Close call

Explosion mars papal visit

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — An explosive device went off at Karachi's national stadium packed with 100,000 people, yesterday, minutes before Pope John Paul II arrived to celebrate a Mass. Police said it was a bomb and that it killed the man who carried it and seriously injured his two accomplices.

There was no indication the pope was told of the explosion, which occurred in a stairwell while a choir sang. He delivered a 90-minute homily on Christian and Muslim respect and understanding, circled the cricket field in a jeep in wave at the cheering crowd, accepted gifts and left for Manila — the next stop on his Far East tour.

Police tentatively identified one of the victims as a Pakistani Christian but it was unclear whether the Pontiff was their intended target.

A West European diplomat, who asked not to be identified, said the explosion was "small but deafening." It occurred in a stairwell that led to seating for diplomats.

The diplomat said he was too close to the explosion to help, but he could see two bodies, including the one who died, trying to slip by guards who arrived minutes later.

"I saw two of these young chaps previously trying to get in," he said. "One of them had a bag under his shoulder."

The diplomat said one of the injured was a middle-aged man whose pants caught fire. American vice-consul Tim Kane draped his shirt over the man's wounds before the victim was carried from the blood-spattered concrete stairwell.

Witnesses, who gave conflicting statements on how many people were injured, said two appeared to be Pakistani men in their 20s. Dr. Delphy O'Nella, who ex­amined the victims, said, "It was an explosion but we don't know what it was. "One man was definitely dead. His whole abdomen was burnt open."

A CBS reporter on the scene said it sounded like "a huge firecracker" and it went largely unnoticed.

Pope John Paul II, dressed in white cassock and skullcap, was greeted by President Ferdinand Marcos and his wife Imelda, both Roman Catholics, and Cardinal Jaime Sin, the archbishop of Manila. The grenade exploded near a reviewing stand of the stadium in a stairwell where scores of diplomats and dignitaries were packed.

The two others injured were Christians, but police said earlier they were Muslim ancillaries of the dead man.

Dr. Aalid Mohammed, who treated the wounded at Civil Hospi­tal, said the grenade was filled with nails and scraps of metal.

Witnesses said the blast oc­curred in a stairwell while choirs sang hymns and most of the spectators did not hear it. There was no panic.

After saying Mass, Pope John Paul II circled the stadium in a Pakistan jeep as dancers continued in traditional dress performed. Shouts of "Long live John Paul II" echoed through the stadium, normally used for cricket matches.

Police, who had been delivered in English, John Paul urged Pakis­tan's estimated 750,000 Roman Catholics to show a "spirit of dialogue and respect for those in your own country who do not know Christ."

Man accosts ND female at gunpoint

A female Notre Dame student was accosted about 9 a.m. yesterday by a man with a nickel-plated revolver and an orange stocking cap, but she managed to escape after handing over her purse and $5.

The man, who drove a white van with an orange mural depicting a mountain scene embossed on the side, forced the student to enter the van at gunpoint, as she walked along near the intersection of Vaness Street and Rte. 23, two blocks from the east boundary of campus.

The woman, in a report filed with county police, said she escaped afterward after divesting her attention.

Police refused to comment on the case, and declined comment on whether the man resembled the armed rapt who has been reported in the area.

Survivors remember fire

By NEIL O'CONNOR
Associated Press Writer

DUBLIN — Through flames, thick black smoke, and panicked crowds, they survived the tragic Dublin nightclub fire that took 48 lives. Survivors talked Monday from their hospital beds about their escapes.

Police announced, meanwhile, that pathologists' examinations of the bodies charred by the fire revealed that 44 people perished in the blaze early Saturday. They initially placed the death toll at 49, then lowered it to 48 Sunday as medical examiners continued their grim task of trying to identify the victims.

Pauline Reid, her badly burned face and hands in bandages, smiled despite the pain as she lay in a bed at Dublin's James Hospital. "I'm alive and it's great," she said.

The 22-year-old Dubliner described what happened in the early hours of Saturday morning toward the end of a "Dance The Night Away" Valentine's Eve disco-dancing competition at the Stardust Cabaret nightclub, attended by 800 young people. The fire, the worst in this Irish capital's history, injured 130 people. Nine were reported in critical condition on Monday.

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FOCUS

"There were six of us together, dancing away. Then we saw the fire...withins minutes the flames seemed to be everywhere."

"I ran to a back door, but there was a crowd gathered at it and somebody said it was locked. I couldn't breathe in the smoke and I couldn't get out..."

"I gave up, I just gave up and lay on the ground to die..."

At the city mortuary, police con­tinued the grim task of trying to identify 34 victims whose bodies were too badly charred for recogni­tion.
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Lobbying for control

One of the most fascinating aspects of the legislative process is the lobbying system. The wheels of this great muscle-filer are always in motion, in theory encouraging, in practice suppressing, debate by standing committees, and actually having the effect of the.lobbying system. The one thing that is certain is that a lobbyist is always active in some way or another. The most obvious job of a lobbyist is to keep his or her community and to the University. Named for the founder of the University, Theodore M. Hesburgh, president of Notre Dame and a previous graduate who has contributed outstanding service to the University, is the Theodore M. Hesburgh Professor of Global Health. He moved to Newark, N.J., as an of­

The dollar posted a fresh gain on world markets yesterday as none of the sharpest advances seen in months was based on the basis of indications of tough new economic policies from President Reagan.

The dollar hit a seven-year high against the French franc, touched its highest level in years against the sanguine West German mark, the Swiss franc and Dutch guilder and reached another new peak against the yen.

President Reagan's stance on the issue is predictable. He has not come against a ban on firearms and he has an agreement for the passage of a law that is designed to stop the manufacture, sale and transfer of firearms.

Frank E. Sullivan, president of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company and a 1940 graduate of the University of Notre Dame, has been named to receive the Rev. Edwards Frederick Sonnichsen Award of Merit from the Notre Dame Alumni Association. The medal represented to a Notre Dame graduate who has contributed outstanding service to his University and the community.

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Cultural awareness

Tyson highlights Black Festival

By MIKE DUPLESSIE
News Staff

The Black Cultural Arts Festival will continue through the latter part of this month, featuring lectures and performances by a variety of acclaimed Black entertainers and leaders.

The goal of the Festival, according to co-sponsor Darlene Sowell, is "to provide an awareness of the Black cultural experience, an understanding of various aspects of Black life, and to focus on the achievements and talents of Black Americans."

Tomorrow's program features a speech by Cicely Tyson in the library auditorium at 8 p.m. Cicely Tyson is best known for her Emmy Award-winning portrayal of Miss Jane Pittman; she has also received considerable acclaim for her roles in the television special "Roots" and in the movie "Sounder."

Chicago's revolutionary teacher, Marva Collins, also will speak—Wednesday, Feb. 25 at 8 p.m.—in the library auditorium. Miss Tyson is currently starring in a movie based on the life of Miss Collins.

Several other nationally known entertainers will also make appearances during the festival. Gil Scott Heron, noted jazz artist and poet, will perform in the library auditorium. Miss Tyson will be featured in a Washington Hall performance at 7 p.m. Feb. 26.

A talent show is also planned for the Festival, taking place at 7 p.m. Feb. 27 in the library auditorium.

The Festival will conclude with a fashion show and a dance in the Monogram Room at the ACC on March 7.

All of the festival's activities are free except for the dance and the fashion show, where there will be a paid admission.

 STUDENT SURVEYS TO PROVIDE AWARENESS

By JEFF CHOPPIN
News Staff

Student Senate surveys were the focal point of last night's Senate meeting at Hayes-Healy. The escort service, budget matters and security were also discussed.

The survey will be used to determine "where the students are coming from," according to SBP Paul Riehle. He said that the surveys would provide information which the Senate would "base its strategy on."

The one-page surveys will be distributed to all the undergraduates. The questions in the survey deal with the number of study days before exams, ticket distributions, the laundry service and library hours.

"Notre Dame is unique in that it has only one study day," Riehle said. "He further stated that Harvard has five study days and that Northwestern has a week.

The one-page surveys will include questions on football, basketball and concert ticket distributions.

Pat Borchers, who heads the escort service from the Senate, said that the service is doing enough business to continue, and that "it's definitely worth the effort."

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Lightning strikes

**Power outage darkens area**

By LAURA L. LARIMORE
Senior Staff Reporter

Poor lighting along the east perimeters of the campus this weekend was the result of a power transformer failure, according to Glenn Terry, Director of Security at Notre Dame. The transformer went out Thursday, apparently due to lightning. After maintenance was unable to repair the damage on Friday, Security increased its protection in the area.

Despite the extra patrol, an armed robbery occurred early this morning in the vicinity. (See story on page 1). The transformer was scheduled to be repaired by Monday afternoon.

Poor illumination continuing across Ivy into Vaness, however, is not the fault of the University. The area from Ivy Road up to the Turtle Creek Apartments is under the jurisdiction of St. Joseph County.

According to Kenneth Herceg, county highway engineer, there is no money allocated in the county budget for street lighting. "The 15 to 20 street lights in the entire county are only for severe cases, those involving traffic safety," he said. Funds used for these come from the general highway fund, Herceg explained.

Many requests for lighting come to the county office, but all are refused due to lack of finances. Indiana & Michigan Electric Company will hang lights for private homes on a contract basis, according to Herceg.

Continuing down Vaness, only the south side of the road bordering Turtle Creek is within the city limits. Northward, including Campus View Apartments, is part of the county, and is not publicly lighted. Responsibility for this area is that of the residents and the presence of lighting is at their discretion.

Union foresees agreement with new Polish leaders

WARSAW, Poland (AP)—In an unprecedented interview with a Polish government newspaper, a union official was quoted Monday as saying the nation's new regime may provide opportunity for a lasting truce between the government and independent labor movement.

Government officials worked to resolve two lengthy sit-in protests by Polish farmers and students demanding independent unions. A spokesman for striking students in Lodz said the strikers were ready, to sign an agreement and avert a threatened nationwide strike, but it was not immediately clear if such an agreement had been approved by the government.

Poland's government-owned newspaper, Zowie Warszawy, in what appeared to be a conciliatory move, carried a front-page interview with Karol Modzelewski, a spokesman and policy maker for Poland's largest independent union, Solidarity.

The publication of the interview with Modzelewski, who served six years in prison for criticizing the now-discredited regime of Wladyslaw Gomulka and Edward Gierek, was noteworthy because the Solidarity official had recently been criticized by the party newspaper and the party organ Trybuna Luda for taking extreme positions on labor matters.

The interview was the first after the government of Prime Minister Wojciech Jaruzelski, appointed in a government shakeup last week, asked Solidarity to contribute a 45-day respite from the labor unrest it said had pushed the nation to the brink of chaos.

Workers have refrained from new strikes since then.

"I think the new government, its personnel changes and principles create a real opportunity to turn back the dangerous course of events, particularly visible during the last weeks," Modzelewski was quoted as saying in a reference to a spate of wildcat strikes staged without the authorization of Solidarity.

According to the newspaper, Modzelewski said he believed the new government could provide an opportunity for calm and added "I think both sides have good intentions and the consequent policy of dialogue will assure a truce not for three months but for good."

One day after Polish Communist Party chief Stanislaw Kania made a surprise trip to Prague for talks with Czechoslovak officials, Polish Foreign Trade Minister Ryszard Karski went to the Czechoslovak capital for talks with his counterpart there, Andrej Barack. The Czechoslovak news agency CTK said the two would discuss economic cooperation during 1981 and "its further development." It gave no other details, but sources in Prague said Czechoslovakia was certain to grant some aid despite its harsh criticism of events in Poland.

**Mardi Gras Schedule**

**TUESDAY, FEB. 17**

- 6:7 p.m. tr citizens night WSND
- 7:30 p.m. Ted Underiner
- 8:45-9:30 p.m. Glee Club
- 9:45-11:45 p.m. The Rubber Band

**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18**

- 6:7 p.m. High School Nite
- 7:9 p.m. Mike Daly and Tom Rock
- 9:12 p.m. WSND

**THURSDAY, FEB. 19**

- 6:7 p.m. Comedy Magic Nite
- 7:8 p.m. WSND
- 8:9 p.m. Mole Weber
- 9:15-10 p.m. Outcasts
- 10:15-12 p.m. Pat Byrnes and Jim McClaire
The Daily Crossword

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25 Kiwi relative
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30 Army Joes
31 "Peer Gynt" composer
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7.10 p.m. — social concerns film, "the green wall," washington hall, free admission.
8:00 p.m. — lecture, "west germany is number two: the political economy of the federal republic of germany," dr. wolfram hantzer, w. of calif-santa barbara, spons by old german club and govt. dept., room 120 hayes-healy.

Shoe

Jeff MacNelly

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Molarity

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ND-SMC square off again

By RETHA HUGHES
Sports Editor

Notre Dame will host Saint Mary's tonight at 7:30 in the Rockne Memorial Gym. The Rockne Invitational is another in a series of meets which see teams clash in the water a second time this season. In the first meet, the Irish overwhelmingly defeated the Belles, 101-29. "We try to accentuate it to the girls as to what event they will swim," said Frank Manickowski, who joins Roddy McLaughlin as the Notre Dame coaches. "We're thinking of it as a fun event rather than a competitive meet.

The seven Belles' swimmers will be led by Mary Lenoy and Lucy Hanahan. Lenoy specializes in the butterfly races and the sprint freestyle events. Hanahan will compete in the long distance freestyle races.

"We've tried to practice swims and work on a few of the finer points like starts and turns," said Belle's first-year head coach Mark Manley.

Notre Dame owns a 4-3 record. Admission to the meet is free.

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Gil has maintained an excellent attitude during his inactivity. He's been sitting on the Irish bench during every game, encouraging his teammates. He wasn't supposed to play in the Maryland game (it was the day after his archescope), but he decided that he felt well enough. When we asked him, he explained, "the team doesn't run right. I had to go to the Maryland game. I had to be a part of the team." Gil Sullivan accepted his role at Notre Dame. "I'm happy," he says. "If I had to do it all over again, I'd do it the same way. In the long run, coming to Notre Dame was the right thing for me to do." As far as the rest of the season is concerned, Gil hopes he gets a chance to contribute on the court. "Time's running out for me," Gil says. "I want to contribute to the success of this team. I know it's within me. I've been sitting back thinking that I may never play basketball. Either do something new or go home and play in the YMCA league.

Happily, for Gil's sake, the waiting is over.
Irish win no. 19

By CHRIS NEEDLES
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"Somehow, somewhere, when you’d least expect it..."

The old punch-line from "Candid Camera" would have been a made perfect theme for Monday night’s Notre Dame-Fairfield game at the ACC.

The Stags, who came into the game with an 11-10 record, were hardly a North Carolina State (whom the Irish manhandled on Saturday) or a Virginia (Notre Dame’s next opponent on Sunday). All in all, they were an easy opponent to overlook.

But the Irish, after overcoming adversity of Ninotchka-like proportions, needed key free throws from senior Kelly Tripucka and sophomore Bill Walker in the last 1:5 to escape with a 57-55 victory. Walker started in place of senior in-captain Orlando Woolridge, whose 14.9 ppg per game and 4/72 shooting percentage were sorely missed last night.

The outcome wasn’t decided, however, until Fairfield’s Mike Palazzii missed on a desperation 25-footer and after Henry Foster’s follow-up was ruled to have come after the final buzzer. Somehow, somewhere, when you’d least expect it...

It was obvious from the beginning that the Irish would be in for a tough evening. Fairfield, copying Notre Dame’s style of ball control, tempo, patience and a tenacious, switching defense, actually outplayed the Irish for most of the first half. When Foster hit a 10-foot bank shot to put the Stags up 27-19 with 7:49 remaining in the first half, the Irish deficit had reached 14.

The Irish closed within one, 33-32, at the half, thanks to the magic of guard John Passion. The 6-2 sophomore scored 10 points in the first half, pulling the Irish to within one jump-shot of sending the game into overtime.

Pass the brass knuckles... You’ve got to give Fairfield credit," said a relieved Digger Phelps after the game. "They played a smart, ball-control game. I think they were lucky to catch us between our big ball games. I also was pleased that we were able to come through at the end playing as poorly as we were..."

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"It was one of those cases, for us, where we gave all the energy we had, a one-night affair," said a talkative Barakat, who despite the defeat, resembled the proverbial child on Christmas morning. "On the other hand, Notre Dame, with their tough schedule, can’t get up for every game and we were able to take advantage of their letdowns, but give them credit for not letting beat them..."

Fortunately for the 11th-ranked Irish, the game goes into the win column nonetheless, boosting their record to 19-4. But Phelps would just as soon not have any more of these unexpected stories.

Allen Funt, though, would have loved it.

IRISH ITEMS: Passion led a balanced Irish scoring attack with 17 points and four assists, while Tripucka and Tracey Jackson chipped in 15 and 14, respectively. Palazzii, averaging only 8.5 points per game entering the contest, scorched the nets for 21 points, 15 in the first half. He was the only Stag to reach double figures... Woolridge’s injury is not considered serious, and he is probable for Sunday’s showdown in Chicago with No. 5, Virginia.

Game time, despite what is listed on the ticket, is slated for 2 p.m. EST, 1 p.m. in Chicago... Fairfield’s Rich D’Antonia suffered a broken ankle after hitting a lay-up to close his team within 54-49. Teammate Aldridge broke his nose, courtesy of an errant Varner elbow, as the two battled for the rebound at the buzzer.

Waiting in wings

By DAVE DZIEDZIC
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Gil Salinas is waiting.
The Pac-10 Big Four has had to sit our Notre Dame’s last twelve games due to a knee injury. In the ten games he’s been in the game, Gilbert played just 71 minutes, scoring 32 points. But Gil hopes to be ready for Sunday’s game against Virginia. He’s worked hard all season and says the knee feels good. "I’m not sure of how I’ll do, but I’m ready for the situation, but I want to try it out," a gassy Gilbert says.

Waiting has not been easy for Salinas. "Sitting out these last few games has been tough," Gil says. "Especially in the UCLA game. I was enjoying the game, but I felt sad just sitting there, knowing I could contribute to the team.

"The time off has got me worked up inside. I want to be ready to play these last five games. Hopefully I’ll be a part of Gil’s game plan."

"Having to wait is nothing new for me. I came to Notre Dame four years ago and has never consistently been a starter. It’s tough to be an All-American as a high school senior and then sit on the bench as a college freshman," Gil says then. He missed most of the season during his sophomore year due to academic probation. More waiting...

"Last year I was playing, but not as much as I thought I would be. But I’ve learned to take it as it comes. I work hard in practice, and accept whatever happens. If we win it all this year, it will all have been worth it..."

Gil, along with the rest of his teammates, has been waiting for a shot at the national championship. As far as the final four is concerned, Gil says, "It seems like it will all go to waste if we can’t make it this year. There are six seniors who have worked very hard on this team. We’ll see what a waste of time and talent if we don’t make it this year. But we’re optimistic this year. I know this team can win..."

Even though he hasn’t gotten a playing minute, Gil says, "I’ve been working harder at practice than ever before."

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