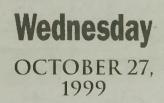
A rocky rebellion Palestinian citizens fight back with stones and slingshots in protest of the killing of a street vendor.



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GETTING CAUGHT IN THE 'O' ZONE



KEVIN DALUM/The Observer

Graduate student John Hooker puts the finishing touches on his sculputre "O" made of steel and concrete in front of Riley Hall. Hooker noted that the resemblence to a powdered donut is valid, although the sculpture is of nothing in particular.

Landscaper recovering after near arm loss

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By TIM LOGAN News Editor

Jane Nielson, a groundskeeper for the department of Landscape Services, nearly lost her right arm while working Oct. 15.

Part of Nielson's arm was severed when it got caught in a leaf-blower while she was working that morning. Twelve days later, her reattached right arm is healing.

Neither Nielson nor her family members could be reached for comment. William Thistlethwaite, superintendent of Landscape Services and Nielson's supervisor, said she was scheduled for release from St. Vincent's Hospital in Indianapolis Tuesday. She is expected to return to the hospital for further treatment.

Details of the accident are still unclear, University officials said, partly because Nielson does not remember exactly what occurred. Thistlethwaite said officials have not had a chance to fully discuss the accident with Nielson.

Campus security was summoned shortly after the 9:30 a.m. accident and responded quickly, said Phil Johnson, assistant direc-

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Smith: 'Operation Gate Keeper' responsible for deaths

 Immigrants turn to more dangerous
U.S. entry routes

By ERIN LaRUFFA News Writer

The United States is abusing its right to control its borders, said Claudia Smith, a lawyer with the der," said Smith. Instead, migrants trying to illegally enter the U.S. must attempt to cross through deep canyons, mountains, deserts or a treacherous irrigation canal.

As a result, Smith said, the number of immigrant deaths has increased in the past five years — especially deaths from hypothermia, dehydration and drowning. Since 1994, 450 migrants have Commission on Human Rights also has a case before it regarding the operation.

The Border Patrol has now reinstated its Desert Rescue Team, which was disbanded so that the officers could be used for Gate Keeper.

"[The Border Patrol] was literally shamed into starting Operation Life Saver," Smith said of the rescue team's new effort to save migrants.



California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation, in a lecture Tuesday.

Smith spoke a b o u t "Operation Gate Keeper,"

a program

that the U.S.

Border Patrol implemented in 1994 along the U.S.-Mexico border near Baja California.

The aim of Gate Keeper is not to deter attempts at illegal immigration, Smith said. The purpose of the program is to divert potential illegal immigrants away from typical border-crossing locations to more dangerous areas.

"The new strategy [implemented through Operation Gate Keeper] was to ... seal part of the border and prevent entry there, but not the entire bor-

"As we sit here, there are probably immigrants in great trouble."

Claudia Smith California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation thus attract little attention

Smith said.

"They are mainly men in their twenties," she said. "They're not exactly weaklings."

Smith also said that planning documents for Operation Gate Keeper acknowledged that the number of accidents and fatalities among migrants would increase under the new policy.

"Bodies are found on a regular basis," said Smith. "The deaths were anticipated."

The United Nations is currently questioning Operation Gate Keeper as a human rights violation. The Interamerican

d i e d . "The deaths are going to keep Approximately 100 have died already this year. "The deaths "The deaths are going to keep multiplying," said Smith. "No amount of search and rescue is going to make that big of a difference." Operation Gate Keeper began

"The deaths typically happen one at a time," and thus attract in the U.S., "The deaths operation Gate Keeper began at a time when the budgets of other government agencies were being reduced. However, the number of Border Patrol officers along the Mexican borin the U.S.,

Smith said that the Operation had political motives. The Clinton administration created the policy to gain support from Californians in the 1996 presidential election.

Despite its \$1 billion price tag, Smith said that Gate Keeper has not been successful in preventing illegal immigrants from entering the U.S. It is possible that more illegal immigrants are now able to enter the country since they now turn to professional smuggling oper-

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MARY CALASH/The Observer

Claudia Smith, a lawyer with the California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation, discussed the detrimental effects of "Operation Gate Keeper" on Tuesday afternoon at the Hesburgh Center auditorium.

INSIDE COLUMN

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Complicit to their evil

Yesterday I was walking across the quad, enjoying the beautiful day. There were students lying on the quad, despite the cold, soaking in the autumn sun. Sun becomes rare in the South Bend winter, and we all like to take advantage of it while it lasts.

Now imagine you've been told that you can never again feel the sun on your skin.

Now imagine that the reason for this restriction is your lack of a Y-chromosome. Imagine there are no courts for you to voice a complaint. Imagine that you are under the complete control of the male members of your family.

Welcome to Afghanistan under the Taliban.

Monday, Madeline Albright asked the Taliban to expel

Osama bin Laden — the suspected terrorist believed to be behind the bombings of the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania. In exchange, the U.S. would offer Afghanistan the chance for "normal relations" with the U.S. That is completely unacceptable.

The situation in Afghanistan has been called "gender apartheid." Under the guise of "restoring the purity of Islam," the Taliban has required women to wear a burqua - a large garment that covers the entire body -- with only a small mesh for the eyes to peer out. No skin may be visible. The windows in women's houses must be painted black

They never see the sun.

Girls are no longer educated and women no longer work. Nail polish, jewelry, plucked eyebrows, short hair, colorful clothes, sheer stocking, white shoes, high heels and public laughter have been banned for women. The Taliban forbids women to go outside except for an "essential, government-sanctioned" purpose, and then in the company of a male relative. Women have been killed for venturing out alone, even when covered by the burqua. They are not tried and executed - they are shot on the spot by members of the military or "morality police" who are allowed to enforce Taliban rule as they see fit.

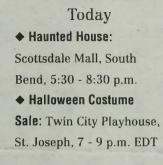
Public flogging, beatings, the cutting off of fingers or hands, stoning and execution are common penalties for breaking the myriad laws of the Taliban.

Male doctors are not allowed to treat women, and very few female doctors can practice any longer. Women are suffering from severe osteoporosis because their skin is never exposed to the sun. Suicide is more and more frequent. Visiting doctors have called these women the "living dead." Physicians for Human Rights reports that 97 percent of Afghan women exhibit signs of major depression.

And now the U.S., under pressure from corporations that want Afghani oil or access to Afghani markets, wants to normalize relations with Afghanistan. I have even heard a Notre Dame student say, "Yes, they're repressive, but it's a better system than we have here [in the U.S.] because it's God-centered.'

The Taliban is not God-centered. It's hatecentered, oppression-centered, brutality-centhe United States normalizes relations with Afghanistan, it will be a defeat for human rights and morality on an unprecedented scale. It will make us complicit in their crimes against humanity

THIS WEEK IN SOUTH BEND



OUTSIDE THE DOME

Thursday Haunted House: Scottsdale Mall, South Bend, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. ◆ Lecture: "American Impressionists," Krasl Art

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- Film: "King of Masks," Vickers Theater, Three Oaks, 6:30 - 9 p.m. EDT ◆ Cafe Music: Josie
- Vodicka. Barnes and Noble, Mishawaka, 8 p.m.

Saturday ◆ Oktoberfest: 2651 Pipestone Rd, Benton Harbor, 6 p.m. EDT ◆ Flea Market: Pierre Moran Mall, Elkhart, 12 -5 p.m.

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Duke starts academic integrity evaluation

"It's both questions about behavior

"Participation in this project will

serve as a focal point for campus-

wide discussion on all of the issues

and attitude," said Elizabeth Kiss, director of the Kenan Ethics Program and co-chair of the campus

steering committee for the project.

DURHAM, N.C. Under the direction of the Center for Academic Integrity, Duke University and 11 other schools are participating in a survey-based project that will evaluate academic integrity at campuses across the

country. At Duke, a campus steering committee will use the data to ignite further discussion of academic dishonesty.

The Academic Integrity Institutional Assessment and Action Guide began Friday, as e-mail surveys were sent to 100 sophomores, 200 juniors and 100 seniors at each school. These surveys ask students about the prevalence and methods of cheating they have encountered.

After the student portion of the project is complete, another set of surveys will be provided to 200 faculty members and 25 administrators

Student auctions registration time

CHAMPAIGN, Ill.

at each university.

When you register this semester might depend on how much you are willing to spend if University of Illinois student Nick Smith has his way. Smith, senior in engineering, placed his registration time for the spring semester, Nov. 1 at 8:30 a.m., on the virtual auction block found at "www.illiniauction.com" last week. Smith might be the first student to put his class registration time up for auction. The winner of the auction will be able to choose their classes under Smith's user ID. Smith will then drop the classes as the bidder adds them to their schedule when it is the winner's turn to register. This will allow the student to sign up for his ideal schedule or register for classes that fill fast. Smith plans to register for his own classes on the day of the auction winner's registration time. Because he is part of the Campus Honors Program, Smith has always had access to early class registration times. "I'm not worried about registering for my own classes. Because of the program I am in, the classes I need are not usually in high demand and do not fill up quickly," Smith said.

related to academic integrity and will enable us to work toward a balanced, equitable, understood system," said Sue Wasiolek, assistant

project. In two similar surveys earlier this decade, the university - which implemented the undergraduate

vice president for student affairs and

the administrative coordinator of the

Honor Code in 1993 - fell between schools with an honor code and those without, said Trinity junior Matthew Baugh, co-chair of the committee and chair of the Honor Council.

"I suspect that Duke will once again fall firmly in the middle, confirming the notion that, though Duke may be a school with an honor code, it is still not an 'honor code school,' he said.

Although Kiss said she has no expectations for what the surveys will show, data indicates that cheating is not as prevalent at schools with strong, visible honor codes.

Students concerned about alcohol

PROVIDENCE, R.I.

A recent Cycles survey indicates that a main concern of Brown University students is alcohol abuse by fellow students, which raises questions about the actual extent of underage alcohol consumption and its harmful effects. While many underage students find it easy to buy alcohol, gain access to local bars and clubs, or drink at on-campus parties, the university maintains its approach of enforcing the legal drinking age and promoting safety on campus. "I do not sense that underage drinking at Brown has changed much over time," said Associate Dean for Chemical Dependency Bruce Donovan. He recalled his experience as a student at Brown in the 1950s and said, "it doesn't seem much different now," except that "other drugs are now far more accessible." According to Donovan, "the most startling change is that now people are starting to drink at a younger age." Donovan works with students at Brown who suffer from alcohol addiction and other drug problems. Some of the students he sees recover from their addiction before reaching the legal drinking age, he said.

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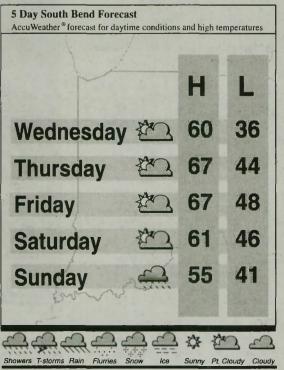
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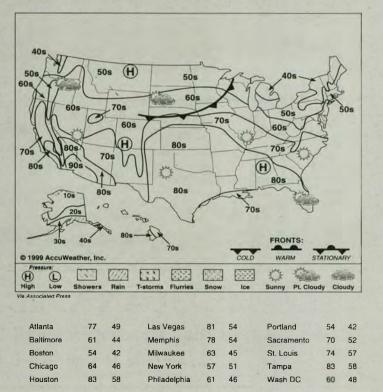
And it will doom Afghani women to never seeing the sun again.

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Delaney: Apocalypse intriguing because of 'millennial year'

By MAUREEN SMITHE News Writer

Perceptions of the end of the world, science, history and art depend on the definition used for apocalypse, according to Notre Dame philosophy professor Neal Delaney

Delaney said that he finds the topic of apocalypse intriguing because "it is the millennial year.

He said that the phrase "end of the world" is particularly untimely for this New Year's. When people use this phrase, they use the word 'end' descriptively," he said. "The whole cosmos is coming to a grinding halt, but the time frame is not a threat to us right now.

Christianity describes the apocalypse as an end to our current physical world in favor of a different sort of continuing order, he said, and "with regards to the next prediction, one has to adopt a belief-forming strategy.

Delaney said that the first strategy is similar to gambling, suggesting that previous apocalyptic predictions have been wrong until now, "so we should take the next one seriously."

His strategy, however, is one of pessimistic induction. "We have been and will be wrong about these predictions," he said

In conjunction with the end of the world, Delaney also said that theories arise regarding science. "There was a time when those who should know thought that the end of science was now, with 'now' referring to the 18th century," he said. "This gross error of judgement did not undermine the picture of science as coming to an end ... it's just that the end is not so clearly in view.'

Delaney predicted that someday science will come to an end

"It is reasonable to belive that it will come to an end — in the considerable future," he said.

Delaney's definition of the end of history "states that there is such a development over time and that it has come to an end in liberal democracy. This thesis refers to human history.

He said that the demise of major dictatorships gave rebirth to the idea of the end of history, and that the thesis "is believable only to the degree that the overall ideology is believable."

Delaney also said that the end of art is the most defined. "It's not about end in the sense of terminance — it's a much more nuanced thesis about the history of art," he said.

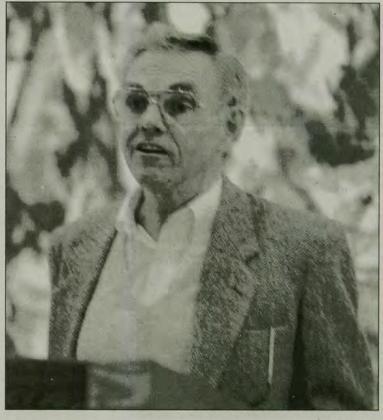
Starting in the 16th century with Michelangelo's accomplishments, art was declared to have reached its zenith. The thesis was obviously premature, Delaney said. Art has evolved to different levels, he said, including contemporary modernist forms, which explore a range of philosophical possibilities.

"The modernist art projects .. create art for the purpose of understanding what art is," he said. "Art has become philosophical."

Delaney said there is no definite kind of thing that art is, and that what we have been left with "is a kind of radical pluralism.

"The end of art is that there is no grand narrative unifying all artists," he said.

The lecture was sponsored by the Snite Museum in collaboration with the College of Arts and Letters.



MARY CALASH/The Observe

Philosophy professor Neal Delaney says "end of the world" is an inappropriate phrase for this New Year's. In a lecture in the Snite museum Tuesday, he said predictions of an immediate end of the world with the new year will be proven wrong.

"It's sad that with all of

the information out there,

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come in out of fear."

Lynn Sobecki

Memorial Regional

Breast Care Center

Education, understanding increase breast cancer survival

 Nurses share prevention methods for

By ALISA SCHMITT News Writer

Women have a greater chance of breast cancer sur-

vival through education and understanding of the disease, according to two nurses from the Memorial Regional Breast early detection Care Center in South Bend.

Kelly Mailloux and Lynn Sobecki, who both have been working with oncology patients for 15 years, conducted a panel discussion at Saint Mary's last night concerning breast cancer and methods of

prevention.

"It's sad that with all of the information out there, patients in the later stages, still hesitate to come in out of fear," Sobecki said. "Lately young women, 30 to 40 years old, have been coming in with cancer that has already spread."

The center sees approximately 1,000 patients a month and offers services such as

screening and diagnostic mammograms, breast exams and self-exam education, second-opinion service and psychological counseling.

"One of the major misconceptions that

still exists is that if it doesn't run in the family, that there is risk, no Mailloux said.

Mailloux and Sobecki agree that early education and detection are key allies in

fighting the disease.

"It is interesting to see that people are educating the younger women," Sobecki said. "It is nice to know that young people are concerned with healthy habits."

Mammo-grams are an effective way to detect tumors, however, they are only given to women under 35 if a health problem occurs. The best methods of prevention for oung women, Mailloux and Sobecki said, are monthly breast self-exams, and yearly exams done by a doctor. Sobecki recommends that

girls as young as 13 begin monthly exams.

"The exam isn't to find cancer, its purpose is knowing what feels normal," she said. "Women need to understand

that they are looking for changes when they conduct their exams, not cancer.

Mailloux and Sobecki agree that women who find irregularities should have no fear

because 80 percent of lumps are not cancerous. The breast exams are important in finding abnormalities early.

In most cases, if found in early stages, women can be cleared of the cancer, even in older women.

The nurses stressed the importance of contacting someone if women find anything irregular.

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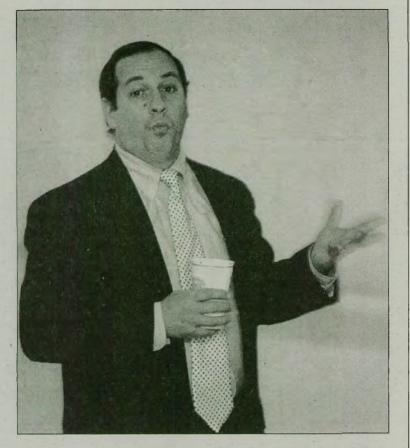
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your physician and ask ques-tions," Mailloux said.

They also encouraged people to eat healthfully and exercise.



CONFLICT AND VIOLENCE



MARY CALASH/The Observe

Professor George Lopez, director of the undergraduate concentration in peace studies lectured on the nature of conflict and violence last night at the Hesburgh Center auditorium. According to Lopez, the percentage of civilian casualties in warfare has increased greatly since 1980.

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tor of Notre Dame Security/Police. Nielson was treated at the scene. The South Bend Police Department then took Nielson by ambulance to Memorial Hospital.

She was later flown to St. Vincent's Hospital, where she has been since. Doctors there reattached the arm.

Nielson was using a Toro 345 combination mower/leaf-blower to clear leaves near Saint Mary's Lake, said Michael McCauslin, assistant director of Risk Management and Safety.

Border

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ations.

Nevertheless, people continue to die while making their way to the U.S.

"As we sit here, there are probably migrants who are in

The machines are ridden and commonly used around campus for landscaping. There have been no signifi-

cant injuries involving these mowers in recent memory, said McCauslin. The department of Landscape Services trains its staff in the operation and function of the machines, he said.

Nielson has worked as a landscaper for the University on and off for the last three years, Thistlethwaite said. She is currently a full-time employee, and her supervisor hopes she will return to the job after her arm heals.

"She is great," he said. "I'm hoping she'll be back after this.

Panel shares eating disorder advice

By KATE STEER News Writer

About 30 students sat captivated Tuesday night as a fellow student shared the story of her life-threatening experience with eating disorders. JoAnna Deeter, a Notre Dame senior, spoke during a panel discussion on the issue in Pangborn Hall.

Eating disorders have been the focus of recent student-written letters in The Observer and criticism of the administration's lack of initiative in

The event began with video testimony of several individual experiences with either anorexia or bulimia. The video included a listing of signs and symptoms of both disorders. Deeter then spoke

'My story isn't one you haven't heard before," she began.

Deeter said that Notre Dame especially fosters a competitive, involved character that is conducive to eating disorder development Problems often begin with students who are overinvolved and too busy to take care of themselves.

While the majority of people with eating disorders experience a growing preoccupation with food, diet and weight, Deeter said that her situation began in high school with a dedication to exercise and a strong competitive spir-

"For me it was more of an issue with running: run five miles, run six miles, run seven miles. It was consuming," she said.

Support systems are essential in the

recovery

process,

Deeter said,

but there is

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"The most successful treatment involves the help of physicians, therapists, nutritionists and family"

Saira John

but I had to want to do it myself." Saira John of the University Counseling Center also participated in the discussion to provide a counselor's point of view on the subject.

John said that there are many theories on the development of eating disorders. The most prevalent points to issues of positive reinforcement for weight loss, family dynamics and "societal pressures to uphold an unreasonable standard of beauty.

"Only 5 percent of the population of women fit the model type presented to society," she said, citing Barbie as an example. John said that there are similar unattainable images for men, who constitute about 10 percent of reported eating disordered

individuals.

John said that a multimodal approach to treatment often works best.

"About 80 percent of individuals get better with treatment. The most successful treatment involves the help of physicians, therapists, nutri-

tionists and family," she said. "In the **Body Facts** most severe ◆ 5 percent of cases, those the population of in which the women fit the individual's life is in model type predanger, a sented to socihospital stay is part of ety. 80 percent of

the treat-ment." infividuals with Deeter, whose an eating disorrecovery der get better involved a month-long with treatment. stay in a 10 percent of hospital, reported eating agreed, saying that stadisorders tistics and involve men. pictures can be helpful in confronting

someone who exhibits the signs of an eating disorder, especially anorexia. Reassuring the individual that recovery and improvement are possible is key, she said.

"I can tell you today that [the struggle] is hopeful," Deeter said.

The discussion was the result of a group project for Carol Williams's abnormal psychology class requiring a mental health public education campaign.

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and transport migrants who have been apprehended in the U.S. Many are held without food and water for long periods of time. Some are even bound together with mana-

The Kellogg Institute for International Studies and the Department of Sociology cosponsored Smith's lecture, "Immigration and Human She is also concerned with Rights: The U.S. 'Operation **University Counseling Center**

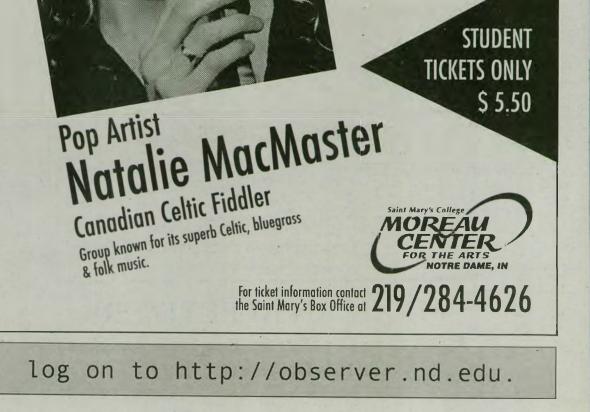
addressing the issue.

about her experiences.

great trouble," Smith said. the methods used to detain Gate Keeper."

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Russian troops penetrate Chechnya

GROZNY

SRAEL

Exploding artillery shells rattled windows and spread fear in the Chechen capital Tuesday, as the heaviest fighting in weeks brought Russian tanks and soldiers near the city limits. Chechen fighters battled the Russians within two miles of Grozny's northern edge, while more fighting raged to the east of the city. There were unconfirmed reports that elite Russian reconnaissance troops had entered Grozny. Russian jets and artillery elsewhere bombarded at least seven towns and settlements across Chechnya on Tuesday, officers on both sides said. Up to 200 Russian tanks and self-propelled artillery pieces led the fiercest assaults in the Terek Ridge area, the strategic heights northwest of Grozny's airport, said Gen. Mumadi Saidayev, a top Chechen military official.

Surgeon talks on phone during operation

HONG KONG

A patient says his doctor talked on a mobile telephone during an operation, officials said Tuesday. The patient, Chung Chi-cheung, claimed his doctor, who was not identified, had chatted on the phone during surgery, according to a spokesman for the government-run Hospital Authority, which is investigating. Local media accounts added more details: The doctor allegedly was using a hands-free mobile phone set and was talking to his car salesman. "I was surprised because the conversation had nothing to do with my medical condition. The conversation was about buying a car and how much the car cost," Chung told TVB Pearl television. Raymond Chow, the Hospital Authority spokesman, said Tuesday that disciplinary action would be taken if the allegations are true.

Politician wants to fix language

SINGAPORE

Singapore's local brand of English mixed with Malay and Chinese idioms has got to go, the city-state's most influential politician says. And such complaints are not taken lightly in this closely run Southeast Asian nation when they come from Senior Minister Lee Kuan Yew, who was prime minister for 31 years. Lee has stirred things up by calling the national dialect of "Singlish" a handicap that is stifling the country's economic development. He lambasted TV comedies for popularizing Singlish, saying that wrongly leads Singaporeans to believe they don't need to speak proper English. Singlish consists of clipped sentences like "you eat yourself, we eat ourself," which means "you eat by yourPalestinians use slingshots to launch stones at Israeli troops in Bethlehem on Tuesday. The retaliation was in response to the death of Mousa Abu Hilail, a street vendor killed by an Israeli soldier.

Palestinians protest shooting

Associated Press

BETHLEHEM Hundreds of Palestinians hurled stones at Israeli troops on Tuesday, the day after an Israeli soldier killed a Palestinian souvenir vendor outside a Jewish shrine.

Israeli troops fired rubber-coated steel pellets at the crowd. Ten Palestinians were injured, two of them seriously, paramedics said. One soldier was hit in the eye by a rock.

In widespread rioting Monday, 15 Palestinians and two Israelis were injured.

The clashes were triggered by the death of Mousa Abu Hilail, who had been selling postcards and souvenirs near Rachel's Tomb, a site revered by Jews as the burial place of the biblical matriarch.

The Israeli soldier who fired the fatal shots said the vendor tried to stab him. But Palestinian officials said Abu Hilail was shot without provocation.

The Israeli army denied a Palestinian allegation that soldiers prevented a Palestinian ambulance from reaching Abu Hilail in time for the crew to treat him.

Palestinian merchants closed their shops Tuesday, and hundreds of Palestinians marched to Rachel's Tomb. Protesters, some masked, threw rocks and empty bottles and fired slingshots at Israeli soldiers guarding the site.

Palestinian police arrived but did

Police arrest protesting sect members

not intervene.

One of the stone-throwers said he was angry about Monday's shooting as well as restrictions on Palestinian movement in and out of Bethlehem.

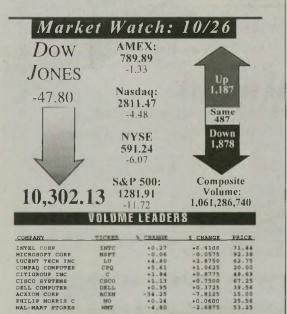
"We are protesting to let the world know that we are still under occupation and there is no peace," said Khaled Azza, a 19-year-old student at Bethlehem University.

British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook canceled a visit to Bethlehem on Tuesday.

There has been concern in Bethlehem, where the Bible says Jesus was born, that ongoing violence could hurt the millennium tourist season. Bethlehem has been preparing for the influx of millions of visitors, starting around Christmas.



word "lah" ends many sentences.



Associated Press

BEIJING Chinese police detained dozens of Falun Gong spiritual movement members on Tuesday, pulling them into police vans after they staged a second day of civil disobedience in Tiananmen Square to protest a government ban on their group.

The low-key protest, which participants knew assured their arrests, showed that the Communist government's three-month crackdown and its campaign of vilification against Falun Gong leaders has yet to eradicate the popular movement.

A New York-based spokeswoman for the group claimed that police have arrested about 1,000 members over the last few days, a report that could not be independently verified.

On Tuesday, police took at least 36 people from the square, often in batches of six or more. They included middle-aged or older women and a middle-aged man who was forced into a van along with seven women and teen-agers.

By gathering in clumps amid the throngs of tourists on Tiananmen Square, the protesters hoped to highlight their disapproval of a proposed law against Falun Gong and other groups China's communist leaders view as dangerous cults. The national legislature is reviewing the law this week at the Great Hall of the People beside Tiananmen Square.

Police in street clothes distinguished the Falun Gong adherents from Chinese tourists in the vast square by quietly asking people if they came to protest. Those who answered "yes" were quickly detained.

Gail Rachlin, the New York-based spokeswoman for Falun Gong, said the protesters "just want to have the government understand them."

"All they want to do is

meditate," she said.

Falun Gong adherents were taken away after similar acts at Tiananmen Square on Monday. A Web site run by the group said police beat and detained a dozen followers who unfurled a Falun Gong banner.

Rachlin said two members jumped to their deaths from a train after being detained in Beijing and tortured. One was still handcuffed, Rachlin said.

Without directly addressing the allegations of mistreatment and mass arrests, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Zhang Qiyue defended the crackdown on Falun Gong as lawful.

The Observer ELECTION NEWS

Ventura undecided on run for presidency

Associated Press

ST. PAUL, Minn.

Reform Party Gov. Jesse Ventura says he would consider a presidential run next year if Minnesotans mobilize behind him.

The governor made the com-ment Tuesday in an interview with Harvard Current magazine. Ventura has previously said he did not want the job of president, would not run and planned to fulfill his commitment to serve a four-year gubernatorial term begun in 1999

"If I turn around and run for president then I lied to all the people of Minnesota," he said. 'So unless you can get Minnesotans to say, 'Go ahead, Governor Ventura, run for president, we give you our backing

An interviewer asked whether Ventura would run if Minnesotans mobilized fully behind him.

"I'd consider it, but then again I got to want the job and I'd have to consider it with my family and I don't know if my family would want me to do that.'

He continued, "If you can mobilize Minnesota to do it, then, you know, there we are."

The magazine interviewer asked, "What do you mean, 'There we are'?

would open the door for the possibility of it. But by no means am I telling you I would do it." The interviewer asked, "But

Ventura responded, "That

there is a possibility, a hope?" Ventura, "Yeah." The governor's spokesman

John Wodele was traveling with Ventura, but refused to comment on the contents of the interview or hand the phone to Ventura, who was sitting next to him.

"I don't see any reason for me or any one else to expand on what he said," Wodele said. "What he said is what he said."

In a separate interview Tuesday with WCCO Radio, Ventura sent a different signal about the presidential contest.

"I'm the natural candidate to do it, but I don't want to do it. You gotta want the job. I don't want the job; it's that simple. I do not want the job," Ventura said.

Minnesota Planning Agency director Dean Barkley, who recruited Ventura to run for governor, said Ventura's comments to the Harvard Current ran counter to any discussions he had with him.

"In all of our discussions, he has always expressed the clearcut desire not to get involved in the presidential race. I haven't heard anything different,' Barkley said. "He's clearly told me that he's not interested in running.

Bradley leads Gore in NH poll

Associated Press

CONCORD, N.H. Bill Bradley has a narrow lead over Al Gore in New Hampshire and fares better in a hypo-

thetical matchup with GOP front-rune George W. Bush than the vice

the state. says a poll released today.

Among the 455 Democratic voters surveyed, Bradley had an apparent lead of 47 per-cent to Gore's 39 percent in the Quinnipiac College Poll.

Among the 459 Republican voters surveyed, 41 percent favored Bush to 28 percent for Árizona Sen. John

McCain. Ten percent were for Steve Forbes. No other candidate was higher than 5 percent

New Hampshire holds the nation's first presidential primary Feb. 1. Several recent polls have shown Gore and Bradley in a statistical dead heat, and one other gave Bradley a narrow lead.

Gore and Bradley face each other Wednesday night in a forum in Hanover, the first nationally televised meeting of the Democratic candidates. two

A Boston Globe poll of New Hampshire voters released over the weekend showed Bradley and Gore in a statistical dead heat, with 45 percent for Bradley and 42 percent for Gore.

Bradley continued to draw stronger support from independents than Gore.

The poll for The Boston

Globe by KRC Communications Research was conducted Oct. 17-19 and has an error margin of plus or minus 5 percentage points.

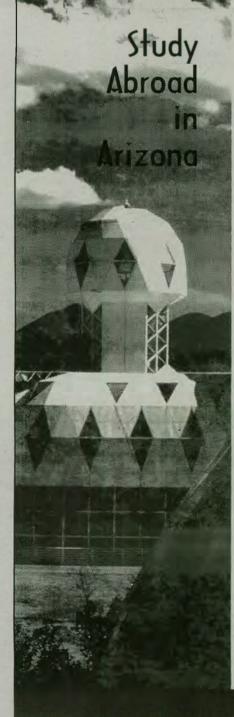
The sample was made up of 303 Democrats and 97 independents who said they would probably vote in the Democratic primary

In the Quinnipiac poll, Bradley and Bush would tie at 42 percent apiece in the state if they faced each other in a presidential election now. But the Texas governor would beat Vice President Gore 49 percent to 36 percent

The Quinnipiac telephone poll of 1,254 registered voters was conducted Oct. 19 through Sunday.

The overall poll had a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percentage points and plus or minus 5 percentage points for the party matchups.

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Taiwan security act incites China debate

Associated Press

WASHINGTON A House committee moved Tuesday to expand U.S.-Taiwan security ties and send a clear message to China that the United States would respond to aggression against Taiwan. The Clinton administration said the measure could worsen tensions across the Taiwan Strait.

The "Taiwan Security Enhancement Act. approved 32-6 by the International Relations Committee, would increase training operations and exchanges between the two militaries and establish lines of communications during crises. It also states that it is in America's national interest to make clear that the United States will support Taiwan from outside coercion and force

The legislation was modified considerably from the original bill by Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas, which would have authorized the sale of specific weapons to Taiwan.

But the Clinton administration still criticized the measure.

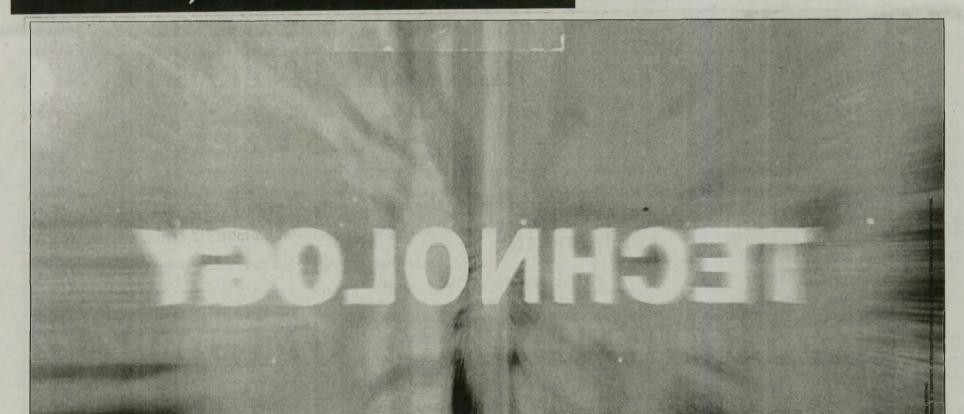
"These types of changes can be particularly destabilizing given the current environment," Assistant Secretary of State Stanley Roth told reporters, saying it could ultimately undermine Taiwan's security.

Several Republicans who worked to modify the original bill, Asia subcommittee chairman Doug Bereuter, R-Neb., and Matt Salmon, R-Ariz., also cautioned against upsetting the delicate U.S.-China-Taiwan balance. "We should not underestimate the sensitivity of U.S.-China relations when it comes to Taiwan," Bereuter said.

The legislation is an outgrowth of Chinese hostility toward democratic changes in Taiwan, a strong anti-China drift in Congress and Republican criticisms that the administration has sacrificed Taiwan's interests to maintain stable relations with Beijing.

"We are troubled by the Clinton administration's handling of Taiwan policy," said Committee Chairman Ben Gilman, R-N.Y., citing its unwillingness to sell Taiwan some defensive weapons systems and talk of a "strategic partnership" with Beijing.

But in a sometimes raucous debate, Democrats on both sides of the measure defended the administration's Taiwan policy, including the decision to send U.S. aircraft carriers into the region after China in 1996 test-fired missiles in the Taiwan Strait.



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The Observer **NEWS**

Drug offenders no longer eligible for student loans

Associated Press

WASHINGTON Students convicted of drug offenses will be barred from receiving federal college tuition aid for one year from Student drug use date of conaccording to viction and. recent surveys: in some cases, per- 33.5 percent manently of college stuunder rules. taking effect dents used next summer. drugs in 1995 The regula-◆ 16.1 of 18- to tions are based on a 25-year-olds are law enacted current drug last year to reduce waste users

loan system. They do not apply

to juvenile records, and some

students will be able to retain

eligibility by completing drug

rehabilitation or by having

federal financial aid, including Pell grants and student loans. Some student groups complain that the new rules are counterproductive. "It's kind of backward to deal with a drug policy by denying

people an education," said Jamie Pueschel, a 1998 college graduate who is now legislative director of the Washingtonbased U.S. Student Association. Justice Department officials

their convictions overturned.

Students must report any

drug convictions on forms for

say there's no database designating student drug offenses, but a statement released by Sen. Judd Gregg, R-N.H., cites a University of Michigan study that said 33.5 percent of college students had used illegal drugs in 1995.

A recent nationwide survey indicated that drug use among young adults ages 18 to 25 has risen in the last five years, with 16.1 percent, or 4.5 million,

saying they were current users of an illegal drug, meaning they had used the drug in the month before they were surveved.

D. Jean Veta, the Education Department's deputy general counsel, had no estimate for how many students the regulations could affect, but added: "If we find out a student has lied, we not only require repayment of any aid received, but the student would be at risk for prosecution for lying to the federal government.

"We are very concerned about students being truthful about all aspects of the financial aid application," Veta said.

Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., who unsuccessfully sought to limit the student loan legislation, said such provisions could unfairly affect young people who were not serious drug

"Obviously if someone is a drug dealer or a serious user,

that is a reason to say no,' Frank said Monday. "This kind of blanket ban is a mistake.

Students for Sensible Drug Policy, which opposes the

law, plans to meet in Washington for a conference on that and other issues next month.

Under the regulations, which were released last Friday, a first possession

conviction will block aid for a vear, while a sales conviction will bar aid for two years. Students convicted of possessing drugs for a second time will lose aid for two years; a third time, permanently. A student convicted twice of selling drugs will lose aid permanently.

Colleges won't have to police their students. Instead, students will be asked to report their own criminal records on aid forms sub-

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Rep. Barney Frank D-Mass.

by federal officials. Students must complete forms in each year of eligibility with other selfreported information such as income and academic status, Veta said. Convictions

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occurring after students apply for aid but before July 1, when the rules take effect, may result in the loss of eligibility. For example, a first drug-possession conviction Feb. 1 would make a student ineligible for aid from July 1, 2000, until Feb. 1, 2001.

UNITED KINGDOM

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House of Lords votes to end heredity rule

Associated Press

LONDON Members of the House of Lords voted late Tuesday to end the right of hereditary peers to sit and vote in Britain's upper chamber of Parliament.

The bill was approved by the body 221-81 shortly before midnight after hours of emotional debate. It marked one of the final stages of Prime Minister Tony Blair's efforts to remove hereditary peers from the chamber.

"A long chapter of history is being closed tonight," s

said Lord Strathclyde, an opposition Conservative Party leader in Lords who urged members to abstain from voting.

Britain's opposition Conservative Party, which most of the bluebloods in the chamber support, debated until the last minute about their lordships having to vote themselves out of existence.

But if they had rejected the

governing party timeservers and cronies of the prime minister.

The hereditary peers who win a temporary reprieve are being selected by ballots among their fellow aristocrats. Final results will be announced Nov. 5.

The bill ends the 800-year right of hereditary peers to be lawmakers. They retain their titles and

estates. At one point during the debate Tuesday, a son duke's jumped on the speaker's historic seat in the House[®] of Lords

declaring "treason."

"Behind this bill for Lords' reform lies a hidden agenda which is treason," the Earl of Burford said before leaping on the Woolsack, a square seat of stuffed wool that has been reserved for speakers since the 14th century.

Deputy Speaker Lord Boston, who was perched on the Woolsack, ducked out of the way as ushers grabbed and ousted the 34-year-old earl. heir to the 14th Duke of St. Albans.

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bill, Blair could have presented it again in the Labor-dominated House of Commons in the new parliamentary session starting Nov. 17. The Lords cannot twice reject a bill passed by the Commons.

Lords leader Baroness Jay said it was "time to say thank you and goodbye" to the hereditary peers.

The Blair government has not decided on the composition of a new House of Lords, which is expected to be partly appointed and partly elected. Critics charge that the new chamber will be a gathering of

Burford was in the chamber exercising the right of the eldest sons of peers to sit on the steps of Queen Elizabeth II's throne, but not take part in proceedings.

But the earl - whose family motto is "A pledge of better times" - sprang up from the steps, complaining volubly that the bill removed "inalienable rights granted to my family by King Charles II in 1684."

"Indeed the very existence of the monarchy is threatened," he said

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High Court reviews electric chair

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. The U.S. Supreme Court agreed Tuesday to consider the constitutionality of electrocution for the first time in more than a century, halting the use of Florida's electric chair.

The decision grants an openended reprieve to a man scheduled for execution Wednesday morning and another that had been scheduled to be electrocuted Tuesday.

The high court's decision came nearly four months after a bloody execution — the third botched electrocution in Florida this decade. In 1990 and 1997, flames erupted from the headpiece worn by the condemned killer.

Attorneys for death row inmates have tried unsuccessfully in state courts to prove that death in the electric chair violates the ban on cruel and unusual punishment.

Florida is one of only four states in the nation that require execution by electrocution. The only time the U.S. Supreme Court has considered whether electrocution can be used as a method of execution was in 1890, when New York became the first state to approve use of an electric chair.

The U.S. Supreme Court decision came less than an hour after the Florida Supreme Court granted Anthony Bryan a two-day stay to pursue federal appeals. Bryan was scheduled to go to the electric chair at 7 a.m. Wednesday for the 1983 murder of a Mississippi watchman

Bryan's state lawyer, Andrew Thomas, called the decision monumental.

Gov. Jeb Bush was surprised and disappointed.

"From our perspective, it's unfortunate the family members of the victims have to wait for justice," spokesman Cory Tilley said, adding that Bush still has confidence the chair will operate properly.

The last man to die in Florida' s electric chair was Allen Lee "Tiny" Davis, whose execution in July for the 1982 murders of a pregnant Jacksonville woman and her two young daughters led to a legal challenge of electrocution.

He suffered a nosebleed just before the current was applied, causing blood to drip from his face mask and onto his chest as he was electrocuted. Davis may also have been partially suffocated before he was electrocuted because of the placement of a leather mouthpiece across his

Bryan, 40, is condemned for the 1983 murder of George Wilson, a 60-year-old watchman who was abducted in Pascagoula, Miss., and killed in a remote area in the western Florida Panhandle county of Santa Rosa.

Court upholds lateterm abortion laws

Associated Press

CHICAGO In a victory for anti-abortion forces, a sharply divided federal appeals court on Tuesday upheld laws banning certain late-term abortions in Illinois and Wisconsin.

'We conclude that both laws can be applied in a constitutional manner," Judge Frank Easterbrook wrote in the majority opinion as the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals split 5-4 over the issue

The decision reversed a federal judge's ruling that the Illinois law was unconstitutional as well as a temporary order from an appeals panel that had blocked enforcement of the Wisconsin law.

The court did say there was a possibility that bans on what critics describe as "partial-birth abortions" could unfairly be applied to prohibit other types of abortions but said lower courts should act to prevent that.

The Center for Reproductive Law and Policy says 30 states have passed similar laws banning the proLouis struck down bans on the procedure in Nebraska, Arkansas and Iowa, calling them unconstitutional

Abortion rights attorneys said they were deeply disappointed by Tuesday's ruling and indicated they probably would appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.

This decision creates a constitutional crisis which will probably go to the Supreme Court because it flies in the face of" the high court's previous decisions, said Janet Benshoof, president of the New York-based Center for Reproductive Law and Policy.

She called it a "radical decision" that puts "state interest in the fetus above women's health.'

Susan Armacost, a lobbyist for Wisconsin Right to Life, said the decision shoots down arguments that the state's law was vague and would apply to other types of abortion.

"It is a huge victory for the babies of Wisconsin that would be facing this heinous procedure if it had not been upheld," she said.

The procedure in question "dilation and extraction." It



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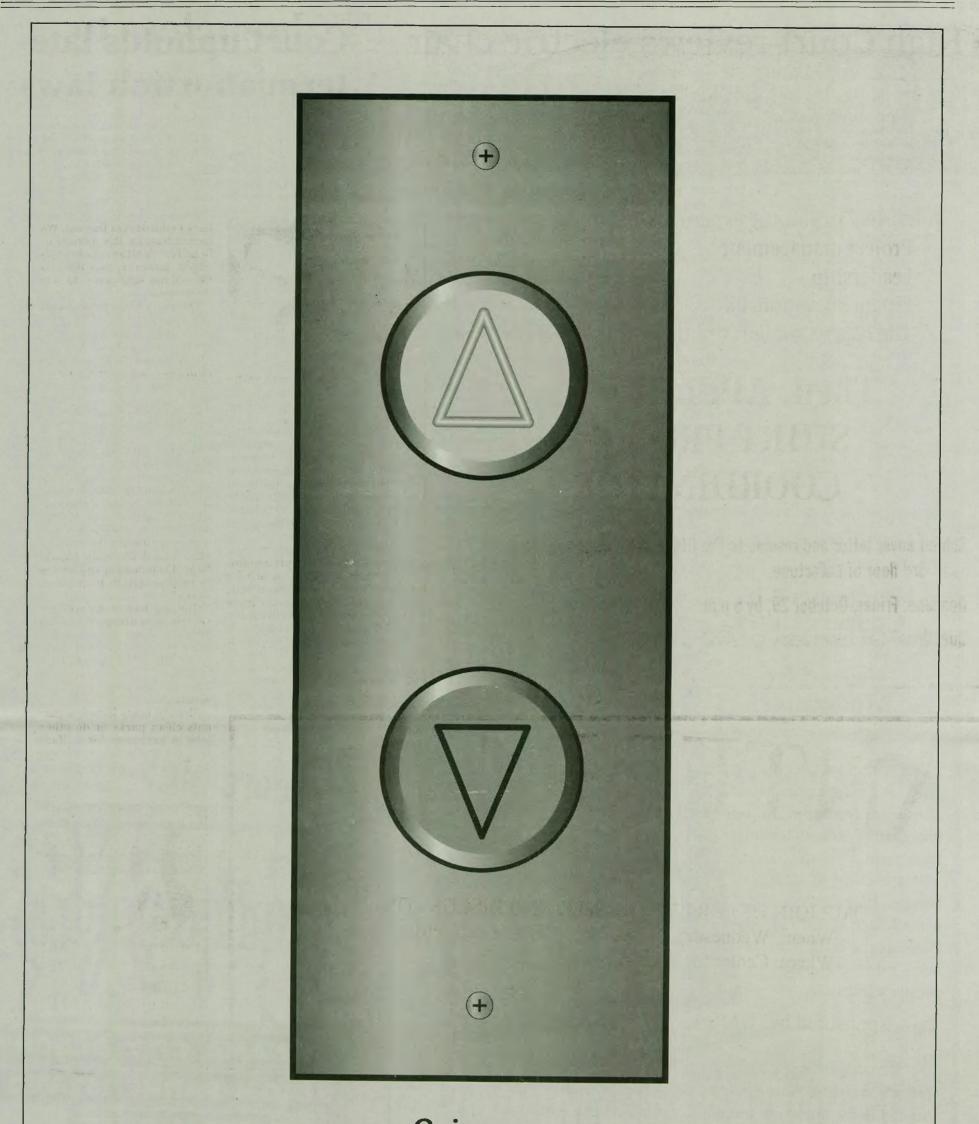
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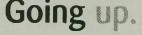
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NY homeless to work for shelter

Associated Press

NEW YORK Homeless people looking for a place to sleep in New York City shelters will have to work for it

under a new policy beginning this winter — a move c o n d e m n e d Tuesday as



Tuesday as "a throwback to the days of Dickens."

New York is believed to be the only major U.S. city to impose a work-for-shelter requirement.

The city already requires welfare recipients to work to get their benefits. On Tuesday, Republican Mayor Rudolph Giuliani said city will extend the policy in about 60 days to the 4,600 families and 7,000 single adults staying in city-run shelters.

New York operates the largest, most comprehensive shelter system in the nation for a homeless population it estimates at 23,000. In other parts of the country, shelters are often run and financed by private charities — some of which require people to seek work.

The mayor's plan stunned advocates for the homeless.

"This could literally put hun-

dreds, if not thousands of people on the streets," said Patrick Markee, a policy adviser for New York City's Coalition for the Homeless.

City Council Speaker Peter Vallone, a Democrat, said Giuliani's move was "a throwback to the days of Dickens. We cannot tolerate this morally or legally." Vallone acknowledged, however, that the City Council has little power to stop the policy.

The city's new requirements are supported by 1997 state regulations aimed at moving the homeless to work and ultimately to self-sufficiency. Last February, an appeals court ruled against the objections of advocates.

Giuliani, who laughed when told that Vallone compared his policy to something out of Charles Dickens' novels, defended his plan.

"The apostles of dependency want to bring us back to where we had 1.1 million people on welfare and a city where dependency was the rule, working the exception," he said. "I think this is the highest form of compassion and love to help people to help themselves."

Giuliani has made welfare reform a centerpiece of his administration. The work-fora-bed rule is similar to requirements city welfare offices have used since 1995 to move more than 400,000 people off public assistance.

Already, many homeless parents clean parks or do other jobs in exchange for welfare benefits while their children are in shelter day care centers.

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Y2K forces us to face the rising sun

"The problem of the twentieth century is the problem of the color line — the relation of the darker to the lighter races of men in Asia and Africa, in America and the islands of the sea." W.E.B. DuBois, The Souls of Black Folk, 1903.

W.E.B. DuBois' prophetic statement aptly captures the essence of our century, as if he'd had the benefit of 20/20 hindsight. In a sense, he did. No doubt, he reflected upon the previous era in order to predict the upcoming one. Often, historically, the writing is on the wall, even though we may not want to read it

Clearly, our inability to look across color lines into the eyes of friends have created many of our 20th century problems. Arguably, the same holds true for the latter half of this millennium, ever since Columbus got lost in 1492 and "discovered" so-called "Indians." Perhaps the genius of DuBois' statement arises from his ability to simply look at history and the world around him and recognize that the dawn of a new century in and of itself wasn't enough to "fix"

prevalent race relation problems. Now we, like Dubois, have the privilege to witness the birth of a new century and, moreover, a new millennium. We sit poised

to turn the page on our Y2K calendar books. Yet. turning that page at the stroke of midnight is not like waving a magic wand to find POOF — all our problems are gone.

Malcolm X often pointed out that "those who don't know their history are doomed to repeat it.

No doubt, once we reach Y2K, any year that began with a digit other than the number two will be considered ancient history. Even the youngest of us will soon be shocked by exclamations like: "You were born in the 1900s!? Dang, you're old!" We'll immediately start to wax on about the good old days. There will be a tendency to leave anything reflective of the 20th century in the 20th century. That may be our temptation regarding race relations as well, but we cannot simply sweep

our sordid racial past under a carpet as if it didn't happen. Like cosmic relay runners, the Y2Kers will look to us for the 20th century baton. What will we pass on to them? What kind of time portals will we be? Will we be imperfect windows to the past for those to come? Perhaps it depends on how honest we want to be.

For example, what are the good ol' days? 1901, when George White, a Negro, was in Congress, or the 28 years it would take to get the next one in? The Harlem Renaissance of the 1920s or, that same period, when 60-80 "recorded" lynchings occurred per year? The generation that cheered Brown vs. Topeka Board of Education, or the next one that jeered the unchecked growth of gangs and drugs in the still-segregated schools of its children? The days of African Americans at prestigious universities like Notre Dame or those when they were dragged to death from pick-up trucks while the beneficiaries of "blue-blood" affirmative action systematically kept African Americans from board rooms, coaching ranks and TV sit-coms?

How honest, indeed.

Without knowing the stony road trod by my forefathers, I wouldn't fully appreciate the oppressed: African American, Jew, Pole, Irish, Italian, Native American or Chinese. I am a free, educated. African American male, a homeowner, with two cars and a garage, during a period of relative peace and economic prosperity. I am the dream of generations who died without ever seeing me. Yet, am I worthy of that dream if I forget their struggles? Foggy window that I am, what if my children, through me, cannot see history! Then, Dr. King ... whose dream

child, patching up the conflicts of our feuding relatives. Yet, we still battle the infighting of our own demons inside. That is our unique history.

Odd it is that we so quickly claim inherent superiority to those who came before us (by virtue of time, we say.) Better diets, superior technology, ergo: better us?! Yet, at the same time, we rationalize immorality by saying "get with it, it's the '70s! ... the '80s! ... the '90s," as if growing more immoral by decades is a pre-destined Christian fate. We worship the vain beauty of our young adults, yet disdain the wisdom of our elders. Is this evolution? No. Maybe it's reality, though ... you know, that writing on the wall we don't want to read? Ahh, the good ol' days, eh mate!

My first day at 21 felt no different than my last day at 20. Really, how much distinction then can come between 1999 and Y2K? Yes, a new day brings the enthusiasm of new expectations, but WHY will we be better in the, er, 2000s ... simply because it follows the 1900s?

The danger of the dawn is the amnesia it spawns. We admire the ready rays of sun and conclude that our day can be run sans guard. "Captain, no need for sentries, no need for walls! It's tomorrow, after all!" We forget that the lion is only yonder, or that the wolf too has had time to rest from the run. So much for the sun. Don't drop the sword! We must still march on

Sure, it will seem odd fighting for civil and human rights in a new millennium. But, just as in DuBois' day, the writing is indeed on the wall and we must resist the temptation to

whisk it under a rug. The fight did not end with Dr. King. Every day of this "final year," African

American males have been stopped by police for "looking suspicious," drugs and AIDS have ravaged our neighborhoods, even while many African Americans (DuBois' so-called "talented tenth") still do not know why they are in school, nor who died to pave the way for it!

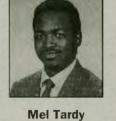
While we rejoice in the promise of a new millennium, what credible programs are in /place to make the year 2016 any different /than 17 years ago when I started at Notre Dame? The writing on the wall tells me that, in the year 2016, most Americans will still fear Black males; police will have sophisticated patrol cars, but still stop people on the basis of race; the race card will be played in elections; glass ceilings will

still exist and, sadly, Notre Dame will still be 3 percent African American (or lower, if we lose affirmative action).

Hope is important, but the hope of the present is brought more from a growing economy than anything else. Come a downturn, and we're back to finger-pointing. Vigilance, discussion and education are important, to eradicate ignorance and truly change attitudes. However, fair laws with teeth are every bit as important! A better tomorrow won't evolve without better steps today. If we can feel good about anything at the close of this century, let it be because we know better where we are and where we need to go.

Nearly a century ago, in 1900, James Weldon Johnson and James Rosamond Johnson composed the song, "Lift Every Voice And Sing," now often referred to as the "Black National Anthem." Approaching 2000, we, too, are — as the lyrics say -'full of the faith that the dark past has taught us." Yes, and there is even "hope that the present has brought us." However, "facing the rising sun of our new day begun," let us not walk blindly into the light of ignorance.

Rest assured, the problem of the 21st century will, again, be the color line. DuBois' words still ring as sharply as any bugle reveille. This time, let the generations heed his message. So, let us march on with our ark before us, filled with wisdom gleaned from the wall writings of our elders and ancestors. Let us bring history's mistake-filled baton to our children, and grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Most importantly, let's use our collective pasts to teach our younger generations how and why to look across the color line ... into the eyes of friendship. Then, and only then, will true victory be won, for all.



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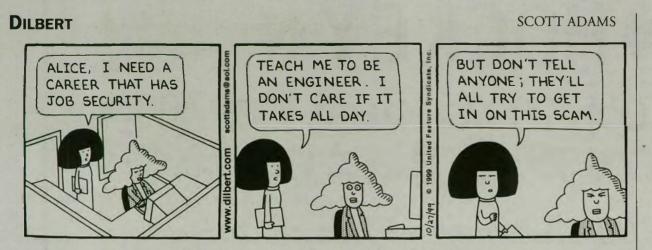
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am I?

We are the only superpower with great diversity. Surely, it isn't coincidence that a nation of diversity values a United Nations, with its peace-keeping response to world conflicts. After all, nowadays, where on earth could a conflict erupt without somehow touching brethren in America? We are the middle March on!

Mel Tardy '86, '90, is an academic advisor for the First Year of Studies.

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OUOTE OF THE DAY

"I am the inferior of any man whose rights I trample under foot. Men are not superior by reason of the accidents of race or color. They are superior who have the best heart the best brain."

> **Robert Green Ingersoll** Author

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

University short-changes Saint Mary's Maynooth Program

I have learned that Notre Dame students on scholarship may no longer use their scholarship money to pay for their year abroad at the National University of Ireland-Maynooth. The apparent reason? Saint Mary's runs the Maynooth program, and Notre Dame has it own program in Ireland --- at University College Dublin and Trinity College Dublin.

I abhor such a decision. Saint Mary's College students and its Maynooth program coordinator have, for some two decades, opened their arms to dozens of Notre Dame students. Now it appears that Notre Dame has returned the affection - with a slap

Of course, some Notre Dame pencil pusher will argue that transferring scholarship money to Saint Mary's doesn't make sense when Notre Dame now has its own program in Ireland. Sure it does, if the students want to study in a big city and not pass up the chance to spend a full year in a program that could transform their lives.

> Paul McGinn Founder, Notre Dame Club of Ireland October 16, 1999

Library gets skimped

Just imagine how greatly all of Notre Dame would benefit if the University invested as much in the renovation of the library as in the renovation of the main building. Instead the library has been allotted a paltry \$8 million. This seems particularly incongruous from a university that in recent years has been striving so hard to become one of the top research institutions in the country. All of the great universities have outstanding libraries. Notre Dame needs to invest in one too

> Elizabeth Van Jacob Adjunct Reference Librarian Hesburgh Library October 19, 1999

"Grab and Go" is lunchroom larceny



Several times a week, I find myself in a bind. Either I have no time to eat lunch because my teachers assign/force me to do far too much homework to even think about piddling around in the five-star eatery that I call South Dining Hall, or my class schedule, due to my crappy DART time, does not permit me to beat the 2 p.m. gate closing at the mess hall. So, to compensate for my inability to enjoy a fine lukewarm meal on the first floor of the

SDH, I (dreadfully) walk down the steps to the so-called "Grab & Go" center located in the musty basement. You know what, I don't think that I can even bring myself to refer to that system as simply "Grab & Go;" instead, a more fitting name may be "Walk-in, Pick-up bag, Use elaborate mathematical equations to figure out just what combinations of stale & dayold goodies can be legally taken. Get strip-searched. Get yelled at for having 3 milks and too many ketchup packets & GO." I feel cheated and violated every single time I leave that corrupt area located in the bowels of the SDH. If I were to get my card swiped upstairs, I would have the right to eat as much greasy, reheated food as I want ... no limits ... as long as I don't take more than one item out the door, lest I get held at gunpoint to "give up the second cookie." Why punish me for my crappy schedule or busy day? Why if I go downstairs to that level of Dante's Inferno do I have to get a finger chopped off for each item over five that I place in my bag? I am a growing boy. I need more than one sandwich sometimes to satisfy my hunger. I don't know how many times I've heard, "You can't take a salad and a sandwich." Give me a break, let me try to eat healthy ... don't persecute me for actually trying to salvage a well-rounded meal. Don't get me wrong, I'm not lobbying for a "Grab & Go" that will be a chaotic mess where all the schoolchildren are given lunch sacks and allowed to just go to town. I'm simply suggesting to modify that extremely difficult to follow scientific method that decides the fate of all "Grab & Goers" out there. I mean, yogurt is not worth 2 items. We pay \$27,000 a year to go here, and these people are trying to tell me that if I get 1 yogurt, I only get 3 other items. Give me a break. Let's up the stakes to 7 items per person ... that will allow for: 2 milks (or puny juice boxes) per person, 2 sandwiches (or sandwich and salad), one salty treat, one sweet treat and one piece of fruit. How hard is that? This method will also leave room for correcting errors in choosing a turkey sandwich that is too slimy to eat, or a banana that is battered and bruised beyond recognition ... with more items, we'd have back-ups allowing us to still somewhat relieve our hunger. So please, please nice "Grab & Go" ladies, punish not if we have too many items, rather ask if we have enough.

Be thankful for opportunity for education



College was always the next step for me. Ever since I was little I knew I would go. It was essential. It was expected. It was normal. I had no choice. Now, don't get me wrong, I never did not want to go to college. It was just a concept I grew up with, like Catholicism, or knowing that I would always be the youngest child in my family. I simply accepted it.

So it began at Saint Mary's College in Notre Dame, Ind. Freshmen year, okay. My roommate became one of my best friends. Nothing too eventful that year. Sophomore year. Cool. I developed my core group of girlfriends. Nothing out of the ordinary. Made some guy friends too. Alright. Junior year, not bad. Had my first single room in college and it was the best academic year of my life. But other then that things were pretty quiet. These were the important issues in my life. These were stages and at the time, crucial. Yeah, I took some pretty cool

his daughter out east to a nationally ranked number one college. The brave mother, with her masters degree, who washed blackboards to pay for part of her own elementary school education. The brave grandmother, who's face lights up the entire church when someone asks her for the 100th time what colleges her two grandbabies attend. The war veteran grandfather who always says "you can become rich and then you can lose everything, but no one can take away your degree."

We have become so used to complaining about what we do not have and have become so immune to people telling us how lucky we are. There is a reason why God put each and every one of us here. There is a reason why we were accepted into Saint Mary's College and the young woman down the street was not. There is a reason why Notre Dame's application process is so extensive. Because not just anybody can be a Domer. Not just anybody can be a SMCer.

You are not just anybody. You just

For a moment, put aside the

daily and think about the one per-

son who would do anything to be

where we are today. Think about the person who does not have a

meal plan or does not even know

from. Think about the person who

probably deserved to be here more

where his next meal is coming

than anybody, but just couldn't

make it work. Think about the

complaints. Put aside all of the

frustrations. Put aside all the "crap" that you have to deal with

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Chris Mudd Junior Dillon Hall October 29, 1999

classes at Notre Dame. And Saint Mary's being ranked number one for so long was pretty terrific. But, honestly, I didn't really care. I was in school, like every other normal American kid.

Wrong. We are not normal. We are not the majority. We are not the general public and we are most certainly not average. We are here because of talent. The talent that some institution of higher learning wants to use. It is an exchange. The school uses us for whatever we bring to the table and we use the school for a future job that pays well and are hopefully happy in. When was the last time you told someone you appreciated it? When was the last time you really did appreciate it? Less than a quarter of America's population is college educated. Less than a quarter! In this country. America! Land of the free, home of the brave.

person who never set foot in a college classroom. Think about how easy that person could have been you and how easy you could have been them.

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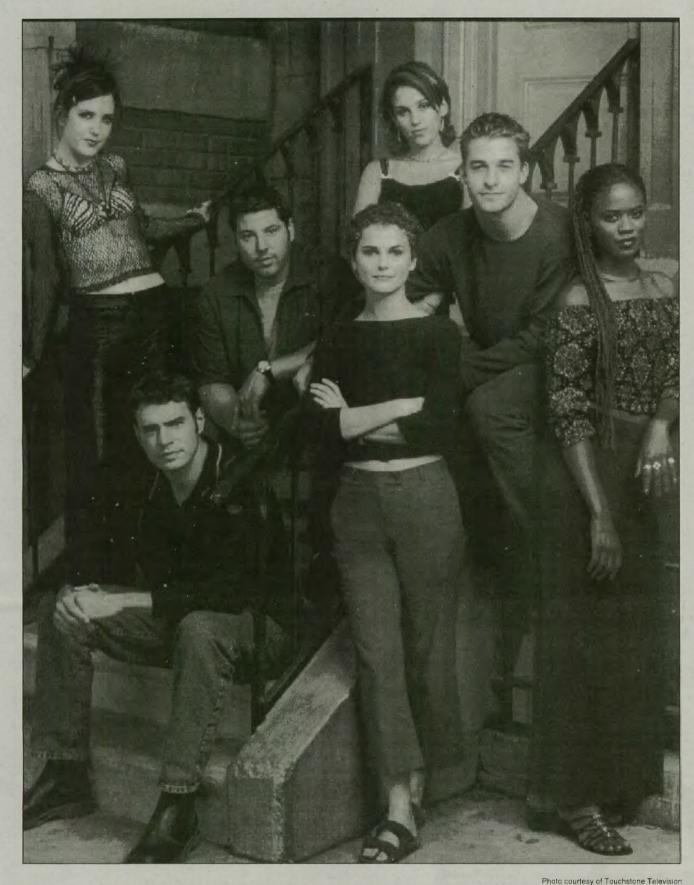
The brave father, with his eloquent voice and elegant style, who used his retirement money to send



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The cast of "Felicity" is now in its second season, having established itself as one the WB's most popular young person's drama.

TV ANALYSIS



With returning shows like "Dawson's Creek" and "Felicity," and new shows "Roswell" and "Popular," teens continue to love the WB

By TRICIA McHALE Scene Television Writer

The dominant trend in television today is the development of programs that are geared toward younger viewers. This movement has been going for several years, with each season having to deal with this target audience de-aging.

It was not very long ago when sitcoms and dramas were family-centered and similarly written for mature audiences. Then, the main characters in newer television shows became simply newlyweds, married without children, as in "Mad About You." The next logical step after this phenomenon faded was to write singles-centered programming like "Friends."

While this final phase is still prevalent, another trend is taking off. More and more dramas and sitcoms are being written for and about teenagers. And while the other networks were busy ripping off "Friends," the fledgling WB network, when it was coming into existence a few years ago, latched onto the concept of targeting the young and generally forgotten audience.

This season the network continues this tradition, while also recognizing the importance of the 20-something demographic, by maintaining old programming and introducing new shows that are written for adolescents. From previous years, various popular sitcoms and dramas are returning.

coms and dramas are returning. "Dawson's Creek" enters its third season. These New England kids are getting older and wiser, since, after all, they are juniors now. This year, the usual crew consisting of a reconciled Dawson and Joey, Pacey and Jen, join last year's recruits, Andi and Jack, and try to survive high school. This is actually quite a feat, considering that Capeside High is probably the most exhaustingly eventful secondary institution in the history of television, with the possible exception of West Beverly, the "90210" kids' alma mater.

In an attempt to capitalize on the proven success of "Dawson's Creek," the WB network is introducing another high school drama that follows the same general formula of teen angst. "Popular" is about two rivals who are thrown together because their

NIELSEN RATINGS



Photo courtesy of NBC

"ER" came in at the No. 1 spot in the Nielsens, followed by Major League Baseball, "Frasier" and "Friends."

Weekend of Oct. 18-24

	TV Show	Rating	# of homes
1.	ER	20.1	20.3 million
2.	NBC Baseball Playoff, Game 6: NY Mets at Atlanta	15.4	15.5 million
3.	Frasier	15.0	15.1 million
3.	Friends	15.0	15.1 million
3.	NBC World Series, Game 2: NY Yankees at Atlanta	15.0	15.1 million
6.	NBC World Series, Game 1: NY Yankees at Atlanta	14.2	14.3 million
7.	Touched by an Angel	13.1	13.2 million
8.	CBS Sunday Movie: The Soul Collector	12.4	12.5 million
9.	Stark Raving Mad	12.3	12.4 million
10.	60 Minutes	12.1	12.2 million
10.	NFL Monday Night Football: Dallas at NY Giants	12.1	12.2 million

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hbrace WB's offer

respective single-parents are seeing each other. Therefore, the popular Brooke is forced to speak with intellectual underdog Sam - what a chore.

"Felicity," perhaps because she is on a new night, also returns with a new haircut and a new outlook on life. Using the insight she gained during freshman year, Felicity is now dispensing advice through her RA duties. She is moving on with her life, dropping her pre-med major to concentrate on art. She is also looking for love, now that she has begun to smooth things over with Noel, who no longer detests her, and has officially moved away from Ben, though the two were very on-again-off-again in the first two episodes of the season.

The network is also milking its "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" audience by creating 'Angel," the spin-off about the new life of Buffy's vampire-lover. Angel moves to Los Angeles, where he fights demons. He is aided by Cordelia, the former Sunnydale resident who is now trying to make it in Hollywood as an actress, and new friend, Doyle, his liaison with the supernatural.

Because the show is developed by the same producers as "Buffy," it has the same feel of fantasy and humor as does its predecessor

Speaking of which, Buffy, now sans the love of her life and her former sidekick, continues to fight evil in Sunnydale and attends college nearby so she can stay near the hellmouth and save the world while trying to maintain a decent GPA.

On Wednesdays, the WB offers a look at science fiction from a teenager's perspective with "Roswell." Max, his sister and a friend are orphaned aliens, stranded on earth since the infamous 1947 Roswell crash of a spaceship. Being an extra-terrestrial can be hard enough, but these kids also have to deal with suspicious citizens, and Max, in particular, must deal with his ill-fated attraction to earth girl Liz.

The previously mentioned shows are definitely, though not exclusively, geared toward teenagers. However, the network does also pay homage to the post-college-aged single person in "Jack and Jill.

This hour-long drama is about two young people trying to make it in New York City as they try to juggle careers and relationships. The show is a little more mature than the "Dawson's Creek"-type program, consider-

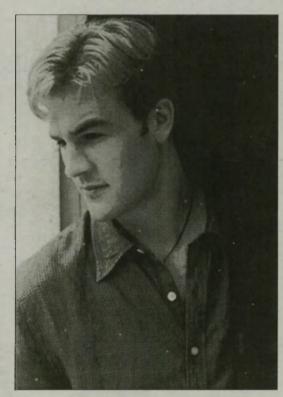


Photo courtesy of the WB James Van Der Beek stars as mature teen Dawson Leary on "Dawson's Creek."

ing that the central characters do have about eight or nine years of experience on the "Creek" kids.

The most generally-targeted new show to come from the network is "Safe Harbor." It follows in the footsteps of "7th Heaven," and other family dramas. A widowed father of three, his mother and a runaway teen all live together on beachfront property in Florida. This is basically as far as the concept goes, leaving the writing to include various general topics for however long this show lasts.

From the looks of it, the WB plans to monopolize the teenage viewing audience for the time being. Though, for their sake, this latest trend better not die quickly. If that is the case, that leaves the network with an entire lineup of moot programming. However, considering the presence and influence of teenage television viewers, that will not like happen any time soon.

Photo courtesy of the WB

AP ENTERTAINMENT BRIEFS



Brad Pitt, star of "Fight Club" is the subject of some controversial photos taken by Rolling Stone.

Rolling Stone sweats over Pitt's drag pic

LOS ANGELES

Rolling Stone is suing a news syndication agency for disseminating photos of Brad Pitt in a dress from the magazine's October edition.

The magazine filed suit last week in U.S. District Court accusing the agency of infringing on the copyright of photographer Mark Seliger and the magazine's publisher.

The magazine gave the agency limited permission to "use the images of Brad Pitt accompanying the feature article ... so long as they are used within the context of the magazine," according to the lawsuit.

They've cropped out all of the references to Rolling Stone and the photographer," Kelli Sager, Rolling Stone's attorney, said Monday.

Mike Parker, co-director of Headline News LA and a defendant in the lawsuit, denied that his organization misrepresented itself and said the company has told its sub-agents to stop selling the material.

Pitt, who posed for the humorous shots in dresses to accompany a profile entitled "The Unbearable Bradness of Being," is not named as a plaintiff.

Dr. Death's seed failed in procreation

Results of a paternity test reveal professional wrestler Steve Williams — aka "Dr. Death" — is not the father of a child he has been ordered to support by a federal court.

DNA results of the paternity test released Monday state there's a "O percent" probability that that Williams fathered a child in Oklahoma. The child is now living with its mother in California.

Williams, who has lived in Benton, La., since 1982, denied fathering the child. Nevertheless, a grand jury in Sacramento, Calif., charged him with a felony non-support.

He was facing up to two years in prison, a \$250,000 fine and payment of support owed.

Oprah runs to raise funds



Wearing No. 974, Oprah Winfrey was the center of attention at a fund-raising run for breast cancer research.

"I try to pick the flattest places to run," joked Winfrey, who cov-ered the 3.1 mile course Sunday in about 35 minutes.

"I'm out of shape, so it felt hard," she said. "But you feel so good when it's over.

Winfrey, a former Milwaukee resident, tried to redirect some of the attention onto women who wore pink hats that indicated they are breast cancer survivors.

Winfrey cited the case of Judy Pickett of Milwaukee, a survivor of breast cancer who has accomplished a goal of making it to all 98 of the Races for the Cure that have been held around the nation.

Leo buys Hollywood Hills house

NEW YORK

The star of "The Beach" is heading for the hills.

Leonardo DiCaprio spent \$3 million on a 5,000-square-foot house in the Hollywood Hills, the Los Angeles Times reported Sunday, citing sources it didn't identify.

The gated, contemporary-style home has three bedrooms, three fireplaces, four bathrooms, a pool and a spa.

DiCaprio's latest movie, about backpackers in Thailand, is due out later this year.

Sarah Michelle Gellar and David Boreanaz star as Buffy and Angel on "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" and "Angel."

WORLD SERIES

Braves on verge of elimination after blowing lead

Associated Press

NEW YORK Everything was going accord-

this thing."

Bobby Cox

Braves manager

ing to plan for the Atlanta Braves to make this a competitive World Series

Suddenly, it all fell apart.

Now, the Braves find themselves all but buried in a 3-0 hole, as the New York Yankees rallied from a 5-1 deficit to beat Atlanta 6-5 on Chad Curtis' 10th-inning homer Tuesday night.

One more loss, and the Braves get to spend another offseason trying to figure out how they came up short once again in the

postseason, a decade of excellence impaired by only one World Series title. "This is a

tough loss,

manager Bobby Cox said. "We were going to get back in this thing.

Most of the night, the Braves were following the perfect script to put a roadblock in front of the Yankees' seemingly unstoppable run to another championship.

After a lost weekend at Turner Field, in which Atlanta managed only seven hits and three runs in two dreary losses, the Braves spent their off day taking some extra batting practice at Yankee Stadium.

It paid off. Every starter had at least one hit, including three straight doubles by Bret Boone, who just happened to be one of three players benched for Game 2 in a futile attempt to jumpstart the offense.

The Braves were patient often working the count to three balls - and made a concentrated effort to hit to the opposite field. By the fourth inning, they had knocked out New York starter Andy Pettitte. At the end, they had five runs and 14 hits.

Tom Glavine, meanwhile, produced an effort belying his

fragile health. The left-hander was supposed to start Game 1, but wound up watching from bed with a debilitating case of stomach flu.

The bug knocked seven pounds off Glavine's slender frame, and he was still a few pounds short of his normal weight when he walked to the mound three days later than expected. At least some of the color had returned to his face, a ghastly shade of pale just a day earlier.

Earlier in the day, Cox expressed confidence that Glavine could come through with seven solid innings. The left-hander did,

walking to the dugout at that "This is a tough loss. We prescribed were going to get back in moment with a 5-3 lead.

Unfortunately for the Braves, Cox sent Glavine back to the mound for the eighth. Two

batters later, the two-run cushion was gone, wiped out by Joe Girardi's single and Chuck Knoblauch's two-run homer that barely cleared the wall and deflected off the glove of leaping right-fielder Brian Jordan.

Considering Glavine's fragile health and Tino Martinez's solo homer in the seventh, the decision by Cox was surprising to say the least.

In the end, it probably cost the Braves any chance to rally in this Series.

Two innings later, Curtis put the Braves out of their misery with his second homer of the game, a mammoth shot into the Atlanta bullpen on the third pitch from reliever Mike Remlinger

Curtis was carried off on the shoulders of his teammates, while the Braves trudged off the field with Frank Sinatra's rendition of "New York, New York" and chants of "Sweep! Sweep! Sweep!" ringing in their

This wasn't part of the plan.

AFP photo Braves pitcher Tom Glavine wipes his forehead during a pause in Tuesday's game. Glavine, who was recovering from the flu, gave up a two-run homer that tied the game in the eighth.

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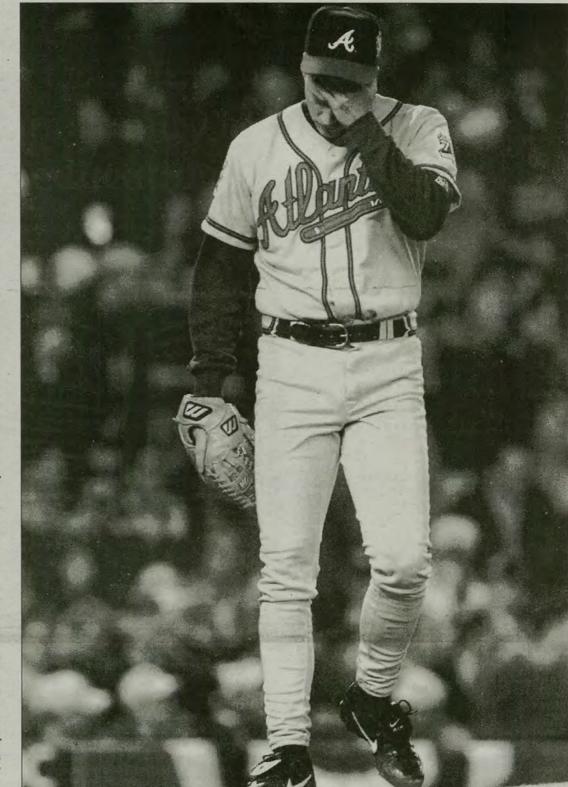
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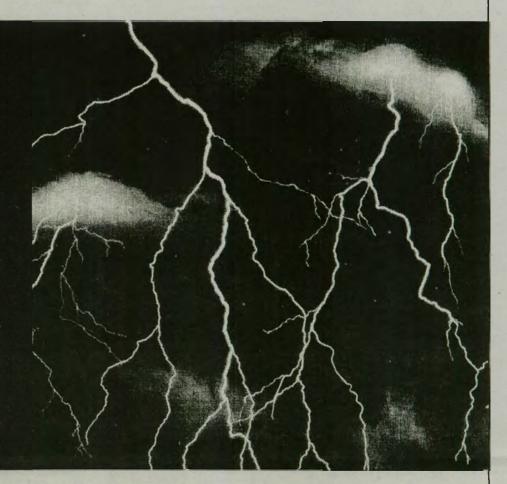
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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Selig: Rose won't be back in baseball

Associated Press

NEW YORK The fans have spoken, and Bud Selig says it makes no difference: Pete Rose isn't coming back to baseball, not as long as he's commissioner.

Selig was in the stands Sunday night and heard the 55-second ovation for the banned career hits leader, the longest ovation for any of the 30 members of the All-Century team.

"That certainly can't influence your decision," Selig said Tuesday night before Game 3 of the World Series. "In life, you have to do what you think is right — as Bart did, as other commissioners did. ... You can't be governed by what you think 'X' number of people feel."

Following an investigation of Rose's gambling 10 years ago, the Cincinnati Reds manager agreed to a lifetime ban from baseball.

Rose applied for reinstatement in September 1997, but Selig has not yet made a formal ruling.

Still, Selig hasn't hidden his feelings on the matter, saying he's seen no new evidence.

"The Bart Giamatti decision was very clear and very lucid on all points," Selig said. "I've made my feelings well known over the past year."

As long as Rose remains

on the permanently banned list, he is ineligible for the Hall of Fame ballot.

Selig said he sees no reason for a compromise decision in which Rose could enter the Hall but still remain banned from baseball.

"These kind of situations in life really don't call for a middle grounds decision," Selig said.

Selig said he didn't secondguess himself for inviting Rose to participate in the ceremony with the other 17 living members of the team, but he didn't want to get into the debate on Jim Gray's controversial interview with Rose on NBC after the ceremony.

"We're always better off when the focus of the game is on the field, not on us," Selig said. "But no one ever said life is simple, and this proves that."

"After viewing the videotape, I can understand the reaction of many baseball fans," Gray said before NBC's telecast of Game 3 of the World Series on Tuesday night. "I thought that it was important to ask Pete Rose if this was the right moment for him to make an apology.

"If in doing so, the interview went on too long and took out some of the joy of the occasion, then I want to say to baseball fans everywhere that I'm very sorry about this."

Belles post 3-2 mark over break

By KATIE McVOY Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's volleyball team increased its record to 14-11 and 3-3 in the MIAA conference last week.

The Belles faced Kalamazoo College, Beloit College, and played in the Carthage College Tournament, finishing with a record of 3-2 for the week.

Saint Mary's dropped the match to Kalamazoo College 3-1. "The game against Kalamazoo

Agnes Bill said. "It was a conference game that would help determine whether we were in third of fourth place in the conference."

The Belles are currently in fourth place in the MIAA following the close match with Kalamazoo.

"Even though we lost, all the games were very close," Bill said.

After five days off, Saint Mary's returned to the court ready to play, defeating Beloit College 3-0.

"After coming back from fall break we played pretty well," Bill said. "It was a good game for us to get used to playing together again."

The big news for the Belles came during the tournament at Carthage College. Freshman Emily Nihill was named outstanding player by the coaches of all six teams participating in the tournament. She led the Belles defensively with 39 digs.

Saint Mary's dropped its first match of the tournament to Carthage, but came back to beat

KRISTINE KAAI/The Observer Sophomore Suzanne Martin sets the ball in a match earlier this season. Martin and the Belles take on Defiance tonight.

Mt. Mary and Concordia in the following games. In order to win those games, however, the Belles had to adjust their playing style.

style. "The teams weren't very strong," Bill said. "It was a big adjustment for us. The other teams had a lot of tip and roll shots and we had to work as a team in order to adjust to that style of playing." "We showed that we could stay focused and that will help us in the conference tournament," Suzanne Martin added.

Bill led the offense with 46 kills. Jayne Ozbolt and Jolie LeBeau assisted Nihill on defense with 14 and 13 blocks, respectively.

The Belles play their last regular season game tonight at Defiance College at 6:30 p.m.

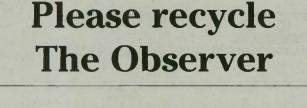
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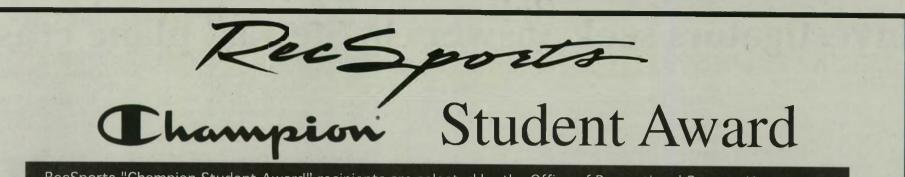




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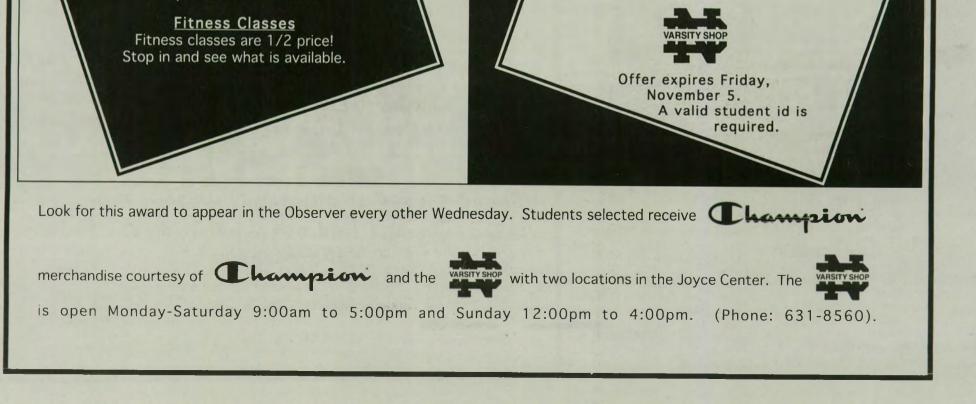


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PGA **Investigators seek answers in Stewart plane crash**

Associated Press

MINA, S.D. Investigators began gathering the remains of golfer Payne Stewart and five others from the area around a 10-foot-deep crater in a soggy pasture Tuesday, hoping to determine whether a sudden loss in cabin pressure doomed their Learjet.

Dressed in heavy overalls against a cold wind, members of the National Transportation Safety Board spent all day at the South Dakota crash site, picking through the wreckage not only for the victims but for identifiable pieces of the shattered aircraft.

Investigators cautioned that there will be no quick explanation for why no one was conscious at the controls for four hours Monday, when the jet flew 1,400 miles across the country before running out of fuel and slamming nose-first into the ground.

The plane had no flight data recorder that could yield information on the aircraft and its performance.

It had a cockpit voice recorder, but it consisted of a 30-minute loop that usually records over itself. And Stewart and the others on the plane presumably were already unconscious or dead by the last half-hour of the flight. The cockpit recorder had not been found as of Tuesday night.

Most of the plane's debris is embedded in mud and soil within a 10-foot-deep, 30-foot-wide

crater, said Bob Francis, vice chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board.

"It looks like the aircraft was pretty much vertical when it hit the ground," he said. "The ground is soft, and it went in fairly deep. It's going to be a challenge, with the wreckage and sorting out what's there.

Investigators searched around the edge of the crater on Tuesday and plan to search inside it on Wednesday

They were sending tissue samples from the victims to a medical examiner's lab to test for such substances as carbon monoxide.

But Brad Randall, a state medical examiner, said toxicology tests may be worthless in attempting to verify one possible theory for the accident that the victims suffered oxygen deprivation because of a sudden decompression of the aircraft.

Planes that fly above 12,000 feet are pressurized because the air does not contain enough oxygen for people to breathe comfortably. If a plane loses pressure at high altitude, those aboard could slowly lose consciousness or, if an aircraft broke a door or window seal, perish in seconds from lack of oxygen

If a plane loses cabin pressure, pilots are supposed to put on oxygen masks and quickly descend to 12,000 feet or lower. There was no evidence suggesting the pilots of Stewart's jet made any effort to do so, but Francis declined to speculate

what that could mean.

On Monday, air traffic controllers were unable to raise anyone aboard the plane by radio soon after it took off from

Orlando, Fla. Fighter pilots who chased after the plane were unable to see into the Learjet because its windows were frosted over, indicating the tempera-

ture inside was well below freezing.

Francis confirmed that the crew of one of the fighter jets made a videotape of the Learjet.

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Tour championship cancels Friday play

Phil Mickelson

Associated Press

HOUSTON Why even bother? The Tour Championship is supposed to be a fantastic finish to the PGA Tour season. It almost always decides the

leader, money player of the year, "As far as golf is and winner of the concerned, it real-Vardon Trophy for the lowest scoring average

David Duval once referred to it as a party. The perks for the top 30 on

million and call it a week. Flowers were placed in the parking spot with Stewart's name on it. Tour officials are making black ribbons for everyone to wear.

Phil Mickelson was on the driving range late Tuesday afternoon when he

stopped to watch a "As far as golf is highlight reel of Stewart that was ly takes a seat on shown on the Jumbotron. the back burner."

"I haven't really thought about the tournament this week," Mickelson said. Until Monday, Travel to exotic, distant lands; meet interesting, unusual people ... And love them.



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the money list include the chance to win \$900,000 with a small field to beat.

There is no suspense this year. Tiger Woods is a lock to win every award that matters.

There is no celebration at Champions Golf Club, not without the man whom Tom Kite referred to as the "life of the party.

For one day this week, there will be no Tour Championship. The PGA Tour decided to cancel competition on Friday because of the memorial service in Orlando, Fla., for Payne Stewart, the U.S. Open champion who was among those killed in a freak plane crash Monday.

Perhaps there should be no Tour Championship at all. The way 22 players carried on like zombies, perhaps the tour should just divvy up the \$5

he was pointing toward the Tour Championship as one of two last chances to keep alive his streak of winning at least once on tour every year since 1993.

"As far as golf is concerned, it really takes a seat on the back burner."

David Duval won the Tour Championship at Champions two years ago. What would another victory mean this week?

"I don't know," he said. "I really don't know. The feelings will probably not be as great as they might have been."

He may find out.

The Tour Championship will start with 27 holes on Thursday, the first time a score over 100 could be enough to lead after the first "round."



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the Trojans' face for the third quarter in a row.

The rain saw what the wind was doing and realized it was good, so it just started to empty itself over the stadium, seemingly, as Jackson later noted, every time USC had the ball.

Trojan quarterback Mike Van Raaphorst came into the third quarter realizing that his offense basically had done whatever it wanted against the Notre Dame defense in the first half.

Led by Ron Israel's perfectly-timed blitz and forced fumble and Deke Cooper's interception, the Irish defense realized that no one was going to remember what happened back in the first balf.

With a fourth quarter drive stalled at the Trojan 15-yard line, the crowd got restless as the Irish kicking unit came on to the field — a group Notre Dame faithful have come to doubt due to past performances.

After all, sophomore kicker David Miller, making his first start, had already missed his first career field goal attempt earlier that day when the weather still resembled a Southern California afternoon.

That apparently didn't matter as the ball flew through the uprights and slammed into the net with 8:07 to go in the fourth. As the rain continued to drive down, Jackson told his receivers that they didn't need to worry about him getting the ball there. It would get there; they just had to catch it.

That's when tight end Jabari Holloway decided to throw out what everyone knows about big tight ends and make a fullyextended finger tip grab with wet hands to sustain the game-winning drive.

And when Jackson took off on a second-down scramble from the USC 18, seeing all his receivers covered, wove his way inside the 5-yard line, and then had the ball knocked loose at the USC goal line, the Trojans, and just about everyone watching or listening, thought they had done it to the Irish again.

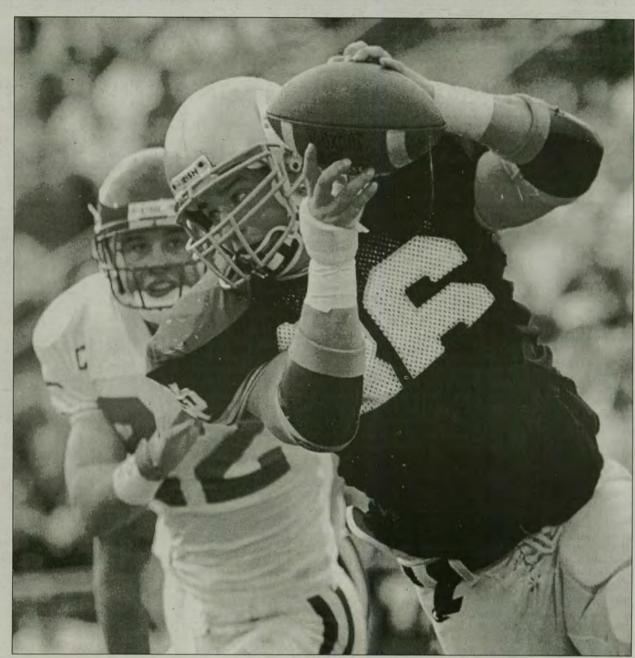
Holloway and Jackson didn't, though.

The fifth-year senior quarterback said he didn't know how the ball got knocked loose, only that, at the bottom of that pile, while the USC alumni started to say their "I told you so's" and the Men of Troy started to celebrate, he watched the ball pass from his hands into those of his trusted junior tight end.

He knew all along. They all knew all along.

Maybe you still can see Touchdown Jesus from that end zone after all.

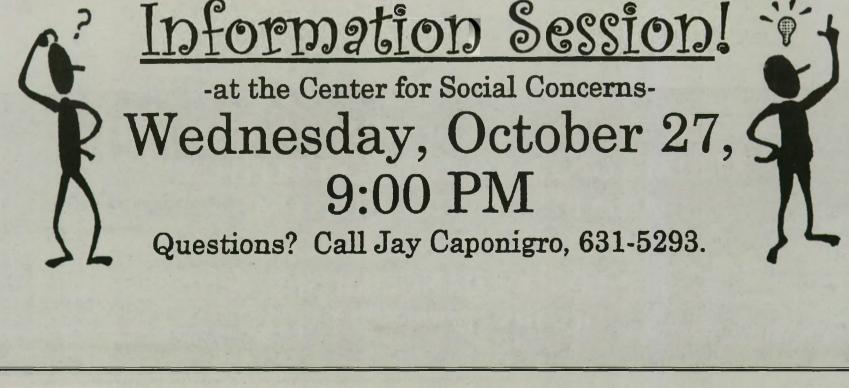
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Notre Dame tight end Dan O'Leary looks upfield after making a catch in Notre Dame's 25-24 win over Southern California on Oct. 16.



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WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Belles place third at Yellow Jacket Invite

By MOLLY MCVOY Assistant Sports Editor

Saint Mary's ran its way to a third-place finish at the Yellow Jacket Invitational at Defiance College last Saturday.

"It was a great team race," head coach Dave Barstis said. "It was a difficult, hilly course but they ran extremely well as a pack."

The most important outcome of the meet may not be Saint Mary's third-place finish, but the fact that it placed higher than Defiance College.

Defiance is a member of the MIAA and this is the first time Saint Mary's has defeated a conference team this season.

"It was good that we beat the one conference team that was there," junior Genevieve Yavello said. "That points us in a good direction for the championships."

Spring Arbor College won the meet, with Mississippi College coming in second place, ahead of Saint Mary's.

"That was the toughest course we've run," Yavello said. "We also had some injuries. So, under the circumstances, we ran very well." Yavello was the Belles' top finisher, coming in 14th place with a time of 21 minutes. 45 seconds. Krista Hildebrand and Melissa Miller finished in 15th and 16th behind Yavello with times of 21:54 and 22:08 respectively. The Belles now look to their last race of the season, the MIAA championships on Oct. 30.

This will be the first time all of Saint Mary's runners will have the opportunity to run together this season against conference teams. At least one of their top runners has been injured or absent at the previous conference meets the Belles have run in.

Barstis is excited about the prospect of seeing all of his team run together at the championships.

"Everyone appears healthy so it looks like we can finally run the top 7 in the same race," he said.

Last season, Saint Mary's finished fifth in the championships. The Belles are looking to improve on their conference standing this season as they head into this weekend.

"We are really hoping to improve on our finishes this weekend," Yavello said.

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NCAA FOOTBALL Miami's Kelly may be sidelined for West Virginia game

Associated Press

CORAL GABLES, Fla. Miami quarterback Kenny Kelly, who led the 23rd-ranked Hurricanes to 31 second-half points and a dramatic, come-

from-behind victory over Boston College last weekend, might be sidelined for Saturday's game against West Virginia. Kelly had a hard cast placed

on his sprained left ankle

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Sunday and is not expected to practice until later this week. 'It'll be an ongoing thing through the course of the week," Hurricanes coach Butch Davis said Tuesday. "He's sore and he's tender. He's probably going to be very limited, particularly during the early part of the week, and then we'll make some kind of assessment later on in the week as he starts to move around.

Kelly said the cast, which he anticipated having removed Wednesday, was only precau-tionary and he definitely will

"It's just a little sprain and I should be all right for this weekend," Kelly said. "I am playing. It's not that serious where I can't play. The doctors just want to be safe.

Kelly, a sophomore from Tampa, is coming off the best two games of his career. He was 27-of-41 for 370 yards and three touchdowns in a loss to top-ranked Florida State on Oct. 9.

Then he was 20-of-36 for 218 yards and three TDs against the Eagles. He led the Hurricanes (3-3) to three touchdowns in a span of about 13 minutes en route to the biggest comeback in school history

Kelly sprained his ankle on the second play of the gamewinning drive, when Boston College's Chris Hovan sacked him

"My ankle got caught in the turf and one of the d-linemen kind of twisted my ankle up under the pile," Kelly said. "I think it was purposely, but that's part of football. I'm pretty sure our defensive linemen do that too.

'It was a lot of pain, but I was going to do whatever it took to win that game. Even if I would have broken my ankle, I wouldn't have came out. We needed that game.

If Kelly does not play against the Mountaineers, Davis said freshman Ken Dorsey would start. Dorsey has played in just one game, mop-up duty in Miami's 57-3 rout of Florida A&M, and was 4-of-12 for 44 yards with a touchdown.

NFL

Young appears headed for injured reserve list

anything more

this year."

Leigh Steinberg

Young's agent

Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. Steve Young appears headed for the injured reserve list because of persistent post-concussion symptoms, a move that would finish his season and could "I'm determined signal the end of his he not risk

career. No formal decision has been made vet, but the agent the for San Francisco 49ers quarterback said Tuesday he doesn't intend to let Young play again this year

and apparently the team and Young's doctors feel the same

way. "I'm determined he not risk anything more this year," Leigh Steinberg said in an interview with San Francisco's KCBS radio. "He's probably going to end up on injured reserve. This is a football injury. He was hurt on the field and that's where those players ical opinion has been reaffirmed in consultations with other specialists.

Young continues to speak with some of his contemporaries who were forced out of the game by repeated concus-

sions, including Al Toon and Merrill Hoge. He's also gathering more medical advice and may see another special-ist this week but Mariucci and general manag-er Bill Walsh have both said that they would

give greatest weight to Dr. Steinberg's conclusions and they are in no hurry to see Young back on the field.

The concern with Young is he could be at risk for permanent brain damage from another concussion.

Mariucci said Monday that the team, which has a bye this week, hopes to resolve Young's status in the next week or two



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"But the news is not encouraging. It's not real cheery. Obviously, to show symptoms this many weeks later is not a positive sign."

Young, 38, is expected to discuss his condition and status with the team on Wednesday in a meeting with the media. It's his first such meeting in two weeks since word surfaced that his primary neurologist, Dr. Gary Steinberg, who is unrelated to the agent, had made a long-term recommendation about whether Young should play again. "I think he'll be able to clear

some things up, be a little more definitive," coach Steve Mariucci said. "Is anything drastic going to happen? No."

While Dr. Steinberg's opinion hasn't been disclosed, Young has conceded the report was "discouraging" and his agent has said that the initial medand said injured reserve was a possibility. It would allow Young an extended period away from football while not totally shutting the door on his eventual return.

Though Young has not received medical clearance to play and has no real hope of getting it any time soon, he remains optimistic that his concussion symptoms will eventually clear, leaving at least a possibility he could return next season.

Leigh Steinberg said there would be no decision or announcement on the possibility of Young's retirement until after the season but added that Young also will abide by the final medical consensus.

Nothing is going to happen in the way of retirement this season," Leigh Steinberg said. "He will come to the right decision but this will take a little time."

Series

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against John Smoltz.

No team in baseball history has overcome an 0-3 deficit in postseason play. The Yankees

are trying to win their third World Series in four years, a streak that began when they beat Atlanta in 1996. Mariano

Rivera, Mr. Automatic in October, pitched two innings for the victory. He has not allowed a run in his last

41 2/3 innings, and has a postseason streak of 24 1/3 scoreless innings.

While the Braves lost their seventh straight Series game, the Yankees moved within one victory of tying the longest winning streak ever. The record was set by their Murderers' Row teams of 1927, 1928 and 1932.

Up until the Yankees turned from singles hitters into the Bronx Bombers, the Braves were in control

"It would have been nice to have won tonight," Cox said. "It would have gotten us going real good. This was a big one to lose tonight.

Glavine, scratched from his Game 1 start because of the flu, fortified himself with a plate of ravioli and pitched like a twotime Cy Young Award winner. And Atlanta looked every bit like the team that led the majors with 103 wins.

Bret Boone hit three doubles in the first four innings against Andy Pettitte and and every Braves batter had a hit by the fifth. By then, it was 5-1 and the sellout crowd of 56,794 was booing the home team.

Boone could been seen huddling in the dugout with batting coach Don Baylor, checking out what appeared to be hitting charts. During Monday's workout, Baylor held an extended session of batting practice and stressed patience at the plate and emphasized hitting to the opposite field.

It all worked in the early going for a team that hit .121 in the first two games.

Then, though, the Yankees flexed their muscles.

Curtis hit the 11th game-ending homer in the Series history, and fifth in extra innings. It also was the Yankees' second such shot in this postseason - Bernie Williams did it to Boston in Game 1 of the AL Championship Series

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big one to lose."

Bobby Cox Atlanta manager

breaking the record set by Joe McCarthy of the Yankees. New York won in its 200th World Series game - the Yankees are 120-79-1 overall, with the St. Louis Cardinals'

total of 96 games ranking second. Curtis hit New

The Series win was the 11th in

a row for manager Joe Torre,

York's first home run of the Series, a solo shot with two outs in the fifth. Martinez made it 5-3 with a solo drive in the seventh, and **Glavine** dropped his head in disgust.

Joe Girardi opened the eighth with a single and Knoblauch followed with a high drive to right field. Jordan jumped at the wall and the ball bounced out of his glove and into

the stands for a tying home run. "I knew I hit it pretty good,"Curtis said. "Jordan, who's a great outfielder, jumped and I prayed, 'Come on.' I got a break.

Last October, Knoblauch struck for a tying, three-run homer in the seventh inning of Game 1 against San Diego's Donne Wall.

"We got beat with a pop to right field,"Cox said.

Knoblauch's homer brought John Rocker running from the bullpen, and Derek Jeter promptly singled. Paul O'Neill tried to sacrifice, but popped it up and then committed a more costly mistake.

With O'Neill standing at the plate and shaking his head in anger, the Braves let the ball drop and turned a double play.

Boone became the first player to hit three doubles in a Series game since Junior Gilliam for Brooklyn in 1953. Frank Isbell hit a record four for the Chicago White Sox in 1906.

Gerald Williams led off the game by reaching out and flaring a single to right field and Boone also went the opposite way, doubling off the wall in right.

Chipper Jones followed with a grounder that third baseman Scott Brosius bobbled, giving him no chance at the plate and leaving him only with a play at first as Williams scored.

The Yankees needed just five pitches to tie it. Knoblauch opened with a liner that popped loose from Jordan's outstretched glove for a two-base error. He moved up on Jeter's fly ball and scored on O'Neill's single

While Glavine settled down quickly, Pettitte never got into a groove

WORLD SERIES

Curtis leads Yanks to victory

Associated Press

NEW YORK As the ball sailed into the Atlanta Braves' bullpen, Chad Curtis pumped both fists into the air. And then he did it again.

Then came a high-five from coach Jose Cardenal at first base, and another from Willie Randolph at third.

He was flying around the bases, taking the jog of his life. "It was special," Curtis said

Tuesday night after his 10thinning home run off Mike Remlinger gave the Yankees a 6-5 win and a 3-0 World Series lead. "I don't think - in fact, I know - I've never hit a walkoff home run. I've heard people talk about tingling. I've never felt that before - the electricity running through my legs."

Last October, he sat and stewed during the Series against San Diego, never setting foot on the field during any game.

"It was very frustrating," Curtis said Tuesday. "I played 152 games. that's 152 out of 162

While the Yankees celebrated their sweep, he hurt.

"I felt more like I was congratulating my teammates than celebrating with them," he said

Then he sat again for Game 1 against Atlanta. And Game 2

But there he was Tuesday night, hitting the first World Series walk-off homer since Toronto's Joe Carter took Mitch Williams deep in Game 6 Love, in 1993 to win the Series.

And what about that fifthinning homer off Tom Glavine, the one that made it 5-2 and started the Yankees on their

comeback? That was an old memory by now.

"I hadn't expected this kind of production," Yankees manager Joe Torre said.

All the other Yankees are well-known: Jeter and Williams, Knoblauch and O'Neill, Martinez and Brosius, Davis and Girardi. **But Curtis?**

He was supposed to lose his job to Darryl Strawberry.

Or to Shane Spencer.

Or to Ricky Ledee.

Or to Tony Tarasco. But when it was time to lead

off the 10th inning, Curtis was there

"It's always somebody you don't expect," Braves manager Bobby Cox said.

Cox had remembered watching Curtis before the game.

I was really amazed," Cox said, "when he stood by the other players, how short he is."

Now Curtis, all 5-foot-10 of him, is standing tall.

No matter what else happens, he has that moment, a replay that will be shown over and over in Yankee Stadium.

"I hit it for my grandma," he said, still on the field with the game-winning ball, "but I got to give it to my 2-month-old son.

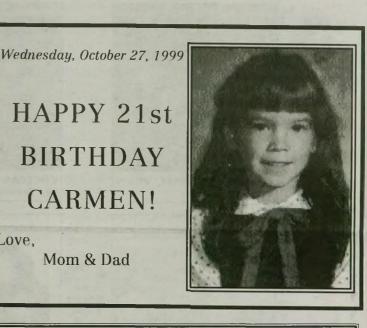
Remlinger had just come in, and throughout the ballpark, there was the feeling the win was there for the taking. John Rocker had pitched his two innings, and the rest of the Braves' bullpen scares mainly their own fans.

Curtis fouled off the first pitch, then took a ball.

And then came the drive. Left fielder Gerald Williams knew after two steps.

"I have a tendency in these situations to try and hit a home run," Curtis said. "So, I went up there and tried to hit a liner up the middle, and I hit a homer.'

Funny how that happens.





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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Irish look to extend win streak against Big Ten

By MIKE CONNOLLY Associate Sports Editor

After capping off a perfect Big East season with a 7-1 victory over Miami on Sunday, the Notre Dame women's soccer team travels to Big Ten country to take on the Badgers of Wisconsin today at 6 p.m.

Notre Dame has a 37 game winning-streak against the Big Ten dating back to a 1989 loss to Michigan State on Sept. 22. The Irish have also taken nine straight from the Badgers since they lost in 1989 to open the 10-game series between the two schools.

The Irish are led by a trio of record setting players in Jenny Streiffer, Jenny Heft and Anne Makinen.

Streiffer became just the fourth player in NCAA history to record 60 goals and 60 assists in a career with a hat trick against the Hurricanes. Streiffer's 62 goals and 65 assists give her 189 points for her career, just one point behind Monica Gerardo for the all-time Irish points leader. Heft's hat trick led to her being named Big East offensive player of the week

Heft scored her 74th career goal on Friday to surpass Gerardo as the all-time leading goal scorer in Irish history. Heft also set the record for goals in a season 1998 with the 28

Makinen has scored a point

in 11 straight games for the Irish. Makinen tied the Irish record for consecutive games with a point with a point against Miami. With a point against Wisconsin, Makinen would surpass teammates Streiffer, Meotis Erikson and former Irish All-American Holly Manthei for the Irish record.

The Irish will need all their record setters to perform well against a strong Badger defense led by freshman goalkeeper Kelly Conway. Conway has made nine saves in the last two games — both tough 1-0 losses for Wisconsin. Conway has compiled a 0.77 goals against average in her first collegiate season.

The Irish have a top goalkeeper of their own in senior LaKeysia Beene. Beene is a preseason All-American and has been named a finalist for the Missouri Athletic Club player of the year award. Beene has compiled a 1.15 goals against average and a .722 save percentage so far in 1999.

Beene has a solid defense in front of her as well. Senior defender was named Big East defensive player of the week for her play against the Huskies and the Hurricanes last weekend.

Senior All-American and preseason Big East defensive player of the year Jen Grubb, junior captain Kelly Lindsey and freshman Vanessa Pruzinsky round out the back line for the Irish

FOR DELIVERY

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Senior Jenny Streiffer dribbles upfield in Notre Dame's 2-1 double overtime win against Connecticut on Friday. Streiffer stands one point behind Monica Gerardo for total career points by an Irish player.



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Davie

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Of Oklahoma's first three wins of the season, only Louisville (5-3) has a winning record. In their first game of the season, Oklahoma beat Division 1-AA Indiana State. Indiana State is currently 2-5 in the Gateway conference. Baylor, who Oklahoma beat 41-10 for their second win sits at 1-6 going into Saturday's game at Kansas State.

"I'm not picking on Oklahoma," Davie said. "I am just using them as an example. We all know this system is not infallible.'

The Irish faithful can sympathize with Davie. Through the years, the Irish have seen first-hand the contradiction of the polls.

The most noticeable discrepancy occurred at the end of the 1993 season. An 11-1 Notre Dame team was denied a national championship by Florida State. The 12-1 Seminoles had lost 31-24 to the Irish in the "Game of the Century" on Nov. 13. The Irish lost to Boston College a week later but rebounded with a 24-21 victory over Texas A&M in the Cotton Bowl.

In the meantime, top-ranked Florida State beat second-ranked Nebraska on a last second field goal. But less than two months after losing to Notre Dame, Bobby Bowden's team was awarded the national title

Four years earlier, in 1989, Miami (11-1 on the season) won the national title over

Notre Dame (12-1) based on the Hurricanes 27-10 defeat of the Irish earlier in the season

Though he has never been denied a national title by the polls, Davie still believes that the rankings, particularly the ESPN/USA Today coaches poll, are far from perfect.

"Obviously the coaches are tough on us," Davie said. "We are usually down there on the coaches poll.

Each week the coaches get a chance to vote in the ESPN/USA Today poll. Though they may never see the teams that they are ranking play, they still have a major say in determining the eventual national champion.

Davie believes that because of the coaches' commitment to their own teams, their evaluation of other teams is flawed.

'Let's face it, on Saturday night [when they vote for the poll], coaches at best will just get the score of the games [of other teams]," Davie said. "And so much is just based on won-loss records and who won and who lost. It is tough enough to evaluate your own team - how good you are without trying to evaluate someone else's team. It's a tough process.

In order to move up in the polls, Davie has a simple plan for the rest of the season: Win every game.

"It will all equal out at the end," Davie said. "If you play well and win, you will end up climbing your way back up. The reality is when you lose games early, you are fighting an uphill fight to get back in it. I still think we have a chance of climbing up [the polls]."

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TRIATHLON Hildebrandt qualifies for World Games

Special to The Observer

Gretchen Hildebrandt, sports information director for Saint Mary's College, has qualified for the World Games to be held in Perth, Australia in April 2000. While in Australia, she will be

competing in the Triathlon World Championships where she must complete a course which includes swimming 1.5K, cycling 40K and running 10K.

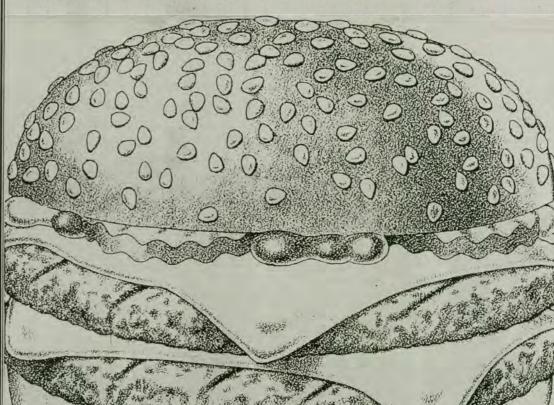
Hildbrandt is a graduate of Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pa., and has been a competitive swimmer since third grade. She earned her eligibility



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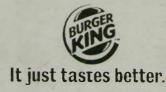
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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Fred DeCordova, Dylan Thomas, Peter Firth, Jayne Kennedy, Simon LeBon, Lee Greenwood, John Clees

Happy Birthday: You'll have what it takes to move into position this year. Your sincere approach to every-thing you do will lead you into part-nerships that are in your best interest. Your decisive action will bring you respect, admiration and the kind of support you need. Give yourself a pat on the back; you deserve it. Your numbers: 3, 15, 20, 29, 35, 44

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You will be in the mood to make improve-ments in your environment. Take a look at your facilities at home and fig

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Doing things with large groups will lead to romantic adventures. You will find yourself in a nessionate relationfind yourself in a passionate relation-ship if you aren't afraid to follow

through on your suggestions. OOO GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You can make love or war with your mate today. Your flirtatious ways will cause arguments. Concentrate on the one you love, and passion will take over. 000

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Get out and do things with friends. Be receptive to the advances being made and you'll find yourself in a new love

relationship. Creative endeavors will be fruitful and satisfying. **OOO** LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The demands being made upon you may be too great. You may need to make some concessions in order to meet the responsibilities that you've taken on. You need an outlet for your frustration.

Birthday Baby: You won't leave any stone unturned. Throughout your life you will research well and have plenty to offer. Your organizational skills and ability to make plans with ease will be a welcome asset to have as you climb the ladder to success.

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Social events will lead to romantic connec-tions. Don't jump too quickly; take your time. If they're really interested, they won't rush you. You can build a solid and loving union if you start with friendship. **OO** LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Co-workers may not be looking out for

workers may not be looking out for your best interests. Be aware that someone you work with is trying to take the credit for your hard work. Don't be taken for granted or taken advantage of. **OOOOO** SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You

need to make some new friends. Relationships will be yours if you try your hand at unusual forms of enter-tainment. Your intensity will attract others. 000 SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):

Difficulties with family members will leave you feeling helpless. You must put your mind on your work. You can accomplish the most if you use your ability to work alongside others. 000

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Listen to those offering sound advice regarding your present emotional sit-uation. You may find that career

changes are being forced on you. Acceptance will be the key. **OOO** AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Watch your spending habits. You will be in a position to teach what you've learned to others. Your ability to communicate will help you as long as you control your temper. OOOO PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You

may be questioning your philosophy. Talk to those you respect and do some research on your own that will pro-vide you with a variety of options. Times are changing and so are you. 00

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SPORTS

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Jenny Streiffer and the rest of the women's soccer team take on Wisconsin tonight. The Irish will look to make it 38 straight wins over Big Ten opponents. page 25



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FOOTBALL

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Davie baffled by Notre Dame rank in polls

By TIM CASEY

Sports Writer

Notre Dame can look at its 34-30 victory over Oklahoma on Oct. 2 as the turning point of the season.

In that game, the Irish came back from a 30-14 deficit with 10 minutes left in the third quarter. A despondent running game was re-established. After committing 14 turnovers in the first four games, the offense responded with an error-free game.

Jarious Jackson had the game of his career, throwing for 276 yards and rushing for 107 more on the ground.

Since that game, the Irish have gone on to record two victories in a row for the first time all year. They stand at 4-3 on the season, with all three games that they lost not being decided until the final drive of the game. There's a new sense of confidence among players, coaches and fans.

But glancing at this week's Associated Press and ESPN/USA Today coaches polls shows Oklahoma rated ahead of Notre Dame. After beating then-10th ranked Texas A&M a week ago, the Sooners vaulted to 24th in the Associated Press poll and 26th in the ESPN/USA Today poll. The Irish are 26th in the Associated Press poll and 32nd in the coaches poll.

OBSERVER

Bob Davie is having trouble comprehending the intricacies of the weekly polls.

"It shakes you up a little bit when you see someone rated ahead of you that you beat and you are not sure they played quite as tough a schedule,

Davie said at Tuesday's press conference. "The way the strength of schedule is computed, it's supposed to be simply on how many wins and losses your opponent has and their opponent has. I don't think that is accurate."

So far this season, Notre Dame's three losses have come against top 25 teams. When they faced Oklahoma, the Sooners were ranked in both polls. Arizona State and USC are perennial national powerhouses.

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Tradition alive in Irish win

Rivalry. Tradition. The luck of the Irish. Memories of why Notre Dame football is what it is. These were all present and accounted for on Oct. 16 when **Ted Fox** the USC Trojans rolled Fox Sports ... into

Almost town for their 71st

game against the Irish, in a series dating back to 1926. Outlined against a blue

and sunny October sky, USC built a 21-3 halftime lead, well on their way to their fourth-straight win against the Irish

Outlined against a bluegray October sky, heavy with rain and wind, a half meant for Notre Dame football, the Irish stormed back and took control, scoring 22 unanswered points on the way to a 25-24 win.

USC marked this year's game by reminding us that it was the 25th anniversary of its 24-point come-frombehind win against the Irish in '74, a game the Trojans ended up winning 55-24

The Blue and Gold instead chose to mark this year's game with a 21point come-from-behind victory that didn't happen when disco and polyester were still popular

By the half, USC was banging on the door of history, trying to become just the fifth team since 1908 to take four-straight games from Notre Dame.

As history reached to let them in, Jarious Jackson told him to wait a few hours while he and his teammates went out and played another half of football.

History couldn't find USC once the half was over. The Irish were driving but still trailed 24-10 at the end of the third quarter, a quarter where they had the gusting wind at their back. The fourth quarter was going to be USC's turn to seize this advantage from the home team. The wind wasn't too happy with this plan, so at the start of the fourth, it decided to turn and blow in

WORLD SERIES

Curtis powers Yankees to 6-5 victory

Associated Press

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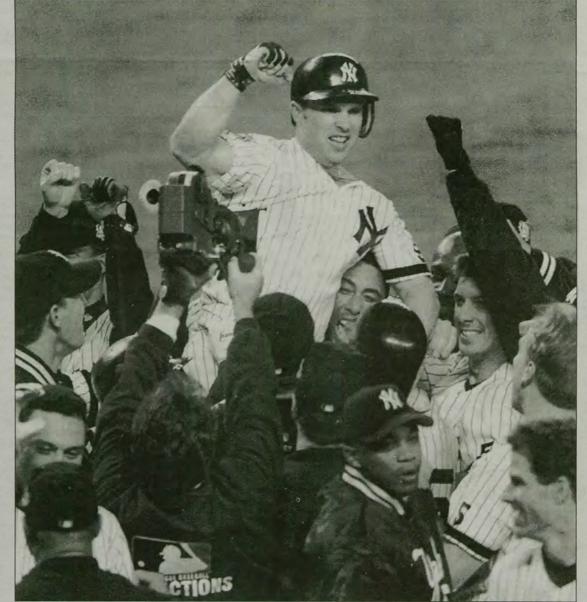
Chad Curtis hit his second home run leading off the 10th inning and the New York Yankees beat the Atlanta Braves 6-5 Tuesday night to move within one victory of another World Series sweep.

Just when everything seemed to be going Atlanta's way in Game 3, the Yankees still found a way to win.

Curtis homered in the fifth to begin their comeback from a 5-1 deficit, and homers off Tom Glavine by Tino Martinez and Chuck Knoblauch, the latter off right fielder Brian Jordan's glove in the eighth, tied it.

Then in the 10th, Curtis sent a 1-1 pitch from Mike Remlinger far over the left-field fence for the Yankees' 11th straight World Series victory. It was the first game-ending homer in the Series since Joe Carter's Game 6 shot won it all for Toronto in 1993

"I have a tendency when I get up there in that situation, I try to int a nome run, Curtis salo I went up there and tried to hit it up the middle and I hit a home run.



Curtis made his first ever start in the Series and ended up as the hero.

"Always somebody you don't expect," Atlanta manager Bobby Cox said. "You never know where it's going to come from."

Roger Clemens, who joined the Yankees this spring in hopes of winning his first World Series ring, gets a chance to close it out in Game 4 Wednesday night

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AFP photo

Yankees' outfielder Chad Curtis is mobbed by his teammates after hitting the game winning home run in the bottom of the 10th of last night's World Series game with Atlanta. The game winner was Curtis' second homer of the game.

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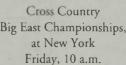




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