A community report last year said a single currency — instead of 11 different ones — would increase productivity by 5 percent of the community’s economic output, which was $6.4 trillion last year.

The new agreement does not exceed the monetary union also would help lower inflation and spur economic activity.

And, it said, businesses in the community would save $13 billion a year in foreign exchange costs by changing their currency, like the German mark, for another one.

But they also acknowledged the political problems of what is already the area of prosperity and political unity.

The leaders were spurred initially to give their economic club more powers by fear of competition from Japan and the United States.

The nations agreed in 1985 to create a single currency by the year 1992 by tearing down barriers preventing the free flow of money, people, goods and services.

But they felt they needed more, and set out to create an economic and monetary union with a European Central Bank and a single currency.

The nations agreed to begin work on a single currency, said Smith chased her, 31, had taken the stand, adamantly denying the rape. But he also thanked the judge and said, "I have an enormous debt to the system and to God and I seek only to help this young man who is in their custody.

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Phony parietals should be eliminated

Parietals, in the eloquent words of a friend of mine, make sure that "you can't hire women after midnight (on weekend)."

To be accurate, parietals are the hours when members of the opposite sex are not allowed in a student's dorm. At Notre Dame, the hours are between 11 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sundays through Thursdays and between 2 a.m. and 11 a.m. on weekends.

Parietals are enforced by our fearless (and clueless) leaders with all the restraint and dignity of Torquemada's Spanish Inquisition. This may lead one to ask: Why do parietals exist at all?

Parietals provide a "quiet time" during the evening for students to sleep and study without having up by the bunch of jocks who believe that should try to sleep in a men's dorm when there's a late-night study-break-style wrestling match going on in the room next door. Calling that "quiet time" is similar to calling Father Burchtassel psychologically sound.

• Are parietals a way to maintain privacy from the opposite sex in the evening and early morning, when we can wander through the halls in bathrobes without fear? Absolutely not, since I often stumble out of bed and toward the showers with only a towel around me. In order to find a maid in the halls, able to see me in all my splendor and glory.

• Incidentally, I don't believe that it's a coincidence that the University does not hire any attractive maids or housekeepers.

• Are parietals for our own safety and security? Give me a break! When was the last time a woman apprehended trying to steal wallets in men's dorms at 4 a.m.?

In the end, there is only one semi-valid reason for the university to have parietals: SEX.

You see, the administration, in its infinitely twisted wisdom, believes that if women are banned from men's halls after midnight, then they won't have sex while in that hall.

This thought process assumes several things:

• Young adults' hormone levels increase dramatically after midnight that can be held in check on weekends until 2 a.m.

• The only reason a woman should ever want to visit me in my room is to have sex with me. (Gee, that must explain why hundreds of women refused to go to my dorm with me last Saturday), and, my personal favorite:

• Non-men women, when placed in difficult situations, are incapable of making actual moral and ethical decisions (thanks for the trust guys).

The University is always trying to convince those people that produce people who can make informed ethical decisions and function well in a morally upright society. If our administrators believe that to be true, then parietals should be eliminated.

• If not, all the students should be fitted with chastity belts.

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Yeltsin: Slavic republics’ commonwealth to be joined by two additional members

MOSCOW (AP) — Boris Yeltsin said Wednesday two more republics will join the commonwealth forged by the three Slavic republics, adding momentum to efforts to replace the dissolving Soviet Union with a new political arrangement.

Four other republics called a meeting to decide on their stand on the commonwealth, founded over the weekend by Russia, Ukraine and Byelorussia.

Yeltsin met with senior Soviet Defense Ministry officials and army commanders to win support for the commonwealth, one day after Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev held talks with the same military leaders.

Gorbachev and Yeltsin are battling over who will decide the fate of the former Soviet Union, and both the Russian and the Soviet legislatures convened Thursday for crucial sessions on the new commonwealth. Ukraine and Byelorussia have already ratified it.

Yeltsin and Gorbachev met Wednesday for the second straight day. They refused to speak with reporters, but Yeltsin said later that Gorbachev had ruled out the use of force in their political confrontation, the Russian Information Agency reported.

Gorbachev said a separate meeting of Russian lawmakers that Gorbachev would remain commander-in-chief of the military for the present.

Although Gorbachev has struggled to keep the union intact, an aide acknowledged that it was a lost cause.

Igor Malashenko said on national television that the Soviet leader must retain that power and the right to represent the republics in foreign relations — even if it were to resign. "I think that Mikhail Gorbachev is ready to resign, probably he will do that, but I don't think his potential is exhausted," said Malashenko.

"The U.S.S.R., though no longer existing, remains a nuclear superpower, and for an interim period Russia, Byelorussia, Ukraine and Kazakhstan can form a military strategic union and entrust Mikhail Gorbachev with the authority to be at its head," he said.

Those four republics hold the Soviet's 27,000 nuclear warheads.

Yeltsin told reporters that Armenia and Kirgizia would be the first non-Slavic republics to join the commonwealth.

Armenia's decision was no surprise. Surrounded by hostile neighbors, Yeltsin, Armenia has sought recently to improve relations with Russia.

Despite Yeltsin's announcement, Kirgizia President Askhar Akayev told his republic's lawmakers it was up to them to decide to decide the issue of membership in the commonwealth, Tass reported.

Kirgizia will join the other Central Asian republics of Tadzhikistan, Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan at a meeting Thursday to decide on joining the commonwealth. Kazakhstan also will attend.

Malashenko said Gorbachev could help serve as a "bridge" between the three Slavic republics and the Muslim republics were he given a role in forming the commonwealth.

Gorbachev's aides have been working hard to stabilize the nation that he must stay in power and that the commonwealth is just a variation of his Union Treaty to hold the country together.

The commonwealth would eliminate all central structures except command over the armed forces. Gorbachev's proposal would preserve his presidency, and a coordinating role in economic policy, nuclear energy, transportation and military control.

The military will play a key role in determining who will win. The refusal of senior officers to obey orders of the August coup plotters played a crucial part in the collapse of the putsch.

A Soviet Defense Ministry spokesman was quoted as telling Tass that Yeltsin, Armenia has sought recently to improve relations with Russia.

"There can be no question about Armenian soldiers in the Russian army. The world public need have no worry about it," Lt. Gen. Konstantin Runov said.

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Germany decides to leave two-thirds of offices in Bonn

BERLIN (AP) — The government decided Wednesday to leave two-thirds of its bureaucracy in Bonn and move the rest east in the coming decade to give physical presence to Berlin's status as capital of united Germany.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Cabinet met in Bonn and acted on the specifics of the transfer, following Parliament's decision last June to move the capital, at least in principle, to Berlin.

Bonn was always considered a provisional capital of the federal republic before German unification in October 1990. Opponents of the transfer had argued it could reflect badly on united Germany since Berlin had been the capital of Nazi Germany and militaristic Prussia. Perhaps to address that concern, it was agreed that defense would be among the ministries remaining in Bonn.

A total of 10 of the 18 ministries will transfer headquarters. That will leave about 13,900 of 21,200 ministry staff members in Bonn, since even ministries that move will keep part of their staffs in Bonn.

German President Richard von Weizsäcker called it "an important step in the right direction," but said he would have preferred that at least the nucleus of all departments be moved to Berlin.

The government had pushed for the move to Berlin saying it was a sign of solidarity with eastern Germans. East Berlin had been capital of Communist East Germany.

Bonn Mayor Hans Daniels saw the announcement Wednesday as "a positive signal but no grounds for joy." His city of 300,000 people on the Rhine River expects to lose tens of thousands of civil servants, diplomats and legislators with their staffs.

Berlin, by far Germany's largest city with 3.4 million inhabitants, sees the seating of the bureaucracy as a means to raise economic activity and living standards in the formerly communist eastern half of the city.

Interior Minister Rudolf Sütterlin gave no estimate of the cost of moving.

Federal grand jury indictment against Keating expected

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A federal grand jury indictment was expected by Thursday against Charles Keating Jr. and four associates on criminal charges in the $2.6 billion collapse of his Lincoln Savings and Loan failure.

The indictment, long expected, came after a grand jury investigated the case for 2 1/2 years and five former Keating associates agreed in plea bargains to testify against him in the nation's worst savings and loan failure.

The five defendants planned to surrender to face the charges Thursday, eight days before the March deadline to renegotiate Arizona land developer and financier was convicted Dec. 4 in state court of securities fraud, their lawyers said.

"There will be a variety of paperwork that will have to be carried out and we'll have a hearing on bail," said Keating's attorney, Stephen Neal. He said in an interview that Keating Jr. will ask that Keating be allowed to remain free without bail pending trial because he is no flight risk or danger to society.

Keating has regularly appeared in state court, where he remains free on $100,000 bond pending appeal of his conviction on charges that carry a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison.

Many attorneys familiar with Keating's tangled legal affairs identified the other defendants in the federal case as:

- Judith Wischer, the former vice president of Keating's American Continental Corp., holding company.
- Keating's son, Charles Keating III, a former officer and director of ACC and many subsidiaries.
- Keating's son-in-law, Robert Wurzelbacher, a senior financial officer.
- Keating's son, Andrew Liggitt, ACC's chief financial officer.
- Attorneys for Wurzelbacher and Liggitt confirmed that their clients would surrender to a federal indictment Thursday.

Wischer's attorney, Abbe Lowitt, had been appearing as a commentator on CNN's broadcast of the William Kennedy Smith rape trial and did not immediately return a telephone call. Lowell had said previously, though, that he expected his client to be indicted.

And other lawyers close to the case, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said she was among the defendants.

Guatemalan imports

Freshmen Anthony Abalos and Lee Aimouz, left to right, peruse the variety of handmade clothes and jewelry on sale at the Guatemalan Imports shop set up in the Sorin Room of LaFortune until Saturday.

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Corporate jet crash claims nine victims in Georgia

ROME, Ga. (AP) — A corporate jet believed to be carrying executives on a Christmas tour of their grocery stores slammed into a mountain Wednesday, and authorities said at least nine people were killed.

Elsewhere, a Grand Canyon sightseeing plane crashed into a mountain east of Las Vegas in bad weather, killing at least five aboard, authorities said Wednesday after finding the wreckage.

In northern Georgia, a twin-engine Beechcraft jet bound for Christmas aboard, authorities said Wednesday after finding the wreckage.

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Aerospace industry to set sales record in 1991 despite Defense Dept. cutbacks

WASHINGTON (AP) — The aerospace industry will set a sales record in 1991 despite Defense Department cutbacks and a 100,000 reduction in employees, a trade association said Wednesday.

But tough times were predicted for the future.

The Aerospace Industry Association estimated at its annual year-end review luncheon that the industry's yearly sales record in 1991 despite Defense Dept. cutbacks announced by the Bush Administration.

"There is heavy pressure for defense cuts far below the levels envisioned by the original administration plan," said Don Fuqua, president of the AIA.

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making health care available to all citizens and making its price, which continues to rise.

"Right now, those that can't afford are paying for those that can't afford," he said. "No one is really denied access to health care in this country, but it's simply cost-shifting."

"They (people who can't afford adequate care) will show up at an emergency room and will receive treatment," he said, "and the cost of that treatment is covered by others within the system who have the ability to pay full cost..."

However, he added that a nationally-funded program would not work, and offered no definite solution to the conflict.

"It's not very clear thinking to think that we can simply turn this over to the federal government," he said. "To turn this over to the federal government, to have it administer a health care system for 250 million people and make it simple is stretching the imagination."

He said that such a change would result in Americans having to pay much higher taxes and that the quality of the health care they have come to "expect, enjoy and demand" would be undermined by a federally funded program.

"We're working in groups to target what the problem is," Coats said.

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Gourmet coffee shop will open in LaFortune

BY COLLEEN KNIGHT
Business Writer

Fudge 'N Things, the ice cream store in the basement of LaFortune, closed last Friday, and will be replaced by a gourmet coffee shop and delicatessen next semester.

University Food Services made the decision to close the ice cream store. A store that sells coffee, pastries, and caramel corn is "no longer the best choice," said to Dave Prentkowski, director of Notre Dame's food service. It is not meeting the objective of being desirable for the community," he said.

Employees of the Huddle and informal student surveys also helped make the decision to close Fudge 'N Things. Sherri Walter, assistant manager of the Huddle, said that business at the ice cream store has definitely decreased in the past few years.

Both Walter and Prentkowski agreed that it was also possible that business decreased at the ice cream store due to the constant popularity of Yo-Cream at the downtown mall.

Another factor in the decision was the need to utilize space more efficiently in the Huddle at lunchtime. Presently, hot lunches and sandwiches are only available upstairs, creating large crowds and long lines.

"No one is downstairs during lunchtime," Prentkowski said.

The food service plans to move the deli in the Huddle downstairs to the new shop. Ice cream will still be available in the ice cream shop, as well as soups, cold drinks, and ice cream sandwiches.

Prentkowski hopes to create a coffeehouse environment at the shop. He wants it to be a place for "social, social conversations, and relaxation."

He hopes to line up musicians to play there occasionally "to create a relaxed atmosphere."

The new shop should open during the first half of next semester.

Most remnants of Fudge 'N Things have been removed after its closing Friday. A gourmet coffee shop and delicatessen will open next semester in the basement of LaFortune.

Property rights battle freedom of speech in Janis Joplin lawsuit

WASHINGTON (AP) — The middle class is worse off financially than it was in 1980 and has seen its federal taxes drop even further, a congressional estimate released Wednesday said.

The findings were released with Congress and President Bush embroiled in a pre-election year war over who is to blame for the recession and how best to help its victims.

The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) said it believes the median income for families with children will be $37,300 next year, about $1,600 less than it was in 1980. Both figures were measured in 1992 dollars.

The figures also showed that as a result of tax law changes in the last 12 years, middle-income families will owe $100 more in 1992 than they would have had 1940 tax law still been in effect.

But the changes have left the richest 1 percent of families — earning more than $320,000 annually — with an average tax liability for 1992 that is 16,400 lower than it would have been under 1980 tax law.

CBO analyzes the economy and the budget for lawmakers. The figures were released by Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, one of Congress' leading advocates of tax cuts to help spark a recovery.

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Dear Editor:

Congratulations to Monica Yant for displaying the same type of ignorance which has allowed the rapid proliferation of AIDS in our society. The New York City public school system, by offering to condone students to students should be considered a success story from which the University of Notre Dame, with its antiquated Catholic values, might learn a thing or two.

The fact that 20 percent of all AIDS cases reported in New York City fall in the 13-to-21 year old age group indicates that promiscuous sex in that age group is not a new fact. Giving students condoms does not, as Ms. Yant points out herself undo the damage this group is already a fact. Giving Ms. Yant claims, send the message that premarital sex is permissible. Premarital sex is rather a pre-existing condition, as is the AIDS epidemic itself. When she writes that up to 60 percent of all teenagers admit to having sex, offering condoms to these tees at school is a simple stroke of genius. Since it is a fact that teenagers are indeed having sex, why not offer them protection against sexually transmitted diseases and reduce the number of teenage pregnancies? It sounds like a stroke of good idea to me.

Ms. Yant also questions whether or not it is even the "school's place to intervene." I reply: If not the school, then who? Obviously with such a large number of AIDS cases infecting such a young population, these people are not receiving education through the media, the church (preaching abstinence through a blind eye is not education), or the family. If the schools do not intervene, these people will only progress from the dismal condition they are in now, to one which is far worse.

The New York City school system has "failed the test," they have instead risen to the occasion. Schools in New York will now take up the burden that nobody else would, and they are doing so without necessarily promoting sex; on the contrary, schools are warning that abstinence is the only foolproof guarantee against sexually transmitted diseases. How dare Ms. Yant claim that this information, contained in each condom package, is there for only the "truly interested." Naivete and ignorance have clouded the issue of AIDS far too long. The disease infects indiscriminately. To facilitate the acquisition of protection against this disease is one way to fight it. To not give condoms to teens having promiscuous sex, as Ms. Yant seems to want, is one way to assure that the disease not only survives, but flourishes. Perhaps if my high school had been daring enough to offer condoms to already sexually active teens, I might not have lost a close friend to the HIV virus.

No, Ms. Yant, your mythical "Johnny" may not have learned to read or write (that is a separate issue for the educational system to handle), but if Johnny wishes to use condoms, he will have learned how to help prevent the spread of AIDS, and keep himself alive.

Michael Bertin
Off-campus
Dec. 11, 1991

Dear Dr. Thomas Sowell

I conceive of staff and faculty as 'front line mental health workers' who are presented with problems in the early stages of development. Fortunately the overwhelming number of faculty staff know when to continue counseling and when to refer. Any system without controls is open to abuse. However, to abandon the system would be, I believe, a major mistake.

Patrick Utz
Director, UCC
Dec. 9, 1991

Faculty counseling valuable for students

Dear Editor:

In the December 5th edition of The Observer, Professor Edward Manier was interviewed concerning the resigna­tion of Father Burtchaell. He made a number of important observations and comments. However, I feel that as Director of the Counseling center I should make the following point. Notre Dame is very fortunate to have a tradition of faculty, staff and administrators who are available to "counsel" students. Counseling can and does occur at any levels of expertise.

It would be a great loss to our students if they would conclude that they shouldn't talk about their problems to the many people here who have "open doors." It would also be a loss for faculty and staff. Talking to students expands their awareness of the psychological whereabouts of today's young people.

After reading the article someone commented to me that UCC would be "overrun" with clients if other sources of help were not employed. This is possible. However, the opposite might also be true. One of the reasons that the use of our office has grown so much is that faculty and staff create an environment for students to talk about their problems. They are also a source of referrals to UCC.

I hope to continue giving helpful comments to students.

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Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter in response to the recent article (Dec. 10) The Observer published concerning the Senate's voting to help fund Right to Life for the C. M. March. First of all I would like to thank the Senate for voting to add funds to our treasury. Yet I was surprised to see that the Club Coordination Council (CCC) criticized the group for not following their facts straight. I am not saying that there were several errors in his writing which led to the inappropriate following of the procedure. We had already gone through no fault of the Right to Life group.

The truth of the matter, however, is that the group followed the directions that the CCC gave it. If there was a breakdown in communication which led to the inappropriate following of the procedure, it was not the fault of the Right to Life group. I am not blaming the Senate. I am blaming all students with hectic schedules who read a caption in the article, the village of Maaloula In Syria.

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Good Samaritan

ND alumna helps homeless in South Bend

By MEREDITH MCCULLOUGH

The story of the good Samaritan is nothing new. A Jewish man is robbed, beaten, and left suffering in the road to die. A rabbi passing by sees the miserable man, but continues along his way. A Samaritan, however, notices the victim, stops, nurses his wounds, and carries him to safety.

What is the difference between the rabbi and the Samaritan, asks Lou Nanni, director of the Center for the Homeless and Notre Dame graduate. Referring to a sermon by Martin Luther King, he explains. "When the rabbi saw the man, he asked himself, 'What will happen to me if I help this man?" Nanni said.

"The good Samaritan," added Nanni "reversed the question. When he saw the man, he asked, 'What will happen to me if I don’t help?'"

When one invests time and effort into such a relationship, one can’t help but be affected, Nanni explained. "All of a sudden his or her problems become your own. Dreams become transformed. It's inevitable."

Awareness of these problems leads a person to one of three choices: to lie by convincing oneself that the problems do not exist, to live in shame by doing nothing, or to take a risk by attempting to make a change.

The third option is one that prompts individuals to "do something which makes my dreams become 'our' dreams," according to Nanni.

At the Center, Nanni tries to get to know as many of the guests as he can. He added, "This is more for me than for them." He said, "I find this the most challenging—the most fulfilling. It is very important both on a personal level and socially."

Nanni's official responsibilities as executive director are many. He works with the Center’s Board on personal issues, oversees operations with the help of the operations director, organizes fundraising, handles administrative duties and community relations, and sets up programming to provide assistance and treatment to the homeless.

"If I say everything I do, it will sound like I have too big a job," he said laughing.

While any full-time career in the social services can be overwhelming at times, Nanni said he has found positive ways to deal with this feeling.

One thing that helps, he said, is to think of Mother Theresa and the way in which she responded to a reporter's question concerning feeling overwhelmed.

According to Nanni, she said that she never sees all the dying people in Calcutta, she only sees the two eyes in front of her. It is important "to focus primarily on who you are with, what you are doing, and the rightness of your actions," said Nanni. "The process is always as important as the results."

Nanni said that he also depends upon his faith to get him through hard times. It helps to understand that the way to God is "through weakness, brokenness, and failure," he said.

In a society that drives us to be more and more perfect, we have a tendency to translate this to Christianity—"if we sin less God will love us as good little Christians," he said. "We need to embrace emptiness, embrace brokenness in society."

By accepting this "brokenness," Nanni said individuals learn more about their need for God and their need for others.

In addition to turning to Mother Theresa's and his own faith, Nanni explained that in any job situation, the individual must keep a life outside of his or her work.

"It is important to do other things," said Nanni, "I like to play basketball." He said that sometimes he finds peace in going somewhere where he is not known as someone who works with the homeless, but as "a point guard who can’t hit an outside shot."

This year, Nanni returned to South Bend once more to take his place at the Center for the Homeless. There, he and his staff have been able to encourage others to ask the Samaritan’s question, "What will happen to these people if I do not help?"

"I took the job at the homeless shelter not because they needed me," he said. "I felt like I needed the homeless... It is in giving that you receive, but sometimes you find you receive a lot more than you gave."

"I feel like a beginner," he added. "The homeless are teachers. Sometimes it is very painful, but it’s where I want to be."
Magic holds shooting session with Big Media

NEW YORK (AP) — Magic Johnson, joking about tabloid stories that he was too ill to get out of bed, squelched the rumors Wednesday in the best way he could — with a smile and a talk with the media.

Johnson shot pots for 30 minutes at the Madison Square Garden floor — with former Los Angeles Lakers coach Pat Riley as his partner — then reassured reporters that his workouts are a daily occurrence.

Johnson, who retired from the Lakers on Nov. 7 after testing positive for HIV, said that some reports about him are so bizarre that they’re funny.

He recalled former teammate Johnson as the "last sensationalist newspaper and read them on the team bus.

"I’d catch myself thinking, ‘Wow, a ape gave birth to a tiger,’ Johnson said. "Now I’m on the front pages of them newspapers.

Several recent missed appointments, he said, were simply misunderstanding as the tabloids have a field day when ever anything happens.

"My wife and I just laugh at those things, reports that she’s sleeping in the basement in the maid’s room, things like that," Johnson said. He said he originally planned to work out with Riley in private, but when he pressed the learned of the meeting, he de cided to open it to the media.

"One of the lowest low situations is all of my friends calling me wondering if I’m sick, and my wife thinks I’m not telling her things," Johnson said. "I’m not into putting on a show to show people I’m healthy. We see I’m healthy because I’m out in pub lic all the time.

"They’re going to remain a public person. I’m not going to change. I’m still going out. Johnson said he was running four miles daily, mostly on a treadmill, but he welcomed the chance to shoot a basketball with Riley.

"He knows me and it means something to work out with him," Johnson said. "He’s the best, more than my coach, he’s my friend. I think this is my best work out training.

Johnson said he has no intention of missing the Olympics and expects to be "more special than ever because it will be my first time back. I’ll con tinue to work out. Hopefully I won’t have to play a lot of min utes, but I’ll be ready."

He said he had to retire from the Lakers because he "wanted to live a long time." Johnson said he considered himself fortunate to have a 12 year career "because I was young. I’d be feeling withdrawal, but I only had a couple of seasons left," he said.

"What I miss most is the camaraderie with the fellas and the big game, playing against Larry Bird and here at the Garden.

"I want to go games now, I want to being a spectator, a fan, a coach and a cheerleader."

As a spokesman against the AIDS epidemic, Johnson said he had to have "on-the-job training. I learned to put the message out right, the safest sex is no sex, if you have sex, then have safe sex.

"It’s just funny," Johnson said.

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**HELP**

We GRABBED the WRONG WHITE JACKET AFTER THE FAMOUS FISHER CAMPFIRE CAMEA rally at THE K.C. INSIDE WAS BUS CARD, 6PM. IN LAKEVIEW IN LAXVILLE 34327.

**FOUND**: A pair of wire rimmed eyeglasses was found Sunday right before 10:00 pm on a road next to Pizza Hut. He left his keys and his wallet in his car and walked home. Call [phone number], his keys are in his pockets.

**LOST**: Between PE and PW on 259-2046 a 12 ft. spring loaded fox hunt round container. If found please call [phone number]. It contains 100,000 dinosaur eggs and a 12 ft. PE.

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**Lost. - One Navy blue Eddie Bauer back pack in bookracks on Friday. Contains computer disk drive that I desperately need. If you have then please call 2817. REWARD IF RETURNED, NO QUESTIONED ASKED.**
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Mitchell heads to Seattle in five-player deal with Giants

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The Seattle Mariners finally made the move they have been planning, and it wasn’t to Florida.

Instead, as many teams packed up and left the winter meetings Wednesday, the shackles of uni in baseball found a foundation player in Kevin Mitchell.

The Mariners traded three pitchers to San Francisco for Mitchell and a minor league pitcher, saving the best deal of the week until the end. Mitchell has hit 109 home runs in three years, and may hit even more in the Kingdome, the Florida Suncoast Dome or wherever the Mariners might wind up.

For commissioner Fay Vincent, there is an even more pressing matter. He said he wouldn’t meet with NFL owners to talk about AIDS.

"We think it is appropriate for us to come together," Vincent said. "I am sure each of us can contribute something. Each of us has a lot to learn." Vincent made his remarks following a joint owners meeting. In other business, Vincent said it was up to the New York Yankees’ partners to pick a successor for Robert Nederlander to run the team. Nederlander is resigning Dec. 31. Vincent did not comment on the possibility of George Steinbrenner returning.

While the owners met, three other swaps were worked out, starting when Kansas City’s Todd Bennington was sent to Los Angeles for Cory Gentry.

Later, Philadelphia’s Bruce Ruffin and Milwaukee’s Dale Sveum traded places and then Cincinnati made its first trade of the off-season, sending John Wetteland to Montreal for Dave Martinez in a five-player deal.

Tom Kelly, meanwhile, was rewarded for being the AL manager of the year and leading Minnesota to the World Series championship when the Twins gave him a one-year extension through 1997.

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"As a team, we have a lot to learn," said Vic Carapaz, the Mariners’ general manager.

"We needed someone like Kevin," said Smulyan said. "He’s the kind of leader we need." It cost the Mariners more than money. To get Mitchell and a moulding plan for the Mariners, the Twins gave him a one-year contract extension through 1997 at $3.5 million per year.

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McNally to tear down Exhibition Stadium

TORONTO—Plans are under way to tear down Exhibition Stadium and replace it with an arena for concerts, hockey, basketball and other professional sports. The proposed arena, which would seat about 22,000, would be big enough to accommodate the NHL's Toronto Maple Leafs or an NBA franchise, according to the plans Bruce McNall, co-owner of the Toronto Argonauts of the Canadian Football League, has been scouting for an NBA franchise for Toronto. All financing comes from the private sector and the city would lease the land to the company granted the right to build the arena. “This is a great deal if it goes through,” said Peter Moore, chief general manager of Exhibition Place.

Smith visits Southern Cal and Stanford

COLUMBUS, Ohio—Former Ohio State tailback Robert Smith will visit Southern Cal and Stanford within a week about a possible transfer, but he has not eliminated the option of returning to OSU. Smith said he would visit Southern Cal on Thursday and Stanford on Monday. And what about a return to Ohio State? “Anything is possible,” he told The Columbus Dispatch in an interview published Wednesday. Smith, quit the Ohio State team just before the start of the season. He cited a lack of concern for academics and players’ health by head coach John Cooper and offensive coordinator Elliot Uzelac. Smith said he would not return unless both coaches were removed.

Cox pays dearly for visit with Bush

NATLANTA—Atlanta Braves manager Bobby Cox enjoyed his visit to the White House last month, but it cost him.

Cox was fined $2,000 after he was named National League manager of the year. “At first I didn’t know if I wanted to go, if I’d have a good time,” Cox said. “But it was a very enjoyable trip, too. He had to buy a dress for his wife, Pam, and a tuxedo for himself, plus plane tickets and a hotel room. The four days in Washington cost him $4,000, Cox said.

Deion markets Primetime suit

NATLANTA—Deion Sanders, nicknamed Prime Time, is trying to break into the retail business. Sanders is marketing a line of “Primetime” jogging suits, winter coats with down lining and fur collars, sweatshirts and T-shirts. True to Sanders’ fashion flair, the merchandise carries a “lightning paws” logo. And the $125 jogging suits are available in bright orange, purple and green combinations.

Sanders has toyed with the idea before, but didn’t make a major marketing push until his Atlanta Braves and Atlanta Falcons began doing better on the playing field. The Braves went from last-place to the World Series in October, and the former San Francisco 49ers are playing in the playoffs. “Success does things,” Sanders said. “I’m trying to get the goods out there.”

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Flood’s outstanding campaign. “I know sometimes I just wanted to give up,” said Flood. “And they’d always have a few words to help me along.”

As far as the future goes for the freshman sensation, she is competing on the Notre Dame track team, and she has a simple formula to continue running as well as she did on the Irish cross-country team. “Keep training and running races,” said Flood. “I hope I’ll do well.”

Bet on Flood’s formula and her hard work to bring her continued success beyond her freshman campaign.

Missouri jumps out to 4-0 start

Tiger squad shines in coach Stewart’s 25th campaign

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FIRST DOWN ON THE BOSTON COLLEGE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Eagles prey upon Irish in Beantown, 78-54

Notre Dame drops to 1-4 after loss to Boston College

Observer Staff Report

NEWTON, Mass.—Billy Curley scored 17 of his 22 points in the opening half as Boston College capitalized on 17 Notre Dame first-half turnovers and roiled to a 78-54 romp over the stumbling Irish Wednesday night.

Boston College raised its record to 6-0, its best start since 1985-86. The Irish, playing their second of nine straight road contests, fell to 1-4. Notre Dame’s only win under first-year coach John MacLeard came in a 71-66 triumph at Valparaiso Monday.

The Irish finished with 23 turnovers and shot just 39 percent from the floor. The Eagles, who trailed only after the game’s initial basket, led 45-22 at intermission.

Gerrrd Abram scored 14 points, Howard Easley added 12 and Malcolm Huckaby had 10 for BC. David Hinton also chipped in with 10 points, all coming in the first half.

Senior LaPhonso Ellis paced Notre Dame with 18 points and 15 rebounds, his fourth time this season he’s posted double-figures in both columns.

After Ellis’ dunk cut the Eagles’ lead to 20-14 with 11 minutes remaining in the first half, Curley’s short jumper, his first of three baskets in the run, triggered a 21-3 spurt over the next 7:35.

After Curley’s basket, Abram nailed a three-pointer and Curley followed with a turn-around jumper inside the lane. Daimon Sweet converted a three-point play with 7:57 left before the Eagles closed the final 3:46 of the run with 14 consecutive points.

The Irish never moved closer than 20 points in the final 15 minutes.

Ellis was unstoppable in the first eight minutes of the game, scoring eight points and grabbing nine rebounds.

MacLeod’s 1-4 start is the worst for a Notre Dame team since the Irish began the 1972-73 season at 1-6.

The year before, in Digger Phelps’ first season, the Irish fell to Indiana 94-29 and UCLA 114-56 amongst other early-season blowouts before closing the gaps in late-season matchups with top teams.

MacLeod’s team has found the early parts of 1991-92 similarly difficult, and little relief exists in a schedule which includes North Carolina, Duke, Kentucky, Syracuse and Virginia—all on the road.

The Irish got three weeks off to recuperate before the third game of their nine-game road trip. Play will resume January 3 when Notre Dame travels to Lexington to face Rick Pitino’s Kentucky Wildcats.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Basketball big loser after Howard’s gridiron successes

Howard, he made it clear he wasn’t going anywhere without Grbac. Ohio State had just fired Earle Bruce and was bringing in John Cooper, Howard said. “I didn’t want to be part of a rebuilding program. I wanted to be part of a program that was already established so I could go to a Rose Bowl.”

“T think my decision has definitely worked in my favor thus far.”

Indeed. The fourth-ranked Wolverines (10-1) will play No. 2 Washington (11-0) in the Rose Bowl on New Year’s Day.

Howard and Grbac, both of whom have a season of eligibility remaining, have so far combined for 31 touchdown passes, an NCAA record for one season.

They also combined for 19 touchdown passes this season, breaking the NCAA single-season record set in 1989 by Andre Ware and Manny Hazard of UCLA.

Howard also set an NCAA record by catching at least one touchdown pass in 32 consecutive regular season games.

The 5-foot-11, 176-pound Howard’s 1991 touchdown passes and 1,749 all-purpose yards this season are the best for a Notre Dame team since the Irish began the 1972-73 season at 1-6.

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“T had known Desmond was a good basketball player,” J. Howard recalled. “That’s why he wanted to go to St. Joseph’s. But after he scored five touchdowns in his first football ball game, I said, ‘Maybe we better rethink this thing.’”

But the young Howard’s time on the basketball court wasn’t completely wasted. It was on the basketball team that he became friends with a tall, raw­ boned kid named Elvis Grbac.

In the 11th grade, after some pleading by his pal, Grbac tried out for the football team. His inexperience showed, but they let him play quarterback where his main function was to hand the ball off to Howard, a dynamite tailback in those days.

Flood comes a long way from Dublin

Freshman cross-country runner leads team in 1991

By JONATHAN JENSEN

Sports Writer

Eva Flood certainly has come a long way.

The freshman from Dublin, Ireland first set foot on American soil this fall, and to­ day she is the Observer Player of the Year for the Notre Dame women’s cross-country team.

Flood was a bright spot for Notre Dame all season as she led the Irish in four out of their six meets. Her freshman cam­ paign is even more astounding if you consider the fact that in addition to getting used to col­ legiate cross-country she had to adjust to college life in a dif­ ferent country.

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