The Gamecocks of South Carolina are the next team to invade Notre Dame Stadium, and they will be trying to extend their five-game winning streak over a team that has seen its brighter moments reduced to only a dim glimmer of hope that the tide will turn around. Notre Dame is in the midst of a two-game slide at home. The last time the Irish lost three games in a row in Notre Dame Stadium was in 1950 under Joe Kuharich, when the Irish lost four in a row and finished 2-8 for the season.

South Carolina is in its second year of rebuilding under head coach Jim Morrison. The team did not have a lot of experience last season, as the Gamecock roster was packed with underclassmen. Last year the Irish travelled down to Columbia, S.C., and handed the Gamecocks a 30-6 defeat. But this year, the South Carolina players have come back and appear to be using last season as a building block towards their 5-0 record.

"I think last year's outcome will help us in this game. We got so far behind in the first half that we were playing catch-up after Notre Dame's first five possessions," says Morrison. "The second half was an improvement, however. I think last year's outcome will help us in this game.

So far this season, the Gamecocks have beaten Georgia and Pittsburgh, and are well deserving of their No.11 place national ranking. Even though it is already halfway through the season, however, South Carolina will be playing its first away game from home.

"I'm not concerned about playing away from Columbia," offers Morrison. "I think sometimes you play a little better on the road than you do at home.

If you happen to be on the other side of the fence, though, it is hard not to notice that the two consecutive losses have devastated the morale of the fans and caused the Notre Dame players to lose at least a little confidence in their own talents and the abilities of the coaches.

"We are playing a team with a lot of momentum and we don't have that," says Irish head coach Gerry Faust. "But that doesn't mean that things won't change.

Another thing that remains the same for Notre Dame this week is that it must overcome some key injuries in order to perform well on Saturday.

South Carolina's offense against Notre Dame's defense: This Gamecock offense will have another chance this Saturday to try to turn around their own season and take themselves against an option offense after the Air Force destroyed them. In eleven games last year South Carolina was held to under 100 yards rushing.

South Carolina has a quartet of running backs to choose from when running the veer option. The main target for Mitchin and Hold is senior flanker Ira Hillary. Hillary led Carolina in rushing last season with 1,200 yards (5.1 average). Dendy, at fullback, and Hagood filled the void nicely.

Mike Larkin, 6-0, 221 pound senior, will return to the lineup for the first time since the conclusion of the 1982 season. The Irish have many starters and other important players on the injury list, there is one player returning from the disabled list who could turn this team around both in the physical and the psychological sense. This athlete is Mike Larkin.

Larkin, a 6-0, 221 pound senior, will return to the lineup for the first time since the conclusion of the 1982 season. Two major injuries have kept him out for the last year and a half. He did not play a single minute last season because he broke his arm during preseason drills. The unfortunate coincidence about this injury was that he broke it in exactly the same place he did just prior to the end of the 1983 spring drills. He will receive an extra year of eligibility because of the injury.

The Cincinnati native is one of four current Notre Dame players to play under Gerry Faust at Moeller High School. The others are Mark Brooks, Hawaii State and Jon Askln. Larkin, like his team, has had a very successful career while he attended Moeller. His individual honors include being a consensus prep All-American after being mentioned in the Parade, Associated Press, Adlaisne National High School Athlete, and Catholic All-America squads. Larkin was also a three-year starter at the linebacker position where he earned all-city, all-state, and all Greater Cincinnati League recognition. His efforts also helped the Crusaders to win three seasons and state titles in his junior and senior years.

"Obviously, this American Studies major holds fond memories of his high school years. "At Moeller we never worried about winning or losing," says Larkin, "it was taken for granted."

Larkin came to Notre Dame the same year as Faust with similar ideas of success. However, these hopes have not materialized as yet.

In his freshman season, Larkin played in all 12 games while seeing a good deal of time in the latter part of the year. He played mostly behind Mark Zavaglia at weakside linebacker during the 1981 campaign.

In 1982, the Howard Hall resident had a great season. Larkin, ND luxurybacker
The Builder of Programs

SC's Morrison has turned around Gamecocks

By THURON ROBERTS
Sports Writer

Joe Morrison's coaching career has thus far mirrored the success he enjoyed playing profes-
sional football. He knew he would be a star, and he would be a star, and he would turn this program into an outstanding one.

Morrison, in his second year as head coach at South Carolina, is a no-nonsense type of person who goes about his business in a quiet, professional manner. In his first year, he went about the business of turning around the Gamecock football program into a winner. His youthful team, faced with the second-
toughest schedule in the country, finished with a record of 3-6-1.

But this year has been the season that many South Carolina fans have been waiting for. The Gamecocks have won their first five games, providing another example of Morrison's ability to turn a team's fortunes around. Carolina was 4-7 in 1982 before Morrison appeared on the scene. The 14-year old Gamecock nickname "Old Reliable" in his days as a right end, but also deserves it with his loss record in his young career as a head coach.

Morrison began his coaching career at Tennessee-Chattanooga in 1975. After two straight 4-7 campaigns and a 5-5 tie the following year, Morrison guided UTC to a 5-10-5 record over the next four years, including two mine victory seasons.

In 1980, he was challenged again to put a program back on its feet - this time New Mexico. His effort there at UNM ended with identical 4-7 records. But, in his third year in Albuquerque, the Lobos enjoyed an outstanding 10-1 record — capturing the Sun Bowl.

"The job that Coach Morrison accomplished at New Mexico was recognized by football people all over the country as truly outstanding," says Gamecock athletic director Bob Marcum. "Joe Morrison has proven himself as a head coach - he's a winner."

Morrison knows how to turn a team around. While he will say that there is no secret formula to guarantee success, those who have been associated with him during these three head coaching jobs, attribute a lot of the good results to his coaching knowledge and player attitude that he passes down to his players.

Frank Sadler is entering his sixth year as an offensive coordinator under Morrison. Sadler spent three years with Morrison at Tennessee-Chattanooga and stayed there for two more years before rejoining Morrison at New Mexico for one season. When Morrison switched to South Carolina, he brought Sadler with him for his third college football coaching rescue effort. "Coach Morrison has taken teams from their lowest point and turned them completely around," says Sadler. "New Mexico was coming off of that big scandal (many coaches and athletes lost scholarships), but the kids were fighting hard to get back to the top."

The players have a lot to do with this. What is even more impressive about his comments are those players that went on to meet the challenge.

Joe Morrison's Coaching Record

UT-Chattanooga

1975-1979
44-29-4

New Mexico

1980 - 4-7-0
1981 - 7-3-1
1982 - 10-1-0

South Carolina

1983 - 5-6-0
1984 - 5-0-0

4-7-0 two seasons. While Mike White has built a team at Illinois with a flood of junior college transfers, Morrison has brought in only two: quarterback Mike Hold and substitute free safety Rick Raborn.

"We're doing essentially the same kind of things as coaches," Morrison states. "Our coaches try to follow the guidelines that have been successful in our system and for them to recognize the importance of turning the Gamecock football program into a winner."

Morrison has the insight and the knowledge to explain his success in football college coaching. Some of the things he does have already been seen appearing at other schools. But whatever techniques Morrison uses deserve to be examined. After all, it is difficult to find fault with his success.

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Larkin...
Hesburgh answers students' questions

By ANDRE THEISEN

News Staff

Head Football Coach Gerry Faust can't wait to see what lies ahead for the Fighting Irish this season.

If the alcohol policy doesn't work, it will not work.

And coed dormitories have no place at Notre Dame.

All three statements are according to Father Theodore Hesburgh, University president, who spoke at a question-and-answer session at the Library Auditorium Thursday night.

When asked whether the football team's performance called for action on his part, Hesburgh stated that ND was a place of integrity and that he would not dishonestly Faust's contract.

"Five-year contracts are standard for new coaches," Hesburgh said, "and coaches deserve that period to establish themselves.

Hesburgh is more concerned about the student body's reaction to the team's performance. "I think it's bush when ND students boo their team," he said, in response to the students' negative reaction after last Saturday's loss to Air Force.

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Guidelines for the 1985-86 budget, a review of last year's audit, and a presentation on the proposed addition and renovation to the science hall were key topics to be discussed in this session.

Thursday the new regents attended meetings giving them an overview of College administration, including a presentation on student government by Student Body President Kevin Praks and Vice President for Student Affairs Ann Marie Kollman.

Also Thursday, the different committees of the board met to discuss

and hear presentations, including the investment, student life, education, and development committees. The entire board was invited to sit in on the finance and budget committee meeting.

Yesterday the board met from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in LeMans Hall.

The board of regents consists of 50 members. As a rule, one-third of the regents must be members of the Holy Cross Congregation, one must be a faculty member, one is the student regent, and one must be the president of the alumni board. College President John Duggan participates as an ex officio member.

The board of Regents is the official governing body of the College. They are responsible for and must approve new departments and degree programs, the capital and operating budgets of the College, tenure policies, salary and wage programs, academic honorary degrees, new senior officers, and all major College policies.

The senior officers of the College are: Duggan, William Hickey, vice president and dean of faculty; Sister Karol Jackowski, dean of students, Jason Lindower, controller and Lawrence Duranne, vice president for college relations. Only Duggan is a regent and has a vote in board decision making.

New regents are selected each year by the administrative members of the corporation—seven sisters of the Holy Cross Congregation's Mid- west order.

Hesburgh admitted liability was part of the reason for the formulation of the alcohol policy, but declared the unacceptable of public drunkenness was the primary reason for the formulation of the policy.

Hesburgh declared that there will be no coed dorms at ND as long as he is president. In defense he cited the need for privacy for both men and women, the ample opportunities for interaction already available and the fact other universities are returning to single sexes.

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Law Addition

A ground-breaking ceremony last week marked the beginning of work on the new addition to Notre Dame's Law School.

University president, was one participant in a groundbreaking ceremony for the new building. See Kathleen Dias story.

Ceremony opens work on addition, construction set to begin in March

By KATHLEEN DIAS

News Staff

It will be the last issue of the Observer before October Break. We will resume publishing on Tuesday, October 30, 1984. Have an enjoyable and safe break!
In Brief

The Observer says Casey should go

The U.S. economy suffered a pronounced slump during the summer with growth declining to a sluggish 2.7 percent rate from July through September — less than one-third the torrid pace set in the first half of the year, the government said yesterday. The Reagan administration, facing an election in less than three weeks, declared that the "slowdown is already behind us" and pointed to encouraging signs that the economy has perked up from its summer slumber. Most private economists agreed that business activity will pick up in the final three months of the year, but many said the administration's growth forecast of 4 percent was too optimistic. Both the administration and private forecasters agreed that the news on inflation remained upbeat. The department reported that an index of business philosophy points, which had been expected to fall, rose by a modest rate of 3.8 percent from July through September, the slowest pace this year.

The nation's first handgun ban was upheld yesterday by a divided Illinois Supreme Court in the Chicago suburb of Morton Grove, and the village's mayor said the ruling could help the community soon begin to purse gun-related ideas. The Committee which includes the student regent, presented their ideas as part of a proposed new sexuality program for students. The committee was presented with ideas they were not expected later this afternoon and tonight.

The Board of Regents of Saint Mary's met yesterday. Renaissance Drawings from the Abrosiana in the Print, is the title of the new art exhibition at the Saint Mary's Museum of Art, beginning tomorrow. The Saint will be open to the public from 1 to 4 p.m. — The Observer

Weather

The sun might hold out for today's game, but keep your umbrella handy. Showers and thunderstorms are expected later this afternoon and tonight. Highs should be in the high 60s to low 70s, with lows in the 50s to 60s. — The Observer

Notre Dame professor is member of Challenger shuttle ground crew

By MAUREEN WELTER

When the space shuttle Challenger flew over the South Bend area last week, Notre Dame Professor Father Ronald Wasowski was part of the crew.

Wasowski didn't orbit the earth with the astronauts, but as part of the mission's ground crew participated in an experiment using NASA's orbital imaging radar system. He described radar imaging as "a pictorial recording using radar wavelengths," as opposed to photography which uses visible light to record images.

With the help of undergraduate researchers Kevin Corbey, Wasowski aided the mission by measuring the soil of 45 local fields and videotaping the surrounding landscape.

"The radar was able to pick up the physical geometry as well as the electrical property of a crop," said Wasowski, an assistant professor of earth science.

The Challenger passed over the area Oct. 6 and Oct. 10. But because of noise, all problems, Oct. 6's "NTD images did not come out, and there is a possibility that Oct. 10's were not successful either. "We're still waiting to find out," said Wasowski.

Data from the Challenger will serve many purposes, said Wasowski. "We hope to be able to develop a numerical content of the brightness of a soil as shown on the radar in relationship to the moisture content of the soil. This will be valuable for studying agricultural areas in terms of what types of crops are growing and what treatment they will need. This will ultimately help the farmers in the area."

Data from this experiment could also lead to the discovery of petrochemical deposits, buried streams in dry valleys, and fault lines that geologists have yet to chart.

Wasowski plans to work with the space shuttle program in the future. He said, "There is a good possibility NASA will fly this experiment again and I definitely expect to expand on it."

Wasowski gained much of his experience for this mission while pursuing his Ph.D. at U.C.L.A. and working at the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California.

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Happy Birthday, Fast Freddie Nelson

Correction

Because of an editing error in yesterday's column, The Observer regrets any inconvenience or confusion that this error may have caused.

Weenie
continued from page 6 the position I play.

Against South Carolina, Weenie believes that the Irish must take away the big play in order to upset the 11th ranked Gamecocks.
For the rest of the season, Weenie believes that the Irish can still regain some respect. He accredits Lane with good ability to call a defense and schemes, and he has faith in his fellow comrades.
"I'm happy with the guys," says Weenie. "Obviously, we haven't performed as well as we are capable. We're going through a tough time and we're going to regroup and get back on track Saturday. With the caliber of teams that we play coming on our schedule, it gives us an opportunity to gain some respect back and show people what we're capable of doing.

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Irish cross-country team wins Indiana Intercollegiate Meet

By KELLY PORTOLESE

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The Irish have proven that they have a national caliber team, but will be challenged by traditional powerhouse Oral Roberts next Sat.-Sun. in the NCAA District IV Qualifying meet in Indianapolis at the Butler University Convocation Center.

"If the Irish continue to run as well as they have for this far this year, they have a good chance to win the conference championship and can look forward to the NCAA Division IV qualifying meet on November 10."

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Saint Mary's volleyball wins two

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It is said that adversity builds character. If this is true, then any athlete that plays for Notre Dame should be considered some character after four years. Simply by donning a Notre Dame uniform, an athlete is taking on the challenge of representing the university for football, and with this task comes an awful lot of pressure. But one competitor who has taken this challenge and done well is senior fullback Chris Smith.

"There is a lot of pressure at this place," says Smith. "Once opponents see those gold helmets, they get just as charged up as we are wearing them. They want to upset Notre Dame."

Smith, a 6-2, 235-pound Cincinnati, Ohio, native, is one Ohio football player who did not attend that famous Notre Dame school. Rather, he proved out his high school career at a rival institution, LaSalle High School. "It wasn't an intense rivalry, but we were over-shadowed by Moeller," recalls Smith. "My freshman, sophomore and junior years, we never beat them on the varsity level. Finally, my senior year, we felt a little more optimistic. We had beaten their seniors a few years earlier in junior high play. But I guess it just wasn't to be. We lost again. In fact, in the history of my school, we never had beaten Moeller. So when Coach Faust went to Notre Dame and recruited me, I thought, if I can't beat them, I'll join him."

Smith completed his senior year as a consensus prep All-America choice following mention on Parade and Adidas/Scholastic Coach. A three-time letter-winner at running back, Smith totaled 2,110 career rushing yards at LaSalle and was named captain of an all-Greater Cincinnati league squad as a senior. But Smith was not satisfied. He set high goals for himself upon entering Notre Dame as a freshman. "When I came to Notre Dame," says Smith, "I was in the Contributions to the team as much as possible," explains Smith. "In fact, I wanted to letter. And I feel I was within reach for me."

As extra incentive toward accomplishing this goal, Smith was rooming with fellow native Ohio and rival fullback, Mark Brooks. "We used to sit, like a brother," says Smith. "So it was a little hard to be so competitive with each other. We had our few, rare occasions that were trying, but nothing really serious. In fact, the competition really helped us in a way. The better he got, the more I was pushed, and vice versa, both on and off the field."

In the 1981 season opener against Louisiana State, Smith came out strong, gaining 61 yards on eight carries. He continued to contribute, playing in eight games as a freshman and finishing fourth in rushing with 161 yards and one touchdown. Smith didn't letter at the fullback position, though. Instead, he made his contribution at the fullback slot. But after the successful rookie campaign, a new kid arrived on the block by the name of Allen Pinkett, and some position juggling was required. The coaches knew the athlete ability and potential of Smith, and felt a talent like his didn't belong on the bench. Smith was tried with the linebacking corps at the beginning of the 1982 season. But despite his hard work and dedication, it was decided that linebacker was not the position where Smith's talent would be best utilized. So midway through the season, Smith found himself back at the more comfortable position of fullback. Because of all the movement, his sophomore year was not the most productive statistically. But he kept plugging away.

In 1983, it seemed as if Smith was settled in at fullback, as he split playing time with Brooks. But the '83 offense wasn't geared all that much toward Notre Dame. It was "very frustrating not to be used more in the season," Smith recalls. "Our offense just wasn't geared for incorporating the fullback frequently. I knew what I could do to help the team and I just wanted to go out there and do it. It was really an incentive, though, to play with an Allen Pinkett. It inspired me to watch him because I realized, here was a talented running back who had accomplished so much. He got where he is today because of hard work and room work. He needs the linemen and the backs to do what he does. So I feel that I can improve a little bit more here."

A bruising runner and blocker, Smith carried more than his share of the responsibility for the Irish in '83. He racked up 421 yards on 77 carries while starting 11 games. But Smith's time to shine came in postseason play. Smith was named All-America choice following mention on Parade and the second-string All-America. He registered 160 rushing yards against Oklahoma in the Liberty Bowl. He carried the ball 18 times for 104 yards, his second straight big game.

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"My college career has been so far it's not even funny," Smith says. "I remember playing a game against Washington and thinking to myself, 'I wish I knew what the answer is as far as why our running game has had such difficulty.'"

"We're just not controlling the line of scrimmage," Smith continues. "Our offensive line has to play better. Anybody can see that."

The inquiry for the Irish on offense is less than extensive though it has been recently, with Larry Williams finally back to full strength after suffering various knee and ankle ailments. Alonso Jefferson is also slated to play after missing the Air Force game with a foot injury.

South Carolina will counter with their reknowned "Fire Ant" defense, named because of its all-out, swarming style of play. This season, the Gamecocks have allowed only 112 yards per game on the ground and just 208 total yards per game.

"South Carolina is a lot like Miami in terms of their team speed and their ability to get people around us," says Smith. "They pursue well and make it tough to move the football."

The Carolina secondary is a veteran group, with three players returning with considerable experience, and two sophomores who have been impressive so far this season. Bryant Guilliam, a senior free safety, leads the secondary with 44 tackles and two interceptions. Sophomore Chris Major and Otis Morris will get the starting nod at the cornerback positions, even though seniors Guilliam and Hilton Taylor started in those spots last season. Joe Brooks, another sophomore, gets extra playing time.

The Gamecock linebacking corps is also a strength of the defense, with seniors Paul Vogel and James Seawright leading the team in tackles. Vogel has 49 tackles and six stops for lost yardage, while Seawright adds 47. The weakside linebacker position is filled by freshman Carl Hill. Maybe the biggest weakness of the South Carolina defense is in its line positions. "We have a small defensive line," says Morrison. "We hope we will be able to contain Notre Dame's line." Carolina's defensive ends are small, but have been able to handle anything they have confronted so far this season. Tony Guyton, a 6-0, 210-pound junior, and Chris Wright, a 6-2, 222 pounds, are major reasons for the low rushing figures for Gamecock opponents.

The balance of the defensive line has some experience, with three players returning as starters. Backup Fitzgerald Davis leads the team in stops for lost yardage with seven.

The kicking game and specialty teams: The Gamecocks lost their kick returner following a holding kick returner Mark Fleetwood after last season. Fleetwood was 39-of-53 in field goals last season. Sophomore Scott Hagner has taken his place, but has connected on only three of his attempts (one-of-three over 40 yards), but has proved to be solid in the extra-point department, hitting on all 22 of his attempts.

Junior Tom O'Connor handles the punting duties for South Carolina, averaging 41.4 yards per puff. O'Connor is also replacing a record-setter in Chris Norman, who holds the single-season puntng record. Returning punts will be sophomore Terry Dunlap, who is averaging 9.6 yards per return. The team is rated 18th in the country with a 9.5 average.

Probably the most consistent part of the Notre Dame football squad has been the punting and placekickung. Mike Vitracca, although he had a sub par performance in the Cotton Bowl, is averaging 40.3 yards per boot. John Carney, although the offense has not been getting the ball within his field goal range, has come through on all of his six field goal tries and 13 PAT's.

The kicker: Notre Dame is not at an emotional peak at this point in the season, and a loss to South Carolina would seemingly doom the Irish to feelings of mediocrity. But there is no doubt that Notre Dame should be able to stay in the game, and could pull it out if some breaks go its way. The Irish have to regain their composure, and a win would do it.

"This is a good football team that will be out to prove something after losing their last two games at home," states Morrison. "We don't have a whole lot to say whether Notre Dame losing two games in a row is going to work for or against them. That will be up to them."

Faust is calling Saturday's game "a chance for redemption." He may be right. There is no reason why his team should be stagnating on a losing trend.

Notre Dame still has five games left in the season, and now is no time to give up on this team. However, the Irish need a win, and they need one badly. A victory over the Gamecocks would be as good in gold for Notre Dame fortunes.
THE GAME

NOTRE DAME VS. SOUTH CAROLINA

GAME:
Fighting Irish vs. South Carolina Gamecocks

SITE:
Notre Dame Stadium (59,075)

TIME:
11:20 EST; Saturday, Oct. 20, 1984

TV RADIO:
ESPN Live National Telecast
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WNDU-AM 1400

SERIES:
Notre Dame 5, South Carolina 0

LAST MEETING:
October 8, 1983

Notre Dame 30, South Carolina 6

RANKINGS:
(AP) Notre Dame unranked, South Carolina 11th

Tickets:
Game is sold out

THE SCHEDULE

NOTRE DAME

SEPT. 8 vs. Purdue, 23-21
SEPT. 15 vs. Mich. St., 24-20
SEPT. 22 def. Colorado, 55-14
SEPT. 29 def. Missouri, 16-14
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OCT. 13 lost to Air Force, 21-7
OCT. 20 vs. SOUTH CAROLINA
OCT. 27 at L.S.U.
NOV. 5 at Meadowlands
NOV. 17 PENN STATE
NOV. 24 at Southern Cal

SOUTH CAROLINA

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Last Year's Game

October 13, 1983

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15 10 7 0 36
South Carolina

8 5 0 0 33

Scoring

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South Carolina

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October 20, 1984

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10 27 13 0 50
South Carolina

0 14 13 0 37

Scoring

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