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New Saint Mary’s library having

drainage and heating malfunctions

By JOAN GIBLIN

Saint Mary’s new 86 million library has been experiencing several drainage and heating mal-

functions in recent months and officials are blaming the harsh South Bend winter for the problems.

Final inspection of the Cushwa-Leighton Library will occur this Thursday, according to Lowell Bar-

ber, Saint Mary’s Executive Assistant to the Controller of Plant Opera-

tions.

The library, dedicated on Sept. 3, 1982, has suffered no other problems thus far. Last winter was

very mild, and the improper drainage and heating problems were not recognized until the onset of this year’s

harsh weather. "Obviously, there was no opportunity last year to test the adequacy of the heating

problems," Barber said.

Environmental Systems Design of Chicago, prepared an extensive

study on the heating problem. They made a diagram of two sections: the tower and the ground floor. Adding

more heat in a more effective way was the main goal of the engineers, who brought in two large unit

heaters, now located at the entrance to the library. Evan Woolen Associates of In-

diannapolis were the architects for the library. Tom Weigel, one of the architects on the project, said, "The

heating system has been revamped and we have increased the flow of hot water through the heating pipes at

the perimeter of the building."

In regards to the heating problem, Weigel explained the

buildup of ice at the head of the roof downspouts has been worked on for

several months now. The answer to the problem was installing heat

cables in the downspouts to help

melt the ice and snow that had accu-
mulated and was leaking into the building at the seams.

Weigel said "The ice was being

drained in the valleys of the roof, in

contact with the slate. Melting snow

flowed down the downspouts, but

then hit the cold air at the edge of

the roof, where there was no heating.

The water then refroze and

formed a dam of some sort, not

allowing the water to flow properly into the gutters. The water backed

up on the slingles and created the

leakage problems."

The gutters on the roof did, in fact, have the capacity to hold melted

snow and ice, but no one could have anticipated the heavy snow and sub-

zero temperatures this winter. "The building is so well-insulated and so

efficient that the heat from

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write-in votes for the pair would be legal only if

"The Alternative" were written on the ballot.

Elections held today for student

body president, district senators

In Western circles, they call this
democratic phenomenon election day.

Undergraduate students at Notre Dame can vote today for a new stu-
dent body president and vice presi-
dent, and they also will elect five
district senators.

Voting will take place during meal

hours in the halls. 11:15 a.m. to 1:30

p.m., and 4:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Judi-

cial board members will roam the halls

calling the vote. Students who live off campus can vote in the

LaFortune Student Center this after-

noon.

Graduating seniors are eligible to vote.

The candidates for student body president and vice president are

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and Cathy David, a junior from

Breen-Phillips.

Chris Tayback, a junior from Holy

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Cavanaugh, Zahm, Farley, Kearern

and Stanfodd halls.

Pat Browne, a Stanford sophomore.

Doug O’Brien, a Cavanaugh junior.

District 3: Badin, Dillon, Fisher,

Howard, Lyons, Moemrose,

Parpgnond and Carroll halls.

Dan McNamara, a Morrissey junior.

Mark Rollick, a Morrissey fresh-

men.

District 4: Huang, Grace,

Pasquailler West and Pazquailler East.

Tom Abond, a junior from Huang.

District 5: Off-campus.

Javier Oliva.

Write-in votes are not counted unless specifically approved by the

Student Senate.

Student Senate allows

write-in candidates on

today’s election ballot

By CAROL CAMP

Senior Staff Reporter

The Senate last night approved the

write-in candidacy of student body

president and vice president

candidates Chapin Engler and John

Dardis.

Senate confirmation of the tinker’s

legitimacy means students will be

able to vote for Engler and Dardis

by writing the phrase "The Alternative" on

their ballots.

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In Brief

English playwright Michael Telling, accused of murdering his American-born wife, was committed for trial yesterday. Telling was arrested when authorities uncovered the couple's car in a garage an officer's luxury home in West Wycombe, 34 miles northwest of London. Authorities believe Telling killed his wife in a fit of rage and then shot himself in the head. He was taken to a hospital in nearby Buckingham. The case is being investigated by Scotland Yard because it is believed the murder may have been a contract killing.

Mary's story, Vol. 2 - A 19-year-old Notre Dame graduate, Mary Telling, was discovered on the campus of the University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Ind., Tuesday, February 14, 1984. The body was found in a drained pool of the university's Science Hall. The police are investigating the murder as a possible murder-suicide.

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Margaret Fosmo Managing Editor Inside Tuesday

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The voters are smarter than you think

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**Reagan seeks better cooperation with new Soviet General Secretary**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Reagan administration said yesterday it wanted to renew some Soviet overtures to Moscow to represent President Reagan at the funeral of Soviet President Yuri V. Andropov.

Informs Washington said the United States would welcome discussions with the Soviet Union on the likelihood of a meeting between Reagan and Chernenko...remained uncertain at best.

Reagan’s spokesman greeted the announcement that Chernenko would move into the top position of general secretary of the Communist Party by calling for closer ties between the two nations.

"We invite the new leaders of the Soviet Union to work with us in establishing a basis for greater mutual understanding and constructive cooperation," said White House spokesman Larry Speakes.

Speakes said Bush would stress "our commitment to peace and, in particular, the search for mutually acceptable agreements" during his discussions in Moscow.

In his first speech in his new post, Chernenko said the Soviet Union would match any security threat from the "hot heads of militant ad-

vocates" in the West. "We can very well see the threat created today by humankind by the reckless, adventurist actions of im-

perialism’s aggressive forces," he said. "We do not intend to dictate our will to others, but we will not permit the military equilibrium that has been achieved to be upset."

The State Department, meanwhile, underscored a more conciliatory stance in the speech, and welcomed Chernenko’s expressed support for solving inter-
national disputes through negoti-

ation and his readiness to lessen tensions through practical deeds.

A State Department statement took note of an article Chernenko wrote for the London Sunday Times before Andropov’s death. It nelhed his statement that despite the many differences between the Soviet Union and the United States, there was "nothing more im-

portant than ever before to multiply our efforts toward mutual under-

standing." The State Department said, "These are our goals as well. What is needed is to move from words to deeds in building a more con-

structive U.S. Soviet relationship."

As for the possibility of an early meeting between Reagan and Cher-

nenko, department spokesman John Hughes reiterated the administra-

tion’s interest in arranging such an encounter if a positive result can be assured.

Speakes said any get-acquainted meeting would need to be well-

prepared and should also carry "reasonable promise for success in results."

"Stopping in Luxembourg on his way to Moscow, Bush said he would tell the new Kremlin leadership the United States wants to negotiate, but "it has to be a two-way street."

**SMC sophomores plan weekend for parents**

By LAUREN WOLFE

News Staff

Tradition is a key factor in the continuing popularity of Sopho-

more Parents Weekend at Saint Mary’s. According to the weeken-

d's chairwoman, Mary Beth Lavezorno. The weekend, which Feb. 24–26, holds the theme of ‘Out Here On My Own.’ From the movie, ‘Fame.’

The parents of the Class of 96 can anticipate a weekend full of ac-

tivities, the first of which is a 20 act student talent shows. This perfor-

mance of fine arts and less than fine arts is scheduled for Feb. 24 and or-

ganized by Janet Mackey and Lorn Janko.

Breaking away from tradition a little. Kelly Aisheoph has organized a new activity, a Special Tropical Band. Teacher Kelly Jay analysis that the February "blows" sophomores can look forward to a low cost weekend full of activities to be enjoyed with their parents.

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Rock group Clash regroup after problem-plagued reorganization

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - The Clash, hardly survivors of the British punk revolution, are regrouping as they continue their battle against complacency.

"We have to strive that kids need," said singer-songwriter-guitarist Joe Strummer, still an angry young man at age 30, as he shipped a wine spritzer at a Hollywood hotel.

The hotel was using the hotel as headquarters during a recent series of California performances.

The blown the Clash's first since the departure last year of Mick Jones, who cowrote many of the band's best-known songs with Strummer, and who shared lead vocals as well.

"A friend is someone you can tell anything to," said Strummer, whose Mohawk hairstyle has given way to a more modish crop of orange-dyed hair.

"For example, I told him he couldn't produce, and instead of saying, 'Oh yeah! let's talk about,' he went off and sulked for several weeks."

There were other problems as well, Strummer added, including Jones' reluctance to share songwriting credit - and revenues - with other band members, in the spirit of the group's avowed socialist philosophy.

According to Jones' lawyer, Brian Carr, the rock star filed a lawsuit in High Court in London, which has frozen the band's profits from their "Combat Rock" LP and the US festival. "Jones is seeking his entitlement for his share of the income as a member of The Clash," Carr said in an interview with the Associated Press.

He still regards himself as a member of The Clash. There has not been a contractual breakup between the other members and himself."

Strummer said the band has spent most of the seven years it's been together in debt, and only recently began raking in big money with its latest LP, "Combat Rock." It also received a reported $500,000 for performing at the US festival last spring.

Two young guitarists - Nick Shepard and Vince White - replaced Jones, who quipped from "pushout," Strummer proudly. "SandCastle" - a three-record album - was for too long, he said. "It must take hours to play," he said, "just because you're rock stars doesn't give you the right to bore people."

Indiana pulls products with EDB from stores

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS - State Board of Health inspectors began pulling samples of grain-based products from Indiana grocery warehouses yesterday in an effort to determine if there are any contaminations of the suspected cancer-causing chemical EDB. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency banned the use of ethylene dibromide, or EDB, in September. The chemical is used as a pesticide and gasoline additive and has been linked to cancer in laboratory animals. The pesticide has been turning up in grain products nationwide.

State health officials said they'll take samples from seven or eight warehouses over the next few days and expect to have the results back by early next week.

Any food products found to exceed the federal limit of 50 parts per billion for EDB will be removed from the shelves, said Emie Parker, head of the state health department's manufacturing food section. All the major food companies in Indiana are cooperating with the state and conducting their own tests from sections where samples were drawn. Parker said, Senate

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that makes regards for deadlines time.

While the Senate's decision was not made with malicious intent, it undermines the authority of the elections committee to interpret the rules. Furthermore, it is a tremendous injustice to Chris (Tayback) and Bob (Berrino) and to those who have lived by the rules all along."

Both Tayback and Berrino abstained from voting, but both concurred with the Senate's decision. Tayback stated, "I abstained out of good decorum, but I do think that certain legitimate write-in candidates should be allowed.

Berrino shared his opponent's views. "I'm glad that the Senate thought it out rationally, and that it wasn't biased because of the fact that two of the presidential candidates were members of the Senate."

Vice presidential candidate Dardis commented that the Senate vote was "a small victory in itself."

In case of a run-off, each ticket will receive an additional thirty dollar campaign allocation from Student Government to offset campaign expenses.

The Senate also approved all but one of the Student Union Steering Committee's proposed changes in the organization of Student Union itself. The following changes were made: The name of the organization will be changed from Student Union to Student Activities Programming Board. Due to the removal of his power to allocate funds, the "commissioners" will be referred to as the "counselors.

"Commissioners" will become "committee chairmen," since they will be working with committees comprised of dorm commissioners. The membership of the Steering Committee will consist of the board manager, the controller, two chairmen elected by their fellow chairmen, the student body president or vice president, (to be decided between themselves), the Student Government treasurer, and the HPC chairman.

Library

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inside the building did not escape through the roof to help melt the snow and ice," Barther said. The success of the insulation job actually worked because the problem was quite opposite the case in Lemmas Hall. When the building was built, old insulation, and therefore, the heat goes right up through the roof. Melting snow and ice preventing the problems like the library has said Barther.

On the west elevation of the building, there were buildups of several feet of snow. The heat tracing cables on the roof did not exceed up on the roof enough to heat the entire track of snow. There was not very little damage to the interior of the library, other than occasional wet carpeting. None of the books or equipment were ruined.

The College had workers chopping ice and removing as much snow as was possible, although there was not much anyone could do because of the freezing temperatures. Chains preventing students from walking directly under the falling snow were not very effective. These changes merely forced students to jump over them. Saint Mary's junior, Beth Murphy, said, "No one walked the snow covered area around the chains because many times, the snow on the alternate routes was not shovelled enough and it was easier for people to just cross the chains."

Ice and snow banks have been put up on the roof, and the engineers and architects are looking into further solutions to be worked on this summer.

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Dangers of everyday life at Saint Mary's

Dangers are everywhere! Even here on the quads, on the pathways of Cushwa-Leighton Library a "DANGER," the white and orange sign on the roof has a tendency to fall on unsuspecting students as they make their way to the library.

The grounds crew has carefully barricaded two sidewalks to the library to ward off this danger. However, ingenuous students, taking their lives into their hands, prefer to walk over, under and just to the side of the barricade. The grounds people would prefer that students approach the library straight on and therefore save themselves some of the headaches about daily dangers.

The snow that winter brings makes walking unpopular, not only because it is cold, but because the sidewalks and lawns are covered with slippery ice and slush which make passage a mind boggling experience.

We think of some as too treacherous to the pedestrian-lovers which pass by daily. Saint Mary's security, which regularly patrols the area, also provides danger for students' wallets while they try to bring a sense of security. Their famous "44c" parking tickets are prevalent, not only in the winter, but throughout the year. The reason? A lack of food service, has long been considered a danger to health. Some day caterpillars, flies and lady-bugs have been seen on plates. SAGA claims they are trying to improve the quality of the food and that they are looking forward to comments.

Alternatives that students often take are visiting the campus and finding other alternatives, however good they taste, often become addictive and expensive.

Every day, many students encounter the showers which bring additional danger. Once the student has showered and is awaiting a refreshing shower the trouble begins. Water is up, not only by those in the shower, but also by those using the sinks and toilets.

The latter receive preferential treatment, those in the showers must suffer. Showers complain of suddenly being overcome by extreme hot water and fear getting second or third degree burns.

If she is lucky, she may receive such treatment not one but many times during her attempts to become clean. The showers here are another problem. Running after the shuttles is dangerous. Fallings, slipping and having books fly as the shuttles continue on its way is not easy on our clean bodies. Those who decide to walk often encounter the shuttles passing them. As the shuttle departs it leaves them the gift of gaseous fumes and a godt of wind.

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In search of the perfect Valentine

With the feast of St. Valentine approaching, a team of roving Observer reporters crossed the campus in search of answers to a question that has plagued history:

"What is your idea of the perfect Valentine's gift?" Here are some of the responses obtained.

"Something they won't throw away after a while."  
Chris Kelling '97

"If you feel creative, write something. I once wrote this story all about this girl I had been going out with and gave it to her."  
John Rublinsky '84

"That's a tough one. Especially around here, I'd rather send flowers than candy, because everyone's so worried about their weight."  
Mike Connery '94

"My family's good health, and of course it would be nice to have a (national) championship on top."  
Gerry Faust, Head Football Coach

"A gross of long stemmed red roses. Girls just love them. They'd have a cow (over the roses)."  
John Coen '95

"An expression of love."  
Brother Benedict

"I don't get valentines. Charlie Brown and I have a lot in common."  
Rob McGonagle '85

"An endless pitcher of Margaritas."  
Theresa Mullins '84

"Two glasses, a bottle of champagne on ice, and the back seat of my car."  
Wes Galney '84

"That's what I've been trying to think of for the past week. I don't know."  
Kate Herbert '86

"Maybe to have a couple of hours together, to talk about personal things, or about all human problems, and projects you could do. I don't believe you should buy anything (usually you don't get what the person likes, anyway)."  
Alexis Roubalits, Professor, Modern and Classical Languages

"I would like a ski trip so I don't have to do any of this kind of stuff (studying)."  
Mike Chnell '95

"To be serenaded."  
Cathy David '85

"A trip to Prego Pepp. No, a million dollars."  
Marga Villanlon '86

"A black and gold RX7 with the ring."  
John Adams '84

"She's about this tall ..."  
Andy Shaver '84

"A card from my mother which is what I got all and I wanted."  
John Gissy '87

"Sharing conversation over a cup of brownie Mocha with the friesdese with Joan Rivers."  
Jamie Cantorna '84

"... to go out to lunch with my wife and cap it off with a snuggling valentine and a rose from the Glee Club."  
Dr. James McDonald, Director of Student Activities

"That's a tough one. I never get a valentine. I'm like Charlie Brown, I like candy myself. Candy or pizza."  
Andy Tucker '84

"A kiss and a hug."  
Lyndy Webster '85

"A person giving of themselves without anything material."  
Father Michael Murphy, Chairman, Dept. of Earth Sciences

My perfect valentine would be to be able to spend time with my loved one ... share a glass of wine, and exchange a single red rose. And also since it is a feast day, the ability to pray together and ask for continued love throughout the world."  
Pam Fojik '85

"A diamond."  
Al David, Assistant Manager, North Dining Hall

"Marrying (a certain cheerleader whose name has been withheld to protect the innocent) and spending the rest of my life with her on a deserted island."  
Pat Collins '87

"A black pearl."  
Lee Vetter '84

"A gold chain with 'I love you' on it."  
Milt Jackson '86

"Mike."  
Jean Mackay '86

"Dinner for two."  
Elleen Chang '86

"A woman covered with candy hearts."  
Joe Dant '85

"I never care what I get. I just care who it's from."  
Denise Grether '84

"A trip to Rio de Janeiro."  
Matteo Perrucio '84

"Red lace underwear."  
Jim Boudreau '87

"Fudge."  
Kathy Reidy '85

"A romantic dinner out instead of the dinner hall."  
Alice Groner '87

"A boyfriend would be a good start."  
Shelly Ross '85

"... definitely flowers. I love flowers."  
Jim Slattery '84

"Candy."  
George Porter '86

"A flower from someone you care about."  
Pam Fox '86

"A kiss."  
Scott Hardek '86

"The perfect valentine's surprise would be for (a certain junior from Zahn whose name has been withheld to protect the innocent) to come knocking on my door."  
Barbara Springman '84

"I would say the meaning of Valentine's Day is much more than just the commercialization that has come about. It's a pity that we rely on material things to express our love when in fact we should just do it outright."  
Dominic Balsom, Fifth Year, Architecture

"Having dinner cooked for me. With wine of course."  
Jennie Ewart '87

"Mr. July."  
Maureen Murphy '87

"Three long stem roses, a nice beautiful card, a candlelight setting, a bottle of wine and intimate one on one conversation, which is exactly what I'm going to do."  
Dave McGaffey '86
Sir Obnoxious

A day for sappy sentiments

by Marc Ramirez

features staff writer

Sir Obnoxious has been immensely pleased with the plethora of letters which he has been receiving concerning the day at hand. And Sir Obnoxious is most proud to proclaim that only one of those letters is a Valentine's Day card.

Today is the day when a lot of people want to look in their mailboxes and see bunches of red envelopes holding Valentine's Day wishes. Today is the day when a lot of people hope to hear a knock on their door from someone waiting outside to present them with roses. Today is the day when a lot of people smile in anticipation as they wait to witness the reactions to the carnations they have sent.

Poor misguided wretches.

Why all this nonsense? Why the soppy, sappy sentiments? Why on this one day of the year will people descend to such abysmal depths and allow themselves to be taken in by such childish behavior? Why do people get so excited about receiving gifts like flowers (skinny things pulled out of the ground that probably once had slugs and snails slithering all over them), candy (pounds and pounds of caloric, pimple-effecting poison), and cards (heavier, harder paper folded over with ridiculous rhymes inside and cutey artwork outside)?

In the end, Sir Obnoxious is compelled to inquire: Valentine's Day. Why? You can tell me why, you say? Rubbish, Sir Obnoxious replies. Tradition is silly, at best. Tradition says you should tell your kids about a fictitious fool, dressed in a suit not even Boy George would wear, who brings them their Christmas presents. And tradition says that weather can be accurately predicted by some raunchy little warmist who comes out of his hole on the second of February, and sadly enough, some Pennsylvanians make a big deal of it. Sir Obnoxious is certainly grateful that he lives in the Bel Air where winter doesn't do such strange things to people.

Rubbish, Sir Obnoxious repeats. Rubbish. Sure, compare Sir Obnoxious to the Grinch (although he would prefer you did not — the Grinch wimped out), but he has taken this day to try his best to thwart the efforts of everyone else. Sir Obnoxious will admit it — his heart is most likely five sizes too small.

Yes, my followers, we are outnumbered, but as in many other things, quality precedes quantity, even in the art of boorishness. Remember first the advice which you have received, and watch and allow yourself to be taken in by such behavior? Why

Why? Why... if my fiancé came out and... that's my fiancé! Can't tell what's inside those chocolates until you sink your teeth into them, can you? And wouldn't you look silly slicing all your candy before you ate it, huh? Usually, my dears, I spend a whole column advising those who will read, on what obnoxious activities to partake in, but this time, the obnoxious deeds have already been done, and they're waiting to be discovered, like billions and billions (as Sir Obnoxious' obnoxious friend, Carl Sagan would say) of tiny time bombs waiting to go off.

Many of you will discover most surprisingly that you are victims of major shafts, and Sir Obnoxious leaves it to you to take it as you will. Scream, rant, rave, throw a fit or two, and curse the day you were born. Or search deep within yourself, filter out the basic evil, and see the beauty of the gesture.

It really is nice. Perspective — that's the key. Happy Valentine's Day.

Dear Sir Obnoxious — Please don't kill me. I'm one of your faithful readers, and you've really helped me out a lot. I've always wanted to be obnoxious, ever since I found out how much it was to blow my nose on my shirt sleeve in expensive restaurants. I've made a lot of progress over the years, but my insights were never so much expanded as when I started reading your columns. Now I mix milk and grape drink when I eat at the dining hall, and I was totally in favor of the Liberty Bowl. But anyway, I just wanted to say that I hope you have a Happy Valentine's Day. I hope you're not upset.

Signed, A Faithful Reader.

Dear Faithful — Well, Sir Obnoxious certainly must thank you for all the compliments. It is truly gratifying to know that at least one reader has been helped by the advice which Sir Obnoxious pours out week after week. A happy Valentine's Day to you, too. Eat, drink and be merry.

P.S. Henchmen are are on their way. Sir Obnoxious hopes you saw the sun rise this morning.

Feeling too correct? Send your inquiries on better ways to boorishness in red or green ink on the back of an old homework assignment to Sir Obnoxious in care of this newspaper.

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The Notre Dame-Detroit women's basketball game has been designated as "Dow Night," the athletic department. The Dom which has the greatest turnout (by percentage of students in the dorm) will be awarded $100.00 worth of Godfather's Pizza for a dorm pizza party. If you want to see more information, ask your R.A. who should have received a flyer in the mail. — The Observer

The NVA downhill skiing trip scheduled for tomorrow is postponed until next Tuesday. If you have any questions, call 259-6100. — The Observer

Eddie White, assistant sports information director at Notre Dame, will be the featured guest tonight on "Speaking of Sports" at 10 p.m. on WMSE-SA94. Listeners can voice their questions or comments by calling at 259-6401. — The Observer

The ND Rowing club will hold a general meeting tomorrow night at 10 p.m. in Lafortune Little Theater. All old and interested new members are required to attend. Dues will be collected, and information on the trip to Austin, Tex. over break will be discussed. If you can not make the meeting, call Joe at 8198 or J.T. at 1414. — The Observer

An interhall swimming meet is scheduled for February 28. Hall representatives must turn in a list of entries to Dennis Stark the day before the meet or the interhall office, C2, ACC. For more information on the 10 event meet, call swimming coach Stark at 259-6222. — The Observer

Two members of the Squash club competed in the Sixth Annual Purdue Squash Open over the weekend. Catherine Panchar emerged the winner of the C Division. Sean F. Richardson won the consolation bracket of the D Division. — The Observer

Bookstore Basketball Commissioner Emeritus Dave Dziadzic and An Tosal Chairman Dave Jakopin announce the recent selection of sophomore Jeff Blumb as commissioner for Bookstore Basketball XII. Blumb is now beginning to assemble a staff for the popular tournament. — The Observer

Marian wins

By Dave Wilson

Sports Writer

For those who have given up on this year's Saint Mary's basketball train — have patience.

Although the Belles dropped a 58-60 decision to the Knights of Marian College Saturday afternoon, they looked like anyone but the losing team. Down by as many as ten points late in the game, Saint Mary's fought back constantly, closing the gap as fast as three. In fact, the Knights were not assured of victory until the final minute.

"I was just very pleased with our effort," said head coach Mike Rose. "We may have lost the game, but we didn't lose our determination to remain in the game. The girls handled themselves well, particularly against a team as good as Marian."

The Knights came into the contest with impressive credentials. Their previous win was a ten-point triumph over Valparaiso, a Division I team. However, the Belles would not allow an easy victory. Saint Mary's jumped out to a 5-0 lead on a basket by Betty Bertz and a three-point play by Kris Petrella.

Playing aggressively, and taking advantage of a slow start by Marian, the Belles maintained the lead for the first ten minutes, until the Knights ended the first half with a 10-5 advantage. The tempo was reduced for the remainder of the half as Saint Mary's added just five points to its total, while Marian added nine, taking a 28-20 halftime lead.

"Usually our turnovers allow the other team to pull away," Rose said. "But this time we were able to keep the ball in control for the most part, and take advantage of their turnovers instead."

Marian extended its lead to ten early in the second half, but the Belles refused to let the margin grow any larger. The teams traded baskets, until Saint Mary's took advantage of a jump ball violation, as Bertz scored to pull the Belles within two at 46-44.

The home team brought the game right down to the wire, until desperation fouling allowed the Knights to pull away to victory.

"I've said this before, but we really need a win these days," said Rose. "I'm glad the girls are keeping their heads in the game, but lately that's been tough."

In the scoring department, Ebert and Teresa McGinnis led the Belles with ten points apiece, while Elaine Sues and Pantelleria added nine. Cindy Short had seven, and Mary McQuillan added five.

The Belles travel to Valparaiso for a game tonight, returning to face Aquinas College Friday night in Agata Athletic Facility.

Fencers

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was shut out 0-5.

"Our foil and saber squads won against theirs (Wayne State's), but not barely," said Clt. "Our epee team had a hard time though."

"They're very talented but not unbeatable. We've got some good quality fencers and it's just — they'll be tough to beat them (in the NCAA tournament) but it's possible."

On Saturday, the Notre Dame women also fenced at the ACC. The 198th under the guidance of Coach Mike DeCicco went 2-2 changing their record to 11-4 on the season.

The lady lads downed Detroit 13-3, and Case Western Reserve 16-0, but lost to a tough Ohio State team 15-5, and last year's runner-up in the NCAA tournament. Wayne State 9-7.

Freshman Pia Albertson, one of the best fencers in the country, was undefeated over the weekend going 12-0 to increase her record to 31-2 on the year. Senior co-captain Sharon Di Nicola went 5-3 to boost her record to 21-4 and sophomore Janet Sullivan went 5-3 to move to a 17-10 mark.

The men's and women's teams will be on the road again on Saturday, February 25, when they will travel to Illinois where they face two big Ten opponents Illinois and Wis-conisin.

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Monday’s Solution

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The Notre Dame track team had a disappointing weekend at Purdue. The Irish finished third out of ten teams. Pursue came in first while Indiana, expected to win the meet, came in second. For more details, see Jerry Media's story below:

Women's giant slalom
America wins first gold medal
By JOHN MOSMAN
Associated Press

"Now America's got it." Debbie Armstrong won her gold medal, the first for the U.S. Team at the Winter Olympics, with a tough, trice-down the side of a mountain on yesterday.

"America has been waiting for this," someone shouted to the beaming Armstrong at the finish line immediately after her victory became apparent. "Now America's got it," Armstrong beamed.

After days of poor hooley, weather delays for events in which the American team was expected to do well, and poorer than expected performances by some team members, Armstrong and the other members of the giant slalom team came through brilliantly. This was Armstrong's first medal.

Her gold medal was the first for an American woman in 12 years in the giant slalom and the first in any Alpine event at the Winter Games since 1972. She tied a 2:12-4 placing with the best ever for the U.S. in any Olympic Alpine event, oustdeling veteran Christin Cooper, who won the silver.

Armstrong, 20, of Seattle, Wash., was an unlikely hero. A relative newcomer to international competition, her best finish in World Cup competition was a third earlier this season. Cindy Nelson, the now-recognized leader of the U.S. women's team, has predicted that Armstrong would be the star of the U.S. team within a year or two, but Armstrong is now ahead of that schedule.

Cooper was the leader after the first run, holding a slim one-tenth of a second lead over Armstrong. Two of the favorites, American Tamara McKinney and Switzerland's Erika Hess, had virtually skied themselves out of the medal picture. McKinney was eighth after the first run, and Hess was 13th.

McKinney clocked the best time on the second run, a 1:11.72, but it wasn't enough to get her a medal. Pernie Pelen of France claimed the giant slalom bronze medal for the second straight Olympics, and McKinney was in fourth place.

The Irish track team stumbled and falls over weekend
By JERRY MEDIA
Sports Writer

There are mixed emotions by Notre Dame's coaching staff concerning last weekend's Irish Intercollegiate Track Meet at Purdue. Coach Joe Plane and Assistant Coach Ed Kelly had high hopes going into the meet. Plane and Kelly were 2-1 and 1-2, respectively, in their Irish's performance in the Midwestern City Conference Championships last weekend at the ACC.

"Indiana was a strong favorite to win the meet," said Plane. "We thought we would put up a good run for second."

The team was looking forward to seeing its performance at the ACC last year. The team came into the ACC this season with a 1-2-1 placing. The ACC will have twenty-five teams will participate in the meet, and the team has competed in the event.

Wayne State snaps Irish winning streak
By MICHAEL J. CHERIL
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's fencing team took its 19-meet winning streak into weekend action at the ACC and came away with 5 wins and their first loss since last year making their record to 15-1 on the season.

In Saturday morning and afternoon action, the Irish had an easy time downing Detroit 21-6, Case Western Reserve 20-2, and Ohio State 22-5. Their winning streak ended at 22 in early evening action as they were beaten by defending national champions, Wayne State 15-14.

The foil squad boosted its overall record to 112-39-1 as it was 28-8 on Saturday (5-4 against Wayne State). An impressive for the Irish were freshman Charles Higgins-Coehn 7-2 (39-3 on the season), sophomore Mike VanderVelden 7-5 (27-6), sophmore Dave Reuter 5-6 (16-8), and senior captain Chris Grady 20-8 (5-0).

Higgins-Coehn, Notre Dame's leading fencer, and Grady were 2-1 against Wayne State while VanderVelden was 1-2.

In the sabre, junior captain Mike Janos12-bottomed his record to 50-3 with a 4-2 performance for the day. John Edwards had his unbeaten streak ended at 25 straight when he lost one of three bouts to Wayne State to go 7-1. On the day 27-1 for the season), sophomore Don Johnson's 1-1 mark, sophomore Tony Consoli 5-6 mark, and freshman Kevin Soutiermen's 3-1 helped the feelers better their record to a team leading 13-10-1.

The sabre team was also 5-4 against Wayne State and Johnson went 2-1 and Janos was 1-2.

The epee squad, led by senior captain Andy Quaroni improved its record to 11-5-6 but was trounced by Wayne State 25-1. Quaroni (25-5 on the season) and sophomore Brian St. Claire (24-7) each went 1-2 against Wayne State while freshman John Hugh (20-7)

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Women play host to Detroit in contest tonight in ACC

The Notre Dame women's basketball team will try to pick up where it left off on Saturday at Indiana with a key ACC contest tonight. The Irish are coming off a victory over the Titans in the Midwestern City Conference Championships last weekend.

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The team was looking forward to seeing its performance at the ACC last year. The team came into the ACC this season with a 1-2-1 placing. The ACC will have twenty-five teams will participate in the meet, and the team has competed in the event.

"Avin Miller continues to improve and show what type of athlete he really is," said Kelly. "James Patterson is one of the best players on the team." Patterson won two events over the weekend.

Miller had an excellent showing in the 55-meter dash, running a 6.54, and second in the 200-yard dash and fourth in the 500-yard dash. Plane and Kelly both got strong efforts out of freshman center Lori McElroy. McElroy finished third in the 200-yard dash and ran Carol in the two-mile run.

As Kelly cited previously, Patterson won both the long jump and the triple jump.

The Notre Dame track team has another important meet this weekend at Eastern Michigan. The Irish will be in the Mideastern City Conference Championships where twenty-five teams will compete.