Santa's helper

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WASHINGTON - The General Assembly on Wednesday overwhelmingly deplored the U.S. denial of a visa for Yasser Arafat, the first step towards a protest meeting in Geneva to hear the PLO chairman next month.

The vote in the 159-member assembly was 151-2. The United States and Israel voted against the resolution. Britain abstained. Other nations were absent.

Arab diplomats, who sponsored the resolution, said later that they planned to move swiftly to introduce another resolution shifting the General Assembly to Geneva in mid-December to hear Arafat speak on the declaration of an independent Palestinian state.

The resolution adopted Wednesday requested U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to report back to the U.S. response today. But Secretary of State George Shultz declared earlier Wednesday that the United States would not reverse its decision, that Arafat be barred because he condones and encourages terrorism.

U.S. Ambassador Herbert Okun, the acting U.N. representative, told the assembly that the U.S. government "does not agree with the tone or substance of the resolution and opposed it.

"The denial of a visa to Mr. Arafat is fully consistent with the Headquarters Agreement between the United States and the United Nations and this includes our right to protect our national security," Okun said.

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Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL- Launch pad technicians discovered two broken bolts on Atlantis' nose Wednesday, a problem that could delay a Thursday launch of the shuttle's top-secret mission even if a predicted storm doesn't force postponement.

Much depended on a launch eve assessment of both problems. If the decision were made to be ready for a Thursday morning launch, crews would begin pouring a half-million gallons of fuel into the shuttle's huge external tank before midnight.

The bolts are two of 10 that secure a 24-by-18-inch access cover on the right side of the shuttle's nose. The access plate, which is covered by 14 of the shuttle's heat protection tiles, is normally removed before flight to fuel the tank for the steering rockets the shuttle uses while in orbit.

The problem occurred as workers placed the cover. Two of the bolts would not tighten, and NASA decided to glue the cover in place with special epoxy. It would be evening before it was known whether the bonding worked.

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Sleeping beauty

Christie Austin, a junior at Saint Mary's, takes time to catch a few w's while waiting for her history class in Madeleva Hall to begin.
Madame Tussaud's Waxworks in London is giving Michael Dukakis a lesson in how fleeting fame can be. A wax image of the Democratic presidential candidate will be taken down Dec. 9 after the shortest exhibition in the museum's 216-year history, officials said Wednesday. The Dukakis statue went up on display next to a statue of President-elect George Bush on Oct. 31, when Madame Tussaud's felt the election was too close to call.

Headless woman, Mary Ann Beauregard, 26, of Greenwich will be among the nearly 600 degree candidates at the first fall undergraduate commencement at Central Connecticut State University on Saturday. Beauregard, who once worked as "Headless Helga" in a carnival sideshow in Denver, Colo., will receive a bachelor's degree in self-designed major, peace studies. To prove she has a good head on her shoulders these days, Beauregard is graduating summa cum laude, with a 3.9 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Christmas Around the World presents sleigh rides and a marshmallow roast tonight. Sleigh rides start at 8 p.m. in front of Washington Hall, and the marshmallow roast begins at 9 p.m. in LaFortune. Everything is free.

SUB Special Events commission meets tonight at 6 p.m. in the Sorin Room, LaFortune. Winter Carnival and St. Patrick's Day plans will be discussed. New members welcome. -The Observer

Last Plane Out, a movie concerning Nicaragua's Sandinista government will be shown at 7 p.m. in Farley Hall's Pop Farley Lounge. A discussion will follow led by Prof. LeMay. All are invited to attend. -The Observer

Legal Clinic for the Homeless hosts a benefit dinner at 6 p.m. in the Faculty Dining Room at the South Dining Hall. Robert Hayes of the National Coalition for the Homeless will speak on "Advocating on Behalf of the Homeless." -The Observer

Non-Violence Seminar information night will be held at 7 p.m. tonight at the Center for Social Concerns. Students will spend six days in Nevada examining a non-violent campaign over spring break. -The Observer

An African Lunch is served today at the Center for Social Concerns from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. This is the last Hospitality Lunch for the Fall Semester. -The Observer

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IN BRIEF

Dream of the inevitable--Future School

Last night, I had a dream.

It was the dream of the inevitable. The dream of the ultimate aftermath of the political foibles of the present, the fallout from cutbacks in funding, the sacrifice of principles to the gods of commercialism.

It was the dream of the future. It was not my school, but Everyone's.

My dream carried me down a twelve-lane, two-story highway, through the golden double arches of "Midwest University." A computerized clock glistened at the entrance, "36 million students educated."

I wandered past the artificial lakes and surrealist sculptures toward the high-rise chrome towers. Although the automatic temperature-modulated environment was set at precisely 76 degrees, I felt a sudden chill. I was noticeably out of place among the throngs of modern students, clad in plastic and velcro.

"Oh, of course.

"Have you picked out your opposite-mate yet?"

"Rhub!" I stared at him blankly.

"Your co-habitant! God, where are you from? Iowa, or someplace? Have you been asleep for thirty years? Let me explain how all this works..."

"Yes, my unisex, you know. We're almost completely integrated here. Each floor is subdivided into social-sexual preferences."

"This school is self-sufficient. The stereo vendor's broke, but The Pill machine and the dope dispenser are just fine."

"Tomorrow, noon, when the Robo-maid reminds you, you'll have to register for experiences over at the computing center. You need twenty experiences to graduate, or you could be stuck here for a year."

"Let me give you a few clues. Stick with the entrepreneurial curriculum. And stay away from that live stuff. Ten minutes is long enough to sit through a video. Besides, you never know--those real pros can be weird. Keep in control."

"Get all the self-grading classes you can. And forget about the books. Ultra Cliff is all you need. Or maybe a few neo-Chos. My roommate, Abdul-Sly, doesn't even have a class; he just hangs around here and audits on the cable system. What are you majoring in?"

"Well, I was thinking about Business..."

"They, great, don't pass up Beginning Corporate Takeover or Insider Trading for Freshmen."

"I've got two Discreet Embezzling seminars that are pretty cool, and a Glitz in America elective that focuses on practical application."

"Uh, right. Listen, there's a place about here I can get a bite to eat?"

"Yeah, the vendomatics are over there, past the Liposuction Center and the Sean Penn statue. They're all salt, sugar and cholesterol free, of course."

"Of course."

"Well, I gotta run now. President Jackson's live tonight down at the Iacocca Monument."

"No way? You mean Jesse finally made it?"

"Boy, you ARE weird! I mean Michael, of course."
Parliament hands reforms to Kremlin

Associated Press

MOSCOW—The president of Estonia, the republic whose declaration of sovereignty was quashed, told the Soviet parliament Wednesday that no political system suits all parts of this vast nation, "so we have developed our own."

Arnold Rustaveli also complained about the official media, which criticized Estonia's actions without publishing details about them. "We deplore the lack of objective information in the mass media, which can only make the situation more tense," he declared.

After two days of debate, a new experience for its members, the Supreme Soviet sent a plan for restructuring the government back to the Kremlin. Leadership for decisions on dozens of suggested amendments.

Until recently, the national legislature merely approved actions already taken by the leadership, without debate or dissent. This time the Supreme Soviet heard 37 of its members criticize and propose changes to the tiny Baltic republic, which can only make the situation more tense, he declared.

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He said his republic prefers its one political structure to that devised in Moscow, and told the delegates: "It is impossible to find an optimum political system for all regions of the country, so we have developed our own."

Estonia would prefer to retain its current legislature rather than exchange it for a contemplated Congress of People's Deputies, Rustaveli said.

ND Law?

Well, it's a court room, but not a trial. The Grace Hall Debate Championships took place Wednesday at 9 p.m. in the Law School Court Room. The

House makes history by electing first co-speakers

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS—The Indiana House made history Wednesday by electing co-speakers for the first time and adopting a special agreement that redistributes many of the speaker's powers to the chamber's 100 members. Democrat Michael Phillips of Boonville and Republican Paul Mannweiler of Indianapolis were named co-speakers by unanimous voice votes in a House with an unprecedented 50-50 split between the two political parties.

The two men, who negotiated the power-sharing agreement over two days last week, jointly clutched the House gavel and raised it atop as the membership stood cheering and applauding.

"This is a historic occasion, one in which we all can take a great deal of pride," said Mannweiler, who presided alone as House speaker the last two years.

The two men will preside over the chamber on alternate days. Phillips went first, wielding the gavel after the speaker election on Wednesday.

The House minority leader for the last three years, Phillips quoted the poet Robert Frost in a speech urging "conciliation, and confrontation."

"We're taking the road less traveled by, and that will make all the difference," he said. "I'm confident that this will work."

"We have now fully entrusted the authority, responsibility and power to the members of the House," he said.

The co-speaker arrangement and a series of rules changes were negotiated after the House tried unsuccessfully for two days last week to elect a speaker. The unprecedented House deadlock came after Democrats picked up two seats in the Nov. 8 election.

After partisan bickering last week, House members showed unusual bipartisan joy in ratified the agreement Wednesday.

Mannweiler placed Phillips' name in nomination, and he was elected by a voice vote. Greeted by a standing ovation, Phillips then took the oath of office from Chief Justice Ran

Spring Break Seminar

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Each hall may sponsor a four-member debate team. At least two team members must be residents of the hall. The remaining team members may be drawn from the ND undergraduate population at large. At least twenty-six teams representing each residence hall and the off-campus population will compete during the month of February within a structured debate setting similar to that of the Grace Hall Debates. Faculty members will be invited to act as judges, and graduate students will serve as team advisers.

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The White House gives position on classified material

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The White House has told the chief Iran-Contra prosecutor that it opposes releasing certain classified information during Oliver North's trial because of national security concerns, a senior Reagan administration official said Wednesday.

The official, who spoke on grounds he not be identified, said that this, in effect, was President Reagan's response to U.S. district Judge Gerhard Gesell's recent challenge to spell out his position on secrets that might be disclosed if the case goes to trial, possibly in late January.

"Now, it's up to the judge to decide what to do next," said the source.

The official would not disclose the volume of information the White House was seeking to block, or what steps the administration might take. He said the White House position was stated to independent counsel Lawrence Walsh "earlier this week."

The decision to try to withhold an unspecified number of documents, the official said, was based on "national security grounds" — and was not an attempt to help North scuttle his prosecution.

Asked on Nov. 21 whether he was moving toward a decision to pardon his former National Security Council aide, Reagan replied, "No, and I don't think it would be any time to make such a decision while it's still before the courts."

The White House position was made known as Gesell began closed hearings on some of the classified documents in the case.

Gesell conducted the secret hearing to consider the former president's aide's objection to deleting sensitive references from 1,400 classified documents that Walsh wants to use as evidence.

North objects to virtually all of the proposed deletions, arguing the references to countries, foreign officials and U.S. intelligence agents are necessary to defend charges that he diverted more than $14 million in U.S.-Iran arms-sale profits to the Contra rebels in Nicaragua.
Radio

in support of Gorbachev’s policy of glasnost, or openness.

Pell said, however, jamming was still continuing against Radio Free Europe broadcasts to Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria. VOA broadcasts in the Dari and Pashto languages into Radio Free Europe broadcast...
Bush will look to Jackson for suggestions

associated Press

Washington-- George Bush sat down Wednesday with Jesse Jackson, the man he once only a few months ago dubbed a "hustler from Chicago," and said he will be looking to the Democrat for suggestions during his presidency. While Bush made no policy commitments to Jackson or to a group of environmentalists with whom he met earlier, it was a day of positive reviews for the president-elect.

Jackson said he was convinced Bush "has an earnest desire to send forth a moral tone" in his presidency.

FDIC proposes $30 billion savings and loan bailout

Associated Press

WASHINGTON- The chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. on Wednesday called for spending $30 billion next year to shut down the "worst losers" in the savings and loan industry.

"We need to close the worst first," FDIC chairman L. William Seidman said in a luncheon speech to the National Press Club. "These institutions are losing over a billion dollars per month."

Seidman's agency insures deposits in commercial banks, not thrift institutions, but his agency is offering recommendations for cleaning up the savings and loan industry.

Some analysts recommend tapping the S&L fund, a move he opposes, and estimate that the S&L cleanup will eventually cost $50 billion to $100 billion.

The Federal Savings & Loan Insurance Corporation which, insuring deposits in thrift institutions, is technically insolvent. Regulators have been spending as little cash as possible, putting together rescue packages with promissory notes and guarantees committing revenue they expect to receive for the next 30 years as an assessment on healthy S&Ls.

Few analysts believe the industry can bear such a burden for that long.

Quayle won't be right wing's 'spear carrier'

Associated Press

WASHINGTON- Vice President-elect Dan Quayle, who was a member of his party's right wing since the election, said Wednesday he won't be their "so-called spear carrier" in the Bush administration.

In a wide-ranging interview with The Associated Press, Quayle also hinted that he may spend many more years with his predecessors in presiding over the Senate, which is controlled by the Democrats.

On a personal note, he said he had learned from his gaffes he committed during the campaign to curb a tendency toward talking too much. "Ver-"boytiness leads to unclear, inarticulate things," he said.

Quayle also said he would make no recommendation as to who should replace him in the Senate, but he did not reject suggestions that he favors Rep. Dan Coats, the former aide who represents his old congressional district.

His comments about the conservatives who have become a path to his transition office were his strongest public rejection of the notion that he would become a link between the Republican Party's far right and the new administration.

"I've worked with a number of conservatives in the past; a lot of good friends are conservatives, but I'm not the point man for the conservatives in this administration . . . You won't see me being the so-called spear carrier for all the so-called conservative issues," Quayle said.

SOLITARY STUDYING

Saint Mary's senior Pat Musogie ignores the snow outside and gets a jump on finals as she studies in her private corner of the Library at Saint Mary's.
The fruits of American bureaucracy

Over the past few years, there's been a lot of alarm in the media and Congress about a heretofore unnamed agency called the Federal Deficit. But when it actually comes to "cutting it down to size," there are a myriad of complaints. Everyone has to spend a certain amount of money somewhere in the places from which they hail. Each senator yells "No cuts in, my state!" Each congressman yells, "Oh no! Not my district!" The worst sufferers of all are the bureaucrats. But there's a refrain that runs, "We can't do the things we're supposed to do because the bureaucrats and elected officials. bureaucracy never goes away."

Glenn Fogarty

with no apologies

All it can do is spend money. Much of the money goes to the bureaucracy itself, the rest, quite literally, goes to waste. In fact, American bureaucrats (the most talented money-wasters in the world) have turned the wasting of tax dollars into a very lucrative science. Today, I think it's about time to pay homage to the wise expenditures and actions of our beloved (yet often ignored) public servants. Bureaucracies ostensibly are created to solve problems. However, there is something fundamentally wrong in this idea. If the bureaucracy actually solved "the problem," it would put itself out of business. Bureaucracies are pretty smart, so, to keep themselves in business, they make problems worse (or let them become so), in order to expand their "necessary functions" at some later date. That's the appropriate word, too, because bureaucrats receive money according to how big they are, not if they actually serve our entire society. And the less an agency actually does, the more money it has available to spend on itself. (The Office of Economic Opportunity--created to help the poor--spends 81 percent of its budget on overhead--that is, on itself). Still, a bureaucracy must spend money on something. I think we must say, pretty neatly, that their bureaucrats, I must say, have been pretty creative in this regard.

One thing government agencies love to do is lay down rules and regulations. Federal bureaucrats drew up specifications for a mousetrap (Why?). The FDA spent $57,800 on a head-to-foot physical study of 422 airline stewardesses, involving 79 specific measurements. One interesting finding was that stewardesses' noses average 2.18 inches long. Now we know. We sure got our money's worth.

Wait. It gets better. One researcher received a $97,000 grant to study the "social behavior of the male of a new species in a Persuian brothel." Sounds like fun.

Here's a list of some more inaplicable federal studies. Study of Frisbees, $75,000. Study to find out why kindergartners fall in tricycles, $15,300. Study on chasing wild boars in Pakistan, $35,000. Study to find out why people smoke, "all" $1,000.

The National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism has made some interesting studies as well. It conducted a $102,000 experiment on fish, one that included extensive tests intended to answer the question "Are sunfish that drink tequila more aggressive than sunfish that drink gin?" Now, personally, I've never met any sunfish that make it a habit to drink tequila, but the answer seems quite obvious to me. Naturally the fish will be more aggressive in tequila because, if he survives that long, he will try to dive for the worm at the bottom of the bottle. A second part of this institute's study was to determine the effect of placing rats in frustrating situations and seeing how drunk they became as a result. (The rats were supposed to go in for rehab, I suppose, too).

All of this ludicrousness might be fun to waste time (and others' money) on, but the bureaucrat who authorizes these rules, grants, and expenditures is spending your, my, and everybody else's tax money. I could think of better things for which the government could use its "revenues." Better yet, the government and its army of bureaucrats shouldn't get that much to begin with. It's safer that way. And remember, don't eat those heart-shaped boxes. The FDA warned you, so there are no excuses.

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Dear Editor:

We are gathered here together to educate ourselves and others on the importance of women's issues. We join hands with Rosa Parks and say, "We women United for Justice and Peace challenge our nation and our world. We invite all women and men to join our group as we learn more about these pressing issues."

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Quote of the Day

"The right to do something doesn't mean that doing it is right." - William Safire

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English court relived at dinner

TRISHA CHAMBERS assistant accout writer

English music fills the room as the guests of the Queen dine on a buffet of roast beef, lamb, pork, goose, and other traditional foods prepared before them. Fortunately for students and residents of South Bend, enjoying a feast such as this does not require a time machine or a trip to London, but a simple walk to Regina Hall at St. Mary's College on Dec. 1, 2, and 3 at 6:30 p.m. for the 16th century court of Elizabeth I, roughly from the 16th to the 18th century.

Another difference is the inclusion of French and Spanish songs, as well as Christmas carols. Henderson comments on how these differences influence the use of silverware, whereas fingers were used in the 18th century. She says that the traditional favorites will still be sung, but other songs have been added to make it different from last year.

Henderson also notes that during different portions of the evening, the first heralds the entrance of the singers; the second heralds the arrival of the second group of dancers, and the third heralds the Boar’s Head Feast. The fourth heralds the plums put into the Wassail; the fifth heralds the entertainment, particularly the peasant dancers.

Assistant professor Cynthia Dieckgrafe has also been choreographing four dances based upon extensive studies elsewhere overseas. She spent last year in Montpellier, France through Davidson College's Junior Year Abroad Program. Being the program's sole representative from St. Mary's and Notre Dame and bearing other students' recounts of their times overseas has inspired me to share with you several of my most noteworthy experiences.

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FOllies in France

KELLY JURAS assistant accout writer

I'm not a Saint Mary's Notre Dame Anger student, Rome student, or Imbrook student. However, I did manage to spend a year of college elsewhere overseas. I spent last year in Montpellier, France through Davidson College’s Junior Year Abroad Program. Being the program’s sole representative from Saint Mary’s and Notre Dame and bearing other students’ recount of their misfortunes overseas has inspired me to share with you several of my most noteworthy experiences.

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Barry Sanders got the first part of his wish. He will be in Japan when winner of the Heisman Trophy is announced.

"I'd like to see Troy (UCLA quarterback Troy Aikman) or Peete (Southern Cal quarterback Rodney Peete) get it," Sanders said.

Nevertheless, the tailback is expected to become the eighth juvenile to win the Heisman. Sanders' five-year history when results of voting by 40 members of the media and 1977 Heisman winners are announced Saturday.

Before Oklahoma State left for Japan, Sanders explained why he would rather not win the Heisman.

"I just don't want to deal with it. It's not that I'm scared, because if I got it, I'd appreciate it and I'd handle it as best as possible."

"But it kind of puts a lot of pressure on one game. If I got it, I'd feel privileged and everything, but it really wouldn't make me feel any better because as young as I am (I turned 20 in July) I still have a long ways to go."

Douglas Athletic Club in New York wants to chop the trophy into sections for his offensive linemen and fullback Garrett Limbrick, Sanders would be delighted. "(The team comes) first with him, and he's not just mouting the proper words."

"I don't know if it's bad to say, but I think the Heisman Trophy should be given out in college because there are so many great players at so many different positions you can't really just single out the best player."

The Heisman Committee invited five of the nation's top players to attend the nationally televised announcement--Sanders, Aikman, Peete, quarterbacks Steve Walsh of Miami (Fla.) and Major Harris of West Virginia. Walsh can't make it, either. He has a game against Brigham Young on Saturday night.

The four quarterbacks have posted some outstanding numbers this season but none as remarkable as Sanders, who was a second-teamer behind All-American Thurman Thomas his first two years and carried the ball 325 times this year while serving mainly as a kick returner. He led the nation last year in kickoff return average. In the first 18 games of his remarkable, record-shattering season, the 5-11, 195-pound Sanders has rushed 230 times for 2,296 yards, second most in NCAA history at any level.

He is 46 yards away from the single-season record of 2,342 yards set by Southern California's Marcus Allen, who needed 406 carries to do it in 1981. Sanders has broken the record of 259 carries set by Penn State's Lodell Mitchell in 1971 and Nebraska's Mike Rozier in 1983.

Sanders is averaging 28.9 yards per game and his 2,887 yards--2,296 rushing, 612 receiving, 406 return yards, 86 on punt returns--smashed the mark of 2,633 by Trojans' Dick Nolan in 1966 (He had 1,970 yards in eight games in 1937).
The men’s and women’s swim teams, both with 2-1 semester records, will compete in their most important meet of the fall semester as they travel to Philadelphia for the second annual National Catholic Championships being held at LaSalle beginning today and continuing into the weekend. The National Catholic Championships mark an important point in the season for both squads: as winter approaches, the transition to the spring season begins. Good performance could help the Irish in later meets.

The enthusiasm and spirit Notre Dame head coach Tim Welsh has seen since September have been aimed for the highest level of performance at this meet, "The meet helps us a lot. The enthusiasm and spirit from last year’s meet carries over and helped us in the whole second semester," said Welsh.

Last season, in the inaugural National Catholic Meet, both the men’s and women’s teams placed second. The men were outscored only by a surprising Villanova squad. Paul Godfrey turned in the only first place finishes for the Irish as Villanova won 14 final races. Still, Notre Dame lost by only 30 points, and Welsh was named Coach of the Meet.

The women’s team finished second behind Boston College by over 200 points, but the Irish swimmers captured first place in six events and second place in two more.

Although both the men and women performed well last year, the 1988 National Catholic Championships will probably prove to be tougher than the previous year, because more teams will be entered.

"We are competing against a larger field, a tougher field, with more powerful teams," said Welsh, who is in his fourth year as coach of Notre Dame.

"As the meet grows each year, it becomes a better meet and will contribute to the growing importance of this meet on our schedule.

The men will need good performances from Godrey, a sophomore, and his classmate Brian Rini if they are to challenge the likes of Villanova, the host team, and Villanova. The Irish women are expecting Christie Moston, Kathy Quirk, and co-captain Tracy Johnson to have an impact.

The women’s team has double duty this weekend as they will compete in another meet on Sunday against Villanova and Fordham. The Irish have a 9-2 winning streak against Fordham that they want to keep alive, and they are hoping to avenge an 0-2 record against Villanova.

South Africa hosts richest golf payoff

SOUTH AFRICA Three Americans, three South Africans and two Europeans tied for the second richest payoff in the history of professional golf when they shared a $1-million first prize in the annual Million Dollar Challenge.

The American entries are Chip Beck, Ken Green and Don Pooley. Beck was runner-up on the PGA tour’s money-winning list in the United States this year, and won two tournaments. Green also won twice in the United States and recently won the Dunlop Phoenix event in Japan.

The three most recent winners of this tournament are in the field for the 72-hole tournament at the Sun City sports-and-gambling complex in the Transvaal.

Bunek continued from page 16 mounted another comeback, but the Irish nailed eight of ten free throws in the closing minutes to seal the victory.

"They got away from us with 22 points, but Robinson was the sparkplug," said McGraw. She scored 21 points, ran the offense for the first time in her career and nailed some crucial free throws in the closing moments.

"One thing Karen Robinson can do is score and shoot free throws," McGraw said. "She played a good game. She made a couple of bad decisions, but that comes from inexperience. We can live with that because she makes up for it with all the other things she does." Lisa Kubus added 12 points for Notre Dame, but had her 23-game three-point field goal streak snapped. She was 0-for-3 from three-point territory.

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Notre Dame, 1-0, will not have much time to savour the opening-game victory as it travels to Virginia Friday for the two-day Invitational Challenge. The Irish meet Georgetown at 8 p.m. Friday, immediately following the Virginia-Arizona contest. The losers meet at 2 p.m. Saturday with the championship game to follow.

The Hoyas finished third in the Central Florida Tournament last weekend, losing 63-42 to Duke in their opener, and falling 66-64 to Georgia Tech in the third place game.

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Irish make plea

Dear Students,

On behalf of the Fighting Irish basketball program, we would like to address a serious issue that surfaced throughout Notre Dame's home opener against St. Bonaventure.

Throughout the University of Kansas championship season, the Jayhawk student body used the cheer, "Hey, Hey, we're going to beat the heck out of you." The cheer really got the fans, and at times their team, into the game.

There are many home games this year, and we want this cheer to be a way to get everyone involved. However, during the course of the St. Bonaventure game, the cheer was used with different four-letter words than "heck."

We all attend this Catholic institution which stands high because of its tradition, beliefs and integrity. The student body needs to become our sixth man this year. It is as important in representing Notre Dame as the team. But everyone involved in the basketball program hopes we can use this cheer in a positive manner. We invite you to come Tuesday night as we do our best to beat the "heck" out of Indiana.

The Notre Dame basketball team

Duke, Abdelnaby cruise

Associated Press

DURHAM, N.C.-Alaa Abdelnaby extended his field goal shooting streak to 19 straight baskets, scoring 18 points and leading top-ranked Duke to a 96-46 victory over East Carolina on Wednesday night.

It was Coach Mike Krzyzewski's 250th victory. In his 14th season, and ninth at Duke, Krzyzewski is 250-143 overall and 177-84 with the Blue Devils.

Abdelnaby, a junior, hit his last two shots against Kentucky in the Tipoff Classic, then hit all eight last Monday against The Citadel. The toughest of the 6-foot-10 Abdelnaby's nine shots against the shorter Pirates was a 15-foot jump hook.

The NCAA record for consecutive baskets is 25, set by Ray Voelkel of American early in the 1978 season.

Reserve John Smith scored 16 points for Duke.

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Harris among Heisman's top 5

Associated Press

MORGANTOWN, W.VA.-West Virginia University quarterback Major Harris is among the top five vote-getters in this year's balloting for the Heisman Trophy, awarded annually to the top college football player, school officials said Wednesday.

"He has been invited to attend the award ceremonies," said Shelly Poe, WVU sports information director. "It's a great honor for a sophomore just to be considered."

Harris led the third-ranked Mountaineers to an 11-0 record and a contest against No. 1 Notre Dame in the Fiesta Bowl Jan. 2 that could determine the national championship.

He passed for 1,749 yards and 13 touchdowns and ran for 599 yards and six touchdowns in leading the Mountaineers to their best season ever.

Poe said Harris and WVU coach Don Nehlen will attend the Heisman award ceremony Saturday at the Downtown Athletic Club in New York. Both are scheduled to participate in a news conference following the presentation.

Oklahoma State tailback Barry Sanders and quarterback Rodney Peete of Southern California, Troy Aikman of UCLA, and Steve Walsh of Miami also were named finalists by the Downtown A.C. on Wednesday.

Miami quarterback Steve Walsh (4) is among the top five candidates for the Heisman Trophy. The Miami-BYU game will keep Walsh from attending Saturday's award ceremony.

The Observer / Patrick Kuehn

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Belles drop to 1-1 with loss to Loyola

BY KRISTINE GREGORY
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's Belles encountered a tough Loyola University basketball team in Chicago on Tuesday. After thirty minutes of close play, Loyola came alive to defeat the Belles 102-65.

Loyola jumped to an early lead but the Belles fought their way to a 20-20 tie midway through the first half. Saint Mary's could not gain the lead, though, and they found themselves with a 37-43 halftime score.

The Belles stayed in the game and were only down by ten points with nine minutes left. The rest of the half was all Loyola though as they outscored the Belles 34-7.

Freshman Catherine Restovich led the Belles in scoring with 17 points. Junior Julie Radke followed close behind with 16 points.

"Loyola is an excellent basketball team and we played very well against them until the last seven minutes of the game," commented Head Coach Marvin Wood. "They have superior depth and size and used it to outplay us in the end."

The Belles fall to 1-1 in the league. They play in a Roundball Tournament this weekend with three other area teams.

West Germany's Boris Becker boomed his way to the semi-finals of the Masters tennis tournament with a victory over Sweden's Mats Wilander.

Becker booms past Wilander

Associated Press

NEW YORK-Boris Becker used a booming serve to upset top-seeded Mats Wilander 7-6 (9-7), 6-7 (1-7), 6-1 Wednesday night at the Masters tennis tournament.

Becker, the No. 4 seed, had 13 aces and 18 service winners in the round-robin match at Madison Square Garden. The West German lost only three points on his first serve.

"This tournament has a lot to do with pride and prestige," he said. "We are the top eight players and we don't want to lose to each other."

In an earlier match, eighth-seeded Henri Leconte upset No. 7 Tim Mayotte in the final match of the night.

The win gave Becker a 4-0 record in indoor matches against Wilander, who has lost only three points on his first serve.

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In other matches, third-seeded Andre Agassi beat No. 7 Tim Mayotte 6-2, 6-4 and eighth-seeded Henri Leconte upset No. 5 Stefan Edberg 6-4, 6-2.

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MIAMI-wide receiver Mark Duper's season with the Miami Dolphins ended Wednesday when he and little-used defensive back Victor Scott of the Dallas Cowboys were suspended for violating the NFL's substance abuse policy.

The 30-day suspensions brought to 24 the number of players suspended for that reason this season.

Neither the league nor the clubs would say what drugs were involved.

Duper suspended for drug use

Miami receiver, Dallas' Victor Scott out for rest of year

Associated Press

"It's one of the toughest things I've had to deal with," Miami coach Don Shula said. "This hits like a hammer because of my high regard for Mark Duper and his contributions to this team over the years, and because of my high regard for Mark Duper as a human being.

Duper, 29, became the first Miami player to be penalized for substance abuse since 1983.

Scott, 36, also was suspended for 30 days last year for substance abuse. He became the second Cowboy this season to be penalized under the NFL's drug policy. Offensive tackle Kevin Gogan was suspended for a month near the end of training camp.

Duper, a seven-year veteran and two-time Pro Bowl performer, has done work with the "Say No To Drugs" program. Several teammates said they were shocked by the suspension.

"Duper's locker is right next to mine, and I just didn't have any idea at all," safety Glenn Blackwood said.

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to Texas A&M in the Cotton Bowl last year.

"This is a different team, a different year," he said. "We just weren't a real good football team at the end of last year. The players hadn't been to a bowl and may have looked on it as more of a reward than an opportunity."

EXTRA POINTS: Notre Dame will practice only once between now and Dec. 16 because of final exams. Regular practices will be held from Dec. 18-21. The players then go home for Christmas before meeting again at Temple, Ariz., Dec. 31 to begin final preparations for the Fiesta Bowl.

SPORTS BRIEFS

The ND Boxing Club is holding a meeting for anyone interested in joining the club or participating in next semester's Bengal Bouts. The meeting will be Tuesday at 5 p.m. in the boxing gym located at Gate 3 of the Joyce ACC. For more information, call Mike Noone at x5386. -The Observer

Saint Mary's students interested in skiing should attend a meeting tonight at 7 in the lobby of Holy Cross. -The Observer

NVAbasketball referees have a mandatory meeting Monday at 4:30 p.m. in the football auditorium in the Joyce ACC. -The Observer

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The Observer
Offensive line, WVU have Holtz worried

By MARTY STRASEN
Sports Editor

Notre Dame head coach Lou Holtz has not taken an opposing team lightly since the season began, and he is not about to start now.

Believe it or not, Holtz holds third-ranked West Virginia in high regard as he plans ahead for the Jan. 2 Fiesta Bowl.

"They may be the best football team in the country," said Holtz, whose 11-0 Irish held onto the No. 1 ranking with a 27-10 victory over USC this past weekend.

"Just observing them against Pittsburgh and Penn State," Holtz continued, "they were much more impressive against those two teams and beat them much easier than we did."

But if the Irish were less impressive against the Panthers and Nittany Lions than West Virginia was, the Notre Dame defense certainly turned (and jarring) some heads with its hard hitting against the Trojans. But the Irish defense is not Holtz’s main concern with one game standing in the way of a national championship.

"Offensively, I was exceptionally disappointed," Holtz said. "We have some problems in the offensive line and in our ability to move the football on a consistent basis. We just aren’t very good on the offensive line, and if you can’t run the football, you’re only kidding yourself."

Holtz credited the Southern Cal defense, which ranked first in the country against the rush entering the game, but compared the West Virginia defense to both USC and Michigan.

"Defensively, you’re looking at two very comparable teams," Holtz said when sizing up the Mountaineers and the Irish. Offensively, because of their line and receivers, I think you’re looking at a team superior to us at the present time."

Holtz said he does not expect a repeat bowl performance from the Irish, who lost 35-10 in the Fiesta Bowl.

Irish pass their first major test

By GREG GUFFEY
Sports Writer

With 11 minutes to play in its season opener against Northwestern Tuesday night, the women’s basketball team got its first big test.

Senior All-America candidate Heidi Bunek picked up her fourth foul and was forced to the bench. The Irish managed to hang on, hitting several crucial free throws in the late minutes for a 75-63 over the Wildcats in Welsh-Ryan Arena.

Second-year coach Muffet McGraw was happy to escape with the win, but said someone has to take over inside when Bunek gets in foul trouble.

"When Heidi got into foul trouble, that was a real problem," McGraw said. "We need a freshman who can step in and score from the block, but we did use our depth well with a couple of bursts in the second half."

With the youth and inexperience on this year’s Irish squad, McGraw expected a slow start. The Wildcats rallied, using a half-court trap to cut the lead to 24-21 at the half.

When Bunek picked up her fourth foul, the Wildcats battled for the national championship Jan. 2 against Notre Dame in the Fiesta Bowl.

West Virginia quarterback Major Harris will attend the Helsman trophy ceremony Saturday before battling the national champion.

ND to face nation’s best in Las Vegas Invitational

By GREG SCHECKENBACH
Sports Writer

Las Vegas means gambling, cheating and fun for most people, but for the 19th-ranked Notre Dame wrestling team it means blood, destruction and, maybe, a little bit of fun.

The wrestling team will put all the chips on the table this weekend in the Las Vegas Invitational tournament. The tournament is the second biggest in the country, with all the top teams represented, and is only outshined by the NCAA finals. Ten of the top twenty teams will be competitors including defending NCAA champion Oklahoma State.

"Las Vegas is a great tournament for the guys because it is exactly like the NCAA tournament and we will gain added experience in pressure situations," said Head Coach Fran McCann. "We’ll even get a chance to see some teams that we wouldn’t, otherwise, only see in nationals."

Last year the Irish placed 10th in Las Vegas and are expected to do even better this year due to practice over the Thanksgiving Holidays.

"This is the first year that we have kept our guys over the Thanksgiving Break to practice. Ordinarily, we don’t do that, but we really think we can accomplish something with this group in Las Vegas," stated McCann. "I think we can improve to about sixth in the tournament."

Notre Dame is fresh off a successful tournament in St. Louis where they captured many honors. Senior Co-captain Jerry Durso was named Outstanding Wrestler in the tournament while winning the 134-pound title. Durso also won his 100th career victory for Notre Dame.

"I’m pleased with the way we wrestled in St. Louis. We are not getting intimidated anymore and I expect nothing but improvement," said McCann.

McCann is expecting four wrestlers to draw seeds in the top five for Las Vegas. Durso, Andy Badenbaugh, Pat Boyd, and Chris Geneser all should be seeded in the important top bracket. Sophomore Mark Gerardi, who is suffering from an injured knee, should also have a good shot at a title this year.

"Mark is undoubtedly the most talented wrestler we have and if he can overcome his injury and compete at 100 percent, he definitely has the ability to place," said McCann.

The Irish will be without the services of freshman 190-pounder Tom Salvino who has an injured knee that might require surgery. He will be replaced by Curt Engler. Otherwise, Notre Dame will use its usual starters.

Freshmen Marcus Gowens and Chuck Weaver will get their first taste of a major tournament, while sophomores Todd Layton and Todd Tomasic will try to improve on their record and possibly surprise a few people with their performance.

"Nothing can stop us but ourselves," said McCann. "We are capable of beating anyone on any given day, especially in Vegas."