Snow storm forces first shutdowns in over 15 years

By SARAH DORAN

Yesterday morning's cancellation of classes marked the first time that the University has been forced to shut down classes since January 25-27, 1978, when it closed for three days due to a blizzard that dropped over 40 inches of snow in the area.

The 1978 storm, which owns a place in the record books as Indiana’s worst blizzard and was declared a disaster by the Federal Emergency, crippled the entire Midwest and caused extensive damage to homes and businesses.

Road conditions were cited as the greatest concern, as the blizzard forced the authorities to close all area highways and left thousands of people stranded in their homes.

Yesterday's cancellation of classes was due to the snow, as thousands of students were left without transportation and unable to attend classes.

Over one hundred people were stranded in cars on wet roads, while others took shelter inmd waiting for help.

The decision to close the University was based upon the situation at Notre Dame, which was closed due to the heavy snowfall.

The University’s decision was based upon the input from the state and county employees, who were asked to work on the roads to ensure their safety.

The University libraries were closed, and all non-essential employees were asked to stay home.

As of this writing, the University is operating with a reduced staff, and all classes are canceled until further notice.

History Department chairman Thomas Keelman, who heard of the shutdown by way of the media, said that the storm was the worst since the blizzard of 1978, which he experienced at the University of Michigan.

He agreed with the University's decision to shut down, adding that he would not have been able to make it in the extreme conditions.

The University’s first snow day in 15 years by shutting down the hill in front of Lewis Hall on a tray borrowed from the dining hall.

Candiates begin campaigns

Candiates for class office began campaigning at midnight on Monday, Feb. 22.

Because of the snow, some candidates were delayed in having their posters approved by Student Activities, but most have posted their posters, said Andrea Sullivan, election commissioner with Andrew Affles.

The following are the students running for president:

- E.A. Goerner, professor of government, who was also informed of the situation by way of the media, agreed that he would not have been able to drive, but would have come in because he usually walks to school. He instead spent the day studying.

Candidates for class office include:

- Sarah Wade of Fisher is running for president with Elic Smith of Breen-Phillips, vice-president, and Molly Donius of Howard, secretary.

- Sean Sullivan of Zahm is running for president with Christina Bagaglio of Knott, vice-president, and Merrie Domene of Zahm, treasurer.

- Andrea Sullivan, election commissioner with Andrew Affles.

- Dan Connolly of Keenan is running for senior class president with Maura Cavanagh of Zahm, vice-president, and John Belcher of Grace, secretary.

- Michael McEvilly of Grace is running for president with John Appleby of Breen-Phillips, vice-president, Mike Forio of Howard, treasurer, and Molly Domius of Howard, secretary.

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B.P. wins Iceberg Debate crown

By JASON WILLIAMS

Over one hundred people braved the snow and cold last night at LaFortune Hall to capture the 1993 Iceberg Debate championship with a final score of 3,500 to 3,000.

Breen-Phillips' team of Katie Moore, Michael Casper, Andrea Sullivan, and E.A. Goerner defeated Grace Hall resident, with approximately 100 people in attendance. The team included preparation help from Karen Sullivan, directed by Dr. Maloney, and half of the Breen-Phillips squad.

Karen and Sheila have both had a lot of fun in helping to get ready," DuBay said. "It was definitely a team effort from all four of us." The effort was rewarded with a $500 first place prize for the dorm and a championship trophy given to the winners.

Breen-Phillips was the top ranked team ever since the end of the preliminary rounds. All teams were "power-ranked" according to their records going into the quadrants. DuBay said this placed pressure on their team to perform up to their top billing.

"We were sort of surprised after the monthly round to find that we were the number one seed," he said. "I think any team would feel pressure if they were in one of the top spots."

Ron Fanelli of Zahn is running for president with Brandy Frailey of Zahn, vice-president, Michael Caradonna of Zahn, for treasurer, and John Belcher of Grace, secretary.

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Support the Bengals; a great tradition

Brian Weiford's hands drop almost imperceptibly. Seeing his opening, his sparring partner Kevin O'Rourke quickly flicks out a left jab-right hand combination. As the two boxers disengage and continue to circle the ring, O'Rourke instructs Weiford: "Keep your hands up, Brian. You're dropping you right."

This scene is a sparring session between two members of the Notre Dame Boxing Club, in preparation for the 63rd Annual Bengal Bouts.

The Bengal Bouts were created in 1931, by Dominick "Nappy" Napolitano, who was guided by a simple philosophy: "Strong bodies fight, that weak bodies may be nourished."

These simple, poetic words still guide the Bouts today. All proceeds from the Bengal Bouts go to the Holy Cross Missions in Bangladesh. In a country where one dollar can feed a family of five, the approximately $15,000 donated by the Bouts each year really helps to make a difference.

The culmination of all of this hard work began in the spring of this year, when the quarterfinals of the Bengal Bouts were held. 62 boxers in 12 weight classes stepped into the ring to do their small part for the Bengal Missions.

In 1954, Father Lawrence L. Graves, C.S.C., sent a letter from the Missions to Nappy. This letter is reprinted in this year's program:

"I wish I could conduct you and the entire student body on a complete tour of the Missions here in Pakistan. I believe your enthusiasm for the Bouts and for the Bengal Missions of Holy Cross would have a blessed influence and intensity never before felt."

Although it is not probable that you will make this trip, you can still do your part in support of the Missions: come out and watch the remaining rounds of the Bengal Bouts. Cheer on someone from your hall, your hometown, or just anybody at all. The boxers have worked hard, and deserve your recognition.

The semifinals are tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the AC's Fieldhouse, with the finals slated for Friday, Feb. 26 at 8 p.m. in the main arena. Tickets are available at the door.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Israelis willing to speed Palestinian return

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli officials indicated Tuesday they were willing to speed review of Palestinian deportation cases — a move designed to aid Secretary of State Warren Christopher’s efforts to resume Middle East peace talks.

But the initial Palestinian response was cool. Hanan Ashrawi, spokeswoman for Palestinian negotiators said: "Under the present conditions I don’t think the peace talks will resume. We have to try our best to change the conditions, particularly for the deportees."

Christopher is looking for Israeli gestures to enable the Palestinians to agree to resume negotiations with Israel in April. He planned to meet with the Palestinians again on Wednesday. Ashrawi’s statement to reporters may not be the Palestinians’ final position.

In addition to the concession offered public assurances that deporting Palestinians is not the States would be a "full partner" in any new talks.

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Snow

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Weather reports call for brutally cold temperatures to dominate the next few days. The next storm system, which is still 24-36 hours away, will produce additional snow in the southern Michigan and northern Indiana area. Heavy accumulation is not expected.

According to weather reports, thawing of any sort is still 24-36 hours away, will process the snow and all, but didn't know what to expect with the snow and all, but fortunately everything went well.

TURN OUT YOUR LIGHTS!

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RIO CELEBRATION DRAWS TO CLOSE

As the four-day carnival that ended Tuesday, Rio's spectacular samba parade came to a close. Carnival celebrations were held in nearby Sambadrome arena.

Tens of thousands of feathered and sequined dancers took part in the city's two-day parade that ended early Tuesday. More than 75,000 spectators cheered on the dancers, and huge percussion groups marching on and between elaborate floats.

On each day, seven of Rio's 'samba schools'—neighborhood groups from the mostly black slums—marched for 10 hours in the six-block-long Sambadrome arena.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP) — The four-day Carnival celebration came to a close Tuesday, Rio's spectacular samba parade. A truck carrying two children killed two people on their way to a local hospital. The driver was reported drunk. The victims were two children. The truck driver, who survived, was reported drunk. Authorities could not be reached for comment.

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Two million people, drunk, danced, and paraded through-out the city on Fat Tuesday in the last hours before Lent ended the Mardi Gras party. "I've been doing this 62 years," said 62-year-old John Davis (his parents brought him as an infant), "The secret is to start early and pace yourself. You drink a little, dance a little, eat a little. Do it all real slow and have someone to take you home."

By midday, revelers jammed the narrow streets of the French Quarter, drinking in hand, as the profanity reached full cry under sunny skies and temperatures in the mid-60s.

Along the routes of 11 parades, revelers staked out front-row spots overnight. "We got here at 3 a.m. Monday," said Will Fleener of Hammond, one of a dozen clowns eating doughnuts and drinking beer. "We do this every year. There is no party anywhere in the universe to compare to this."

The police were out in force, but reported no serious problems.

A rider fell off a float in the Zulu parade when he passed out and slipped off his safety harness. Doctors said he suffered head and neck injuries. In the same parade, a 16-year-old boy on the street was hit by a float, but wasn't badly hurt, police said.

Along parade routes, well-stacked ice chests lined the sidewalks and barbecue grills were set up. Families cooked out, children played, music blared.

"We've got 25 people and four generations here," said Emma Sherman, 47, of Chalmette. "My daughter's baby is only 7 months old but we painted her face and made her a costume. Start them early."

Sherman's 77-year-old mother, like the rest of the group, was costumed as a diplomat, complete with spoons and long floppy ears.

Costumes ranged from the easy to the intricate. One man wore the cardboard cover from his case of beer, held up with suspenders, and went out dressed as a costume (except jogging shorts). In the French Quarter, the popular beauty contest for transvestites featured some of the most elaborate costumes and some of the least clothing.

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Attention Juniors! JPW Pictures!

The candid proofs that were taken at the JPW Friday Gala will be on display for ordering purposes. Remember the token color that the photographer gave you so that you can look at the right proof boards.

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L.A. schools debut gun control effort

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The reality behind the lesson recited by 15 children in an elementary school library Tuesday was as close as the headline on a newspaper on a desk: "Student Shot, Dies at Reseda High."

Helping teach them how to prevent gun violence was James Brady, the former White House press secretary who was seriously wounded in the 1981 attempted assassination of President Reagan.

What do you do if you see a gun, asked Christita Davis, counselor at Weemes Elementary School, which is nestled in a neighborhood southwest of downtown.

"Don't touch the gun. Get out of the situation. Tell a trusted adult," answered the youngsters, who wore blue sashes marked "PeaceMaker."

The demonstration of the new program in the Los Angeles Unified School District coincided coincidentally with a shooting on a district campus in one month.

Correction

In a story in yesterday's edition, The Observer incorrectly reported the St. Mary's College Ash Wednesday Mass as sponsored by Board of Governance. The Mass is sponsored by Campus Ministry. In a related story, Melissa Weisman was incorrectly identified as the spiritual life commissioner of Student Activities Board, rather than the spiritual life commissioner of Board of Governance. The Observer regrets the error.

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WSND seeks input about campus radio
Dear Editor:
In response to Mike Scrudato's Feb. 16 "Inside Column" ("WSND's the Other Radio Alternative") WSND has become intensely curious about what students think about campus radio here at ND.
The column praised WSND's "Nocturne" program, which features alternative/progressive rock every night between midnight and 2 a.m. However, Mr. Scrudato went on to express his dismay over the program's late start time and proposed it be rolled back to 10 p.m., providing an additional two hours per night of this area's only stereo alternative music.
This is an important issue to the WSND staff, and we have responded by sending out a survey to random students from both Notre Dame and Saint Mary's. Your input is vital! Please take the time to fill out this survey and send it back to Pete Matthews, 214 Alumni Hall, Notre Dame. Thank you.

Pete Matthews
WSND Program Director
Feb. 19, 1993

Lent is the time to turn back to God and reflect
Dear Editor:
The season of Lent is a time when Christians are called to reflect on the great chain of sin created by humanity and God. It is not very difficult to recognize that separation as it manifests itself in the evils of today's world. It is perhaps most immediately apparent in the violence, the hatred, and the tension that too often pervade relations between individuals, races and ethnic groups, sexual classes, political parties and factions, and entire nations. Such a state of affairs is bound to continue in the measure that humanity turns its heart away from the Love that is God.
Nonetheless, we need not despair of the present situation. For in turning back to God, we open ourselves up as channels through which the healing power of divine peace and love might flow, thus helping the world towards a realization of the Kingdom "on earth as it is in heaven." One traditional means by which Christians—and monotheists in general—have sought reconciliation with God is prayer. With full confidence in the importance of prayer for the spiritual and moral well-being of human kind, and for genuine peace in a troubled world, Pax Christi N.D. is sponsoring three prayer vigils during this Lenten season. Each will take place at Stonehenge at 6:00 p.m., the first on February 26, the second on March 26, and the third on April 22. Each will last between 30 and 45 minutes, weather permitting. Please do come join us in prayer.

Paul Rowe
St. Ed's Hall
Feb. 23, 1993

County income tax proposal would also hit Notre Dame
Dear Editor:
As the largest employer in St. Joseph County Indiana, members of the Notre Dame and St. Mary's community should be made aware of a proposal to impose a County Option Income Tax (COIT) on all residents and/or employees within the county. This proposal would amount to six tenths of one percent (0.6 percent) of the income of virtually all ND/SM faculty, staff, and employed students.
As many of you may know this county is plagued with nepotism, political favors, county employees doing personal work on county time, and at least two cases of apparent embezzlement. There have been no serious attempts to reduce spending or cut costs. If passed this tax will cost all ND/SM employees a significant amount at a time when other taxes are likely to be going up. If you oppose yet one more level of government reaching into your pocket you must call the local powers that be to tell them to vote in opposition to this proposal.
You can call the St. Joseph County Council at 284-9658 and the County Commissioners at 284-9534 to register your opposition or to get the names and numbers of the individual council members so that you can contact each one individually. You can also come to the 4th floor of the County-City Bldg, downtown South Bend on March 2 at 7:00 p.m. to tell the county council how you feel in a public forum. It is your right to speak, so use it.
You can call me at 631-5755 or 273-7296, and I will provide you with all the names and numbers. You do not have to be a resident to speak against this tax, as you will be taxed even if you don't live here but receive an income within the county (students take note if you work here). If you don't speak up, you will pay the price.

Barry Baumann
Pharmacy Department
Feb. 23, 1993

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

DONESBURY

BECAUSE THAT ABOUT DOES IT. YOU GAVE ME YOUR SIGNATURE, AFTER ALL.

THANKS FOR HELPING ME SUGAR MY MUG, AM I WEARING A BIG CUP?

HEY, NO PROBLEM, MAN.

NICE MEETINGS YOU MAKE, "DONESBURY." SAME HERE.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Everybody making more that $36,000 a year will have their taxes increased if Bill Clinton is President of the United States." — Dan Quayle

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On the road again: places to roadtrip

ow that football season is over and the weather will hopefully get better, students find their weekends finally loaded with weekend entertainment options. Some students may want to broaden their horizons beyond the scope of Corby's and Bridge's. Here are some fabulous roadtrip ideas. If you actually find this movie, you'll get your picture taken with him and make a cool million from "The National Enquirer." Elvis attitude is in order for this roadtrip.

Las Vegas: Looking for some fast spring break cash? With next semester's tuition money and a little luck you could be the next millionaire. The town is characterized by its lavish hotels with huge pools, bars and casinos. One could probably break every rule in "Dud-Not" in just a few short hours in this haven of sin. Warning: go before, soon the mass tax increase.

Bend: Do you actually exist? Watch the television series "Picket Fences" being filmed live, twins and all. This town is filled with famous "Our Miss Brooks" and "Father Knows Best." Notre Dame, particularly because of the judges' handwriting on "DuVernois."

Niagara Falls: Besides the actual falls, which are beautiful in themselves, this town is full of fabulous gift shops, bookstores with lifelike figures of Elvis and Elvira, the fun house, or one of the several thousand head-and-neckline trunk sets. You can buy everything from snowmen of the falls to Niagara falls underwear and seashells. Of course every item was made in this small tourist trap town, just 'quis.'

Disney World: If you have an abundance of cash, I highly recommend this playground. Disneyland is at this point that Heidi meets Peter (Michael Scarsella) a shy, somewhat nerdy character so that they will come and dance with her. Heidi is participating in a protest in front of the Chicago Art Institute because of their beatnik exhibits by female artists. It is at this point that Peter reveals that he has feelings for the young Heidi that make her blush.

The scene moves to 1968, where Heidi, now a young woman, runs into friends at a Madison bar. She meets a man (Steve Farnen) who is at this point that Heidi meets Peter (Michael Scarsella) a shy, somewhat nerdy character for the short amount of time she spends on stage.

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Piccy brings diversity and feminism to festival

BY LARISSA HERCEG

Accent Writer

Internationally published Marge Piercy, will be performing at the Sophomore Literary Festival. Piercy is expected to read a selection of her poetry, as well as an essay or excerpt from some of her other longer pieces. The reading, which is in the Library Auditorium, will be followed by a question and answer session. Piercy will also hold a discussion on Feb. 25 (Wednesday) at 8:30 p.m. in the Library Lounge.

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Northwestern women for next season's tennis

By RIAN AKEY
Sports Writer

When the Notre Dame women's tennis team squares off against Northwestern today, it is a record I can be happy about. It is a record the Irish would like to raise between stadium and DeBart.

Somehow I've been able to develop two of their top three freshman, both seniors. Both seniors are the mid-semester break.

We created a must-win match for the Woodward team. I am 9-1 at 273-1871 to identity. I have a 25 teams left them with a 2-5 record in each of the nation's top teams in the Midwest region, making today's contest a must-win match for Northwestern and Notre Dame.

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Purdue will see a different men’s volleyball team
By KEVIN DOLAN
Sports Writer

Last month in West Lafayette, the Irish men’s volleyball team played Purdue with an injury-decimated team and were upset in 4 games.

Tonight, the Irish expect a much different story.

The Irish benefited from Bearcat hitting errors and other general ineffectiveness.

"Even though our passing broke down again, they couldn’t capitalize on our mistakes," said Madden.

"We set them up for a lot of spikes that they just didn’t connect.

"The Irish were aided again by a developing bench, with rookies Tim Begun, Miguel Ascencio and Matt Limtiaco filling in the back row for the Irish.

"They all did real well," said Madden. "Those games are good because we can get the freshmen some quality minutes.

Indiana State defeated the Irish earlier in the week, pushing the Irish record to 12-2. Tonight, the Irish look for a big win as well as revenge against the Bearcats in the Pit.

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Bennett continued from page 12 and Bennett wants to do his part to make sure that holds up. "Hopefully, we'll win the championship, because that's how you really get noticed," he says, and for him that is the key to another chance at the big-time.

"The CBA is definitely the best shot at the NBA. There's more money in Europe, but it's not scouted as well."

Bennett has some company in adjusting to life away from Notre Dame. The other half of the "Texas Express," Daimon Sweet, is also going the CBA route.

"So far I've played Daimon about three times," Bennett says. "When he's on the court and I'm on the bench. I want my team to do well, but I also want him to do well. It's kind of weird."

With time off due to the injury, Bennett had time last week to attend his second Notre Dame game of the season, the loss against Marquette.

"It's a big adjustment for everybody after losing four seniors like we had last season (Bennett, Sweet, Denver Nugget LaPhonso Ellis and Keith Tower, who's currently playing for Columbus of the CBA)," says Bennett. "But they're trying hard."

The return of senior Monty Williams to the line-up this year has inspired many "what-if's" about the past two seasons among fans and Bennett isn't immune to them himself.

"That's what everybody says, that with Monty (last year) we would have made the NCAA's, but who knows how far we would have gone," he says.

"It's great for him to be back," adding that Williams "definitely has the talent to play in the NBA."

Talking about Williams specifically, but also the NBA in general, Bennett thinks it isn't based solely on talent.

"There are probably 10 all-stars in the NBA," he says, "then the talent level drops off. If you get the right shot, it could work out."

After coming back from his hand injury and playing the rest of the season, Bennett plans to look up with a professional summer league team in order to keep improving.

"He doesn't have any definite plans as to how long he is willing to try changes his career."

"Probably three years, but there's never anything sure," Bennett says. "Right now, I'm concentrating on the time at hand. As for life after basketball, I'll cross that bridge when I come to it."

Powlus' coach turns down Holtz's offer

Observer Staff Report

The South Bend Tribune reported Tuesday that Notre Dame football coach Lou Holtz offered an assistant coaching position to Ron Powlus' high school coach George Curry.

Powlus is the much-coveted quarterback recruit who chose Notre Dame over Miami, Pittsburgh and Penn State. He was USA Today, Parade and SuperPrep national high school player of the year.

Curry confirmed that Holtz had offered him the position, but said he turned it down.

Holtz denied that the offer was contingent on Powlus coming to Notre Dame.

"If you know me, then it wouldn't come as a surprise that I look to the high school ranks for assistant coaches," he told the Wilkes-Barre (Pa.) Sunday Independent.
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Montross manhandles Notre Dame

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — Erin Montross scored nine of her 19 points in the first 5:49 of the second half and No. 3 North Carolina overcame a lull in the second half to beat cold-shooting Notre Dame 85-56 Tuesday night.

The Tar Heels (23-3) won their sixth straight and averaged an 88-76 lead over the Fighting Irish last season at Madison Square Garden.

Notre Dame (9-15), held scoreless for more than an eight-minute stretch in the second half, has lost 10 of 12 and is 0-7 against ranked teams.

Montross, often triple-teamed in the low post, still was able to use her 270-pound frame to power scores from close in.

After North Carolina had a 13-point halftime lead, the 7-footer keyed a 12-2 run to start the period, scoring on a layup, a hook shot in the lane, an alley-oop dunk and two free throws.

Notre Dame, which had only seven turnovers in the first half, had matched that total in the opening six minutes of the second period, but the Tar Heels pushed the lead to 70-33 with 6:40 left.

Ryan Hoover's two free throws with 6:14 remaining broke Notre Dame's 8:12 scoring drought as the Tar Heels outscored Notre Dame 30-6 to start the second half.

Monty Williams led Notre Dame, which shot 36.4 percent from the field, with 20 points.

Notre Dame stayed close early as the Tar Heels missed their first 12 shots of the season.

However, the session was started in the second half and North Carolina closed the half with a 12-2 spurt for a 40-27 lead.

Notre Dame (8-15)

Taylor 2 6-15. Williams 0-1 4-20, Jon Ross 2-4 0-0, Joanne Williams 0-0 4-4, J. Ross 0-0 3-3, Robinson 0-0 0-0, Carter 0-0 0-0, Mosley 0-0 0-0, 25-27 Total 8-21 6-40.

North Carolina (23-3)

Bennett 2 3-5 0-0, Lamb 0-0, Handy 0-0 0-0, 8-21 Total 3-6 2-10.


The Tar Heels reached the semifinals last year after adjusting to a new coaching staff and an NCAA sanctions ruling.

Bengal Bouts enter semi-final round tonight

By GEORGE DOHRMANN
Sports Writer

The semifinals of the 63rd annual Bengal Bouts take place at the Joyce A.D. Fieldhouse tonight at 7:30.

Quarterfinal bouts took place Sunday, when 31 bouts were fought under the lights of the JACC Arena. The final will be held Friday night at 7:30.

Tonight's card is filled with 18 bouts, four from each weight class well, the overall caliber of boxers is evenly matched.

There were no surprises on Sunday's card, all of the favorites won.

No one small surprise was that all but three bouts lasted the full three rounds. Jeff Gerber (130-pound), Lou Hall (145-pound) and Jeff Goddard (160-pound) were the only fighters to extinguish their opponents before the final bell rang.

That trio separated themselves from the rest of the fighters, proving their experience and showing the young fighters that they were head and shoulders above the rest of the fighters.

But the increase in full-length fights gives a good indication that the overall caliber of boxers is evenly matched.

"I think that the longer bouts is a reflection of better technical boxing among all fighters," said Goddard, the 160-pound favorite. "This year there are less guys going out there and swinging wildly. There is a larger number of guys who are solid boxers."

Bennett still hoping to make the big time

By RICH KURZ
Assistant Sports Editor

The job market for college graduates is getting tougher all the time, but no one knows that as well as 1992 grad Elmer Bennett.

Bennett, the starting point guard for last year's NIT finalist Notre Dame basketball team, currently is trying to work his way to the top of the basketball world — the NBA.

He's now with Grand Rapids of the Continental Basketball Association, hoping to catch on with an NBA team for a second round, Bennett was the last player cut at the end of training camp. His position with the Hawks wasn't made clear until this week, but then you realize there are other people going through the same thing you are.

So, instead of being distracted by Kevin Evert and Paul Failla, the basketball, a big-hearted basketball player, was raised in Rochester by the NBA. Before he joined Grand Rapids in early January. He says that he needs to work on the career best 11 rebounds in the NIT semi-final against Utah. He totaled a personal high 29 points in the 12-10 victory over the Fighting Irish in the final.

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