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Saint Mary's joins Worker's Rights Consortium

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
News Writer

Saint Mary's College officially joined the nationwide movement for sweatshop monitoring Monday, announcing that the College will become a full member in the Worker's Rights Consortium (WRC).

The WRC, developed by the United Students Against Sweatshops in consultation with workers and human rights groups, aims to investigate conditions in factories producing apparel for colleges and universities.

"It seemed to us, as we learned more about the WRC, that the WRC fits the size of the College," said College president Marilou Eldred. "Because the WRC has a grassroots structure, this is important for a col-



Eldred

lege like Saint Mary's."

The decision comes in the wake of Notre Dame's announcement that the University will not join the WRC because of a lack of information about the organization. Notre Dame, a member of the Fair Labor Association (FLA), requested information about membership from the WRC including budget and mission statement information. The official stance from the University is that the WRC is not an option until this information is obtained.

The difference between the WRC and the FLA is their approach to a manufacturer's violation of organization standards. The FLA advocates a collaborative effort between organizations and corporations to correct violations. The WRC encourages full public disclosure of working conditions.

"This is an example of a case where one decision fits Notre Dame best, and another decision fits Saint Mary's best," Eldred said.

The decision to join the WRC

came from a working group formed in early November to investigate Saint Mary's options for joining the anti-sweatshop movement. Because of Notre Dame's example in the anti-sweatshop movement, the College felt sweatshop monitoring was a relevant issue to investigate.

"Because of Notre Dame's leadership, because we are here and because of our relationship with Notre Dame, it was important to look at," Eldred said. "But it was not the only reason we started to look at this. It is part of Catholic social teaching, and it certainly supports the social justice mission."

Members of the working group hope for continued cooperation with Notre Dame in the fight against sweatshops.

"I hope that Notre Dame will respect our decision," said

Betsy Station, coordinator for the group and assistant to the president. "We very much respect Notre Dame's leadership on this issue ... We feel that for a small Catholic women's college like Saint Mary's, membership in the WRC is the best decision."

Much of the decision to join the WRC focused on the ability

Saint Mary's would have to make an impact on the organization. Maureen Capillo, student representative on the working group, said.

"The WRC is the best organization for Saint Mary's to join because it is in the organizational stages," Capillo said. "As a small liberal arts college, Saint Mary's will be heard because of the structure. The FLA is a more top-down organization, where Saint Mary's

wouldn't have a voice."

The quantity of Saint Mary's apparel produced also played a role in the decision.

"We don't have any licensing agreements," Eldred said. "Many of the larger institutions who are with the FLA had licensing agreements, giving [the FLA] a more corporate structure."

In addition to suggesting membership in the WRC, the group also proposed a code of conduct for Saint Mary's subcontractors, the implementation of a permanent task force to continue investigation and educational initiatives to widen support and awareness on campus.

The administrative council approved the WRC membership March 29 but held approval on other initiatives until later in the semester.

"We asked that the administrative council decide on the WRC by April 1, because the WRC had a nationwide push for colleges to join by April 1," Station said.

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Reskin: discrimination has psychological origins

By CHRISTINE MCINTYRE
News Writer

Discrimination is not intentional, but rather the result of distorted social psychologies that become unconscious and automatic, said Barbara Reskin, professor of sociology at Harvard University, while speaking to students and faculty about her theories of discrimination in the workplace on Monday.

"Employment discrimination based on sex and race persists on high levels. It is not surprising that there is substantial amount of discrimination in the workplace," said Reskin.

According to Reskin, a major problem in understanding discrimination is the persistence of the 'racist/sexist pig' theory.

"It started in the 1960s and 1970s when people believed discrimination existed because people are racist and sexist. This was evident in the Civil Rights era when discrimination blossomed into the nation's consciousness. Racial discrimination was clearly motivated by bad attitudes toward a group," Reskin said.

Now, however, "it is hard to believe that this is all driven by biases. If the 'racist/sexist pig' theory is wrong, the remedies are wrong," she said.

The fault of this theory lies in the assumption that an individual's feelings toward a certain

group motivate one to discriminate or favor that group. Reskin believes there is a more accurate and comprehensive approach to discrimination.

"Within microseconds of meeting someone, we automatically categorize that person, especially if they depart from our norm. It is an 'us versus them' mentality, favoring those most like us. We do not do it consciously, it is a functional mechanism," Reskin said.

Basically, people tend to categorize by two groups — the 'in' group or the 'out' group, unconsciously based on their similarities to the person. "The 'in' group members are more attractive to the person and [he/she] is more apt to trust them than 'out' members," Reskin said.

The confines of these categories are very rigid. Once we categorize, it is extremely hard to forget the categories and who fits in which one. "Stereotypes are generally socially shared. They are overlearned because we are overtaught them, even if we disagree with them. Even if we don't want to stereotype, it is difficult to stop," she said.

Employment organizations can help decrease discrimination in the workplace, especially discrimination based on sex and race. In one study, blind auditions were held for available positions in a symphony. The

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MARY CALASH/The Observer

Barbara Reskin lectures yesterday on discrimination in the work place. Although some attribute discrimination to racism or sexism, Reskin emphasized psychology as a main factor in discrimination.

Dalloway's fate in question

By KATIE McVOY
News Writer

Saint Mary's administrators are currently determining what to do with the old Dalloway's clubhouse.

Because of the Master Plan, the old building will no longer be used as a clubhouse for College and community groups. A new Dalloway's is being constructed to house these activities. The old Dalloway's is now being considered as part of a land grant to the Congregation of the Holy Cross, but no definite plans have been made.

"There has been some discussion about some exchange or purchase of the land," said Keith Dennis, vice president for finance and administration. "Part of the discussion is whether or not the clubhouse would go back to the congregation."

John Kovach, head of archives at Saint Mary's, wrote a proposal for another plan for the use of Dalloway's. "The question that no one has been able to answer is why [Dalloway's] has to be torn down," the proposal reads. "The answer is: It doesn't."

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Let's Talk About Sex

9 arrests follow milder 'Midnight Yell' at UCLA

CLC

Members discuss possible restrictions on hall elections

By HELENA RAYAM
News Writer

Some hall election materials may need regulation, said Coalition Council representative Michael Fierro at Monday's Campus Life Council meeting.

"Both gender and race ethnicity have been used in hall elections," said Fierro. Showing a campaign poster that made a joke about the Polish and Germans, Fierro questioned the appropriateness of the joke.

"Ignorance goes beyond historical minority groups such as Blacks and Hispanics," he said. Fierro also said that some campaign posters or flyers have showed defaming pictures of women.

Fierro said some materials found in hall elections would not be allowed in campus-wide elections because of restrictions.

Kelly Folks, chairman of the judicial board said, "We've actually had complaints that [the guidelines for campus-wide elections] were too restrictive."

In the residence halls, the issue of what materials are deemed inappropriate is at the discretion of the rector. Varying opinions lead to different levels of tolerance for certain campaign materials.

"Although some of their ideas may be insensitive, I'm just cautious about censoring people's ideas," said off-campus senator Pat Foy. "An election is a free expression of ideas."

St. Edward's rector Father Dave Scheidler said that he allows some posters to go up while restricting others, but prefers that the students make the choice. He suggested that dorms make more use of the judicial board representatives in their dorm so that uniformity is established "without curtailing free speech."

"I think we need to be sensitive clearly, but hopefully the voters do that," said Bill Kirk, assistant vice president of Student Affairs.

Although he said that he wanted students to make their own judgments about the campaign posters Kirk was pleased with proceedings.

"I'm delighted you're making this point to prevent that the standards become lower because this is so commonplace."

In other CLC news:

◆Members examined the process for making duLac revisions. Kirk said that there were many ways to make changes but that Residence Life recommends the changes in the disciplinary process. CLC members also discussed whether faculty members should have input in certain duLac clauses.

◆The Committee for the First Year of Studies and the Advisory Committee on the Disabled have added student members as a result of the resolutions drafted that requested student membership on these committees.

◆The University will implement the diversity practicum for transfer students. This will be a mandatory diversity awareness presentation or meeting as part of the transfer orientation at the beginning of the semester. It is not certain that the program will be ready to begin in the fall semester of 2000.

◆Vice president of Student Affairs, Father Poorman, has received the CLC resolution on parking in basketball courts and will research the issue. "Enforcement becomes the problem," said Kirk, referring to parking lots with standard hours when parking is not permitted.



MARY CALASH/The Observer

Assistant vice president of Student Affairs Bill Kirk and other members of the CLC discuss hall elections' campaign materials which have been offensive to some students. "I think we need to be sensitive clearly, but hopefully the voters do that," Kirk said.

CLARIFICATION

In Monday's Observer, an article about a reported rape on campus stated: "Since the victim has declined to press charges against the alleged attacker, the Office of Student Affairs will not take any action."

The article should have made it clear that the victim declined to press charges against the alleged attacker and requested that Student Affairs not take any action. Student Affairs complies with the wishes of the victim in all rape cases.

The Observer regrets the error.

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musicians auditioned behind a screen and all over signs of sex or race were hidden. In this case, women were 50 percent more likely to be selected, based on their talent alone, rather if their gender was revealed.

"In general, the bottom line is to remove discretion from the decision makers. Then there is less likely to be discriminatory outcomes," said Reskin.

Employers can also reduce discrimination by creating more diverse groups of workers. "The more diverse a group is, the less likely we are to put the people in categories," said Reskin.

Reskin also said that diversity training does not alleviate discrimination. "It is a fad that is sweeping American corporations. However, it primes stereotyping and does not make things better, it makes it worse."

Also, accountability must be given to the decision-maker. "If someone is told to choose a candidate based on certain attributes, they are less likely to use their stereotypes," Reskin said.

Government can be a factor in lessening discrimination in the workplace. "Government must curtail discrimination. Employers must know that they cannot do whatever they want," said Reskin.

To do this, government must ban 'selective inaction' in which they work to eliminate discrimination of one group, but continues to permit discrimination of another. Reskin said, "Government should require courts to recognize the psychological origins of discrimination."

Reskin's lecture, "Race and Sex Discrimination in Employment: What's Government Got to Do with It," marked the first of a week-long series by Reskin on her studies of discrimination.

Dalloway's

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Kovach drafted a proposal that he submitted to president Marilou Eldred, vice president and dean of faculty Karen Ristau and Sister Bernice Hollenhorst, director of the Cushwa-Leighton Library. This proposal suggested that the space be used as a new home for the archives, which currently exceed the space allotted by the College.

"By the summer of 1999, the physical storage capacity of the archives was exceeded," Kovach wrote.

Kovach proposed two solutions for the space problem the archives are currently facing. The first involved building a new structure that would accommodate a new archives center. In addition, the building could house a museum and research center that would allow for the growth of the archives. However, this solution seemed unlikely to become a reality because of the cost.

"The second and more logical solution would be able to carry the growth of the archives for at least two decades and would involve the move to an existing open space on the College grounds," the proposal said.

This existing space is Dalloway's. "It would be an ideal setting (being a historical building) to house the history of the College."

Dalloway's is twice the size of the current housing for the archives, which would give

ample space for the existing collection, offices, and continued growth.

In addition to creating room for the archives, Kovach believes that the move would have additional advantages.

According to the proposal, "The location of the Clubhouse would open up more of an opportunity to cooperate and work in conjunction with the congressional archives in Bertrand Hall; the move would allow the College's rare book collection to take over the former archives area, which would allow greater potential for the growth of that already impressive collection."

Kovach would like to see the current archives used as a storehouse for the rare books collection as well as a reading room. Kovach has not been given an answer as to when he will hear back from the College about his proposal. The members of the Congregation of the Holy Cross will have some say in the decision, so the decision will not be left totally to the College.

Kovach will continue to work on getting his proposal passed. "I'm going to continue to swing at these two strike pitches," he said.

In his proposal Kovach said, "There is a poster which came out during the Sesquicentennial which has the phrase, 'Honoring Tradition. Pioneering Change.' What better way to illustrate this to not only tout the 'Pioneering Change' with the Master Plan but also reaffirm, 'Honoring Tradition' by finding a new use for a part of the history of the college."

WRC

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Decisions on the other recommendations were postponed for more discussion, Eldred said.

"We wanted more time to

thoroughly study the recommendations. Some of them suggest that we would enter agreements with subcontractors, and we needed time to evaluate that," Eldred said.

Station, Capillo, student representative Callie Kusto and bookstore manager Sandy VanderWerven will attend the

WRC's founder's meeting April 7. While introducing Saint Mary's to the consortium for the first time, Eldred also hopes the group will be able to educate administrators.

"We thought that after the meeting, we might be able to gain additional information to help us make these decisions."

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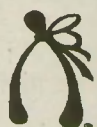
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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Rebels killed attempting to reclaim land

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka
A fresh military operation against Tamil Tigers holding small pockets in the northern Jaffna peninsula left at least 25 rebels and four soldiers dead, an army spokesman said Monday. Fourteen other rebels and one soldier were killed in other battles near the same area, he said. It was one of the highest death tolls in recent weeks as the army tried to wrest control of small areas seized by the guerrillas in fierce battles since March. In the last six months, the rebels have been trying to take back the Elephant Pass, a narrow strip of land that links the northern Jaffna Peninsula with the rest of the country in the south. Soldiers trapped 75 militants in a military cordon and killed 25 of them when they tried to breach the security net, said spokesman Col. R.P. Witana.

Livestock epidemic poses threat to S. Korean economy

SEOUL, South Korea
A provincial government in South Korea indefinitely closed all livestock markets Monday amid increasing fears that the deadly foot-and-mouth disease could become a national epidemic. Kyonggi province, which surrounds but does not include the capital Seoul, said it will close all 32 livestock markets to prevent further spread of the fatal ailment. Other provinces and cities are expected to follow suit, officials said. "The problem requires an all-out government effort to be controlled. It threatens to become a national epidemic," Agriculture Minister Kim Sung-hoon told a Cabinet meeting. Foot-and-mouth disease is highly communicable and can kill carrier animals and ruin entire beef and milk-cow herds. It cannot be passed on to people. That prompted Japan and South Korea to suspend imports of beef and pork from each other.

U.S. resolution condemns Haider, Freedom Party

WASHINGTON
The House approved a resolution Monday condemning the "anti-democratic, racist and xenophobic views" expressed by Joerg Haider and other leaders of the right-wing Freedom Party that joined an Austrian government coalition last February. The non-binding resolution, passed by voice, expressed "profound regret and dismay" that the Freedom Party would play a major role in the new government and urged the White House and the administration to make clear to Austria U.S. concern about the inclusion of a party associated with xenophobic, racist policies. It noted that Haider in the past has praised Adolf Hitler's employment policy, called Waffen SS veterans "decent people" and decried, in expressions used by Nazi leaders, the "over-foreignization" of Austria, turbed by events taking place in Austria.

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INDIA

Police arrest Kashmir separatist

Associated Press

ANANTNAG

Police opened fire on protesters, killing 10 people, while trying to quell violent demonstrations Monday over alleged police slayings of civilians, officials said.

Thousands of slogan-shouting protesters hurled rocks at police and the government administration building in Anantnag, demanding the exhumation of the bodies of five men shot last week in what officials said was a gun battle with the militants.

Police detained Shabir Shah, leader of the Jammu-Kashmir Peoples' Democratic Front who had been among the demonstrators. His group is one of dozens championing the separation of Muslim-majority Kashmir from India, which is predominantly Hindu. Police and army officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said that in addition to the deaths, 12 people were wounded when police fired on protesters. Administration officials later imposed a curfew in Anantnag.

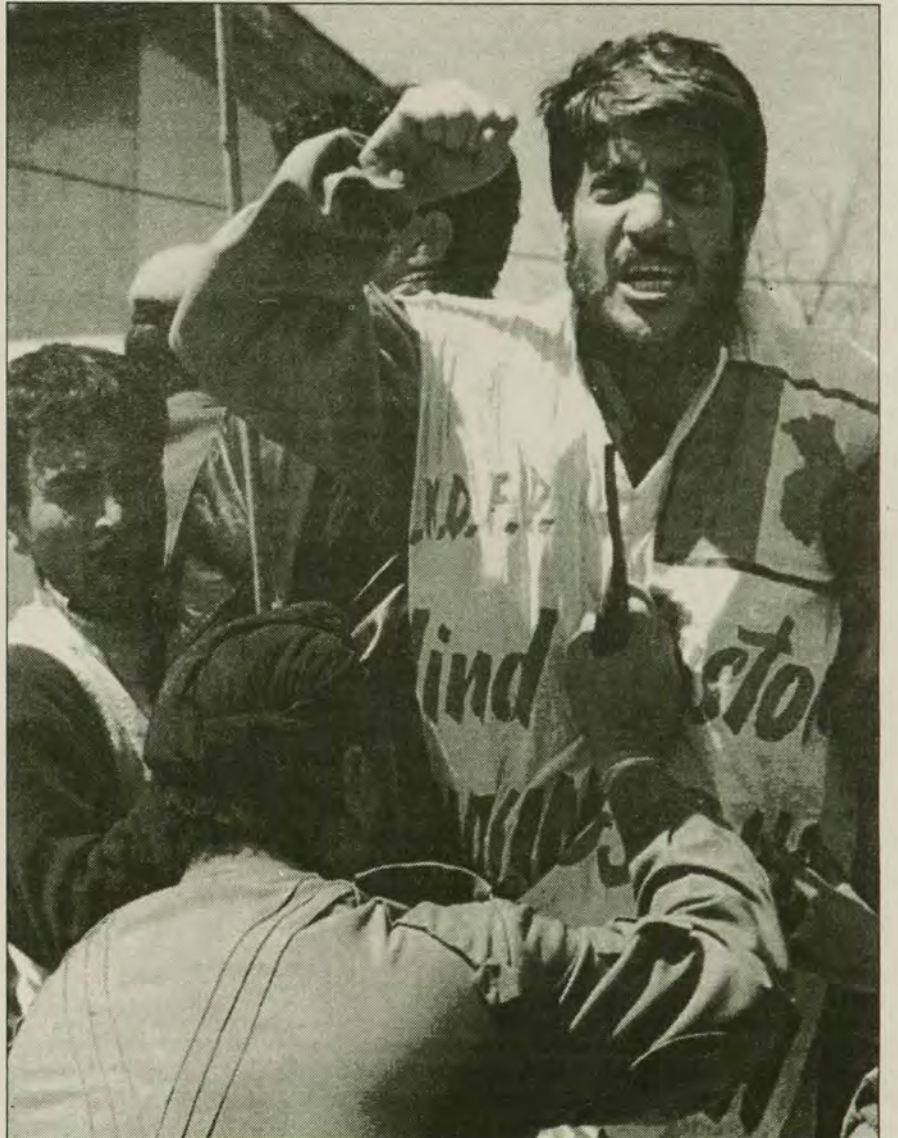
The protesters alleged that army soldiers killed five innocent people and then claimed they had been among the militants who had massacred 35 Sikhs in a nearby village on March 20.

A magisterial inquiry already has been ordered into the killings of 11 people who were shot in two separate incidents. Police said all were involved in the massacre of the Sikhs in Chatti Singhpora, which they said had been carried out by 17 men in a joint operation by two Pakistan-based militant groups.

A twelfth suspect had been captured earlier and had disclosed information leading to the discovery of the others, according to the official account.

Residents of Anantnag said the five killed by the army were actually five youths who disappeared from their homes. The bodies were charred beyond recognition and quickly buried. But bits of clothing indicated the bodies were those of the men who disappeared, and the townspeople have demanded that the corpses be examined again.

Residents have held strikes in



Indian police arrested separatist leader Shabir Shah after he led a protest against the killing of thirty-five allegedly innocent Sikhs in a local village.

Anantnag every day for the past week, but on Monday the protest turned violent.

The Kashmir troubles have claimed more than 25,000 lives in the last 10 years.

Advertisement oldiers trapped 75 militants in a military cordon and killed 25 of them when they tried to breach the security net, said spokesman Col. R.P. Witana. Four soldiers were killed and 76 wounded in the fighting, he said.

In other areas unconnected with

the latest military operation, 14 rebels and one soldier were killed.

There was no independent confirmation of the rival claims as journalists are barred from visiting the war zone.

More than 61,000 people have been killed since the war erupted in 1983. The guerrillas have been fighting for Eelam, a homeland for the minority Tamils. They say the majority Sinhalese discriminate against the Tamils in education and jobs.

U.S resists deploying troops to Lebanon

Associated Press

JERUSALEM

The United States will not deploy troops in south Lebanon as part of an international peacekeeping force after Israel withdraws from the area, U.S. Defense Secretary William Cohen said today.

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak, speaking after a meeting with the visiting defense secretary, said he did not expect the current U.N. peacekeeping force in the area, UNIFIL, to be

expanded significantly after an Israeli pullback, which is due by July.

Barak also said he did not foresee a need for nations not represented in UNIFIL to send forces to Lebanon in the future. The United States and France, another key mediator between Israel and Lebanon, do not have troops in UNIFIL.

Cohen said no decisions have been made about the future of U.N. peacekeepers in south Lebanon. "I do not anticipate that the United States will be a participant should there be such a UNIFIL," he said.

Barak has said he would withdraw Israeli troops from south Lebanon by July, ending an 18-year Israeli military presence. The prime minister initially

hoped to win the backing of Syria, the main power in Lebanon, for such a move.

However, last week's summit between Syrian President Hafez Assad and President Clinton did not lead to a renewal of Israeli-Syrian negotiations, and Barak said today that the probability of talks restarting in the foreseeable future was "quite low."

Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy sharply criticized Assad today, saying the Syrian leader's handling of the peace talks appeared to be without direction and that he was an obstacle to peace.

If Assad really wanted peace, Levy told Israel radio, he should have told Clinton what Syria would be prepared to give up in

return for an Israeli withdrawal from the Golan Heights, which the Jewish state captured from Syria in 1967.

Syria has over 30,000 troops in Lebanon and is the real ruler there. Israel hoped to obtain a Syrian promise to prevent guerrilla attacks against the Israeli border after the withdrawal, as part of the deal over the Golan.

Barak said today, however, that he did not expect a unilateral withdrawal to lead to a flare-up of violence in the foreseeable future.

Meanwhile, Lebanese Prime Minister Salim Hoss visited Syria today for another in a series of high-level consultations sparked by Israel's plans to withdraw from Lebanon.



Cohen

Judge's verdict rules against Microsoft

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Humbling a proud giant of the computer age, a federal judge ruled Monday that Microsoft Corp. violated U.S. antitrust laws by keeping "an oppressive thumb" on competitors during the race to link Americans to the Internet.



Gates

In a sweeping verdict against the empire that Bill Gates built, U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson said Microsoft violated the Sherman Act, the same law used to crush monopolies from Standard Oil to AT&T.

He concluded that the company was guilty — as the federal government, 19 states and the District of Columbia had alleged in a case that began in May 1998 — of "unlawfully tying its Web browser" to its Windows operating system that dominates the computer market worldwide.

"Microsoft placed an oppressive thumb on the scale of competitive fortune, thereby effectively guaranteeing its continued dominance," Jackson wrote.

The verdict affirms Jackson's previous ruling in November that the software giant is a monopoly, one that illegally used its power to bully competitors and stifle innovation, hurting consumers in the process.

The judge's ruling can be appealed, delaying its impact for years, and Gates said the company would pursue that avenue.

While Microsoft "did everything we could to settle this case, we believe we have a strong case on appeal," Gates said. "... This ruling turns on its head the reality that consumers know: that our software has helped make PCs accessible and more affordable to millions of Americans."

Microsoft didn't lose all of the case: Jackson ruled that the government failed to prove that Microsoft's exclusive marketing arrangements with other companies "constituted unlawful, exclusive dealing" under federal antitrust law.

Jackson's verdict opens the door for the federal government to seek drastic penalties against Microsoft.

The options range from breaking up the company that made Gates a billionaire to forcing it to share its proprietary software code with competitors. Jackson also paved the way for states to seek penalties under their own anticompetition laws.

"Microsoft maintained its monopoly power by anticompetitive means and attempted to monopolize the Web browser market," Jackson said in a ruling that caused a record-plunge in the Nasdaq market even before its release. Microsoft stock dropped by more than \$15 a share to close at \$90.87 1/2, costing Gates about \$12.1 billion in paper losses.

The Justice Department vowed to press the case until consumers are rewarded.

"Microsoft has been held accountable for its illegal conduct by a court of law," Attorney General Janet Reno said. "Thanks to this ruling, consumers who have been harmed can now look forward to benefits."

Attorneys general for the states that joined the case called for strict sanctions.

"Microsoft placed an oppressive thumb on the scale of competitive fortune, thereby effectively guaranteeing its continued dominance."

Thomas Penfield Jackson
U.S. District Judge

Connecticut Attorney General Richard Blumenthal urged Jackson to "adopt remedies that are as far-reaching and fundamental as Microsoft's abuses of its monopoly."

Reno's antitrust chief, Joel Klein, said he was still open to a settlement but that it would have to redress the violations cited in Monday's ruling.

Microsoft Chief Executive Steve Ballmer also said the company would be open to more negotiations but it "would need to see an appropriate openness" from the government.

"We've spent the past 25 years thinking of ourselves as a small aggressive company playing catch up to industry giants even though at some point along the way we became a large company," Ballmer said. "... Our intense focus on moving forward has at times been seen as threatening and our passion for being the best has been misinterpreted. We can do better. But that doesn't mean innovating any less or delivering any less value to consumers."

INS, Elian's Miami kin negotiate

◆ Elian's father will come to U.S., join negotiations

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The State Department cleared the way Monday night for Juan Miguel Gonzalez to travel to the United States so he can pursue his quest to be reunited with his son Elian, as negotiations continued between immigration officials and the boy's Miami relatives.

The department granted the senior Gonzalez's visa request along with those of his wife, infant son and Elian's male cousin, kindergarten teacher and pediatrician. The visas for the six could be issued as early as Tuesday.

The Cubans' request for 22 other visas — to Elian's classmates as well as National

Assembly President Ricardo Alarcon, a top aide to Cuban President Fidel Castro, was still being reviewed. State Department spokesman James Rubin said U.S. diplomats in Havana will submit lists of questions to the Cuban government concerning these requests to determine the merits of the cases.

Negotiations over the custody issues recessed Monday night without any word on whether any progress had been made.

Manny Diaz, attorney for Elian Gonzalez's Miami relatives, said, "We continue to be first and foremost concerned about the mental, psychological well-being of this young 6-year-old. To that extent we have spent a lot of time talking about numerous issues and we will be back tomorrow to continue our conversations."

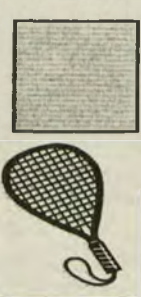
Outside the family's Miami

house, Elian and two cousins played on a slide. They hid behind a blue tarp hung in front of the slide and teased photographers by pretending to shoot at them with toy guns.

About 150 protesters gathered in front of the home, some waving signs like "Miss Reno are you ready for another Waco? We are." and "Clinton Coward, Reno Witch, Fidel Loco." Reno was a reference to Attorney General Janet Reno.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service had said earlier it would end the Miami relatives' custody of Elian on Tuesday morning if they did not agree to give him up if they lose an appeal of a federal court decision they lost last month.

But the negotiations shifted Monday to how to reunite Elian with his father when he arrives in this country.



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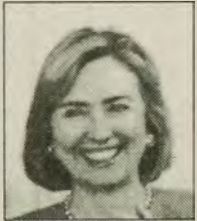
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Clinton attacks Giuliani's campaign tactics

Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y.

Hillary Rodham Clinton said Monday that Rudolph Giuliani is tapping into a network of right-wing, non-New Yorkers to help pile up his fund-raising lead in their Senate contest.



Clinton

The first lady said the Republican New York City mayor is utilizing a "broad national network of people who are opposed to what I would do in the Senate."

"He is playing on their fears and sending out these direct-mail requests and people that are seeing them are responding to it," said Clinton, who has raised \$12 million to Giuliani's \$19 million. "I don't think it's very complicated."

Giuliani's fund-raising letters are "more in line with the right wing of America than the main stream of New Yorkers," Clinton said.

Giuliani campaign manager Bruce Teitelbaum responded: "Mrs. Clinton is obviously disappointed in her campaign and its ability to attract more support, so now she's reverting to that old Clinton ruse of blaming the vast

right-wing conspiracy."

Also Monday, Clinton said life on the campaign trail has been harder than she expected.

"I'm having a great time, but I'm also seeing how hard it is" to be a candidate, the first lady told an audience of about 100 people at a community forum in the village of Coxsackie just south of Albany.

"I'm almost embarrassed to think back — all the times that I would say to my husband, 'Well, you could have said this differently, or you could have done that.' Now, I would like to take all those words back because it's very tough for both men and women," she said.

Clinton also repeated her support for gun licensing, a position shared by Giuliani.

Clinton attacked the National Rifle Association for being stuck on a "theological view" about gun control, but she also warned

against "people on the other extreme who want to take everybody's guns away."

"I've gone hunting," she said. "I don't have anything against guns if guns are used by responsible

people."

Meanwhile, Republican Rep. Rick Lazio, who over the weekend re-ignited talk of entering the race, said Monday that the contest between Clinton and Giuliani is shaping up as a personality-driven "food fight."

Lazio said he offers voters a clear alternative.

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Hillary Clinton
New York senate candidate

JAPAN

Prime minister suffers a stroke

◆ Leadership crisis could dissolve Obuchi government

Associated Press

TOKYO

Prime Minister Keizo Obuchi was on life support Tuesday after a stroke, leaving the Japanese government to grapple with a leadership crisis and the possibility of dissolving the Cabinet and finding a successor.

There was also growing anger over the delays by the government in reporting Obuchi's illness to the public.

As Obuchi's wife, daughter and other family members assembled at the Tokyo hospital where he has been since early Sunday, acting Prime Minister Mikio Aoki called a Cabinet meeting amid speculation that politicians were moving quickly to name a successor.

According to media reports, a replacement could be selected as early as later Tuesday and a new Cabinet could be installed by the end of the week. Under that scenario, it appeared likely that Aoki would be able to keep the government together.

Media reports were widespread that Yoshiro Mori, the secretary-general of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, was the likely candidate to replace Obuchi.

Senior members of Obuchi's ruling party met through the morning to dis-

cuss the crisis. Out of deference to the family, both Aoki and Mori refrained from commenting on the timing of the selection of a successor.

Obuchi, 62, was hospitalized early Sunday after complaining of fatigue. His condition deteriorated rapidly, and Aoki announced on Monday that Obuchi had suffered a stroke and was in a coma. He was put on a respirator.

His wife, Chizuko, and brother were at his side. His daughter, Yuko, returned from studies in England Tuesday morning to join them.

Tokyo's private TBS television network quoted unidentified doctors late Monday as saying that

Obuchi was clinically brain dead.

The prime minister's office said it could not confirm the report, and officials at Tokyo's Juntendo University Hospital refused to comment.

Aoki said there was no change in Obuchi's condition as of Tuesday morning, but medication had apparently stabilized his blood pressure.

Meanwhile, Aoki apologized Tuesday for government delays in announcing Obuchi's condition to the public. The government waited nearly 24 hours to announce that he had been hospitalized and leaving the

public in the dark about the seriousness of his condition for 12 more hours.

Aoki said an official who provided incorrect information to media about Obuchi's situation did so because he was so shocked by the situation that he was "not thinking straight."

"I apologize," Aoki said. "We will be careful in the future."

Aoki earlier had said that when he visited Obuchi at the hospital Sunday, and Obuchi verbally requested that he become acting prime minister, he did not realize how serious Obuchi's condition was.

As of late Monday, officials still had not disclosed when

Obuchi suffered the stroke or when he fell into a coma.

President Clinton praised Obuchi.

"He has been a good friend

to me personally, he's been a good friend of the United States," Clinton told reporters.

The process of selecting a replacement would begin with the nomination of a new president of the Liberal Democratic Party. The nominee would then be approved as prime minister by Parliament. Because the LDP has more seats in Parliament than any other party, its president is guaranteed the prime minister-ship.

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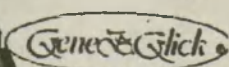
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Pope criticizes discarding of embryos

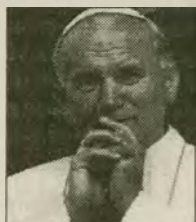
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VATICAN CITY

Pope John Paul II attacked the practice of eliminating unwanted embryos that result from artificial procreation methods.

"Various techniques of artificial reproduction, apparently at the service of life, actually open the door to new attacks on life," he told a convention of gynecologists and obstetricians in Rome.

The pope specifically attacked the practice of eliminating some



John Paul II

embryos when too many result from in vitro fertilization and other artificial conception methods.

Vatican teaching maintains that the only permissible way for conception is through sexual relations between husband and wife.

"Those who resort to artificial methods must be held responsible for illicit conception, but whatever the mode of conception — once it happens — the child conceived must be absolutely respected," the pope said.

He urged that the fetus be "protected, defended and nurtured in the mother's womb because of its inherent dignity." The convention dealt with advances in treating fetal problems, including in-womb surgery.

POLAND

First modern highway opens, charges tolls

Associated Press

WARSAW

Drivers began paying a toll Monday for the use of Poland's first modern highway, which connects the southern city of Krakow with Katowice in the industrial region of Silesia.

The 35-mile, four-lane road is a dramatic change from Poland's crowded two-lane roads, which are in shoddy condition after years of neglect. Poland's roads are also crowded by slow moving trucks and farm vehicles.

For the first time in Poland, the company used modern paving techniques and asphalt formulas. The toll for cars is \$2 and trucks cost \$5 — a high price given an average Polish salary of \$500 a month.

Private construction company Stalexport Autostrada Malopolska, which won the

bid to modernize the old highway, was granted a 30-year license to collect the toll.

Stalexport opened the new highway three months ago and allowed free access to it until Monday pending tests.

The \$92.5 million project was financed from private funds as well as credit from the European Bank of Reconstruction and Development.

Stalexport told the Polish news agency PAP that in order pay back credits and cover maintenance costs it will have to raise the toll next year to \$2.50 for cars and \$5.50 for trucks.

When Poland opened its markets in 1989, foreign automakers flooded the formerly communist country and the number of cars registered rose 50 percent to 12.5 million in 10 years.

EGYPT

African, European nations meet

◆ Leaders meet to improve relations and help Africa's debt

Associated Press

CAIRO

Sharp rebukes and frank pleas punctuated the first day of the Africa-Europe summit Monday, overshadowing the warm words of cooperation and hope that marked the opening ceremony.

The two-day meeting is a major effort to overcome the bitterness of Europe's colonial past and launch new efforts to bring the heavily indebted African nations into the global economic and political mainstream. But a vehemently anti-Western statement by Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi raised tensions that more moderate leaders had hoped to avoid.

In a closed-door session attended by heads of governments and top ministers, Gadhafi said Europe "had been submerged by American imperialism," according to a diplomat who heard Gadhafi's speech. The diplomat quoted

Gadhafi as saying in the unflinching 20-minute address that "unless Europe is freed from NATO, it cannot be free."

Summit host President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt had tried to keep the session from deteriorating into a forum for airing old grudges. Arab diplomats speaking on condition of anonymity Monday said Mubarak had asked Gadhafi not to raise controversial topics.

Gadhafi's message conflicted with the conciliatory tone set by Prime Minister Antonio Guterres of Portugal, whose country holds the presidency of the 15-nation European Union.

"It is time to change our conception and preconceptions of each other," said Guterres.

Debt remained the overriding issue. Africa as a whole has \$350 billion in external debt, with some countries paying more every year to service their loans than they do on health and education.

President Benjamin Mkapa of Tanzania said African nations know where they have to go, what's unclear is how.

"It is not necessary to hammer to African governments the value of competitive economic regimes with and between countries," he said. Africa,

Mkapa said, "wants to be part of the action, not an object of perpetual international pity."

Even though African hopes for immediate substantial relief from the EU were dashed, German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder offered \$350 million in debt relief to almost 30 African nations as "a special sign of solidarity."

"I am confident that the other creditor nations will follow our example," the chancellor said.

Salim Ahmed Salim, secretary-general of the 53-member Organization of African Unity, said the need for a "faster, deeper and broader process of debt relief cannot be overemphasized."

"We should not wait for a major catastrophe to occur," he said.

The European Union, which recently offered \$1 billion in debt relief to the world's poorest nations, had little more to give at the summit beyond a promise to write a report that will be studied at a future ministerial meeting. Most work on African debt will be handled by other international institutions, such as the Paris Club of creditor nations, the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.

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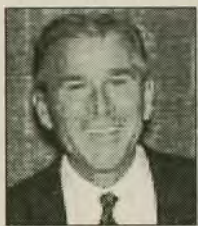
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Bush will focus on California voters

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. George W. Bush is taking pains to show he won't let history repeat itself in California, eight years after his father ceded the state early to Bill Clinton in a move that helped the Democrats win back the White House.



Bush

With symbolism and actions, the presumptive GOP presidential nominee is seeking to reassure jittery Republicans that he intends to fight for the state and win — just as his father did in 1988.

One example: Even though he's far behind Democrat Al Gore among Hispanics in the state, he's going out of his way to seek their votes. He's popular among Hispanics back home in Texas, and during the California primary campaign he challenged other candidates to debate him on issues important to Hispanics, but "solamente en español" — only in Spanish.

So far, Gore has the upper hand among voters statewide, with the latest Field Poll showing him 10 points ahead. He also has a powerful ally in Gov. Gray Davis. And the Clinton administration has rained down federal money in recent months — a tactic Bush is powerless to counter.

The vice president topped Bush 35 percent to 28 percent in the state's open primary last month, in line with a wave of Democratic popularity that swept all but two Republicans from California's statewide offices a year and a half ago. So

some political scientists predict Bush will channel resources into more winnable, less expensive states.

But Bush's people insist he's not budging in a state that holds one-fifth of the electoral votes needed to win the presidency.

"From the beginning of the campaign, Governor Bush has always prioritized California, and it has always figured centrally in his national political strategy," said Margita Thompson, a California campaign spokeswoman. "That was true for the primary, and it's more than true for the general election."

It better be, suggests GOP consultant Sal Russo, who worked on presidential campaigns with Ronald Reagan. However the November vote turns out in California, he says, a candidate who writes off the state early jeopardizes the party here.

In addition, others note, giving up on such a big state would allow Gore to concentrate his efforts elsewhere, too.

Hard decisions will be made later in the summer about where to focus time and money to try to win a majority of the 270 electoral votes, Russo said. "Until then, California is going to be in the hunt. If it isn't, we ought to throw in the towel."

Bush will campaign in California this week, beating the vice president to the state following last month's wave of

primaries. But he won't stay long this time. After about a day and a half in this state of 34 million people, he returns to Texas.

Gore can count on some affection for his boss rubbing off on him, particularly in Hollywood. In their first appearance together in months, Clinton and Gore will appear at a Beverly Hills fund-raiser April 15.

Bush is also sending surrogates here regularly. His father headlined a fund-raiser near Palm Springs recently, though it was not publicized. By contrast, the Democratic National Committee is using high-profile surrogates as it orchestrates Bush-bashing news conferences throughout the state.

Bush backers can find a little comfort in neutral analysts' comments on California — but only a little.

"It might be competitive, it depends where the McCain voters go in California and where the big bloc of independent voters go," said Mark

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California campaign spokeswoman

Baldassare, survey director at the Public Policy Institute of California. "I've yet to see evidence that there's a lock for the Democrats in California."

The Bush campaign points out that its only state campaign office remaining open after the big primaries was in California. The campaign doesn't mention that officials had quietly attempted to close the office, then reversed course, fearing such a move would raise concern.

Gore discusses the "digital divide"

Associated Press

ATLANTA

Vice President Al Gore was discussing the technology gap and the Internet's effect on equal opportunity during a campaign stop Monday at Martin Luther King Jr.'s alma mater.



Gore

The likely Democratic presidential nominee says Americans who lack computer skills and access to the Internet could be left further behind in an economy that is becoming more dependent on e-commerce and high-tech jobs.

Gore has promised to have every classroom and library connected to the Internet by the end of his first term, if elected. He supports funding for computer-equipped technology centers in poor communities and wants every child to be computer literate before they start high school.

Martin Luther King III, who was to appear with Gore on the panel at Morehouse College, said outside help is needed for low-income families that don't

have the time or money to embrace the new technology on their own.

"If you're not able to learn to use the existing technology, then you almost become obsolete," said King, the son of the late civil rights leader.

"The masses of poor people who are trying to survive, basically some are not sure whether they're going to eat every day, are not able to focus on technology," he said. "You can't eat a computer."

While in Georgia, Gore also was to attend a \$100,000-per-couple reception for the Democratic National Committee at the Atlanta home of party donor Larry Cooper. The event was expected to raise \$1.8 million.

Last July, a Commerce Department report showed wide disparities in computer ownership and access to the Internet based on race, income and where people lived. The report showed that about 47 percent of whites own computers, compared with fewer than a quarter of blacks. White children in low-income families were three times more likely to have Internet access than poor black children.

Families earning more than \$75,000 were 10 times more likely to be online than families with incomes under \$10,000, the report said.

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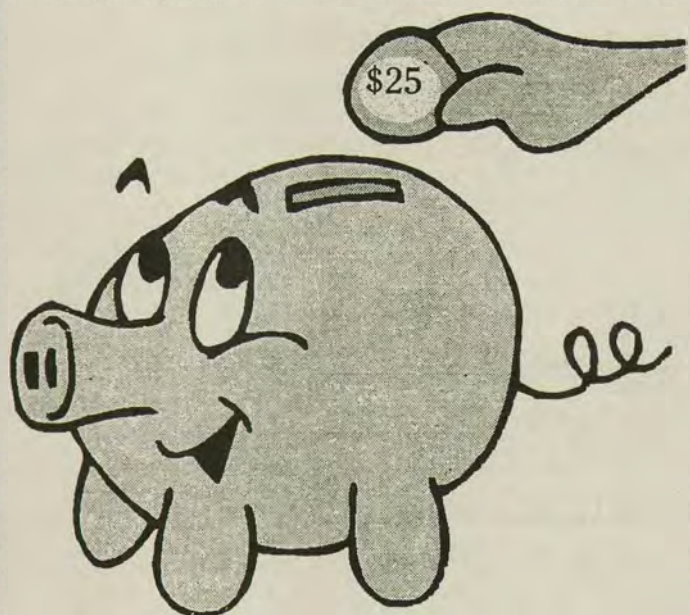
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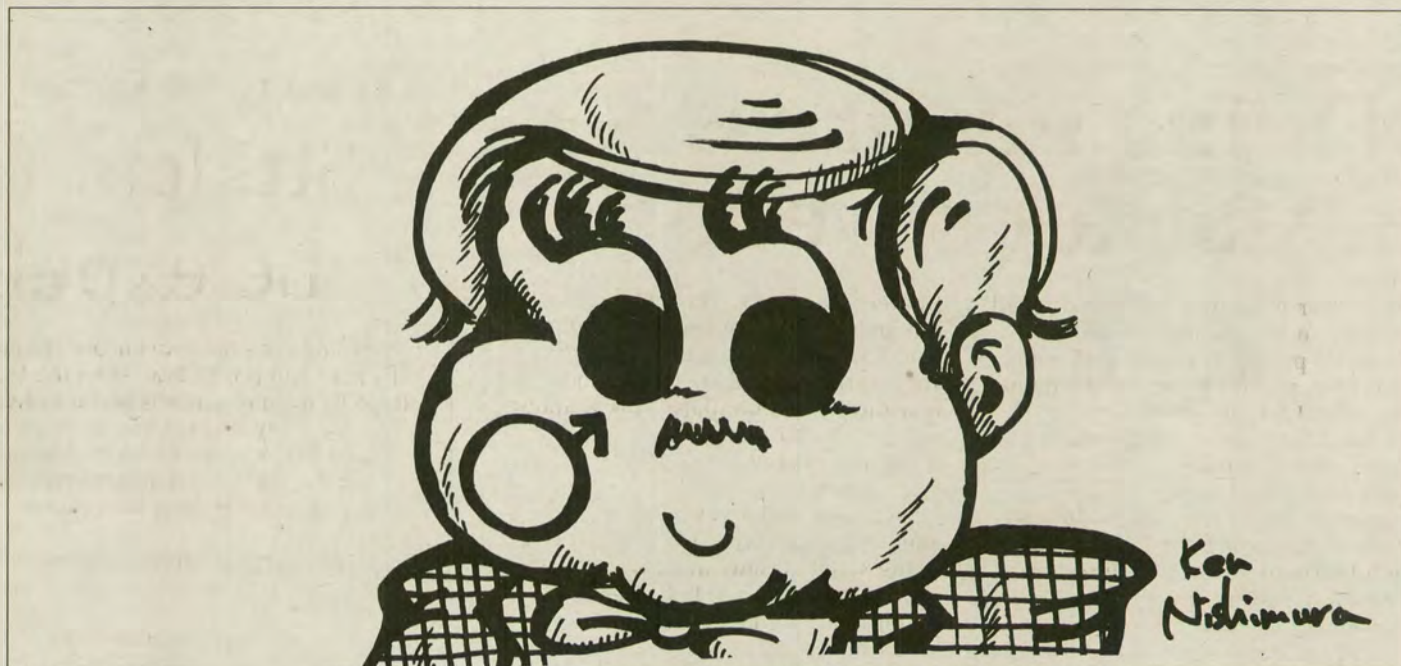
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Where's the female faculty?

At first I brushed it off when my friend Steve, a 1998 Notre Dame grad, mentioned that in his time here, he'd only had two female professors.

The number seemed appallingly low, but I chalked it up to the fact that he'd been a math major. As a Spanish and premed major, I have always had at least one female professor every semester. Being cheerfully naive, I assumed he was the oddity and my case was more typical.

The affair came to light again a couple of weeks later, and this time, aggravated by it, I started griping about it at the computer cluster where I work. In the course of discussion, it came to light that the three other people in the consultant kiosk had had a total of seven women professors in their combined twenty semesters here. They represented three different majors. An ensuing, more extensive poll revealed that, in fact, my numbers were anomalous.

I broke my personal tally down by subjects for a more in depth examination, and I figured out that I had one female professor in philosophy, one for freshman seminar, one for physiology, and six for Spanish. The only other poll respondent with more than eight female professors had numbers similar to mine, with the majority of hers being psychology professors and just a smattering in other subjects. I have yet to encounter a science major who has had more than one female science professor. I received a response from a senior engineering major who has, over eight semesters here, never had a class taught by a woman. That almost seems excusable; engineering isn't really a

field hopping with women. But this engineer has had to take core requirements for the university just like everyone else. In all those classes, those philosophies, those social sciences, he has never encountered a female professor. Although he was the only one who had never had a woman professor, the average for seniors seems to be about four, one every other semester. Does anyone else see anything wrong with this?

I checked out the Notre Dame website, looking for the information most readily available on the subject. By my count, the number of "faculty experts" who are women rounds up to nine percent. That's not very many. These are the professors who have established themselves in their fields, presumably through education and research. Women lag far behind in this kind of recognition because, as of right now, they are not getting the opportunity to pursue academics. I cannot believe that romance languages and psychology the only two departments fortunate enough to have enough qualified female job candidates to produce a gender-balanced faculty, or anything even remotely resembling one.

The American Association of University Professors suggests that women applicants are responsible for the glut of professionals in academia today. Their numbers have risen, while those of their male counterparts have remained the same since about 1975. Yet at Notre Dame, they are not being hired in numbers that reflect this huge increase. The academic committee in my dorm recently hosted a professional women's forum. We had three local women, all highly educated, come and talk to us about the challenges of balancing personal and professional lives. (Do men's dorms have these kinds of talks? I won't cave to this digression, but I'm thinking about it). One of the women who came was Professor Carol Mooney, who works in the Provost's office and deals directly with faculty

hiring practices. She is the person who I would have been seeking out for answers even had she not shown up in our social space for the forum. Professor Mooney said that Notre Dame is aware that its numbers are lacking, and she explained that females account for about forty percent of Notre Dame's tenure-track new hires. According to her, they achieve tenure at about the same rate.

So where on earth are they? What are they teaching? Even if the forty percent is a new number, I certainly haven't noticed any difference in the past four years. Wherever these new female hires are, they are not numerous enough to put an end to the gross inequality that we average students experience. The AAUP suggests that a lower percentage of women achieve tenure, and that more women with advanced degrees wind up teaching part-time or at community colleges, although not necessarily by choice.

Progress is being made; the new-hire numbers and Notre Dame's acknowledgment of the problem are positive signs. Current students, however, are being hurt by the lack of women who teach classes and lead research here. We are learning that academia continues to be a man's world, and that, should women choose to enter it, they will have fewer opportunities to establish themselves, and they will always be held to a higher standard than their male peers. That message damages professors, students, and universities.

Kate Rowland is a senior computer science and philosophy major. She wishes to thank Mike McDonough, without whose persistent cynical sarcasm she would never have gotten sufficiently irritated to pursue this column.

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Filling my dress for my sister's wedding

My sister is getting married this fall, and I am to be her maid of honor. These are precious, exciting days for my family, and for myself in particular, ever since I found

Mary Beth Ellis

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out that I have the biggest boobs in the whole entire wedding party. Of course, I'm beating out a fourteen-year-old, a cousin who stands at all of 4'9", and a family friend who wears a size negative seven; but no matter, after spending eight consecutive years in women's schools, I have been in countless situations in which everybody else's WonderBra had far less WonderWork to do than mine. It will be nice to be a total object for once in my life. I grow weary of being judged on the basis of my character and intelligence.

I am enthralled with this business of being referred to as a "maid," whether I'm an honorable one or not. Maid Mary Beth! It is an archaic term, and a romantic one; therefore it does not properly convey my duties, which as far as I can tell basically consist of presenting my sister with potato peelers and monogrammed guest towels at regular shower intervals, and then, at the ceremony, shooting people who stomp on the train of her gown.

Arrangement of the bachelorette party is also my department. The bride has made it very clear that she does not want any strippers involved. (You will note she did not specifically forbid the appearance of a male person showing up already naked.)

I am fairly pleased with my maid of honor uniform, a taffeta lilac affair with matching gloves. I have seen, and expected, far worse. The bride and I do not exactly share similar fashion tastes: she prefers to blend in with the nearest wallpaper and carpet, while I have never been known to pass an opportunity to be-sequin myself. This personality split goes back to our childhood, when even her Barbie dolls wore khakis and sensible shoes. (Mine were usually naked and headless.) And she has nightmares of being forced to appear in my own wedding dressed like Zha Zha Gabor's earrings. Which is ridiculous — at my wedding, the attendants will be attired in tasteful, ruffle intensive hoop skirts and shall carry parasols. Even the ushers.

Still, we managed to find a dress that satisfied everyone. I became an especially big fan at the bridesmaid's measuring session, which is when I made my fabulous By-Comparison Gigantic

Hooters discovery. The chest issue isn't the only reason I'm excited about the wedding (although, judiciously, that's a substantial part of it). This is about the merging of two families. This is about the blessing of a union of souls. This is about me getting my sister's room.

It's a fine room, one with a marvelous view and a vast improvement, square-footage wise, over my current living space. It only needs me for improvement. It will be lacking that essential item, however, if the people who are building my sister's house-to-be don't complete certain minor finishing touches, such as lighting fixtures and shutters and walls and a roof. At this moment, as a matter of fact, her future home is a plane of winsome Ohio mud. There are no sewage lines. There's not even a hole to gaze forlornly into. There is just dirt, and sticks,

and a forlorn Port-O Let in the far distance. "Well," the builder said, "in two weeks, you'll start seeing real progress." He said this four months ago. This is unsettling for all of us — primarily, for obvious reasons, me.

Occasionally my parents and I form a huddle and fret *en masse*. "What are we going to do?" is the most oft-repeated phrase, a question I always try to meet with words of level-headed comfort ("Well, they aren't living here"). It doesn't really matter much that the house may not be done in time for the wed-

ding, because I can tell you right now that the ceremony itself is going to be delayed for days, if not weeks. This is because my father is in charge of beginning it. His only wedding-related task is to show up, and as recently as last week, he and I had the following discussion:

MY FATHER: (calling from work) When's the wedding, again? Don't tell your mother I had to ask.

ME: Of course not. (Hanging up) Mom!

(Later, at the dinner table)

ME: I'm nervous about being escorted down the aisle by the best man.

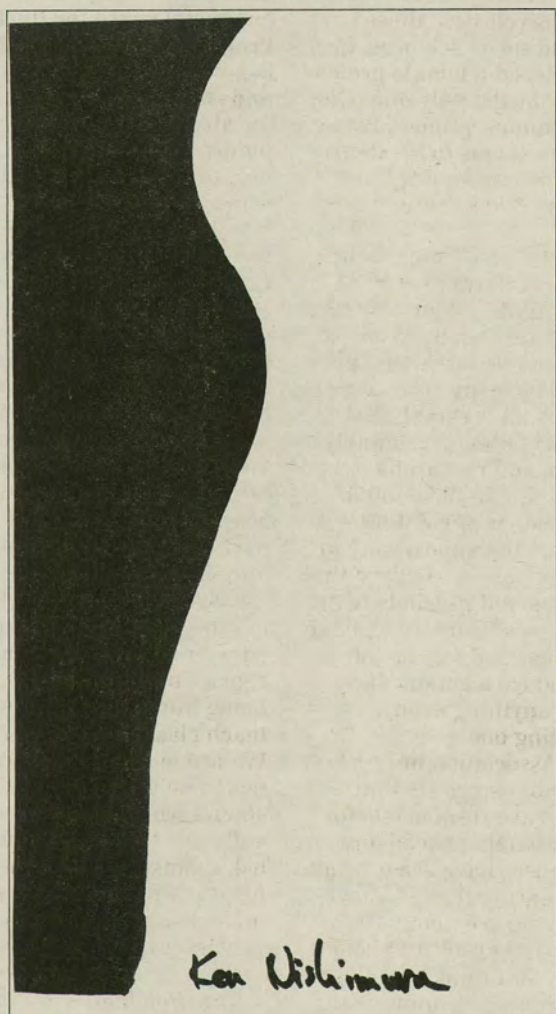
MY FATHER: Hey — who am I supposed to escort down the aisle?

MY SISTER: (Chokes him)

It's going to be a mess. But — and this is the important thing — once everybody's assembled before the altar of the Lord, I will be the most bountifully blessed woman up there.

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The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Student rapists must be expelled, swiftly

Nothing does more to encourage student belief that campus life is regulated "by men and not by law" than the University's handling of cases of date rape. Rape by acquaintance is serious physical assault. It is a crime difficult to prosecute in county courts because rules of criminal procedure combine with victims' natural desire to avoid revictimization to reduce the likelihood of conviction in all but the most flagrant circumstances. But if du Lac can't be rewritten to enable the expulsion of date rapists, why do we have a code of student conduct at all?

I hope everyone understands that this is not a rhetorical question.

Ed Manier

Professor of Philosophy
April 3, 2000

Politicians shouldn't sell out to religions

I would like to respond to a letter regarding Christians and the political arena (All we need is a Christian candidate, March 30, The Observer). While the article was well-written and contained some valid points, I disagreed strongly with certain aspects.

For one, the author seems to not have much experience with the political system. He states that it is "sickening" when "a Catholic sacrifices his or her beliefs for the sake of an ideology." For any political election, it is impossible for a candidate not to sacrifice his or her personal beliefs for that of their party loyalty. Whether these beliefs be of a religious or political nature, alignment with either the GOP or the Democratic Party will require the adjustment of personal agendas, even if only to create an attractive election platform.

Candidates must represent the interests of their constituents if they choose to be elected. Candidates do not represent "the Catholics of District 28" or "the Lutherans of the state of Texas." A platform based on religious beliefs would be an offense to the voters of conflicting faiths in that region.

Politics, under the separation of church and state, is a system designed to be free from the domination of any

singular theological doctrine.

Also, the example given of two pro-choice Hispanic Catholics does not necessarily constitute a sacrifice of beliefs. The author assumes that all Catholics' personal beliefs are lock-step within those of the Catholic Church, even when it comes to political and social issues. Many Catholics consider the core of their faith to be their belief in Jesus Christ, rather than being obliging "followers" of the Catholic hierarchy and its positions on issues such as abortion, gun control, capital punishment, and euthanasia. A Catholic's disagreement with the Church authority does not make him or her any less of a Catholic. The author asks, "How can any Catholic support capital punishment like the GOP does?" I can, with conviction, but that is beside the point.

My point is that while the author speaks of Catholics "selling out" to politics, his suggested alternative amounts to politics "selling out" to Catholicism, which is a much worse proposition.

Chris Sikorski

Freshman, Keough Hall
April 3, 2000

Napster is no threat

Once again the administration has done something it should not have done. Napster and programs like it are absolutely no threat to the university. First, Napster only recognizes mp2 and mp3 programs. There are no "serious security issues" at stake here. If a hacker wanted to get into the computers, it would be extremely easy to do so via another means. And about the bandwidth excuse, a university such as this, with all of the money it has, should have no problem handling that kind of traffic. Indeed it has handled the traffic, easily.

Now, my question is, why is the administration on this subject? To follow suit with other institutions around the country? Well then, why has the administration chosen not to join the WRC? And why can't the administration find better things to do with its time? Why not focus on some more pertinent issues on this campus? Such as alcohol, drugs, and addressing

minority issues. No, the administration has to turn its guns on possibly the most useful program for us college students.

I encourage my fellow students to e-mail all three people who signed the e-mail and letter in The Observer, demanding they reinstate Napster. Their e-mail addresses and phone numbers are easily found on the website. We pay to go to school here. We pay to use the network. Napster is not illegal. It has never been proven illegal. So why should we not be able to use it? To the administration, and especially those members who signed that document. Congratulations on making a mountain out of a molehill and presenting one more poor effort.

Peter Godlewski

Freshman, Keenan Hall
April 3, 2000

ALBUM REVIEW

Pumpkins reclaim old fans with Machina

By GEOFFREY RAHIE
Scene Movie Critic

As soon as Billy Corgan rips into the opening riff of "The Everlasting Gaze," you know that the Smashing Pumpkins are back. After registering one of the most successful double-albums in rock history with Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness, the Pumpkins received popular backlash for their follow-up album, Adore. But the Pumpkins are sure to regain some fans lost in the aftermath of Adore with Machina: the machines of God.

In a way, Machina might be the Pumpkins' best work. While one might make a case for the alternative masterpiece Siamese Dream, Machina is definitely the group's most mature effort. The band seems to have found the perfect mix of driving rockers and blissful pop. The result is quite electrifying.

The opening track, "The Everlasting Gaze," might be one of the strongest hard numbers written by leader Billy Corgan. In the past, Corgan's hard rock songs

sometimes went a little too far. They either pushed the fine line of sensible music or just got way too repetitive. For every solid track like "Zero" there would be a weaker version such as "Bodies."

However, Machina's only weak hard number is the almost-laughable "Heavy Metal Machine." The guitar lines are pretty impressive, but it's so hard to get over the fact that Corgan is singing the praises of heavy metal so blatantly. The least he could have done was disguise the lyrics a little bit.

Although the critics have been saying the Pumpkins are returning to their hard rock roots — which they do address in a few songs — the real strength of the CD is that the bulk of the songs are mid-tempo, standard rock/pop songs. Right after the crashing guitars on the opening track, the cool back-beat of "Raindrops + Sunshowers" helps settle down the atmosphere. Corgan discusses the common bond everyone shares through our pain and misfortunes.

And that is only the beginning.

The entire disc is chock-full of ear candy, highlighted by the breathtaking "I of the Morning." Corgan's voice seems to have calmed down a little bit in the song as he reminisces about his beginning love of music. The track is basically an ode to his discovery of

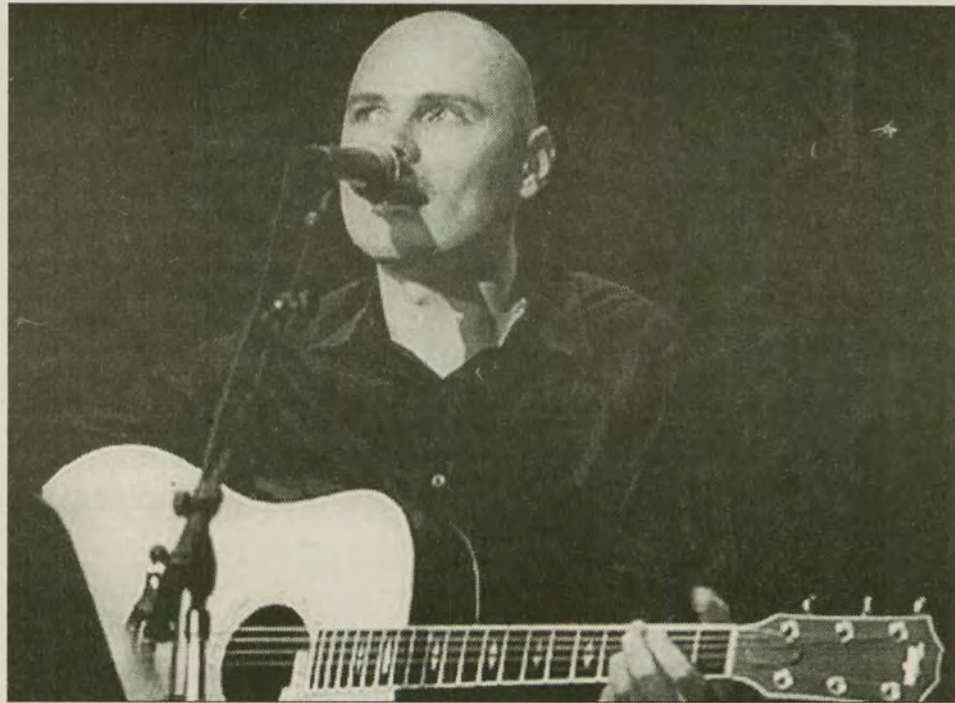
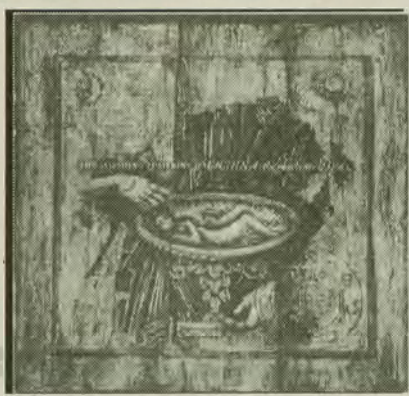


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Smashing Pumpkins frontman Billy Corgan plays an acoustic set at a recent performance. Machina: the machines of God, the new Pumpkins album was released late last February.

Machina: the machines of God
Smashing Pumpkins
Virgin Records

Rating



candy, highlighted by the breathtaking "I of the Morning." Corgan's voice seems to have calmed down a little bit in the song as he reminisces about his beginning love of music. The track is basically an ode to his discovery of

the radio "that plays his favorite song." The radio inspires him to "wipe the dust off his guitar" and "read your letters." The track explains how we tend to associate music with a certain time in our lives, whether it be junior-high, a certain relationship or a particularly tough time. Music can make us hold on to the memories that made us laugh and cry. And that's what is so great about it.

Another winner is the exceptional "Try, Try, Try" which calls for the courage in

all of us to win over the fear. He points out places where people need to be strong — "I hear it's over in Detroit." And the classic "Wound" brings out the best of the band showcasing its great rock ability.

It's great to see one of the precious alternative bands survive. A good band like the Pumpkins knows how to take chances and keep it interesting.

But most importantly, they know how to make a great album. Machina: the machines of God is a great album.

ALBUM REVIEW

Former domers find following in Elephant

By CASSIE CARRIGAN
Scene Music Critic

There is something incredibly satisfying about discovering a band before the rest of the world discovers them. Here is your chance to do just that.

The band Elephant has recently released its first CD, Monday Morning,

Start Again. They have a unique, colorful and energetic sound that resembles no other band currently out today.

Elephant is something of a home-grown phenomenon. Lead singer and guitarist Joe Bregande originally lived here in South Bend and was in a popular band called Sea of Words with Fletch, who is now the bassist for Elephant. Bregande's brother Dave, who also sings lead vocals and plays acoustic guitar and Fletch both graduated from Notre Dame in '95 and '92 respectively.

Elephant has since relocated to Atlanta where they've picked up quite a following on the local club circuit.

You can find out more information, and listen to samples of their songs at their web site: <http://www.elephantrunk.com>.

Elephant could be categorized as a

pop/rock group but that category is really too narrow for their sound. Vocally, Elephant's sound is distinct. Joe and Dave's voices complement each other while Fletch's background vocals add color to each song. Their sound is both upbeat and has a soul.

Elephant's influences include the Beatles, Bob Dylan, The Who, U2, The Jam, The Kinks, Paul Simon, Crowded House and other musicians whose focus is primarily on songwriting. Much like these musical greats, Elephant's songs are more than just good music — they say something to the listener about how the songwriter views life, love and all that jazz. Elephant's songs look the darkness of life straight in the eye, while at the same time, refuse to give in to despair. The last line of "This is the Story" sums up this view when it says, "The loss is never stronger than what's gained."

Monday Morning, Start Again is pop music at its finest. The music is perfect for dancing and having a good time or just hanging out.

That's the beauty of it all — the

music is fun and yet the lyrics provide more than just ear candy. The album opens with the energetic "No Slowing Down" and flows straight into "Evil," a song that perfectly describes the perils of the dating game that we all seem to end up playing. From there, the album only gets better. From the upbeat and hopeful "If I Wanted To" to the touching "Steeple Hill," each song makes you want more.

The song "Ani," while seeming to poke a little fun at folk artist Ani DiFranco, sums up the idea behind every song on the album — "And I'm truly sorry/ That the world isn't all it could be/ I think I'd like to laugh a while/ and sing about the world that I see/ I'd love for you to hear a smile/ from me."

Those lines capture most of Joe and Dave Bregande's writing style, and offer a small glimpse into the spirit of the entire album.



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Notre Dame alumni Fletch (center) and Dave Bergande (right) have teamed up with Dave's brother Joe Bregande (left) to form the pop band Elephant. The group just released its first album, Monday Morning, Start Again.

Monday Morning, Start Again

Elephant

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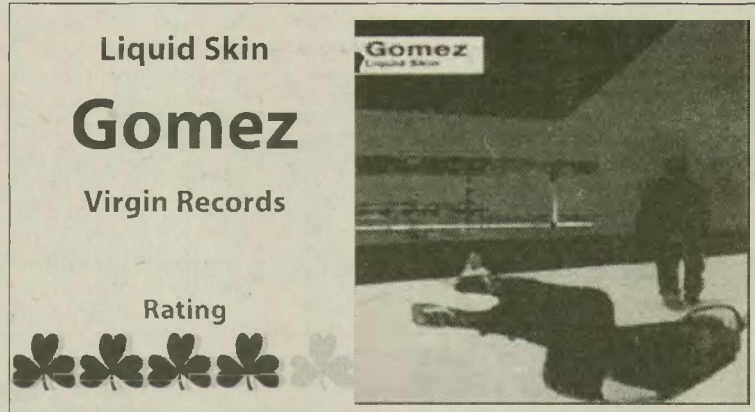
Gomez enters American pop with Liquid Skin

By ANDREW JONES
Scene Music Critic

While the pop sound between Europe (particularly Britain) and America differs, British group Gomez released their second album, *Liquid Skin*, with a sound similar to that of American pop.

Gomez undoubtedly is a group that mirrors the American pop sounds of Pearl Jam and Dave Matthews Band with an added layer of British sensibility.

In fact, band member Tom Gray adds a distinguished, raspy sound to vocals that is strikingly similar to the vocal sound of Pearl Jam frontman Eddie Vedder — only Gray, unlike Vedder, does not overpower the overall vocal essence, saturating the group's sound with tone-deaf screams in an attempt to add intensity to the music. Rather, in *Liquid Skin*, Gray's voice is not always prevalent, which does allow for



other members' vocal additions to the album's excellently diverse sound.

Liquid Skin begins with the track "Hangover," which offers that American pop sound sneaking up slowly from the beginning of the track. The guitar work on this track is nothing special, although the ingenious use of

musical tastes. Their favorite albums? The Beatles' *Revolver* and Hendrix's *Electric Ladyland*.

While the monotonous beat of "Revolutionary Kind" has the potential to drive one insane, this track provides an introduction to the vague euro-trash/techno aspect of their sound that

effects on the guitars helps the band capture a distinct sound. This sound is created with the addition of some Eastern instruments, perhaps spawning from the group's

fortunately only remains predominant on this song. On the other hand, the eurotrash aspect that exists on *Liquid Skin* definitely adds an unusually distinct psychedelic sound that undeniably places it a step above the sounds of American pop music.

Gomez does not emit that hard-core rock sound one might have expected to find on *Liquid Skin*, yet their truly mellow tracks such as "We Haven't Turned Around" differ from their prevalent chill sound. The only drawback to this overall tempered sound is that the lyrics fall just a bit short of exceptional.

Liquid Skin nonetheless proves to be a great album. Listen to the track "Rosalita" with its great lyrics, intricate guitar work and awesome chord progression that makes one's spine tingle, and you definitely won't be disappointed you purchased the album. And besides, aren't you sick of that bland ol' American pop/rock sound?

CONCERT REVIEW

Guster rocks during April Fool's concert

By LISA BRUNO
Scene Music Critic

Eight years ago at Tufts University, an amazing thing happened — three freshmen, Brian Rosenworcel, Adam Gardner and Ryan Miller met and decided to form a band. Gardner and Miller provided the vocals and guitars, and Rosenworcel provided the percussion on congos. Originally calling themselves "Gus," the band was forced to change its name to Guster after facing legal troubles.

In 1993, Guster self-produced its first album, *Parachute*. The band then held off any new material until their 1998 release, *Goldfly*. With *Goldfly*, the band's second album, Guster was picked up by the Sire record label. Since their very formation, Guster has set focused goals for itself, at each turn, setting those goals a bit higher.

This focus is prevalent in their 1999 release, *Lost and Gone Forever*. But nowhere is the focus more apparent than in their live shows, most recently this past Saturday night at the House of Blues in Chicago. Performing before a sold out crowd, Guster did what many bands dream of doing — gave a flawless performance. Their cohesiveness on stage was off the scales and was only complemented by the energy that came from their obvious enjoyment of performing.

From the thundering opening of "Happier," Guster announced that they were there to play — and play well.

They performed songs from all three albums, including the single "Fa Fa." One of the highlights of the show came with the "Happy Frappy" melody where they played only what they considered to be the best snippets of songs from their first album.

And since the concert took place on April Fool's Day, it couldn't be an authentic Guster show without a few Guster tricks. The first came with a hoaxed lip-syncing of "Great Escape" in which, after performing half the

song, Rosenworcel stopped the show, and with the music continuing in the background, confessed that all the while they'd been lip-syncing. The second surprise came with a passionate performance of Six Pence None the Richer's, "Kiss Me" by Rosenworcel, who doesn't usually sing but sticks to the drums.

A review of Guster would not be complete without mentioning what Rosenworcel does behind that drum set. He is known as "Thundergod," a name that couldn't be more accurate. It seems almost unreal to see the effort he puts forth with each song. He becomes almost like a puppet behind the congos — his hands hitting them with such force and precision, it's difficult for the onlooker to keep track of where his hands are going. The result is an amazing driving backdrop to

each song, which distinguishes Guster from any other band.

The vocals and guitar are provided by both Gardner and Miller, who also put forth immeasurable effort with each song, not holding back in any way.

All the lyrics on *Lost and Gone*

Forever were written by Gardner. As Rosenworcel commented, the album captures Guster and at times seems like a break up album — especially with songs like "Either Way" and "I Spy." Despite this theme, the audience members' faces were covered with smiles.

In talking with Rosenworcel before the show, it was apparent that one of Guster's top goals has included an attempt at staying grounded as a band. As he described it, they realize their fan base is an integral part of their success and they are somewhat a result of a grass roots following. In realizing this, Guster continues to play smaller, more intimate venues and to make each show distinct and interactive with the audience. They genuinely appreciate their fans, and this is apparent in their "Rep" program. Fans across the country are designated as Guster reps. They receive a press kit and an official Rep name and

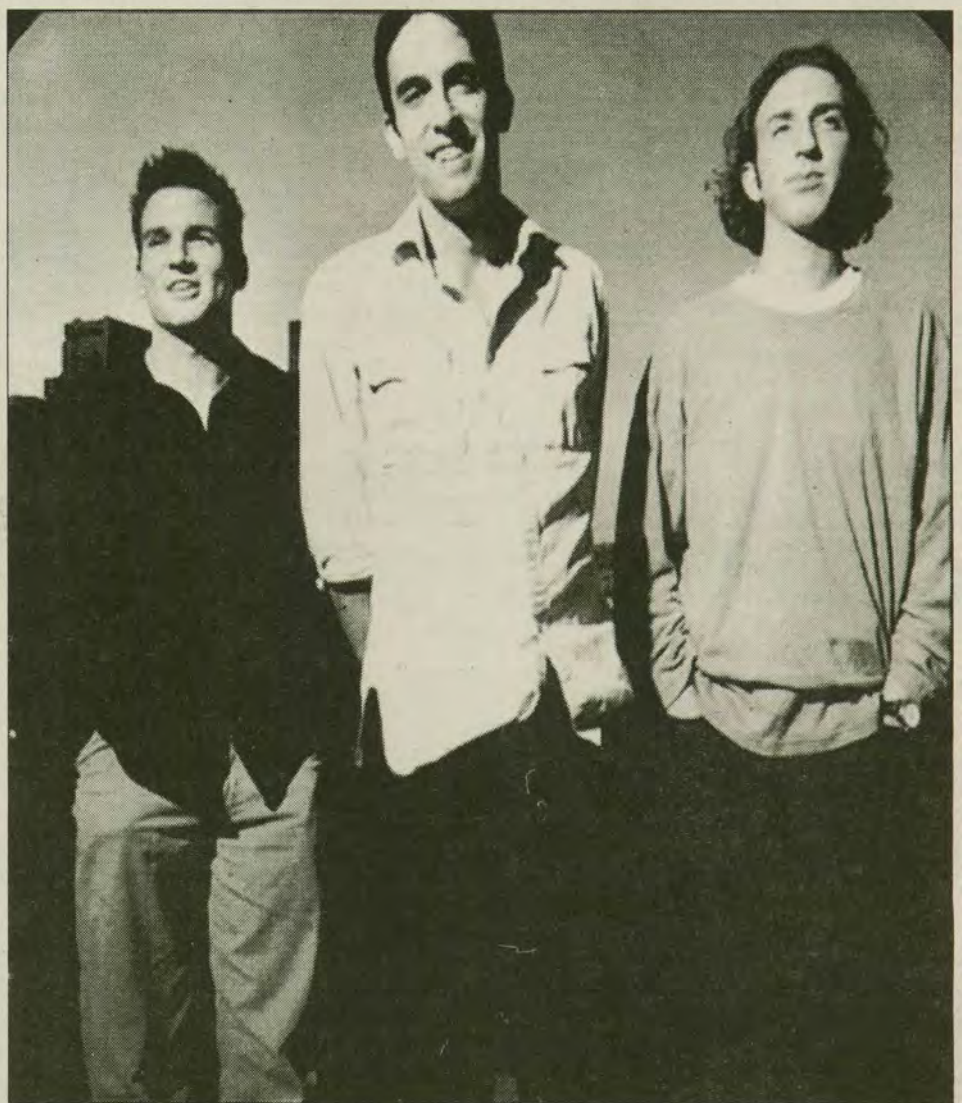


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Guster, from left: Adam Gardner, Brian Rosenworcel and Ryan Miller, gave a blistering performance at Chicago's House of Blues last Saturday, April 1. Guster is currently touring for their new album, *Lost and Gone Forever*. Though gaining popularity, the band has been able to stay down-to-earth and modest.

take part in concert promotion in their town. This program offers results. Their current road manager, Pasty, was once a Guster Rep. It doesn't get any more real than that. And that's how it is with Guster — real.

The show ended with what felt like a special gift — an unplugged performance of "Mona Lisa." As pure quiet came over the audience, there was some hope out there that Guster will never change, that they will somehow pause and stay this amazing and this

real for an indefinite amount of time. But the reality is that their fan base is growing, they have produced a video and they will be touring until 2001. Yet, Guster seems to be untouched by this and they seem to continue to appreciate their fans and to love performing.

This was the concert that ended too soon and left the audience saying "Thank you Guster for playing your instruments, and thank you for being so real."



Michigan State senior point guard Mateen Cleaves celebrates his team's NCAA Championship victory over Florida. KRT photo

NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Granger shines in Spartans' victory

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

Most everyone knew Michigan State had the Flintstones. Now the basketball world knows about A.J. Granger, too.

Granger matched his career-high with 19 points to help the Spartans beat Florida 89-76 on Monday night for their first NCAA title since 1979.

"We called him the 'X' factor going into the game," Florida coach Billy Donovan said. "We knew that Mateen Cleaves and Morris Peterson were going to probably play well and do a good job handling our press."

Peterson led the Spartans with 21 points and Cleaves, despite missing about four minutes because of an injured ankle, added 18 for Michigan State.

Donovan said the Gators needed to stop Granger from stepping out and making 3-point shots. They didn't. Granger was 3-of-8 from beyond the arc.

Granger, a senior from Findlay, Ohio, who was recruited in the same class as Cleaves and Peterson, said the Spartans were one step ahead of Donovan. They figured Florida would gamble on spending most of its energy trying to defend Peterson and Cleaves.

"I'm not the go-to guy, so I got more good shots," Granger said. "They got me open tonight, set some picks for me. Then, I just had to make the shots."

There were other unsung heroes for the Spartans, of course.

Jason Richardson, Mike Chappell, Adam Ballinger all played key roles off the bench as the Spartans beat the Gators at their own warp-speed game.

"It just seems like somebody on this team steps up

every night," Granger said. "Tonight, it just happened to be me and Morris."

Michigan State also got a gutsy performance from Charlie Bell, who isn't nearly as well-known as fellow Flintstones Cleaves and Peterson.

During a stretch of about four minutes when Cleaves was out getting his right ankle tapped after a hard fall early in the second half, Bell held the Spartans together.

If the Spartans, leading by six points at the time, were going to fold, this might have been the time. But they had been in this situation before — for the first two months of the season.

Bell played point guard for the Spartans' first 13 games while Cleaves recovered from a stress fracture in that right foot. He did it again in the biggest game of his life and Michigan State had increased its lead to nine points by the time Cleaves limped back onto the court.

But it was Granger who gave the Spartans an unexpected offensive push — something they felt would be vital against Florida's in-your-face defense.

Every time the Gators collapsed on Peterson, Cleaves and Andre Hutson, it was Granger who shredded their strategy. He hit 3-pointers, drove the baseline for leakers in the paint, and battled underneath for rebounds.

Every time it seemed like the Gators had come up with a stop, it seemed Granger would get the ball and somehow hit a basket.

Granger has been quietly outstanding during this entire tournament run. He averaged 9.3 points during the regular season, but put his game on another level once the tournament started. Granger also scored 19 against Syracuse and 18 against Iowa in the Midwest Regionals.

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passes.

The Spartans were their usual efficient selves when they did run their halfcourt game, getting good looks and crashing the boards when they missed.

The Michigan State bench was considered a key to any chance the Spartans had. Florida's reserves had outscored it 175-45 in the tournament, but Jason Richardson had nine points as the Spartans' backups came up big.

Udonis Haslem had a season-high 27 points for the fifth-seeded Gators (29-9), while Brent Wright added 13.

The 1979 final is still the highest-rated telecast of an NCAA basketball game — the one that hooked the nation on the NCAA tournament.

"I knew they were going to win, especially when Mateen came back this year," Johnson said on the court as the Spartans cut down the nets.

"It's been tough waiting these 21 years, but they've been great the last couple of years, and I knew they were going to win it all."

Michigan State, which beat Wisconsin 53-41 in an ugly all-Big Ten national semifinal, won all six games on its title run by at least 11 points.

The Spartans closed the season with 11 straight wins and are the first Big Ten team to win it all since Michigan in 1989.

Florida, looking to become the fourth straight Southeastern Conference team to win the national championship in an even-numbered year, was making its first appearance in a championship game.

The Gators had seven freshmen and sophomores in their 10-man rotation and this was the first game in the tournament that their lack of experience showed.

Cleaves had two 3-pointers in the 14-3 run that gave the Spartans a 33-20 lead with 6:51 to play, but a three-point play by Haslem and a basket by Donnell Harvey got the Gators within 35-29 with 4:05 left.

Charlie Bell and Cleaves sandwiched 3s around a layup by Haslem and the Spartans had a 43-32 halftime lead.

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Mary and Andrea Louise - try not to completely become each other. I love you both, but two of either of you running around campus is a scary, scary thought.

Donkey Balls

What better way to spend a Saturday night than staking out the car a certain person was transported to Movies 14 in? Hmmm can we say "stalker"?

Hey roommate, all I can say is, I am so glad that I am not a man. And we thought we had trauma.

Room 450 is all about Latino musicians. Especially Enrique Iglesias. That man does beautiful things for a black shirt.

Look out Mexico:

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Baseball

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Senior John Corbin recorded the final five outs of the game to earn his 14th career save — a Notre Dame record.

The Irish also received a gutsy performance from junior co-captain Aaron Heilman Saturday. Heilman recorded his fifth win of the season in the first game, pitching his fourth complete game while allowing just two runs to go along with his six strikeouts as the Irish won 8-3.

Heilman allowed two runs in the third, as the Irish fell behind 3-2. Heilman, however, buckled down to shut out the Huskies over the last four innings.

"It was a very courageous performance by Heilman," said Mainieri. "He didn't lose poise after falling behind and ended up taking control of the game again after we rallied to score some runs for him."

In the second game, the Irish struggled as their predominantly left-handed lineup was only able to push one run across the plate against Connecticut freshman left-hander Jesse Carlson. The Huskies won by a final score of 8-1.

Senior Scott Cavey lost his first game of the season,

allowing seven earned runs on eight hits in four-plus innings.

On a brighter note, sophomore righthander Matt Buchmeier, who struggled against Wisconsin-Milwaukee, recorded the final 12 outs, allowing no runs while striking out three batters.

The Irish scored their only run in the fourth inning, as Porzel scored on a sacrifice fly by catcher Paul O'Toole.

Notre Dame begins a stretch of nine straight home games this week.

The team takes on Ball State today, Valparaiso on Wednesday and IUPUI on Thursday before Big East opponent Boston College visits Frank Eck stadium for three games this weekend.

Freshman Matt Laird starts today against the Cardinals, while Mainieri will use a variety of pitchers on Wednesday before starting righthander Drew Duff on Thursday.

"We're 18-6 yet we've played all but three games away from home. That's pretty remarkable," said Mainieri. "Now we have a streak of nine straight home games. Hopefully we can take advantage of being able to play in the friendly confines of Frank Eck Stadium."

All three games will be broadcast on the Internet at www.und.com as well as on WJVA 1580 AM.



Take a Closer Look at Your Alcohol Use

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If you checked three or more statements, examine your habits honestly. Patterns of heavy drinking behavior in college could lead to personal, academic or legal difficulties right now, or more serious problems down the road. You may want to consider making an appointment at Alcohol and Drug Education for a confidential assessment (1-7970).

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CLUB SPORTS

Gymnastics clubs place fifth at nationals

Special to The Observer

The men's and women's Gymnastics teams placed fifth at the national championships last weekend. This was the second top 10 finish for the women and third for the men.

Sandy Jenkins placed ninth in floor exercises and fifth in the balance beam, while her teammates, Erin Henry and Allison Miller, finished ninth and 14th in the vault.

For the men, it was a bitter-sweet finish. The team was in contention for the championship until the end. Mickey McGarry finished eighth in the floor, vault and parallel bars and seventh in the high bar. Victory was within grasp for the Irish as Jason Miller captured second in the vault. However, Miller injured ligaments in his shoulder and was forced to withdraw from the finals. No points were awarded for his performance, resulting in the Irish fall in the standings. Despite the drop, it was the best combined finish in club history.

Equestrian

Competing in the Purdue Invitational, the Equestrian Club turned in several exceptional performances.

Six Irish have qualified for the Regional competition in two weeks, including Sheridan Griffin, Kristen Jones, Diana Mastej, Laura Anderson, Jackie Neeson and Meganne Hoffman.

Jones rode to a third place finish in open fences and a fourth place in open flats. Hoffman garnered a fourth place in intermediate fences and topped that with a second place in intermediate flats. Nesson was awarded both a second place in novice fences and a first place in intermediate flats. Anderson grabbed second in novice flats, while Mary Barter earned first place finishes in both novice fences and novice flats to carry away high point rider honors.

Cycling

Purdue was the venue for this week's intercollegiate cycling open. Cyclists Pat Cloud and Jeff Smoke finished in the top 25 of the Men's B road race.

Sailing

Eleven midwest teams gathered at Eagle Lake this weekend for Notre Dame's Icebreaker Regatta. The Irish A team, Jack Gaither and Amy O'Connor, finished third, while the B team, Matt Cassidy and Sean Donovan placed second.

Field Hockey

The Field Hockey Club hosted Lake Shore Club of Chicago and played to a 3 - 3 tie. J.R. Doria scored two goals for the Irish while Colleen Harkins tallied the third. The team will return to action at Stepan Field on April 29, when it hosts the University of Chicago.

WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

Belles struggle at first meet

By KATIE McVOY
Assistant Sports Editor

The Saint Mary's track team dropped its first conference meet of the season to Alma and Hope this Saturday at Hope.

The Hope Flying Dutch outscored the Belles 143-10 and Alma topped Saint Mary's 127-25.

With only 10 women competing, the Belles faced the problems of a small team.

"We couldn't run all of the relays and that was frustrating," freshman Bridgette Horne said.

The small team is going to be a problem the Belles will be faced with the entire season.

"It's a challenge. Because we don't have any depth, we aren't going to win. So we have to focus on individual goals," Kate Zimmer said. "As long as we do that we won't get too discouraged."

Despite its size, Saint Mary's boasted some very impressive individual performances.

Erica Burket led the Belles in points scored. Burket took first place in the triple jump against Hope with a jump of 33.17 feet. She also claimed a second-place spot in the 100 meter hurdles against Hope with a time of 17.2 seconds. Burket's 4 feet, 10-inch jump gave her first place in the high jump against Alma.

Teammate Lauren Brown joined Burket in the field events. Her 32-4 throw put her in second place in the shot put against Alma.

Erica Fulmer finished third in the 400 meter dash with a time of 1:18 against Hope. Joining Fulmer on the running team were Katie Zimmer and the Saint Mary's 4x400 team. Zimmer took third place in the 5,000 meter with a time of 22:24 and the 4x400 team finished second against Alma.

Despite their low finish the Belles felt good about this meet and have high hopes for future meets.

"Everyone improved," Horne said. "It was a better day for everyone."

Zimmer agreed with Horne's perspective.

"I think we did a lot better [this week]," she said. "It wasn't as windy, and having a meet under our belts really helped."

The Saint Mary's women are looking to keep their spirits up and improve on their individual events.

"As a team we want to keep spirits high," Horne said. "With a small team it's hard. We want to keep motivated even though it can be hard against big teams."

Zimmer explained that their goals are now "to keep improving our times. Our workouts are getting more intense and I know the sprinters want to improve their times."

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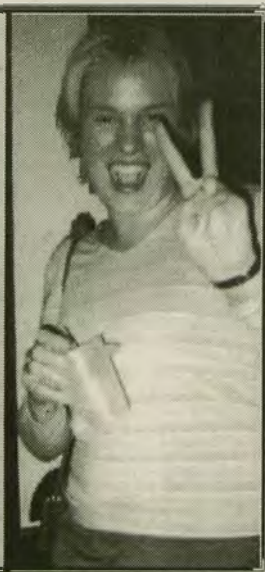
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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Hargrove falls to former team in Orioles' debut

Associated Press

Mike Hargrove's first game as manager of the Baltimore Orioles produced little change in his new team — or his former one.

Baltimore ace Mike Mussina retired 23 of the first 25 batters he faced, but Travis Fryman and Kenny Lofton hit solo homers to lead the Cleveland Indians to a 4-1 victory Monday.

During his 8 1/2-year run in Cleveland, Hargrove built the Indians into a power-hitting unit that relied heavily on the long ball. He was fired in October, but that philosophy remains under Charlie Manuel, who won his debut as a major league manager.

Lofton, who tore a rotator cuff in the playoffs last year, was initially expected to be out until the All-Star break. His homer in the sixth snapped a 1-1 tie, and the Indians pulled away in the eighth by scoring two runs on



Hargrove

four straight two-out singles. The Orioles, meanwhile, showed two annoying habits they displayed in 1999 under former manager Ray Miller.

Baltimore, which ranked third in the AL last season in leaving runners on base, stranded nine against the Indians and went 1-for-10 with runners in scoring position.

The Orioles also went 1-9 against Cleveland last year, a trend that continued on opening day.

Cal Ripken, who entered the game needing nine hits to reach 3,000 for his career, hit a bloop double in the second inning and went 1-for-4. His hit total, posted in large block numerals on the warehouse beyond the right-field wall, now stands at 2,992.

Mussina pitched well, but it wasn't good enough to give Hargrove a victory in this much-anticipated matchup against his former team. Mussina allowed only two hits through the first seven innings — both homers — before tiring in the eighth.

Singles by Fryman, Sandy Alomar and Lofton put Cleveland up 3-1 and chased Mussina. Mike Trombley, mak-

ing his debut with the Orioles, subsequently allowed an RBI single to Omar Vizquel.

Bartolo Colon (1-0) yielded one run on three hits in five innings, walking six and striking out six. Steve Karsay, the fifth Indians pitcher, worked the ninth for his second major league save.

The Orioles went up 1-0 in the second when Colon walked two and Brady Anderson hit a two-out RBI single. After another walk, B.J. Surhoff struck out with the bases loaded.

Mussina retired the first seven Cleveland batters before Fryman tied it in the third by driving a 2-0 pitch over the wall in center. Mussina then mowed down the next 10 batters before Lofton connected.

The Orioles had two on and two out in the seventh before Vizquel ran from shortstop to medium left field to catch a blooper off the bat of Delino DeShields.

Rangers 10, White Sox 4

The Texas Rangers opened the post-Juan Gonzalez era with quite a bang.

Gabe Kapler homered in his first two at-bats for Texas and

AL MVP Ivan Rodriguez drove in five runs with two more homers, treating the largest regular-season crowd in team history to a victory over the Chicago White Sox in the opener.

The power show was a nice welcome-home gift for Kenny Rogers, even if he didn't need it.

Rogers (1-0) kept the ball down, coaxing most of his outs on ground balls — including four double plays — as he won his first game for his original team following a four-year absence.

Rogers allowed one run in eight innings. It was a nice start for the lefty, whose final appearance in 1999 for the New York Mets saw him walk home the winning run against Atlanta in the clinching Game 6 of the NLCS.

The opener drew 49,332 fans, more than 2,000 more than last July 4, and featured former President George Bush throwing out the first pitch. They also saw the Rangers debut new blue "alternate" jerseys.

About the only things that didn't go great for Texas were the weather and the bullpen. In addition to clouds and cooler-than-usual temperatures, high winds forced a pregame parachute jump to be canceled.

Nothing seemed to go right for Chicago.

Mike Sirotka (0-1) walked the leadoff hitter and went downhill from there, allowing seven runs — six earned — in 4 1-3 innings. He gave up four homers, two more than ever before, walked two and hit a batter.

Third baseman Craig Wilson, who beat out hot-hitting Greg Norton because of his glove, set up Texas' four-run fifth by booting a likely double play grounder and made another error on a routine ball in the seventh.

Wilson's second error put Kapler on, which was only fitting because the day belonged to him.

Kapler, acquired in the November trade that sent two-time AL MVP Gonzalez to Detroit, was 3-for-4 with three RBIs, three runs and instant status as a fan favorite.

Kapler also jarred the ball loose from catcher Mark Johnson to score and, appropriately enough, caught the final out.

Fans in right field, where Gonzalez roamed the last five years, gave Kapler standing ovations when he came back out after each homer. The

entire stadium oohed and aahed after several strong throws to third and home.

His first homer came on a waist-high fastball and put Texas up 1-0 in the second inning. Rodriguez made it 4-0 with a three-run shot down the left-field line in the third.

Then Kapler put the first pitch of the fourth inning into the left-field seats, making him the first player ever to homer in his first two at-bats as a Ranger.

Not to be outdone, Rodriguez jumped on a 3-0 fastball for a two-run homer in the fifth. Kapler drilled a single up the middle off reliever Tanyon Sturtze later in the inning for his third RBI, and later scored.

An RBI single by Luis Alicea drove in Texas' final run in the seventh.

Chicago scored in the third on a double-play groundout by Mark Johnson, and didn't get another batter past first until the seventh.

The White Sox scored three times in the ninth off three relievers.

Rogers walked two. Through six innings, he had faced one more than the minimum.

Blue Jays 5, Royals 4

Tony Batista and Shannon Stewart got the Toronto Blue Jays off to a great start.

Batista homered twice, including a game-winning drive in the 10th inning, and Stewart also connected for two home runs as the Blue Jays opened with a victory over the Kansas City Royals.

Just 40,898 fans, 10,000 under capacity, were at SkyDome, and the crowd included 10,000 school kids who got in for free.

Batista, who had 31 homers and 100 RBIs last season, hit a two-run homer off Jeff Suppan in the fourth and connected again in the 10th off Jerry Spradlin.

Last year, the Royals blew 39 of their 59 save chances.

Toronto closer Billy Koch got his first career win after wasting a 4-2 lead in the ninth when Gregg Zaun hit a two-run single.

Stewart hit opposite-field homers to right-center in the first and fifth innings as the Blue Jays took a 4-0 lead.

David Wells, who hadn't pitched since March 26 because of back spasms, took a shutout into the seventh, when Jermaine Dye hit an RBI double.

Joe Randa then had an RBI infield single off Paul Quantrill.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Florida defeats San Francisco 6-4 in season opener

Associated Press

For one night, at least, the Florida Marlins looked a lot better than they did in 1999.

Or in 1998.

Alex Hernandez outpitched former teammate Liván Hernandez, and the Marlins beat the San Francisco Giants 6-4 Monday in the season opener for both teams.

Florida won't be printing World Series tickets just yet. Last year Fernandez pitched the Marlins to victory in their opener, but they lost 16 of the next 21 games and finished with the worst record in the major leagues for the second consecutive season.

The day wasn't without a major setback for Florida. Hours before the first pitch, Gov. Jeb Bush said he opposes cruise-tax legislation to help finance a new ballpark for the Marlins.

Bush's threat of a veto probably kills the plan pushed by Marlins owner John Henry and leaves the financially troubled team in limbo.

Other than that, a sellout crowd of 35,101 had plenty to cheer about, although there were several thousand no-shows. Some fans stayed home to watch the Florida Gators play Michigan State for the NCAA championship.

Fernandez allowed eight hits and three runs in seven innings. He also drove in a run in the sixth, taking a 3-2 pitch to right field for a single and a 5-3 lead.

Offseason acquisition Dan Miceli pitched a perfect eighth, and Antonio Alfonseca gave up a homer to Ellis Burks in the ninth in getting a save.

Preston Wilson went 2-for-4 with two RBIs for the Marlins, who had 12 hits and won their fourth consecutive opener.

Two San Francisco errors in the fifth inning cost Hernandez a 3-2 lead, and he left after giving up nine hits and five runs, three earned, in six innings. He was the Marlins' opening-day pitcher two years ago and was traded to the Giants last July 24.

The Marlins, who struggled offensively in spring training, took a 2-0 lead in the first with consecutive doubles by Cliff Floyd, Wilson and Mike Lowell.

The Giants tied the game in the third. Hernandez singled with two out, Marvin Benard singled and Bill Mueller tripled them home.

Jeff Kent tripled leading off the fourth and scored on J.T. Snow's RBI groundout to put the Giants ahead 3-2.

Florida went ahead with two unearned runs in the fifth. Mike Redmond singled, Alex Gonzalez reached on an error by shortstop Rich Aurilia, and Cliff Floyd walked to load the bases. Wilson singled home a run, and Gonzalez scored from second when left fielder Barry Bonds bobbled the ball for an error.

Danny Bautista singled home Florida's final run in the eighth.

Cardinals 7, Cubs 1

Mark McGwire's aching back was the only bad news for the St. Louis Cardinals on opening day.

McGwire, who missed the last two spring training games

because of back spasms, was a late lineup scratch.

His replacement at first base, Craig Paquette, lined a three-run homer in the first inning, and his replacement in the cleanup slot, Fernando Tatis, also had an RBI single, a walk and two steals in a victory over the Chicago Cubs.

The other half of the latest McGwire-Sammy Sosa squareoff also was quiet in this opener of the Home Run Central, the division that also features Ken Griffey Jr.

Cardinals starter Darryl Kile struck out Sosa twice and also got him on an infield popout. Slamin' Sammy also fanned in his final at-bat.

Cubs starter Kevin Tapani, who gave up five runs in four innings, couldn't use the Tokyo trip as an excuse. The team left him behind on the two-game Japan split with the New York Mets so he'd be rested for his first start.

Tapani was one strike away from a scoreless first when Tatis's single drove in Fernando Vina, who led off the first with a triple off the center-field wall.

After Jim Edmonds walked, Paquette lined the first pitch he saw — a hanging breaking ball — over the left-field wall.

The Cardinals made it 5-0 in the fourth when Mike Matheny doubled and scored on a two-out single by Vina, who had three hits in his Cardinals debut.

Kile, 8-13 with a 6.61 ERA last year with the Colorado Rockies, allowed one run on two hits in six innings as he won his third straight opening start. He didn't allow a runner past first until the fifth when Shane Andrews got an infield hit, Damon Buford walked and Joe Girardi was hit by a pitch to set up a sacrifice fly by pinch-hitter Jeff Reed.

Heathcliff Slocumb, Mark Thompson and Dave Veres each pitched an inning in the combined three-hitter.

Shawon Dunston, who survived the final cut as the 25th man in a competition with Eduardo Perez on Sunday, made it 6-1 with a pinch-hit homer off Matt Karchner leading off the sixth. Eric Davis, still not 100 percent after rotator cuff surgery last August, homered off Andrew Lorraine in the seventh.

Braves 2, Rockies 0

Andres Galarraga quickly showed the Atlanta Braves what they were missing last year.

Galarraga, out last season because of a cancerous tumor in his back, hit a go-ahead solo homer in the seventh inning that led the Braves to a season-opening win over the Colorado Rockies.

Andruw Jones followed Galarraga's 400-foot drive with another homer off Pedro Astacio.

Greg Maddux improved to 6-0 on opening day, allowing five hits in 7 2-3 innings. The four-time Cy Young winner struck out six and walked two — both intentionally, and is 9-2 against Colorado.

With John Rocker starting his 14-day suspension, Mike Remlinger pitched 1 1-3 innings for his fourth career save. Rocker, penalized by commissioner Bud Selig for derogatory remarks against gays, foreigners and minorities, was introduced during pregame ceremonies, when the Braves received their NL championship rings, and was cheered.

Atlanta had just two hits off Astacio in the first six innings.

Galarraga, then connected on a 1-0 pitch against his former team, and the 38-year-old first baseman jogged around the bases as the crowd of 42,255 stood and cheered.

The cheering got louder and louder as Galarraga made his way to the dugout and continued until he reappeared and doffed his cap to the crowd, about 8,000 below capacity due.

"I feel really good. I feel really comfortable," Galarraga said. "I'm hoping to contribute all year."

Galarraga drew his first standing ovation when the team was announced in pregame ceremonies, then drew another when he led off the second inning. He reached on that at-bat when he was hit by a pitch on the right hand on a 2-2 count. The crowd booed.

Galarraga finished 1-for-3 with a pair of strikeouts and showed he hadn't lost any of his defensive prowess.

He leaped high to catch a liner off the bat of Todd Helton in the seventh, then made a diving stop near the line of Astacio's one-hop smash with two outs in the inning after the Rockies had loaded the bases.

That grab saved at least two runs.

Maddux had his most trouble in the seventh. Jeffrey Hammonds lined a two-out grounder off the pitcher's right foot and the ball caromed into left field for a double.

Neifi Perez then followed with an infield hit off Galarraga's glove and Bret Mayne was walked intentionally to load the bases, setting up Galarraga's diving stop of Astacio's ball.

Mets 2, Padres 1

Derek Bell hit a tiebreaking homer in the eighth inning in his first game for the Mets at Shea Stadium and New York, behind a well-rested Al Leiter, beat the San Diego Padres in their season re-opener.

Leiter (1-0) didn't make the 7,200-mile trip from Port St. Lucie, Fla., to Tokyo for the season-opening two-game series against the Chicago Cubs and looked fresh because of it.

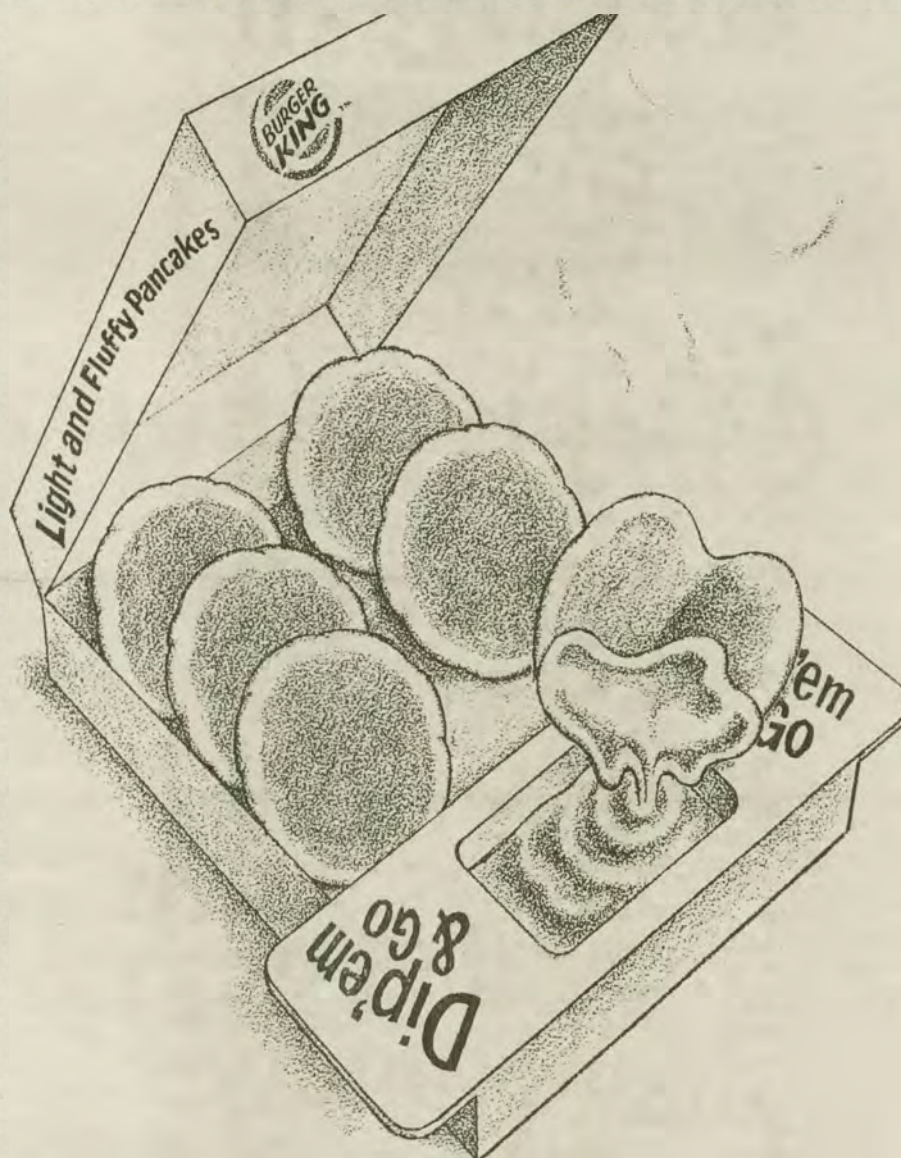
No longer the Mets' ace after the team acquired 22-game winner Mike Hampton, Leiter pitched like a No. 1 starter in his first game since not retiring a batter in Game 6 of the NLCS against Atlanta last year. The left-hander allowed one run, five hits and no walks in eight innings, striking out seven.

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SOFTBALL

Irish sweep Friars, split doubleheader with Huskies

By RACHAEL PROTZMAN
Sports Writer

Notre Dame softball moved to 26-9 overall and 3-1 in the Big East following weekend play.

The Irish earned two conference wins as they defeated Providence on Sunday.

"I was really pleased with our offense today. I think that we came out and hit the ball well," said head coach Liz Miller. "We maintained that offense throughout both games which was important especially going into game two. A lot of times when you score a lot of runs in game one, you tend to let down for game two."

Notre Dame racked up 14 hits for a 16-0 win in game one.

Melanie Alkire scored from first on a double by Jarrah Myers to kick off the Irish in the top of the first, before they combined for eight runs in the bottom of the second. Junior Lizzy Lemire doubled and scored while Danielle Klayman and Sharron both singled to drive in runs. Freshman Andrea Loman doubled to drive in three runs while Bledsoe also doubled to gain a RBI before scoring herself.

Notre Dame racked up six more runs in the bottom of the third. Sophomore Rebecca Eimen doubled to deep center to drive in a run before Alkire slammed a three-run home run over the fence. Freshman Lisa Mattison doubled to drive in a run before scoring on a single by Hoag. The Irish scored once more in the bottom of the fourth as Mattison doubled again to drive in the final run.

Sharron grabbed her eighth shutout of the year while allowing just two hits

and striking out six.

In game two action, Notre Dame continued to win the offensive battle with eleven hits to Providence's three. Notre Dame grabbed five runs in the second and one in the third. Providence showed a strong effort in the fourth as they scored three runs, but the Irish matched them in the bottom of the inning with three of their own for the final score of 9-3.

"We always need improvement," said Miller. "We didn't get some bunt situations. We didn't execute them well so we're really going to focus on those."

The Irish kicked off the weekend with a split decision to Connecticut Friday.

With a 5-4 loss in game one, Notre Dame lost its first conference game since 1998.

The Huskies grabbed an early lead with two runs in the top of the second before Jennifer Kriech singled in the bottom of the inning to drive in a run for the Irish.

Connecticut scored three more in the fifth to extend their lead to 4-1. In the bottom of the seventh, Notre Dame's Kas Hoag doubled to send in two runs before scoring herself on a single by Jennifer Sharron, bringing the final score to 5-4.

The Irish came back strong in game two as they defeated the Huskies 3-0. Freshman Andria Bledsoe grabbed an infield single with bases loaded to drive in Notre Dame's first run. Kriech singled in the bottom of the sixth to drive in the last two Irish runs. Pitcher Michelle Moshel (6-4) earned her third shutout while allowing just three hits.

The Irish, after a cancellation of today's games against DePaul, will play again on Thursday as they travel to Western Michigan.



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Michelle Moshel scattered just three hits in her outing Friday to shutout Connecticut in the second game of Friday's doubleheader.

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MEN'S TENNIS

Texas claims sixth-straight victory over Notre Dame

By RACHEL BIBER
Sports Writer

The Texas Longhorns seem to have the Irish game plan all figured out.

For the fifth straight time and for the sixth time in the last seven years, the 10th-ranked Longhorns mustered a late-match rally in order to slip past the 30th-ranked Irish men's tennis team by the score of 4-3.

The Irish, who fall to 9-8 with the loss, split six singles matches with the Longhorns, but lost the doubles point to surrender the match.

With the defeat over Notre Dame, Texas secured their ninth straight dual-match victory this season and eighth straight win over Notre Dame. This win brings their overall record to 16-2 on the year.

"It was a tough one to take," Irish head coach Bob Bayliss said. "We played really well."

Saturday's match was shifted from Austin to San Antonio due to inclement weather. A decision was also made to play singles matches first in the event that doubles would not be needed.

All-American and 13th-ranked Ryan Sachire breezed past the Longhorn's 68th-ranked Brandon Hawk 6-1, 6-1 at No. 1 singles to give the Irish a quick 1-0 lead. Casey Smith then locked up another win for Notre Dame with an impressive 6-4, 7-6 (7-2) defeat over Texas' 25th-ranked Michael Blue.

"It was a big win for Casey," Bayliss said. "It's a big jump back into the thick of things for him, because he has had some tough matches to play recently. He has had to play some good players."

The Longhorns did not let up and evened out the score with wins at Nos. 2 and 4 singles after the completion of the first four singles matches. Matt Daly

was topped by Texas' 59th-ranked Nick Crowell 6-2, 6-4 at No. 2 singles, while Javier Taborga was defeated by the Longhorn's Jean Simon 6-4, 6-2 at No. 4 singles.

Andrew Laflin provided the Irish a narrow 3-2 edge with a 7-5, 6-3 victory over Texas' Ron Kloppert at No. 6 singles. The Longhorn's Craig Edmondson rallied for a 6-7 (7-5), 6-2, 6-1 win over Aaron Talarico at No. 5 singles to force the doubles action to be the deciding factor in the match.

While Edmondson was wrapping up his comeback win over Talarico, Sachire and Trent Miller came away with a hard fought 9-8 (7-5) victory over the Longhorn's Hawk and Jorge Haro at No. 2 doubles to put Notre Dame within one doubles victory of its first win over Texas since 1993.

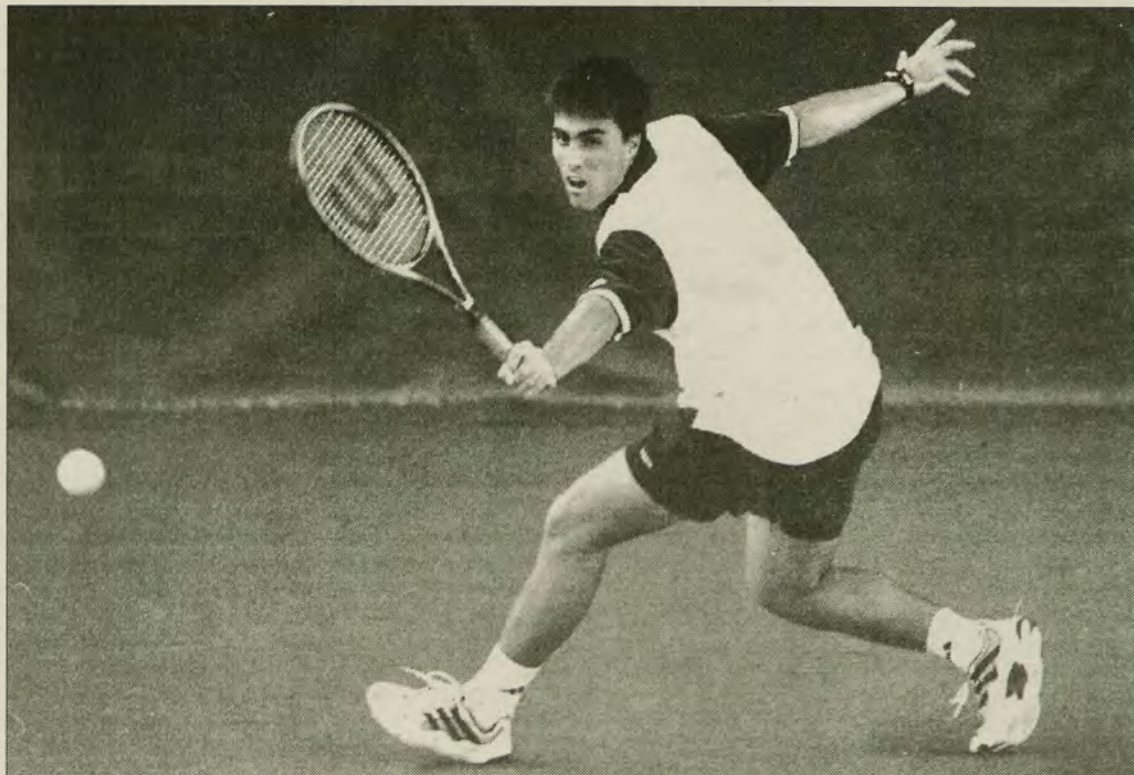
The Irish were stopped short, however, when the Longhorns rallied once again with 8-6 wins at Nos. 1 and 3 doubles to secure the dual-match victory. Texas' third-ranked duo of Blue and Crowell overcame Taborga and Talarico at No. 1 doubles. The Irish's Smith and James Malhame were defeated by Kloppert and Stephen Patak at No. 3 doubles.

Both defeats in doubles play came down to the wire.

"We had eight break points against Texas [in the No. 1 doubles match] and they only had one against us, but they converted and we didn't, and it was that close," Bayliss said. "In the third doubles we actually were up an early break, and then they got it back to even. We were in pretty good shape, and then [Texas] held in a close game and clinched the match."

After the tough loss, the Irish are glad to have some time off, and do not return to action until April 13 against Michigan.

"We don't play for 10 days, and I think the goal now is to really work on some skills we need to improve and make some improvements," Bayliss said.



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Sophomore Javier Taborga drills a backhand return in a match earlier this season. Taborga dropped his singles and doubles matches in Saturday's loss to Texas.



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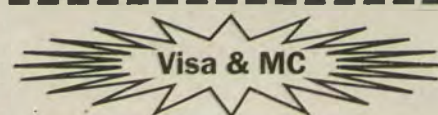


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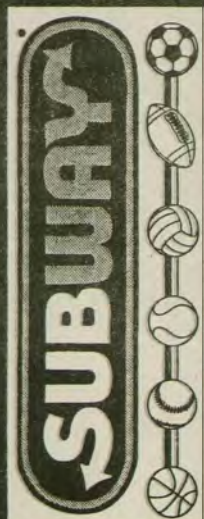
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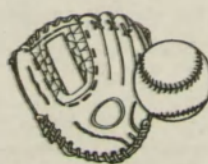
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NHL

Kovalev leads Penguins to 3-2 win over Hurricanes

Associated Press

Alexei Kovalev scored twice within 33 seconds of the second

period Monday night as the Pittsburgh Penguins beat the Carolina Hurricanes 3-2 and strengthened their hold on a playoff spot.

Penguins star Jaromir Jagr, who returned for Saturday's loss to Philadelphia after missing two games with a sore back, was held scoreless for the game and

without a shot for the first two periods.

The victory gave seventh-place Pittsburgh 84 points — three more than Buffalo. The Hurricanes fell to ninth place, a non-playoff position. The Penguins have three games left, all on the road, compared with Carolina's two.

Arturs Irbe gave up three goals in 3:37 of the second after shutting out Philadelphia on Sunday.

Jiri Slegr put a 25-foot shot past Irbe's left leg at 3:19 and Kovalev had two goals in the sixth minute. Kovalev's first was unassisted and unimpeded after he skated free behind the net. Then, with his back to Irbe, Kovalev flicked the puck over the Irbe's right shoulder.

Kovalev then had half the net open for his second goal, set up by Robert Lang and Martin Straka.

Kovalev had the game-winning goal with Jagr out against New Jersey last Tuesday and has 26 goals, including three game-winners, and 39 assists in 79 games.

Robert Kron's wrist shot on a short rebound of Bates Battaglia's 20-foot shot gave Carolina a 1-0 lead after 7:36 in the first.

Hurricanes center Rod Brind'Amour left in the last minute of the second period with a mild concussion after a check from Bob Boughner, who got a five-minute penalty for boarding, and a game misconduct. Carolina did not score during the long advantage.

Penguins goalie Jean-Sebastien Aubin left 4:12 into the third after bending over backwards to try to stop a shot by Sean Hill. Aubin was replaced by Ron Tugnutt, 2-2 since being acquired from Ottawa on March 14.

Panthers 5, Devils 2

Pavel Bure scored his league-leading 56th and 57th goals and extended his points streak to a career-high 12 games as Florida beat New Jersey.

The Panthers, 5-1-1 in their last seven games, scored three straight goals against Devils goalie Chris Terreri, who was subbing for Martin Brodeur. Panthers goalie Mike Vernon stopped 39 shots and is unbeaten in his last six starts.

Florida left wing Peter Worrell, sidelined two weeks by a concussion, returned to action without any serious incident.

New Jersey's Scott Niedermayer hit Worrell over the head with his stick March 19, earning a 10-game suspension, and several Devils players vowed payback for Worrell's throat-slashing gestures toward the bench.

Worrell also threatened Niedermayer, but only four penalties were called through the first two periods. Worrell and Colin White got five-minute major penalties for fighting in the third period.

The Panthers hoped Worrell's situation wouldn't be an issue, so they could stay focused on the importance of the game.

The victory moved the Panthers within a win — or a loss by Ottawa — of clinching the fifth playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

New Jersey could have used a win as well. The Devils are seeking to stay atop the Atlantic Division and capture home-ice advantage throughout the Eastern Conference playoffs.

The Devils, 5-5 in their last 10 games, took a 1-0 lead in the

first period on Sergei Brylin's 18th goal. He deflected Ken Daneyko's shot from just inside the blue line and beat Vernon.

Florida got two goals in a span of 22 seconds in the closing minutes of the first and led 2-1 at the intermission.

Sabres 3, Maple Leafs 2

Dixon Ward's early go-ahead goal stood up and Buffalo's stifling defense did the rest as the Sabres beat the Toronto Maple Leafs and moved back into playoff position.

Miroslav Satan and Michael Peca also scored for the Sabres, who limited the Maple Leafs to eight shots during the final 40 minutes. All of the game's scoring took place in the first period.

The Sabres — 6-1 in their last seven games — moved back into eighth place in the Eastern Conference standings, jumping over Carolina which lost at Pittsburgh. Buffalo, with 81 points, leads the Hurricanes by one point and Montreal by two for the final playoff spot.

Buffalo and Montreal have three games remaining, while Carolina will play only two more.

Mats Sundin and Sergei Berezin scored for Toronto, which set a team record with no shots on goal in the second period.

The Maple Leafs had never gone without a shot on goal in a period in the 45 years the league has recorded the statistic. The club's old record was one shot in a period, done 10 times and most recently in 1994.

Curtis Joseph kept the Maple Leafs in the game, stopping 26 shots.

The Northeast-leading Maple Leafs, who have three games remaining, wasted an opportunity to clinch their first division title since the NHL went to that format in 1967-68.

The last time a Toronto team finished first was in 1963 when there were only six NHL teams.

Buffalo goalie Dominik Hasek wasn't tested much, but he made a brilliant game-saving stop, robbing Jonas Hoglund's one-timer from the slot with 6:31 left.

After the teams scored two goals apiece over a 4:29 span in the first period, the Sabres went ahead to stay on Ward's fluke goal with 4:43 left in the frame.

Maxim Afinogenov set it up when he circled the net and directed a shot towards the crease, where Ward was battling for position with Toronto's Gerald Diduck. With Ward looking away, the puck deflected off the back of his skate and through Joseph's legs.

Capitals 4, Rangers 1

Joe Sacco had his first two-goal game of the season, lifting the Washington Capitals out of their mini-slump in a come-from-behind victory over the New York Rangers.

Sacco scored on a breakaway and during a delayed-penalty call, both in the second period, as the Southeast Division-leading Capitals broke a two-game losing streak.

Washington moved within two points of New Jersey in the race for the top seed in the Eastern Conference playoffs.

Glen Metropolit and Jeff Halpern added goals in the third period. Adam Oates had two assists, moving him into 12th place on the NHL career list with 893.

Petr Nedved scored in the first period on a 5-on-3 power play for New York, winless in seven games (0-6-1).

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SOFTBALL

Saint Mary's drops doubleheader to Goshen



Freshman outfielder Katie Murphy had a single, double and two triples in Saint Mary's losses to Goshen.

By KAREN SCHAFF
Sports Writer

The Belles' softball team was not in best form as it lost both of their games to the Goshen Maple Leafs.

Saint Mary's had trouble both defensively and at the plate throughout both contests. The Belles lost their first game 12-4, ending after the fifth inning because of the slaughter rule. The second game did not prove to be any better with a score of 13-2.

Goshen came out hitting very well. They had two home runs in the fourth inning of the first game totaling five runs. The Maple Leafs' third and fourth batters were consistently on base.

The Maple Leafs found the holes in the Belles' defense. Saint Mary's had five errors which gave the Maple Leafs six unearned runs. Sophomore Kristin Martin pitched game one, giving up six earned runs in five innings.

The Belles came out strong in the second game, but let the game slip away as it neared the end.

"They let [Goshen] chip away at them," head coach Joe Speybroeck said.

Junior Anne Senger pitched game two and held the Maple Leafs to only three runs by the completion of the fourth inning. Saint Mary's, however, had four errors and gave up nine unearned runs by the completion of game two. Goshen's Candy Feare hit a grand slam in the seventh inning.

The Belles ended the games with 14 hits and nine total errors. Goshen had 27 hits and only five errors for the day.

The high point of Saint Mary's day was freshman outfielder Katie Murphy. She ended the day with a triple and a double in the first game and a triple and single in the second.

"Today didn't reflect our team's talent," Murphy said. "We just didn't have it together today."

Speybroeck and assistant coach David Martin both think the team needs to work on batting.

"We have to hit consistently," Speybroeck said. "We have to get the bats swinging."

Martin agrees and feels the team needs to play with more than just improved batting and fielding skills.

"This is an emotional game," said Martin. "They weren't playing with emotion today, and we need that."

Both coaches hope to increase the confidence of the team for Wednesday's doubleheader at Calvin College.



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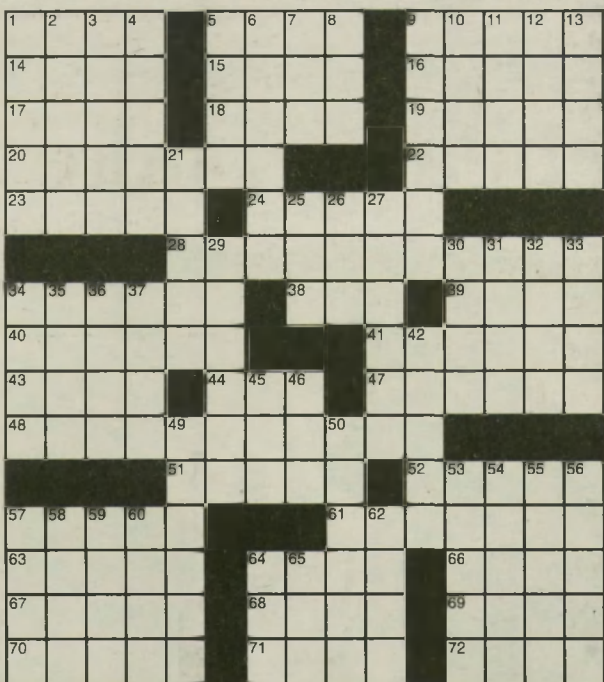
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 - 19 Dentist's request
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 - 22 Stuffed bear
 - 23 Cache
 - 24 Final approval
 - 28 Quip, part 2
 - 34 Paul Simon's "Slip ___ Away"
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- 38 Form of evidence, these days
 - 39 Frankfurt's river
 - 40 Crescent shapes: Var.
 - 41 Skill
 - 43 Word for Yorick
 - 44 Stars and Stripes land
 - 47 Compassionate
 - 48 End of the quip
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 - 52 Ancient Greek colony
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 - 13 Word before "a soul"
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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Your temper will get out of hand if you don't get your way. Curb your tantrums if you want to save the relationship. You may want to join self-awareness groups. Soul-searching will be a must. **☹☹☹**

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You will handle other people's money and possessions well today. Travel should be on your mind, and so should activities that will be conducive to passionate encounters. **☹☹☹**

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your mate will be much harder to deal with than your boss will. Keep your work and personal life separate. Don't get backed into a corner. Get all the facts before you make a decision. **☹☹☹**

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NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Michigan State crowned champion with 89-76 win

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

This time there was no Magic, just Mateen.

Michigan State, with Magic Johnson cheering in the stands, won its second national championship as Mateen Cleaves led the Spartans to an 89-76 victory over Florida on Monday night.

It was 21 years ago that the championship game between Michigan State and Indiana State — Magic vs. Bird — changed the landscape of college basketball.

This one may not have the magnitude,



Izzo

but it had the drama thanks to Cleaves, the Spartans' limping leader who needed crutches for his injured ankle after celebrating with his teammates.

"He has the heart of a lion. He has done it for four years, not just one," Michigan State coach Tom Izzo said. "That's why you love him. He's what our program embodies."

Cleaves, the game's most outstanding player, rolled his ankle early in the second half and had to go to the locker room to have it taped. Earlier, he helped the Spartans build a 43-32 halftime lead by scoring 13 points, including going 3-for-3 from 3-point range, and negated Florida's vaunted full-court pressure with his ball-handling and passing.

"I told them he'll be back. Let's not get our heads down," Izzo said. "I just knew."

When Cleaves left with 16:18 to play the Spartans led 50-44. His teammates got the lead to 58-50 by the time he returned

4:29 later. But the senior guard who missed the first 13 games of the season while recovering from a stress fracture in his right foot, was again the team's emotional leader.

His long pass to Morris Peterson for a layup made it 60-50. He was leveled while setting a screen a few minutes later but it was enough to spring A.J. Granger for a 3-pointer that started a 16-6 run that made it 84-66 and put the game away.

Michigan State had been on a mission since losing to Duke in the Final Four last season. Anything short of a national championship would have been a disappointment.

"We made some promises. We answered the promises," Izzo said.

Cleaves certainly didn't beat Florida by himself.

Peterson finished with 21 points on 7-for-14 shooting and Granger had 19 and was 7-for-11 from the field.

Cleaves was 7-for-11 from the field — all the shots coming before he was injured — and had 18 points and four assists.

Cleaves returned for his senior year after many thought he would go to the NBA.

"This is what I came back here for," he said.

"This is as storybook as it gets for Mateen," Izzo said. "He gave up a lot of money, a lot of things to be back here."

The Spartans (32-7), the only top-seeded team to reach the Final Four, finished 33-for-59 from the field (56 percent), the best against Florida's frantic pace by far in the tournament. The previous best was 43 percent by top-ranked Duke in the regional semifinals.

Michigan State never seemed fazed by the pressure, beating it early with long

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BASEBALL

Irish split doubleheader, take rubber match

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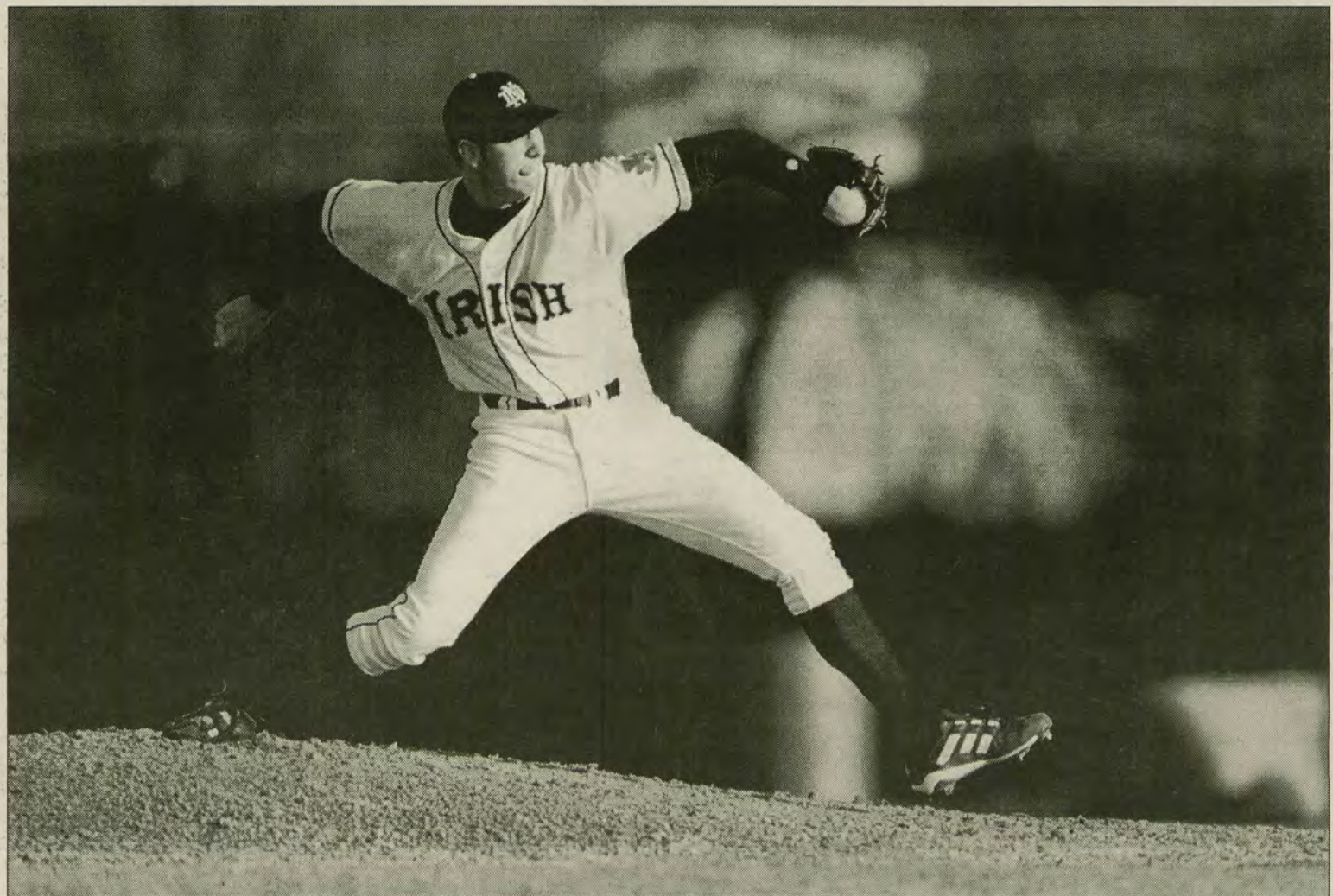
Led by two strong pitching performances and a stellar weekend by shortstop Alec Porzel, the Irish improved their season record to an impressive 18-6 as they won two of three games last weekend against Connecticut in Storrs, Conn.

After splitting a double-header on Saturday afternoon, the Irish proved their resilience by coming back to in a dominating 9-2 victory in the third game against the Huskies. Freshman righthander J.P. Gagne, coming off a short stint in Notre Dame's loss to Wisconsin-Milwaukee on March 29, scattered seven hits over seven innings, staying out of trouble and only allowing two Connecticut runners to cross the plate.

"I really hadn't started a game this year where we went out and did that well," Gagne said. "It was nice to go out there and have the offense do so well."

The offense was led by junior shortstop Alec Porzel, who collected four hits, including his third home run

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Junior Mike Carlin pitches in a home game earlier this season. Carlin and the Irish went 2-1 this weekend against Connecticut and improved to 18-6 on the season.

of the season, to lead the Irish offense.

"A lot of the guys seemed really comfortable this weekend," Porzel said. "We were

able to concentrate more than we usually do for a weekend series."

Sophomore designated hitter Ken Meyer, who has recently

been moved up to the leadoff spot in the lineup, added three hits.

"Kenny hasn't played much. I put him in and he really

sparked our team with three base hits," head coach Paul Mainieri said.

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vs. DePaul
Today, 3 p.m.



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vs. Ball State
Today, 5:05 p.m.



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Softball
at Calvin
Wednesday, 3:30 p.m.



at Georgetown
Wednesday 3:30 p.m.



Men's Golf
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