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Senior defensive end Lamont Bryant leads the Fighting Irish to Knoxville to clash with Tee Martin and the No. 4 Tennessee Volunteers.
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"Animals have no advocates; they can't speak for themselves."

Phyllis Shelton-Ball

ND volunteers staff local no-kill animal shelter

By LIZ ZANONI
 News Writer

When Kmart employees found five puppies deserted next to a leaky, 30-foot dumpster, they phoned Sebrina Tingley, a staff member in the psychology department, at the Pet Refuge in Mishawaka.

Tingley is one of the many Notre Dame staff, faculty and students involved with Pet Refuge, a non-profit, no-kill, volunteer-operated animal shelter.

"Animals have no advocates; they can't speak for themselves," said Phyllis Shelton-Ball, a romance language department staff member who helps maintain the Pet Refuge Web page. "It is up to the people who care about them."

Pet Refuge has caught the attention of 14 Notre Dame students and staff members who donate their time answering phones, walking dogs, collecting food and even fostering pets until a suitable home is found.

"It amazes me how many Notre Dame people from different parts of campus are involved," said Ester-Mirjam Sent, assistant professor of economics.

Sent, who also helps update the Web page, was shocked that after mentioning Pet Refuge in class, several students approached her to discuss volunteering. "People will support a cause or organization like this, they're just not aware of it," Sent said.

Because Pet Refuge depends completely on its volunteers, the shelter always looks for people to assist in daily operations and long term fundraising activities such as the annual Haunted Trail in October.

"It doesn't have to be a huge time investment," Sent said. Something as simple as collecting Meijer's receipts, used by Pet Refuge to receive free dog food, helps the shelter immensely, she



Photo courtesy of www.petrefuge.com

A Pet Refuge volunteer holds puppies available for adoption at the Mishawaka shelter. Several Notre Dame students and staff members volunteer at the shelter where they walk dogs, answer phones, collect food and maintain the shelter's Web site.

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Grad students overshadowed

♦ **Grad school is small, but is it superb?**

By CHRISTINE KRALY
 Associate News Editor

Ask graduate students what they love about Notre Dame and they respond with a multitude of answers.

More than likely, though, the answer won't be that it's because the graduate school has a terrific reputation or relationship with the rest of the University.

The graduate school's motto has long been "Small but superb," a phrase coined by Nathan Hatch when he held the position as the school's vice president. James Merz, the school's present vice president, has since added "and

growing modestly to meet our challenges."

The school is small, yes, but "a little far from [superb]," said Jorge Ganopolsky, a grad student studying biochemistry.

Part of this, Ganopolsky says, is due to the differences he sees in graduate and undergraduate privileges. Ganopolsky, who likes to swim at the Rockne Memorial, suffers the burdens of undergraduate breaks when summer and break hours for the facility shorten.

Other places on campus, including the Hesburgh Library, change their hours during breaks. This, he said, shows preferential treatment because graduate students live at school throughout the year.

"[You can] feel the difference," Ganopolsky said. "When undergrad students [are not around], we're not taken care of."

The school's motto, said Mike Waddell, a joint medieval studies and philosophy graduate student, is a "pretty accurate" reflection of his work.

Waddell wanted a relatively small school, by graduate school standards, but one with a good academic reputation, which is why he says he came to Notre Dame. Students need to understand, though, that the University's main focus is not on graduate studies, he said.

"The University has a stronger commitment to undergraduate students," he said. "You need to know that when you get here."

Notre Dame, Waddell said, is interested in improving its profile, not educating its graduate students, and the University needs to evaluate why it does this.

"Most of the University

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Counselors grieve loss of Coleman

By JACKIE OSTROWSKI
 News Writer

After a two-year battle with cancer, Sally Coleman, a substance abuse counselor at the University Counseling Center, died Oct. 21.

Coleman worked at Notre Dame for 14 years. She was diagnosed with cancer in October 1997, and had multiple surgeries afterward, resulting in time away from work. She returned to the Counseling Center in January 1999 and worked full-time during the spring semester. Her cancer returned in August, however, preventing her from working this semester.

Those who knew Coleman stress not only her impact as a counselor and faculty member,

but also as a friend and role model.

"She was very inspirational and strong," said Wendy Settle, a staff psychologist and a colleague of Coleman's. "She had a way of connecting with people."

Coleman accomplished a great deal while at Notre Dame. In 1987, she helped write the grant that created the Office of Alcohol and Drug Education. Previously, Notre Dame only had a counseling center.

Another one of her projects, Challenge 2000, was an enormous undertaking. Coleman proposed a national conference at Notre Dame that would draw in hundreds of people from across the nation to discuss a

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INSIDE COLUMN

No Way Out

I'm sure everyone realizes what their situation is at some point, but the state I recently found myself in struck me as an interesting coincidence over break.

One day, I'm in school, stressing over my Latin quizzes and questions for Core. The next, I'm relaxing with my cousins in Michigan, talking, playing games and reading.

It was then I realized I was stressed because I hadn't left myself a way out.

When I was in high school, whether I had the time or not, I always had novel to read for fun, outside of class.

When I started to get stressed out or needed a break from my schoolwork, I'd let myself become part of the story and I would be absent from reality, relaxing and relieving myself of stress.

Last year, I was so busy trying to keep up my grades and stay sane that I had no real free time to read, although I think I managed some reading time.

As a result, I had a lot of stress and no way to rid myself of it.

I decided that this year, as a sophomore, no matter how much work I had to do or how much time I had to do it, I would take time out of my schedule to make sure I could relax — namely, curl up in a good book.

That is a hard promise for me to keep because I am very busy and my homework does come first.

I managed to start a book but couldn't get very far into it without stopping to be in reality.

Over break, I brought the book with me and had time to get involved in it; I let myself be a part of it as it became part of me.

I finished it shortly after break, becoming enveloped in the story and rapt within the characters as if I was living their lives with them.

Each time I finished reading, I had a lot of energy, which I tried to use to get the rest of my work done.

Imagine your favorite thing to do.

For some people it is to play video or computer games.

For others, it is to be physically active. And others like to sit or lay down and do something quietly.

Take that thing you most like to do and think of how you are when you do that activity and how you feel afterwards.

Some of you might not feel anything of great significance, while others of you feel relaxed, excited, tense or any other sort of emotion.

Hopefully it creates positive energy in you. That's one reason, for example, it's said that physical activity gives you energy.

That positive energy is your way out, a way of relaxing by doing something you like to do and not having worrying about anything else.

If there's one thing I've learned so far about life, it's that stress will only leave you with headaches and will trap you unless you leave yourself a way out.

This year I have found ways out: fencing, reading. You might not think you have time to do one more thing, but you do. Always leave yourself a way out.

Angela Campos

Lab Tech

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THIS WEEK IN NOTRE DAME/SAINT MARY'S HISTORY

Keenan presents first 'Keenan Review'
Saturday, Nov. 6, 1976

Keenan Hall performed "The New Keenan Review, an Evening of Song Dance and Comedy," in Washington Hall, and hoped it would become an annual event. The show included a soft rock number, a classical violin act and a barbershop octet, as well as 14 other acts. "This is a chance for Keenan to shine and for people within the hall to get to know each other," said director Tom Lenz.

St. Mary's expands parietals hours
Friday, Nov. 5, 1982

St. Mary's instituted weekday parietals for the remainder of the academic year. For the first time, male visitors will be allowed in residence halls from 5 to 10 p.m. on Sunday through Thursday nights. Weekend parietal hours remained the same. The change was welcomed by the vast majority of students, although some protested that the new hours would limit privacy.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

U. Wahington students anxious after shooting

Compiled from U-Wire reports

SEATTLE

On a typical Wednesday afternoon, the Husky Lounge in The University of Washington's HUB basement is peaceful. Tired students nap on the tables and catch up on homework, lulled by the sounds of their favorite soap opera.

But Wednesday, the tone was very different. Anxious students gathered in groups, mulling over the ramifications of the events unfolding in Wallingford.

Bicyclists started planning alternate routes home and Seattle newcomers began to wonder how safe their new home really is.

"I walked to Gasworks Park and back this morning — it's really scary," said sophomore Jessica Shook.

Shook was among those opting to avoid the Burke-Gilman Trail.

Although she was only going as far

"I don't think I've ever been that close to anything happening."

Jessica Shook
student

as 8th Avenue, the fact that the trail extended through Wallingford was enough for her.

"This is really weird — you can walk outside and see the helicopters," Shook said. "I don't think I've ever been that close to anything happening."

Weird and scary seemed to be the adjectives of choice in the Husky Lounge.

Many people also had concerns about the description of the assailant

that the television stations released.

"Some guy in camouflage — it made me more aware of the ROTC guys walking around campus," said Lane Hatfield, a graduate student of English.

Other students also mentioned the ROTC uniform, saying that it made the situation a lot weirder. A few complained about the vague nature of the description.

Ashley Ballantyne, a graduate student in environmental engineering, summed up the general attitude toward the "official" report on the shooter:

"That could be 10 different people sitting in this room," he said.

"It's creepy that it can happen anywhere," said freshman Christine Mosbaugh. "It kind of wrecks your impression of [Seattle as] a nice, big town."

MSU death ruled accidental

EAST LANSING, Mich.

The Ingham County medical examiner ruled Wednesday that the former Michigan State University student found Sept. 22 in the basement of a residence hall died accidentally. Neftali Valdez Greene Jr., 23, was found dead in an unused cooler. Greene was enrolled at MSU from January 1997 to May 1998 but did not graduate. Greene suffocated while in the cooler, said Dean Sienko, Ingham County medical examiner. Toxicology test results released Wednesday showed only traces of alcohol, which is a by-product of decomposition. Medical examiners found no signs of foul play or assault during the autopsy. "He had some mild bruising on his elbows and knees, but we attribute that to the small space he was in and banging that may have been done in the space," Sienko said. Sienko said investigators spoke to some people who said Greene had previously been discovered in other cramped spaces, such as closets. The cooler has inside dimensions of 5 feet high, 2.5 feet deep and 3.5 feet wide and was located in an unused kitchen adjacent to a study room.

OSU students question 'gay panic'

COLUMBUS, Ohio

While members of the Ohio State Bisexual, Gay and Lesbian Alliance approved of the guilty verdict of Aaron McKinney for the murder of Matthew Shepard, they are concerned about the attempted use of the "gay panic" defense and believe that the possibility of more hate crimes is still present. "I am pleased with the verdict and hope for a sentencing that's appropriate for the crime," said Heather Rottenberg, a junior speech and hearing sciences major. The defense's attempt to use the "gay panic" defense was not credible, Rottenberg said. This defense is based on the idea that some men react violently to propositions by homosexuals. Instead, the defense tried to appeal to both pro-gay and anti-gay sentiments, she said. "The people that hate homosexuals say it is a good thing that [a gay person] is dead, while those who like gays will feel sorry for McKinney," she said. Scott Schopper, a sophomore biochemistry major, also believes that the "gay panic" defense is invalid and hopes that Shepard's case sets a precedent of throwing out that defense.

LOCAL WEATHER

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AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures

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Friday		63	43
Saturday		58	34
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NATIONAL WEATHER

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Friday, Nov. 5.
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Chicago	62	41	New York	66	45	Tampa	78	48
Cincinnati	65	43	Philadelphia	62	37	Wash DC	63	38



MIKE HARRIS/The Observer

Sophomore architecture students Trevor Draper and Heather Reilly work on the Holy Cross College millennium gate.

Students win gate design contest

By LAURA ROMPF
News Writer

After a two-day competition, Holy Cross College selected designs from three Notre Dame students for the construction of its new millennium gate.

The design combines ideas from Notre Dame senior Suzanne Stugart and a sophomore team of Trevor Draper and Heather Reilly. Construction on the gate started in early October.

The competition began when the college decided to commemorate the millennium change — a Christian method of marking time — with a pedestrian gate made of stone and brick. The gate symbolizes the “doorways” that Catholic churches will open on Christmas Eve to mark the Jubilee year, said Reilly.

“We all won the competition and the final design is a hybrid of our two original designs,” Stugart said. “We each devel-

oped our original designs separately, but after we were chosen as the winners we spent an additional day working with two graduate students and various professors to decide upon the final design and to draft the construction drawings.”

Holy Cross Campus Ministry director Robert Kloska played an integral role in starting the project. The competition was open to all Notre Dame architecture students, who had slightly more than 48 hours to create a design, said Stugart.

“I just tried to envision a gate that I would find welcoming and to design something Holy Cross could be proud of, as it's the first thing people see as they arrive on campus,” Stugart said.

The St. Joseph Valley Masonry Contractors Association, whose mission is to educate local architects and union masons about new building techniques and materials, joined with local companies to supply goods and ser-

vices for the project.

“The gate that we put together is now the one that is located in front of the main Holy Cross building,” Reilly said. “It is not complete. We are waiting for more funding to finish the top of the arch.”

As winners, Stugart will receive a \$150 cash prize, and Reilly and Draper will share a \$150 cash prize.

In addition, they will receive full scholarships for the International Masonry Institute's Summer Masonry camp in Maine.

Other companies that contributed to materials and labor of the project include Rose Fuel and Material, Verkeler Inc., Ziolkowski Construction, International Masonry Institute and The International Union of Bricklayers and Allied Craftsmen.

The South Bend Tribune contributed to this report.

Weekend conference focuses on inequality

♦ Participants will discuss gap in achievement of white and minority students

By ERIN LaRUFFA
News Writer

Social scientists from around the country will explore the disparity in academic achievement between minority and white students at a conference in McKenna Hall on Saturday.

Notre Dame's Institute for Educational Initiatives will sponsor its third annual conference, entitled “The Black-White Achievement Gap.”

“We started holding this annual conference to promote discussion among social scientists studying education, and particularly to increase discussion and collaboration among researchers in the Midwest,” said Maureen Hallinan, professor and director of the institute's program on the social organization of schools, in a prepared statement.

Presenters from universities across the U.S. will discuss topics ranging from the quality of research on the achievement gap to grade retention. Conference participants will also explore standardized test scores and academic standards.

Professors from Notre Dame will lead discussion sessions following each presentation.

According to Sylvia Phillips, who works with Hallinan, the College Board recently reported a study that found a performance gap existing between black, Hispanic and Native American students and their white and Asian peers. The difference in academic performance exists across the socioeconomic spectrum and

ranges from kindergarten to graduate school.

For example, at mainstream colleges and universities, minority students tend to earn significantly lower grades than white and Asian students. Additionally, minorities earned only 13 percent of America's B.A. degrees, 11 percent of professional degrees and six percent of the doctoral degrees.

The Institute for Educational Initiatives is sponsoring the conference as a way to promote discussion and encourage collaborative research among social scientists.

On Sunday, there will be a similar workshop for Notre Dame faculty and graduate students studying the sociology of education.

“With the number of people attending the conference this year, and the number of universities they are from, I'd say we have been quite successful,” Hallinan said.

The Institute was established in 1997 to improve the education of all youth, particularly the disadvantaged. Researchers at the institute study the institutional aspect of schools as they affect and are affected by other American institutions.

The institute's program on the social organization of schools researches areas such as curriculum, teacher practices and student social relationships. The program especially focuses on Catholic schools and at-risk students.

Academic achievement disparity

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DEMOCRATIZATION LECTURE



ERNESTO LACAYO/The Observer
Jorgen Elkit of the department of political science at the University of Aarhus, Denmark, spoke Thursday afternoon on "Electoral Institutional Change and Democratization."

Shelter

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said.

Pet Refuge, which spays and neuters pets and educates the public on pet care and welfare, is unique because it does not euthanize animals. Instead, Adopt-a Pet Day at Pet Refuge brings together animals and potential owners.

During Adopt-a Pet Day, potential owners are interviewed twice before receiving permission to bring an animal home. Pet Refuge is very concerned with placing pets in a loving and caring environment.

"We put a lot of time and money into the animals and we want to give them the best life possible," Tingley said.

Volunteers can take a more active role by fostering an ani-

mal until a home is found. The shelter supplies the food and veterinarian care for people willing to foster a pet.

Tingley is fostering five puppies for Pet Refuge. She fostered a dog last year who was then adopted permanently into her family.

"You can learn much more about yourself as you learn about animals," Shelton-Ball said.

She admitted that her adopted dog, Katie, changed the way she and her husband approach life.

Shelton-Ball said volunteering at the Pet Refuge might be especially fulfilling for students who miss their pets at home.

For more information, visit the Pet Refuge Web site at <http://www.petrefuge.com> or contact Sent. The site features pictures of dogs and cats who need homes or foster care.



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Local adoption organization will host meeting on campus

By KATE STEER
News Writer

Adoption is often a lengthy, costly and frustrating process.

A local organization is working to make that process easier on the families involved. This Sunday, representatives from Adoption Network Domestic and International (ANDI) and families who have experienced the adoption process will meet on campus to share their stories.

The organization was founded in 1994 by Mary Jo Anastasio, who died in 1998.

"She was a leading expert on adoption in North America, really," said Fran Anastasio, current director and daughter of the 1994 founder Mary Jo Anastasio, who died last year. ANDI, a non-profit organization dedicated to finding homes for children, works as a partner and local connection for families interested in adoption. It specializes in international adoptions.

"We work with groups that have political and legal connections with countries to complete the process," said Anastasio. "The only concern we have is finding loving homes for unwanted children."

Because most people have fears about international adoptions, ANDI is able to find international children quite readily, said Anastasio.

"Things like politics in China are preventing people from pursuing international adoption," she said. "About 80 percent of the cases we

handle are international."

Apprehension about domestic adoption is also on the rise. "The rights of birth parents are scaring people away from domestic adoptions," said Anastasio.

It seems like there are more international children than there are couples to take them, she added.

"It's a complicated process and we want to make it understandable and simplified for people," Anastasio said.

ANDI has a special connection to the University. Last spring, ANDI started an internship to train students in all facets of adoption.

"A lot of students are interested in the non-profit sector, so this is a great opportunity," Anastasio said.

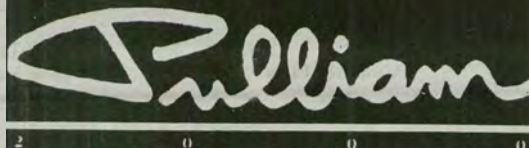
Senior Michele Visnosky is the current intern at ANDI. "Basically, I'm learning a lot about the adoption process both internationally and domestically," she said.

Anastasio is coordinating the Sunday seminar and has a simple goal in mind: "We want to educate people on the adoption process and dispel the fear involved in international adoption."

Karen Price, missionary and staff member of Dillon International, one of the groups that works with ANDI, will be presenting information and answering questions on international adoption. The presentation will also include testimony from international families who have completed the adoption process and from families still involved in the process.

The adoption seminar is free and will meet Sunday at 2 p.m. in 119 O'Shaughnessy. Anyone interested in international adoption is encouraged to attend.

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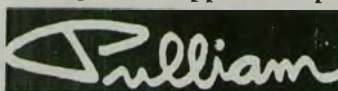
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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Lost souls join Falun Gong

BEIJING

Acknowledging a spiritual vacuum amid China's stunning economic growth, the government's top religious official said Thursday that the banned Falun Gong spiritual movement attracted people lost in the unsettling changes. While the government claims most people were drawn to Falun Gong's slow-motion meditation exercises as a way to keep fit, Ye Xiaowen said it also attracted people unable to cope with rapid social changes brought about by economic reforms. "There are people who haven't adapted to this fast developing society, who feel unbalanced, spiritually empty," Ye told foreign and Chinese journalists. "So some cults like Falun Gong have emerged to attract them." It was an unusual concession coming from a representative of the communist government.

Churches protest building of mosque

JERUSALEM

Churches in the Holy Land will close for two days this month to protest plans to build a mosque in Nazareth, the town of Jesus' boyhood, Christian leaders said Thursday. Leaders of the Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox and Armenian denominations said in a statement that their churches would close Nov. 22-23. Christians and Muslims in Nazareth have been quarreling over who owns a plot of land near the Basilica of the Annunciation, believed by many Christians to be the site where the Angel Gabriel first spoke to Mary of Jesus' birth. A state-mediated compromise last month allowed for Muslims to build a mosque in one corner of the plaza, and for the Christians to retain control of the rest. But the Christians, a minority in Nazareth, implied Israel's decision was skewed because the plot should be under church — not state — control.

Federation of Blind sues AOL

BOSTON

The National Federation of the Blind filed a federal lawsuit against America Online Thursday, accusing the world's largest Internet service of violating the Americans with Disabilities Act. The federation charged that AOL, unlike other Internet service providers, is incompatible with software programs that convert text to audio or Braille. "They're getting lots of complaints," said Daniel Goldstein, an attorney for the nine blind members of the Massachusetts chapter of the federation who brought lawsuit. "It's been nine years since the Americans with Disabilities Act was enacted. Patience has begun to flag." Lawyers for the plaintiffs are arguing that AOL violates parts of the law that require equal access to public accommodations. Federal courts have ruled that an accommodation can be a service, Goldstein said.

RUSSIA



AFP Photo

Refugees from Chechnya wait at a check-point to cross the border on Nov. 3. Hundreds of Chechens were allowed to cross the border by Russian soldiers on Thursday.

Chechens cross Russian border

Associated Press

SLEPTSOVSKAYA

Russia allowed thousands of frightened and angry civilians to flee war-battered Chechnya on Thursday after blocking them at the frontier for more than a week.

Russian ground forces, meanwhile, continued heavy artillery and rocket assaults in Moscow's stated campaign to wipe out Islamic militants in Chechnya.

More than 200,000 people have fled Chechnya since Russia began the offensive in September, most to neighboring Ingushetia.

Russia closed all crossings out of Chechnya last week. It opened others on

Monday, but only allowed a few people to cross into Ingushetia, sparking sharp criticism at home and abroad.

Officials relaxed controls at the Sleptovskaya crossing, where thousands of refugees had massed, on Wednesday and allowed many more people to cross Thursday. Russia also allowed others to enter Ingushetia at a crossing farther north, at Malgabek.

There were no immediate figures on the numbers who crossed Thursday. But the flow at Sleptovskaya appeared as high as 500 people an hour, and a Russian soldier at Malgabek said hundreds more crossed there.

For those who got out, relief was mixed with fury

at having to flee the Russian military assault.

"It's impossible to stay in the village; you can't let your cow out," said Tatyana Duriyeva, from the village of Arshty. "The soldiers steal everything. They drink vodka and trample our vegetable plots with their tanks."

For the first time, officials were permitting combat-age Chechen men to enter Ingushetia. Previously, they had allowed only women, children and the elderly.

The openings came amid increasing international pressure. President Clinton expressed concern to Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin at the high-visibility Mideast peace summit in Oslo, Norway, this week.

In Washington, Stephen Sestanovich, a senior State Department official, told Congress that other countries need to do more to condemn Russia's tactics, adding that: "The use of indiscriminate force against innocent civilians is indefensible."

The United Nations sent a mission to the Ingush side of the border, prompting more attention to the refugees' plight. The head of the mission, Nicholas Kassidis, said Thursday that the world body was preparing to send food, medicine and clothes.

Interior Minister Vladimir Rushailo also visited the area Thursday along with Ingushetia President Ruslan Aushev, who had harshly criticized Russia for blocking the crossing.

SOUTH AFRICA

Rival cab drivers kill 10 in gun battle

Associated Press

EMPANGENI

Heavily armed police were patrolling this seaside town Thursday after rival minivan taxi operators waged a 15-minute gun battle that left at least 10 dead and 24 wounded, a town official said.

The incident was the most serious of its kind in recent years in South Africa, where taxi associations often engage in violent battles to control lucrative commuting routes. The minivan taxis are the main means of transportation for poor blacks.

The operators used handguns, shotguns and heavy caliber weapons in the lengthy battle Thursday, pinning down 14 police officers assigned to provide security at the station. A second group of patrolling officers 100 yards away finally restored order, said Pieter Odendaal, the town's chief executive.

At least two of those seriously wounded were bystanders, said police Capt. Vishnu Naidoo. The identities of the dead were not known.

Provincial and town officials decided to call in additional police reserves and military units and to bar

taxis from entering the town until the dispute is settled.

"We know it's a drastic measure," Odendaal said. "But another 10 people dead is just not acceptable."

Alternative buses will be provided temporarily, he said, noting that the lack of transport will especially affect secondary students taking final exams.

Surrounded by sugar cane fields, Empangeni is a commercial city about 90 miles up the coast from Durban, in KwaZulu-Natal province.

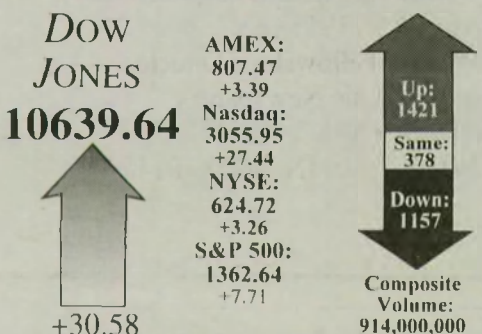
Naidoo said taxi violence in the province started tapering off two years ago,

thanks to peace negotiations between rival associations. But tempers in Empangeni have flared in the past month, with one taxi association accusing its rival of poaching passengers.

Authorities last month shut down taxi routes in the poor townships north of Pretoria to quell such attacks. Eleven people had been killed there in separate incidents since August.

The taxis also have come under criticism for frequently being in bad repair or handled by reckless drivers who often pack them beyond the 16-seat maximum.

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Graduate

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seems to have its attention drawn towards undergraduate than graduate [students]," Merz said.

According to Merz, inequality exists in many aspects of graduate life.

One concern is health insurance. All students, graduate and undergraduate, are required to have it. University health insurance covers only the student bearing the insurance, not a student's spouse or children. This limitation in the policy, Merz said, affects graduate students far more than it might affect undergraduates.

Merz said University officials have discussed the "very complex, extremely costly" insurance issue, and that a second program has been negotiated.

The inequality, according to Merz, stretches to many areas of University life. The Graduate Student Union, he said, "[has been given] totally unsatisfactory" office space, unlike undergraduate groups, who he says receive ample space. It's tough to perform successfully as a student organization, he said, when the group is still at the bottom of the priority list for meeting rooms.

The group sponsors speakers and conferences, which Merz said is a concern when space is unavailable.

The undergraduate and graduate programs "need to share visibility," Merz said. Graduate representation doesn't play much of a role at Trustees meetings, he added. This includes the decision to turn down the Big Ten and remain independent, a decision Merz said considered little graduate opinion.

Maybe the most visible difference in graduate and undergraduate life is the living arrangement. Eighty-five percent of undergraduates live on campus in well-lit, well-maintained residences, said Merz.

Graduate students, he said, don't see these same luxuries as they live in off-campus housing that is not maintained at the same level as undergraduate residence halls.

According to du Lac, graduate students have no parietals rules because "the design of graduate student apartment and townhouse facilities allows for 24-hour visitation without compromising the safety, security and privacy needs of other individuals."

Grad students have to comply more with the individual resident policies of Fischer-O'Hara-Grace (FOG) than with those outlined for residence halls.

According to Rex Rackow, director of Notre Dame Security/Police, FOG residences are patrolled on a regular basis just as residence halls are.

Entrance security is not the same as residence halls. FOG buildings are apartment-style and are not card key accessible, but are locked and guarded as the resident's responsibility.

With all these visible differences, many grad students say some of the most important improvements need to be made in fostering better community relationships, particularly with undergraduates.

Melanie Peldo, a chemistry grad student, says that people often have a hard time seeing graduate students as students, rather than just the teaching assistants that grade papers. This is one more thing, she said, that serves as a barrier in fostering strong relationships with undergraduates.

Waddell says that grad students sometimes set themselves up as elites compared to undergraduates. Graduate students, he said, need to think of themselves as undergraduates' "intellectual older brothers and sisters."

What needs to change first, Maria Canalas, president of the GSU says, is attitude. Students and administrators need to change the way they think if anything's going to change in treatment.

Coleman

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holistic approach to alcohol education and treatment.

Gina Firth, director of the Alcohol and Drug Education Program, attended the conference. "It was one of the most amazing experiences of my life," she said.

She accompanied Coleman to a conference in Washington, D.C., where Coleman recruited the 30 people necessary to establish Challenge 2000.

"She literally talked 30 people into coming to Notre Dame a year from then," said Firth. "She convinced them in three minutes. You could not say 'no' to this woman."

Hundreds of people from various professions attended the conference. They broke into small focus groups to discuss alcohol issues, and each group gathered its ideas in a letter to students. Coleman compiled the letters in her book, "Charting Your Course."

Students said Coleman's everyday work touched many.

"If you just talked to her for a few minutes, the conversation would reach a level you'd never reached before," said Settle. "She had a way of affirming what is good in you, but also challenging you."

Her unique ability to reach

out to others helped change lives. Counseling Center director Patrick Utz, who hired Coleman in 1985 and worked with her since, recalled one particularly memorable case.

"A student called me to say he'd been sober for 10 years and he had Sally to thank," said Utz.

Helen Gutierrez, who currently works in the Counseling Center, was a student at Notre Dame when Coleman was first hired. She had the opportunity to work with Coleman because her roommate had problems with heavy drinking.

Together, Gutierrez and Coleman began a student intervention team to help

other students deal with such situations.

"Sally was my teacher and my mentor," said Gutierrez, who began working at the University last August.

"She had a way of affirming you what is good in you, but also challenging you."

Wendy Settle
counseling center psychologist
on Sally Coleman

Her relationship with Coleman, which changed to co-worker, remained positive. "Sally's greatest accomplishment is her impact on people," said

Gutierrez.

Coleman's caring personality also touched her secretary Arleen Davis, who remembers her boss as "a ray of sunshine. She took the time to make each one of us feel special," Davis said.

Former clients of Coleman who would like to discuss their feelings are invited to stop by the counseling center.

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SMC Campus Ministry offers grieving services

Special to The Observer

Recognizing that grief is universal and occurs at various points during the calendar year, Saint Mary's Campus Ministry is offering a monthly prayer service for the grieving.

The first service will be offered today at noon in Regina Chapel for students, faculty and staff who are coping with the loss of a loved one.

Traditionally, the service was held once a year in November, the recognized month for grief, said Margaret Carr, liturgical ministries coordinator.

"Grief hits people at different times, and this gives them the opportunity to take advantage of a time to cope with it," she said.

The prayer service will include community prayer and signing of the Book of Remembrance, where the names of each deceased loved one can be commemorated. Hymns, scripture and a time for reflection will also be included. Campus Ministry coordinator Judy Fean will preside over the service.

"People may linger and talk when the service is over," Carr said. "This gives them a special opportunity to pray together."

Montana governor to lead panel today

Special to The Observer

Montana Governor Marc Racicot will headline the panel for a Notre Dame Law School symposium, "States' Rights in the 21st Century," today at 4 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium. The symposium is open to the public and all are welcome.

Joining Racicot on the panel will be Judge Robert Miller, Jr., of the Federal District Court for the Northern District of Indiana and Michael Greve,

executive director of the center for Individual Rights, a Washington, D.C.-based think tank.

The Notre Dame Law School Journal of Legislation is the host of the symposium, which is being cosponsored by the law school, Notre Dame student government and the Federalist Society.

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Off-campus junior Vanessa Vicuna and her box of Lucky Charms study outside Thursday. Today's expected high is 63, with a low of 43. ERNESTO LACAYO/The Observer

Students utilize absentee ballots

By JASON STEINHARDT
U-Wire

WASHINGTON
As the 2000 presidential race heats up, so does the activity of student groups devoted to political activism. With thousands of students many miles from their hometown, the absentee ballot allows students to vote in their

hometown elections.

"Generally you must apply to the electoral committee of your home county," said Kimberling, deputy director of election administration at the Federal Election Commission.

Kimberling said the manner in which ballots are counted varies from state to state.

"In some states it is counted on election night as if it's part of the regular count," he said. "Others don't have that ability and add the total a day or two later."

Campus organizations such as the College Democrats and College Republicans devote much of their efforts toward increasing student participation in elections.

"We push voting in no matter what form," said Lisa Kohnke, the national field director for College Democrats of America.

Kohnke said that the number of students who vote either in their campus towns or via absentee ballots varies. She also added that much of the Democrats' efforts are focused at local chapters of the organization. Anjan Choudhury, president of the College Democrats at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., said his organization works to increase voter registration.

"Most people register at their homes," Choudhury said. "We try to promote voter registration."

Choudhury said they rely on the national College Democrats Web site (www.collegedems.org) for material related to voter reg-

istration.

Brad Murphy, chairman of the College Republicans at GW, said the College Republicans spend much of the year promoting student participation.

"We have sign-up sheets and write down the individual counties of students. We have a list of every single county's election board with their address and phone number," Murphy said.

Murphy said the College Republicans generally push for voting in a student's home district, as opposed to voting in the D.C. elections.

With the March 2000 primaries approaching, students who are not registered to vote have to register by the time they return from winter break.

Murphy said that the College Republicans had conferred extensively with Project Vote Smart (www.vote-smart.org), a non-partisan Web site that provides information regarding local election boards and candidates from across the country.

"Vote Smart is where we got the list of all the [election board's] numbers," Murphy said. "It also gives us access to voting records that we can just print out."

Kimberling said that he had heard rumors of counties not counting absentee ballots unless needed to break ties. He added that those counties did not use the ballots legally.

"Absentee ballots are regular ballots, and they should be counted like regular ballots," he said.

"We push voting in no matter what form."

Lisa Kohnke
national field director,
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Republicans to debate on Dec. 13

Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — The pace of campaign debates in Iowa quickened Thursday as five Republican presidential rivals agreed to meet in a televised forum Dec. 13.

Aides to Texas Gov. George W. Bush, publisher Steve Forbes, commentator Alan Keyes, activist Gary Bauer and Utah Sen. Orrin Hatch all announced plans to attend.

Arizona Sen. John McCain, who has decided to bypass Iowa's leadoff caucuses to focus on New Hampshire, also was studying the issue and aides said he likely would show up.

"We probably will do it," said aide Todd Harris, speaking from New Hampshire. "This is important and we want to look at it."

Bush is the front-runner in the GOP field, leading in both polling and money and his decision to attend the Dec. 13 debate assures that it will get

heavy attention and that rivals will attend.

"I would expect we'll have some company," said Bush spokesman Eric Woolson.

"We look forward to all of the candidates participating," said Keyes spokeswoman Connie Hair.

Bush, who has come under fire for not attending some early campaign debates, had said initially that he wouldn't participate in debates until January.

Aides said last week he would debate in December and was sorting through the many offers that had been made.

Speaking with reporters on a conference call, Bush rejected suggestions he had been pressured into debating.

Bush said the political calendar has been in flux and he was simply responding.

"The process is accelerating, the caucuses have been moved to an earlier date and the process is moving forward," said Bush. "I'm looking forward to the debate."

Bush to ignore early La. caucuses

Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — Texas Gov. George W. Bush said Thursday he will ignore caucuses scheduled in Louisiana nine days ahead of Iowa's Jan. 24 precinct caucuses.

"I've decided not to participate in any way in the Louisiana caucus, and will honor the tradition of Iowa as first in the nation, as well as the tradition of New Hampshire as the first primary," the Republican presidential front-runner said in a conference call with Iowa reporters.

Bush said his position applied to Louisiana's effort and "any other caucus that may be positioning itself to diminish the first-in-the-nation status of the Iowa caucuses."

With Bush being a front-runner in both the polls and campaign money, his decision to skip past Louisiana is a blow to that state's efforts to grab some of the attention that goes along with opening the presidential nominating season.

Republicans in Louisiana have scheduled caucuses for Jan. 15, nine days before Iowa.

There were questions about the date because of conflicts over voting machines and polling places, but Secretary of State Fox McKeithen said Thursday that the date was firm.

Publisher Steve Forbes and

Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah and conservative activist Gary Bauer have paid the required \$5,000 Louisiana filing fee.

"It is unfortunate that the governor chooses to begin the 2000 election cycle by pitting one state against the other," Bauer spokesman Tim Goeglein said in a statement.

Forbes has argued that he has made no decision on actually competing in Louisiana, but had paid the filing fee to keep his options open.

Louisiana scheduled caucuses before Iowa and New Hampshire in 1996, but most major candidates ignored them for fear of offending voters in Iowa and New Hampshire. That same day a n a m i c appears to be in place this time as well.

McKeithen, a Republican who is overseeing the caucus, said Thursday he was disappointed, but not surprised, that Bush decided not to participate.

"I hate that," he said. "I like George. I think he would have an excellent chance to win here."

State party chairman Mike Francis accused Bush of trying to avoid another political contest and disrupt Louisiana's caucus.

"This appears to be yet another attempt by Governor Bush's campaign to eliminate any part of the nominating process that requires grassroots organizing in addition to money," Francis said in a

statement.

"He's dodged the debates in New Hampshire and is now trying to destroy our caucus. It's a real shame."

Iowa Republicans have been asking presidential candidates to steer clear of Louisiana, and Bush said candidates who campaign in that state will have tough questions to answer.

"I believe that candidates are going to have to explain to the citizens of Iowa why they have chosen to participate in any other caucus that is attempting to supplant Iowa," said Bush.

"Iowa has a long-standing tradition of being first in the nation and I honor that tradi-

"Iowa has a long-standing tradition of being first in the nation and I honor that tradition."

George W. Bush
presidential candidate

tion," said Bush. With the front-runner opting out, attention given the Louisiana caucuses is likely to dwindle.

Bush declined to offer an assessment

of his decision on that state.

"It's hard for me to determine the impact," said Bush. "What I'm concerned about is the impact on the Iowa caucuses. I know I made the right decision."

States traditionally compete for early slots in the campaign calendar because of the media and candidate attention given to those states.

The jostling was particularly intense this time, with Iowa going through four dates for its precinct caucuses before settling on Jan. 24.

Top Bradley aide donated to Gore

Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. — A leader of Bill Bradley's New York campaign team contributed \$1,000 to Vice President Al Gore's presidential bid in February, according to a review of campaign records Thursday.

Bradley, a former senator from New Jersey, and Gore are competing for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Federal Election Commission records show that Michael Del Giudice, co-chairman of Bradley's New York campaign, gave the money to Gore on Feb. 22. Del Giudice, a top aide to Democrat Mario Cuomo when he was governor of New York, is a Wall Street executive.

"Someone had asked me at the end of the year or the beginning of this year and I did it and that's the last thing I ever did for Clinton-Gore," Del Giudice said Thursday.

Del Giudice said he could not remember who asked him to make the contribution.

"I wasn't fully engaged with Bradley and now I'm working flat-out to get Bradley elected president," Del Giudice added.

"I give to Democrats all the time. It's really no big deal."

FEC records indicate that Del Giudice is a regular contributor to Democrats. They also show that he gave \$1,000 to then-Sen. Alfonse D'Amato's unsuccessful 1998 re-election campaign against Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y. Del Giudice said Thursday that he didn't remember the details of his D'Amato contribution.

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United States debt threatens General Assembly vote

By SASCHA MATUSZAK
U-Wire

MINNEAPOLIS

The U.S. government, accused of being a deadbeat for not paying its dues, could lose its vote in the General Assembly of the United Nations if its debt isn't paid up by the end of the year.

According to a United Nations General Accounting Office report, the United States owes \$1.6 billion in back-payments — much more than the runner-up, Ukraine, which owes \$226 million.

Two pieces of legislation must pass by the end of the year for the United States to pay its dues on time and not lose the General Assembly vote.

The first, the Commerce, Justice, State and Judicial Appropriations Bill, was vetoed by President Clinton on Oct. 26. The bill contained significantly less than Clinton requested and included a rider requiring U.S. approval of the U.N. budget before an additional \$100 mil-

lion would be released.

The second piece of legislation, the State Department Authorization Bill, has been struck down in the past by Rep. Chris Smith, R-New Jersey. Smith objects to the funding of U.N. agencies that support or advocate abortion in other countries.

"This sends the message that absolutism in anti-abortion politics is more important than U.S. international treaty obligations," said Phyllis Bennis, a fellow at the Institute for Policy Studies.

In This Corner

Each nation must pay the U.N. dues according to that nation's gross domestic product. The more a country makes, the more it has to pay.

The United States, with about one-third of the world's GDP, pays 25 percent of the \$2.5 billion U.N. budget.

Even the most conservative estimate of the U.S. debt — the State Department says \$719 million — is enough to risk losing the General Assembly vote,

according to Article 19 of the United Nations Charter. The article states that any nation owing more than two years worth of dues loses its vote.

Ironically, a 1961 U.S. law denies aid to any country violating Article 19.

The United Nations contends that its financial conflict with the United States is an old one, in which the United States has attempted to gain leverage by withholding funds.

During the 1980s, the Reagan administration encouraged withholding U.N. dues to force reforms, such as lowering the budget, decreasing the number of secretariat members and creating an under-secretary general of management, a position traditionally filled by an American.

"[The tactic] was based on a Heritage Fund report which stated that the United States could increase its power by owing the largest amount of dues," Bennis said. "It worked well."

The United Nations complied with the U.S. demands for

reform, cutting 12 percent of its bureaucracy and maintaining a zero-growth budget since 1993, said Jessica Jiji, spokeswoman for the secretary general.

"[The United States] still has not paid," she said.

To pay peacekeeping costs, the United Nations has been forced to borrow from the fund meant to reimburse member-states who provide troops and services for U.N. missions. The countries providing the help — mostly poor nations from the global south — must then wait to be paid.

"When the U.S. refuses to pay its dues, the poor countries pay the price," Bennis said.

The United Nations also risks shutting down important agencies and committees if there is no funding.

"We would all be dealing with polio, tuberculosis and all sorts of other diseases if it weren't for the U.N.," Jiji said.

The advantage of wielding leverage over the world body might not balance out the consequences of the loss of international prestige and the

General Assembly vote.

"It's become counterproductive for [the United States] to withhold the money," said Don Krauss, executive director of the Campaign for U.N. Reform. "We've been using the stick for a decade; now we need to use the carrot."

...And In This Corner

But the U.S. government argues that the United Nations actually owes them money.

According to a U.S. General Accounting Office report, the United States spent more than \$6.6 billion to support Haiti, the former Yugoslavia, Rwanda and Somalia from 1992 to 1995.

Rep. Roscoe Bartlett, R-Maryland, also cites a Congressional Research Service report that said the United States spent more than \$11 billion from 1992 to 1997.

"If we owe them dues, I ask that they please subtract those dues from our peacekeeping expenditures," Bartlett said. "We have spent billions and billions on U.N. peacekeeping expenses; we don't need to give the U.N. \$1 billion when they owe us many times that amount."

But the United Nations argues that this spending involves unilateral missions launched by the United States to further its own interests. These missions were never under U.N. command.

"I can't imagine when we went on a mission out of our own selfish national-security interests," Bartlett said. "Most of these missions are in somebody else's backyard."

The United States also accuses shoddy U.N. management for the current budget crisis.

The other important issue for Congress is the possibility that U.S. funds might indirectly support abortion in other countries.

The United Nations contends they have never supported abortion. Jiji said the U.S. tactics are backfiring by eliminating important support for contraceptives and sex education.

The Consequences

The only means the United Nations has to punish a deadbeat nation is through Article 19. Normally this would suffice, but the United States sits on the Security Council, the decision-making body of the United Nations. The United States therefore possesses veto power over any action presented to the council for approval.

"Our vote in the General Assembly means nothing," Bartlett said. "Nothing will change if they strip us of that vote."

But the United States would lose the confidence of the world community, along with any influence over the structure of the U.N. budget, which is decided by the Assembly.

"It will color any negotiations anywhere in the world ... and ... shake the entire underpinning of the international system," Krauss said.

The United Nations-United States relationship has grown more antagonistic over time, but in coming years, the United States' need for international approval and the United Nations' need for money should tie the two powers together.

"The U.N. clearly needs us; we're their cash cow," Bartlett said.

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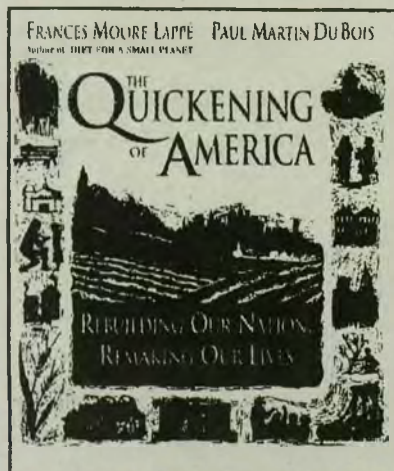
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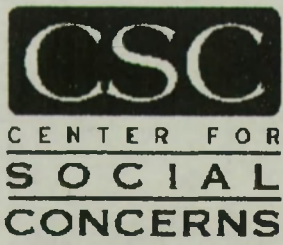
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Dole Food Co. reports loss, plans layoffs

Associated Press

WESTLAKE VILLAGE, Calif. Dole Food Co. Inc. announced Thursday it will eliminate 1,500 jobs and terminate contracts affecting thousands more in Central America in a worldwide restructuring forced by weak European banana sales and the devastation of Central American operations by Hurricane Mitch.

The restructuring, which follows an \$8 million third-quarter loss, will include thousands of lost jobs in Central America as well as layoffs of sales and distribution employees in Europe.

The company said it also plans to sell non-core and underperforming assets, a move that could generate \$100 million to \$200 million over the next 18 months. A review to identify those assets is under way, the company said.

The downsizing will eliminate about 1,500 staff positions, including 300 in Europe. Dole also will terminate contracts with independent suppliers who employ another 7,500 people throughout Dole's Central America banana operations, said Gil Borok, a company spokesman.

Dole, Chiquita Brands International and Fresh Del Monte Produce Inc. have been struggling for months with the cost of Mitch's destruction and the collapse of European banana prices.

Dole, the world's biggest supplier of fresh fruit, vegetables and flowers, said its third-quarter loss equaled 14 cents per share and compared with profits of \$15.6 million, or 26 cents per share, a year ago.

It reported a loss from continuing operations was \$1.9 million, or 3 cents per share. The rest of its \$8 million net loss came primarily from the cost of rebuilding operations damaged by Mitch.

The loss on continuing operations met the average estimate by analysts surveyed by First Call/Thompson Financial.

The October 1998 hurricane killed at least 8,500 people in Nicaragua, Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras.

Rebuilding is largely done, but problems in the banana market remain and could continue to plague Dole and the other major U.S. producers

with operations in Latin America. The destruction wasn't enough to reduce a world oversupply of bananas — which has been pushing down prices for months.

"There's just too many bananas, so you have to cut production," said Nomi Ghez, an analyst with Goldman, Sachs & Co. "Dole is saying their banana production just isn't as good as they thought a few years ago and they want to reduce their exposure."

Investors welcomed news of the restructuring, trading Dole shares up 50 cents to \$17.69 on the New York Stock Exchange.

Dole's problems in Europe result from Russia's economic problems, which have hurt sales, and by a European Union decision to increase the number of banana import licenses issued during the first nine months of 1999. That resulted in an oversupply that drove prices down.

U.S. companies contend the union EU former European colonies that compete in the banana market with Dole and Chiquita.

"It is regrettable that we must downsize our banana business to this extent, but we must be realistic in assessing the current overproduction existing in Latin America," said David Murdock, Dole's chairman and chief executive.

Earlier this year, the World Trade Organization ruled EU restrictions on imports from U.S. companies were illegal and it authorized the Clinton administration to impose \$191 million in punitive tariffs against European products entering the United States.

Crude oil, other energies up

Associated Press

Crude oil prices jumped 3 percent Thursday on the New York Mercantile Exchange on expectations of heavy demand for North Sea oil in Europe.

Other energy commodities also were mostly higher. In other markets, cocoa fell 2 percent to nearly match a seven-year low and soybeans gained.

Oil prices remained volatile despite a lack of major news to drive the market. Analysts said the most significant development was the reported purchase by at least one big oil company of large amounts of North Sea Brent crude, drawing new attention to rising seasonal demand and supply disruptions in Europe.

The market also got support from news that Venezuela's energy and mines minister, Ali Rodriguez, said OPEC and non-OPEC leading oil producers might extend their production cuts past the March 2000 deadline.

Continued unity by the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries in sticking to lower production levels has sent prices soaring this

year.

George Beranek, an oil analyst for Petroleum Finance Co. in Washington, said that despite the rise over \$23 a barrel, crude isn't likely to approach the \$25 level any time soon.

"I think there are going to be enough signs of additional oil that it will keep the strength from building up," he said.

"There's an expectation that high prices would just pull additional OPEC barrels into the market."

Crude for December delivery rose 58 cents to \$23.14 a barrel; December heating oil rose .96 cent to 61.47 cents a gallon; December unleaded gasoline rose .93 cent to 64.35 cents a gallon; December natural gas fell 4.7 cents to \$2.826 per million British thermal units.

In London, North Sea Brent crude for December delivery rose 28 cents to \$22.85 a barrel on the International

Petroleum Exchange.

On New York's Coffee, Sugar and Cocoa Exchange, cocoa plunged back to near a seven-year low it set earlier this week as a huge Ivory Coast harvest progressed without problems.

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oil analyst

November rains in the West African nation have boosted prospects for a crop estimated to be between

800,000 and 1 million tons or even higher.

December cocoa fell \$19 to \$836 per ton.

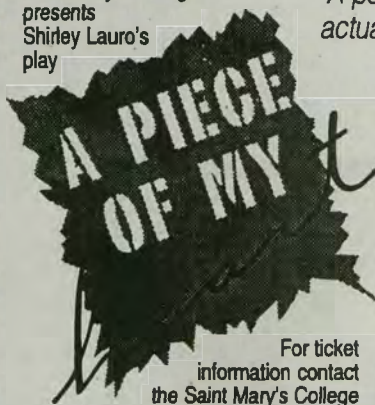
Soybean futures advanced on the Chicago Board of Trade, nudged upward by rumors that Russia is in the market for soy meal.

Prices also were supported by a lack of farmer selling even with the U.S. soybean harvest virtually completed.

January soybeans rose 3 1/2 cents to \$4.85 3/4 a bushel. Grains trading in the Chicago BOT were little changed.

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Bill offers poor nations debt relief

WASHINGTON
The House Banking Committee approved a bill aimed at sharply reducing debts of the world's poorest countries so they can use the money saved to fight poverty.



Summers

The measure is expected to serve as a vehicle for negotiations over the next few days between the Clinton administration and Congress to secure substantial help for the debt relief initiative sponsored by the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank. The committee approved the bill Wednesday night.

Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers today welcomed the committee's decision.

"The bipartisan action is an important step forward toward making the historical international initiative for highly indebted poor countries a real-

ity in the Jubilee [2000] year," Summers said in a statement.

"In the days ahead, we look forward to continuing this urgent work with the Congress in the final budget discussions now under way."

The initiative has attracted the support of an unusual global coalition ranging from politicians and poverty-fighting groups to Pope John Paul II, other religious leaders and U2 rock star Bono, who met with House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, and other lawmakers on Capitol Hill today.

The administration wants \$370 million from Congress this year to help pay the U.S. share of an international effort to reduce as much as \$90 billion in debt that poor countries owe rich nations, the

International Monetary Fund, the World Bank and other development agencies.

The administration also seeks authorization to forgive \$330 million of direct bilateral aid the poor nations owe the United States. Sponsored by Rep. Jim Leach, R-Iowa, and Rep. John LaFalce, D-N.Y., the debt-relief bill was approved by a 23-16 vote. Its objective is

to ease the debt of as many as 45 of the world's poorest nations, most of them in Africa.

To qualify, these countries would have to be pursuing sound economic policies.

But the measure does not tie U.S. decision-making on bilateral debt relief to the approval of the IMF or any other international institution.

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Lawrence Summers
Treasury Secretary

Changes delay child support

Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.
Sherry Graham works two jobs at restaurants. She shops for bargains on clothes for her two sons at Wal-Mart or Goodwill. Every dollar counts.

Now Graham's budget is being stretched even tighter — thanks to government efforts to make her life easier.

Her last two twice-monthly child-support checks have not been delivered by the new state office that is supposed to handle checks more efficiently — a problem faced by tens of thousands of families around the country.

The federal government has required states to install new computer systems and create central offices for processing checks, rather than continuing to rely on county

offices. The goal is to create a nationwide network that can share information and track down deadbeats more easily.

But the changes have created problems in about 10 states as computer programs malfunction or clerks fail to provide the proper information to deliver checks. Florida, North Carolina, Tennessee, Illinois, Hawaii and Nevada experienced the most problems.

In fact, only two of the eight largest states — New York and Pennsylvania — have made the changes with relatively few problems. The rest either have encountered glitches that delayed thousands of checks or have not yet installed the new systems.

Among the problems:

◆ Thousands of Nevada checks were delayed by a new computer system whose

\$22.6 million price has ballooned to more than \$100 million.

◆ North Carolina has provided nearly \$5 million in emergency payments to families who could not wait any longer. Illinois has done the same on a smaller scale, and Tennessee is considering a similar arrangement.

◆ Checks were delayed so long in Hawaii that a class-action lawsuit has been filed by parents who want the interest the state collected while the checks were sitting undelivered.

◆ Florida is experiencing delays, even though some of its biggest counties, including the Miami area, are not even included yet in the centralized system.

"This is a huge undertaking," said Beth Allman, spokeswoman for the Florida Association of Court Clerks.

Clinton, Republicans near foreign aid deal

WASHINGTON

The Clinton administration and congressional Republicans were on the verge of a deal Thursday night on a foreign aid bill in a breakthrough through both sides think would help speed agreement on their remaining budget disputes.



Clinton

The two sides agreed to add \$799 million to the \$12.7 billion foreign aid package President Clinton vetoed on Oct. 18 but were still working on details, said aides speaking on condition of anonymity.

Republicans started the day by offering to add \$761 million — twice as much as their proposal Wednesday night — while the White House had asked for \$956 million.

The Clinton administration has made agreement on the foreign aid bill the keystone for settling disputes on the other four remaining spending bills for the new fiscal year.

Remaining disagreements include Clinton proposals to hire teachers and police officers and pay late U.N. dues, and GOP provisions helping mining, timber and other Western industries the White House says would hurt the environment.

GOP leaders would like to complete the budget bargaining in time to let Congress adjourn for the year by Wednesday.

"They think they can work it out," House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, said of GOP bargainers.

The agreement would mark the latest in which Republicans have moved substantially toward Clinton's spending demands. In return, the two sides have been agreeing to savings they say would avoid using Social Security surpluses to finance federal programs.

The GOP offer would raise the foreign aid bill's total for international debt relief by \$90 million to \$123 million, about one-third of what the administration wants. Republicans also offered extra money for Africa, the Peace Corps, loans by international banks, disaster aid and other programs.

White House officials were trying to win additional dollars for overseas economic aid, U.S. financial contributions to U.N. peacekeeping efforts, and help for former Soviet republics, aides said.

Republicans have agreed to fully fund Clinton's request for an additional \$1.8 billion to help Israel, Jordan and the

Palestinians comply with the Wye River peace accord they reached last year.

Linda Ricci, spokeswoman for the White House Office of Management and Budget, said administration officials viewed the GOP proposal as "a good-faith offer." She added:

"There is discussion going on."

Sandy Berger, the president's national security adviser, appealed to congressional Republicans to help reverse the decline in spending on international programs.

"We need to invest in the programs that keep our soldiers out of war — that prevent conflicts, promote freedom, boost prosperity, fight terrorism and drugs, meet our share of global responsibilities and bring friends and allies to our side," he said in a speech.

Congressional aides said that even if an agreement were reached Thursday, Congress probably could not vote on the measure until at least Friday.

If the talks soured, Republicans had been considering a House vote on a version of the foreign aid bill resembling the one Clinton vetoed — but including the \$1.8 billion for Wye River. But in a sign of progress, GOP aides said forcing that vote — which would enrage Democrats — seemed unlikely.

That strategy had angered Democrats because it threatened to divide them. The American Israel Public Affairs Committee, perhaps the most powerful pro-Israel lobbying group in Washington, was urging lawmakers to support that version of the bill, but the White House said it would be vetoed.

Leaving the foreign aid bill for last would let Republicans, who have little taste for foreign aid, delay the measure and accuse Clinton of wanting to spend Social Security surpluses to help foreigners, Democrats say.

Evidence of that strategy was provided by some angry outbursts on the House floor.

"The White House only wants at this point in time to give the taxpayers' money away to foreign countries and be damned what happens here at home," said Rep. Harold Rogers, R-Ky.

"If you want to go home, I suggest you act like it" and bargain seriously, Rep. David Obey, D-Wis., top Democrat on the House Appropriations Committee, responded later.

Amid the positioning, the House voted 417 to 6 to approve a temporary measure keeping agencies working through the budget fight. The Senate did the same by voice vote, sending it to Clinton for his expected signature.

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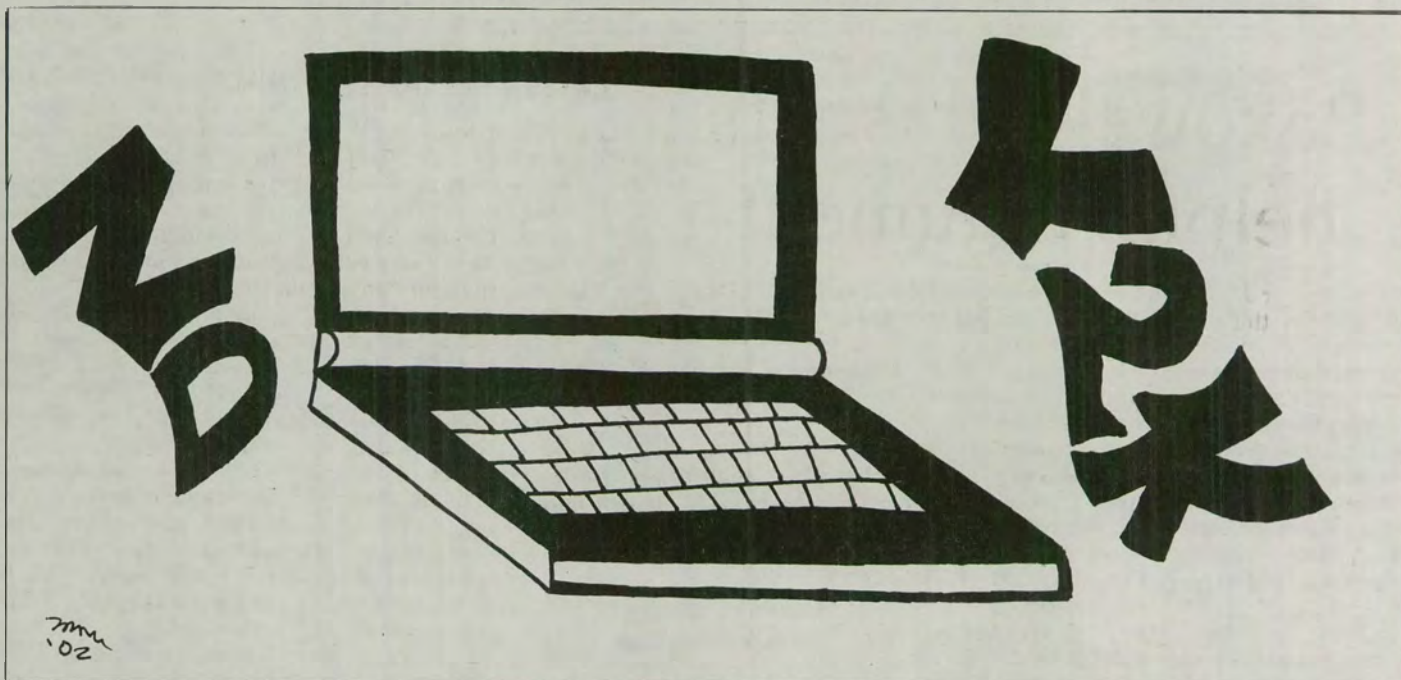
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We need not worry about Y2K

As the millennium approaches, the ill effects of the Y2K virus are foremost on our minds. As presented in the media, the virus will shut down computers and computer chips that are essential to the running of factories, utilities, cars, businesses, machines and much, much more.

Jeffrey Langan

Y2K will potentially lead to a breakdown of major utilities and financial centers. We could lose our heating, electricity and plumbing. The stock exchange might shut down. Banks will be unable to fix their interest rates. The IRS won't be able to collect. This will lead to economic collapse, political turmoil, violence, rioting in the streets and looting. As I heard on the radio yesterday, perhaps the biggest threat of all, it may even lead to computers in our schools breaking down, causing teachers to actually have to teach once again. (Apparently, many Chicago-area public high schools are not Y2K compliant.)

Few, however, have looked on the bright side of the Y2K problem. For one, it might render TV irrelevant, oh happy day! In fact, a little reflection on what the virus might do to society will teach us what we should actually do to welcome the millennium — take the year off. More mildly put, there are many things that we could actually do to welcome the millennium that thinking about the Y2K problem might help us see. Facing up to Y2K might actually help us really live what a Jubilee year entails.

To begin, we have recently seen, and we will probably see more in the upcoming months, the European Union and some American congressmen advocate debt relief for third world countries. This is a noble cause based on a biblical teaching that during the Jubilee year that comes once every 50 years all debts ought to be forgiven.

But these politicians have too narrowed the Jubilee year requirements. Two others come to mind: letting the fields lie fallow (translation: taking the year off), and giving back all land purchased in the past 50 years to its original owners. In particular, taking the year off has great social benefits. The first is no less than avoiding the need to have a functioning economy for a year. If you plan on taking the year 2000 off, the breakdowns caused by Y2K will not stop you from carrying out your plans.

Taking the year off would also have good effects on this particular society. We work too much and for the wrong reasons. The sociological and psychological evidence is endless. We put too much pressure on ourselves to succeed, to be the best, to be No. 1. This does not have good consequences for our souls. It simply is not a good preparation for eternal life. It also happens to have fairly bad consequences for those who are only concerned about this life. For example, the popular approach to work does not seem to lead to personal satisfaction or healthy families. Taking the year off would almost force us to contemplate a bit who we are and what we really want to do with our lives as individuals and as a society.

What could we do while taking the year off? The list is endless. Ideally, we could do things that we often neglected during the past 50 years (and more) as individuals and as society. Things that counter our obsessive concern for money. In our American government classes, almost all the textbooks present Americans as concerned about their economic security. Did you ever notice that at the same time America is one of the wealthiest countries in the world, has one of the largest middle classes and is capable of financing the most debt? Financially, we are extremely powerful. At the same time, we are the most worried about money. We could do things that perhaps we should already do anyway. Pay more attention to our family, friends and

neighbors.

We could do more creative things for a year. We could put on a play in our neighborhood or learn how to drink good wine. We could take the time to learn how to play an instrument or something of that nature.

In other words, the idea is not to take the year off and do nothing; the idea is to take the year off from the normal dehumanizing life we often subject ourselves to and to do things that make us more human. Perhaps if we do that for a year, we will be able to make the next 50 years more tolerable than the past 50.

Next, we should give back land to its original owners. This too, would have good benefits for society. Every one is worried about how people are going to live when Y2K hits. If we make all the corporations and monopolies give back the land to the original owners, then people will have something to live off. They won't need the to rely so much on others for eating. They could, at very least, hunt and gather food.

Giving the land back would solve other social problems. We are a society of fat people. In addition, too many of us have limp wrists from too much computer use. We could all use a good diet. We also could all use some real labor. Going back to the land would force us to work for our food. That would enable those of us who are fat to lose a few pounds and everyone else could toughen up a bit.

So next time you start worrying about Y2K, reconsider the problem. There might be seldom thought of benefits behind what you think to be impending doom.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"A group of politicians deciding to dump a president because his morals are bad is like the Mafia getting together to bump off the Godfather for not going to church on Sunday."

Russell Baker
New York Times, 1974

Rakowski presents helpful argument

Professor James Rakowski's Sept. 30 letter put forward a thought experiment that involved six situations of income distribution and prioritized among the situations using the philosopher John Rawls. He concluded by asking how Catholic teaching might prioritize.

The thought experiment is quite helpful because it moves the conversation away from the false opposition between the concerns for the rich-poor gap (distributive justice) and the production of wealth in the market (commutative justice). Both Rawls and Catholic social teaching hold that both the rich-poor gap and the production of wealth are morally significant. There are some differences, however.

Rakowski's six hypothetical distributions are the following:

- Situation A: Rich person \$10, poor person \$2.
- Situation B: Rich person \$11, poor person \$1.
- Situation C: Rich person \$15, poor person \$1.
- Situation D: Rich person \$11, poor person \$4.
- Situation E: Rich person \$13, poor person \$4.
- Situation F: Rich person \$6, poor person \$1.

As I read Rakowski's orderings, they go like this: 1) E, 2) D, 3) A, 4) C, 5) B, 6) F. "A" is higher than "B" or "C" because the gap is smaller and the rich seem well enough off, "although this case is slightly problematic since C represents a total higher income for society." All things being equal for the poor, when the rich are better off, that's better. Thus E would also be higher than D.

Rakowski's suggestion that Catholic teaching's emphasis on the rich-poor gap might lead it to select F over E or A wrongly presupposes that any emphasis on the gap means no concern for overall wealth. On the contrary, on these particular rankings, the teaching would concur with Rawls.

There are three key ways in which the teaching is different from Rawls, and these make for somewhat different rankings. First, Catholic teaching is more empirically informed and oriented than Rawls, who tends to use thought experiments of the sort Rakowski offers. Second, Catholic teaching is world-wide in its focus. While Rawls at first viewed his theory as universal, he has more recently acknowledged that it applies best to countries like our own. Third, Catholic teaching has an objective theory of the social good; Rawls at best has what he calls a "thin" theory of the good, arguing that it is irrational

and socially destructive to try to put forward something more.

How do these three differences apply to the priorities?

In two ways. First, the worst case scenario in the thought experiment is C: Rich person \$15, poor person \$1. However, if the approach is more empirical and worldwide, the picture is different. If we look at Nike, for instance, we find that Phil Knight, in addition to owning more than one-third of the company's \$4 billion in assets, earned a \$3 million

salary in 1997. Women in Nike factories in China make 19 cents an hour working upwards of 60 hours per week. Even if we set aside Knight's investment income and count only the salary, the ratio is around 7,063 to 1.

Companies like Disney yield similar ratios. From this perspective, a 15-1 ratio is at best quaint and at worst severely misleading. An approach following Catholic teaching would have described the options more in keeping with the empirical realities.

The second difference is this: Rakowski seems to order E over D and C over B because while the poor are at the same level in each comparison, there is "total higher income for society" because the rich have more income. My sense is that he is reading Rawls right because the rich are better able to pursue their own understanding of the good, which includes the accumulation of significant wealth. But from a Catholic perspective, whether E is better than D depends on what the well-off are doing with the extra income.

If it is simply for more personal consumption beyond the plenty they already have, then E is a worse option, because such excessive personal consumption is objectively evil. John Paul II calls such a "consumer attitude" a "crass materialism" that is an "abuse of freedom." If the increased wealth is used for the common good, then E is objectively better than D.

A prioritization informed by Catholic teaching, then, would look like the following: 1) E or D, depending on how the rich use their increased wealth, 2) A, 3) C or B depending on how the rich use their increased wealth, 4) F, 5) G (Rich person: 7,063 or more, poor person: 1 or less).

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Todd David Whitmore

The Common Good

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

WVFI policy change will take time

I am writing this letter in response to one of our "fans" that was writing to criticize the Administration for "pulling the plug" on WVFI. After broadcasting on 640 AM, not 660 AM, for over 20 years the station along with the transmitters that were necessary to broadcast our signal over carrier current became completely run down. Carrier current is a form of AM broadcasting that sends a broadcasting signal through cables and transmitters that would run from LaFortune to the dorms and through their electrical outlets. While this system worked 15 years ago, once students began bringing TV's, VCR's, computers or anything else that needed an outlet, the signal became distorted and the quality of the broadcast deteriorated.

When WVFI closed down last year, only four dorms on campus were able to pick up the signal. After shutting down, the executive board decided to invest in the Internet, rather than putting more money into an ancient and outdated form of broadcasting — carrier current.

However, there was a catch when we asked the University if it would be okay to use the funds provided for us to pursue this new endeavor. Obviously, they agreed to let us broadcast over the Internet. However, they also stated that we would only be allowed to broadcast to "students" since that was our audience with the former carrier current. In other words, this agreement would confine our audience to campus wide access with the possibility of 99 off-campus students being able to also listen.

When we began to broadcast throughout cyberspace in September, for some reason or another the program that was to block any listeners outside of the Notre Dame system was not implemented. Therefore, for over a month and a half, WVFI was broadcasting globally to anyone on the Internet.

When this was finally realized by the administration two weeks ago, they immediately implemented the program as mentioned in the original agreement. While the University does acknowledge the capabilities Internet broadcasting can provide (WVFI producing Notre Dame's largest broadcast ever each weekend as students call every football game) they do feel that the station should represent the image of the University, which WVFI has had a problem doing in the past.

However, with an invigorated, dedicated and professional staff that the station now operates with, problems usually associated with "shock

programming" that often include swearing and inappropriate dialogue by DJ's has been left behind to concentrate on spinning the latest college music and updating students of local upcoming events.

The main reason why the station has been confined to students is because that was what had been previously discussed and not for reasons such as inappropriate material. The staff does not really see this as a step back but as something that was inevitable. While, yes, we were broadcasting globally for a month and a half, we believe that WVFI generated a substantial amount of credibility during this time. You could say that we were tested by this global experience and by the University and finished the final with an A.

Instead of complaints, letters of encouragement and disbelief of the transformation of the station were sent to the studio. We also received an incredible amount of press from The Observer to the Scholastic to Fox News who talked about our new capabilities and quality programming.

While WVFI still has a long hill to climb, the foundation has been set to become a real force on the college radio scene. The purpose of this letter is not to suggest that the station is content about the situation, however, there is a professional and correct way to deal with the University's administration. You just cannot walk into Father [Mark] Poorman's office and demand that things get changed pronto.

If you want something to change at this University it takes time. Take for example how this University used to be all-male or how there existed mandatory

study periods at night along with curfews. Do you honestly believe that these decisions which would in turn effect the image of the school were changed overnight? The answer is no.

Currently, a proposal to Student Affairs is being put together by the entire staff of WVFI. It will include reasons and evidence such as letters from alumni and students describing why WVFI should once again broadcast globally.

As stated above, WVFI, or the Voice of the Fighting Irish, is a radio station run for and by Notre Dame students. If you want an opportunity to become involved in one of the University's fastest changing organizations now is your chance. We are located in 200 LaFortune and all are welcome to stop by.

John Forgash

Senior
WVFI Station Manager
November 3, 1999



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Service with a smile

By AMANDA GRECO
Assistant Scene Editor

So maybe some people are a bit spoiled, perhaps even biased, when it comes to Italian food. Good Italian grandmas make sure their grandkids have nothing but the tastiest traditional foods. With this in mind, some might be a bit skeptical about the quality of a supposed Italian restaurant in this area. However, Samuel Mancino's Italian Eatery, with its quaint title, exceeds expectations.

Nestled snugly in the middle of a typical strip mall, the exterior façade of this building belies the little diner's representation of Italy. The interior walls are lined with high backed wooden benches and there is more seating in the center of the room. The tables are covered in red and white checkered tablecloths that bring to mind dresses worn by little girls in Sicily. The hanging plants, low lights and beautiful pictures of Italy on the walls are all very nice touches.

Perhaps this is too generous a description. This is not your nice, sit-down dinner place. Rather, it's a place you order at the window and play video games while you wait type of food joint. It may not appeal to those higher Epicureans, but for the college kid looking for good food on a low budget, it's a great place to eat.

A slight miscommunication revealed that the people who worked there are genuinely nice. A customer had called prior to arriving to make sure she could use her credit card, but upon arrival, learned that the machine

was broken. She had no other form of payment with her. The man behind the counter offered the suggestions of ATM or personal check and was not the least bit put off when she told him she would have to leave and return with more money. He held her order and threw it in the oven as soon as she returned. He then apologized profusely for the inconvenience the broken credit card machine had caused. He addressed everyone by his or her first name and was generally very jovial. Everyone in the diner knew one another personally, which provided a very familiar feeling.

The food is brought to the table quickly and is piping hot. The specialty at this eatery is a sandwich they call "The Grinder." It's a variation on the traditional sub, available in eight- and 16-inch lengths for the individual, or two-, four-, or six-foot sections for large groups (phone order in 24 hours ahead for these monsters).

Though some may think their taste buds are very discerning, it must be remembered that dining hall food lowers many palates' expectations. The food here is much better than anticipated. The barbecue beef Grinder and ham and cheese Grinder come highly recommended. The bread is the best (sorry, Grandmas), baked fresh daily right in Samuel's eatery!

Besides the food being great in taste, it is very reasonable in price. The soft drinks are refillable and the

Samuel Mancino's Italian Eatery

◆ Location: St. Andrew's Plaza,
620 W. Edison Rd., Mishawaka

◆ Phone: 254-9533

◆ Hours:

11 a.m. - 9 p.m., Mon.-Thurs.

11 a.m. - 11 p.m., Fri. - Sat.

11 a.m. - 8 p.m., Sun.

◆ Atmosphere ★★★★★

◆ Food Quality ★★★★★

◆ Price ★★★★★

◆ Service ★★★★★

◆ General Feeling ★★★★★

(out of five stars)

Cozy Italian hideaway

By AMBER AGUIAR
Scene Writer

One bite of its signature stuffed pizza, a thick Chicago-style pie packed with mouth-watering mozzarella cheese and dripping with a homemade tomato sauce, and you'll be glad you made the drive.

Tucked inside Mishawaka's historic 100 Center several miles from Notre Dame, Giannetto's is not an easy place to find. The restaurant's reopening is so recent it has no neon sign, and its position at the back of the plaza makes it nearly invisible from the street.

But everything else about the restaurant makes Giannetto's really stand out. From the moment you walk in the door, it's clear that you're in for a unique dining experience.

The restaurant lies in the lower level of the old Kamme-Schellinger Brewery, built in 1853 and now a national historic site. A short stairwell leads down to the restaurant's modest door. The restaurant is small, with a low ceiling and brick walls painted over in white. Grapevines line the ceiling and paintings of Italian vistas hang from the walls. Without windows, Giannetto's is a cozy, well-lit, Italian hideaway.

And it is truly a "mom and pop" restaurant. With sauce and flour all over their bright red aprons, owners Vic and Donna Giannetto emerge from the kitchen to greet their customers. They are talkative, friendly and obviously proud of their product, as Vic repeatedly exclaims, "You're in for a real treat!"

Giannetto's first introduced its stuffed pizza to the Michiana area in 1978, and the business has always been family-run. The entire Giannetto family has had a hand in the business, with each of the couple's seven children having at one time worked in the restaurant. Just by eating at Giannetto's, a customer comes to feel like a part of this family.

Its homey, authentically Italian

ambiance sets Giannetto's apart from the corporate franchise restaurants that line the streets of the South Bend area. Vic is amicable and approachable, a short Italian man with an easy laugh and smiling eyes. Walking around the restaurant welcoming customers, he becomes a part of the restaurant's unique atmosphere.

Giannetto's takes great pride in the service and satisfaction of its customers. Much of this pride comes from the restaurant's refusal to serve anything pre-made, pre-packaged or frozen. Everything down to the tasty croutons that top the salads are made at Giannetto's. All of its sauces, sausages and even salad dressings are prepared on the premises. It is quality food made with care, and the difference is easy to taste. While service may seem slow, each dinner is made to order and the product is well worth the wait.

Its great food and reasonable prices make it the perfect place for any type of gathering. Giannetto's serves delicious pasta entrees and Italian sandwiches, all for less than \$9. It is the ideal place for big group activities, such as section dinners or family get-togethers on parents' football weekends. But its quaint atmosphere makes it a great place to bring a date as well, and for under \$13, a couple can share one of Giannetto's famous stuffed pizzas that easily fills two stomachs.

Its original pizza is a must-try for any Italian food fan. Stacked inches high with savory homemade ingredients, it makes for a memorable dining experience. With Giannetto's incredible food, great service and unique atmosphere, the restaurant really stands out from the area's other, often-mediocre Italian restaurants.

Take a taste of Giannetto's. It's likely to be a fantastic dining experience you won't forget, and you'll return home recommending it to all of your friends.

Giannetto's Restaurant

◆ Location: 100 North Center,
Mishawaka

◆ Phone: 254-9177

◆ Hours:

Lunch 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., Tue. - Fri.

Dinner 5 p.m. - 10 p.m., Mon. - Thurs.

5 p.m. - 11 p.m., Fri. - Sat.

Closed Sunday

◆ Atmosphere ★★★★★

◆ Food Quality ★★★★★

◆ Price ★★★★★

◆ Service ★★★★★ 1/2

◆ General Feeling ★★★★★

(out of five stars)

A little Italian Indie



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Time for dining q & a

By MARY ANNE LEWIS
Scene Writer

Q: What do you get when you mix a bit of little Italy with a diner?

A: Cosimo and Susie's.

This little restaurant, probably no bigger than about five dorm rooms, holds great atmosphere for anyone who is looking for a low-key place that offers a good meal and good conversation.

Just a five to 10 minute ride from campus, Cosimo and Susie's — A Bit of Italy, is located on Grape and McKinley, on the northeast side of Town & Country shopping center.

Walk in, and see a Fightin' Irish flag on the right wall, just above the framed portrait of the Four Horsemen. Aside from the food, perhaps the best thing about Cosimo and Susie's is the decor. On the back left wall, there is a gorgeous painted gazebo. Hanging from the ceiling are unlit tiki lamps. Next to the kitchen, in the middle of the restaurant, are wine bottles poised on the Banfi wine rack. They even have a Coke machine, a Budweiser neon sign and a non-smoking sign that says, "Lungs at Work — No Smoking."

And don't forget the posters and family portraits. From

Cosimo and Susie's A Bit of Italy

- ◆ Location: 2446 Miracle Ln.,
Mishawaka
- ◆ Phone: 258-4911
- ◆ Hours:
11:30 a.m. - 8 p.m., Mon. - Thurs.
4:30 p.m. - 10 p.m., Fri.
5:30 p.m. - 10 p.m. Sat.

- ◆ Atmosphere ★★★★★
- ◆ Food Quality ★★★★★
- ◆ Price ★★★★★
- ◆ Service ★★★★★
- ◆ General Feeling ★★★★★

(out of five stars)

"The Godfather" to "Fantasia" to "Casablanca" to "The Big Night," everything somehow fits together. Who would have thought that the Budweiser sign would fit right in with the Four Horsemen? The final touch is the centerpiece. On every table is a wine bottle with three false red roses inside. Of course, with the dim lighting, the restaurant can get away with a few shortcuts.

Now the food: Delicious. This

place has a slogan — "Cooking Like Mamma Used to Make." Indeed, Mamma Susie is now in a tie with this reviewer's mother.

So, a middle-aged Italian woman came over with a bowl of sausage-vegetable soup, and, of course, garlic bread. Spaghetti and meatballs then appeared on the table, while outside the rain was falling and wind blowing. Warm food, dim lighting, a motherly waitress and a familial ambiance provided for a nice dinner.

The waiters and waitresses knew many of the customers. They talked casually with them, sitting down at their tables. "Did you eat your soup yet? Nope? No — I'm just kiddin'. Just bein' a mother!"

On the right side of the restaurant, some parents tried to subdue their children and teach them the correct way of eating pasta. The children, meanwhile, were much more interested in the Notre Dame paraphernalia and the wind outside. Eventually, they saw the food and quickly quieted down.

Back to the food. Whether the order is dinner or a half-order, it is good and there is a lot of it. This is ideal for college students. Spicy meatballs, spaghetti, fettucini, mostaccioli or whatever you may choose will be cooked well, and quickly. The meatballs are spicy and just right. The drinks are large. The price is small. In fact, you're more likely to spend more on the cab than you are on the meal.

So for "A Bit of Italy," great posters, quaint Italian atmosphere and some very friendly waitresses, come to Cosimo and Susie's. Until then, "Mangia Bene!"

Casual balanced with elegant

By JACKIE OSTROWSKI
Scene Writer

Italian restaurants in the South Bend/Mishawaka area are plentiful, but few can boast a unique atmosphere paired with delicious food. Francesco's is one of a few restaurants that can make such a claim.

Francesco's, located at 1213 N. Lincoln Way in West Mishawaka, is a small but bustling eatery. Vines drape the ceilings, and clusters of everything from gourds to baby photos add a distinct flavor to the restaurant. A fast-paced, almost frantic feel fills the restaurant on a typical, post-game Saturday night as waiters dart in and out of the kitchen. Far from the commercialized, pseudo-Italian "ambiance" of chain restaurants like The Olive Garden, Francesco's has a more familiar feel. The restaurant succeeds in providing a more traditional Italian atmosphere.

Francesco's Italian and American Restaurant

- ◆ Location: 1213 Lincoln Way,
West Mishawaka
- ◆ Phone: 256-1444
- ◆ Hours:
5 p.m. - 10 p.m., Mon. - Sat.
Closed Sunday

- ◆ Atmosphere ★★★★★
- ◆ Food Quality ★★★★★
- ◆ Price ★★★★★
- ◆ Service ★★★★★
- ◆ General Feeling ★★★★★

(out of five stars)

The menu, though somewhat limited, offers enough of a variety to please most diners. Francesco's appetizers are a perfect way to begin a meal. The garlic bread (\$6.50) topped with savory melted cheese delights the palate and is served in large portions. However, the bruschetta (\$7.95) leaves something to be desired; its overly salty seasonings do not complement its attractive presentation. Still, Francesco's should be commended on providing plenty of both appetizers to go around.

Each entrée includes either a bowl of pasta e fagioli soup or a garden salad. Though many diners typically order a salad to accompany an Italian meal, they should not overlook Francesco's soup, which provides just the right blend of tangy flavorings. The salad consists of mainly iceberg lettuce and could benefit from a greater variety of greens. Also, the house Italian dressing, while palatable, has no outstanding qualities that set it apart.

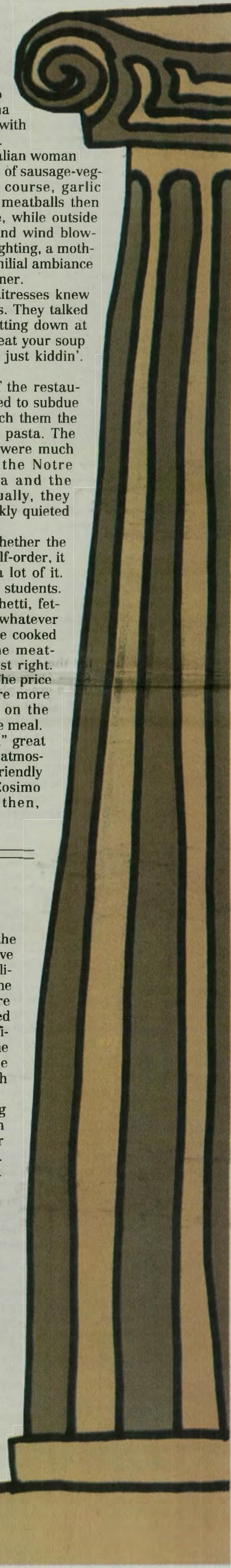
While most Italian restaurants serve

bread before the appetizers, Francesco's waits until the meals arrive. The freshly baked bread, when dipped in olive oil and Parmesan cheese in authentic Italian style, is delicious. For the most part, the portion sizes are hearty. The eggplant parmigiana (\$13.50) and lasagna (\$12.00) are exceptionally large. In comparison, the tortellini is served in a much smaller bowl. However, the tortellini is sufficiently filling and is topped with a flavorful red sauce. The eggplant parmigiana certainly satisfies, but like the bruschetta, it is a bit too salty. Overall, the food is of high quality, but certain aspects could be improved.

Francesco's is moderately priced, with entrées ranging from \$10 to \$18. Naturally, the pricier meals are much larger than the less expensive pasta dishes. The appetizer prices seem steep; they range from about \$6 to \$8. However, the portions are generous and well prepared. Overall, the food here is well worth the money.

Service throughout the meal is generally quite good, if a bit rushed. The fast-paced atmosphere on a busy night might not lend to a dinner of lingering conversation, but it's just right for students and their families, who tend to make up the majority of the crowd on a post-game evening. Typically, the servers are efficient and quick, but their competence sometimes causes their manners to suffer. In an attempt to swiftly distribute meals, one server interrupted an entire table's conversation to reaffirm who had ordered each meal. Understandably, a large party was present, but waiters should make every effort to avoid disrupting dinner conversation.

Beyond price and service, however, lie certain intangibles that affect the overall feel of the restaurant. Francesco's manages to strike the right balance between casual and elegant; the paper menus and plastic chairs somehow fit with the candlelit tables and arched ceilings. The attractive yet relaxed setup of the restaurant unquestionably adds to its charm and popularity. Overall, Francesco's is a worthwhile visit for some delicious Italian food. Hungry diners can devour the atmosphere at Francesco's as easily as the pasta dishes.



COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Mississippi State remains undefeated

Associated Press

STARKVILLE, Miss. Given a second chance, Scott Westerfield kept No. 8 Mississippi State undefeated.

Five minutes after missing a 46-yard field goal attempt, Westerfield kicked a 45-yarder with five seconds left to give the Bulldogs (8-0, 5-0 Southeastern Conference) a 23-22 victory over Kentucky Thursday night.

"I had to redeem myself there," Westerfield said. "The first one, I kind of hooked it a little bit. I knew we were going to need the kick at the end, so I was just glad I could go in there and do my job."

Westerfield got another chance when Kentucky (5-4, 3-3 SEC) was forced to punt with 1:30 left. That set up the Bulldogs, who for the third straight game overcame a double-digit deficit to win in the final two minutes.

"When you miss a field goal and then have a chance to win a game, come back and it's a must, you must make this one, it says a lot about him," State coach Jackie Sherrill said.

"Every week, you say your heart can't take much more of this. But you keep winning and your heart keeps

pumping," Sherrill said. "We talked this week about continuing to play for 60 minutes. The mistakes we made were early in the game."

Never before has Mississippi State been unbeaten so deep into a season.

Backup quarterback Matt Wyatt, who replaced injured starter Wayne Madkin in the third quarter, was 5-of-6 for 53 yards after the Bulldogs took over at their 20. After an illegal forward pass penalty pushed the ball back to the Kentucky 28, Westerfield came on and made up for his earlier miss.

Kentucky had one more chance, but Dusty Bonner was hit when he tried to throw a last-ditch pass, and the ball was intercepted by Eugene Clinton to end the game.

"I'm extremely disappointed that we didn't make simple plays," Kentucky coach Hal Mumme said. "We should have won this game."

The nation's best defense held Kentucky to just 176 yards — 226 yards below their SEC leading average. The Bulldogs were allowing just 202 yards a game.

Mississippi State, which also had to overcome 19 penalties for 143 yards, got the apparent break it needed when Ashley Cooper hit Bonner, forcing a fumble

that Willie Blade recovered at the Kentucky 26.

But the Bulldogs lost 3 yards in three plays and Westerfield missed wide left on a 46-yard field goal attempt with 5:43 left. Westerfield had hit six of his first eight attempts of more than 40 yards this season.

After being held to just 53 yards in the first half, Kentucky gained 50 yards on its first possession of the second half. Tight end James Whalen had catches of 17 and 11 yards, but the Wildcats stalled at the Mississippi State 32 and had to settle for Marc Samuel's 39-yard field goal that put the Wildcats up 22-14.

Whalen has 11 catches, pushing his season total to 78, breaking the NCAA record for catches by a tight end set by Utah's Dennis Smith with 73 in 1989.

Madkin injured his ankle midway through the third quarter, and was replaced by Wyatt after moving State from its 20 to the Kentucky 34. Wyatt came on and completed State's only other second-half touchdown drive, converting third-and-7 with an 8-yard pass to Kelvin Love before freshman Dontae Walker scored on a 6-yard run. Mississippi State still trailed 22-20 after missing a 2-point conversion.

The Wildcats led 19-14 at halftime, scoring on three straight possessions despite averaging a mere 1.6 yards per play.

Bonner's 1-yard plunge put the Wildcats up 12-7 two plays after 6-foot-7, 255-pound defensive end Dennis Johnson blocked a punt to set up Kentucky at the 1.

The previous Kentucky scoring drive started at the Mississippi State 24 after Marlon McCree recovered a fumbled snap.

Kendrick Shanklin caught a 4-yard TD pass from Bonner, but Kentucky still trailed 7-6 after Willie Blade rushed through and blocked the extra point.

On Kentucky's first possession of the second quarter, Bonner hit Whalen twice for 32 yards to set up Anthony White's 6-yard TD run.

Justin Griffith leaped over the pile for a 1-yard TD to get State within 19-14. That was just two plays after Madkin hit Love for a 41-yard gain, converting third-and-18 with the over-the-shoulder catch.

The Bulldogs went ahead 7-0 with a three-play, 89-yard drive. Madkin hit freshman Terrell Grindle for 52 yards and Love for 21 more before Dencenzo Miller ran around left end untouched for an 11-yard TD.

PRO BASKETBALL

Master P considers San Diego

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO

Not good enough for the NBA, rap star Master P could be in the uniform of the minor-league San Diego Stingrays by next week.

The multimillionaire rapper and producer, whose real name is Percy Miller, is negotiating with the Stingrays of the new International Basketball League and a deal could be announced by Wednesday.

"I would say we're pretty close," Stingrays general manager Jim Sims said Thursday night.

"At the same time, it's not a done deal. There are some obstacles that we have to weed through. I think from this end, we can get through it."

Miller was with the Toronto Raptors in training camp, but was waived last week. He later criticized the team for not giving him a fair chance.

"It's not a stunt," Sims said. "He's a guy who can seriously play basketball. How good was Master? Good enough to be there to the last cut."

Sims and coach Smokey Gaines knew of Miller's interest in basketball, so they got his IBL rights by taking him in the 23rd round of the inaugural draft in July.

"We knew he'd be in an NBA camp, and Smokey said, 'If you don't make it, hey, San Diego's a nice place.' He loves to play," Sims said.

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Player had heart condition

Associated Press

BEAVERTON, Ore. — A Beaverton High School football player who collapsed and died hours after practice had a history of chest pains, but was always able to resume playing after his heart rate slowed, his coach and teammates said Thursday.

Brendan FitzPatrick, 18, was watching game video at home with his father Wednesday night when he collapsed.

The state medical examiner's office said the cause of death was believed to be arrhythmia, or an irregular heartbeat that causes the heart to stop pumping blood.

Dr. Karen Gunson of the state medical examiner's office said the teen had a history of Wolff-Parkinson-White Syndrome. People who have the condition can suffer misbeats of the heart or arrhythmia. A doctor first diagnosed FitzPatrick with the syndrome four years ago.

Dr. Jack Kron, who heads the arrhythmia treatment program at Oregon Health Sciences University, said FitzPatrick's condition allowed a chamber of his heart to occasionally "short circuit" and race beyond 300 beats per minute.

Kron said heavy physical activity might be unrelated to his death.

"Folks who aren't athletes

can die with this condition," he said.

FitzPatrick, a 6-foot-3, 230-pound senior, was a four-year letterman at center and was selected first-team all-Metro League last season. He also played basketball on the junior varsity team. He had never suffered a serious problem in a game or practice.

But he had been forced to come out of football practices several times because of chest pains, and coaches always rested him until the pains went away, Beaverton coach Faustin Riley said.

"We've been aware of them," Riley said. "His dad called our offensive line coach and explained the situation, and I guess the basketball coaches have been aware of it. So it's been a condition that didn't bother him very often. But it would, and he was told just to step out until his heart rate went back to normal, and he'd be OK."

FitzPatrick had not had any chest pains this season until Wednesday afternoon. He sat out most of the practice, went in for a few plays, and came back out.

"By the time he left here he seemed to be perfectly fine," Riley said.

FitzPatrick went home, and his teammates from the offensive line came over for dinner. Afterward they watched videotape from a previous game, preparing for Friday night's

game at Hillsboro High.

After about 90 minutes, his teammates left, and FitzPatrick went to put another tape in the recorder to watch with his father, James. FitzPatrick had just sat down on the couch when he collapsed.

The death stunned friends of the popular player. Outside the school, a "memory tree" dedicated to fallen classmates was decorated with flowers and ribbons. Inside, students hugged outside the trophy case and posted letters, poems and photos of the player.

"He was the greatest, teammate Chris Pahl said. "Ever since freshman year he was always there, just joking around. He was always happy. It's a complete shock. For him to be 18 and to die, it's just horrible."

"He was one of those gentle giant type of guys — real big guy, but always smiling," said Riley, who sat alone in the Beavers' locker room before his players came in for a team meeting.

FitzPatrick came from a football family. His two older brothers played at Beaverton High and later in the Pac-10. James FitzPatrick played as an offensive lineman at Southern California from 1983-85 and later with the San Diego Chargers and Los Angeles Raiders. Devin FitzPatrick was a defensive tackle at Oregon from 1985-88.

NBA

Marv Albert returns for full NBA season

Associated Press

Marv Albert is making up for lost time.

After a forced hiatus, the NBA's top play-by-play man returns to NBC this season and will also call a full slate of games for Turner Sports while continuing his duties at the Madison Square Garden network.

"People will be saying, 'It's enough. Get him out of here,'" Albert said. "But to me, it's like a dream world."

Albert hasn't received official word on his partner on NBC, which begins coverage Christmas Day. He does know he'll be teamed with former partner Mike Fratello on Turner, and they form perhaps the league's best broadcasting duo, slightly better than NBC's Bob Costas and Doug Collins.

"He's the best in the business," said Fratello, who was fired as coach of the Cleveland Cavaliers after last season.

Albert called Fratello one of the top three or four coaches in the NBA.

"We're just fortunate to have him for as long as we're going to have him," Albert said. "Unfortunately for TV, I think it's going to be a short run."

Fratello said that Albert has paid his dues after he was fired by NBC after pleading guilty in a sex case about two years ago.

"That's over and done," Fratello said. "We've all done things at times that we wished we could change. The thing is what you do to pick yourself up. Marv's done a terrific job of handling it."

Albert and Fratello worked their first game together on TNT on Tuesday night, when the Los Angeles Lakers defeated the Utah Jazz.

The Lakers and the New York Knicks will appear on Turner a league-high 15 times this season and will make the maximum 26 appearances between the two networks.

Even with the lockout last season that knocked out the first half of Turner's schedule, the cable network somehow managed a 5 percent increase in ratings.

"We'd love to say we knew it all along, but we didn't," said Kevin O'Malley, Turner's senior vice president of programming. "None of us knew the impact. The longer it went, the more we felt there might be a long fan backlash."

But the fan revolt never happened.



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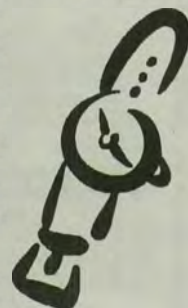
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NBA

Jones steals Hornet record in win over Pacers

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C.

Eddie Jones led the most prolific defensive effort in Charlotte Hornets history with a club-record nine steals that fueled a 98-89 victory over the Indiana Pacers on Thursday night.

Jones' efforts helped the Hornets force a franchise-record 32 turnovers and convert them into 33 points, securing the first 2-0 start in Charlotte's 12 seasons.

Jones, who added 22 points, keyed a 16-6 run in the first quarter that put the Hornets ahead to stay. Jones had six points and two steals in the surge, when Charlotte forced six turnovers and converted them into 10 points for a 22-14 lead.

Jones' theft total, which represented a new career high for one of the NBA's best defenders, helped the Hornets finish with a franchise-record 20 steals. Rookie Baron Davis added four and Bobby Phills had three.

Reggie Miller had 20 points for the Pacers, who had more problems than their failure to take care of the ball. Aging center Rik Smits, bothered by foot pain for several years, had trouble getting up and down the court and moving around quickly in the post on defense. Charlotte exploited Smits' problems by repeatedly driving at him down low, and the result was a 46-26 edge for scoring in the paint.

Toronto 97, Miami 86

Doug Christie had 28 points, including six 3-pointers, to lead the Toronto Raptors over Miami, snapping an eight-game losing streak against the Heat.

Vince Carter, who had 24 points, led a fourth-quarter charge with nine points in the period.

Antonio Davis, who came in a trade from Indiana in the off-season, had 13 rebounds for Toronto.

Alonzo Mourning had 18 points, seven rebounds and five blocked shots for Miami. P.J. Brown had a double-double with 17 points and 13 rebounds, and Jamal Mashburn added 17 points and six assists.

The Raptors last beat the Heat on March 30, 1997, a 102-97 home victory.

The Raptors, who outscored Miami 31-17 in the fourth quarter, put together a 7-0 run to go up 78-75.

Carter set up Dell Curry's 3-pointer 3:25 into the fourth to bring the Raptors within one. Carter put Toronto in front 76-75 on a long jumper and then had a fingertip layup as the Raptors went ahead for good. Christie added three 3-pointers late in the game to clinch the Raptors' first win of the season.

The Raptors took a 47-40 lead at the half. Alvin Williams made a nice fake on Tim Hardaway for a layup, then hit an off-balance 26-footer near the buzzer. But the Heat came back with a 11-0 run as the fourth quarter began, courtesy of a pair of jumpers by Clarence Weatherspoon.

Seattle 106, Dallas 96

Vin Baker and Vernon Maxwell each scored 22 points as the Seattle SuperSonics launched their home season with a victory over Dallas.

Cedric Ceballos scored 34 points for the Mavericks, who lost to the Sonics in overtime in their home opener last season.

Gary Payton, who was scoreless at halftime, added 10 points and 13 assists. Baker added 13

rebounds.

The Sonics got a dunk on an offensive rebound by Jelani McCoy with 5:29 left, and a steal and dunk by Brent Barry nine seconds later to take a 100-86 lead.

With a rebuilt roster featuring three new starters, the Sonics got 17 points from new small forward Ruben Patterson and 14 points and 11 rebounds from Horace Grant, the team's new center.

Grant, 34, played 36 minutes and Maxwell logged 30 minutes as Seattle improved to after missing the playoffs for the first time in nine years last season.

Dallas got 15 points from Dirk Nowitzki and 14 from Michael Finley.

Seattle took a seven-point lead into the fourth quarter and Maxwell promptly sank a 3-pointer.

Dallas cut its deficit to 84-79 before Rashard Lewis sank two free throws. McCoy hit a five-footer. Lewis scored on a fastbreak layup and McCoy had a dunk to put the Sonics in front 92-79.

Utah 98, Houston 82

Karl Malone is on the brink of joining Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Wilt Chamberlain and Michael Jordan as the only NBA players to score more than 29,000 points.

But forget the milestone. Malone would rather talk about his defense.

Malone scored 21 points and John Stockton added 18 points and seven assists as the Utah Jazz beat the Houston Rockets.

Going into Saturday night's game at Seattle, Malone needs 19 points to become the fourth player in NBA history to score 29,000 points. The others are Abdul-Jabbar (38,387 points), Chamberlain (31,419) and Jordan (29,277).

"I don't want to be known only as an offensive player," Malone said. "The defensive awards the last three years are sometimes what I'm most proud of."

For the past three seasons, coaches have named Malone to the NBA's All-Defensive First Team. Going against Malone most of the night, Charles Barkley scored eight points and had five rebounds.

Asked about breaking the 29,000-point barrier, Malone said: "I just want to concentrate on winning ballgames. It'll happen soon enough if I can stay healthy. I don't even think about it."

Stockton, meanwhile, was 8-of-8 from the floor and hit both of his free throw attempts. Jeff Hornacek added 11 of his 17 points in the third quarter as the Jazz pulled away from a 44-44 tie.

"A couple of shots fell," Stockton said. "There really is no explanation. We try to do the same things that we do every night. We try to make cuts off of Karl because they are so worried about stopping him."

Malone was called for a charging into Barkley with 6:37 to play in the third and referee Violet Palmer added a technical after Malone argued. The Rockets pulled within 48-45 on the ensuing free throw by Walt Williams.

It fired up the Jazz, who closed the period with a 20-14 run. Utah put the game out of reach with an 11-3 run over a span of 1:33 early in the fourth quarter with Malone, Stockton and Hornacek on the bench.

Jacque Vaughn had two baskets and Bryon Russell, after

starting 0-for-9, added a 3-pointer and a fast-break dunk in the burst.

Howard Eisley scored 11 points off the bench as the Jazz avoided starting the season 0-2 for the first time in 14 years.

Cuttino Mobley scored 17 points for the Rockets, who had seven turnovers in the first 6 minutes and finished with 23. Hakeem Olajuwon added 12 points and Bryce Drew 10 but Houston never led.

"I was really disappointed," said coach Rudy Tomjanovich. "We worked on these guys [Jazz] yesterday and I thought we had a good shootaround today. We're not transferring what our plan is to the floor."

Rockets swingman Shandon Anderson returned to the Delta Center, where he spent the first three seasons of his NBA career with the Jazz.

Phoenix 84, Philadelphia 80

Penny Hardaway scored 18 points in his Phoenix debut and the Suns recovered from an early fourth-quarter collapse to win their home opener from the Philadelphia 76ers Thursday night.

Jason Kidd scored seven of his 22 points in the final 5:12 and rookie Shawn Marion added 16 for the Suns, who blew a nine-point lead at the start of the final period. Phoenix won despite 26 turnovers, thanks largely to a 4-for-20 shooting performance by Allen Iverson.

The 76ers led 77-72 with 6:02 to play, then didn't score again until George Lynch's layup with 7.4 seconds remaining.

Kidd made three of four free throws and grabbed a crucial offensive rebound in the final 51.1 seconds.

Tyrone Hill scored 14 and Iverson 11 for Philadelphia. Lynch and Aaron McKie added 10 apiece. Eric Snow was 2-for-12, making the two starting 76ers guards a combined 6-for-32.

Hardaway, who was suspended for Tuesday's season opener for throwing a punch at Miami's Rex Walters in the pre-season, was 5-for-14 from the field and 7-for-8 from the foul line. He scored nine in the third quarter as the Suns built a 68-59 lead.

The 76ers outscored Phoenix 15-0 to start the final quarter and take a 74-68 lead on rookie Todd MacCulloch's rebound basket with 7:06 to play. Iverson, MacCulloch and Hill each scored four during the run. The Suns were 0-for-6 with four turnovers during that stretch.

A 7-0 Suns run put them up for good 79-78. Kidd hit a jumper and two free throws, then Marion sank a 16-footer to put the Suns ahead 78-77. Tom Gugliotta, who missed four free throws down the stretch in the Suns' overtime loss in Denver on Tuesday, missed two with 3:26 to play, but Rodney Rogers made one of two with 2:30 remaining to put Phoenix up 79-77.

San Antonio 104,**Golden State 81**

David Robinson's aching back is getting better.

Robinson scored 19 points, and Tim Duncan added 15 points and 14 rebounds as the San Antonio Spurs defeated the Golden State Warriors Thursday night.

Robinson, 34, was slowed in the preseason with a sore upper back after getting elbowed in an exhibition game in Houston. He also had tightness in his lower back, a problem that flares up from time to time. He missed two preseason games because of the ailments.

"I'm starting to feel good again," Robinson said. "My back body is starting to bounce around again. My back feels fine."

Robinson and Duncan each had three blocked shots as the Spurs held Golden State to 34 percent shooting.

"We did great defensively," Duncan said. "The low shooting percentage (for Golden State) was very good. That's what we want to do. That's what we did last year."

Warriors coach P.J. Carlesimo said his team tried to concentrate on defending Duncan and Robinson, but then other Spurs players pitched in and hurt Golden State.

"They are so deep," Carlesimo said. "They have quite a few guys on their bench with nearly ten years of NBA experience who really understand their

roles and fill them nicely."

Reserve forward Samaki Walker, a free agent from Dallas who signed with San Antonio in the off-season, had 16 points.

"I'm still looking for my flow," Walker said. "Once I get my flow, I feel I can contribute more, give more of a spark."

San Antonio held a 10-point lead at halftime, then expanded it to 20 several times in the third quarter.

By the end of the third, the Warriors trimmed the Spurs' lead to 73-56 thanks to two baskets by rookie Vonteego Cummings in the final 29 seconds.

The Spurs opened the final period with a 3-pointer by Jaren Jackson. Robinson scored the next seven points for San Antonio, giving the Spurs an 83-61 lead with 8:03 remaining and putting the game out of reach.

Milwaukee 119, Atlanta 109

The Milwaukee Bucks wanted to prove right from the start they're one of the best teams in the Eastern Conference.

So far, so good.

Ray Allen scored 31 points, Sam Cassell added 24 and the Milwaukee Bucks spoiled the Atlanta Hawks' first NBA game at Philips Arena.

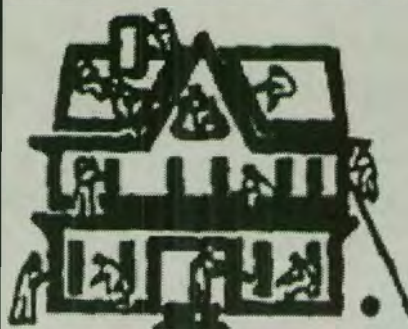
The Bucks have won their first two games on the road, beating Houston 98-93 in the opener Tuesday night.

"When we get on the court, we run on all four cylinders," Allen said. "We're definitely off to a great start. Eighty games left. It's important that we keep focused. We can't get too happy. We have to create a mystique about our team and let them know we're for real."

The new-look Hawks look real — real confused. With a roster that includes seven new players, Atlanta threw the ball all over the court and wound up with 26 turnovers, leading to 35 points for Milwaukee.

"Turnovers have been the nemesis for us," said coach Lenny Wilkens, whose team gave up the ball 23 times in a 94-87 loss at Washington in the opener. "We have stretches where we play real well, and then there are stretches where we just don't take care of the ball."

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Padres sign Lopes as manager

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE Davey Lopes had his eye on the Milwaukee Brewers for a while.

On Thursday, the Brewers eyed him back.

"I anticipated that this day would happen," Lopes said Thursday after agreeing to a three-year contract to manage the Brewers.

As the San Diego Padres' first-base coach for the past five seasons, Lopes closely observed the Brewers, particularly when they played the Padres.

"I didn't know if it would happen, but I anticipated it," he said. "We'd play Milwaukee, and people would say, 'Watch this club. You'll probably be managing this team next year.'"

Lopes replaced Phil Garner, fired in August with the team headed to its seventh straight losing season.

General manager Dean Taylor, hired Sept. 21, called Lopes' arrival "a turning point" for the Brewers.

"It was quite apparent to us ... that Davey Lopes knew how to manage a big league team," Taylor said. "It's his turn."

A respected baseball mind and an energetic clubhouse presence, Lopes had an inkling he might be the right fit for a rebuilding team getting ready for a move to a new ballpark in 2001.

Lopes' hiring ends years of

frustration for the four-time All-Star second baseman, who has been a candidate for nearly every managerial opening in baseball in the past few seasons.

"There was a point in my career — lately, in fact — that I didn't think this would happen," he said.

Lopes, who has Hispanic, African-American and Irish roots, becomes the fifth minority manager in baseball, joining Dusty Baker of San Francisco, Jerry Manuel of the Chicago White Sox, Felipe Alou of Montreal and Don Baylor of the Chicago Cubs, who was hired on Monday.

Baseball commissioner Bud Selig, the father of team president Wendy Selig-Prieb, demanded teams consider minority candidates for all front-office and managerial positions.

"Anything like that is a slow process," Lopes said. "It's moving in the right direction. I think you can see some positive things coming from the mandate commissioner Selig handed down. It's never going to be equal ... but I think we're making strides."

It was widely assumed that the Brewers would hire a minority candidate for their managerial position because of Selig's ties to the club. Selig-Prieb admitted the commissioner's directive was considered, but said Lopes "was far and away the right person for the job, even without the directive."

With Lopes' resume, it's difficult to argue. After a 16-year playing career with Los Angeles, Oakland, Houston and the Chicago Cubs, he spent the next 11 seasons as a coach with Texas, Baltimore and San Diego, where he was the Padres' first-base coach for the past five years.

Still, Lopes has no managerial experience except for two seasons in the Arizona Fall League. He said one of his biggest challenges will be learning how to handle a major league pitching staff — or even the Brewers' pitching staff, whose 5.09 ERA was the NL's third-worst in 1999.

Perhaps because he has so much practice, Lopes wowed Taylor and assistant GM David Wilder during their initial interview last month. Taylor said Lopes outlined specific strategies for improving the team's lineup and on-field preparation, making definite suggestions from his observations of the Brewers.

"He was by far the best-prepared candidate," Taylor said. "He emerged very quickly as one of the top candidates. His philosophy mirrored ours."

Taylor, Wilder and Lopes will head to baseball's general managers meeting next week, where they'll get started on the rebuilding job Taylor has said the Brewers need.

Jim Lefebvre was the Brewers' interim manager for the season's final seven weeks. Milwaukee finished 74-87, fifth in the NL Central.

Umpires scramble to pay legal bills

Associated Press

NEW YORK

A day before a grievance hearing to determine whether 22 umpires get their jobs back, baseball owners said Thursday the union hasn't shown proof it lived up to an agreement reached in federal court.

Umpires, meanwhile, were scrambling to raise money to pay their legal bills. According to a memo sent by union president Jerry Crawford to umpires on Oct. 6, umpires owe \$123,261 to a New York law firm, \$11,768 to a New York public relations firm and an unspecified amount to a Philadelphia law firm.

A lawyer for the owners sent the Major League Umpires Association a letter Thursday asking for a copy of the \$100,000 bond the union agreed to obtain as part of a settlement approved by a federal judge in Philadelphia in September.

Under the agreement, the 22 umpires will be paid through Dec. 31, but if they lose the grievance, the money will be reimbursed from their termination pay. The \$100,000 bond covers umpires who don't qualify for termination pay.

"Now that we are about to commence the arbitration," lawyer Howard Ganz wrote, "I request that you provide us

with a copy of the bond the MLUA has obtained."

Neither union head Richie Phillips nor union president Jerry Crawford returned telephone messages.

As part of the settlement, owners agreed to allow umpires to file the grievance claiming the 22 umpires were illegally terminated Sept. 2.

Owners accepted the resignations of the 22 umpires after a mass-resignation plan failed. On Friday, they will ask arbitrator Alan Symonette to dismiss the case, arguing that it is beyond the scope of his authority.

The umpires' labor contract "clearly and unambiguously gives the league presidents sole discretion over such decisions," owners said in a legal brief filed Wednesday.

Umpires retained Susan Davis and her New York firm, Cohen, Weiss & Simon, in August, prior to the suit that led to the federal court settlement, and paid the firm a \$65,000 advance.

While umpires originally intended to use Davis in the grievance hearing, they instead will be represented by a Philadelphia-based lawyer, Tom Jennings.

In his memo, Crawford asked umpires to assign their \$20,000 postseason bonuses to the union to pay those legal and public relations bills. It's not clear how many complied.

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Football

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The game came down to the last minute. With the Irish leading 31-24, Tony Rice, who completed 8 of 16 passes for 195 yards and a touchdown and also rushed for a touchdown, was hit hard from behind and fumbled.

After Greg Mark recovered for the Hurricanes, Miami quarterback Steve Walsh took the field just 15 yards from tying the game. Walsh had already passed for more than 400 yards and thrown three touchdowns on the day. It would take a phenomenal effort by the Irish defense to stop him from stretching his starting record to a perfect 17-0.

With their backs to the goal line, the Irish defense dug in and held the Hurricanes to just four yards on three plays. Facing a fourth-and-six from the 11-yard line, Miami was in trouble.

But Walsh remained cool under pressure and lofted a pass into the back right corner of the end zone for a touchdown to Andre Brown to bring the Hurricanes within one with just 42 seconds remaining.

In the era before overtime, Miami head coach Jimmy Johnson had an important decision to make: kick and extra point and settle for a tie, or go for two and the win but at the same time risk defeat. Johnson decided to go for the win and put the ball in the hands of his best player — Walsh.

Walsh had completed 31 of 50 passes for 424 yards and four touchdowns on the day.

Sixty minutes of struggle and hours of summer practice came down to one play as the two teams lined up for the two-point conversion. Walsh, under pressure from Irish tackle George Williams, lofted a pass toward Leonard Conley in the back of the end zone.

Walsh's pass, however, never reached its destination. Irish Pat Terrell stepped in front of the pass and batted it to the earth.

"We knew we had to finish up on that last play," Terrell said after the game. "I saw the Miami receiver head into the corner of the end zone and just jumped in

front of him. I followed Walsh's eyes the whole way. I knew where he was going to throw the football and I don't think he saw me coming."

Walsh didn't see Terrell coming earlier in the game either. In the second quarter, with the Irish leading 14-7, Terrell stepped in front of a lobbed Walsh pass and returned it 60 yards for the Irish touchdown and a 21-7 Notre Dame lead.

The lead didn't last long, though, as the Hurricanes scored 14 points in the next five minutes.

Walsh connected with Conley on fourth down for a 23-yard touchdown to bring the 'Canes within seven before he led a 54-yard drive that ended with a 15-yard scoring toss to Cleveland Gary to tie the game at halftime.

Early in the third quarter, Johnson made a controversial call when the Hurricanes ran a fake punt at the Hurricane 46-yard line. The Irish defense, however, was not fooled and stuffed Matt Britton for a loss.

Rice hit tailback Ricky Watters for a 44-yard gain on the very next play before Pat Eilers plunged into the end zone from two yards out.

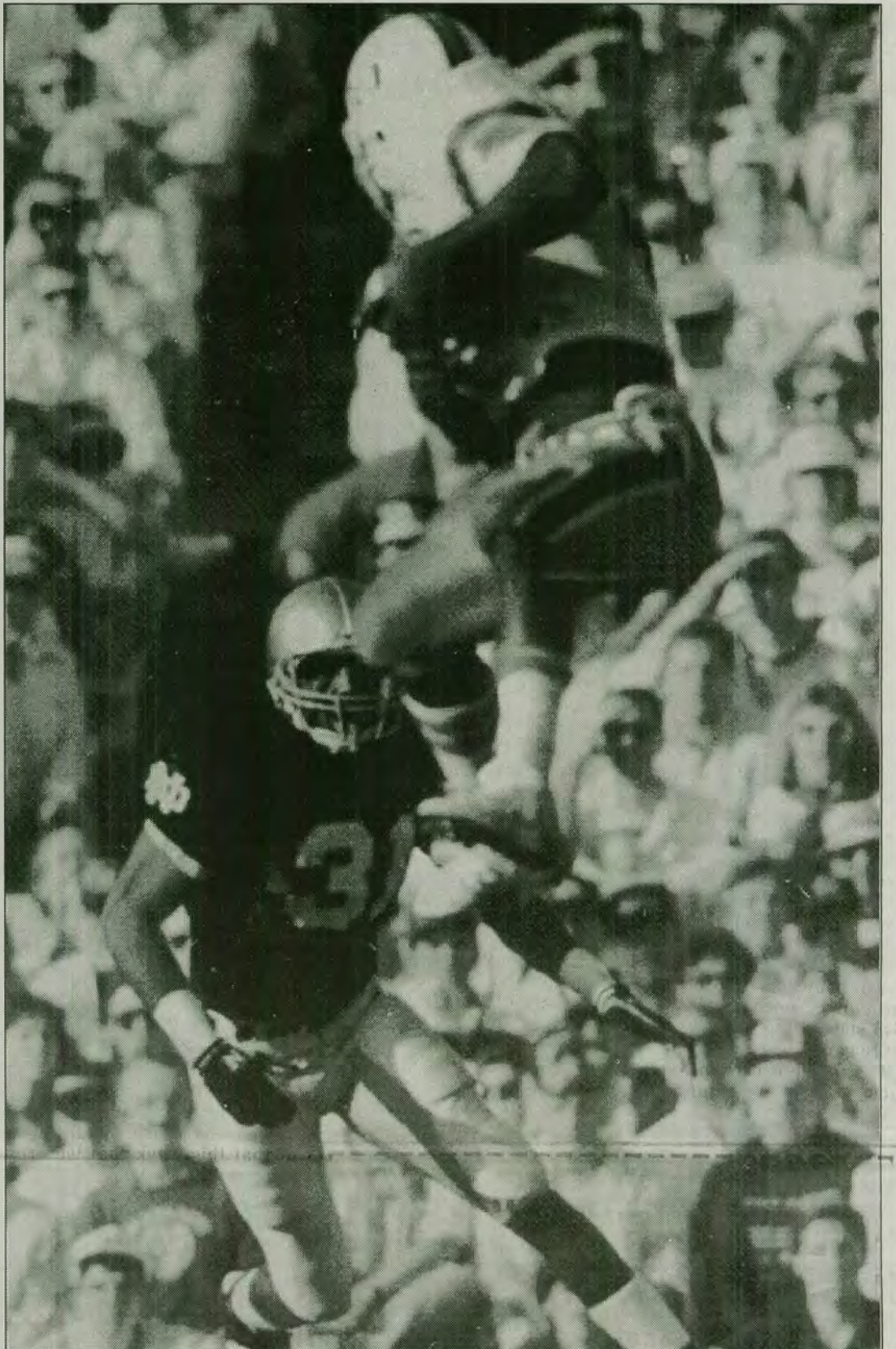
Notre Dame's Reggie Ho hit a 27-yard, third-quarter field goal to extend the lead to 10 before Miami Carlos Heutra answered with a 27-yarder of his own to cut the lead to 31-24.

The Hurricanes almost tied the game midway through the fourth quarter when Walsh hit Gary streaking across the middle at the Irish 11-yard line. Gary turned up-field toward the goal line but was tackled at the 1-yard line and fumbled the ball to Irish linebacker Michael Stonebreaker. It appeared that Gary was down before he fumbled, but the referees ruled that the ball came out before he hit the ground.

Johnson was not pleased with the call after the game.

"It wasn't a fumble," Johnson said. "He had it in his hand and he went straight to the ground with the ball. It wasn't a fumble."

The drama of the closing seconds, however, erased any memory of a controversy from Irish minds as Notre Dame used the victory as a springboard to the National Championship.



Observer File Photo

Senior free safety Corny Southall prepares to tackle an unidentified Miami receiver in Notre Dame's 31-30 victory, in 1988.

VOLLEYBALL

Notre Dame defends No.1 ranking against Syracuse

By MATT OLIVA
Sports Writer

On Saturday, the Notre Dame volleyball team will host Syracuse in the last home match of the season.

The Irish, currently No. 1 in the Big East with an 8-0 conference record, bring a 15-6 record into the meeting.

The game is the final career home contest for Irish seniors Mary Leffers, Emily Shiebout and Lauren Stettin.

Syracuse has had a rough season so far.

The Orangemen's overall record is 17-11, and they are 4-4 in Big East play.

Of the eight conference matches it has played so far, five have gone the distance, with Syracuse winning only twice.

The team is led by outside hitter Rachel Watson and opposite Dana Fiume, who recorded her first career triple-double in the team's loss to Providence last weekend.

"Their strength is in the right side attack," said Irish head coach Debbie Brown. "Fortunately we see it every day in practice with Kristy Kreher. We also know that Big East teams are going to take risks, serving aggressively against us. Our siding-out has been good and we will work on that in practice."

The Irish lead the all-time series between the two schools with six straight victories, including a 15-8, 15-4, 7-15, 16-14 win at home a year ago. Syracuse's first and only win over Notre Dame came back in 1981.

Notre Dame is led by Leffers on offense. She leads the Irish in both hitting percentage and blocks per game.

The middle blocker is second nationally in blocks per game with a 1.78 mark behind Heather Bown, of Hawaii, who boasts a 2.29 per-game average.

Leffers is the all-time Notre Dame career leader in hit-

ting percentage (.298) and second in total blocks (529) and block average (1.41).

As a team, the Irish

appeared for the third time among the nation's leaders in hitting percentage with a .275 average (17th overall).

The Irish also rank seventh overall for the second-straight week in blocks per game with a 3.28 mark.



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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Irish defend Big East crown against Pirates

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Associate Sports Editor

The No. 6 Notre Dame women's soccer team continues its defense of its 1998 Big East championship today at 5 p.m. in the Big East semifinals in Piscataway, N.J. against the Pirates of Seton Hall.

The Irish have won every Big East title since they joined the conference in 1995.

The Irish faced the Pirates once already this year and won 4-2. While the Irish are a deeper and more talented team overall, the Pirates feature one of the most dangerous goal scorers in the country in Kelly Smith. Smith, the Big East pre-season offensive player of the year, leads Seton Hall with 27 goals.

She leads the nation in goals and has been named Big East offensive player of the week three times in 1999 — including this week for her hat trick and two assists in Seton Hall's 6-2 win over Syracuse in the Big East quarterfinals. The junior now has 76 goals in her career and has a chance to break Mia Hamm's NCAA record 103 career goals next year. In their Sept. 24 matchup, Smith tallied a goal and an assist in a losing effort.

While Smith is an incredible scorer, Waldrum also believes she can be contained if the Irish stay on top of her for the entire game.

"I think she is certainly stoppable but she is one of those

players that you have a handle on her for 89 minutes but if you have that one second where you lose track of her she will put the ball in the net, Waldrum said. "Do you focus so much that you take away from other things or do you just focus enough to counter what she does? It should make for an interesting matchup. We are certainly going to do our best to make her a non-factor in the game."

Irish head coach Randy Waldrum hopes that playing against a player of Smith's caliber will prevent the Irish from looking past the Pirates.

"I think playing Seton Hall and against a player like Kelly Smith will help us to focus for 90 minutes, Waldrum said. "If we don't, she is certainly the kind of player that can give you problems. In the first game of the year she was certainly a handful for us."

Focusing for all 90 minutes has been a problem for the Irish in their past three games. In the quarterfinals against the Miami Hurricanes, the Irish looked sluggish in the first half and went into the locker room with just a 1-0 lead. The Irish played much better in the second half and cruised to a 5-0 win.

The Irish also had problems with intensity in their last two regular season wins over the Wisconsin Badgers and the Indiana Hoosiers. Against Wisconsin, Notre Dame gave up two quick goals less than one minute after the Irish had



Junior midfielder Anne Makinen, shown here against Miami, was recently named to the first team All-Big East team.

scored a goal. In the Indiana game, the Hoosiers scored the first goal in the opening minutes of the game. The lack of defensive focus as of late has led to better focus in practice, according to Waldrum.

"I haven't seen any indication of that this week that we are looking ahead, he said. "The way this team has been defensively in the last few games, with the exception of Miami, we can't afford to be looking too far ahead."

While the Pirates have relied on Smith for almost all of their scoring, the Irish have had the luxury of many scoring threats throughout the season. While none of the Irish have scored more than 20 goals this year, four have scored more than 10 with Jenny Heft leading the Irish with 17. Senior Jenny Streiffer is second on the team with 15 and juniors Meotis Erikson and Anne Makinen are

third with 12.

Makinen has enjoyed considerable success in Big East championships in the past. As a freshman and a sophomore she was named the Big East championship's most outstanding player. Makinen, like the rest of her teammates, has a knack for stepping up her play in the big games.

"She is certainly a world class player, Waldrum said. "She will step up and have a great tournament. She always steps up in the big games. I think most of our kids focus better in the bigger games. I think sometimes we have the tendency to play down to the level of the teams we play against."

If the Irish defeat the Pirates, they will face the winner of the second semifinal between the Connecticut Huskies and the Boston College Eagles on Sunday at noon.

ND earns Big East awards

Observer Staff Report

Just like it has dominated Big East competition en route to a perfect 6-0 conference record, the Notre Dame women's soccer team dominated the awards at last night's Big East soccer banquet.

All-American Jen Grubb was named the Big East defensive player of the year for the second straight year — one in which she led an Irish defense that held opponents to just .9 goals per game. Grubb also became the first player in conference history to be named first team All-Big East four years in a row.

Another member of that Irish defense, freshman Vanessa Pruzinsky, was named Big East rookie of the year and was a unanimous selection to the Big East All-Rookie Team. Pruzinsky was joined on the All-Rookie team by midfielder Nancy Mikacenic, who scored one goal and added nine assists in her freshman season. Notre Dame tied with Connecticut for the most selections to the All-Rookie team with two.

The designer of the stifling Irish defense, head coach Randy Waldrum, was named Big East coach of the year in his first year as the Irish head coach.

Notre Dame had more players named first team All-Big East and second team All-Big East than any other team. Irish seniors Grubb, Jenny Heft and Jenny Streiffer joined junior Anne Makinen on the first team. Makinen, who scored 12 goals and added eight assists, was a unanimous first team selection while Streiffer was a first team selection for the first time since her sophomore year. Streiffer has scored 15 goals and assisted on 13 others to lead the Irish in points.

Heft took home All-Big East first team honors for the second straight year for her team, leading the conference with 17 goals. Goalkeeper LaKeysia Beene and defender Kara Brown were both named second team All-Big East.



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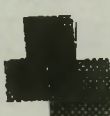
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So now we know what we have to do to keep them from scoring."

The last time the two squads met in the Big East tournament was in the 1996 championship game in which the Irish had the upper hand and came away with the 1-0 victory.

Rutgers has an impressive Big East tournament record since it entered into the conference in 1995.

Hosting its fifth quarterfinal game in as many seasons with the Big East, the Scarlet Knight have gone undefeated in opening round matches, with a 4-0 record.

The Irish, in their fourth consecutive tournament bid, hope to break the Scarlet Knight's winning streak.

Anchoring the Rutgers' defense is goalkeeper Jon

Conway. One of the best goalkeepers in the nation, Conway has led the Scarlet Knights to an 11-4-2 record with seven shutouts, one of them against the Irish.

"We're not too concerned with the goalie specifically. Any goalie is beatable," said Maio. "He is very good, but we also made him look good."

Conway's 35 percent goals against average in the Big East leads the conference.

Defense is the focal point for the Irish in the second half of the season and continues to be heading into Saturday's contest.

"We're concentrating on our defense and working on not committing any mistakes," said Maio.

"We need to stay focused and make sure that they don't score on us. Games at Rutgers are typically close — if we can get up a goal on them we think we'll be able to hold them in order to win."



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Junior midfielder Dustin Pridmore controls the ball against Syracuse. Notre Dame will take on Rutgers in the semifinal round of the Big East tournament on Saturday.

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Newcomer Kesteloot makes big splash for diving team

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Saint Mary's Editor

Freshman Jani Kesteloot may be new to the sport of diving, but she's a fast learner.

With her acrobatic experience limited to the gymnastics floor, the diving board and flips into the water — not on the floor — were a far cry from any performance she had ever done.

The transition, however, didn't scare her.

"I wasn't nervous at all," Kesteloot said about her first competition at last month's Notre Dame relays. "There are a lot of similar elements, and a lot of divers are ex-gymnasts. It wasn't a big deal."

The diver's opening performance of her diving career, she said, was a success, but it didn't come without angst. Her skill preparation led right up to the hours before her first competition, where she arrived at warm-ups early to learn the reverse dive that she would be performing later that afternoon.

"Ping [Tong], my coach, told me that I could do it," Kesteloot said. "She knew I was nervous, and she said that

I had the abilities to do it. I just had to decide to go out there and do it."

She completed the dive without error.

Kesteloot and fellow freshman diver Jackie Kistner will be just two of the new factors that could propel the Saint Mary's swimming and diving team to a solid start in their first dual meet of the season Saturday.

Sans divers last year, Kesteloot and Kistner could provide the team with one of the links needed to secure a victory.

Walking into a meet lost by only five points last year, the combination of divers, a strong base of freshmen, and a new coach puts an entirely new team together against an unsuspecting University of Chicago squad.

"Looking at the times these ladies are posting in practice, they have come down a lot since the beginning of the season," said head coach Gretchen Hildebrandt. "They are going to take off."

The addition of mental training to their physical training regime has provided an added motivation, Hildebrandt said.

"Their mental attitude is right where it needs to be,"

she said. "We've set long term and short term goals both individually and for the team. Even in practice, when I tell them to set goals, I see their times coming down because they're working towards them."

The squad is led by senior co-captain Michelle Samreta in the breaststroke and butterfly events while strong performances are expected from sophomore Danielle Clayton in sprint freestyle events, and Lane Herrington, a freshman standout, in backstroke and middle distance freestyle.

The women could provide standout performances despite

a lack of depth on the team, Hildebrandt said.

"Our top one or two swimmers are very strong in every event," Hildebrandt said. "We don't have a lot of depth, but those performances will be strong."

Another factor not to be ignored is the 10 freshmen, who will compete in their first college dual meet.

"We are so much stronger [because] of these freshmen," Hildebrandt said. "Of our top seeded swimmers, four are freshmen. They provide a strong base."

Having chased University of Chicago's fourth place finish

at Notre Dame relays, the women will have their work cut out for them.

A month further into training, adjusting to a new coach and acclimating the freshmen will put the ladies to the test as they open their dual meet season.

But if critics speak of inexperience as a potential influence on Saturday's performance, the freshmen won't hear of it.

"I'm prepared, and I'm not nervous," Kesteloot said. "I'm out there to work hard. Anything that I can do to help this team I'm going to do. It's the points that count."

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MEN'S INTERHALL PLAYOFFS

Fisher faces Knott
in quarterfinalsBy JASON KROMPINGER
Sports Writer

In this Sunday's second round of the interhall playoffs, Fisher's matchup against Knott will feature a team coming off an impressive upset victory going against one that has been progressing as expected.

But, as the team captains say, each team deserves to be there.

"Where teams are seeded really mean nothing to us in these playoffs," said Fisher's sophomore defensive lineman Dahx Marrs.

Fisher is coming off an upset victory over No. 1 seeded Alumni, whose defense had been unscored upon coming into that game.

Despite their eighth-seed ranking coming into the playoffs, Fisher is a formidable match for opponents, with Sorin as the only team to have scored on them.

Practices this week continued to be beneficial for the Green Wave, with plenty of hard hitting.

They have continued to work on their showcased power-option offense, though this week they have worked in the wideouts, namely receiver Steve Doherty, on some plays to mix up the offense.

"Steve's our number one receiver; we'll be trying to get the ball to him," said Marr.

For the Juggernauts, the practices this week have focused on continuing to play the way they've been playing all year round. A main concern of quarterback Mario Suarez and the rest of the team is how the team will perform against Fisher's option-dominated offense.

"We've played against mostly pass-oriented teams this year," said Suarez. "We have to know how to react defensively."

Suarez feels that the team has matured in their play from game to game.

"We just hope that we can continue to improve, as we have been improving in each game all season long," he said.

The confidence level has already proven to be a huge factor in deciding games so far in the playoffs, namely the fact that too much of it can ultimately be a team's downfall. Two of the best teams in the league, Alumni and last year's champion Keenan, were upset — perhaps because of overconfidence.

"Our team has played with confidence in practice this week, but it's been a healthy confidence," said Suarez. "We feel we can win, but we also know that Fisher is the toughest team we've faced yet."

WOMEN'S INTERHALL PLAYOFFS

Pyro powerhouse takes on Chaos

By STEVE KEPPEL
Sports Writer

As teams advance to the second round of the interhall playoffs, competition becomes more intense.

Not only are the players' seasons and possibly careers on the line, now they are within reach of possibly playing in Notre Dame Stadium for the coveted interhall championship.

On Sunday afternoon, the undefeated and two-time defending champion Pasquerilla East Pyros will face off against a young and talented Cavanaugh team.

P.E. definitely has the edge in experience. It is a team full of upperclassmen who have been in the post-season in past years. P.E. is led by the awe-inspiring play of fifth-year senior quarterback Elizabeth Plummer. If P.E. wins this week, it will be Plummer's fourth trip to the stadium in the last five years.

"We are an experienced team, we have been there before and we know what we have to do to get back," said Plummer.

Cavanaugh is quite young in comparison.

"We have a young team with only three seniors," said Chaos captain Mellisa Tacey. "Even though we are young we play really well together."

The Chaos are making their first appearance ever in the semifinals.

Cavanaugh is led by the tenacious play of its defense, which provided a spark for the entire team all season.

"Our defense has propelled our offense, the offense often feeds off of our momentum," freshmen defensive back Heather Hoffman said.

The Chaos have put together a



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Top-seed P.E. takes on Cavanaugh in its quest to return to the championship game for the fourth time in five years.

solid season, losing only two games, and have improved greatly over last year.

P.E. is coming off an impressive 19-7 win over a talented Howard team. After a lackadaisical start the Pyros turned up the heat and rolled on to victory.

"This game, we are going to have to come in fired up right away. We really want to get back to the stadium," said Plummer.

Cavanaugh defeated a tough Lyons team last week 6-0. The Chaos got off to a rough start but they managed to pull it out in the end.

"Our offense struggled at the beginning of the game but we played really well in the second half," Tracey said.

"It took us a while to get started and not having a game in a couple of weeks hurt," said freshman Hoffman. Even though the offense faltered in the first half last week Hoffman said, "We are pretty optimistic — we really

are starting to click and work really well together."

P.E. has been working hard all week refining their offense and working on the things that they do best. "Our coaches have prepared us well and the team in general is pretty relaxed," said Plummer. "Basically, we need to win to keep playing."

Cavanaugh comes into this game feeling they have nothing to lose.

"Everyone is favoring P.E. but we have been practicing hard and it will be a good game," said Hoffman.

"We are focusing on stopping Plummer but they are a great team and we are excited to play them," said Tacey.

It is a classic battle between experience and youth on Sunday. The young and confident Chaos will have their work cut out for them as the Pyros tries to get back to the stadium to defend their championship once again.



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Forward Jenny Streiffer knocked in one goal and tallied one assist in Notre Dame's quarterfinal win over Miami in the Big East tournament Tuesday.

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Streiffer

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championship trophy, Streiffer will be a big reason why.

Throughout her four years under the Dome, she has consistently been a top scorer for the Irish. She is the only player in Irish history to score more than 200 points in her career and currently stands third in Notre Dame career goals and second in assists. Part of this is due to her teammates but a lot of her success is because of her tremendous talent, according to head coach Randy Waldrum.

"She is one of the best players around and certainly one of the best to come through the program at Notre Dame," he said. "It helps to have quality players around her to be on the end of the assists that she has given and to also give her the kind of balls she needs to score. I think it is a credit to her teammates that she has played with but it is also a credit to her."

Streiffer has also enjoyed success with the under-21 U.S. national team. She led the team to victories in the 1997 and 1999 Nordic Cups — the equivalent of the World Cup for junior women's soccer.

In 1997, she scored the game winner against Norway in the championship and led the 1999

squad in scoring with three goals and one assist.

Playing for the national team helped her become a better player.

"Being in high pressure situations helps out a lot," she said. "It's so much more physical that when you get here it just seems slower and you don't have to worry about getting pushed off the ball as much. You get to do more things and see more situations."

When Streiffer plays, it seems as though she is playing on fast-forward while her opponents are on pause. Against Miami in the Big East quarterfinals, she collected the ball at midfield and took off toward the Hurricane net. She beat three defenders off the dribble in the blink of an eye before sailing her shot just wide of the net.

"She is so dangerous with the ball on her foot," Waldrum said. "She is so good individually at breaking people."

The ability to beat defenders off the dribble is something that she works on constantly, according to Streiffer.

"I guess it's something that I work on in practice and something that I have worked on for all my life," Streiffer said. "It's just something I like to do."

Streiffer began this season playing midfield before being moved to the front line in the past few games.

Streiffer feels her talents are better suited to the front line rather than the midfield.

"I like playing up front," Streiffer said. "I am not good at defense so I don't have to worry about playing defense as much. So now I can just run around up there and get great balls from the midfielders."

Since being moved to the front line, Streiffer has scored seven goals and tallied five assists in the past four games.

"I think she has kind of found her groove for scoring goals," Waldrum said. "Earlier in the season she was missing some opportunities. Now we have made a move to put her up front rather than playing in the midfield, and I think now she is finding her rhythm."

If Streiffer can stay in her rhythm with the NCAA tournament looming on the horizon, the Irish have an excellent chance of following her lead all the way to San Jose.

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MEN'S INTERHALL PLAYOFFS

Ramblers threaten Otters' upset bid

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

The road to Notre Dame stadium and interhall football's championship contest continues this weekend as the second seed Siegfried Ramblers take on the sixth-seed Sorin Otters in semifinal playoff action.

Siegfried enjoyed the regular season edge, finishing first in the highly competitive Gold League, while the Otters still managed a strong third place finish, coming in just behind fourth seed Knott.

The Otters come into the game on an emotional high, having handed the Keenan Knights their first defeat in some three seasons last Sunday by a score of 10-7. In what was easily the most thrilling interhall game played thus far, the Otters came from behind in the last minute of play, as quarterback Luke Beuerlein scored on a keeper, to oust the two-time defending champion Knights.

As always, the Otters will rely on what is likely the league's most potent passing attack to put points on the board. Beuerlein looked terrific in recent action, possessing not only a strong arm but an uncanny elusiveness as well.

In the Doug Flutie mold, Beuerlein can kill a defense while throwing from a set position in the confines of the pocket, and by making strong, accurate throws on the run.

The Knights were able to consistently force Beuerlein to scramble, yet he was still able to make some of the game's most important throws while being flushed from the pocket.

Beuerlein's receiving corps mirrored his own stellar play as of late. Led by freshmen star Greg Carney, the Otter wide-outs have given their quarterback plenty of good targets.

Carney is a threat in the deep passing game, with the combination of speed and hands necessary to play the position and tremendous leaping ability.

Carney can be counted on to come down with the ball in a crowd and is usually the target who Beuerlein calls on with the game on the line.

The Otters may be forced to look to their air attack even more than usual this week as team captain and tailback Fred Faber may be out with an injury. In his absence, the tandem of Mike Crowe and Larry Burchett will handle the rushing chores.

"We can't forget what got us here," said Faber. "We know that we're a passing team, so that means Luke, Greg, and Antoine [Tobias, the

Otter's other strong pass catcher] will be seeing a lot of action."

The Siegfried defense faces perhaps its toughest test of the season, but a strong unit led by linebackers Eddie Vulin and Rob Miyakawa looks to up to the task.

"Our linebackers have been the strength of our defense," said Ramblers coach Jamie Bordas. "It's going to be a tough game, since not a lot of teams throw the ball, it's a different kind of challenge, but I think our defensive backs are good enough to contain them."

Siegfried's defensive backs will have to do just that if the Ramblers are to play another game. Led by junior free safety Pete Aguiar, the Siegfried secondary will look to put the skids on Sorin's high-octane attack.

"Our secondary is very good," said Bordas. "Our primary goal is to not let them hurt us with the big pass play."

The Ramblers also pose a strong threat offensively with their strength, like their opponents, lying under center.

Siegfried quarterback Rob Plumbly looked very good lately, leading his team to a 10-0 win over Keough last Sunday. Siegfried does not focus on the passing game, and it will instead rely on a strong rushing attack led by tailback Travis Smith.

Plumbly is a valuable commodity, nonetheless. Plumbly, when called upon to throw, is extremely accurate. More importantly, however, is his composure on the field.

Plumbly drew high praise from Siegfried coach Bordas after audibling to a better play several times against Keough.

"He's been in control," said Bordas of his quarterback.

The Ramblers' offensive philosophy is entirely the opposite of its opponent. While the Otters like to put the ball in the air, Siegfried will often keep it on the ground.

"I've always felt that in order to win, you need to have a strong running game," noted Bordas. "Travis Smith has been running the ball very well for us."

The Sorin defense will be guarding against any surprises the Ramblers might have.

"We've heard that they run a lot of trick plays," said Faber of the Ramblers' attack. "We'll be looking to stay in our lanes and have each guy concentrate on doing his job."

This matchup of two offensive opposites figures to be a highly entertaining one.

The game's outcome will depend on whether or not the Rambler defense can shut down the Otter passing attack, a goal that has yet to be realized.

WOMEN'S INTERHALL PLAYOFFS

Experience, youth clash on field

By RACHEL BIBER
Sports Writer

On Sunday afternoon an atmosphere of excitement will be sustained at McGlinn fields where Welsh and B.P. are set to battle in order to claim stake to play in the season finale of interhall football at Notre Dame stadium.

The fourth seeded Welsh Whirlwinds hope to assume the spoiler role by knocking off the top-seeded B.P. Babes when they face-off this weekend, which will require solid play by the Whirlwinds on both sides of the ball. Welsh co-captain Katie Rak has not doubt that her team is up for the challenge.

"We are pretty prepared," she said. "We've been trying to keep our intensity up all week."

Welsh's focus for this weekend will be to play up to their level and give their maximum effort throughout the entire game.

"If [B.P.] beats us, we will go out

with our heads held high," Rak said. "But if we beat ourselves, there is going to be some pretty unhappy people."

B.P. has not allowed for defeat throughout the entire season and has no intentions of letting up during this weekend's semifinal matchup. The Babes are mentally prepared for the game, and have proven that they are physically capable of blowing out any opponent.

"We are excited for the game," B.P. captain Katie Leicht said. "We've been working hard all year long and we think it will pay off."

As usual, B.P.'s powerful offense, led by quarterback Jenny Choi, will pose a tremendous obstacle for its opponent. The key to a Welsh win hinges on its capability of shutting down the Babes offense and taking control of the ball. The Babes, however, have other ideas in mind.

"Everyone seems really pumped," B.P. coach Kevin Shannon said. "The confidence is up. We're definitely looking for-

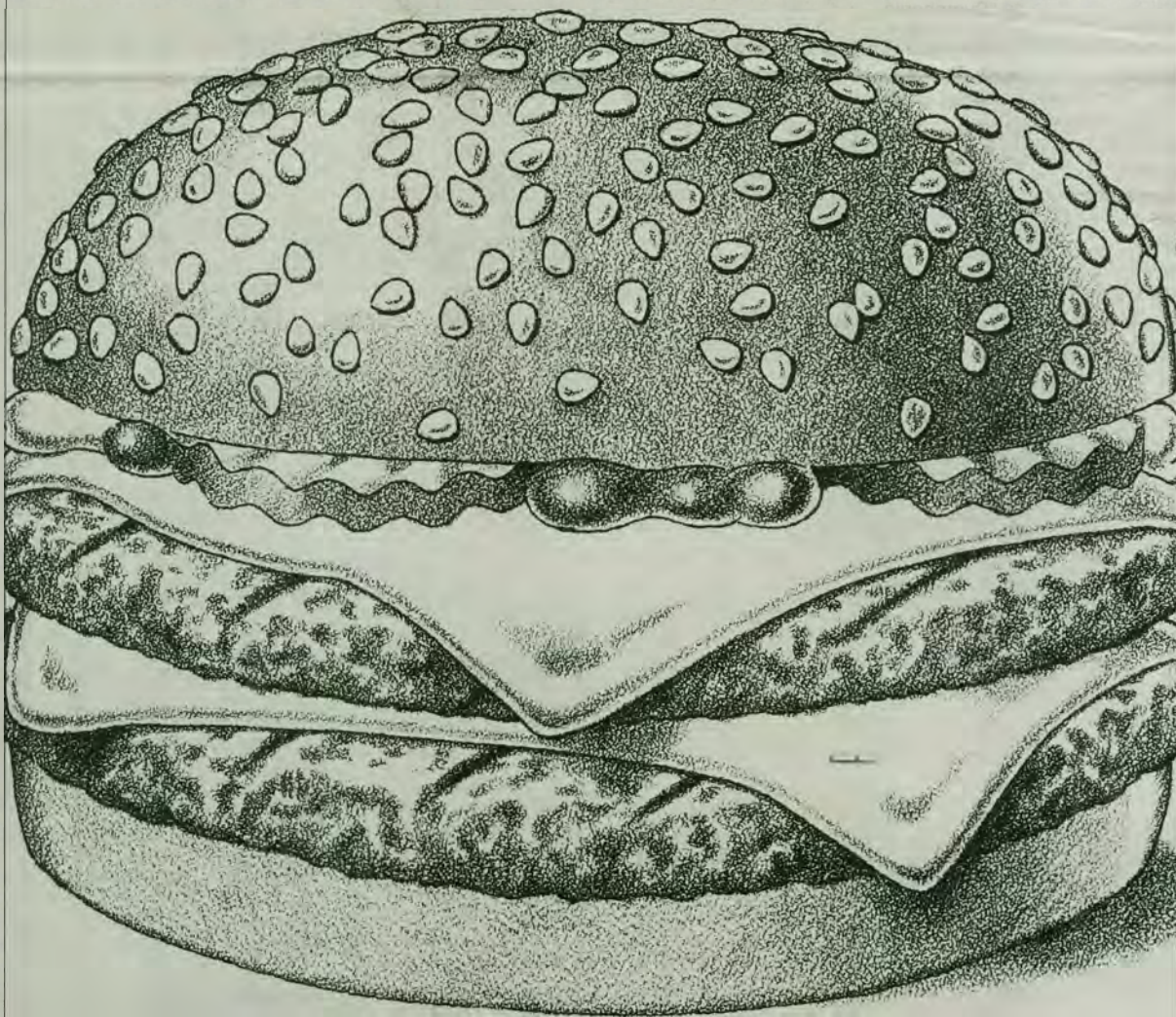
ward to the game, and if we play to our level no one is going to beat us."

A quick attack by the Whirlwinds might serve to spark an upset of the Babes, especially if the Babes exhibit a similar first half performance as they did last week, when they struggled to play up to their potential. They turned around in the second half in their win against Walsh, but they might not be able to escape with a win against Welsh by displaying the same laxity in the first half of Sunday's contest. Leicht knows that her team will face a tough opponent this weekend.

"We haven't played [Welsh] all year," Leicht said. "We don't know a lot about them, and we think it will be our toughest game so far."

The Whirlwinds also put in a weak performance in their first half performance last week, but came back with a vengeance when they rolled to a 24-8 victory against Badin by putting together a strong aerial attack.

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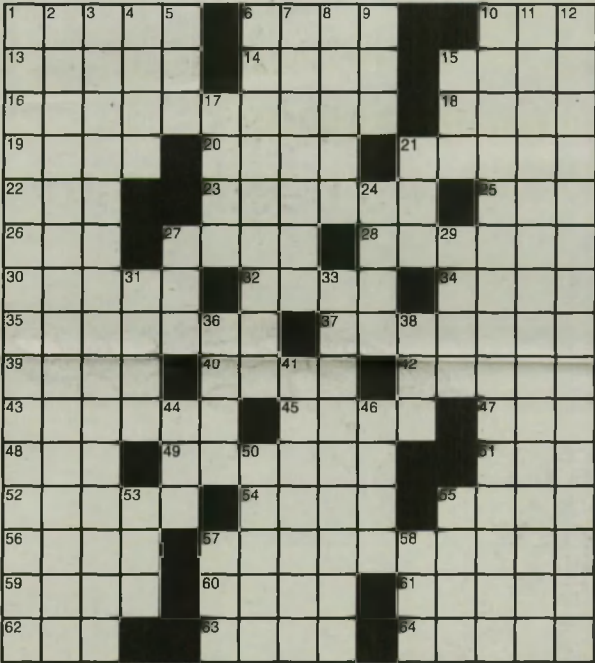
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Puzzle by Martin Ashwood-Smith

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Streiffer sets sights on scoring plateau



By MIKE CONNOLLY
Associate Sports Editor

Every little kid playing soccer in this country can tell you who Mia Hamm is.

The former North Carolina star — the only woman in NCAA history to score 70 goals and 70 assists — went on to star with the U.S. national team en route to winning the 1999 Women's World Cup. After this season, Jenny Streiffer may gain the same notoriety that Hamm has today.

Streiffer, a Notre Dame senior from Baton Rouge, La., currently has 66 goals and 69 assists heading into the Big East semifinals this week. While Hamm's 103 career goals is out of reach, Streiffer has an excellent chance of passing Hamm's 73 assists for second place all-time in NCAA history.

Even as the all-time Notre Dame leading scorer closes in on the 70-70 mark, she remains humble.

"I just have great teammates around me and I am getting great passes," she said. "I have still missed a lot. I haven't put all the ones away that I should be. I am getting more consistent."

Streiffer is not putting much emphasis on individual goals as she is more focused on the team's goal of a national title.

"It's more important for our team to do well," Streiffer said. "I can't lie. I would love to do it but there are many more important things."

If the Irish find themselves in San Jose, Calif., at the end of the year holding the

Photo Art by KEVIN DALUM and JOE MEULLER

Senior forward Jenny Streiffer is closing in on Mia Hamm's record-setting 70-70 mark. With 66 goals and 69 assists, Streiffer stands an excellent chance of moving into the NCAA record books.

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MEN'S SOCCER

ND looks to upset top-seed Rutgers

By KERRY SMITH
Sports Writer

Despite a season of ups and downs, the Notre Dame men's soccer team gets it done when it counts.

Facing a do-or-die situation in Wednesday's regular season finale against the Seton Hall Pirates, the Irish needed a win or a tie to break into eighth place in the Big East, securing a spot in the Big East tournament this weekend.

Overcoming traveling complications that caused the team to barely make it to the game on time, the Irish, led by forward Andrew Aris, turned a four-game losing streak around to earn a come-from-behind tie with the Pirates.

"We were relieved, excited and tired after the game," said defender Stephen Maio. "We had trouble with our

flight — we made it there with only 40 minutes to spare before we had to play. It was a long game with real sloppy conditions so we were happy with the tie."

The tie moved the Irish up in the rankings from the ninth spot in the conference and narrowly edged the Providence Friars out of a tournament berth.

The Friars tied with the Irish for eighth place, but the final spot was awarded to the Irish because of their 4-0 victory over the Friars in the regular season.

With the regular season behind them, the Irish are focusing on their first challenge on the way to a Big East championship: the Scarlet Knights of Rutgers.

The Scarlet Knights, ranked 17th in the nation, come into the tournament boasting the top seed.

The Irish and the Scarlet Knights enter the quarterfi-

nals with a history of mixed results.

Rutgers beat Notre Dame in their only regular season matchup this fall by a 1-0 decision.

The contest was close, however, and even though they couldn't put the ball in the net, the Irish found many holes in the Scarlet Knight defense, putting 16 shots on goal — twice the number the Knights registered against the Irish.

"We know that head to head, we can play with them," said Maio.

"In the game we played against them we outshot them, but we didn't capitalize on our chances. We really only gave them two chances to score and they were both very similar situations. Once we shut down that option they didn't have another opportunity to score."

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FOOTBALL HISTORY

Irish top No.1 Miami en route to '88 title

Editor's Note: Notre Dame's journey to achieve designation as the 20th century's greatest college football team is marked by 10 milestones, one in each decade since 1900. The Observer examines these moments in a 10-part series that appears on Fridays.

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Associate Sports Editor

The past two meetings between Notre Dame and Miami had been ugly.

The Hurricanes crushed the Irish 55-7 in 1985 and 24-0 in 1987 — both times on national television. But on Oct. 14, 1988 — in a battle of unbeaten teams with national title implications — the 31-30 victory over the Hurricanes was a thing of beauty as the Irish knocked

off a No. 1-ranked team for the first time since 1982 en route to the 1988 national title.

The win was especially sweet for the Irish seniors who endured the 55-7 thrashing by Miami their freshman year in the Orange Bowl. Irish head coach Lou Holtz called the resiliency showed by the seniors the "spirit of Notre Dame."

"This was a win by the spirit of a group of guys who refused to fold," Holtz said after the game. "The spirit of Notre Dame was something we talked about all week and I congratulate our players ... It was a great game of two great teams who just competed as hard as anything I've ever seen."

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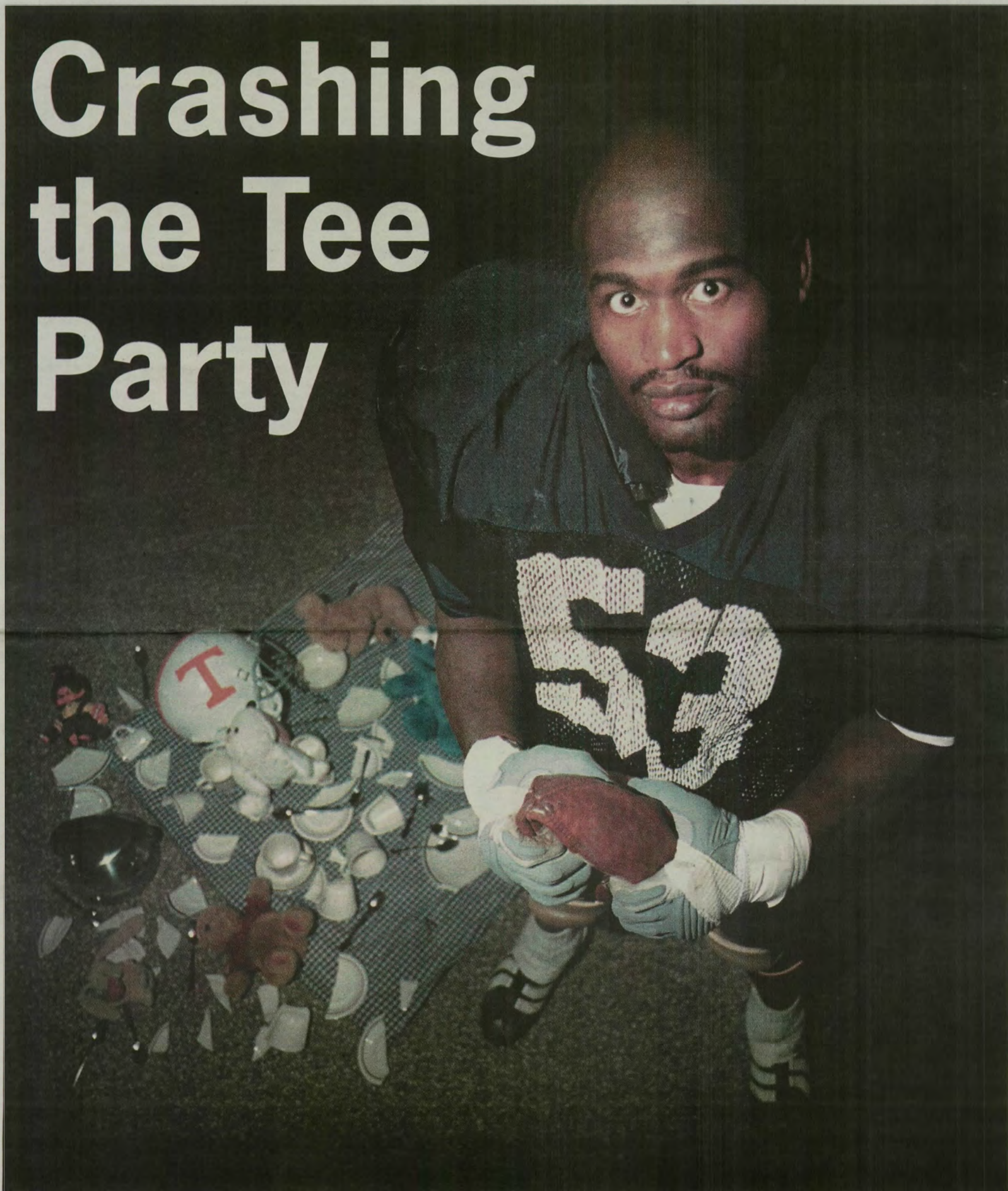
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Notre Dame vs. Tennessee

Crashing the Tee Party



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Irish defensive end Lamont Bryant has spent his career terrorizing opposing quarterbacks and crushing running backs. This week, he sets his sights on Tennessee quarterback Tee Martin and tailback Jamal Lewis. For more on this Irish enforcer, see page 3.

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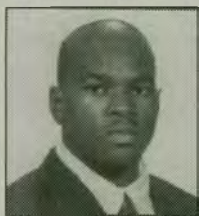
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Bob Davie
Irish head coach

"I can't imagine another team that has better overall speed than they do."

"I can't believe I almost went there [Tennessee]."

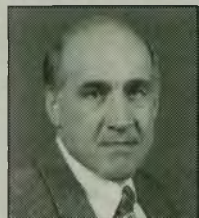


Jabari Holloway
tight end



Grant Irons
defensive end

"Anytime Notre Dame goes on the road to play a big time power like Tennessee, we have pride."



Greg Mattison
defensive coordinator

Irish brace for Volunteer onslaught

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Assistant Sports Editor

The Irish football team is fired up as it braces for its greatest challenge of the year — upsetting the defending National Champion Tennessee Volunteers on the road.

"This game definitely has our players' attention without any doubts," Notre Dame head coach Bob Davie said. "This game, of all the teams we have played, this is the best football team we have played."

The Volunteers (6-1) are ranked fourth in the nation, with their lone loss a 23-21 defeat by the No. 5 Florida Gators.

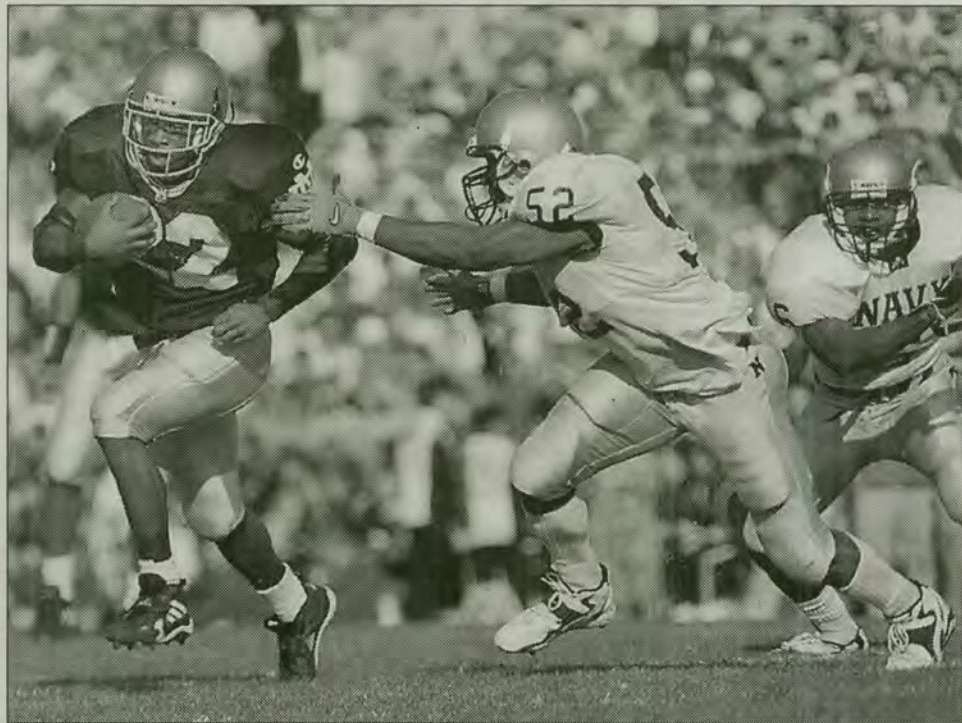
"We would all like to think that there is some magic and that because of our tradition and because of our past and having been in big games in past years, you know, that we are capable of that," Davie said.

The Irish (5-3) come off of four straight victories, but have yet to win a game away from Notre Dame Stadium. The No. 24 Irish must avoid their tendency to accumulate penalties and turn the ball over if they want a shot at ending Tennessee's hopes of becoming back-to-back national champions.

Tennessee's trademark is its stifling defense, which has not allowed a rushing touchdown all season. The Volunteer defense ranks sixth in the nation in total defense, rushing defense and scoring defense.

Lining up to halt the Irish attack are some of the top defensive players in the country. Deon Grant and Dwayne Goodrich are among the top defensive backs in the nation. Raynoch Thompson leads Tennessee with 52 tackles at defensive linebacker, and defensive end Shaun Ellis has 15 tackles behind the line of scrimmage.

Notre Dame quarterback Jarious



JOHN DAILY/The Observer

Julius Jones rushes for some of his career high 146 yards against Navy. Notre Dame needs another big game from Jones against Tennessee.

Jackson captains the Irish offense as a threat in the air and on the ground. Running backs Tony Fisher and Julius Jones have upped their output behind the protection of John Merandi and company. Bobby Brown's fourth-quarter reception against Navy kept the Irish in the game.

The Irish will have their hands full in containing the Volunteer offense. Volunteer running back Jamal Lewis has rushed for more than 2,500 yards in his career, while quarterback Tee Martin is averaging more than 200 yards per game in passing this year. Tennessee receiver Cedrick Wilson may miss the game because of an injured hamstring.

However, Notre Dame's defensive line

and secondary are each ranked among the top 10 in the country. Lamont Bryant and Grant Irons highlight the defensive end position. Seniors on the secondary — A'Jani Sanders, Deke Cooper and Deveron Harper — have come up with key interceptions and fumble recoveries throughout the year. However, Sanders is questionable for Saturday after a stomach injury suffered against Navy.

Tennessee has a 20-game home winning streak going, and has not lost a non-conference home game since falling to Notre Dame in 1990. The Irish got the 34-29 victory despite 516 yards of Tennessee offense, 10 Notre Dame penalties and a fumble inside the Volunteers' 5-yard line.



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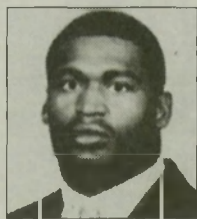
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Bryant overcomes adversity

♦ **Fifth-year senior has emerged as dominant figure on defensive line**

By BRIAN KESSLER
Sports Editor



Bryant

When it came time for Lamont Bryant to decide on a college, Tennessee was on top of his list.

Then he met Lou Holtz. "[Tennessee] was going to be my No. 1 choice," Bryant said. "Then I met coach Holtz and I can't say anything after that. Once you meet coach Holtz, it's over. Nobody could compare to him."

So it was a done deal. Bryant dropped the Volunteers and was off to South Bend to play for an Irish coaching legend.

"It's not the schools themselves, but the people around the school," Bryant said. "I latched on to coach Holtz like he was a family figure to me. I really liked the way he talked to people and I liked how I could trust him."

But there was one problem. On Aug. 3, 1995, while on his way to Notre Dame for the start of football drills, Bryant's van overturned in an accident. He was thrown from the vehicle and slid across the pavement, resulting in head lacerations and road rash.

"That's the trial and tribulations of life," Bryant said. "You have to take it and roll with it. The Lord spared my life, therefore I go out there and do what I can everyday to the best of my ability."

Bryant couldn't practice for the first half of the season as a result of his injuries and didn't see any action in the remainder of the season.

"It gave me a chance to grow off the field," Bryant said. "It gave me a chance to get to know my teammates without them seeing me play. Then when I got out there and played, I built the relationships from there."

Four years later, Bryant has emerged as an impact player and a leader on the Irish defense. But he continues to build relationships with his teammates.

"He has been a tremendous help," junior Grant Irons said. "Any time I needed help, he has been there. He is always encouraging me and making sure I understand the assignments."

Defensive coordinator Greg Mattison praised Bryant's leadership on the field.

"Lamont Bryant has led in the most important way I think a guy can lead — that's by working as hard as he can,

position: defensive end

year: senior

awards: Street and Smith's 1999 honorable mention All-American, Prep Sports Report prep All-American as high school senior, USA Today honorable mention prep All-American

notables: started as linebacker in 1997 before moving to defensive line in 1998

everyday, every period, play on and play off," Mattison said. "I can't remember one time in practice this year that he didn't go as hard as he can go. The Darrell Campbell's and Cedric Hilliard's and the young guys on defense see that and they know that's the only way you can practice — to be as good as you can be."

As a fifth-year senior, Bryant is enjoying another productive season.

"On defense he provides the tempo and the enthusiasm," the Irons said. "We basically just play off his intensity."

Bryant is sixth on the team in tackles with 33 and leads the team in sacks. But as it has been throughout his career, Bryant's accomplishments this year haven't come without adversity.

From the accident to setback to injury, the 6-foot-3, 265-pound defensive lineman has maintained a positive attitude, allowing him to achieve success despite hardships.

"I tore some cartilage in my left knee now, so I have to fight through it for the rest of the season," Bryant said. "It's

an opportunity to understand that you can't take any days for granted. You never know the last day you are going to be on the field. So you have to go out and give 110 percent every chance you have."

As a sophomore, Bryant played 10 games, while backing up Bert Berry at outside linebacker.

But at the end of the season, Holtz resigned and Bryant lost his mentor.

"It was tough, but you have to make the best of everything," he said. "When coach Holtz left I wished him the best in everything he did and he gave me the same type of reassurance — that everything



JOHN DAILY/The Observer

Lamont Bryant welcomes Arizona State tailback J.R. Redmond to Notre Dame Stadium in Notre Dame's 48-17 win on Oct. 9.

was going to be OK."

Bryant responded with a breakthrough season in '97. In his first career start, Bryant recorded nine tackles, a sack and another tackle for a loss. He wound up starting all 12 regular season games at rush linebacker, led the team in quarterback hurries (11), and was second on the squad in sacks (3).

But in the season finale against Hawaii, he tore cartilage and ligaments in his right knee, prompting reconstructive surgery that caused him to miss the Independence Bowl.

Bryant recovered in the off-season, but faced adversity once again in the preseason. He was moved from line-

backer to defensive end, but as he has throughout his career, Bryant took on the challenge with a positive attitude.

"I try to do whatever is best for the team," he said. "Whatever it takes to get the team going in the right direction, that's what I'm going to do. It's not really different because you're still playing football no matter what position you're playing. It's different just from the fact that a lot more things are happening quicker. You don't have time to read it, you just have to go out there and play on instinct."

Bryant played with killer instinct in '98, leading the team in tackles for a loss and

fumble recoveries. When Irons went down with a shoulder injury, he reverted back to the linebacker position to fill in.

Bryant has been resilient throughout his career. When he takes the field against No. 4 Tennessee in Knoxville Saturday, it will be a testament to how much he has overcome.

"Every week is a chance to prove yourself," Bryant said. "It doesn't matter if you're playing a high school team or a college team, you just have to go out there and show you're the better man. That's what we all see it as — not as a challenge, but an opportunity. We just want to go out there and prove what we have."

up close &
personal

WITH LAMONT BRYANT

birthdate: Oct. 11, 1976
hometown: Georgetown, S.C.
major: Finance/CAPP
dimensions: 6-foot-3, 265 pounds
the people who have helped me the most since I've been at Notre Dame: my friends

a word to describe him off the field: reserved
if I could play another position on the other side of the ball it would be: tight end
most stimulating at Notre Dame: Finance 380
greatest personal athletic

moment: It's still to come.
most prized possession: salvation
Area he would like to improve as a player: self control
my favorite hobbies are: playing cards

EYE ON THE ENEMY

Martin quarterbacks diverse Vols' offense

By TIM CASEY
Sports Writer

When Notre Dame fans glance over at the Tennessee offensive huddle on Saturday, they'll swear they're seeing a familiar face.

Leading the charge for the Volunteers' offense is quarterback Tee Martin. Standing 6-foot-3 and weighing 215 pounds, Martin may be a couple inches taller and weigh a few pounds less than Irish quarterback Jarious Jackson, but their similarities are apparent once they step on the field.

Both Martin and Jackson are in their second season as starters. Besides passing ability, they have enough speed and strength to make positive yardage out of a broken play. Both signal callers are also among the best athletes on their respective teams.

"When you first look at it, they are similar-style players," Irish head coach Bob Davie said. "They both can run and are strong and athletic. They've both been successful.

"Both of them are really good college players and both of them are physical football players," he continued. "If we were still in the era of guys playing two ways, I'd bet both those guys could do that."

One area where Martin has the clear edge over his counterpart is in victories. Taking over for Tennessee legend Peyton Manning a year ago, Martin led the Vols to a perfect 13-0 record and their first national championship since 1951. In his two years as starter, Martin has compiled a 19-1 record while Jackson is 14-6 at the helm of the Irish.

A two-time SEC player of the week this season, Martin is one of five quarterbacks nominated for the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm award, presented to the top senior quarterback in the nation.

For the season, Martin has completed 104 of 190 pass attempts (54.7 percent) for six touchdowns along with eight interceptions. The Vols third leading rusher, Martin has gained 151 yards and scored six touchdowns on the ground.

Martin spreads the ball

around to all his receivers. Fifteen different receivers have caught at least one pass this season.

Davie is primarily concerned with Tennessee's team speed.

"You may not appreciate just how athletic they are until you watch them on tape," Davie said. "I can't imagine there is another team in this country that has a better just overall team speed than they do."

In order to combat Martin and company, the Irish defense must play as well as they have all year. Defensive coordinator Greg Mattison considers Tennessee as the defense's toughest challenge of the season.

"They'll be the best football team we've played thus far," Mattison said. "They've got great team speed. They've got a great offense and big offensive line. This will be our biggest test but we look forward to it."

Mattison feels his defense will be ready under the lights in Knoxville.

"You can see the gleam in their eye," Mattison said. "They're excited. They've been waiting for this one."



Courtesy Tennessee Sports Information

Tennessee quarterback Tee Martin has led the Volunteers to a 19-1 record as a starter and the 1998 National Championship. When the Vols take the field Saturday, Martin will look to extend the Vols unbeaten streak at home against non-conference opponents to 21.

fast facts

ABOUT TENNESSEE

- ◆ Location: Knoxville, Tenn.
- ◆ Enrollment: 25,612
- ◆ Colors: Orange and White
- ◆ Nickname: Volunteers
- ◆ Conference: SEC
- ◆ Fight song: "Rocky Top"
- ◆ Mascot: Smokey

- ◆ Notre Dame is the last non-SEC team to defeat Tennessee in Neyland Stadium. The Irish defeated the Volunteers 34-29 in their last trip to Knoxville in 1990.
- ◆ Tennessee won the last meeting 35-34 in 1991.



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Amp Campbell (center) and the Michigan State Spartans celebrate their Sept. 18 victory over the Fighting Irish. This weekend the Spartans will try to defend their home turf against the Ohio State Buckeyes.

No. 19 OSU looks for revenge against No. 20 MSU

Observer Staff Report

COLUMBUS, Ohio

The jump ball has been all but eliminated from college basketball. Unfortunately for Ohio State, it's still around in football.

A year ago, 17 1/2-point underdog Michigan State stunned the No. 1-ranked Buckeyes 28-24, due in large part to lob passes that the Spartans' taller receivers were able to pull in over shorter defenders.

Among the most vivid memories of that game for Ohio State coach John Cooper is the work of 6-foot-6 Plaxico Burress, 6-1 Gari Scott, 6-2 Lavaile Richardson and 6-3 tight end Chris Baker.

"Their wide receivers, as I recall, made some great plays in some jump-ball situations," Cooper said.

When the rematch occurs Saturday in East Lansing, Ohio State is expecting more of the same.

Michigan State handed the Buckeyes their lone loss — and ended their shot at a national championship — when quarterback Bill Burke took a short drop and unloaded the ball in the face of blitzing defenders, arcing passes out to receivers being covered one-on-one.

Burress, Scott, Richardson and Baker — all of whom are back for the Spartans — accounted for 15 of Burke's 18 completions in 46 attempts, and for almost 300 of his 329 passing yards in the shocking upset. Scott had six catches for 88 yards, Burress four for 125, Baker four for 59 and Richardson one reception for 23 yards.

"We had to come in today as the squirts who had to pick a fight with the bully," Michigan State coach Nick Saban said after the game.

No. 10 Wisconsin at No. 17 Purdue

No matter how much Wisconsin head coach Barry Alvarez stresses otherwise, this weekend's match against Purdue will be more than just a claim for conference bragging rights.

When No. 17 Purdue (6-3 overall, 3-3

Big Ten) hosts No. 10 Wisconsin (7-2, 5-1) at Ross-Ade Stadium Saturday, expect all eyes to be geared toward the individual battle between Wisconsin senior running back Ron Dayne and Purdue junior quarterback Drew Brees.

While the respective offensive standouts won't meet each other on the field, this weekend's game provides an opportunity for a monumental statement by the two Heisman Trophy candidates.

"Everybody has great kids in their program, [but] I don't know if you have any as high profile as these two," Alvarez said. "[Dayne and Brees] are guys in the midst of the Heisman race, guys who have made a tremendous impact on college football and are team players. I think you have two unique individuals going head to head this week."

No. 3 Virginia Tech at West Virginia

The Virginia Tech football team faces more than the West Virginia Mountaineers. It will concievably prepare for something worse — the Mountaineer fans.

"I think Morgantown is the worst place to play," said Tech running back Andre Kendrick. "They might have the most hostile crowd I've ever been around."

After facing an offensive onslaught from the Pittsburgh Panthers, the Hokies now face the prospects of going into Morgantown and facing an aerial assault more formidable than that David Priestley and the Panthers put on this weekend.

West Virginia fans have been known to get a little crazy toward opposing team's players. Kendrick said he has been spit on and had liquor bottles thrown at him.

"Somebody made the comment yesterday: 'keep your helmet on at all times,'" said Tech deep snapper and flanker Shane Beamer.

The Big East is known for the tough venues the teams must face. The Carrier Dome in Syracuse, Veteran's Stadium in Philadelphia and Lane Stadium in Blacksburg are just some of the stadiums teams often cringe at when preparing to play. The players said no venue is worse than Mountaineer Field.

ESPN/USA Today poll

team	record	points
1 Florida State (44)	9-0	1,456
2 Penn State (13)	9-0	1,424
3 Virginia Tech (2)	7-0	1,355
4 Tennessee	6-1	1,264
5 Florida	7-1	1,242
6 Kansas State	8-0	1,196
7 Georgia Tech	6-1	1,121
8 Mississippi State	7-0	1,032
9 Nebraska	7-1	1,010
10 Wisconsin	7-2	932
11 Texas	7-2	849
12 Marshall	8-0	755
13 BYU	7-1	680
14 Alabama	6-2	665
15 Michigan	6-2	649
16 Georgia	6-2	620
17 East Carolina	7-1	533
18 Texas A&M	6-2	481
19 Michigan State	6-2	400
20 Ohio State	6-3	370
21 Purdue	6-3	341
22 Miami (Fla.)	4-3	218
23 Mississippi	6-2	146
24 Arkansas	5-2	124
25 So. Mississippi	5-3	109

other teams receiving votes: Boston College 46, NOTRE DAME 30, Stanford 26, Washington 14, Colorado State 11, Colorado 8, Kentucky 8, NC State 8, Oklahoma 8, Utah 7, Arizona 5, Oregon 5, Syracuse 5, Vanderbilt 4, W. Michigan 4, Clemson 3, Maryland 2

AP Poll

team	record	points
1 Florida State (55)	9-0	1,732
2 Penn State (9)	9-0	1,683
3 Virginia Tech (6)	7-0	1,607
4 Tennessee	6-1	1,507
5 Florida	7-1	1,470
6 Kansas State	8-0	1,417
7 Georgia Tech	6-1	1,331
8 Mississippi State	7-0	1,207
9 Nebraska	7-1	1,155
10 Wisconsin	7-2	1,087
11 Texas	7-2	996
12 Alabama	6-2	935
13 Marshall	8-0	931
14 Georgia	6-2	787
15 BYU	7-1	734
16 Michigan	6-2	691
17 Purdue	6-3	602
18 East Carolina	7-1	594
19 Michigan State	6-2	472
20 Ohio State	6-3	459
21 Texas A&M	6-2	356
22 Miami (Fla.)	4-3	302
23 Mississippi	6-2	262
24 NOTRE DAME	5-3	112
25 Southern Miss.	5-3	111

other teams receiving votes: Arkansas 81, Washington 31, Boston College 30, Louisiana Tech 21, Minnesota 13, Arizona 7, Colorado 7, Utah 5, Kentucky 3, Oregon 3, Western Michigan 3, Air Force 2, Syracuse 2, Oregon State 1, Stanford 1

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coaches' poll: 4

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quarterbacks: Jarious Jackson and Tee Martin are practically mirror images. Martin has a better supporting cast but Jackson has a stronger arm.



running backs: Jamal Lewis has not completely come back from his knee injury in 1998. Julius Jones is set for a breakout game.



receivers: The loss of Cedrick Wilson hurts the Vols but the injury to Raki Nelson is a bigger blow to the Irish.



defensive line: The move of Anthony Weaver back to defensive end makes this unit quicker and deeper. Grant Irons and Lamont Bryant rotate at the other end. Darwin Walker leads the Vols.



linebackers: Eric Westmoreland and Raynoch Thompson's play has more than made up for the loss of linebacker Al Wilson to the NFL draft last spring.

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secondary: Notre Dame's A'Jani Sanders and Deke Cooper are the best safeties in the country but Tennessee has one of the best cover cornerbacks in the country in Dwayne Goodrich.



special teams: The way the Irish special teams have played lately, most high schools get the advantage in this category. David Leaverton is a solid punter for the Vols.



Overall

Tennessee has the talent and the home field advantage. Looking just at the numbers, the No. 4 Volunteers should walk over the No. 24 Irish without much difficulty. But in big games, the numbers rarely mean much. If the Irish can score early and hold onto the football, they can neutralize the Neyland Stadium crowd and could walk away with a win.

IRISH EXCHANGE

Big wins are common under Davie

This game has been circled on every Irish player's calendar since last spring.

Little did they know the Tennessee game would be far more important than any bowl game Bob Davie's team could possibly play in the winter. Actually, this game will pretty much determine if Notre Dame will have a game worth playing in the postseason.

And then some.

A win would not only salvage this season — one in which the Irish went 0-3 in September for a 1-3 start — but also the Irish program that has fallen short of expectations in the last few years. Of course, no one expects the Irish to win, nor do they expect them to get blown out.

Much like the program in recent years, the Irish are neither favorites for top honors nor a program at the bottom of Division I-A. But a win against the No. 4 Volunteers will assure that Notre Dame's football program won't finish the millennium stuck in mediocrity.

Winning big games isn't something that Davie has failed to do since taking over the program in 1997. Notre Dame has been able to do that time and time again. The frustration lies in the fact that big wins have been readily supplemented with disappointing losses.

Now is the time for big games to lead to something bigger, serve as a springboard to the next level for the Irish. Defeating the defending national champions would start that journey — especially if Notre Dame can finish the season without another loss.

The magnitude of this game, along with last weekend's near-loss to Navy, left Notre Dame with a great deal of ground to cover this week. The Irish looked like an average team last Saturday against an inferior opponent at home. A similar effort on the road against a stronger, more talented and experienced team like Tennessee will make the Irish look far worse than average.

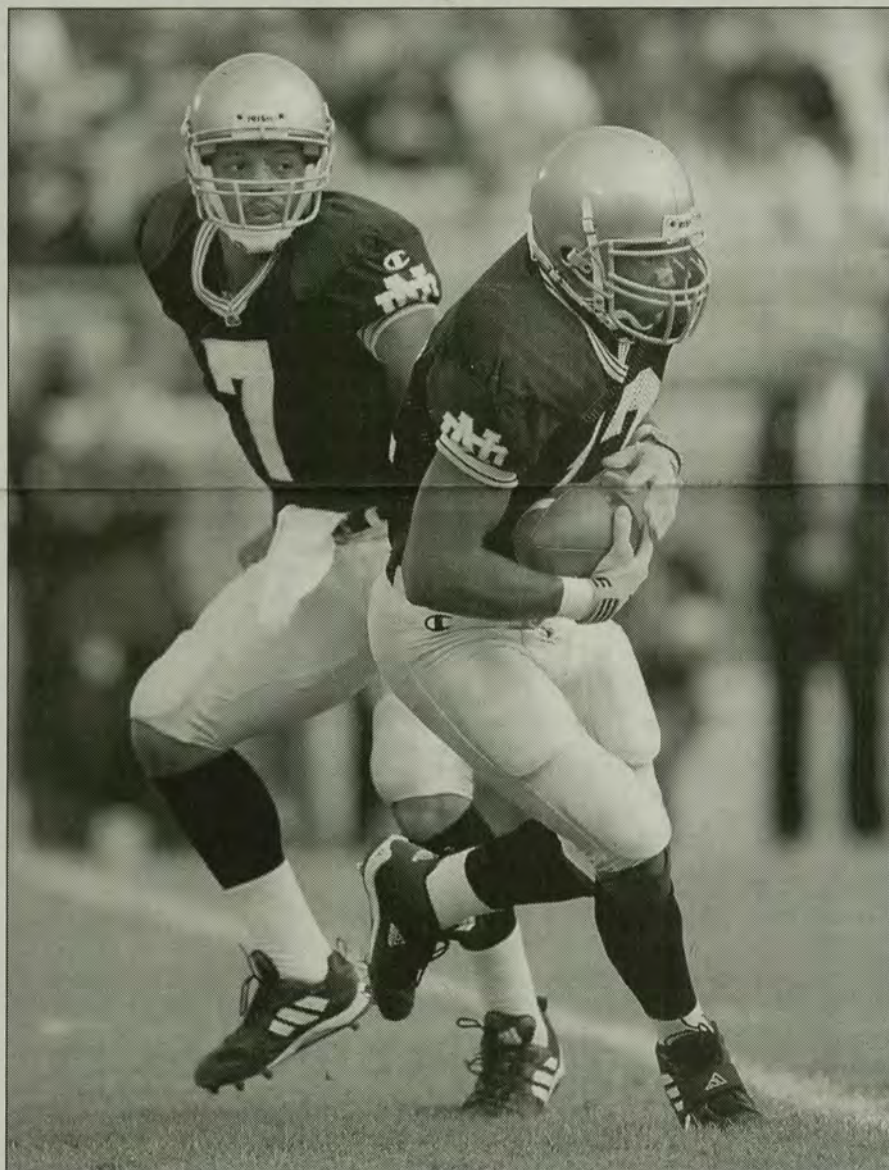
The Volunteers will look to cover their ground on the field Saturday night against Notre Dame's defense. Navy quarterback Brian Madden was able to carry for 168 yards last week against a front line that needs to fill the gaps.

Vols signal caller Tee Martin doesn't run the option as Navy's



Anthony Blanco

football columnist



JEFF HSU/The Observer

Both Jarious Jackson (7) and Tony Fisher (12) must play error free against the Vols in noisy Neyland Stadium.

Madden used, but along with back Jamal Lewis Tennessee can give the defensive line more than enough problems. In the two games that Tennessee was most vulnerable — its lone loss to Florida and a slight win against Memphis — it rushed for an average 2.5 yards per carry compared to a 4.7-yard average in its other five games.

Of greater concern on the defensive unit is Notre Dame's average of 226.1 yards allowed in the air per game. A similar lack of pressure on Martin will give him the time and option to throw downfield or to find some room to run on his own.

Of course the Irish have an option up their sleeve, thanks to Kevin Roger's offense. A big game against Tennessee is a great time to debut some new plays, especially with the speedy freshman Julius Jones just hitting his stride and the offensive line finally getting consistent at creating the holes.

But all of this means nothing if the Irish turn in another sloppy game like they did against the Midshipmen. Why did the Irish only beat Navy by four points? Of course there are a number of reasons, but 14 penalties for 140 yards and three turnovers come to mind. If the Irish can barely beat a team that they have a 35-year win streak against, imagine what the Vols can do.

Despite differences, both teams enter Saturday night's game with hopes of salvaging their seasons. For a Vols team that is realizing it won't be returning to the SEC Championship for the first time in four years, a win keeps their BCS title game dreams alive.

The Irish, on the other hand, are content looking further than this postseason and hoping they can make the big games count.

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Many Vols chose Knoxville over South Bend

By BRYAN MITCHELL
Daily Beacon Sports Editor

Many of the current Vols were recruited by Notre Dame and some even took official recruiting visits, but fortunately for these Vols, they chose Rocky Top over South Bend.

"When I got back, I told my mom that I wanted to go to Notre Dame," quarterback Tee Martin said.

However, Martin ultimately decided that South Bend was just too far from his home in Mobile, Ala.

In fact, while Martin was on his visit, current Irish quarterback Jarious Jackson was his guide for the weekend, during which Martin also met Dwayne Goodrich for the first time.

At the time, Goodrich had not yet visited Tennessee and was considering Notre Dame and Michigan.

"Dwayne was pretty pumped about Notre Dame," Martin said.

Goodrich recalls his trip to South Bend as being an exciting weekend.

"They had, like, 22 guys in that weekend, so it was a pretty big weekend," Goodrich said. "Everybody at my mom's job were Notre Dame alumni, so they were like 'Go to Notre Dame.'"

Yet, Goodrich, an Oak Lawn, Ill., native, did not let the distance of Tennessee from his home or the pressure he received around Oak Lawn keep him from attending Tennessee.

"The players and coaches [at Tennessee] made it feel like a family," Goodrich said about his decision.

Safety Deon Grant, who is currently second in the nation with six interceptions, was also recruited by Notre Dame, but like Martin, Grant thought South Bend was just too far from his home in Augusta, Ga.

"I really didn't give them too much interest because of how far it was from home," Grant said.

The star of last week's victory over South Carolina, Donte Stallworth, was also recruited by the Irish, but opted to leave his home in Sacramento, Calif., for Knoxville instead.

"I wasn't too interested," Stallworth said. "I don't know if it's a Catholic thing they got going, but I ain't really into that."

Wide receiver Cedrick Wilson, who is questionable for Saturday's game with a pulled hamstring, was not recruited by the Irish, although he led Melrose High in Memphis to an undefeated season his senior year at quarterback.

"As a kid, everyone wants to either play for Notre Dame or play against Notre Dame," he said.

It looks like Wilson will get his chance on Saturday.



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