Students receive research money

By JOHN LUCAS
Associate News Editor

When senior psychology major Kevin Fleming began a research project combining his loves of music and psychology, he did not count on getting money for it.

Thanks to a grant from the newly created Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program, Fleming and his partner, senior Julie Simmons, were surprised to receive $800 to pursue a project entitled "Memory for Music: Musicians vs. Non-musicians."

"The money was really a bonus," said Fleming, a drummer in Jazz Band. "It's really challenging work, but we're learning a lot." Sponsored by alumnus John Madden, chairman of the board of the 1st National Bank of LaGrange, Illinois, the scholarship program offers awards of up to $750 to winning individuals. The money can be used to fund individual projects as well as provide for expenses.

This year, Fleming and Simmons, along with seven other students in the college of Arts and Letters, received the awards for projects in several diverse fields.

The awards are unique because they also recognize faculty sponsors of the students for their work, Madden said.

"I think that after a while you forget some of the bad things and really remember your wonderful, special teachers," said Madden, a 1959 and 1962 graduate in Economics. "I'd like to have everyone get that experience."

Sponsored by psychology professor Gabriel Radvansky, Fleming and Simmons project explored the differences between musicians and non-musicians in recognizing and remembering melodies. Seniors Brian Magee and Michael Connolly, who were awarded grants for their work in anthropology, will use their scholarship money to fly to Denver to take part in the American Anthropological Society's annual convention.

While in Denver, they will display the findings of their project entitled, "Chemical Analysis of Ancient Human Bone." The group, which includes junior Julie Sansoni, and sponsored by Susan Sheridan, professor of anthropology, the group analyzed human bone fragments from three separate groups. While Magee worked with a 15,000-year-old concentration of bones from Egypt, his partners examined fragments from Sudan and another from Arizona.

The analysis provides vital information on the diet of the groups which can be used to find out information about food sources and occupations.


Wishing everyone a happy holiday...

The University wishes everyone a merry Christmas with a lighted display at the front entrance to the school. This is only one of such displays around campus to create a festive atmosphere, especially before finals.

Students find religious ‘community’ at ND

By NANCY DUNN
News Writer

Communities ND allows students a chance to meet with one another for prayer, discussion, and reflection on scripture, according to Katharine Barrett, the director of Religious Education for Campus Ministry.

The groups consist of 8-10 undergraduates, generally from the same class and equally divided according to sex. Students lead the groups, and ideally, will stay together until the members graduate. Some people drop out or go abroad, "but the core stays the same," said Junior Dejka Steinert, a leader of one group.

Campus Ministry provides each student with a guidebook, which outlines a suggested format for meetings, a list of gospel readings for the semester, and the responsibilities of the host. If a group decides they would like to discuss a certain topic like sexuality or women's ordination, Campus Ministry also helps supply background reading material.

The scripture is part of it, but a lot time is spent discussing "what God's done in our lives in general," according to Sophomore Carrie Swetonic. The groups offer a "closed setting to focus on what is going on in our lives," said Sophomore Jenny Szarek.

Meetings begin with a discussion of what everyone is doing, and then move to a reading of the next Sunday's gospel. Participants discuss not only the gospel but how it pertains to their lives. People seem to get more out of mass when they have studied the gospel in this way, according to Barrett.

"Our group clicked right away but it is different for every group," added Swetonic, "what you put into it is what you get out of it."

It is a "next way to meet people who feel that their faith is central to their lives and want to share it with others," said Szarek.

"At first they were a little worried that not so many guys would sign up, but Barrett said these fears were unfounded and most of the groups are split evenly.

People complain about the lack of opportunities available to meet members of the opposite sex on campus, said Barrett. These groups provide another social opportunity to meet people. People always comment on how good friends they have made."

Some of the groups get together for dinner, mass, or just to talk. "It is neat because we did not know each other in the beginning and now we have really bonded," said Szarek.

A couple of the groups have moved from purely discussing issues to doing service work in the community. Szarek's group did Christmas in April.

Book Fair will be held again

By KATIE MURPHY
News Writer

As the fall semester ends, students will once again be able to sell their books through the Book Fair, a project sponsored by Student Government. The first Book Fair was held at the beginning of this year in Stepan Center.

According to Book Fair co-chairman Peter Morrill, this second sale will be very similar to the first one.

"There is nothing significantly changed, although we are going to have more change this time so people don't have to wait in line for hours," said Morrill.

At the first semester book sale, some students were delayed in their purchases because there was not enough money to give change. The Book Fair handled approximately 8500 books in the first time, and brought in $40,000 for students.

"We expect that many (books) or more this time," said Morrill. Students who wish to sell their books through the fair must tape a piece of paper or a post-it note to the inside cover of each book with their name, the price at which they wish to sell the book, and the course title and number. Students must also fill out a general form listing all of the books they are selling.

On Thursday, Dec. 16, and see BOOK FAIR / page 4

Today's issue of The Observer is the last issue of the fall semester. The first issue of next semester will be published on Wednesday, Jan. 12, 1993, wishing you and your family a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.
"Frosty the Snowman" was a fairy tale, they say. And they were right. There are real people who resemble him, but there never has been, and never will be, a 'sledding,' 'talking,' 'singing' man (or woman) made of snow. Sorry.

In fact, Christmas carols' lyrics melt like butter. "Silent Night" was composed in 1818. "The First Noël" was written in 1554, and the "Twelve Days of Christmas" was composed in 1848. Or was it? We'll never know.

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MANHATTAN, N.Y. When Carolyn McCarthy saw the Christmas tree still sitting in her driveway, she was annoyed, thinking her husband and son had postponed setting it up yet again. Moments later, she found out her husband of 27 years and her only child would never again celebrate Christmas together. Her brother came over Tuesday evening to tell her that her husband, Dennis, had been killed, and her son, Kevin, shot in the head during a massacre on the commuter train they took home from New York City every night. Speaking Thursday at North Shore University Hospital in Manhasset, where Kevin was in critical condition, McCarthy said she didn't have the energy to dwell on the motives of the gunman. Police say Colin Ferguson, who is black, indicated he was outraged by racism he perceived in a wide range of institutions and people. It was hard for me to understand why somebody would do something like that," McCarthy said. "We're rational people. We don't believe in those things." McCarthy was surrounded by her two brothers and two sisters as she spoke. She smiled most of the time when she talked about her 26-year-old son, but was on the verge of tears several times when she recalled her 32-year-old husband. Neurosurgeon Nancy Epstein said Kevin's "second chance" was "not optimistic." She predicted Kevin will be paralyzed forever on one side. McCarthy, however, seemed to remain optimistic about the situation. "I do expect to see him up and walking again," she said. "I just don't want to think him any other way." She still has a long holiday season ahead of her with neither husband or son.

3-year-old reunited with unawares family

SOMERVILLE, Mass. A 3-year-old girl whose relatives didn't realize she was missing until she appeared on the evening news the next day, was reunited with her stepmother on Thursday. "Did you miss your mommy? Did you dream of mommy? Did you try to call mommy?" stepmother Marie Solange Aubry, 40, said, as young Arnoldlina Jeudy clung to her. Family members didn't realize Arnoldlina missing after she disappeared Tuesday because everyone thought she was with someone else, they said. A family friend saw the little girl on television Wednesday. Arnoldlina lives with Aubry and - who holds a full-time and a part-time job — but often stays with other relatives. She got lost Tuesday as she was going to school on Wednesday. "She's a very independent child," her stepmother said.

"Chestnuts roasting on an open fire." This phrase is the season's most closely associated with memory. And if my memory serves me right, that color ain't chestnuts. It's white. And it gets kinkier towards Christmas, which is only fifteen days away. "It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas." But it's not. South Bend seems unseasonably warm right now. People are playing frisbee on the lake, and it's totally new and there's no snow to be seen. Sure, the forecast calls for some snow by the weekend, but a dusting won't make Notre Dame a winter wonderland unless Johnny Mathis shows up to sing it himself. "Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow." Why? Just try to tell me what's going on in this stuff? It's just not safe. And as soon as it snows, Notre Dame will go crazy and throw snowballs at each other, as though they were having a snowball fight. We wouldn't want any of that during the Christmas season. "It's the most wonderful time of the year." But if I suppose you've read an electric bill from December, I suppose you realize how many homeless people are cold on Christmas day. I suppose you know that more people kill themselves during the weeks before and after Christmas, the most wonderful time of the year. "We wish you a merry Christmas, we wish you a merry Christmas, we wish you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year." Well, Christmas may not be merry. Winter is, after all, a time of cold and sadness. But stay hopeful for '94. The geography of the Inside Column is those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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TERROR ON THE 5:53

In the 5:53 p.m. train was en route from Penn Station in New York City to Hickory, N.C., when a gunman stood up and began shooting passengers.

"This attack was like a snap-firing automatic. It was like a single gunshot followed by another single gunshot. Then there was a deadly silence," said Police Commissioner Walt Outlaw.

But only if it's the 5:33 p.m. train. The 5:33 p.m. train was surrounded by her two brothers and two sisters as she spoke. She smiled most of the time when she talked about her 26-year-old son, but was on the verge of tears several times when she recalled her 32-year-old husband. Neurosurgeon Nancy Epstein said Kevin's "second chance" was "not optimistic." She predicted Kevin will be paralyzed forever on one side. McCarthy, however, seemed to remain optimistic about the situation. "I do expect to see him up and walking again," she said. "I just don't want to think him any other way." She still has a long holiday season ahead of her with neither husband or son.

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In Russian elections, real race is resentment vs. hope

By ALAN COOPERMAN
Associated Press

MOSCOW
At the Palace Hotel, millionaire Russian banker Valery Kabarev chatted on a cellular telephone as a twisted metal water dispenser delivered a $40 bunch of flower mignon, eggs and champagne.

A few blocks away, 53-year-old Natasha Sheshmonova walked into a center for homeless people and asked police to lock her up so she could get a bath and some buckwheat porridge.

When Russia's 107 million voters go to the polls Sunday to elect a new parliament and ratify a constitution, Sheshmonova will be in the sour-smelling lockup, unable to cast her ballot.

Kabarev, 31, will vote for himself, an independent candidate for parliament's lower house, the Duma.

Sheshmonova and Kabarev are extremes, but they represent the huge gulf in Russia's electorate between winners and losers after two years of economic upheaval.

President Boris Yeltsin's supporters did not need to put a sign on the wall reminding themselves: "It's the economy, stupid!"

But the underlying race for parliament's lower house is a step forward, but they may not turn out the way many expect, he said.

By holding the elections before the adoption of a new constitution, Russian President Boris Yeltsin has acted extremely undemocratically, Grazin said, and this may explain the elections representing little more than another symbol of the lack of organization and democracy currently characteristic of the country.

"The elections are a step forward, but they may not turn out the way many expect," he said.

But to many voters, nothing seems to have changed. But some observers agree that the campaign has suffered more from indifference and a lack of interest.

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Yeltsin is acting prematurely by saying that he is the President of a Democratic Country, when in actuality his current leadership in Russia resembles an enlightened authoritarianism, Grazin said.

An additional complication to the elections of a democratic election is the complicated electoral system that is currently in operation in Russia, Grazin said.

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As for his own power and influence as head of the Russian government, Boris Yeltsin may be attempting to garner even more controlling power by "playing around with the ideas of early, perhaps summer, elections," said Grazin, but not making any hard and fast plans about such a proposal.

"There is always a risk that Yeltsin will become extremely strong against Parliament," he said.

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Only on August 13, 1993, the Democratic'Dream' Award was presented to the University of Notre Dame by the Indiana Educational Facilities Authority of Indiana with the following goals:

1. To recognize exemplary leadership abilities at both the departmental and with campus activities in the past year.

2. To recognize faculty and staff who are in the community and also in school, said Hahn about her selection.

Another qualification to receive a "Realizing the Dream" Award is to be a first generation college student.

Ryan Hahn receives award

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By ROB ADAMS
Staff Writer

Second-year Holy Cross student Ryan Hahn has been given one of the first "Realizing the Dream" awards for 1993, "Realizing the Dream" awards are sponsored by the Indiana Educational Facilities Authority of Indiana and are given to college students who exemplify leadership abilities both academically and with campus activities in the past year.

"I was nominated by the teachers and staff who are on the campus and also the students," said Hahn about her selection.

Another qualification to receive a "Realizing the Dream" Award is to be a first generation college student.

"I just had the determination to go on one more year in my family ever really wanted," said Hahn

The program also celebrates the roles played by teachers and parents in shaping students' aspirations to attend college. Along with Hahn, her ninth-grade English teacher, Robert Zepka, of Kristofer Middle School in Mishawaka, was honored as an influential teacher in her background.

For Hahn's hard work. Holy Cross has been given a $500 contribution to general scholarship fund. Yenna will also receive a $500 professional development award.

Hahn plans to continue her education at Notre Dame when her tenure at Holy Cross is over, majoring in psychology.
Clinton says violent crime 'changing lives'

By NANCY BENAC

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

President Clinton told American mayors and police chiefs today that violent crime is "changing people's lives in ways that are quite destructive," and the nation must consider strong new means to combat it.

"The American people are tired of hurting and tired of seeing the insecurity and tired of the violence," Clinton told officials from 35 cities. "We have to move and I think we are prepared to move."

The president said it was "imperative" to get a strong crime bill through Congress. In recent days, he said, the administration also will consider other steps, including proposals for handgun licensing and a national amnesty to collect illegal weapons.

Like Jerry Abramson, president of the U.S. Conference of Mayors, told Clinton that violent crime has reached epidemic proportions.

"People in our cities are demanding action," Abramson told Clinton before presenting him with a task force report on violence from the conference.

Salt Lake City Police Chief Rubin Ortega told Clinton that people have "reached the level of utter dismay," causing Americans to think their only course is to arm themselves.

The mayors' task force presented Clinton with a report that called for "immediate action on a comprehensive package of gun control," establishment of more job corps centers, and a national database computer data system that included information on gang membership and narcotics traffickers.

The task force applauded efforts by Clinton to win congressional approval of legislation to help stop 100,000 more police officers on the nation's streets — but asked for additional funds to allow local police departments to pay officers overtime and to buy new equipment.

It also requested funding to stop drug use and that requirements that federal grants for law enforcement be matched by local funds be waived in certain circumstances.

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"It's changing everyone's lives in ways that are quite destructive," Clinton told his audience in the Indian Treaty Room of the Old Executive Office Building.

The 1993 Crime Bill

Attorney General Janet Reno told reporters that the Justice Department is studying a variety of proposals to license gun ownership, which she said could make "common sense."

Simply registering guns isn't enough, Reno said because people should be required "to know how to safety and lawfully use a gun" before they are allowed to purchase one.

On Wednesday, one day after a gunman opened fire inside a Long Island Rail Road train in New York and killed five commuters, Clinton told reporters, "I hope that this will give some impetus to the need to act urgently to deal with the unnecessary problems of gun violence.

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Singing Santas?

Members of the Glee Club will be caroling at each of the girls’ dorms at Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s throughout the week to promote their annual Christmas concert on Sunday, Dec. 12.

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Lady of Guadalupe mass to be held on Monday

Special to The Observer

A bilingual mass marking the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be celebrated Monday, Dec. 13 at 5 p.m. in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

Father Richard Warner, counselor to the president and director of Campus Ministry at Notre Dame, will preside and sacred music will be sung in Spanish and English by the Coro Primavera de Nuestra Senora and the Notre Dame Folk Choir. Everyone attending the Mass is invited to bring a flower to be presented to the image of Our Lady at the end of the Mass.

The feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe celebrates several apparitions of Mary reported between Dec. 9 and Dec. 12, 1531—ten years after the conquest of the Aztec empire—by a native American whose name has been preserved in Spanish as Juan Diego.

Juan Diego said that Mary had appeared to him at Tepeyac, an Aztec holy site on a hill near what is now Mexico City.

Speaking in Nahautl, the local tongue, Mary had sent him to instruct the Spanish bishop, a man named Zumarraga, to build a church on the site. When Juan Diego returned from an unsuccessful attempt to obtain an audience with Bishop Zumarraga, Mary told him to gather the out-of-seasons roses which had grown miraculously among the rocks on the hillside and to present them to the skeptical churchman as credentials.

SECURITY BRIEF

MONDAY, DEC. 6

3:29 p.m. A Dillon Hall resident reported his wrist stolen from an unlocked locker in the Hall's Aquatic Center locker room.

4:02 p.m. A Dillon Hall resident was transported to the Student Health Center for treatment of a sports injury.

9:51 p.m. A South Bend resident was cited for speeding on Edison Road.

TUESDAY, DEC. 7

3:30 p.m. A Grace Hall resident reported clothing stolen from the Grace Hall laundry room.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 8

1:12 p.m. An off-campus resident was cited for driving with an expired license plate.

2:07 a.m. A South Bend resident was cited for driving with a suspended driver’s license.
A cold-like bug has broken out in three states already this year and is likely to spread as winter approaches, federal health officials said Thursday.

Outbreaks of respiratory illness caused by bacteria called Mycoplasma pneumoniae typically occur every four to seven years. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said recent outbreaks in Ohio, Texas, and New York suggest the easily spread infection will increase this winter.

This type of bacteria causes an illness that looks just like the common cold," said Dr. Jo Hoffman, an epidemiologist with the CDC's childhood and respiratory disease division. "Mainly, it makes you feel tired with a dry cough, sore throat and headache."

The bacteria can cause pneumonia, she said, and in a very few cases can be fatal. The infections are usually treated with antibiotics.

"The major problem with Mycoplasma pneumoniae is when it occurs in a site where people have close contact. A lot of people are going to get it," Hoffman said. "It's out there and there's not a lot you can do to prevent it."

The warning comes just one week after the CDC reported that the harsh Beijing flu has made an earlier-than-expected appearance this season. Though the two illnesses are unrelated, some of the symptoms are similar.

"What that means is we have two illnesses we know of this year that are occurring in an extraordinary manner," Hoffman said. "If people have a mild case of the flu they might find it hard to distinguish from Mycoplasma pneumoniae, and if they have a severe case of Mycoplasma pneumoniae they might find it hard to distinguish from the flu."

The largest outbreak of the bacteria so far this year was at a medical referral center in southern Texas, where 215 people got sick between Aug. 1 and Nov. 14, the CDC said. In Ohio, 47 staff members and clients of a workshop for developmentally disabled and clients of a workshop for developmentally disabled adults got sick between June 15 and Sept. 5.


In the Ohio and New York outbreaks, the illness spread quickly once someone was infected. In Texas, laboratory confirmation of new cases is pending.

"In an office it's probably not as much a problem as in, say, a school or group home situation where the people have close, prolonged contact," she said.
Dutch say drug policy works

By ABNER KATZMAN
Associated Press

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands

While debate opens up in the United States over legalizing drugs, the trend in Europe is toward increased tolerance for the user — and tougher penalties for the trafficker.

U.S. Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders set off a storm by suggesting America's streets might be safer if drug use were legalized.

In Amsterdam, you don't have to go far to find evidence that appears to support her argument.

In the red light district, for instance, elderly tourists mingle freely with junkies and let their pocketbooks dangle freely. In a city known as one of Europe's major drug bazaars, purse-snatchings are rare and drug-related crimes of violence are almost unheard-of.

"I think the tolerance of both hard and soft drugs has reduced crime in our cities," Amsterdam police spokesman Klaas Wilting said Thursday. "Like America, if we legalized, we would have an epidemic of heroin and hashish."

While debate opens up in the U.S. over legalizing drugs, the Dutch say drug policy works, allowing possession of up to a gram (0.035 ounces) or 30 grams (1.05 ounces) of marijuana or hashish was not a punishment offense.

Even though heroin is readily available, the Dutch addiction rate is one of Europe's lowest, with about 15,000 hard drug addicts and 600,000 marijuana and hashish users in this nation of 15 million.

The heroin substitute methadone is readily available at clinics to city residents. A needle exchange program has eliminated the spread of blood-borne HIV.

Police have focused their war on drugs on traffickers associated with organized crime, even as tolerance toward possession and use makes drugs cheap and easy to get.

The Dutch government eliminated penalties for drug possession in 1976, setting a policy that possession of up to 1 gram of heroin (.035 ounces) or 30 grams (1.05 ounces) of marijuana or hashish was not a punishable offense.

But Spain has the highest AIDS-related deaths stemming from HIV drug use.

The cracks in the tolerance of both soft and hard drugs are illegal, but the government runs rehabilitation centers where doctors are allowed to prescribe illicit drugs to addicts.

Arafat and Peres discuss autonomy accord snags

By SUSAN LINNLEE
Associated Press

GRANADA, Spain

PLO chairman Yasser Arafat and Israel's foreign minister met today in an effort to smooth over differences threatening to delay the Palestinian autonomy accord.

Arafat and Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres discussed details of their 75-minute meeting, Israeli sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, described the discussions as "difficult."

Arafat later dispatched aides to Geneva for talks with an Israeli general in hopes of getting the Israeli troop withdrawal from the occupied territories delayed by Monday as originally planned.

But Palestine Liberation Organization officials in Tunisia and Egypt said they expected a delay of at least a few days before the pullout begins.

Both sides are anxious to get at least a token troop withdrawal going to show the peace process is working and slow a surge in violence by Arabs in opposition to the autonomy accord from Palestinian and Israeli militants.

The talks have snagged over security arrangements for Jewish settlements in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip and control of border crossings to Egypt and Jordan.

The sides also have been unable to agree on the size of the area around the West Bank town of Jericho, which is to get self-rule under the peace accord signed Sept. 13. Palestinians in the Gaza Strip also are to get autonomy.

Peres told reporters attempts would be made to meet Monday's deadline for starting the troop withdrawal so as not to "leave the field wide open" for violence by extremists opposed to the plan.

Since the accord was signed, violence between Arabs and Jews has dramatically escalated. Thirty-eight Palestinians have been killed in confrontations with Israelis, while fourteen Israelis have died at the hands of Palestinians.

Peres said he and Arafat did not discuss ways of dealing with the mounting violence.

Arafat told reporters the talks with Peres were "very important" but did not directly address questions about whether he was satisfied with the results. He later flew to Tunis, Tunisia, where the PLO has its headquarters.

Peres said he could not confirm reports that Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin would meet with Arafat in Egypt on Sunday in a last-ditch effort to get the troop withdrawal started.

Israel unrest

Since the signing of the agreement, insurgents in Arafat's Fatah organization and Hamas and Islamic Jihad have launched a new wave of violence, killing at least 15 Israeli soldiers and civilians in attacks aimed at undermining the accord.

Negotiators have reported making progress in getting the autonomy accord headed to the Israeli parliament, which must give the green light for autonomy to become law.

Arafat and Peres last met on Dec. 9, two weeks before the start of the autonomy talks.

Both sides are anxious to end the negotiations by Jan. 15, when the PLO wants to set up an independent body to manage the autonomous territories.

Despite the progress reported, both sides were anxious to see the accord signed before American President Bill Clinton leaves his trip abroad to return to the U.S. for a special session at the United Nations.

In fact, Clinton himself has admitted to being anxious to get the accord signed before he returns home.
Crime and punishment: executions prompt discussion

By LAURA KING
Associated Press

TOKYO

Seventy-year-old Hideko Deguchi went to the gallows in the pale light of a winter's day — and the darkness of secrecy.

In Japan, officials neither announce executions beforehand nor confirm them afterward. Relatives usually learn a death sentence has been carried out when prison authorities call to come collect the body.

Final confirmation comes later: In a grim footnote, the Ministry of Justice announces executions be­

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have given new impetus to the

first executions since

long-running national debate

Minister Morihiro Hosokawa

staged a series of protests, and

over the death penalty.

In Japan, officials neither

brush off public opinion, actual­

But the country also has a

centuries-old martial tradition

extolling the stoic acceptance of

punishment for transgressions — even including death.

Japans has had a capital pun­

ishment law on the books since its modern judiciary was creat­

ed nearly 300 years ago. For the past 25 years, the death penalty has been simply imposed in murder cases.

The Supreme Court has ruled capital punishment is constitu­

tional, but has recommended that death sentences be kept to a minimum. A former Supreme Court Judge, Shigemitsu Danno, wrote a best-selling book two years ago urging an end to execu­

cutions.

If we consider that whenever the death penalty system is applied it is inevitable that innocent people will sometimes be executed ... the death penal­

ity becomes the ultimate epis­

ode of inhumanity and cruel­

ty, he wrote.

As in the United States, long­

stay on death row are com­

mon. So it is unusual for those executed to be elderly men like Deguchi, the 70-year­

old hanged last month.

Human rights groups say that's barbaric. They also object to the secrecy sur­

rounding executions — a policy the government says is meant to protect the families of the condemned from public shame.

Deguchi and a fellow em­

ployee of a chemical company, also hanged, were convicted of killing two company officials and burying their bodies on Port Island in Kobe, western Japan, in 1974. Courts held that the murders were part of attempts by the two employees to cover up embezzlement of company funds.

Executions are invariably reported in the newspapers a few days after the fact, however. Law enforcement sources, defense lawyers and rights groups spread the word.

Argument about the death penalty is part of a larger debate over crime and punish­

ment in Japan. Critics say the justice system consistently leads the die against the accused, and fails to provide sufficient protections for prisoners.

In criminal cases, 99 percent of defendants are convicted on at least one charge. Prosecutors say that's proof of efficient law enforcement, but lawyers' groups say it shows the legal system is far out of balance.

Police often rough up crimi­

nal suspects to obtain confes­

sions; a prosecutor was fired last month for beating a suspect in custody.

Suspects can be detained without formal charges for sev­

eral weeks, and are not provid­

ed government-appointed lawyers while in police deten­

tion.

Political prisoner's family denied visits

By CHARLENE FU
Associated Press

BEIJING

Chinese authorities have ordered visiting privileges for a well-known political prisoner suspended for one year, his family said Thursday. The family was told their visits got him trouble.

The move appeared meant to punish the family for smuggling out a letter in which dissident Liu Gang, 32, described being tortured.

Liu's family, from northeast China's Jilin province, was in Beijing this week seeking a meeting with the Chinese Ministry to protest the ban on visits and other alleged abuses.

"We intend to use legal means to protect our rights and our dignity," the family said in a statement distributed to reporters.

We appeal to China's judi­

cial organs to immediately put a stop to the illegal and repul­

sive actions by the responsible officials of the Lingyuan No. 2 Labor Reform Detachment, where Liu is a prisoner.

U.S. officials have warned China it is in danger of losing its most-favored-nation trading status next year because of human rights issues. The status guarantees China lower tariffs.

Despite regulations that pris­

oners should serve terms near home, Liu was sent to prison in a different province, Liaoning, making it hard for his family to go for the monthly visits granted to relatives under Chinese law.

A 16-page letter from Liu that his family distributed to news media this year told of being beaten, tortured, denied nor­

mal food rations and held in solitary confinement.

It described being "stripped naked, tied up and dragged around on a concrete floor," and being forced for five months to spend 14 hours a day sitting absolutely still on a bench.

Chinese authorities deny Liu's account. They said that as an intellectual, he got preferential treatment and was exempted from physical labor.

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Administration favors natural gas initiative

By H. JOSEF HIEBERT
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The Clinton administration made clear Thursday its fuel of choice is natural gas and promised to find ways to build more pipelines and ease marketing barriers to help the industry.

The administration's long-awaited oil and gas initiative focused heavily on shifting the nation's energy policy away from oil -- especially imports that comprise about half of the petroleum used in the United States.

Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary said the administration wants to help the industry to develop the latest technologies for exploration and drilling.

But the 36-page document emphasized the benefits of natural gas by expanding the construction of pipelines, stabilizing gas prices through long-term contracts, and developing new products -- cars, refrigerators and air conditioners -- that use natural gas.

At the White House, meanwhile, President Clinton promised to expand the use of natural gas-fueled cars in the government's fleet of vehicles. He said it will help the economy and "reduce our reliance on foreign oil."

"There's no question that we have to shift, as rapidly as we can, to alternative fuels," he added Vice President Al Gore.

"The automobile is essential to our future. What is not essential is the 400 million tons of carbon emissions that gasoline vehicles send into the atmosphere each year."

The administration promised to target 38 areas of the country, including areas with some of the worst smog problems, where federal fleet conversion programs are hoped to stimulate conversions in private and state and local government fleets.

Garry Mauro, the Texas lands commissioner who headed the alternative fuel task force, applauded the administration's enthusiasm about natural gas. One of these days, he said "we're going to see the president in a natural gas limousine. Isn't that great?"

by TERRI LANGFORD
Associated Press

HOUSTON

A teen-age awaiting trial on robbery and drug charges destroyed his electronic tracking bracelet and killed a restaurant employee, police said.

Officials said Thursday that the 16-year-old suspect was released from the community juvenile jail Nov. 10. He was not wearing the ankle brace when he was arrested in the slaying of 17-year-old Thomas Riley, Jr., Austin, police said. The man found him, police said.

"I don't view it as a failure," said Carole Allen, a spokesman for the Harris County (Texas) Detention Center, which supervises the nationwide tracking program in April.

"The bracelets will remain on juveniles already wearing them." The company that sells the devices to Harris County, the county that includes Houston, informed juvenile authorities were notified the youth was missing from his bracelet, but would not say why.

"All of the equipment was functioning correctly still is," said Doug Blakey, president of G2S, Strategic Technologies Inc., based in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Allen declined to comment on whether the juvenile had been notified the youth was missing. The 16-year-old could face life in prison if tried as an adult in Riley's slaying.

Federal agencies do not keep regular statistics on the use of electronic monitoring, which began in the early 1980s as a alternatives to incarceration.

The electronic bracelets have a transmitter that sends a signal to a receiver attached to a telephone in the home of the parolee. The person stays more than 100 feet from the receiver, the telephone automatically dials a central computer.

Industry officials say that about 50,000 of the devices are available to corrections agencies nationwide.

A National Institute of Justice, the research arm of the Justice Department, found in 1984 and 1989, about one in 25 prisoners wearing the electronic equipment committed new crimes while being monitored.

The Texas Youth Commission found in 1989 that 18 of 29 youths fitted in a pilot program committed another crime while wearing the device, but neither was convicted of the device or escaped.

"We almost don't use it anymore," Jay Lindgren, the commission's deputy executive secretary. "I just did not have good success with it. Our situation is different than the Harris County. We tried to use it for kids on parole and didn't have much success with it."
Hubble fix-it: astronauts finish job with a little miracle

By MARCIA DUNN
Associated Press

SPACE CENTER, Houston
High-flying mechanics on a record-breaking fifth spacewalk completed repairs to the near-sighted Hubble Space Telescope today after exerting a little extra muscle.

The final spacewalk of the Endeavour mission turned out to be the most trying. But the astronauts aboard the shuttle accomplished all the tasks that NASA had set for them.

"Great work, absolutely outstanding work," Mission Control told the seven-member crew. "We all could be more proud of you."

Still ahead were Friday's telescope release and two months of optical testing and fine-tuning.

It's not over until it's over, and it's not over," said lead flight director Mitl Helfin. "I refuse to get too excited too early."

During the spacewalk, Story Musgrave and Jeffrey Hoffman had to pry loose the two solar-panel arms from the sides of the telescope after motors failed to do the job. Ground controllers could not get the arms to drop into the position needed before the electricity-generating panels can be unfurled.

Musgrave tugged lightly and cranked each arm down with a ratchet wrench, and the arms dropped slowly into place. "Incredible," he said.

Just before the seven-hour, 21-minute spacewalk ended, the new golden-colored solar panels were unfurled to a full 40 feet by ground controllers. "All right!" Hoffman shouted. The main antenna later was deployed.

"We look forward to getting rid of this bad boy tomorrow," said shuttle commander Richard Covey. "It seems to be pretty eager to regain its own independence from the orbiter."

Earlier this week, the crew installed a set of corrective mirrors and a new camera with corrective optics to allow the $1.6 billion Hubble to see the universe with a clear eye. But astronomers won't know if the optical repairs worked until after the extensive testing.

"Our job is just beginning," said David Leckrone, Hubble's senior project scientist.

Hubble was launched in 1990 with a miss-shapen mirror that prevented it from discerning the more remote objects in the cosmos. A manufacturing error was to blame.

The Endeavour crew, due to return to Earth on Monday, set a U.S. spacewalk record with its five outings. The previous NASA record was four.

NASA officials and even the astronauts themselves never expected the spacewalks to go so well. The spacewalkers installed all 11 new Hubble parts.

"What happened was they were very well trained, the hardware was incredible and we got lucky," said NASA's Sue Rainwater, lead spacewalk officer. "They dedicated their entire lives for the past 18 months to this flight and many people have dedicated their entire careers to making sure this came off well and it paid off."

Unlike the spacewalks of the past four days, today's work was painstakingly slow. Musgrave and Hoffman required three hours — twice as long as expected — to replace the electronics that drive the solar panels. The job was one of the toughest of the mission because of the many electrical connections that had to be made.

Three screws came loose. One floated into the cargo bay, and Hoffman swooped down and caught it. Musgrave caught the others.

"I'm sorry it took so long," Musgrave said when the job was done. "One of the real difficulties we didn't have practicing is that all the connectors go in your face."

The astronauts also installed a switch on Hubble's ultraviolet light detector to correct power trouble. And they put makeshift covers over two magnetometers to prevent exposed foam from deteriorating and possibly contaminating the telescope. Magnetometers help guide the telescope.

NASA was relieved to find no problem with a new computer installed on Wednesday. Earlier in the day, engineers on the ground discovered errors in the data. But the problem was found to be just a bad antenna angle.

Before the problem was solved, NASA had said that in a worst-case scenario, the astronauts might be sent out on a sixth spacewalk to fix it.

NASA spent $629 million on the repair mission, the first of several planned Hubble service calls.

Despite all their spacewalks, which lasted a total of 35 hours and 28 minutes, the astronauts were eager for more.


"Listen to you guys. You're so greedy," Mission Control replied.

"Akers: "When you're on a roll..."
Some saw too much of Somalia

By MARK FRITZ
Associated Press

MOGADISHU, Somalia
Capt. Drew Campi happily hovered in his helicopter to protect relief convoys, then found himself leading attacks on Somalis who killed his comrades.

Then, he cursed in rage when the faction leader he tried to find or shoot and learned to hate was shuttled to peace talks two weeks ago aboard a military plane.

"If you look at the humanitarian effort, maybe casualties were worth it," said Campi, who also is on his second tour. "We went from a humanitarian mission to combat."

The pivotal transition came when the United Nations took command of the operation in May and clan leader Mohamed Aidid aligned himself against it.

On Oct. 5, a firefight left 18 Americans and an estimated 300 Somalis dead. President Clinton ordered all the troops home by March 31. Aidid finally called a cease-fire.

Then, he cursed in rage when the faction leader he tried to shuttled Aidid to peace talks in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Campi said it enraged the troops. He said he had fixed Aidid as the enemy the way he did on Saddam Hussein when the pilot flew missions in Iraq.

"There was a tremendous loss of morale," said Campi, from West Long Branch, Va. "He killed U.S. soldiers." Lewis disagreed. He said he understood the decision to make sure Aidid made it to the talks that many people believe, when this happened it hit home.

Few soldiers are happy with this shotgun marriage of United Nations and an estimated 2,000 Somalis who flew missions in Iraq.

"I was the first to get the call that a helicopter had gone down," said Capt. Michael Lewis, 27, a battle planner in Campi's unit, the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), from Fort Drum, N.Y.

"I didn't expect the casualties, but when this happened it hit home for us," said Lewis from Albany, Ore., who also is on his second tour. "We went from a humanitarian mission to combat."

The Raven Task Force of the Army's 101st Airborne Division, from Fort Drum, N.Y., "was the expected casualty rate, but when this happened it hit home for us," said Lewis from Albany, Ore., who also is on his second tour. "We went from a humanitarian mission to combat."
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Viacom merger

Delaware's highest court upheld a ruling Thursday stripping Paramount Communications Inc. of key anti-takeover defenses, giving hostile bidder QVC Inc. a better shot at the entertainment and publishing giant.

QVC is currently offering a combination of cash and stock worth about $10.2 billion for Paramount, while Viacom Inc., which had agreed to a friendly merger with Paramount, is offering $9.4 billion.

Analysts said Viacom will likely be forced to increase its $9.4 billion bid to match or surpass QVC's $10.2 billion offer, and that a third bidder might even enter the contest.

But some said the QVC victory could prompt Viacom's chairman and CEO Sumner Redstone to decide Paramount is not worth a higher bid. He might decide to walk away with $10 billion in merger termination fees, they said.

The Delaware Supreme Court affirmed a Chancery Court decision that said Paramount's directors had violated their duty to shareholders by trying to deploy the company's "poison pill" defense against QVC but not Viacom.

The poison pill allows Paramount to sell stock to its shareholders at bargain prices, flooding the market and making any takeover prohibitively expensive for unwelcome bidders.

The justices also upheld the court's ruling allowing Paramount's attempt to grant millions of dollars in stock options to Viacom, which also would have added hundreds of millions of dollars to QVC's takeover costs.

Chief Justice Norman Veasey, reading the court's opinion, said Paramount, in trying to merge with Viacom, effectively put itself up for sale. Once that decision was made, Paramount directors "had an obligation to continue their search for the best value for stockholders," he said.

Paramount had argued it made a "strategic" merger with QVC, which owns cable channels including MTV and Showtime, and would have added hundreds of millions of dollars to Viacom's $10.2 billion offer. Under those circumstances, the Board was obliged to consider other reasonable offers, they said.

QVC's lawyer, Herbert M. Nocken, said that Paramount's board unfairly disregarded QVC's bid.

"This was a board that was so conflicted, it was transformed, and evidenced no desire to be informed," he told the court.

Paramount, a leading maker of films and TV programs, owns a huge film library and has a large publishing operation. Those resources have grown increasingly appealing to cable TV and telephone companies as they launch ventures in interactive media.

The ruling came after the stock market closed, and therefore had no effect on the companies' stock prices.

Inflation not a fact for 1994 economic outlook

By JOHN D. McCLAIN

WASHINGTON

Many of the nation's top economists believe the economy will continue to grow moderately next year and will benefit from a renewed focus on inflation.

The consensus forecast of 51 economic experts polled for the December Consumer Price Index by Blue Chip Economic Indicators calls for 2.9 percent growth in the economy this year and 2.8 percent in 1994, up from a projected 2.8 percent this year. The GDP is the total output of goods and services within the United States.

The December consensus for 1994 is higher than November's 2.8 percent forecast published by the Sedona, Ariz., newsletter. The new survey was for publication Friday.

Still, the consensus forecast "did not come at the expense of the panel's optimistic view on inflation," wrote editor Robert J. Eggert.

In fact, the economists' forecast called for the December Consumer Price Index in 1994 slipped to 2.9 percent in the December forecast from 3 percent a month earlier.

The CPI rose 2.9 percent in 1992 and was rising at a 2.8 percent annual rate in October. The government will report the November inflation rate Friday.

The survey participants represent banks, businesses, economic forecasting services, universities and Wall Street firms. Twenty-eight of the 51 economists raised their forecasts this month for economic growth next year.

They cited a sharp drop in unemployment, continued strength in housing, autos and other durable goods and the nearly $6 billion in business investment spending.

But despite the drop in the jobless rate to 6.4 percent in November, the Blue Chip consensus forecast unemployment will be 6.5 percent a year from now.

The consensus forecast sees the economy growing at a 3.8 percent annual rate this quarter, up from 3.3 percent in the September forecast. Twenty-five percent reported by the government is the July-September quarter.

Many believe it is expanding even faster.

"In fact, an average of the 10 largest estimates of fourth-quarter growth is 4.3 percent, in at a whopping 4.6 percent," Eggert wrote.

The economists do not believe that rate can be sustained, however. The consensus for the first three months of 1994 is an annual rate of just 2.8 percent, and 2.7 percent in each of the next three quarters.

Drogul gets five, prison sentence for Iraq loans

By MARC RICE

ATLANTA

Former banker Christopher Drogul was sentenced Thursday to more than three years in prison for helping to arrange $5.5 billion in illegal loans to Iraq before the Gulf War.

Drogul, 44, the fired Atlanta branch manager of Italy's Banca Nazionale del Lavoro, originally had been charged with masterminding the scheme. Some of the loans were used to build up its military before it invaded Kuwait.

He pleaded guilty to 60 counts last year but withdrew the plea after a startling sentencing hearing in which he claimed to be a scapegoat for failed U.S. foreign policy.

Days before he was to go on trial on a revised 70-count indictment, he pleaded guilty in September to one count of wire fraud and two counts of trying to influence Federal Reserve bank regulators.

The government subsequently dropped the most serious bank fraud conspiracy charges.

Drogul had already served 20 months in pretrial processing. That time will count toward the 37-month sentence imposed by U.S. District Judge G. Ernest Tidwell.

The sentence came on the fourth day of the sentencing hearing.

Drogul's attorneys had argued that he played a minor role in an extensive scheme involving the Bush administration and the Italian government. But prosecutors insisted that Drogul was the key figure and sought a prison term of 6 1/2 years.

Tidwell said both sides had blown the case out of proportion. He criticized prosecutors for overzealousness against Drogul and stopped short of accusing the government of misconduct.

"The government resources dedicated to this case were disproportionately to the interest and the defendant's culpability," the judge said. "Enough is enough."

Though Drogul was "clearly guilty," it was "absurd" to suggest that BNL did not know what Drogul was doing, Tidwell said.

Lynn Drogul, the banker's wife, said she was pleased with the outcome.

"When you considered the range, from walking to the six or seven years the government was asking, in view of the possibilities we were very satisfied," she said.

Congressional critics have denounced the government's theory that Drogul was a "lone wolf" who used a federal agricultural export program to funnel money to Iraq. The committee continues to investigate the case.

Five co-defendants of Drogul were sentenced this year to probation by a judge who called the Atlanta BNL staff "bit players in the scam."
Clinton to meet with Syrian President in Geneva

By DONALD ROTHBERG
Associated Press

DAMASCUS
President Clinton will meet with Syrian President Hafez Assad in Geneva next month to try to restore momentum to the Middle East peace process, Secretary of State Warren Christopher announced today.

At a joint news conference with Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk Sharaa, Christopher said it was "appropriate and indeed natural for him to meet with President Assad at this time."

The meeting will represent a diplomatic victory for Assad, whose country is on the State Department's list of nations that support terrorism.

In Washington, White House spokesman Dee Dee Myers said, "The meeting is part of our overall effort toward a comprehensive peace in the region. The president has met with all the other leaders on all the other tracks — Lebanon, Jordan, Israel and Palestinians — and now he'll meet with Assad.

Christopher also announced that bilateral talks between Israel and the Arab parties to the peace process will resume in Washington at the end of January or in early February.

The parties have held negotiations in Washington periodically over two years but have not met since mid-September.

Christopher refused to discuss any particular changes Syria has made in its negotiating position in order to win a meeting with Clinton.

He also refused to discuss specific allegations the U.S. government has made against Syria, including sponsorship of terrorism and involvement in drug trafficking.

"We have no plans at the present time to change the position of the United States on those issues," was all he would say. "There was no deal." Myers said.

Christopher and Sharaa spoke after Christopher had met with Assad for nearly three hours. After the news conference, Christopher flew to Israel, where he planned to brief Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin on his meeting with Assad.

Myers said the meeting likely will take place at some point in Clinton's trip to Europe and the former Soviet Union in January, although a date has not been set.

In a statement issued by the Syrian government, Sharaa said: "We are combatting terrorism."

Sharaa said that his country does not believe that the Palestinian revolt against Israeli authority "is an act of terrorism."

Earlier in the week, Christopher had denied reports that Assad would be offered a meeting with Clinton in exchange for Syrian cooperation in the peace process.

Israel insists it will not withdraw its forces from the Golan Heights before Syria commits itself to a peace agreement. The Syrians say they cannot talk about peace until the Israeli troops are withdrawn.

This was Christopher's third trip to the Middle East since becoming secretary of state and his primary goal was to re-energize the stalled peace process, particularly the negotiations between Israel and Syria.

For some time, U.S. officials have tried to make clear to Syria some of the tangible benefits of cooperating in the peace process.

The Clinton administration recently supported an exception to economic sanctions against Syria to allow Kuwait to transfer three aging Boeing 727 airliners to Syria. The planes were deemed to have no military or terrorist value.

But State Department spokesman Mike McCurry said the action on the planes was an exception and not a signal that sanctions against Syria have been eased.

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Students demand O'Hara's resignation

Dear Editor:

Over the past several days, we've read the letters arguing about the dormitory conversion. This bickering between the students serves no purpose because, if Notre Dame administration still wields the goal of increasing the dorms will need to be converted in the pending decision, but the administration is going to be converted in the pending decision, but the administration. Let us pose another question: would a rational person expect to need to compel you to sit back and watch in apathy.

Journey? Aren't they dead yet? The one positive to come out of this fiasco is that neither list contains "Siamese Dream" by Smashing Pumpkins. Though it is one of the top ten albums of all time, die-hard Pumpkins fans, including myself, would have been insulted if it had been put on these lists of truly inferior music. Thanks for not insulting me too much.

SEAN SIRCHER

FROM THE VIEWPOINT

Reader: was Observer top ten list some sort of sick joke?

Dear Editor:

Where did The Observer dig up those two music critics, Rob and Colleen, and where have they been during the past year? I could barely control my laughter upon reading their top ten picks for albums released in 1993. It was someone's version of a sick joke, right?

I listen to a wide range of music, and in my opinion, the few picks on Rob's list that I've heard of have no business being on anyone's top ten list. But I could respect Rob's list (I listen to some pretty weird music myself).

I can't say the same about Colleen's. Her list is bad. A number of her picks shouldn't even qualify for consideration.

"Aladdin" is one of my favorite movies and I love the soundtrack, but can you truly appreciate the music without the movie? I don't think so. The pick of "Aladdin" isn't too bad compared to some of the others, however. Three of the top six are "greatest hits" albums, songs recorded years ago that are re-released so the artist can make even more money that he/she already has. These are not, in my opinion, albums of 1993. I like Billy Joel's music a lot, but I'd put it on my top ten picks of 1983.

The only respectable pick in either list is Colleen's choice of Pearl Jam's "Vs." Ever hear of Pearl Jam, Rob? This was the only album that I would have picked myself, for it is truly one of the year's best.

I don't want to sound too harsh in criticizing the music critics' picks, but can you blame me?

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Who is David Baerwald?

SEAN SIRCHER

FROM THE VIEWPOINT

Correction

The headline on Michael Cotter's letter to the editor yesterday should have read, "Teachings of the Ordinary Magisterium can be infallible on matters of faith and morals." The Observer regrets the error.

GARY TRUDEAU

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"A ll casual drugs users should be taken out and shot."

-Daryl Gates

Former L.A. Chief of Police
A TASTE OF
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Here we go again, taking that trip down south to Dallas, Texas, for the Cotton Bowl. At a time when many of us will be stuck three feet deep in snow, Dallas will be a great, warm break. But before the airplane arrives, be sure you have this handy-dandy “Guide to Dallas.”

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Southold Theater receives largest number of extras for "Nutcracker" in its 20 year existence.

By KENYA JOHNSON
Accent Editor

No holiday season would be complete without carolers, eggnog or the classical performance of "The Nutcracker Ballet." In celebration of its 20th anniversary year, Southold Dance Theater will present five performances of the holiday classic on Dec. 10, 11 and 12 at Saint Mary's College O'Laughlin Auditorium.

Community involvement is a traditional feature of Southold's production. This year's production will feature the standard 17 member company and a record number 229 extras from the South Bend community - three of which are Notre Dame students Chris Cavanaugh, Melinda Gradan and Marisa Traina.

Cavanaugh, a native of South Bend, was involved with Southold Theater as a child. "It's something you grow to love," she said. "I stopped performing once I got to college, but I missed it too much and returned to the company last year."

Cavanaugh said she's noticed changes since she started with the theater years ago. "The audience tends to be people who come year after year," she explained. "There are always some minor changes made for their benefit."

Although the current Nutcracker is very much in the classical Russian tradition, Southold's first production of the ballet was presented, even 13 years ago, in a contemporary style.

"We found that the audience really wants to see a classic, traditional Nutcracker and that is the ideal to which we aspire," said Bonnie Bollini Baxter, artistic director of the company. "But we also try to make the Nutcracker uniquely Southold's and every year we find ways to introduce new ideas into the production."

Some new additions to this year's production include an all-male Russian dance and a "new look" for Madame Bonbonaire and her little helpers, according Baxter.

Another somewhat modern feature (initiated three years early) is that four of the five performances feature music by the South Bend Symphony Orchestra.

"Tchaikovsky's musical masterpiece is deserving of live music and the orchestra adds so much to the performance, both for the audience and the dancers," said Baxter.

This year's show is a perfect reflection of the company's 20 successful years, according to Mary Hendriksen, vice-president of marketing. "We have worked hard since early September," she said. "We have been lucky to have a community such as South Bend supporting us."

Principal sponsor for The Nutcracker is the South Bend Tribune. The production is also presented with the support of the Indiana Arts Commission and the National Endowment for the Arts.
Dear Father ed- or "Edoc," as your contemporaries in the Eastern Province say, whenever they mention you: I hope you will understand the pastoral concern that motivates me to address you—wit, affection, respect, regret, and fear—so publicly in this Observer column. I'm not very bright or courageous, and will wish a million times that I hadn't been so misguided as to put these words on paper, but when you are as visible as you were in Tuesday's paper, speaking authoritatively about your beliefs that seem to me to be wishful thinking, I feel driven to show you my doubts, for my own sake, and the sake of others as confessor, as I, a few of them priests.

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Steve Young explains secret to San Francisco's success

By ED SHEARER
Associated Press

ATLANTA
Steve Young has a simple explanation for San Francisco's playoff-loss streak.
"We quit turning the ball over, the protection got better and I started making more plays on the ball more accurately," he said.
"After six weeks or so, we just decided to make those plays more often," Young said.
"We started preparing better. We knew we had been kind of kicking ourselves... The defense has finally got it out of my mind and gotten used to it," Young said of the injury. The 49ers lost since those two turnovers killed their chances in a 26-17 loss at Dal­las on Oct. 17.
"After that we started preparing better. It's tough to beat us if we don't make those big turnovers."
"We beat the Falcons in September in a 35-33,10 shutout...
San Francisco's third victory in a row in a series it leads 32-20-1. The Niners have won 15 of their last 19 meetings with the Falcons.
"San Francisco's loss in the middle of the four-game losing streak to start the season. The Falcons have turned their season around, winning five of seven since Deion Sanders finished his ball season with the Braves and joined the team for the sixth game of the year."
"Obviously Deion has helped them," Young said. "I also just see better defense since the Falcons. They have a couple of different wrinkles that have been there for them."
"Young may be without one of his key offensive weapons. Running back Rikki Watts left Monday's victory over Cincinnati with a strained ligament in his right knee. "Watters is quite questionable or doubtful," coach George Seifert said. "I don't think he's going to play..."

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Houston wins again, improves to 18-1

Associated Press

HOUSTON

Mario Elie scored 17 of his season-high 25 points in the fourth quarter and overtime, leading Houston over Miami for a franchise-best 18-1 record.

Vernon Maxwell sank a desperation 30-footer as regulation ended to send the game into overtime. The New York Knicks started 23-1 in 1969 and Portland was 19-1 in 1990.

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The Rockets, now 9-0 at home with their eighth straight victory over Miami, got 28 points and 16 rebounds from Otis Thorpe.

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The Mavericks ended to send the game into overtime.

The Rockets, now 9-0 at home with their eighth straight victory over Miami, got 28 points and 16 rebounds from Otis Thorpe.

25 points, the most scored against Houston this season.
Through good times and bad times, Devine endures

By R.B. FALLSTROM
Associated Press

COLUMBIA, Mo.

The end of Dan Devine's second tenure at Missouri is drawing near, and names from his storied past have been lining up in homage.

"It would have been so easy for him just to retire and take life easy," Notre Dame coach Lou Holtz said at a fund-raising tribute for Devine last week in St. Louis. "He made the supreme sacrifice for something he believed in and did so unselfishly."

Charlie Brown, a running back at Missouri from 1964-66 who's now assistant superintendent of schools in St. Louis, said Devine had been "like a father."

"Everything in my career, everything that I am and what I stood for, in addition to those values I learned from my family, came from Dan Devine," Brown said. "But it's not all sweetness. As the former Notre Dame coach winds up a 1 1/2-year return engagement as athletic director at Missouri that ends on Feb. 1, he's taken some big hits."

First, that he hedged on the future of football coach Bob Stull. It was widely assumed Stull would be fired after compiling a 15-38-2 record in five seasons. Instead, Devine made him assistant athletic director.

He's also been criticized for being too heavily on candidates with Missouri ties in his searches for a new coach and athletic director.

Most of the coaching candidates whose names have surfaced, including Vince Tobin and Merv Johnson, have ties to the school. As for the A.D. position, there's associate A.D. Joe Castiglione, Missouri broadcast-
er Kellen Winslow, and former St. Louis Cardinals quarterback Jim Hart, athletic director at Southern Illinois-Carbondale.

The whispers go like this: Devine, who's revered at Missouri, is still basking in the 1960s when he was one of the most successful coaches in the country.

Glory, yes. He was 93-37-7 from 1968-70 with the Tigers, taking them to six bowl games. The Missouri team is the only one in school history to have been ranked No. 1, and he took Missouri to its last Orange Bowl in 1969.

Relevant, no. He isn't mindful of the fact that those days are gone, that Missouri hasn't had a winning season since 1983, and that maybe radical change is what's needed.

—Then, more cruelly, that Devine can't keep pace. He's 68, after all, and he's allowed Castiglione to handle day-to-day operations of the athletic department, concentrating on fund-raising.

As if all of that weren't bad enough, he also took a bit of a beating on the silver screen. A few months ago, the makers of the movie "Rudy" arranged for a private screening in Columbia. Devine was shocked to see how he was portrayed.

"I had given written and verbal permission to paint me as a heavy or the film would have never gotten off the ground," Devine said. "I just didn't envision that they would distort the truth as much as they did."

Nothing about me in the movie is really accurate."

His supporters say that's also the case with perceptions of Devine. Missouri chancellor Charles Kiesler said he's found him far from the stereotypical football jock, calling him "astonishingly" well-read about other subjects.

"A little over a year ago I inherited Dan Devine and I knew of his reputation for integrity," Missouri chancellor Charles Kiesler said. "I expected to like him a great deal and that has happened."

"He's sort of an ambassador for Missouri athletics, but he's an even better ambassador for Missouri academics."

Devine has heard all of the criticism, and he wants it known he's not just another old Missouri. Two days after Stull was relieved of his coaching duties, he spoke glowingly at the Devine tribute in St. Louis. "I feel like I've contributed to the University and the State of Missouri, and that is really important."

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Volleyball

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figures in kills, led by junior outside hitter Christy Peters, who registered a match-high 25 to go along with 21 digs.

However, as has been the key to Notre Dame’s success all season, Peters supporting cast was up to the task as well. Senior middle blocker Molly Stark added 17 kills and was a presence defensively with 5 total blocks. She also got help in the middle from senior co-captain Julie Harris, who had a career high 13 kills.

The Irish also got strong performances from the hitters opposite Peters, as junior Nicole Coates notched 14 kills and a team-high 26 digs, while freshman Jenny Birkner added another 14 kills.

The diversified Notre Dame offense is the result of another solid game at setter by senior co-captain Janelle Karlan, who amassed 78 assists.

Notre Dame will meet Penn State tonight with a berth in the Final Four on the line.

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Christy Peters had 25 kills to lead Notre Dame past Minnesota.

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opening games slowly this season. "We need to keep their guards under control and keep them off the boards."

"USC is really aggressive," Taylor said. "They really attack the glass, so we'll have to make sure we keep them off the offensive boards."

Lorenzo Orr, a 6-7 junior forward, leads USC in points and rebounds this season with an average of 18.5 points and 7.8 rebounds per game. The All-American candidate is shooting 63.6 percent from the field while also leading the Trojans in steals and blocks.

"He's putting up really impressive numbers," said Taylor, "so we're going to have to pay a lot of attention to him."

"There's no doubt in my mind we can keep him under control," said Williams, who will likely be covering Orr. "I'm not worried about that at all."

Trojan co-captain Mark Boyd, a 6-7 forward, trails Orr in both scoring and rebounding with averages of 14.8 points and five rebounds per game. Boyd is shooting 65.5 percent from the field.

Starting at guard, 5-10 sophomore Burt Harris is averaging 13 points and 3.8 assists per game. Brandon Martin, a 6-4 sophomore, carries the other half of the backcourt while averaging 10 points per game.

Williams, who scored 13 of Notre Dame's first 15 points in a loss to Indiana earlier this week, has been carrying the Irish season while averaging just under 31 points per game.

Sophomore guard Ryan Hoover leads the backcourt while averaging 14 points per game.

Notre Dame will face off with Arizona in the first round of the Maui Classic on December 21. Other teams competing in the double elimination tournament include Kentucky, Ohio State, Tennessee Tech, and host team Chaminade.

Following the Classic, the Irish will play three games over break: at home on January 2 against Fordham and away on January 6 and 8 against Kentucky and LaSalle, respectively.
Michigan hopes experience can defeat Duke


Even though the Blue Devils won, it was the freshmen who earned the respect and admiration of a nation.

The teams have since met twice more times, but the results haven't changed. Duke's experience has outlasted Michigan's talent.

On Saturday, the scene switches back to Ann Arbor where No. 3 Michigan (10-0) hosts No. 4 Duke (4-0). This time it's the Wolverines who are the veteran team.

“Our experience is a credit not a liability,” coach Steve Fisher said. “What used to be our strengths — height and size — are now our weaknesses.” Fisher and the Wolverines hope they can parlay the experience factor into a victory.

“It bothers us a lot that Duke is the only team we haven’t beaten,” Michigan center Juwan Howard said. “I hope Saturday will be the first.”

Howard, who missed Michigan’s game Monday against Detroit-Mercy with a sprained right Achilles tendon, is expected to start on Saturday.

“Like the rest of the team, I’m excit-
Offensive execution a key for Irish against Seton Hall

By AMY GRIFFIN
Sports Writer

Hoping to rebound from their 66-59 loss to Purdue, the women's basketball team will take on Seton Hall Saturday at 2 p.m. at the JACC.

"It's going to be tough. Seton Hall's a good team," said senior Sherri Orlosky. "We're going to go out and play hard and come out with a victory."

Seton Hall won the PAIF-Mayfair Farms Invitational championship defeating La Salle 73-48, last weekend. Seton Hall was ranked third in the Big East preseason poll.

"We're still really positive and know have a lot of potential. We'll go out and play as hard as we can," said freshman Beth Morgan. "We feel we're the only ones who can beat ourselves."

"Looking at Purdue and their ranking and how they played, I think our athletes are good enough to beat them. I think we deserve to be in the top 20," said sophomore Carey Poor.

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With 1:42 left of play, the Irish offense was held to 29.4 percent from the field, while Purdue made four of nine three-point shots and shot 40 percent from the field in the first half.

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MCC expands at Mid-Continent's expense

New members should stabilize shaky MCC

By STEVE HERMAN

INDIANAPOLIS

The Midwest Collegiate Conference, which has lost three members and its automatic bid to the NCAA basketball tournament, announced an expansion Thursday with five schools from the Mid-Continent Conference.

The move will give the MCC at least eight members through the 1996-97 season and restore the league's NCAA tournament qualifier, commissioner Jon LeCrone said.

The news of three other current conference members — Xavier and LaSalle in all league sports and Notre Dame in all sports except men's basketball — will be determined later, he said at a news conference.

"We have always had a fairly aggressive expansion strategy, and the process has been fairly complex. But they have been on our prospective member board for some time," he said of the new members — Cleveland State, Northern Illinois, Wisconsin-Green Bay, Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Wright State.

"We spent a lot of time talking about membership, and we have visited with a lot of private and public institutions over the past few months about membership in the MCC."

Besides Xavier, LaSalle and Notre Dame, the current MCC members are Butler, Detroit Mercy and Evansville, Ill. Evansville is leaving at the end of this year to join the Missouri Valley Conference, while in the past two years Dayton defected to the Great Midwest and Duquesne departed to the Atlantic Ten.

All five new members are state-supported universities ranging in enrollment from Wisconsin-Green Bay's 5,000 students to Wisconsin-Milwaukee's 24,241. In the past, the MCC was open only to smaller, private colleges.

"We had a set of criteria we used as we looked at various schools that came out of our long-term planning committee as well," said Butler president Geoffrey Harre, chairman of the MCC council of presidents.

"We were very concerned that these be schools that take the athletic-academic side very seriously, that these be schools with a good record in the past, they be serious about their athletic programs, that they have strong faculty representative involvement with all of their programs, and our preference has been cities that make sense for the MCC."

The MCC competes in men's basketball, golf, cross country, soccer, indoor track, swimming, tennis and baseball; and in women's basketball, tennis, cross country, soccer, volleyball, indoor track, swimming and softball.

Notre Dame is an independent in men's basketball.

The switch of affiliation leaves the Mid-Continent Conference with Valparaiso, Illinois-Chicago, Youngstown State, Eastern Illinois and Western Illinois, although LeCrone would not speculate on the future of that conference.

Illinois-Chicago has had recent discussions with the MCC about joining but has not announced a decision.

Alan Harre, president of Valparaiso, said his university is "disappointed in this action, for it has major implications for our Division I teams and will require considerable readjustment in next year's scheduling."

Harre said the remaining Mid-Continent members are investigating the possibility of adding new members of its own.

"One of the possibilities being explored is a merger with the East Coast Conference — something we have been talking about for years," he said.

Mid-Continent officials remain confident despite defections

By MARIO FOX

CHICAGO

The Mid-Continent Conference insisted on Thursday that it was not dead despite the defection of six schools, leaving only four members of the once robust and growing league.

Lured in part by larger television markets, Illinois-Chicago, Cleveland State, Northern Illinois, Wisconsin-Green Bay, Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Wright State are joining the Midwestern Collegiate Conference for basketball and a dozen other sports, beginning in the fall of 1994.

The withdrawals leave Eastern Illinois, Western Illinois, Youngstown State and Valparaiso searching for schools to join them in the Mid-Con.

"We are disappointed, however, that we will continue to sponsor an intercollegiate athletics program consonant with the institution's academic standards and capable of creating a spirit of pride in the university," Harre said.

Xavier athletic director Jeff Foglesong did not say whether his school would remain in the MCC but that he is "pleased that the MCC has added these schools."

The depleted league issued a statement expressing confidence of "a bright and exciting future."

"The departure of these schools is something we had anticipated for some time. We have a plan that will insure that the Mid-Continent Conference will remain a very viable and competitive league for years to come," read Commissioner Jerry A. Ippoliti's statement.

"The actions we expect will provide this league and its member institutions with security and continuity for many, many years," said Ippoliti.

Tom Lesig, assistant commissioner, would not comment on speculation that the Mid-Con might try to add independents Northeastern Illinois, Chicago State and Missouri-Kansas City to survive.

Northern Illinois said it was changing leagues in part because of "being more visible in larger media markets." Illinois-Chicago also mentioned the new league's "major media markets" — Chicago (Loynola), Detroit (Mercy) and Cincinnati (Xavier) — in its statement.

The NLI Buckeyes will remain in the Big West Conference for football and the UIC Flames will keep their membership in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association.

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Happy 21st Birthday, Nora Coletta
By BRENT KALLESTAD
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — A TV cameraman once asked Charlie Ward to strike a Heisman Trophy pose. He said no. His own sense of humility wouldn’t permit it.

On Saturday, both most likely be posing with the Heisman. Ward, ‘he’s just like a vapor,” Florida State coach Bobby Bowden said. “Just when you think you see him, and can reach out and grab him, he’s gone.”

The senior quarterback is heavily favored to win the award as the country’s top college player. Only two others, junior quarterback Heath Shuler of Tennessee and the versatile David Palmer of Alabama, were invited to the announcement at New York’s Downtown Athletic Club.

Last year, even the most ardent Florida State fans weren’t thinking about the Heisman when Ward started off his junior season with eight interceptions in the first two games. But despite the errant throws, Florida State won the games against Duke and Clemson.

Ward engineered a late, winning drive against Clemson in a hint of what was to come. Two years later, Ward had led Florida State to a 31-2 record and will guide the Seminoles on New Year’s Day in the Orange Bowl against Nebraska for the college football championship.

Last year, Ward replaced 1991 Heisman runner-up Casey Weldon, and he admits thinking "Oh, no, not again," as he got off to the rough start.

While some Florida State assistants were concerned, they supported Bowden’s instructions to give Ward time to mature.

“We’d seen him in practice and everybody thought Charlie would go out and immediately be perfect,” said Bowden, who admitted he had tremendous expectations for Ward.

“But Charlie hadn’t played in four years,” Bowden said. “We coaches had to remember that.”

Ward was the team’s punter in 1989, then redshirted a year before winning the Heisman in 1990 as a junior, but this season he threw 17 interceptions and will guide the Seminoles on New Year’s Day in the Orange Bowl against Nebraska for the college football championship.

While Ward prepares to finish his college career against Nebraska, he may pursue basketball as a professional choice.

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It's not time to get rid of Knight

By JIM LITTLE
Associated Press

At the moment sport's biggest bully called timeout for the sole purpose of shoving his own kid into a chair on the Indiana bench, his team was ahead by 26 points. That was not good enough. Some surprise. Whenever and wherever Bob Knight is involved, nothing will ever be enough. But to make his point, he must absolutely certain his son, his son's mother and Knight's ex-wife, 17,234 other onlookers and a television audience of who-knows-how-many-more all understood that the sin of carelessness would never go unpunished. Knight walked along the bench to where Pat Knight sat and then punted him — or at least appeared to. That should have surprised people even less. 

Predictably, this most recent in a series of continuing Knight-mares has prompted calls for everything from his resignation to bench to where he resigned. Some pattern of abusing players, whatever Bob Knight is doing what he does, only doing what he says. That kind of excuse for a human being — there can be no doubt which side of the ledger is longer.

Knight has never preached anything from his resignation to his bench practice session during the Pan Am Games. Or a few years after that, when he chucked a chair across the floor during a game. Or maybe even a short five years ago, when he let slip during a television interview that, "If rape is inevitable, relax and enjoy it." Yet, even taking all those things into account, the time to get rid of Bob Knight is not now.

Once he went off the first, or second or third time and everybody looked the other way, all of us became accomplices. It is once again on display and say what you will — that he is a miserable, obsessive, uncar­ying excuse for a human being — there can be no doubt which side of the ledger is longer.

Knight never preached doing what he does, only doing what he says. That kind of excellence comes at a very high cost, but there is a long line of people who value it at least as much as he does.

The kids who show up at Indiana before the start of each basketball season both know and weigh the risks, and they still exist in droves. The handful of kids who leave Indiana after each basketball season usually do so with a degree in hand and always with a very finely developed sense of the pitfalls that await them in the larger world. In that sense, Pat Knight will hardly be an exception.

The measure of Bob Knight, finally, should not be the number of NCAA championships, Big Ten titles or even his career win-loss record. Neither should it be how many insults and chairs he has hurled, or how many players he has grabbed, slapped or shoved. The only measure that should count is what happened to them after they moved on.

That was the point that prompted a caller to one of those radio talk shows to offer this story about Knight. It seems there was a very over­weight student at Indiana who showed up at one of Knight's impromptu talks on campus and had the temerity to ask why Knight didn't hold such sessions more often and why more seats weren't made available when he did.

Ignoring the first question, Knight stared at the kid and coolly answered the second one: "There'd be more seats right now if you weren't taking up two of them yourself."

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38. A woman's skin
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42. Guinea pig's milieu
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Today, more and more people are being close and closer to the forest. That is, today, forest fires kill more than trees. Please be careful. Only you can prevent forest fires.

MOVIES!

 Miracle on 34th St.
 IN THE LINE OF FIRE

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For the fourth time in less than a month, the Notre Dame hockey team faces off against national power Lake Superior State tonight at 7 p.m. in the Joyce Center.

This will be the Notre Dame's first opportunity to host skaters from the JACC, where the Irish are undefeated, with a record of 2-0-2.

The Irish will return to the JACC ice on Saturday night to host Ohio State. Clearly, the team is focused for now on LSSU.

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The second game of the weekend against Ohio State should not pose as much of a challenge as Lake State, but the Irish cannot afford to come into the contest overly-confident. In the CCCHA, any team is capable of beating anyone else on a given night, even on the road. Notre Dame defeated the Buckeyes earlier this year, but USC still poses some problems for the Irish.

"We were fortunate to beat them the first time," noted Schafer. "It's a pretty good game. Even if their record doesn't indicate it, it'll be a big game. In fact, both games are big games for us."

Once again, this weekend provides the Irish with the opp­portunity to improve upon their consistent .500 record (6-6-2 overall, 4-4-2 in conference) and move up from their sixth place standing. This is one of the few weekends the Irish will have both games at home. The team is hoping for a great deal of support during this impor­tant weekend.

"I know it's finals week. But if you're looking for a little break, spending two hours at the JACC will be well worth the effort. It's safe to say that the games will be evenly-con­tested," said Schafer.

Notre Dame registered five players with double-point nights.

It's Lake Superior State again, this time at home.

By TIM SHERMAN
Sports Writer

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Win over Minnesota lifts Irish to Elite Eight

By TIMOTHY SEYMOUR
Assistant Sports Editor

In a season where they have constantly re­itated that they belong among the nation's top teams, making an appearance in the 'Elite Eight' of the NCAA tournament is an appropriate step for the Notre Dame volleyball team.

The Irish were able to make their first-ever appearance in the 'Sweet Sixteen' live up to its name as they defeated Minnesota on its home court in a closely contested regional semifinal 15-9, 11-13, 15-13, 15-12, 15-13 to earn a place as one of the premiere squads in the country.

Notre Dame was able to hold on against a red hot Gopher squad and now stands one game away from the Final Four.

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At last Sunday's press conference, Irish coach Lou Holtz was despondent. He openly admitted that he was down, discouraged, and basically emotionally spent over the turn of events that has befallen his Notre Dame team since its miracle win over Florida State on November 13.

"I'm down," said Holtz, "But I'll get over it."

His demeanor seemed to echo the feeling on the rest of the Notre Dame campus, as students and fans alike remembered how much things have changed since the No. 1
**EXPERIENCED LINEUP PACES AGGIE ATTACK**

By BRYAN CONNOLLY

Associated Press

Another trip to the Cotton Bowl certainly was not what Irish head coach Lou Holtz and the rest of Notre Dame fans were hoping for three weeks ago.

But with a January 1 rematch with Texas A&M looming right around the corner, the Irish can ill afford to dwell on what might-have-been.

The Aggies will be hungry for revenge after last year's 28-3 thumping at the hands of the Irish.

Senior defensive end Devon McDonald led Notre Dame in tackles last year. This year he has had 65 tackles and three sacks.

Harrison is an acrobatic wide receiver, but the unit lacks depth.

**COACHING**

Slocum may storm the Irish defense on January 1.

**RECEIVERS**

Dawson and Johnson will thrill in their final game for the Irish.

**LINEBACKERS**

Bercich and Gehren anchor a physical defense.

**SECONDARY**

Thank God Aggies don't have a BC-like passing attack.

**SPECIAL TEAMS**

Coverage will be key in stopping big play Aggie returners.

**FINAL SCORE**

If the real Irish show up this could be a repeat of last season. But...
Backfield trio leads potent offense

By MICHAEL PLUMER
The Battalion-Texas A&M

For once, the numbers do not lie. Junior Greg Hill has 707 yards and six touchdowns. Junior Rodney Thomas has 999 yards and 13 touchdowns. For good measure, freshman Leeland McElroy has 613 yards rushing, three kickoff returns for touchdowns, seven rushing scores and four through the air. Simply breathtaking.

Critics have suggested that A&M offensive coordinator Bob Toledo has sometimes been guilty of having his head in the clouds when determining how to use the triumvirate. But those cynics were quieted when all three were on the field at the same time in the Aggies’ 42-7 victory over Louisville on Nov. 13.

"Actually, we did not do anything different against Louisville," Toledo said. "There were some new formations, but the key is we had all three guys together. As a team, we executed so well when they were out there that it seemed like it was new."

Hill said the three-back attack is the wave of the future because everybody to have problems, we are going to get our best shot in a game and when they do, we are going to rip their spine out."

"Another thing is we do not lose concentration, and we focus a lot harder. Playing in short spurts allows us to stay fresh, and in the fourth quarter, the defense will be tired."

"But not us."

Dealing with the backs can have opposing defenses grasping for air. A&M senior defensive end Eric England said he is glad he is a teammate and not the opposition.

"If I played on another team or if I was the defensive coordinator, I would be scared of those three," England said. "The things those guys do in practice and in games are amazing. It makes our defense better because we get to see those guys everyday."

In a situation like A&M has, there is always danger of a rift developing. But all three backs said there is no danger of that occurring.

"Whether it is business or football, there is going to be competition," Thomas said. "We take the stance that whatever we do benefits the team. That is the main point."

"This is a team game, an we realize that."

McElroy echoed Thomas’ sentiments.

"I am part of the team as Greg and Rodney are, and if we have problems, then it would cause everybody to have problems," McElroy said. "When Greg came back, Rodney and I expected our reps to go down, but we respected that."

"Everything will be fine."

Hill said the special bond between the three eases and potential conflicts.

"The type of friendship we have allows us to be the best," Hill said. "When you have got somebody supporting you, it gives you a sense of not being on the same level as the opponents."

Another area where the group wants to pull away from is the nickname category.

"Opponents are going to get our best shot in a game and when they do, we are going to rip their spine out."

Running back Greg Hill sat out last year’s Cotton Bowl but is one of three top running backs for the Aggies in 1993.
The History of the Series

The Last Time:
Noire Dame 28, Texas A&M 3

Last year the Aggies came into the Cotton Bowl with an undefeated record, campaigning for more respect in the national polls. They came out of the Bowl with one of the worst beatings in the Bowl's history.

Noire Dame rushed for 290 net yards while A&M accounted for just 78 as the Irish dominated all facets of the game.

Reggie Brooks finished with 115 yards on 22 carries while Beattie added 75 yards on 20 rushes, caught a 26-yard touchdown and ran for more scores. Blank Mirer completed 8-16 passes for 119 yards and two touchdowns.

The Records:
Tied at 1-1

Last ND Win: 1992
Last A&M Win: 1988

Longest Series: A&M 1-1-14
ND 1-1-19

Season Series:
ND 73: 1-1-14
A&M 73: 1-1-19

The Records: R.C. Slocum
Fifth year at Texas A&M.

Previous Record: Overall 38-11-1; vs. Notre Dame 0-1.

Previous Head Coaching Experience: None, named head coach at Texas A&M in December of 1988.

Career Highlights: Slocum served as an assistant at Texas A&M from 1972-80 and from 1982-88 with one year stint at USC in 1981. Slocum has one of the best starting records in Southwest Conference history, as he has taken the Aggies to five different bowls and three consecutive Cotton Bowls in his first five years.
1993 Statistics

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THE COTTON BOWL

Built in 1937
Capacity: 71,456
Largest Crowd: TBA
Surface: Grass
ND's Record There:
1956 Cotton Bowl: 27-27
1971 Cotton Bowl: 28-14
1993 Cotton Bowl: 35-27

The 71,456-seat Cotton Bowl Stadium, located on the State Fair grounds in Dallas, has served as the home of the annual Cotton Bowl Classic during all of its 57-year history.
The mood of the Notre Dame coach was anything but jovial soon after it became official that the Irish would be heading to Dallas to play in the Cotton Bowl against Texas A&M in the Cotton Bowl. Normally the acceptance of a major bowl bid would be a cause for celebration, at least at most other schools. However, Notre Dame is different, and this was not your normal season.

Since last year's Bowl Coalition agreement went into effect, Notre Dame is guaranteed a spot in one of the four major New Year's Day bowls if they go 7-4. Notre Dame is used to receiving top bowl invitations. This season saw a group of inexperienced overachievers rise from the lowly Southwest Conference to the undisputed No. 1 team in the rankings to the undisputed Notre Dame after a three-year absence. Holtz and the rest of the Notre Dame community were at an all-time high after beating the Seminoles, the team that was ranked No. 1 in the national polls.

How times have changed. Ever since Holtz and the rest of the Notre Dame coaching staff appeared in the Cotton Bowl press box to watch the end of the Notre Dame-Boston College game, the mood of the Notre Dame community has been somber. However, with Sunday's announcement, it may have become worse. "I'll admit that the loss was very painful," said Holtz. "But what has been even more painful is that I don't understand the logic that has followed it." A large part of the anguish that has been welling inside of Notre Dame fans centers around the Irish's spot in the national polls. After the two-point, last-second loss to the Eagles, the Irish fell from No. 1 to No. 5. Just to put the drop in perspective, America's best teams would have been ranked between 17 and 20.

The turn of events served to substantiate a thought that has become prevalent in the minds of everyone associated with the Notre Dame football program. There are two sets of rules when it comes to the football polls: one for all of the college football teams, and another for Notre Dame. One story that adds fuel to the fire occurred after Michigan's win over Ohio State on November 20. About 30 sportswriters and voters in the Associated Press poll gathered in the press box to watch the end of the Notre Dame game.

The writers cheered and swapped high fives at Notre Dame's expense. A system that is supposed to be impartial has turned out to be decidedly against Notre Dame. What was once billed as "The Game of the Century" now means virtually nothing to the polls, as the loss just a week later has overshadowed one of the greatest wins in Notre Dame history. The Irish's win in "The Game" is now a distant thought in their minds, and it is that win and those voters that is the key to a spilt national championship for Notre Dame.

If Notre Dame defeats Texas A&M, No. 3 West Virginia loses to Florida in the Sugar Bowl, and Florida State beats No. 1 Nebraska in the Orange Bowl, one would think the voters would be compelled to give Notre Dame a share of a split national championship. Each team has won a major Bowl game, and Notre Dame beat Florida State head-to-head in the Sugar Bowl. It was the same type of situation in back in 1969. The Irish, having lost the No. 1 ranking in Miami the last game of the season, turned around and beat No. 1 and undefeated Colorado 26-16 in the Orange Bowl. However, despite one loss, Miami won the consensus national title after beating Alabama in the Sugar Bowl.

"We beat the No. 1 team and Miami won the national championship," said Holtz. "The voters said that Miami won it because they beat us head-to-head twice in the year." If history is on Notre Dame's side, they will have their share.

However, that scenario has done nothing to heighten Holtz's mood. As it stands right now, the Irish head to Dallas with only that slim chance for just a spilt national championship. With that one kick, an eagerly awaited bowl matchup and chance at the title has melted into another seemingly meaningless bowl game.

To make matters worse, the Irish are heading into a familiar situation. They are playing at the same location, against the same team that they played in last year's seemingly meaningless bowl game. "A lot of the excitement will not be there," admitted Holtz. "If we played in the Sugar Bowl, even though we played there two years ago, half of the team was not there. At the Cotton Bowl, we will likely have the same itinerary as they are over the Boston College loss. But there is a great difference between then and now, and the Irish must start preparing for the Texas A&M Aggies, and not Florida State or Nebraska.

"It's like playing a poker game," said Holtz of playing the Aggies again, "And the other guy knows what your hand is but you don't know what he has." The Irish showcased their whole offensive package in last year's 28-3 win, including a halfback pass and a middle screen for a touchdown, whereas the Aggies could not get anything going the whole game.

Furthermore, Texas A&M returns every skill player from that offense, including quarterback Corey Pulling and running backs Greg Hill (who was suspended for the Cotton Bowl last year) and Rodney Thomas. The Aggies also have the revenge factor working for them. They were undefeated and ranked third heading into last year's game.

Coach R.C. Slocum was campaigning for a shot at the national title, saying that his team was not getting enough respect. The Irish's blowout of the Aggies was not only humiliating, but it backed up the public's thoughts that a team from the lowly Southwest Conference does not deserve a chance at the title.

But perhaps the worst factor working against the Irish is motivation. Even if they are over the Boston College loss, the Irish must then gear up to play a team that may have been better last season, in a bowl they would rather not play in. About the only motivating factor could be a loss in the Sugar Bowl.

"I would think that pride is a pretty big thing to play for," said Holtz. "It's the biggest thing." However, this Notre Dame team, which once had a shot at the national championship, is grasping to be playing for more than just pride. This Notre Dame team had higher hopes than another bowl victory over a top ten team.

Now, sadly, this is all they may have left to show of their improbable season.

Do we have a SUITE DEAL in Dallas for NOTRE DAME FANS!

If you are planning to come to the Cotton Bowl Classic in Dallas, Residence Inn by Marriott has a unique special offer. Plan to stay in a Dallas Market Center Residence Inn for only $59 to $89. The offer includes:

- $109 (max 3 ppl) for one bedroom suite
- $139 (max 5 ppl) for two bedroom suite
- Special Cotton Bowl Rates
- No charge for extra people
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A Player for Any Year

Versatile Jeff Burris leaves nothing to be desired

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If he could only have a national championship ring, one as big and shiny as his ready smile.

It's the only thing missing in the career of one of the most unique Notre Dame football players since the inception of single-platoon football.

The 1993 Observer Player of the Year Jeff Burris is the team MVP, an All-American safety as well as a standout on offense and special teams.

The only place he doesn't play is on our extra point team, Burris said, "and he could probably hold for that.”

It's just as well that Burris isn't on the extra point team because he is probably tired after scoring all those touchdowns.

Six this season and 10 in his career.

He's a safety by trade, but he's also the safest bet to score inside the 10-yard line.

Short yardage situations are where he shines as the final piece to Notre Dame's full house backfield.

"We had a couple of guys injured (last season) and I was one of several players who tried out for the position and fortunately I was chosen as the replacement," Burris said.

Fortunately for him and for the Irish. Burris proved his value in every aspect of the game during his career, scoring 10 touchdowns, picking off 10 passes, collecting more than 100 tackles and returning a punt 60 yards for a touchdown.

That kind of versatility that is virtually unheard of in today's specialized world of college football.

"It's not difficult (playing offense and defense)," he said. "It keeps me in the game all the time because I have to understand what's going on on both sides of the ball.”

If only he could only have a national championship ring, one that seemed within his grasp after the win over Florida State that he helped orchestrate with a pair of touchdowns.

But a week later it slipped away with a stunning loss to Boston College.

"It was just a very empty feeling," Burris said. "It didn't sink in on Sunday. It was as if we never played the game, I just wanted it to go away.”

It won't go away, but it is a blemish that will fade in time. Burris' contributions will not fade.

His teammates elected him a tri-captain along with classmates Aaron Taylor and Tim Ruddy for the 1993 season.

"I try to lead by example, but I'm not a very vocal guy," Burris said.

The only place he doesn't play is on our extra point team, and he could probably hold for that. -Lou Holtz

Burris said, "We have a great senior class and when people had something to say, they said it. The burden of leading never fell on just one person.”

Indeed, Notre Dame's senior class is one of its best ever.

They arrived in South Bend four years ago with no more accolades than any Irish recruiting class.

But they will leave a larger legacy than most.

Overcoming adversity is as much a tradition at Notre Dame as national championships. The seniors almost accomplished both.

Nobody believed the Irish were one of the nation's best teams when the season began.

Too much adversity and not enough experience, people said.

Burris and the rest of the seniors took it upon themselves to prove those people wrong.

"Team unity," Burris said. "That's what made the difference for us. We stayed together and didn't worry about what everyone else thought.”

"Our success this season is a testament to the senior leadership," Holtz said time and time again.

No member of this remarkable senior class has made a bigger impact than Burris.

If he could only have that ring, one that now seems like a distant dream.

The national championship will likely be decided in the Orange Bowl, hundreds of miles from Notre Dame's date in Dallas.

It's Texas A&M again—for pride.

They can control how they play and the seniors won't let the final game of their careers end the way their final regular season game ended.

After January 1, Burris will begin to focus on his future.

He has never been considered a lock to take his game to the next level, but it seems likely that an NFL team could find a use for such a versatile talent.

"It would take a lot of hard work to play against those great players," Burris said. "But it's definitely a dream of mine.”

Whether or not Burris makes it in the NFL, he can look back on his college career with pride.

"Athletically and academically, Notre Dame was everything I expected," he said.

Jeff Burris was everything Notre Dame expected—and more.

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—Jeff Burris
T he cries of injustice were that of Nebraska, those are cries of fear.

The Sugar Bowl playing for the national championship more than the Seminoles on the field and what it takes to win. For the last seven years Nebraska has lost their bowl game, and their game looks like it should fit right into the pattern. The defensive property holds true, the Cornhuskers will be for some trouble in Miami. In the last seven years Nebraska has thrashed Kansas 42-0. A few weeks ago, Nebraska squeaked past the Jayhawks 21-20 when Kansas coach Glen Mason decided to opt for a two-point conversion instead of going for the tie after scoring a late touchdown.

Even more evidence of an impending Florida State rout is how the Huskers and their coach reacted after their season-ending win over Oklahoma. The Nebraska players were chanting, "We want West Virginia," knowing that they would most likely play the Seminoles in the Orange Bowl. Coach Tom Osborne was then asked who he would rather play in the bowl, the second-ranked Seminoles or the third-ranked Cornhuskers. "Of course we would rather play the cold-weather team that plays on astroturf," said Osbourne, who also noted that they would be playing the Seminoles in Florida. I guess as Osborne already has his excuses ready.

No. 3 West Virginia vs. No. 8 Florida State. The Gators slithered through a win over Alabama last week to earn a berth to the Sugar Bowl, where West Virginia turned down the bid to the Cotton Bowl to head to New Orleans and 1.15 million dollars more.

West Virginia said that their only concern for turning down the bid to the Cotton Bowl was for the difference in pay-out. However, one would think that the Mountaineers, if they wanted to be able to stake their claim to a share of the national title, would want to play the highest ranked team. This would be the Aggies in the Cotton Bowl.

A win over a sub-Par Florida team that plays on a game lock and second-string quarterback may not impress the voters enough to give the Mountaineers a slice of the national championship pie.

No. 9 Wisconsin vs. No. 15 UCLA. The Rose Bowl. The Badgers have done the improbable.

With a 41-20 win over Michigan State in Tokyo, Wisconsin earned its first trip to the Rose Bowl since the mid-60s.

Remember, last week's game was moved to Tokyo at a time when no one thought Wisconsin would be competing for a trip to the Rose Bowl.

The Badgers beat out Ohio State, who looked to be a lock for the Rose Bowl through most of the season. In fact, a number of Buckeye players held roses after their win over Indiana guaranteed the Buckeyes a slice of the Big Ten title. The Buckeyes may celebrate their share of the title but the Badgers, with the same overall record, are going to Pasadena because they have gone the longest without an appearance.

The Bruins got into the "Grandaddy of them all" by beating USC 26-20 in the last game of the year.

So in the end, it will be the first Rose Bowl without Michigan in three years. That has to be a big positive.

**All eyes turn to Orange Bowl showdown**

**Games of Interest**

**COACHES**

- **Notre Dame**
  - Florida State: 11-1-
  - Notre Dame: 11-0-

- **Ohio State**
  - Florida State: 11-0-
  - Ohio State: 10-1-

- **Michigan**
  - Florida State: 11-0-
  - Michigan: 10-1-

- **Tennessee**
  - Florida State: 11-0-
  - Tennessee: 10-1-

- **West Virginia**
  - Florida State: 11-0-
  - West Virginia: 10-1-

**SCORES**

1. Florida State 34-14
2. Nebraska 31-17
3. Notre Dame 27-17
4. Oklahoma 24-17
5. Texas A&M 22-17
6. Miami 21-14
7. Texas 20-17
8. Texas A&M 19-17
9. Miami 18-17
10. Florida 17-16
11. Nebraska 16-16
12. West Virginia 15-15
13. Penn State 14-14
14. UCLA 13-13
15. Boston College 12-12
16. Arizona 11-11
17. Colorado 10-10
18. Missouri 9-9
19. Georgia 8-8
20. Arkansas 7-7
21. Michigan 6-6
22. Alabama 5-5
23. Florida State 4-4
24. Florida 3-3
25. Louisville 2-2
26. Ohio State 1-1
27. UCLA 0-0
28. Nebraska 0-0
29. Notre Dame 0-0
30. West Virginia 0-0

**TOP 25**

1. Nebraska 10-1-
2. Miami 10-1-
3. UCLA 10-1-
4. Nebraska 10-1-
5. Oklahoma 9-1-
6. Tennessee 9-1-
7. Texas A&M 9-1-
8. Florida 8-2-
9. West Virginia 8-2-
10. Miami 8-2-
11. Ohio State 8-2-
12. North Carolina 8-2-
13. Penn State 8-2-
14. UCLA 8-2-
15. Boston College 8-2-
16. Arizona 8-2-
17. Colorado 8-2-
18. Alabama 8-2-
19. Oklahoma 8-2-
20. Kansas State 8-2-
21. Indiana 8-2-
22. Virginia Tech 8-2-
23. Michigan 8-2-
24. Clemson 8-2-
25. Fresno State 8-2-

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