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VOL Kollman, Heller, Harmon capture SMC election

Low turnout marks class elections

Commenting on the 66 percent turnout at the polls by the seniors, McCarthy said, "It was a great race. We are pleased with the voter participation, and we're anticipating an exciting senior year."
The senior class boasts the largest turnout at the polls in comparison to the entire student body.

Michelle Coleman was elected president of the junior class, along with her running mates Berry Burke as vice president, Angie Hundman as class secretary, and Katie Sullivan as treasurer. While their ticket, which ran unopposed, received 99 percent of the student vote; 73 percent of the juniors actually voted.

"Even though I'm disappointed at the low turnout, I think it's understandable considering the weather and the unopposed ticket. I think if there had been more than one person running, people would have felt their vote would be more important."

For the sophomore class officers, president-elect is Sarah Cook, vice president is Colleen Dowd, secretary is Mary Hines, and treasurer is Lisa Hamann. Fifty-nine percent of the votes were acquired to surpass the opposing ticket of Karen Han- son, Lisa Wrobel, Mary Ryan, and Anne Borgmann.

The sophomore class had the lowest turnout at the polls, with only 24 percent of the students voting in the election. "If students want to have the right to voice their opinions, then they should exercise that right by voting," she added.

Trish Callio served as Election Commissioner for the 95 elections looking at the student body per cent. Callio said, "We had a really bad turnout for 57 percent. I think a lot had to do with the weather, but for the general percentage that's the highest percentage of voters we've ever had for the senior class. Voting took place at Haggar Col- lege Center which is accessible to many students around campus."

Kollman, on the voter turnout said, "I'm a little disappointed. I ex- pected a lower count because of the weather." He said perhaps the entire sophomore class felt because there was only one ticket."

Winter 'unusual,' says weatherman

"Traveler's advisory for tomor- row. Cloudy, windy, and a chance of snow. That forecast, from Tuesday night's WNDU newscast, has become an annual rite to Notre Dame students and faculty lately. Such weather patterns have been characteristic by heavy snowfalls and unseasonably cold temperatures, according to WNDU's weatherman, who said that this year's weather has been quite unusual."

"This is not a typical winter. Last year we had a temperature of 59 degrees on this date (Feb. 12). Now I'm looking out of my win- dow at blowing winds and heavy snow."

For Addis, the entire winter has been a nightmare because of it's unpredictability. "There've been no trends. Everything has been unexpected and full of anomalies. Things haven't been going along with projected patterns," said Addis.

"The student reaction to the recent snowfall and frigid temperatures has ranged from "I like it" to "It's depressing."

Freshman John Kregan took an optimistic outlook, saying, "I like the snow. It's not as bad as it looks."

"Other students weren't as en-thusiastic. Junior Christina Wein- mann commented, "I can take the snow. But when you get two feet of it, that's overdoing it,"

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Classes not cancelled

By MARK S. PANKOWSKI

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In Brief

It's a first amendment fight at Yale University where the Connecticut College Sill Union is charging the administration with violating the free speech rights of the university community during a recent strike. The CCLU says that, among other things, students were forced to remove banners from dorms and told not to post strike-related messages on an electronic bulletin board. - The Observer

If Connecticut lawmakers go along, "An Act Prohibiting The Use Of Uncooked Rice At Nuptial Affairs" would provide that "no person shall throw, fling, cast or hurl any uncooked rice at any time during the celebration of any marriage." Republican Rep. MacSchmide says this would "prevent injury and death of birds and property damage of residential and commercial buildings and professional institutions." Schmide's bill would impose a $50 fine for anyone caught throwing raw rice at a wedding. Tossing confetti is another tradition that can't be stopped, Schmide acknowledged. But she said that, too, would have its drawbacks. "Then you'd have to throw it in lumps," she said. - AP

Of Interest

An ad hoc committee to organize the Notre Dame Entrepreneurial Society will meet in Room 2 of Hayes Healy Hall tonight at 7. Anyone interested in becoming a member or officer in an organization to promote student entrepreneurship is encouraged to attend. - The Observer

The government career day scheduled for today by Career and Placement Services has been cancelled. The event will not be postponed, but rather will be reorganized for next semester, according to Paul Reynolds, assistant director. - The Observer

Careers in advertising will be the topic when Paula Bright, a Saint Mary's graduate working for Mother Earth News in Chicago, speaks to the Saint Mary's Communications Club tonight. The second in a series of guest speakers, Bright's talk will be at 6:45 p.m. in the park of Holy Cross Hall. All students interested in the field of advertising are invited to attend. - The Observer

Junior Parents' Weekend has not been cancelled due to the weather, so some rumors may have students believing Weekend organizers say that all events will go on as scheduled, beginning Friday. - The Observer

Sun and fun will be the topic at a student activities board meeting on the upcoming trips to Ft. Lauderdale and Daytona Beach during spring break. The meeting will be in Loretto's Little Theater tonight at 7 and anyone interested is invited. - The Observer

Weather

More snow is predicted to fall today on northern Indiana with possible accumulations and continued strong winds. Highs are predicted to range from the upper teens to the mid-20s. - AP

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Internationally acclaimed Canadian classical guitarist to perform at O’Laughlin Saturday

Special to The Observer

Internationally acclaimed Canadian classical guitarist Liona Boyd will present a concert in the O’Laughlin Auditorium on Saturday, February 15, 1985, at 8 p.m. She will play selections from Bach, Chopin, Rodrigo, and Granados among others.

Boyd, rated one of the top three classical virtuosi in the world by Frets magazine in 1983, is relatively new to the musical world. She did not begin studying the guitar until she was in her early teens, after attending a concert featuring Julian Bream, the internationally admired classical guitarist.

"I wanted to take the guitar seriously," she recalls. "While other kids at my school were sticking baseball cards on the backs of their mirrors I’d stick pictures of Bream and Segovia on the backs of mine.

Boyd studied guitar under the tutelage of Eli Kassner. In addition to being one of the most successful 20th century classical guitar performers, "We have a very close relationship even now," Kassner says. "She always asks my advice; she comes and plays new material for me; she checks out her records with me and gets my opinion on the construction of her concert programs."

Boyd attended the University of Toronto where she studied composition, music history, harmony, and piano technique. Shortly before she completed her honours degree in musical performance in 1972, Kassner arranged for her to play for his friend, guitarist Alexander Lagoya, in Toronto for a concert. Although Lagoya was no longer accepting private students, he urged Boyd to come to Nice and study with him.

Boyd agreed to make her first record in 1974. By now she had already won the 1972 Canadian National Music Competition for guitar. When produced, the album, "The Guitar: Liona Boyd," began her meteoric career.

Boyd’s life since her first album has been a nonstop blue of tours, cities, hotel rooms, high school auditions, concert halls and incredible good fortune. In 1975 at the Juilliard School presentation she received hers in 1978 as "Instrumental Artist of the Year" she met with a folk group and was invited to join them as an opening act and for three years they toured across North America, playing more than 80 concerts.

Today Boyd has many albums to her credit and outings every other month at Columbia Records classical artists 10-1. She travels the world to perform for heads of state. In 1982 she played at the economic conference at Montebello for Ronald Reagan, Pierre Trudeau, Margaret Thatcher, Francois Miterrand, Helmut Schröder, Giannino Guadagno and Zenko Suzuki.

She has appeared on The Mike Douglas Show, The Merv Griffin Show, The Dinah Shore Show and The Today Show. CBS-TV, Canada, featured her in a 1978 Superspecial and she has played at “An Evening with the Boston Pops,” and Stars on Ice. She composes music for short movies and plays concert benefits each year, and in 1981/82 she was spokesperson for the Arthritis Society of Canada.

In her concert at Saint Mary’s, Boyd will perform a work by a local guitarist, Ian Krause, who is a member of the University. Following the concert at O’Laughlin Auditorium, the concert committee will host a reception at Saint Mary’s for the artist.

Invitations have also been sent to several prominent individuals including South Bend Mayor Roger C. O’Laughlin, Congressman John Heiler, U.S. Senator Richard Lugar, and President Theodore Hesburgh and College President John Duggan.

Although many details of the charity ball still need to be finalized, it is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, April 20, from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. The cost of tickets will be $41 per couple or $6 per person for all proceeds going to aid Ethiopian famine victims. Donations will also be accepted in the hope of reaching a $50,000 goal.

The committee is still researching various international relief organizations through which the money raised from the ball can be used most effectively. Gordon said a charity ball had been selected over various other fund-raising activities to give a formal, dignified atmosphere to the appeal and to involve the Notre Dame/Saint Mary’s community as a whole. As far as Gordon knows, nothing like this has been done before at either school.

South Dining Hall opens its doors to late night studiers

By LISA YOUNG

Your roommate is throwing a "small party," the study lounges are crowded, and it’s too cold to walk across campus to the "brar. But you have a philosophy exam to study. For where can you go?

Try the South Dining Hall. Every Sunday through Thursday, from 11 p.m. to 3 a.m. the Faculty Dining Room in the South Dining Hall will be open for study. The idea originated with last year’s resident director and was later enacted on Sunday. According to Student Senate Dan McNamara, the original idea was to use the space in the library basement vacated since the construction of DeNeco Faculty Hall. This idea did not work out, and more space was needed.

The idea was pursued because McNamara said, "The Nazz is always crowded... there seems to be a market for this". The atmosphere of the dining hall is more conducive to the use of this, and the location is less crowded than the Nazz," McNamara noted.

Anyone can use the study space. Table tents will be posted with some regulations for the continuation of others, including no group studying. There are no monitors in the study room, however, a security guard patrols the building to protect from vandalism.

Few students know about this new study area, as only a reported 10 people took advantage of the space on Tuesday evening. Ask in The Observer, as well as word of mouth, should attract students in the future, commented McNamara.

He added that a snack bar for the study room is being considered, but the proposal will probably not be approved, because it would compete with the Oak Room, which is open until 1 a.m. McNamara undertook this project and has been overseeing its results. Also responsible are Bill Hickey, Director of Food Services, for granting permission to use the dining room, and Tom Mason, Vice President for Business Affairs, for authorizing funds for table lamps and - the security guard fee.

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SAT value questioned in new Harvard study

By EILEEN HOFFMANN
News Staff

How important are SAT scores? This question has received attention at Notre Dame lately as debate continues concerning whether or not the Scholastic Aptitude Test is still achieving its original purpose.

The questions arose in the wake of a study conducted by Harvard University to determine the accuracy of the test's ability to predict a student's potential for success in college.

The study was prompted by the abolishment of the SAT requirement for admission at Bates College in Lewiston, Maine.

As a result of the study, printed in the Feb. 5 edition of The Wall Street Journal, Harvard is considering replacing the SAT with achievement tests in such subjects as history and science.

At Notre Dame, a prospective student's SAT scores are reviewed in conjunction with a number of other factors, including high school curriculum and grades and the candidate's personal essay, according to Kevin Rooney, Director of Undergraduate Admissions.

"Several factors contribute to the process of admissions at Notre Dame, among them the personal essays written by the applicants, any extra-curricular activities that they participated in during high school and the development of the whole person. Our admissions department is looking for those students who would be a positive force in both the classroom as well as the residence halls," said Rooney.

Rooney adds that there are no plans to discontinue using the two-and-a-half hour test, taken by approximately one million students each year, as part of the Notre Dame admissions process. He noted, however, that the University would be interested in reviewing the research being conducted by Harvard.

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because we are unjust," stated Rakowksi. "Economics never made a hero," Hesburgh said. "We must persist in facing the problems. The letter should have been written in a way that would most dramatize the problem. If social teaching is very good, the bishops must be more prophetic. We cannot just come up with theories—we must do." In conclusion, Hesburgh expressed the more than 150 in attendance, "It's your world. You'll make it better or slide with the injustices. Don't be that kind of person. Do what you can to make this a better world."

In the first part of the discussion, the panel members each commented on specific parts of the document:

Referring to Chapter 2, Williams said, "This letter reminds us that our civil and political rights were hard won. Now is the time to make economic rights for everyone."

Craypo outlined the four alternatives offered by the bishops to using unemployment as an anti-inflation strategy: "We need a national strategy, and the economy must improve employment sources."

Trubac, discussing Chapter 4, cited the social factors leading to the poverty problems as "racial discrimination, the feminization of poverty and the unequal distribution of wealth becoming more pronounced."
FIREMEN FIGHT MANILA HOTEL BLAZE

Associated Press

MANILA, Philippines - Hundreds of firefighters for a second night Wednesday battled a blaze that swept through one of Manila's largest luxury hotels. At least 24 people, including four Americans, died in the blaze.

"This is going to take the whole night," said Col. Alfredo Garcia, area fire superintendent, supervising the hundreds of firemen on the scene.

Twenty-four hours after the fire started on the hotel's second floor, smoke continued to pour out of upper-floor windows on one wing of the hotel.

Fire officials said 18 bodies had been recovered, and that firemen had located at least six more bodies in the area of the building still too hot to enter. Government television said 26 people were dead, but gave no breakdown and cited no specific sources for the figure.

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U.S.-soviet talks to begin Tuesday

Associated Press

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Nevertheless, the two-day session in Vienna, beginning Tuesday, will sit down to discuss the Middle East next week, but U.S. officials tried yesterday to dampen expectations in advance by insisting they expect no major breakthrough.

"These talks should not be seen as negotiations," State Department spokesman Bern ard Kalb cautioned after announcing the discussions.

"They are merely an exchange of views," he said. "They do not represent any change in the U.S. position regarding issues affecting the region."

The U.S. delegation will be led by Richard Murphy, assistant secretary of state for Near East. The Soviet delegation will be led by Vladimir Polykov, who is Murphy's counterpart in the Soviet foreign ministry.

"The discussions are to contrib­ute to our own understanding of those problems and are part of our ongoing effort to engage the Soviets in the full agenda of issues, including regional ques­tions, human rights, and bilateral is­sues as well as arms control," said Kalb. "Arms control negotiations are set to resume next month in Geneva."

President Reagan, leaving the White House yesterday for a vaca­tion in California, was asked what the meeting might accomplish.

"Well, there are a number of things that I think are of interest to both countries," he said. "There's some reason to believe that we can straighten out some things ... trade matters."

But he said the administration was "definitely not in support" of holding an international conference on the Middle East, which Israel also opposes.

FALLEN ARCHES

A Daytona Beach McDonald's shows some damage after wind gusts registering up to 48 miles per hour ripped through the Florida community. The storm, which hit Daytona early Tuesday, caused minor damage throughout the city.

Ballet company to perform as part of SMC art series

Special to The Observer

"Chicago City Ballet- such stuff as dreams are made of," is how one critic described the Chicago City Ballet which will perform in O'Laughlin Auditorium at 8 p.m. Friday as part of the Mary's Performing Arts Series.

The internationally acclaimed ballet is under the direction of Maria Tallchief and Paul Mejia.

The company will perform three selections, each choreographed by Mejia. "Brahms Waltzes" is a modern classical ballet designed for 18 dancers which features lyrical dancing in the style of the waltz; "Jea" reinterprets Rattigan on a tennis court to the music of Claude Debussy; and "Performs" utilizes the entire company and features the music of Albeniz, Shanker, Strauss, Perlz, and an Argentinian tango.

Tallchief has been universally recognized as America's first great prima ballerina. When George Balanchine formed the New York City Ballet in 1948, she became the company's prima ballerina. Under Balanchine's guidance, she dominated the world of international dance for two decades. President Eisenhower bestowed upon her the "The Woman of the Year" award in 1953.

Tallchief is now placing her energy into her ballet company, which strongly reflects the artistic and creative ideas of her teacher and late husband George Balanchine.

With the help of another Balanchine protégé, Paul Mejia, Tal­chief is successfully shaping the company of 26 dancers into the image of Balanchine's New York City Ballet.

Paul Mejia was made artistic director of the company in 1981. A scholarship student at the School of American Ballet, Mejia later joined the New York City Ballet where he danced leading roles in many Balanchine works.

Tickets for the performance are on sale at the box office for $6.50, $5.50, and $4.50, with a dollar discount for students and senior citizens.

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When the entire city closes, we should too

If Andy Looney were still around and the Kenan Revue were this weekend, Looney would look around O'Laughlin Auditorium and ask to his audience: "Classes in this snow? Why?"

It's true, according to Notre Dame and Saint Mary's, that is the snow...et the show must go on. And yesterday it did. Students stumbled out of their beds and waded to class through two-foot snow drifts just to find out, in many cases, that class had been cancelled anyway. Unlike the postman, professors sometimes have trouble moving a car through unplowed side streets. One administrator said it took 45 minutes to travel five blocks from his home to campus.

The official word from the University and the College was that non-academic staff did not have to report to work yesterday. For secretaries, maids, business staff and the like, it was what you always hoped for as a child: a snow day. A sign in Decio Hall at Notre Dame summed up: Classes were on, offices were closed.

Said John Duggan, president of Saint Mary's: "It would take a natural disaster for the College to close."

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And everyone knows that few things are worse than Alcohol Abuse. Let professors lend their cars to students. Let off-campus students skid off the road. Plant, forsake Hesburgh, and Duggan, that the Notre Dame/Saint Mary's community is not the U.S. Post Office. Rain, sleet, snow or hail can halt these schools, if not the mail.

The Observer

Second semester senior syndrome sets in at ND

It's February at Notre Dame - and you know what that means. It's time for the second semester senior syndrome: or, better yet, how you had to worry about was the cold and flu season? Guess again.

Let's face it, second semester before spring break at Notre Dame can be a traumatic experience for anyone - weeks upon end without sunshine, South Pacific night in the dining hall, the mid-semester crunch. But, for many second semester seniors this time is especially troublesome. As we worry about what city will we end up in, what law school or graduate school will accept us or what we'll actually be doing for the rest of our lives, we frequently lose perspective. All too often, we try to conceal our concerns from others, preferring to keep them to ourselves.

I know. After being afflicted with an acute case of this past week, I've discovered some antidotes to this peculiar illness. Some time is better than no time at all, right? Think about it. There are approximately 1,700 members of the Class of 1985 - people who have attitudes, ideas, and perspectives totally unique from yours. Even if you don't make time to meet at least a few of them before May 19, 1985, you'll always have the memory of an invaluable educational experience, not to mention some good times.

Third, take time out for yourself. Nobody else is going to give you a break, even though McDonald's says you deserve one today. It's up to you to take the initiative. Do something you wouldn't ordinarily do - spend more time on campus, get involved with volunteer work, or challenge yourself to do something you've always wanted to do, but haven't had the courage to try. In three weeks, I've (almost) conquered my fear of ice skating - next, it's time for me to hit the slopes.

Fourth, reflect upon your faith and the role that God plays in your life. I'm not suggesting that you cloister yourself or even that you begin attending Mass on a daily basis, rather, I'm saying that since God is one form that your life will soon be assimilated, doesn't it make sense to at least touch base with Him?

Finally – and this probably is the most difficult thing to do, but hang in there. Even though this piece of advice is frequently given and seldom followed, it's still worth mentioning at least once more. By confronting your efforts upon living each day, you'll make it easier in less time. According to your memories of years are replaced with reminiscences of times spent laughing and sharing with friends.

Carol Camp

guest column

Bunch of "important and influential" people connected with the electoral process and student government resigned. Space limitations preclude my providing the scorecard necessary to keep track of who did what and to whom on this merry-go-round.

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Viewpoint

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Fighting and backbiting hurts our government

By now, everyone is sick to death of the Great Notre Dame Election Scandal of 1985. For those of you who were hiding under a rock back in the past week or so and didn't have time to figure out about it, I'll briefly reiterate the story, hopefully for the last time. It seems that one SBP/SBPV ticket committed several infractions of campaigning rules, was caught, had its candidacy withdrawn, and ultimately had its candidacy reinstated. In the process, a whole bunch of "important and influential" people connected with the electoral process and student government resigned. Space limitations preclude my providing the scorecard necessary to keep track of who did what and to whom on this merry-go-round.

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The dating game — who’s playing now?

Dan Burns
features staff writer

H aving just finished my
un peppet argument with a
girl about their restric-
tions and the immature attitude
guys have about dating girls. I’ve
decided to construct a brief
guide to the way girls should ask
guys out. After all, in this day of
the corporate woman, there is
no reason why women shouldn’t
handle an equal share of this
burden.

I suppose this won’t be as
much of a guide as it will be a
description of the anxiety in-
volved in the dating process but
hopefully, it’s lack of direction
will result in an all-out climb to
smart sensibilities that once made it vital.

In short, Breakin’ is mostly noth-
ing but corporate black music.

Ollie & Jerry, the creators of last
year’s breakdancing anthem, “Breakin’
There’s No Stopping Us,” have
again lend their talents to the effort,
this time,2 as executive producers. They perform two of the
better songs on the album, “Electric Boogaloo” and “When I
Wake Up.”

The former is a slower song than
“There’s No Stopping Us,” but it is
definitely more soulful. It combines a
large synthesizer, electric drums, and
percussion, much like “Breakin’”
developed the good grooves of the
song along, and some effective
vocals singing make this one a
little more soulful. It combines some
strong lines into the dance groove. Nonstop fun
and celebration is what this song is all about. It’s definitely the best track on Breakin’ 2.

It leaves seven other songs, and they aren’t much to hear. The
worst among these is “Gotta Have the Money,” by Stevie Dorr.
It’s a ho-hum uninspired tune rambling on about how you need money if
you want to get the honey. The
musical portion is equally as lame,
with a background synthesizer that
might be fun to watch grass grow to.

The other songs are too
demme to mention, except pos-
sibly one. The song is called “Blowin’ Proffins,” and it seems to sum-
marize exactly where the senti-
ment of breakers lies today. It ends
with two women talking about
buying fancy clothes and jewelry. I
guess these always were the main
concerns of street dancers.

I thought the theme of this
soundtrack was just going to get big
bucks. I figured if it remained cynical just
long enough, I would eventually be
proved right. All I took was listen-
ing to this soundtrack. Breakdanc-
ing has certainly come a long way.

And welcome to next fad, please.


The dating game — who’s playing now?
Valentine’s Day — for lovers and legends

Sharon Houk
features staff writer

You’ve heard, of course, of the Grinch who Stole Christmas. I was almost the Grinch who Stole Valentine’s Day. Last night, I was feeling completely disillusioned with Valentine’s Day and the commercialism that surrounds it. So, I gathered up all the valentines on North quad and climbed to the top of Nieszland to dump them.

Then I paused and put a hand to my ear. A sound came rising over the snow.

Four men in black tuxedos were singing a love song. I hadn’t stopped my ear. A sound came rising over the snow. It was a loud sound, without lace, without roses or cards. It came without lollipops, candy or bards. And then I thought of something I hadn’t before. Maybe Valentine’s Day means a little bit more.

I have long grappled with the meaning of Valentine’s Day. When I asked students to comment on Valentine’s Day I heard such things as, “It comes around every February 14th.” “It’s a hell of a time to kiss a girl.” “I love it because it’s for lovers.”

And it’s a good excuse to tell someone how you feel about them when you’re too chicken to.

Thus if today turns out to be a typical Valentine’s Day, flowers will be sent, cards exchanged, and words of love will be in the air.

Besides wondering why your roommate and not you, you may be wondering how February 14th came to be the extravaganza that it is. Who was Valentine and why is this his day?

Actually there wasn’t one St. Valentine, but three. Two from Rome and a third who suffered in Africa (of whom nothing more is known). Of the first two, one was the Bishop of Interamna (the present-day Terni). Bishop Valentine lived under the reign of Emperor Julian - a time when Christians were persecuted mercilessly. He strengthened those under him in true faith and showed tremendous benevolence to the poor. It is said that one cold night Valentine passed a naked beggar on the street and took off his own garments to give to the man. Soon after, an angel appeared and told the bishop that the man had been Christ who had taken the form only to test Valentine. For his kind deeds, Valentine was granted several graces, one of which was the gift of curing diseases such as epilepsy.

When the Roman Governor Placidus discovered that Valentine had cured two people of their illnesses, he had him scourged and thrown in prison. When Valentine did not weaken under these punishments Placidus had him beheaded. The other man who deserves recognition on this feast day is Valentine. For his kind deeds, Valentine lived during the reign of Emperor Claudius. He was well known at the time for his high-spirited personality. Even the Emperor wanted to be Valentine’s friend but Valentine was too eager to praise the name of the Christian God and proclaim the Roman gods as false.

As a result, Valentine was accused of sacrilege and was at length beheaded. Before his death, however, Valentine cured the judge daughter of her blindness and converted the judge and his entire family to Christianity.

As far as the traditional association of love and expression of love on Valentine’s day goes, there are a couple of legends that may be explanatory. It was a conventional belief in England and France during the Middle Ages that on February 14th, half way through the second month of the year, the birds begin to pair. Thus Valentine’s day became a day for lovers and the perfect time to send tokens of love.

In Rome, when the Christians finally took over, they chose feast days to coincide with some existing Roman holidays. Valentine’s Day comes close to Lupercalia, February 15th, a feast honoring a couple of Roman deities.

During the Roman celebration, the names of young Roman women were put in a box and drawn by young men. The chosen lady was considered to be “going steady” with the boy who picked her. Christian Romans maintained the Valentine box custom. But instead of drawing girls’ names, they drew the names of saints that they were to emulate for the coming year. But it seems drawing girls’ names was more fun. The Roman youth reverted to the original custom. It has survived in the form of school-room Valentine boxes, for some 2000 years.

Whatever the legend, whatever the reasons, Valentine’s Day seems to be the one day on which our society condones madness. So, go a little crazy. It is a wonderful excuse to recklessly proclaim ones affection. Despite all dangers, one can say, “It’s Valentine’s Day and I love you.”

Words from the heart...

“Valentine’s Day is great because Notre Dame men get so passionate.”
— Paulette Hearing and Joan Rowling

“It’s sweet like candy and red like loving hearts. As a Marine, this disgusts me.”
— Mariana Karam.

“If I don’t get anything, it’s a rip-off.”
— a student of philosophy

“If I’d want anything I would want a dozen roses.”
— Mary Godi

“Valentine’s Day is a capitalist fabrication for retailers to earn revenue.”
— Bob Brogan

“It’s a wonderful holiday, my fiance will call me.”
— Lyndy Webster

“We think Valentine’s Day is great because when you have someone to spend it with, it can be depressing when you have to pick up flowers for your roommate.”
— Sean Lynch

“I usually give flowers because they always work. They’re the best thing you can give a lady.”
— Pat Clymer

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Dear Idea Chimp.

Happy V.D. (That's Valentine's Day.)

So... I don't think I should talk to you about love anymore.

Missed you.

We can probably all the ways to love, but not all the ways to love. It's not for everyone.

Happy Valentine's Day.

Happy V.D.

Happy Valentine's Day.

I love you.

Love, Your Idea Chimp

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To the Real Women of AC:

It has come to my attention that you all are having one of your usual soap boxes. So I thought I'd throw in my two cents worth.

"Meatballs" is a representation of a lot of your beliefs. It is a movie about women, men, and children. It is about how they interact. It is about their personalities and how they get along with each other.

I believe that this is a good movie. It is not just about women. It is about all of us. It shows that we can get along and that we can understand each other.

So I hope that you will give "Meatballs" a chance. It is a movie that I believe will change your minds.

Sincerely,
[Your Name]
Irish determined to make meet

By MARY SIEGER
Sports Writer

Neither ice nor snow nor gloom of traveller's advisor champs can keep them from this meet - the meet billed as the highlight of their season.

Despite treacherous weather conditions, members of the Notre Dame women's swim team left for St. Louis, Mo., yesterday afternoon to compete in the North Star Conference Championship meet that starts today. The Irish geared their entire season toward this meet and were unwilling to let a little snow get in their way.

Notre Dame is ranked at the top in the North Star Conference and is the Conference's defending champion.

The Irish compiled an impressive 1-1 record in the regular season giving them confidence for this weekend's competition. The only blemish in Notre Dame's record came last semester when the Irish lost to a tough scholarship squad equal from Bowling Green University.

Sub-zero temperatures cancelled a dual meet in late January with Ball State University, one of Notre Dame's sternest rivals. The meet was never rescheduled since both teams were booked until the end of the season.

"I'm disappointed because it would have helped us get ready for the Conference meet," said Notre Dame head coach Dennis Stark. "It would have been a very close meet."

The team's goal at the beginning of the season was to build its program and improve last season's 6-5 record. This year's 11-1 record and convincing victories over teams who defeated the Irish last year reflects the team's development.

"We have more depth this year," explained Stark. "There is no question of improvement because of the depth factor."

Junior co-captain Venette Cockbain will guide the Irish during this weekend's meet. Meanwhile, sophomore distance swimmer Suzanne Devine and freshman Amy Dargal will pace the team's attack.

Men try to continue winning streak

By KEVIN HERBERT
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's swimming team will try to extend its six-meet winning streak when it participates in the Midwest City Conference meet today at 7 p.m. in the football auditorium in the ACC. Admission to the lecture is free. - The Observer

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A racquetball tournament is being held by NVA for all members of the student body, faculty and staff. There will be three divisions: one for intermediate players, one for advanced players and one for mixed doubles teams. The deadline for entries is Thursday. For more information, call the NVA office at 239-6100. - The Observer

A basketball tournament is being held by NVA on Tuesday. Half representatives must submit a list of entries and divers must provide a list of divers to Dennis Stark by Monday. For more information, call Coach Stark at 239-6222. - The Observer
As the Notre Dame water polo team enters its sixth season, the club finds itself in a rebuilding year. A year ago the club placed fourth in the Midwestern water polo conference, which consists of 20 teams - both clubs and varsity teams.

Gone from that team are goalie Chris Packer, the only Irish player to achieve first team all-conference honors, and former captain John Smith. Therefore, junior captain Michael Roberts and fellow seniors John Coffey and Tom O'Reilly have the task of rebuilding a young inexperienced team.

"We don't have any seniors on the team this year, so there will be considerable pressure on John, Tom, and I to be the leaders both in and out of the pool," said Roberts. "However, we are all looking forward to next year because our improvement and experience will once again make us one of the better teams in the conference."

Last fall the team played conference foes throughout the Midwest and also traveled to Virginia, Washington, D.C., and New York to play interconference games. In all, the team compiled a record of nine wins and 12 losses.

"The level of water polo is steadily improving in the Midwest," said Robert. "Many teams in our conference are becoming varsity and in the near future, we must also make that transition in order to maintain our competitiveness. And with the new pool, the athletic department's interest in upgrading our status to varsity looks promising."

The team itself has many standouts. Roberts led the team in scoring for the third straight year, netting 86 goals this season. Sophomore Steve Gauther also was a major factor in the offensive, scoring 95 goals. On the defensive side, Coffey and O'Reilly are the major components.

The Observer
Notre Dame, Faust have another quality recruiting year

By TRISH SULLIVAN
Sports Writer

With a good portion of the season over with and the race for an NCAA tournament birth getting heated in the Big East, the Irish coaching staff is once again improving their recruiting. In the last couple of weeks, Casey Newell has impressed the recruiting experts, and once again, Gerry Faust and his staff appear to have nabbed some blue-chippers for the Golden Dome.

"We have some real quality kids and quality players coming here," comments Faust. "We're a little disappointed in the lack of defensive linemen this year. We wanted a four, but so far only getting a two." But Faust certainly can't be disappointed with the acquisition of one defensive player in particular. According to Adrianson, a 6-2, 210-pounder from Phillipsburg, N.J., decided last Tuesday to attend Notre Dame. Bolcar was the co-player of the year for Parade Magazine. Most recruiting experts have said that getting Bolcar makes a recruiting year go from good to great.

Faust must also be smiling upon hearing that D'Juan Francisco (brother of Irish defensive back Kwawu) a 5-11, 180-pound Cin- cinnati native has opted for the Irish also. Francisco was also named to the Parade magazine list. Newell, conversely, commented on the lack of a recruit in the fullback position. "We wanted a fullback, but we only found a couple that really fit the mold of what we wanted. And then it was difficult to get them either academically or from other colleges.

The coaches did end up with a California backfield player that also fill the at the defensive end position. Mark Green, out of Riverside Poly, gained over 1,300 yards during his career and impressed the coaches with his enthusiasm in helping out the squad in any way he can.

However, half of the 24 Irish recruits were recruited as offensive players. Vying for the backup position to Steve Beuerlein will be another Steve. Beelines, a 6-5, 190-pounder from Phoenix, Ariz., and Pete Graham, a 6-2, 185-pounder from St. Louis. Newell, who is also looking over Ray DuMan (6-2, 175). Both are being looked at the wide receiver slot.

Upon losing right tight end Mark Bavaro and Ricky Gray to graduation, Faust has found two prospects for their shoes. Ted Fitzgerald (6-5, 232), hailing from Wayne, N.J., and Richard Morrison (6-4, 222), from Lynnhurst, Va., will both be given opportunities to show their colors in fall.

Notre Dame has beefed its line up again for another season with a well-manned crop of offensive and defensive linemen. On the offen- sive side, there are nearly Cin-cinnati natives Steve Bynum (6-2, 225) and Tom Gorman (5, 225) out of the South Notre Dame has received a 6, 240-pounder from Fort Wayne, Ind., Andy Heck, and Bob Hodge, a 6-7, 260-pound native of the heart of Texas where Dallas standout Steve Huffman has committed. Huffman (6-2, 220) is familiar with the Notre Dame scene as his two brothers, Dave and Tim, played for the Irish in the late 70's. Hitting the Midwest, Faust nabbed Youngstown, Ohio, recruit Joe Kelty (6-6, 270). And Faust rounded out his cross-county excursion by signing Philadelphia's talent in the form of 6-6, 255-pound Chuck Killian and 6-7, 270-pound Marty Lipsicott.

On the defensive side of the coin, the Faust staff has worked to fill in the lack of experience in the defensive backfield. From the far west. The Irish will welcome Spokane, Wash., player, Aaron Robb (6-1, 190) from Chicago. 6-3, 195-pound George Streeter will try to find a position on the Irish roster. And a Rockchucker, N.Y., native with a unique title, Corny Sowhal (6-2, 180) will certainly contribute his best.

Rounding out the list of Irish recruits are the four players being labeled as "blue chippers. They are Craig Hudson (6-1, 210), out of Cincin- nati, Mark Siggam (6-2, 220) from Villa Park Ill.; Steve Reddy (brother of Irish player Marty) a 6-3, 215-pounder Harvelly, Pa., native, and finally, Kurt Zaczen (6-4, 215), hailing from Chicago.

The official list of players who have actually signed will not be published until the end of the week, due to the request of the Admis- sions Office. All the potential signees must go through the formalities first. But this list does appear to be accurate as to the roster of recruits. Certainly it appears that Coach Faust and his staff have once again completed a top-notch list. But of course, Faust will be the first to stress one very important point about recruits. "The really know just how well we did until we put them on those gold helmets and the Irish uniform."
Irish dominate boards, cruise to 79-54 victory over Privateers in ACC

By NICK SCHRANTZ
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's basketball team furthered its claim as one of the best rebounding teams in the ACC last night when it defeated the New Orleans Privateers, 62-31, last night at the ACC. Although beset by poor shooting, the Irish's strength on the boards propelled them to an easy 79-54 victory.

The Irish shot only 41 percent from the floor and 65 percent from the free-throw line. Despite the poor shooting, the Irish still outshot the Privateers. New Orleans could only connect on only one-third of their attempts, bringing a mere 21-65, or 33 percent.

"I'm not satisfied with our outside shooting, or our shooting when we're shooting 41 percent," Irish head coach Digger Phelps said. "I think defensively we're pretty solid, when we hold a team to 33 percent shooting, we're real tough to beat."

"Obviously we just dominated on the boards, and that's where we scored the points, on the missed shots," Phelps said.

The Irish got off to a fast start on the strength of two Donald Royal double-figure in 19 points, and led by an 81- to only two minutes gone in the game.

"I just felt that we played very, very well from the beginning to the end," Phelps said. "We jumped out, 8-1, and we didn't give New Orleans a chance to get into any type of rhythm or anything where they could try to play ball control."

The Privateers pulled within a basket halfway through the first half, but the Irish outscored New Orleans, 23-13, the rest of the half to take a 40-28 lead into the intermission.

Ken Barlow scored all 12 of his points in the first half, and David Rivers each added seven points in the second half.

At the half, the Irish held a 28-point advantage on the boards, on the strength of seven Jim Beeuwser rebound and six each by Royal and Barlow.

Despite enjoying a comfortable halftime lead, the Irish continued to pour it in the second half, and had 6-2 stretch to begin the half, and led 64-30 with 18 minutes still to play.

With 11 minutes to play, Rivers sank a jumper from the top of the key to give the Irish a 59-38 lead. A 14-0 run followed, as Rivers hit a 16-footer to give the Irish a 60-40 lead, and Barlow made a 10-foot jumper to cut the gap to under 20 the rest of the way.

Price missed the first three shots he took in the game, but he came back after the intermission with three second-half points to lead the team with 17 points overall.

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