time. For what reason? Because we knew it was important and needed to be discussed.

For too long, race relations between students at Notre Dame have been written off, swept under the carpet, and even ignored. Every now and then we, the Notre Dame "family," feel the need to remind ourselves that there is a problem. The Observer's Sept. 15 column, "Controversies arise about sources of stereotypes," made an effort to address this issue. Although we applaud the effort, we are in disagreement with some of the article's conclusions.

The column suggests that stereotypes towards African-American, Asian/Pacific Islander, Hispanic, Native American and International students exist because they make up a comparatively small portion of the student population here at Notre Dame. The column proposed the simple "answer" of increasing the diversity of the student body. We would argue that the solution does not merely depend upon increasing the diversity of the population. Would a more diverse population be positive for both minority and majority students? Yes indeed. However, the "numbers solution" is based on the assumption that numbers are the only problem! If this were true, then by the chart, it would follow that Latino students feel less stereotyped than African American or Asian students because they make up approximately 9 percent of the population in comparison to 3 and 4 percent. In order to truly reverse stereotypes and change the color boundaries in our dining halls,

across campus, even in this nation, we need to start right now with our own perceptions and behavior.

First of all, it is important to point out that the University and a proportion of currently enrolled students make a huge effort to attract and welcome minority students to Notre Dame. Each year, two entire weekends are devoted to the recruitment of minority students. These visitation weekends go beyond the usual Notre Dame regimen in order to present an environment that would appeal to prospective minority students. Furthermore, minority students take time out during the school year to host these prospects, make phone calls, and even visit high schools in efforts to recruit the underrepresented. But once these students come to Notre Dame, they may very well find that they are stereotyped, looked past and often left feeling unwelcome.

The burning question that now arises is how to remedy this situation? How do we transform from a place where potentially 16 percent of the students feel excluded into a place where people understand each other, value each other's differences and do not segregate along such strict color lines? We believe the answer is even simpler than increasing the numbers and can be done without the aid of the University. The solution starts with the person in the mirror. We must start with ourselves! If we are concerned about the predominance of stereotypes, then we must admit that it is due to our failure to overcome boundaries and our failure to interact.

The natural response of students in the majority is to point out that interaction does not occur because minorities tend to exclude themselves. It is often said that they are welcomed at dorm parties, SYRs or other social events, but they rarely attend. But are they really welcomed and made to feel comfortable? Caucasian students must remember that as the majority, they have the advantage. This means that the overwhelming social behavior, viewpoints, lifestyles, entertainment interests and topics of conversation will suit the majority and will not necessarily soothe the interests of the minority. Therefore, it makes sense for minorities to tend to interact solely with those who identify and relate to them. To solve this impasse, it is not the responsibility of minority groups to abandon their identi-

ties and assimilate into a mainstream way of life. The responsibility lies in the hands of the majority to challenge themselves and leave their comfort zones. After all, this is what minority students are asked and actually forced to do every day, while they exist in an environment where they may never cross paths with another minority student. As crazy as it may sound, this does happen.

Students in the majority must ask themselves if they have made the effort to understand the predicament of ethnically underrepresented students or supported the numerous multicultural events on campus, no less the endeavors of their neighbors, friends and roommates. The opportunities exist every Sunday; students can attend Misa En Espanol or Black Catholic Mass. In addition, every first Friday of the month, students are invited to a sociable lunch with the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs. It's unreasonable to expect minorities to attend every Acoustic Cafe if members of the majority do not extend themselves to appreciate the talents displayed at Black Koffee House, Asian Allure or Latin Expressions.

Members of the majority should realize that they could be taking advantage of the ever-present social opportunities, academic courses and outright invitations to appreciate and learn from the rich cultures that surround them every day. As a whole, students in the minority are open to any genuine efforts made through conversation or interaction in order to dismantle the barrier between white students and students of color. Most importantly, we'll find that our interpersonal relationships, which stimulate the sharing of cultures and the growth of individuals, can change us all. It will ultimately be the work of these valuable relationships to eliminate stereotypes and form long-lasting friendships.

What's Your Shade is the bi-weekly column sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs. It appears every other Wednesday. Justin Smith, Siegfried, '01 and Rene Mulligan, Pasquerilla West, '01 contributed to this column.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"A foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds, adored by little statesmen and philosophers and divines. With consistency a great soul has simply nothing to do."

Ralph Waldo Emerson
American author and transcendentalist

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Students respond to reality of eating disorders

Men suffer from eating disorders, too

This letter is in response to and in complete support of the previous few letters concerning eating disorders and support groups for them. I am surprised to see these letters, since in my few short weeks here, I've encountered very little on the topic. I did see an ad once about a possible group at Saint Mary's, but it didn't seem too promising. It was also limited to women. I am a male freshman at Notre Dame and I have been suffering from a mild eating disorder for at least a year. I have never met another guy with my problem. For a long time, I just assumed that guys didn't have this problem. After seeing these letters, I felt very encouraged.

In high school I found support in a few close friends, but as we went our separate ways I was left

alone. Lately, I've resorted to talking to people I don't know very well. It's helped a bit, but I still have this problem in the back of my mind, boiling up, ready to hit me again. I can say that a few weeks ago, I was at the lowest point I've ever been. A Reckers Smoothie shouldn't have to carry you for five straight days.

I don't feel like I'm alone here. I also don't feel like I'm "all better." I mentioned earlier that I was suffering from a "mild" eating disorder. What if suddenly it isn't mild anymore? I don't want this problem. I've got other things to deal with. What do I do? Where am I going to go?

Who out there is willing to talk to me about this?

Anonymous
October 5, 1999



Student gov't offers aid

I am writing to applaud the recent articles and letters in The Observer on eating disorders. As coordinator of gender issues in the office of the student body president, I have dealt with this issue a lot recently. My partner Tim Hagerty and I want to assure the student body that the Student Government is aware of this problem on campus. Currently we are sending out surveys to dorms to collect much needed statistics on eating disorders at this University. Additionally, we are planning a healthy lifestyle seminar that targets nutrition, exercise, and mental health. We are compiling information on eating issues to be made available in the dorms. In the future, we hope to host a round table discussion addressing this issue.

As members of the Notre Dame community, the entire student body has specific responsibilities in relation to this issue. We need to support victims who are currently suffering from eating disorders. We need to encourage those who we suspect

have problems to seek help. Most importantly, among our peers we must create a zero tolerance environment for obsessive talk about food, weight or exercise. It is unacceptable for students to be subject to dangerous and unhealthy comments such as: "I am so fat" and "I look like a whale." While we must be sensitive to the psyches of those suffering from eating disorders, we are each entitled to live and eat in an environment free of such self-defilement. Encourage yourself and your friends to adopt a more positive self-image. Be brave and let people know that it makes you uncomfortable to be subject to their self-degradation.

Please feel free to call Tim or myself in the student government office if this issue interests you and you would like to help.

Katie Koch
Sophomore
Cavanaugh Hall
October 4, 1999

Notre Dame needs consistent stance on advertising policy

A not-so-wise man once told me that the "C" in Notre Dame stands for "Consistency." Funny, I said to him, there is no "C" in Notre Dame. I know, he told me, that's because there's no consistency.

I was walking across campus yesterday, perusing The Observer as is my habit. It seemed like a typical news day and the sports stories weren't really thrilling me either. Letters raged angrily about our football plight (again), the poor guy in lost and found still hasn't found his Waterman pen and the personals decried strongly, "Yeah, tandem bikes dude." All pretty normal, I decided, just another bright sunny day of status quo here at Notre Dame.

Until I read on. The entire following page was devoted to an advertisement for an upcoming concert at the Joyce Center. The performer, world renowned for his singing and songwriting talents was none other than Elton John. Impossible, I thought, he can't perform here. Not at Notre Dame. It's too small a venue, too small a crowd. Why would such an accomplished, world renowned musician, choose to perform here in scenic and prosperous northern Indiana? The Joyce Center is nice for volleyball and everything, but big-name entertainment? Please, it certainly will never battle Madison Square Garden for the moniker of "World's Most Famous Arena," not in this lifetime at least. Elton John, ha ha, it has to be a mistake.

I returned to my room, having nearly exhausted The Observer for the day to find some of my friends doing what it is we do a lot of — nothing. One of them asked to see the paper and browsed through, only to stop dead at the sight of Elton. "Why is he coming HERE?" my friend wondered out loud. How is this possible? That's what I thought, I told him, it's way too small.

Yeah, my friend said, and he's gay. Truly a ray of insightful sunshine.

For all the debate that goes on at Notre Dame concerning the rights and treatment of homosexuals, I struggle with the logic of this upcoming concert on Nov. 13. On one hand, there exists a policy which forbids the official gathering or organization of a gay and lesbian organization on campus. This same umbrella of understanding was extended at the beginning of the semester to prohibit The Observer from running advertisements of groups that do not espouse the teachings of the Catholic Church. The gays can not meet, and they can not speak. At least not in public, right? OK, fine.

I've noticed, however, a series of events that seem to contrast directly this official policy. Anyone who reads the Classifieds with regularity knows it is not uncommon to see, under "Wanted," the solicitation of new members for a gay and lesbian student group. No advertising, huh? Anyone that attends football games knows that the crowd is often graced with the aerial advertisements of overhead banner-toting planes. My favorite last week was for DeJa Vu, a Michigan gentleman's club that offered no cover Saturday night for any, ahem, gentleman that provided a ticket stub. Groups that do not espouse Catholic teachings, you say? Interesting. Surely the University has control over the Stadium's air-space.

Finally, we have Elton. Famous performer and musician extraordinaire, John first revealed that he was a homosexual during a Rolling Stone interview in the 1970s. Since then he has paraded across stages the world over wearing funny colored glasses and silly hats. He has starred in music videos, such as that for the 1983 hit song "I'm Still Standing," gyrating with such impurity and provocation that it made Elvis' gig look like a square dance. Not a very good track record, Elton. Seems that you've been a very bad example.

So where, I wonder, does it end? Elton John comes to town in the same year Aerosmith front-man Steven Tyler "Dude Looks Like A Lady"-ed his way across the — gasp — same floor that our basketball team plays on and crystal-meth using Third Eye Blind brought down the Stepan Center. Not exactly in accordance with the piety that's practiced here, is it? We can't have this, not at Notre Dame. Backed by a sort-of firm policy, we've got an almost-as-firm stance on the limits of public homosexuality endorsement. I'll admit, I'm a fence-sitter too. Some days I agree with University policy on this subject, and others I don't think they could be more wrong. I have that luxury, however, not being a prominent, well-endowed Catholic university. The correct answer to the gay question on this campus will always vary with who you ask and when, and that's fair enough. What isn't fair, to gays, straights and unknowns alike, is such a fuzzy contrast of word versus deed.

Paul Camarata
Sophomore
Dillion Hall
September 21, 1999

Heisman champ acts like a chump



I am a 1988 graduate of Notre Dame and came back to visit for the Michigan State game with my 6-month-old son and wife. I brought them to experience the excitement of a Notre Dame football weekend — but I left disappointed and disgusted.

The Friday before the game, my son and I approached Heisman winner Leon Hart, who was there promoting his tape of the 1949 championship season at the bookstore.

I bought one of the mini-commemorative footballs for my son. I introduced my son and myself and told Mr. Hart it was an honor to meet him. Mind you, there was NO ONE else around the table at the time. I asked Mr. Hart to sign my son's football to put in his room — thinking it would be a neat momentum for him as he grew. To my dismay and surprise, Mr. Hart looked me straight in the eye and coldly said he would not sign it. The only way I would get an autograph, he said, was if I bought a tape!

I must say, for all the donating this University asks of its alumni, I find it appalling one of its biggest names could not sign an autograph for a 6-month-old boy!

It left a bitter and disappointing taste in my mouth. It's sad to think money has become the most important focus of this University! I think the University best think twice about people it asks to represent it before its "golden" image becomes severely tarnished.

Paul A. Geary III
Class of 1988
September 29, 1999

ND alumnus takes a 'Walk to Remember'

Nicholas Sparks speaks about life as a writer, following an evolution from his first novel to his latest, 'A Walk to Remember,' the bestselling author of enchanting love stories.

By COURTNEY KERRIGAN
Scene Writer

Nicholas Sparks. You may have heard of him, or you may associate him with his novel, "Message in a Bottle," which was made into No. 1 movie by Warner Brothers. If you are a fan of Sparks, you've probably also read his first book, "The Notebook," a sweet and passionate story about everlasting love.

Sparks has definitely had his 15 minutes of fame. But the truth is, he's just an ordinary guy — a Notre Dame alumnus in fact — with a knack for writing passionate, emotional love stories.

Sparks was born in Omaha, Neb., and raised in Fair Oaks, Calif. He attended Notre Dame on a full track scholarship and majored in business finance. He had a stream of short-term jobs, including starting his own business before becoming a pharmaceutical representative. He married in 1989, currently has two sons and he lives in New Bern, N.C.

Nicholas Sparks book-signing

The Notre Dame alumnus returns to his old stomping grounds to share some autographing love.

◆ Where: Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore

◆ When: Oct. 19,

12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m.

his freshman year and couldn't train the following summer.

"I never considered writing at all, and training for track and field and running ... that was my passion," Sparks said. "But when I went home that summer, and I couldn't do it. I went practically bananas. I was the most miserable person in the world."

"My mom just got tired of me pouting, and she said, 'Why don't you go out and do something. Write a book.' So I said, 'Ok.' So I wrote a book."

He wrote two more novels, one in his senior year at Notre Dame, and one when he was 25, but he never believed he could make a living out of it. Then when he was 28, he decided to give writing another chance.

"I was happy in my life. I was married, I had a house, I had a job, I had a couple of kids, a lot of things were great," said Sparks. "But at the same time, I felt like somewhere along the way ... I had lost the desire to chase my dreams. I didn't want to live my life waking up and going to work and coming home ... I wanted more. And at 28, with a family to support, I was fairly limited in my options, so I thought, 'Why don't I give writing another shot, a real shot this time. Why don't I work really hard on this, and see what happens.' And that was 'The Notebook.'"

"If you're going to excel in anything, there are very few easy roads. Most roads are very challenging and [Notre Dame] gets you used to rising to the challenge."

Nicholas Sparks
author

Sparks is infamous for his emotional love stories. His novels are all very different, although they are all about love.

"['The Notebook'] really explores everlasting love, ['Message in a Bottle'] covered the second chance at love and ['A Walk to Remember'] covers the beauty and power and innocence of first love," Sparks said of his three major novels.

Sparks may be an expert at writing creative and touching love stories, but he notes that it doesn't come easily. "It's very difficult to conceive of a story that can really capture [those different kinds of love] in a way that really hasn't been told before," said Sparks. "So far most of my stories have been initially inspired by people I've known and events in my own family."

But he insists that his novels are not as original and unique as most critics might give him credit for.



Photo courtesy of Byron Holland

Notre Dame alumnus Nicholas Sparks will be signing his latest novel, "A Walk to Remember," Oct. 19 from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. at the Notre Dame bookstore.

"They're love stories, they're tragedies, they're stories that go back through history, and that have appealed to audiences both male and female for a long time," he said.

Many fans send a lot of positive feedback to Sparks, describing how his novels have impacted their lives. "I think they respond to the emotions contained within the work," Sparks said. "I think they see either pieces of themselves, or pieces of those they love in the characters."

Sparks also attributes some of his success to the education he received at Notre Dame. He wrote his

first two novels while enrolled, and took a class, American Literature from the 1950s, which introduced him to the classics of literature and inspired him to become an avid reader.

"I don't think you can take a class there that's easy, and that's kind of the way life is," he said. "If you're going to excel in anything, there are very few easy roads. Most roads are very challenging and [Notre Dame] gets you used to rising to the challenge."

Sparks' does give some advice to an aspiring writer in the student community at Notre Dame: "Keep your day job. I wrote 'The Notebook' in my spare time ... not to say that you can't do it, but always pay your bills ... that will take the pressure off and free your creative capacity."

Aside from the financial benefits of being a best-selling author, Sparks hasn't let fame and fortune alter his life excessively.

"You'd be surprised at how little it actually changes on a day-to-day basis; who I was before I sold the novel is pretty much the same as after I became successful," he said.

Even though the financial worries of life are now absent from his life, he explains that there are other things that he worries about.

"Financial pressure is replaced with a different kind of pressure; pressure to improve and grow your audience, and that's actually a very large pressure, believe it or not," Sparks said.

The author seems to be managing this new pressure well, as he continues to write popular novels. Warner Brothers also plans to make a film of "A Walk to Remember," his newest novel which will be released tomorrow. Because one of his novels has been made into a movie already, Sparks enjoys some bonuses of being semi-famous.

"I get the best advantages ... all the perks of stardom without any of the costs of stardom," he said. "Never once have I been interrupted for an autograph when I'm with my family because no one recognizes authors."

Sparks surely has a bright future ahead of him. He continues to find inspiration to enlighten, entertain and touch his growing audience through his fervent and tender love stories. What's next for this typical Notre Dame alum?

"Today [Sept. 27] I will finish my fourth novel. I have three pages to go," he said.

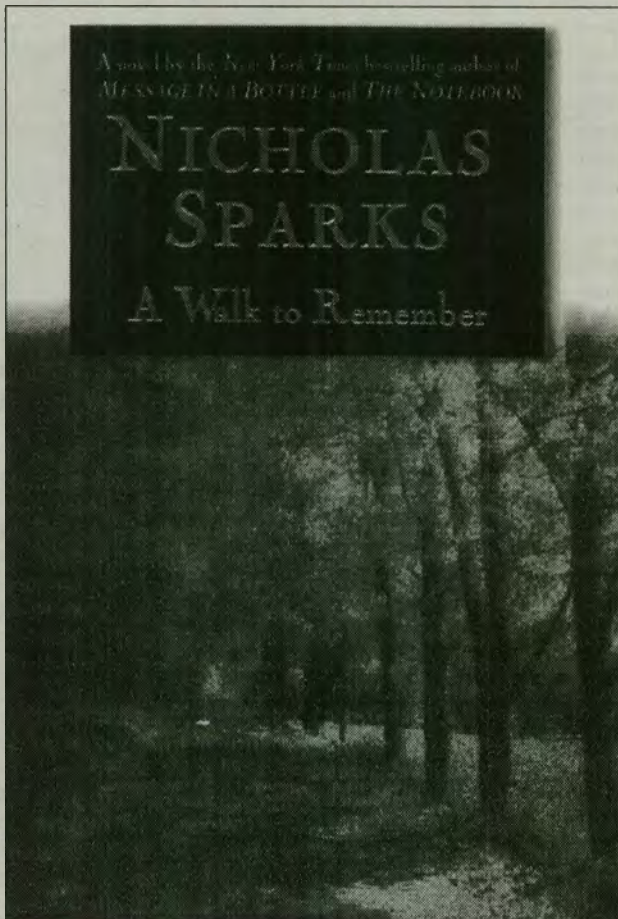


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BOOK REVIEW

Sparks' 'Walk' debuts Thursday

By COURTNEY KERRIGAN
Scene Writer

"A Walk to Remember," the latest novel by Nicholas Sparks, is a touchingly sweet novel about first love and the road to adulthood that sometimes accompanies it. Sparks writes a lovely story about the simplicity of a new relationship between two teenagers and the difficult lessons that spark the transition from adolescence to adulthood.

Landon Carter is a somewhat stereotypical teenager from the late 1950s. He is a small town troublemaker who finds pleasure in sneaking out late at night, soaping up car windows and "eating boiled peanuts in the graveyard" with his buddies. A senior in high school, Landon is determined to spend the year hanging out, applying to college and taking "blow off" classes like drama.

His father, Worth Carter, heir to a large estate and plenty of money, is somewhat of a legend in the family's small town of Beaufort, N.C. Not only has he been a congressman for a number of years, but his father (Landon's grandfather) started a history of scandal and unrest in the town that the family has not fully lived down.

Jamie Sullivan is the daughter of the reverend at the Southern Baptist church that Landon and his family attend. She is the kind of girl that every adult adores and every teenager ridicules. She wears her hair in a bun and spends her lunch hours reading the Bible and her free time helping orphaned children, rather than socializing. She preaches from the Bible constantly and believes that everything that happens is part of "the Lord's plan."

Jamie's father, known in the town as Hegbert, not only has had a vendetta against Landon's family for years, but is one of the least liked men in town. Only Jamie, his personal angel and the only link left to his wife who passed away, redeems him.

The story follows Jamie and Landon, who have been in the same school since first grade. Although they have had a few conversations over the years, Jamie was never on Landon's "social calendar."

This year, though, she is in Landon's drama class. By the first day of school, she already has the lead role of the angel in the Christmas pageant because she's the

reverend's daughter. Not only is Jamie the last person Landon expects to spend his senior year with, but in his eyes, she is also the least likely to be able to teach him a lesson about life and love.

It is almost fate when Jamie is the only girl Landon can find who doesn't already have a date to the homecoming dance, which he is required to attend as student body president. Reluctantly, Landon asks her to go with him, and thereby begins a series of events that will change his life forever.

In a novel rich with adolescent witicism and imprudence, Sparks continues to use love to weave together a story of passion, fate and emotional and personal growth, as he does in his previous novels ("The Notebook," "Message in a Bottle").

The recurring motif of romance and true love is Spark's trademark, and is only improved upon in his newest novel. His style, though simplistic in diction but appropriate for communicating the inner dialogue of a 17-year-old boy, unveils innocence and truth so fresh in first love that it opens a door into the mind and heart of Landon Carter, who is experiencing these feelings for the first time.

Although Landon's character lacks in sophistication and maturity initially, his character develops from a typical pretentious teenage façade into a genuine and true person who is no longer ashamed of his feelings.

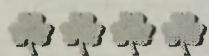
Landon learns lessons about the inner workings of the symbolic human heart and realizes that even though people may appear to be different at first glance, a closer look will prove that everyone has the same feelings of fear, love and hope.

He also begins to understand why being a moral and loving person is so important to everyone and why Jamie seems to understand that. He begins to grow into the man that he will one day become, and never could have been without Jamie's influence.

"A Walk to Remember" is a captivating novel that makes clear the fragility and brilliance of naked emotion, especially, but not exclusively, in first love. It is fearless in its illustration of raw feelings so often present in adolescence. It is a novel that is pure, genuine and simple.

Although somewhat lacking in literary sophistication, just like Landon, Sparks writes a story that most will appreciate and all will relate to, because it elucidates the sweetness of life that so often is hidden by everyday triviality.

"A Walk to Remember"



out of five shamrocks

Author: Nicholas Sparks
Publisher: Warner Books

October events at the Bookstore

Today, 4 p.m.-5 p.m.

Thomas Keneally, author of "Schindler's List" signs copies of "The Great Shame," an epic of the Irish people.

Thursday, 7 p.m.

Ryan ver Berkmoes, Notre Dame graduate and author of "Lonely Planet Guide to Chicago," discusses the writing process for travel writers.

Friday, 11 a.m.

Michael Steele signs copies of "Knute Rockne."

Friday, 4 p.m.-6 p.m.

Father Edward Malloy sings copies of "Monk's Reflections: A View from the Dome" to benefit Boys & Girls Club of St. Joseph County.

Saturday, 10:30 a.m.

Michael Steele signs copies of "Knute Rockne."

Saturday, 10:30 a.m.-noon

Congressman Peter King signs copies of his first novel "Terrible Beauty."

Oct. 16, 10 a.m.-noon

Former Irish Coach Ara Parseghian signs copies of "Notre Dame's Greatest Coaches" to benefit Ara's Niemann-Pick Foundation.

Oct. 16, 11 a.m.

Sports Writer Ray Robinson signs copies of his new biography "Rockne of Notre Dame: The Making of a Football Legend."

Oct. 16, 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Jr. League of South Bend: A tasting of desserts featured in Nutbread & Nostalgia and Great Beginnings, Grand Finales.

Oct. 19, 12:30 p.m.-2 p.m.

Nicholas Sparks signs copies of his new book, "A Walk to Remember."

Oct. 20, 7 p.m.

Author John Kirvan discusses and signs his new book "God Hunger."

Oct. 25, 7 p.m.

Author George Weigel discusses and signs copies of his new biography on Pope John Paul, "Witness to Hope."

Oct. 29, 4 p.m.-6 p.m.

Father Edward Malloy signs copies of "Monk's Refelctions: A View From the Dome," to benefit the Boys and Girls Club of St. Joseph County.

Oct. 30, Pregame

Coach Gerry Faust signs copies of "The Golden Dream."

Oct. 30 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

A signing of "Being Catholic, Being American: The Notre Dame Story, 1842-1934" by author **Robert Burns**.

NATIONAL LEAGUE DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS

Alfonzo's grand slam lifts Mets over D'backs

Associated Press

PHOENIX

Edgardo Alfonzo ruined Randy Johnson at the start and buried the Arizona Diamondbacks at the finish.

Alfonzo, who had a solo home run in the first inning, hit a grand slam with two outs in the ninth off reliever Bobby Chouinard as the New York Mets beat the Diamondbacks 8-4 Tuesday night in the opener of their NL playoff series.

"Over the last few years, Edgardo Alfonzo has been a fabulous baseball player who has kind of a star quality," said Mets manager Bobby Valentine, in a playoff game for the first time.

"But he's improving. He's gaining confidence, and with confidence you get performances like you saw tonight," he said.

Johnson, who left the game with the bases loaded and one out in the ninth, lost his sixth straight postseason decision, a major league record.

He struck out 11 and held on through an exhausting 138 pitches as Arizona rallied from a 4-1 deficit to tie it at 4.

John Olerud became the first left-handed batter to hit a homer off Johnson in two years with his two-run shot in the third that made it 3-0. Olerud and the Mets' other left-hander in the lineup each had two hits off Johnson, who usually dominates lefties.

"The guys came out swinging. I thought they were just great at-bats tonight," Valentine said. "We got four hits left-handed, and that's determination. That's reaching down and wanting it."

The Diamondbacks rallied on home runs by Erubiel Durazo and Luis Gonzalez to make it 4-1.

Johnson settled down to pitch four hitless innings, but another lefty, Robin Ventura, led off the ninth with a single. With one out, Rey Ordonez singled, then Johnson walked Melvin Mora to load the bases and bring on Chouinard.

Third baseman Matt Williams made a diving stop, his second of the game, on Rickey Henderson's grounder, and threw home to force out Ventura.

But Alfonzo hit Chouinard's 3-1 pitch just inside the left-field foul pole for the grand slam.

AMERICAN LEAGUE DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS

Yanks blank Rangers in Game 1

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Sure, they're not the 1998 Yankees. In their postseason opener, they looked even stronger.

Picking up right where they left off last October, New York blanked Texas yet again, with Orlando Hernandez allowing two hits in eight innings and Bernie Williams driving in six runs as the World Series champions beat the Rangers 8-0 Tuesday night.

"I always pitch well with pressure," Hernandez said. "I like to have pressure when I pitch."

Williams, showing why the Yankees paid \$87.5 million to keep him, had a two-run double off loser Aaron Sele in the fifth, a three-run homer off Mike Venafro in the sixth and an RBI single off Jeff Fassero in the eighth.

So much for the talk earlier this year that he doesn't hit under pressure.

"I thought I was going to have a terrible night," Williams said. "I was sleepy and dragging a little bit and it was cold. Something happened when they said the lineups. Something inside of me just woke up, said it's

time to play."

He started slowly, with a groundout in the first. He wasn't happy.

"I said you just got to go out and play hard, you got to wake up. This is the postseason. This is not the regular season anymore."

He also made a sliding catch of Juan Gonzalez's liner to center field with two on in the third inning.

"I didn't think I had a shot at it," Williams said. "At the last minute, the ball stayed up longer than I had anticipated."

Williams, seeming distracted by his impending free agency, was 0-for-11 against Texas in last year's series and 9-for-48 (.188) in the postseason. He nearly signed with Boston before the Yankees upped their offer at the last moment in December.

"He's a special person, a special talent," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "For him to have not only the night he had tonight but the year he had this year, it's very impressive. The night he had tonight was unbelievable."

Texas has just one run in its last 42 innings in the playoffs, all against New York, and has lost seven straight postseason games since beating the Yankees in the Rangers' first

one, in 1996.

"I don't care Yankee Stadium, Yellowstone Park, it doesn't matter. We can score more runs than this by accident," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said.

After a day off, the series resumes at Yankee Stadium on Thursday, with Andy Pettitte (14-11) pitching for New York against Rick Helling (13-11).

Last year, when New York came off its record 114-48 regular season and flattened Texas in a first-round sweep, holding the Rangers one run and a .141 average.

This year, the Yankees' record slipped a league-high 16 wins to 98-64, creating doubt whether they were strong enough to win their third Series title in four years.

But "El Duque" roped the Rangers and improved to 3-0 with a 0.41 ERA in postseason play (one run in 20 innings). Jeff Nelson followed with a hitless ninth.

"They're all great hitters," Hernandez said through a translator. "Luck was on my side."

While Texas has led the American League in hitting for two straight years, the Rangers haven't scored a single run in their last 22 postseason innings.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS

Astros take first game in divisional series against Braves

Associated Press

ATLANTA
For the Houston Astros, it was a positive start toward ending a history of postseason flops. For the Atlanta Braves, it was a troubling reminder of previous October shortfalls.

Daryle Ward hit a tiebreaking homer in the sixth off Greg Maddux and Braves-killer Ken Caminiti clinched it with a three-run shot in the ninth as the Astros defeated Atlanta 6-1 Tuesday in Game 1 of the NL division series.

"The guys should be more relaxed now," Houston's Jeff Bagwell said. "But we've got to be careful not to get too carried away about this."

The Braves have made an unprecedented eight straight playoff appearances, with only one World Series title to show for it. Now, they've got to win three of the next four games against Houston.

"The noose tightens a little quicker in the short series," Chipper Jones said. "It's important for us all to bring our 'A' games to the ballpark tomorrow."

Houston was a clear underdog against the powerful Braves, having lost six of seven meetings during the regular season.

Atlanta clinched its division with a week to go, winning 11 of its last 13 games. After a 12-game winning streak in September, Houston lost nine of its last 15.

"This is a good feeling," Caminiti said. "We can hold our heads up a little bit tonight. But tomorrow is another day."

The Astros sealed the victory in the ninth with four runs

against reliever Mike Remlinger. Carl Everett had a sacrifice fly before Caminiti haunted the Braves again.

Playing for San Diego, Caminiti hit a 10th-inning homer against Kerry Ligtenberg to win the first game of the 1998 NL championship series. The Padres went on to a 4-2 victory over Atlanta.

The East champion Braves lost only their second division series game since the format was instituted in 1995. Before Tuesday, they were 12-1 overall, including 10 straight victories.

Houston, which clinched its third straight Central title on the final day of the season, has never won in five playoff series, including a 3-0 sweep by the Braves in 1997. The Astros won't get swept this year, seizing the home-field advantage in the best-of-5 series.

"Two years in a row, we lost the first game," Bagwell said. "This gives us tremendous momentum."

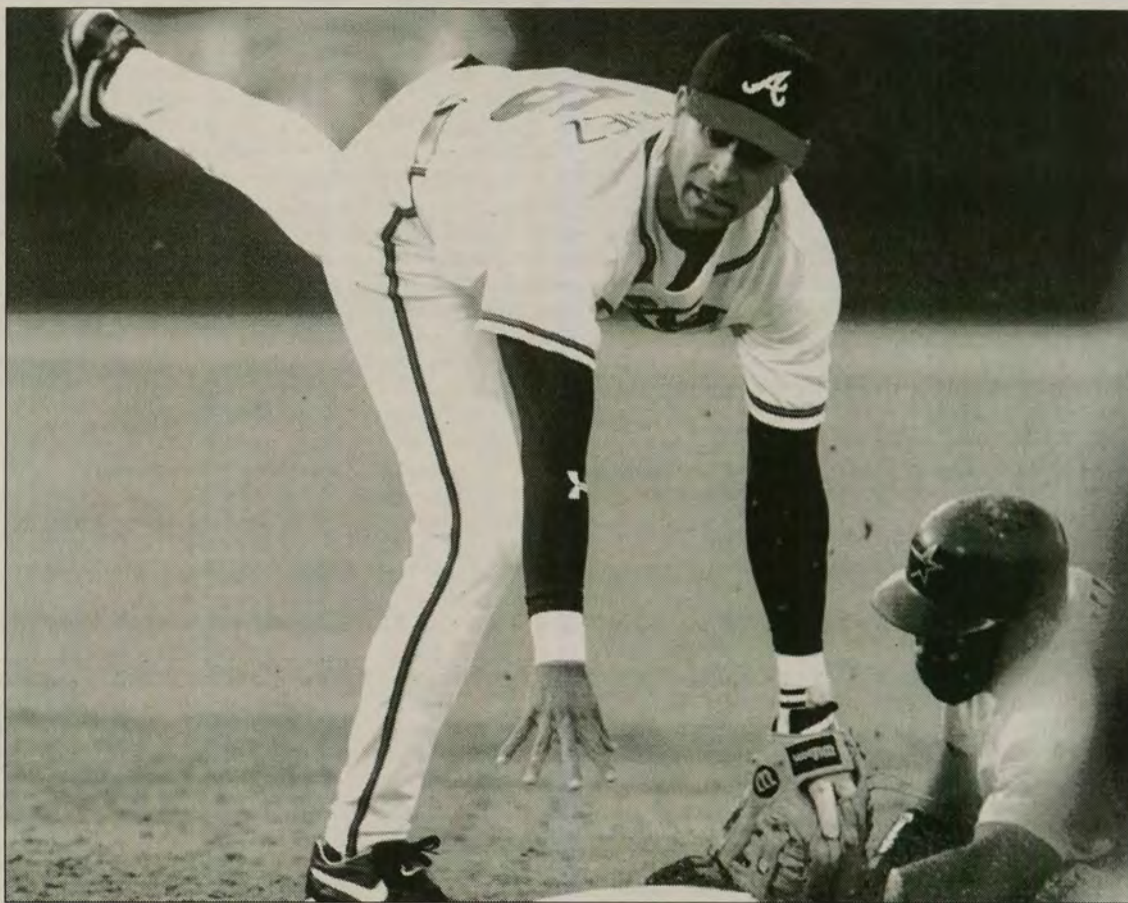
The Braves led the majors with 103 wins but drew the smallest crowd in Atlanta's 44-game postseason history.

The turnout of 39,119 was nearly 11,000 short of capacity at Turner Field and easily eclipsed the previous low of 42,117 for Game 1 of the 1998 NL championship series. In the right-field upper deck, only a few dozen people occupied seven sections of blue seats.

"It was certainly disappointing," Jones said.

Game 2 is Wednesday afternoon in Atlanta before the series shifts to Houston for Game 3 Friday.

Ward, the son of former major leaguer Gary Ward, was



KAT PHOTO

Houston's Carl Everett reaches second base before Atlanta's Jose Hernandez tags down with the ball. Houston took the game, 6-1, in their first match-up of the National League playoffs.

recalled from Triple-A New Orleans for the second time on July 20. He took over for the slumping Derek Bell and came through with two of Houston's biggest hits this season: a two-run homer against Cincinnati last week and a three-run double Sunday in a 9-4 victory over Los Angeles, securing the division title.

On Tuesday, he came through again, hitting the first pitch of the sixth into the right-field

seats against Maddux to break a 1-1 tie.

"He's a great hitter, he really is," Bagwell said. "You've got to give him credit for working his butt off to become a good left-fielder. He could always hit."

Ward's dad, by the way, hit .276 with 130 homers in a solid 12-year career but never played in a postseason game.

"There's not too much of a burden on me," the younger Ward said. "No one is expecting me to do too much."

The Braves managed seven hits against winner Shane Reynolds, who went six innings and allowed the lone run. He pitched around Jones, walking the MVP candidate twice on four pitches, and three relievers finished up with three hitless innings.

The Astros went ahead in the second when Everett led off with a bunt single, Caminiti walked and Tony Eusebio drove in the run with a line drive up

the middle.

But Maddux escaped a bases-loaded, one-out jam by pitching out on an attempted squeeze bunt by Reynolds. Caminiti, breaking from third, was tagged by Jones just short of home.

The Astros loaded the bases again with one out in the fifth, but Caminiti grounded into a 4-6-3 double play.

The Braves tied it in their half of the inning, Gerald Williams driving home Jose Hernandez with a two-out single to center. The Braves then loaded the bases, but Ryan Klesko struck out swinging on a 90 mph fastball.

The Astros didn't leave for Atlanta until late Monday night, waiting at the Houston airport for the outcome of a wild-card playoff in Cincinnati. When the New York Mets beat the Reds 5-0, the chartered jet flew east.

"It would have been nice to get here earlier," Craig Biggio said. "That's the way it is."

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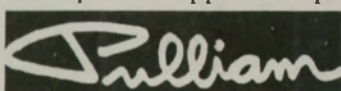
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AMERICAN LEAGUE DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS

Cleveland to face Boston's Martinez in opener

Associated Press

CLEVELAND

Pedro Martinez isn't worried about any new tricks the Indians might have planned for him. Or that Cleveland was the first team in 49 years to score more than 1,000 runs.

No, Martinez is just glad of one thing — he doesn't have to face the Florida Marlins this October.

Winless against Martinez the past two seasons, the Indians have drawn up a new blueprint for the AL playoffs designed to defeat Boston's ace Wednesday night in Game 1 of the best-of-5 division series.

They're planning to work Martinez deep into the count by fouling off good pitches, not chasing bad ones. They won't overswing. They'll run on the right-hander. They'll score early, stay close and hope he wears down.

"We know what we have to do," Indians shortstop Omar Vizquel said.

Sounds great, right? Well, everyone has a plan for Martinez.

Then they have to step into the batter's box.

"I'll see what they bring up to the table," Martinez said Tuesday. "If it doesn't work for them, it might be too late. Somehow, I've got to stay in the strike zone and somehow they have to swing."

And somehow the Indians have to try and beat the seemingly invincible Martinez and finally win a Game 1.

Martinez, who will be opposed by Cleveland ace Bartolo Colon, was baseball's most dominant player this season. In a year when softball-like scores became the daily norm in baseball, Martinez put up astounding stats.

He went 23-4 with a 2.07 ERA, nearly three runs lower than the league average (4.86). He struck out 313 hitters in 213 1-3 innings, walking just 37. He held opponents to a .206 batting average, .247 on-base percentage and .289 slug-

ging percentage.

The AL Cy Young is in the bag, and Martinez may win the league MVP award, too.

"As a player I did not think that a pitcher should be the MVP," Indians manager Mike Hargrove said. "As a manager, I kind of feel the same way. Pedro, though, may be the exception."

Boston manager Jimmy Williams, who played for St. Louis when Bob Gibson was in his prime and has been in baseball for more than 30 years, isn't sure he has ever seen anything like the year Martinez is having.

"You realize what you're seeing with this kid? What he's doing with that ball?" Williams said. "Especially when the ERA in the American League is what it is. Especially when throughout all of baseball to have 20 homers today is nothing or 30, 40 or 60. He has that ability to take that baseball and stop some awfully good teams."

The Indians are one of them.

But in the past two years, Martinez has treated Cleveland like everyone else, posting a 4-0 record with a 1.83 ERA in the regular season and beating the Indians in Game 1 of the division series in '98.

This season, Martinez started four games against the Indians, going 2-0 with a 2.17 ERA and striking out 40 in 29 innings.

But in his last start against Cleveland on Sept. 15, the Indians tried something new. They were more patient at the plate, swinging at the fourth and fifth pitches they saw rather than jumping on the first close one.

Martinez still struck out 14 in seven innings, but he had to work much harder than usual and left a tied game after throwing 131 pitches.

"I loved it," said Vizquel, who had three hits and had one 13-pitch at-bat. "The last game we hit him good. We got a lot of guys on base. We were relaxed at the plate, and we saw a lot of pitches. We know

it's going to be tough to get on base, but we've got to look for any mistake that he makes."

Martinez knows the Indians may try the same strategy. That's fine, he said.

"They're going to have to prove to me that what they're going to do is going to work for them," Martinez said. "Because I'm not going to change my approach. I do what I do against every team and against Cleveland. If they want to run, they can go ahead and run. If they want to hit and run, let them do their thing."

Martinez hasn't lost since Aug. 19, and excluding a one-inning relief tuneup last Sunday, has struck out at least 11 in his last eight appearances.

The Indians don't scare him. Not as much as the Marlins, who finished with the worst record in the NL yet chased him after 3 2-3 innings in July.

"I guess they were the strongest team I faced all year," he said. "They got me for nine runs."

TV timeouts drown out student section

Bizarre.

This was not the immediate adjective that came to my mind after my first game in the Notre Dame Stadium press box on Saturday.

Incredible, exciting, emotional, interesting and good (as in good food) all summed up my initial take on the type of place where I hope to spend my productive working years.

But, thinking back to that Saturday, now so long ago, I can't help but throw "bizarre" into that melee of adjectives that describe the experience known as the "Notre Dame press box."

"Bizarre" is not an adjective that can be used to sum up the main thrust of the press box life, but rather a very small part of it, a part of it that involves two very distinct worlds of watching football colliding up above the field of play.

These two worlds? Watching the game live in the stadium and on TV. At the same time (play scary music here).

"What's the big deal?" you say. "Why would that be so bizarre?"

The answer can be found in the nature of the TV timeout and what it means for college football and sports in general.

We all know the feeling of standing in the stands, seeing a change of possession (or a touchdown, field goal, game timeout, injury or some guy eating nachos) and then realizing any one of these reasons will almost always lead to the TV person starting a sentence this way: "While there's a break in the action..."

That's when we get dropped into the black hole of the TV timeout, where time and space cease to exist, and people start singing those "Like a Rock" Chevy truck commercials.

Finally, after what must at least be a good two-and-a-half hours, the coverage starts again and the game goes on uninterrupted until one of these monu-

mental events takes place again.

Or until three minutes has passed, whichever comes first.

This, I'm guessing, is a whole lot worse for the players and coaches, as it repeatedly disrupts the flow of the game.

It becomes a bizarre situation when you can see the TV commercials and watch the entire field at the same time.

While everyone is up on their feet yelling and jangling keys and the defense is ready to make a goal line stand, everyone else outside the stadium is still listening to how good the Big New Yorker from Pizza Hut really is.

While the student section yells in a single, deafening monotone voice and the players line up for a kickoff, everyone else in the South Bend area is still being advised to "Play it Safe with Safe Auto".

I sat up in that booth, helpless, wanting to yell out: "Save your voices! Save your emotion! Don't line up yet! There are still wonderful worlds of the new Super K-Mart that the viewing public hasn't heard about yet!"

But no one would have heard — the stadium was too loud, the fans were too crazy, and the players were feeling the momentum shift. By the time it got quiet, it would have been too late. And those people from Gap probably still wouldn't be getting enough.

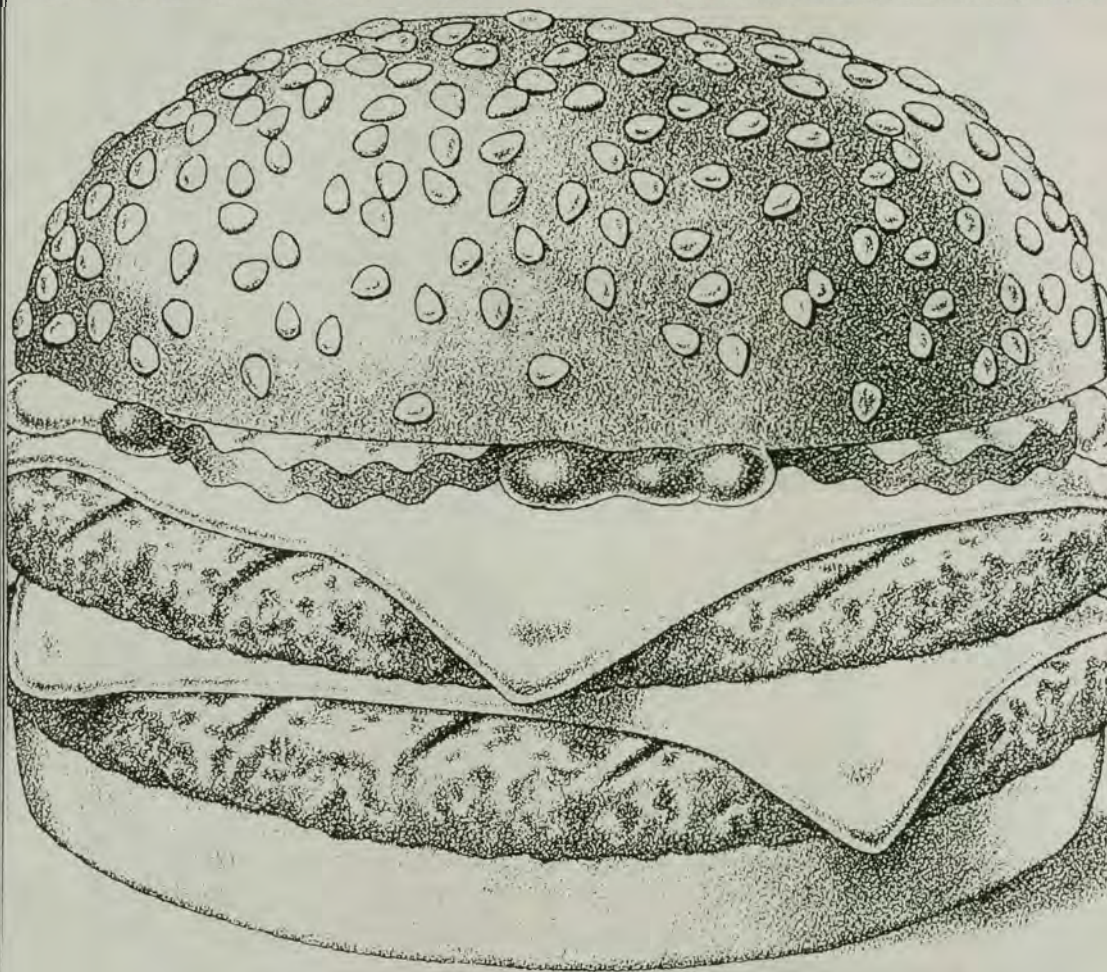
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Associated Press

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Lalime, filling in for the injured Ron Tugnutt, allowed only a power-play goal by Kevin Stevens at 11:14 of the third period.

Lalime made two key stops after Stevens' goal, one on a breakaway by Petr Nedved and another on a point shot by

Mathieu Schneider, to preserve the Senators' second victory in two games.

Kirk McLean, subbing for injured Mike Richter, made 25 saves.

But he gave up a goal in the final two minutes of the first two periods, allowing the Senators all the scoring they

needed to win their fourth straight at Madison Square Garden.

The Rangers, who have scored only three goals in three games, have lost two straight following their opening-night tie as they played their first home game of the season.

Avalanche 3, Predators 2

Joe Sakic batted the puck in on a power play with 5:15 left for Colorado's second goal in a minute as the Avalanche pulled out a 3-2 victory in their season opener over the Nashville Predators on Tuesday night.

Nashville twice took the lead on Colorado, which was the last NHL team to play this season.

But the Avalanche answered each time by scoring within the next minute.

The Predators took a 2-1 lead at 13:22 of the third period when Randy Robitaille, MVP of the AHL last season, scored on a rebound of Scott Walker's miss. It lasted 24 seconds until Colorado's Jon Klemm tied the game with a wraparound under Tomas Vokoun's foot off an assist from Stephane Yelle.

Sakic gave Colorado its first lead of the game 59 seconds later when he knocked in the puck off a high pass from Chris Drury.

The Avalanche, who were winless through the first five games last goal season, started rusty without Peter Forsberg, last year's leading scorer who is sidelined by offseason shoulder surgery, and forward Adam Deadmarsh (hip).

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INTERHALL FOOTBALL

BP looks to remain undefeated with win over Howard

By RACHAEL PROTZMAN
Sports Writer

Undefeated Breen Phillips looks to secure another win as it faces Howard today.

Howard (3-1) returns to the field with one less player after losing quarterback Jill Veselik to a knee injury in Sunday's game.

"We just hope to finish the season off strong," Howard captain Julie Wernick said. "We have restructured our offense and we're just going to go out and play hard."

BP is 4-0 following a 13-6 win over Cavanaugh Sunday.

Jessica Martin led BP defensively with two interceptions to stop Cavanaugh drives.

"Defense is crucial to our game," said BP captain Katie Leicht. "It's the defense that holds it off in the end."

Offensively, freshman Karen Swanson leads BP.

"She has scored a touchdown in practically every game," said Leicht.

The Babes, guaranteed a spot in playoff action, hope for a chance to continue their winning streak.

"We are expecting a tough game," said Leicht. "Hopefully we'll be able to keep up the level of playing that we have and we're just hoping to pull off a win."

Howard also looks to the playoffs after a 6-2 loss to Badin Sunday.

"We're looking forward to the chance to the playoff," said Wernick. "And hope to win a couple more games before then."

Cavanaugh vs. McGlinn

McGlinn looks for its first win today when it plays Cavanaugh at 7 p.m. while the Chaos hopes to grab a win for a better playoff seeding.

McGlinn, which comes off a 13-6 loss to BP last Wednesday, are now 0-2-2 and hope to grab a couple of wins before the end of the season.

"We're going to go all out," said McGlinn captain Jana Poschanski. "It's either tomorrow or nothing at all. We want a win so we're not gonna go down without a fight."

Sophomore Mary Lenzini aided McGlinn against BP with an interception that led to the Shamrock touchdown.

"We're looking to keep up with Cavanaugh and maybe even win one," said Poschanski.

Cavanaugh, now 3-2, comes off a 13-7

loss to BP.

"It was a very hard fought game," said captain Melissa Tacey. "We hope to play them again in the playoffs and who know what will happen."

The Chaos look ahead to playoff action.

"We're at the point we need to be for the playoffs," said Tacey. "We are peaking at just the right time. Every game we have played, won or lost, has been really close and we hope to win our last game to gain a better seed."

Pangborn vs. Badin

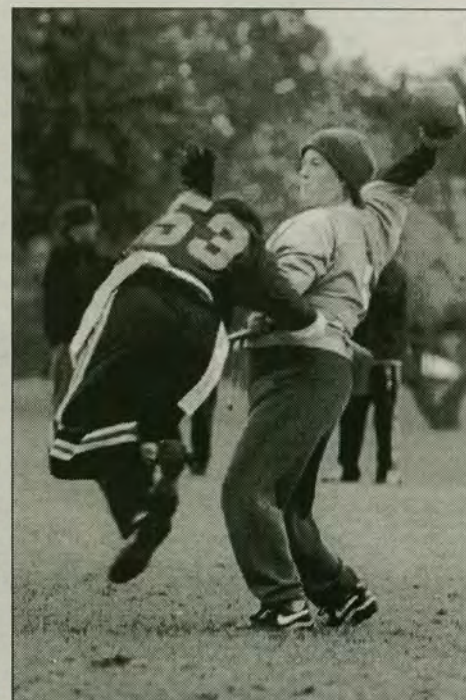
Badin looks to grab a second win and improve on its 1-2-1 record as it faces Pangborn today.

Following a 6-2 win over Howard, Badin hopes for another.

"We have suddenly been improving," said Badin captain Betsy Cavo. "Our defense has stepped up the past couple of games."

The Phoxes are also 1-2-1 as they hope to improve.

"We're going to have to play hard to keep up with them," said Cavo. "After Sunday's game, though, a lot more of our plays have worked and we're looking forward to facing Pangborn."



JEFF HSU/The Observer

Pangborn's quarterback tries to avoid a sack by a Farley defensive player in last week's game.

NCAA FOOTBALL

FSU players accused of shoplifting

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.

Florida State wide receiver Peter Warrick returned to practice Tuesday while authorities tried to wrap up their investigation into a \$244 retail theft at a local shopping mall.

"There are some loose ends they [police] are out tying up," Leon County State Attorney Willie Meggs said Tuesday. "We have met with the police [and] they'll get back to us when they're done and some decision will be made."

Scott Hunt, spokesman for the Tallahassee Police Department, said Monday that Warrick and receiver Laveranues Coles "are going to be witnesses or suspects."

Meggs said no decision was likely until at least Thursday. The top-ranked Seminoles play Miami on Saturday.

The 22-year-old Warrick is the team's leading receiver with 36 catches for 508 yards and four touchdowns.

"I don't like distractions," coach Bobby Bowden said Monday night. However, he wouldn't speculate on what action, if any, he might take against the players.

However, the players sounded confident Tuesday they would be cleared of any wrongdoing.

"We'll be all right," said Warrick, who conceded he is learning about the pressures of being one of the nation's most recognized college players.

"Everybody's watching," he said Tuesday. "When I'm doing good they talk about me. When I'm doing bad they talk about me. I'm just trying to walk a straight line and do what's right."

While Warrick practiced Tuesday night, Coles did not. The 21-year-old Coles said he and his roommate answered all police questions into their theft investigation of a tan hat and four shirts with a total estimated value of \$244. The merchandise was apparently sold Sept. 29 to the players for far less money by a clerk being investigated by police and store security.

"It's not like we grabbed clothes and ran out," Coles said. "It's not like that at all. They wanted to question us about some things. We went and answered some questions and that's it."

Coles and Warrick were each arrested in 1998 in separate incidents.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Irish win against Jaguars, carry on three-game streak



Andrew Aris (9) battles for the ball in a game against Cleveland State. Aris and the Irish defeated IUPUI 1-0 yesterday at Alumni Field.

By KERRY SMITH
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's soccer team came away with its third-straight win Tuesday in a tough battle against the IUPUI Jaguars.

Senior forward Ryan Cox's goal midway through the second half put Notre Dame on top and secured the Irish win to increase the squad's record to 6-4-1 on the season.

"It was good to get one," said Cox. "They are a tough team with a decent record and they haven't given up too many goals this season."

In a defensive battle, the two squads had to fight for every possession from the start. The Irish backfield, led by senior defender Matt McNew and

Gerick Short in goal, turned in another solid performance keeping the Irish on offense for most of the game. Consistently stepping up to the play, the Irish picked off many Jaguar passes and grabbed loose balls to retain possession.

Dropping to 6-4-1, the Jaguars had trouble on offense trying to move the ball past the Irish midfield and finding the net, but played tough on defense.

"They had many good players on the field and they played hard," said Cox. "A lot of the players are locals so it was a huge game for them. It's always a tough game when a team comes in with a lot of heart."

Cox's goal at the 65:56 minute mark broke open a scoreless game. Freshman forward Erich Braun came up with a loose ball from the Jaguar defense and found Cox in the center of the field. Cox broke loose down the middle and made two quick dodges to set up a one-on-one shot from the top of the box. Cox blasted the ball past Jaguar goalkeeper Armando Fernia to give the Irish a 1-0 advantage.

Cox's lone goal proved to be enough for the win as the Irish recorded their fifth shutout victory of the season.

The Irish had plenty of opportunities to add an insurance goal late in the second half, but failed to capitalize on any scoring chances.

The Irish outshot the Jaguars 25 to 5, forcing Fernia to come up with a big game for the Jaguars to keep the IUPUI squad in the game. One of the best goalkeepers in the Mid-Continent conference, Fernia made eight saves in the losing effort.

The Irish offense, riding high after scoring eight goals in three games, is enjoying finally getting some results on attack.

"It's a relief to start scoring more goals," said Cox. "We knew the offense would start to come along eventually so I'm not really surprised, but relieved that it's happening."

Cox's game-winning goal marks his second of the season, as he joins a very short list of Irish players who have netted more than one goal on the year. Braun is the only other repeat scorer with five goals.

Short turned in another perfect performance in goal, coming up with three key saves for the Irish.

Short's similar performances during last week's match-ups earned him Big East goalkeeper of the week honors for the second time this year. Short has allowed only 12 goals in 11 games for the Irish, keeping the squad alive in many tough games throughout the season.

Braun also earned Big East honors as he was named co-rookie of the week for his strong performances against Eastern Michigan and Syracuse.

The Irish take the field again on Saturday when they host Big East rival Providence on Alumni Field.

Tuesday's win, coupled with the squad's increased potency on offense, has given the Irish some confidence as they enter into a challenging second half of the season.

"This game was good preparation as far as the Big East goes," said Cox. "It's good to get in a win before heading into a tough series of games."

Notre Dame's matchup with Providence is the first of seven Big East games remaining on the Irish schedule.

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By

THOMAS KENEALLY
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make some plays, we don't win," Davie said.

Getherall finished the game with six catches for 133 yards and a touchdown.

Jackson completed 15-of-21 passes for 276 yards and two touchdowns, becoming the first Notre Dame quarterback to pass for at least 240 yards in four straight games. He also rushed

for 107 yards, and got the Irish on the board less than two minutes into the game with a 10-yard touchdown run.

"The challenge is still the same whether we're 1-3, 2-3, 4-0," Davie said. "We have to play as well as we can play every week to win. It's week-to-week, it's keeping your eye on that target and just going back to those things that either keep you or lead you to winning football games. If we control it [the game] as good as we can, we can have a bright future here."

Irish notes

◆ Despite some execution problems with the option, Davie said "We're going to continue to run it because it makes people continue to defend it."

◆ Don't look for sophomore backup quarterback Arnaz Battle to be inserted for individual series as in the last couple of games. The coaching staff felt this was putting too much pressure on Battle to make something big happen in just three plays. However, should the offense have serious problems,

Battle could be inserted as the playcaller. While no one running back has completely emerged as the "go-to-guy," look for Terrance Howard, Julius Jones, and Tony Driver all to split time with last week's leading rusher Tony Fisher in the Irish back-

field.

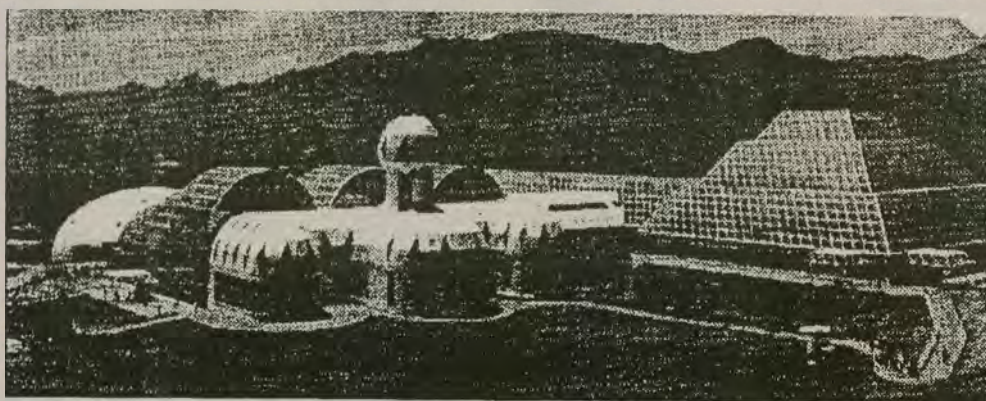
◆ Center John Merandi injured his calf in Saturday's win over Oklahoma. He is expected to play Saturday.

◆ Raki Nelson is out at least four weeks with a torn ACL suffered against Oklahoma.

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Notre Dame head coach Bob Davie argues a call with a referee at Saturday's Oklahoma game. Davie held his weekly press conference yesterday to discuss Arizona State.



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Junior Anne Makinen (left) goes up for a header in yesterday's game against Michigan. Makinen scored twice.

Soccer

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ing down the left side only to see her low shot turned away by sprawling Michigan goal-tender Carissa Stewart.

"I think Monica Gonzalez was a key tonight, she helped to spark the team," Waldrum said. "That's what she does for us game in and game out."

With that chance having shifted the momentum in their favor, the Irish moved to capitalize. Big East Offensive Player of the Week, Jenny Heft, corralled a loose ball near the top of the box, turned, and fired a brilliant shot into the bottom right corner of the goal. Heft's goal, her ninth of the season, leaves her just four short of Gerardo's school record of 73.

"Obviously any time you can get the first goal it's big," Heft said. "We had been possessing the ball for a while and it was important to convert."

Michigan did not go down without a struggle. Just after being substituted into the game, senior forward Marie Spaccarotella tied things up, sending a beautiful, curling ball just over the outstretched hands of Irish goalie LaKeysia Beene and into the top left corner of the net from 20 yards out.

However, even several spectacular stops by Wolverine goalie Stewart could not prevent the Irish from grabbing a 2-1 halftime advantage. After seeing Stewart make sensational stops off two corner kicks, Anne Makinen scored to give the Irish a lead they would never relinquish. Jen Grubb crossed the ball on a corner kick right to Makinen, who easily buried the ball to

give her team a halftime advantage.

"I always break to the far post on corner kicks," Makinen said of the goal. "Jen made a good cross, and I was in the right place at the right time."

The Irish extended their lead almost immediately as play resumed after the intermission. Makinen notched her second score of the game, completing a splendid give-and-go from Gonzalez.

Bolting up the middle, Makinen dealt the ball to Gonzalez who buried the ensuing pass from 12 yards out.

Notre Dame's defense took over from there limiting the Wolverines to few scoring chances. When Michigan was able to mount a charge, Beene proved to equal to the task as she made several clutch stops to preserve the lead.

Beene, however, possibly showing signs of fatigue, looked off her game at times.

"She had some problems on a couple of clearances," Waldrum said. "There was that one she fanned on and dribbled 10 yards."

Meotis Erikson capped the scoring and extended the Irish lead to 4-1 as she knocked in ball that had been dropped by Michigan keeper Stewart.

The Irish will no doubt be looking forward to the two days rest they will have before their next game which comes Friday night at home against West Virginia.

"We were tired," said Makinen. "After playing so many games in a row we need a break."

The victory extended Notre Dame's win streak against Big Ten opponents to 37 games.

VOLLEYBALL

Irish fall to Wolverines in four

By MATT OLIVA
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame volleyball team dropped its match to Michigan last night.

The Wolverines defeated the Irish in four intense games 15-11, 8-15, 15-10, 15-10.

The first game saw the Michigan take a quick 7-1 lead. The Irish were able to fight back to bring the score to 9-5, and eventually used a 6-1 run to take the lead at 11-10. However, the Michigan defense tightened up to hold the Irish scoreless for the rest of the game and give the Wolverines a 15-11 win.

In game two, the Irish came out quickly to grab an 8-0 lead. After pushing the score to 13-1, Notre Dame surrendered seven unanswered points to Michigan. Finally the Irish were able to put Michigan away by the score of 15-8.

The Irish never had a significant lead in the final two games. They had to continually rally from behind to keep the games close.

In Game 3, the Irish had the game tied at 9, but were unable to put pressure on the Wolverines and lost 15-10.

In the final game, the closest the Irish came to challenging for the lead, was when they trailed by two points, 10-8. Michigan was once again able to prevail for the game and eventual the match victory.

The loss moves Notre Dame's overall record to 8-4. With the win Michigan improves to 9-4 on the season.

The match also saw the Irish involve more players into rotation. Juniors Jo Jameyson and Adrienne Shimmel each saw significantly more playing time. Jameyson contributed four kills off the bench.

"We use these different line-ups in practice, so we are familiar with them, but just haven't been using them in the games very much," said Irish



SHANNON BENNETT/The Observer

Notre Dame's Mary Leffers, shown here in a match against West Virginia, had eight blocks against Michigan yesterday.

head coach Debbie Brown. "We used Jo in the middle because she was able to bring us more offense, and Adrienne helped in the back row."

The Wolverines had 69 kills against the Irish, led by Sarah Behnke's 19 and Nicole Kacor's 18. The Irish did have three players in double figures for kills, but had seven fewer as a team than Michigan. The Wolverines also finished with more digs and assists for the match.

Mary Leffers finished with a match-high eight blocks for the Irish, as Notre Dame out-blocked the Wolverines as a team 14 to 8.

"We need a lot of improvement," Brown said. "Our defense was not good at all and had no digs. We buckled when the game got tough. I take responsibility for the loss, I did a poor job preparing our team. With the talent we have we should be playing much better."

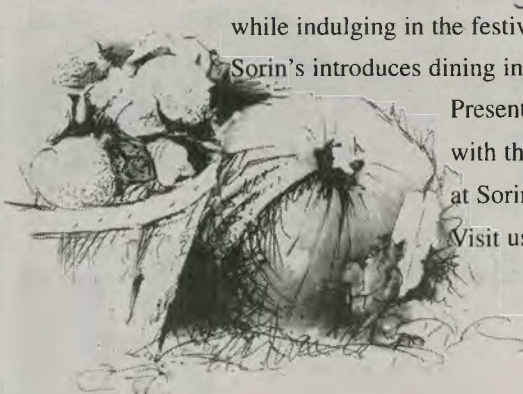
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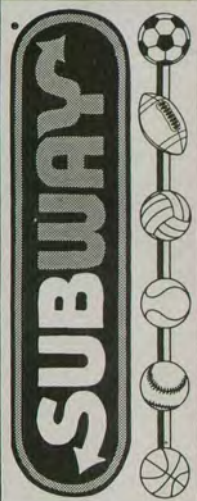
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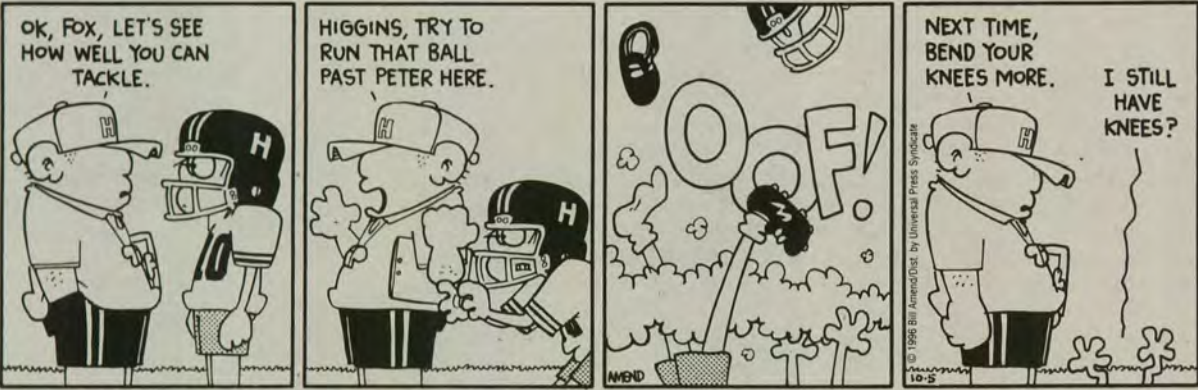
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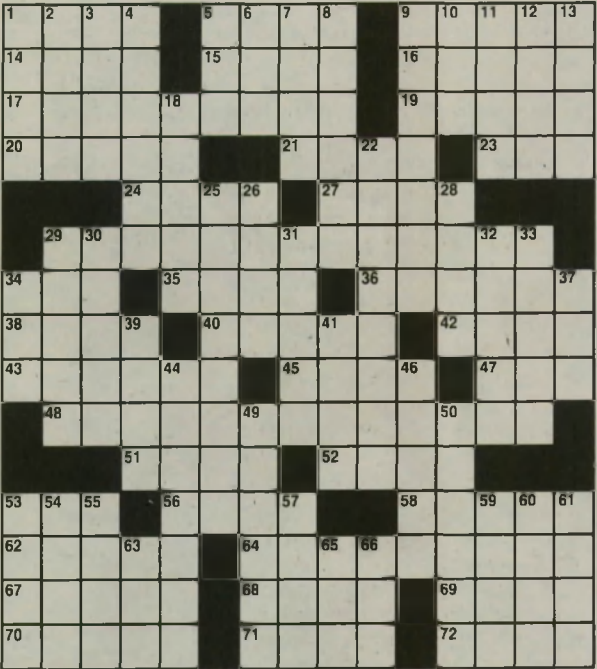


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FOOTBALL

Irish look to stay turnover-free against Sun Devils

By TED FOX
Sports Writer

Notre Dame head coach Bob Davie stressed the need of playing error-free football at Tuesday afternoon's press conference.

Reflecting on the team's 2-3 start this year, Davie said he, the coaches and the players realize "what a fine line there is between winning and losing."

Coming off a 34-30 win over Oklahoma, the Irish will look to make it two in a row with a win over Arizona State this weekend. The Irish have set three goals heading into each game — gaining momentum early, eliminating turnovers and making bigger plays than the opponent.

To varying degrees, Davie noted, the Irish accomplished all three of these goals and walked out of Notre Dame Stadium on Saturday with a large momen-

tum-building win.

While the team did not gain the momentum as early as hoped against Oklahoma, trailing 30-14 with 10 minutes to go in the third quarter, Davie said "to our players' credit, from that point on, they executed, they made plays and we won."

The next point on the agenda was turnovers, something Notre Dame had struggled with through the first four games, giving up possessions prema-

turely 14 times. Against Oklahoma, the Irish had no turnovers.

"You can't turn the football over and win," Davie said. "The reason we did win was we didn't turn the ball over in the second half and Oklahoma did."

The touchdown that brought Notre Dame to within two at 30-28 with 2:37 to go in the third quarter was set up by a Lee Lafayette interception four minutes earlier, the only turnover of

the game.

The third objective, recording more big plays than your opponent (which Davie defines as runs over 12 yards, passes over 14), was also accomplished, as the Irish recorded 11 to the Sooners six (including three kickoff returns).

"If Jarious Jackson didn't make some unbelievable effort plays and Joey Getherall doesn't

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WOMEN'S SOCCER



Senior forward Jenny Streiffer crosses the ball in No. 6 Notre Dame's 4-1 win over No. 16 Michigan. The win pushed the Irish win streak over Big Ten opponents to 37 games.

JOHN DAILY/The Observer

Makinen leads Irish over Wolverines

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

It might not have come exactly the way it would have liked, but No. 6 Notre Dame will be satisfied with yesterday's 4-1 win over No. 16 Michigan.

The Irish did enough to win but did not execute particularly well and looked sluggish and sloppy at times. Head coach

Randy Waldrum was not enamored with his team's performance.

"Any time you beat a great program like Michigan you're pleased," Waldrum said. "I certainly wasn't extremely happy with the game tonight though. I thought we looked sloppy out there in parts of the game."

While he acknowledged his team's play was by no means perfect, Waldrum pointed out

that his squad still showed enough heart to defeat a very high caliber opponent.

"We wanted to come out and show them that this was our home field and they were going to have a tough time knocking us off here," he said.

Neither squad was able to mount much of an offensive charge early in the first half.

"I think what you saw out there were two teams really showing the effects of playing

three games in five days," Waldrum said. "They looked tired out there. You have to give credit to our defense though. They did a good job limiting them early."

Despite battling elements of fatigue, the Irish were still able to create plenty of highlights. Notre Dame was finally able to create a solid scoring opportunity when junior forward Monica Gonzalez came streak-

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VOLLEYBALL

Belles fall in semis of tournament

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The Saint Mary's volleyball team made it to the semi-finals in this weekend's tournament before losing to host DePauw at the DePauw University Tournament.

They ended the weekend with a 2-2 record.

Saint Mary's started off strong, defeating Principia 3-0 in their opening match on Friday.

The Belles lost their second match 0-3 to North Central, but came back to defeat Earlham 3-1.

Saturday, during the semi-finals, the Belles dropped their match to DePauw, 1-3.

Freshman Emily Nihill led the team with 34 kills on offense and 52 digs.

"Emily is doing really well and she did do very well this weekend," Agnes Bill said. "She is adapting very well to the team."

Bill was also an offensive force, adding 34 kills. Suzanne Martin led the team with four aces, while Angie Meyers tallied three aces.

"We passed really well," Bill said. "Overall we played well as a team."

Martin continued as the leading setter with 111 assists for the weekend. Julie LeBeau led the Belles in blocks with 15.

Jayne Ozblot and Mary Rodovich also had 7 blocks each, and Meyer had 47 digs.

The Belles will face Calvin College Friday night at 7:00 p.m.

SPORTS
AT A
GLANCE



vs. West Virginia
Friday, 7:30 p.m.



Golf
at Kalamazoo College
Today, 7:30 p.m.



at Calvin College
Monday, 1 p.m.



Cross Country
Benedictine Univ. Invite
Friday, 3:30 p.m.



vs. Providence
Saturday, 7:30 p.m.



Volleyball
at Rutgers
Saturday, 2 p.m.



vs. Michigan
Thursday, 7:05 p.m.



vs. Arizona State
Saturday, 1:30 p.m.