Candidate prepare to do battle

By KATIE MURPHY
News Writer

At 12:01 a.m. Monday morning, campaign signs for student body president and vice-president began to appear all over campus. Today, on day two of campaigning, the candidates will present their platforms and debate the issues in the LaFortune Ballroom at 7 p.m. In alphabetical order the candidates are:

• Morrissey junior Bryan Corbett and Breen-Phillips junior Karen Dunlop;
• Grace junior Coughlin and Walsh junior Maria Capus;
• Morrissey junior David Hungeling and Fisher junior Matt Orsagh;
• Howard junior Erin King and Surin junior Delz Lefort.

Corbett, junior class president, and Dunlop, Breen-Phillips co-president, plan to reform the “winner take all” course selection system by providing students with two DART times. They also plan to open “The Pub,” a late-night club in LaFortune which would offer students entertainment, food and drink.

“We're hoping to provide more opportunities for interaction for the students,” said Corbett.

Corbett and Dunlop also propose “I.M.P.R.O.V.E.,” an Internship Mentor Program to reach out for Valuable Experience. “I.M.P.R.O.V.E. would include a library of internships and a directory of alumni willing to serve as mentors. A Student Review, student course evaluations without any faculty intervention, is also included in their platform.

“We have realistic goals, and of course we want to continue the great projects already started,” said Corbett.

Coughlin, vice-president of Grace, and Capus, co-president of Walsh, plan to implement Safe Stop, an anti-drunk shutt le service for students from the parking lots to their dorms after dark.

“We've checked into using Center for Social Concerns (CSC) vans. The vans would take you right to your dorm,” said Coughlin.

They also propose an increase in campus study space, the creation of a faculty mentor program, and the distribution of personal "Heat Sheets" which would explain a student's progress towards university and major requirements.

“We're doing new things that have not been tried before. They are all feasible,” said Coughlin.

Hungeling and Orsagh plan to dissolve student government and cut its budget in order to fund a Grateful dead concert.

“We definitely want to use all of the student government money for fun, entertaining activities. We're basically trying to cut down on all non-fun things,” said Hungeling.

Hungeling and Orsagh are also proposing free football tickets for students.

“It would only take a $2 increase in (general admission) ticket prices for students to have free tickets,” said Hungeling.

King, South Quad senator, and Lefort, Sorin president, plan to offer "The Loop," a shuttle from D2 to the Bookstore and the Rock, a meal account.

Candidates request peacekeeping funds

By JOHN DIAMOND
Associated Press

The Clinton administration asked Congress Monday for $1.2 billion to cover cost over runs of U.S. participation in United Nations peacekeeping operations.

Rep. John Murtha, D-Pa., chairman of the House Appropriations subcommit tee, briefed lawmakers behind closed doors at the Capitol. The full appropriations committee is expected to endorse the request Tuesday as part of a bill providing earthquake relief funds to California.

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Memorial on display

Part of the AIDS quilt, shown here at its inaugural display in Washington, D.C., in 1987, will be traveling to St. Paul in February through July. Around 300 panels will be on display.

Saint Mary's addresses AIDS issues and religion

By GWENDOLYN NORGLE
News Writer

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Lemonade stands and ponzi schemes

When I was a young girl growing up in Cleveland Heights, the easiest way to get rich quick was to start a lemonade stand or a ponzi scheme. My sister and I sold lemonade from a small stand in front of our house, and we made quite a bit of money. It was a lot of fun, and we were proud of ourselves for having a successful business.

The stand was located on the corner of our street, and we had a lot of customers who would stop and buy our lemonade. We made sure to have a variety of flavors to choose from, and we always had fresh fruit and mint to add flavor to the drink. We also had a little display of homemade cookies and other snacks to sell.

Ponzi schemes are a bit more complicated. A Ponzi scheme is a pyramid scheme in which investors are promised returns on their investment, but the returns are actually paid out of new money from other investors. The scheme eventually collapses when there are no new investors to support it.

In one such Ponzi scheme, my older brother was involved. He promised to pay high returns on investments, but he was actually just taking money from new investors and paying it to older investors. Eventually, he was caught and went to prison.

I learned a valuable lesson from my brother's Ponzi scheme. I realized that there are risks involved in any business venture, and it's important to be careful when investing money. I also learned to be honest and transparent with my customers, and to always treat them fairly.

In the end, my sister and I continued to run our lemonade stand, and we were able to make a good profit. We used some of the money to buy new equipment and to invest in other businesses. It was a lesson in perseverance and hard work, and I am grateful for the experience.
Realists gain strength within militant Shiite group

By ED BLANCHE
Associated Press

JIBSHEET, Lebanon
Sheik Nabil Kaouk didn't blink when Israeli F-16s swooped through a barrage of anti-aircraft fire to rocket Hezbollah guerrilla positions near this southern village. The Shiite Muslim cleric's dark eyes hardened. "We'll fight to the finish, until we push the Israelis out of our land," he said. "All Arab land, not just Lebanon. All Arab land.

"We're not able to liberate our land in Lebanon right now, but we'll give our sons the right to liberate our land in Lebanon right now, our land in Lebanon. All Arab land."

Harsh, uncompromising words from a man who wants to turn southern Lebanon — the only current war front in the Arab-Israeli conflict — into the graveyard of the U.S-sponsored Middle East peace process. But the reality appears very different as a comprehensive settlement seems increasingly possible.

After more than a decade as the most feared extremist organization in the region, carrying out suicide bombings that killed hundreds of people and holding many Westerners hostage, Hezbollah is undergoing profound change.

More pragmatic leaders who seek friends, not enemies, have the upper hand in the Iranian-supported group for now. But militants like Kaouk have visions of a holy war.

The fighting centers on the deadly game of hide-and-seek the Shiite zealots are waging with the soldiers in Israel's "security zone" in southern Lebanon.

Kaouk said the bloodletting will go on because the peace agreement between Israel and the PLO will fail.

"It gives the Palestinian people nothing," he said. "It's a gift to the Israelis.

"The war goes on. We will not stop under any conditions, even if [Israel] forces ask us to," he said, meaning Iran, Hezbollah's financial backer, and Syria, the undoubted power in Lebanon.

Kaouk was meeting with an Associated Press reporter in a follower's house in Jibsheat when the F-16s streaked in to hit guerrillas perched below the craggy crest of the 2,620-foot Jabal Sa'i Mount a few miles northeast.

His bodyguards rushed in and said anxiously: "Our chief, we must move away from here quickly!"

They hustled him, brown cleric's robe swirling, into a green Mercedes and sped off through the shabby hillsides of the Shiite village of cement-block houses and shops, its muddy streets bedecked with yellow and green Hezbollah banners.

For all Kaouk's fiery rhetoric, a peace settlement would leave Hezbollah with an uncertain future.

It already faces deep hostility from other sects and Shiite rivals who oppose its long-term objective of making Lebanon an Islamic state.

Hezbollah, or Party of God, dominates the south and is the only militia that has not disarmed since the 15-year civil war ended in 1990. It insists its guns are needed to liberate the Israeli-occupied "security zone," an argument Prime Minister Rafik Hariri's government cannot publicly oppose.

Syria tolerates Hezbollah's guerrilla campaign because it keeps pressure on Israel while Damascus negotiates for peace. Iran may finance and arm Hezbollah, but the Syrians control its supply lines.

If peace does come, the Syrians will have to retain in the fundamentalist fighters. But they may keep the organization intact in case the peace is not exactly as they want.

Iran opposes the peace process, so hard-liners like Kaouk might not surrender their guns even if the Israelis withdrew from southern Lebanon.

The pragmatists are led by Hezbollah's secretary-general, Hassan Nasrallah, and its spiritual leader, Sheik Hussein Fadlallah. They believe Hezbollah must become a political movement with popular support if it is to find a place in the new structures evolving in the new Lebanon.

In the October 1992 parliamentary elections, Lebanon's first in 20 years, the party won 12 seats in the 188-member chamber. Other fundamentalists got four more.

Sheik Nassem Kassem, Hezbollah's deputy-secretary-general, recently told Shiite businessmen it is time to concentrate on social programs, not confrontation.

Hezbollah has widespread support among Lebanon's 1.2 million Shiites, the largest sect, largely because of its Iranian-financed social and welfare programs. The government, faced with the immense cost of reconstruction, cannot provide such services.

SECURITY BRIEF

SAT., JAN. 29

7:16 a.m. A University employee reported vandalism to trigger Hall.

11:36 a.m. Security responded to a motor accident on Douglas Road. There were no injuries reported.

5:38 a.m. A South Hall resident reported finding the college's main door open.

Sun., Jan. 30

1:15 p.m. A student reported finding trash and smoke in Science Building.

2:15 p.m. A Science Hall resident reported finding breakage in Science Building.

Mar., 31

3:00 a.m. A student reported finding breakage in Science Building.

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count which would allow stu- 
dents to use their IDs at the 
dining hall or LaFortune, and a 
predjudice reduction workshop for 
freshman.

"We want the prejudice re-
duction workshop to be a part 
of freshman orientation. They 
have the alcohol and the rape 
presentation... but this is just 
as important," said King.

They are also proposing "The 
Car Co-op," a database match-
ing riders with drivers, and 
drop-off from St. 
Michael's laundry. "This is not 
a wish list. These are things 
that will happen," said King.

All students are welcome to 
attend the debate tonight.

Lawyer

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"If your brother sins against 
you, go and tell him his fault 
before him and him alone," 
Haueruas read. "If he does not 
listen, take one or two others

AIDS

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halls. "We're going to do an in-ser-
vice with the nursing students 
first," Holzheimer said. "They 
will critique us and then we 
will go to the dorms at Saint 
Mary's.

"A lot of times, they (stu-
dents) think that AIDS and HIV 
will not affect them," she said. 
"The program has helped us 
learn to teach our peers to 
bring down the barriers and 
let them know that HIV doesn't 
discriminate."

Health Services hopes to col-
laborate with these students in 
a peer education program in 
each residence hall this 
semester.

"If a student brings AIDS 
problems to the center, they 
will be most comfortable for-
them. Students may question how

their faith life influences their 
decisions," De Pauw said. "We 
encourage the student 
to make the decision as a 
whole person, spirituality 
should be a large factor."

The Catholic dimension of 
the College demands compas-
sion and support from the 
community, according to De 
Pauw.

"Individuals with AIDS 
should be able to expect a 
compassionate and supportive 
response from a Christian 
community," she said. "It is im-
portant that we model that level 
of caring with our own and hope-
fully it will catch in the bigger 
world."

AIDS education is mandatory 
in both the battle against the 
spread of the disease and in 
re-lieving students fears, accord-
ing to Chelminnick.

"We must accept people for 
who they are and do away with 
judgments," she said. "We 
must always be raised again, 
and again and again."

Rockne overcrowding, 
lack of parking discussed

By ANALISE TAYLOR 
News Writer

Many students have 
expressed concerns about the 
overcrowded facilities at 
Rockne Memorial, according to 
North Quad Senator Dana 
Anderson.

"Some of the complaints are 
unhealthy workout conditions 
at the Rock, run-down equip-
ment, broken equipment and a 
lack of a place to run laps and 
and lift weights in the same place," 
Anderson said.

A committee to help with 
these issues is being formed, 
she said. 

In other Senate news, Student 
Senators discussed the idea of 
along with you, that so every 

fact may be established on the 
testimony of two or three wit-
nesses."

"Good communities," he said, 
"are communities where you 
are going to have conflicts." 

This type of "confirmation and 
reconciliation," according to 
Haueruas, "take a lot of

expanding parking conditions both 
on and off-campus.

"A parking consulting firm 
from Massachusetts is working 
on it," said Student Body Presi-
dent Frank Flynn.

Several students have voiced 
their concerns about the lack of 

training professors have when 
dealing with computers, VCRs 
and projection screens in De-
Bartolo, and several senators 
suggested a mandatory training 
session, Flynn said.

In other matters, students 
voiced concerns about better 
maintenance for sidewalks dur-
ing inclement weather. 

Student body officer debates 
are planned for 7 p.m. tonight 
in the LaFortune Ballroom.

Topping the laughter

The comedian Caron Top performed last evening at Washington 
Hall. The event was sponsored by Notre Dame Student Activities.
Civil rights candidate opposed

By MICHAEL SNIFFEN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Conservatives opened fire Monday on Deval Patrick, President Clinton's expected choice as chief civil rights enforcer, even before the 37-year-old Boston lawyer was nominated as an assistant attorney general.

"Patrick appears to be a 'stealth Guinier,'" said Clint Bolick, vice president and litigation director of the conservative Institute for Justice. "He has no paper trail, but is part of the same pro-quota chorus that produced Lani Guinier."

Guinier, a University of Pennsylvania law professor, was Clinton's first nominee to head the Justice Department's civil rights division. Clinton withdrew her nomination after critics claimed she advocated increasing black political power by radical means. Supporters explained he had not voted in recent elections and was insufficiently committed to using the Voting Rights Act of 1965 to create districts drawn to assure the election of blacks.

Earlier this month, Roger Williams, civil rights activist and history professor at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va., complained Clinton "doesn't have a civil rights policy right now."

Asked about Patrick's impending nomination Monday, Mary Frances Berry, chair of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, said, "It's wonderful that the president is able to get someone of his quality."

Bolick, however, criticized Patrick's work during 1982-86 for the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, of which he is now a director. Bolick said Patrick worked mainly on criminal cases and unsuccessfully tried to overturn the death penalty.

One near-nominee to replace Guinier, District of Columbia Corporation Counsel John Payton, withdrew his name in December after the Congressional Black Caucus complained he had not voted in recent elections and was insufficiently committed to using the Voting Rights Act of 1965 to create districts drawn to assure the election of blacks.

Breen-Phillips resident sophomore Amy Dobbelare took part in the Iceberg Debates last night arguing the negative side over the issue of gender-blind admissions against Dillon Hall residents.

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U.S. criticizes Chinese human rights reforms

By RITA BEAMISH

WASHINGTON The State Department will issue a monthly negative report on China's human rights record Tuesday, a senior administration official said as a decision neared on renewing Beijing's low-tariff access to U.S. markets.

The government's annual report on human rights around the world will note that the Chinese made a few strides in 1993 - releasing some political prisoners, for example - but it will be a critical overall, the official said Monday.

Progress made since the begin­ning of the year will not be reflected in the 1993 report, but it probably will be noted when State Department officials testify about the report before Congress on Tuesday.

U.S. officials, eager to keep pressure on Beijing, have repeatedly stressed that the 1993 steps so far have been insufficient to meet the human rights conditions laid out by President Clinton as a condition for renewing China's most-favored-nation trade status.

"More needs to be done," said the senior official, who commented on the report on condition of anonymity.

Administration officials make it clear in private talks with the Chinese, including a visit last month by Secretary Lloyd Bentsen, and a meeting in Paris between Secretary Haig and Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen.

The human rights report, which covers other nations as well, does not make a recom­ mendation on the trade deci­sion, which is not due until June. So China will have more time to make required changes.

The report is expected to highlight human rights prob­ lems in perennial trouble spots including Iraq, North Korea, Sudan, Syria and Iran.

"As in past years, other coun­ try reports will be unfavor­ ably portrayed and will include events themselves." said McMahon, a Sinn Fein member of the local town council who keeps a copy of the Doez. 15 declaration of peace behind the cash register in his Cloughar pub.

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British and Irish governments.

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By SHAWN POGATCHNIK

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Industrial targeting is a viable option

By DAVID TYLER

Industrial targeting, which has introduced the dramatic and consistent growth of East Asian economies over the past thirty years, can serve as a role model for other nations as well. Graduate student German Echecopar told an audience at Notre Dame Hall yesterday afternoon.

In his lecture entitled "Industrial Targeting and Growth in a Small Open Economy," Echecopar cited the examples of South Korea and Taiwan as successful experiments in industrial targeting.

Targeting is a systematic decision by governments in specific sectors of the economy and buoy them with an influx of investment and intervention. By distributing funds and technology at a central level, competition and research are encouraged.

The two Pacific Rim republics have pursued this strategy into personal income growth of about six percent annually for the last three decades. According to Echecopar, this type of growth can be achieved by targeting the bellwires.

"There is really nothing new (in these ideas)," he said. "The Neoclassical model of economics has just been creatively applied to achieve the desired results."

While targeting is no mystery, there are, however, tricks to hitting the bellwires.

"First is finding the right sector of the economy to target, or "picking winners," as Echecopar called it. "This means targeting industries with high productivity growth to begin with," he continued. "Ideally the growth will continue."

The second is a realization that the rate of productivity depends on the rate at which a firm learns.

Echecopar believes that the larger the firm, the faster the rate of learning. But he also accepts that there are upper limits to learning and its benefits for productivity growth. This is why the government should determine which sectors are targeted, and measure its contribution accordingly.

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WASHINGTON

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Fiscal policy unaddressed by Clinton

President Clinton didn't say much about the economy in his latest State of the Union address. Of course, he did point out how well things seem to be going lately, now saying much about the Clinton's implicit message was, "It's already been done."

Two things are certain. First, what goes around comes around, especially when it's the economy. Second, President Clinton has taken steps not to reclaim fiscal policy. The President has been there. Fixed it.

The reason, of course, is the wrangling over disaster relief funds that passed muster in Congress. Fiscal policy is a national task of fiscal policy is to speed funds to deficit countries can truly benefit.

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Cameras panning over to Bob Dole as he smacks 

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Professor appreciates support

Dear Editor:

My two sons and I wish to express our deep appreciation to the entire Notre Dame community for the love and support we have received. We were held in a fierce and icy grip of winter. But, we know this is not the first time we have been in bigger trouble. We owe our survival to unexpected timely events and to the people who care about us. We are grateful for your support and kindness.

We are devastated by our unexpected loss of a burst of a pipe, which led to a water main break and the subsequent flooding of our home. We are grateful for the quick and effective response of our local utility company and the prompt assistance of our neighbors. Without the hard work and dedication of the men and women of our Maintenance, Support Services and Security departments, we could have been in a bigger trouble. We owe them a great debt of gratitude.

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NO FACTS IN ARTICLE ON GUN CONTROL

Dear Editor:

The following is in response to an article in the Notre Dame Student News which I feel is misleading and inaccurate.

The article in question is titled "Guns are legal, but a ban could save lives." It is written by David Kinney and published in the May 26, 1994 issue of The Observer.

I feel that the article presents a one-sided and biased view of the gun control debate. It does not take into account the perspective of gun owners and gun advocates who argue that the current laws are not effective in preventing gun violence, and that a ban on handguns would be ineffective in reducing crime.

Furthermore, the article does not address the issue of gun ownership and its relationship to personal safety. It does not mention the fact that gun owners are more likely to be targets of crime, and that the ban on handguns would only benefit criminals.

I feel that the article is not representative of the views of the majority of the community, and that it is unfair to present this article as the sole perspective on the issue.

I hope that you will consider publishing a response to this article that presents a more balanced view of the gun control debate.

Sincerely,

Peter Pilgrim
Managing Editor
Flower Tower

THE OBSERVER
THE SUPREME COURT SAYS NO TO GUN LAW

No facts shown in article on gun control
**By JOHN LUCAS**  
Anne's Writer

When Edward Kline was introduced to his first keypunc_hers how it will help improve man writing program, is still use the com­puter labs and classrooms, it is a system which helps students in brainstorming topics and editing their work.

Kline recently announced the first Indiana College English Association (ICEA) Award for Excellence in Teaching and Scholarship for his work in de­veloping computer-assisted writing programs.

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"David had made the p o s s e s s o n as well as around the world, Kline said that his goal was to give basic English grammar review and instruction.

"There have been times when I can understand how people would find a way to like the programs, but I haven’t found a way the computer that you wouldn’t be able to do without it," he said.

Kline teaches both a fresh­man composition and literature class, and a graduate class on teaching writing.

"It’s inconceivable in my mind that I could go back to teaching without the computers," he said.

In the last few years, the focus in teaching students' writing has shifted away from the final product back to the actual writing process, according to Kline. This shift has made students a more effective tool to help students improve their writing.

"There’s almost been a revolution in the way to teach writing," Kline said. "We’ve been fairly conservative with many many students are comfortable with the systems, Kline still notices students be­coming more ambitious about using the machines."

"I think we’ve mixed a bag of reactions," he said. "Most kids have some kind of computer ex­perience, but they’re not the ones who don’t have some fright. On the first day it’s a fear of the unknown."

For the future, Kline expects that computers will become more and more a part of the freshman writing curriculum.

"In the next four-year period, you’re going to see that all of our teachers are who are sections in the computer-assist­ed writing rooms," he said.

Although there have been tough times on the road to establish more computer use at the University, Kline feels that Notre Dame has done a fine job in adapting to the changes.

"The entire spirit of the University is looking to build on the traditions of the past," he said.

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**MUSIC REVIEW**

Luscious Jackson: To the beat of a funky drummer

**By ROB ADAMS**  
Music Critic

The fluffly graffiti art which surrounds the fuzzy photo of a slender teenager, lounging against a wall with a can of chicken with peanut sauce, sushi, chicks, milkshake, and some ice cream. "Going through a very significant day before they have a cold.," said Gabby.

"Nururing, atmospheric keyboards bounce off a jungle rhythm groove in "Let Yourself Get Down," an invitation to "all the fly kids."

Healthy, achy samples add to the mix and establish Jill and Gabby as the rightful replacements for the James Brown "soul sistas" of the late 60s and early 70's, being the first female vocalists to exhibit that output of high voltage funk with self-confident spunk in a long while.

In the early-'90s, certain artists are incorporating heavy-duty funk like it has not been played since the mid-seventies, and Luscious Jackson is definitely one of those groups.

"Life of Leisure" continues the lazy, bluzzy mood with an exquisitely laced back beat as cool jazz floats above the hum of the bass. The transitions between Gabby's raps and Jill's sensuous vocals are perfectly placed as the listeners are seduced on a pathetic individual who can't get anything going for himself.

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LOST & FOUND

LOST & FOUND—whimsical—set somewhere between the Lubbers and the Looptown foundry. No one is quite sure where, but one thing is certain: when it comes to LUSC's Administrative Board, and that decision made by that board about, and the LUSC's close influence would be final.

"We were notified on Jan. 27 that a valuable hearing panel to investigate allegations against Tony Harding, which convenes in Colorado's capitol building, said Schaller. The USC is prepared under its constitutional precedents to settle any action deemed appropriate to the conduct of any student involved in these Games."

The Olympic Games begin Feb. 12, but women's singles golf does not start until Feb. 13, Chandra, and would be led in the women's figure skating round by Feb. 11. And that is to work closely with the USOPA and its hearing panel on all matters pertaining to this issue," Schaller said. ""We will keep open a very clear channel of communication both domestically and after we are on site at the Olympic venue in Luscoles."

Tony Harding, according to the competition authority's Jan. 18 survey of 152 businesses in the Olympic region, said the average price for a half-line of beer, about a pint, was $5.50, ranging from $3.85 to $8.40.

A cup of coffee cost anywhere from $66 to $31.

But some wonder where the government went shopping, with at least one hotel demanding $600 a night for rooms during the Olympics, and another that has rented for about $550 for the Olympic period. These prices are too high," said Gerhard Heidebrand, president of the Luscoles Olympic Organizing Committee."
Kvitfjell judged safe despite Maier's death

By DOUG MELLGREN

LILLEHAMMER, Norway

The crash that killed Austrian skier Ulrike Maier is unlikely to prompt any new safety mea­sures for the Winter Olympics, officials said Monday.

Lillehammer organizers and international ski officials said the Olympic women's downhill course is safe and requires no alterations for the Feb. 12-27 Games.

"We think we have done the job as well as it can be done," race manager Sivin Mundal said about safety at the Kvitfjell ski run north of Lillehammer.

"We are not planning any changes but we will sharpen our eyes" for hazards.

Maier, 26, a two-time world champion and the mother of a 4-year-old girl, was killed in a crash during Saturday's World Cup downhill race in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany.

Mundal, who is in charge of the Lillehammer downhill and super-G races, said Maier's death has increased focus on security at the Kvitfjell course.

"We wouldn't run the race here if we did not think it was safe," he said. "We have been working for three years to make it safe. We have nets on both sides the whole way."

In Switzerland, Gianfranco Kasper, general secretary of the international ski federation (FIS), said little could be done to prevent similar tragedies at the Olympics.

"We have no concrete leads on what could be improved," he said. "There is no absolute security. It's like a crosswalk on a street."

Mundal said he was not planning changes in the length or route of the course, but that officials were double checking for unprotected objects, such as the timing station Maier apparently slammed into when she was fell.

"We have tried to put the timing stations outside the fall zones," Mundal said.

There are five timing stations, and those near the fall zone are protected by double padding, so a skier would be slowed down by a primary mat before hitting any object.

He said the mats are about eight inches thick and filled with a foam-rubber type of material, rather than the straw used at Garmisch.

Last year, the Lillehammer Olympic Organizing Committee at first refused and then reluctantly agreed to move the women's downhill from an easier course at the Hafjell ski area to the much harder men's Olympic course at Kvitfjell.

Top women racers, supported by FIS, demanded the change after test events at the Hafjell course last March. The skiing elite dismissed the Hafjell course as too easy.

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Athletes face new drug testing procedures for Winter Games

By STEPHEN WILSON

LONDON

For the first time in Olympic history, athletes will undergo blood tests as part of doping control at the Winter Games in Lillehammer. The impact, however, is expected to be negligible.

Blood tests will be limited to skiers, and Olympic doping experts admit the procedure won't be able to detect one of the most effective performance-enhancing drugs — the synthetic hormones Erythropoietin, or EPO.

International Olympic Committee officials said a total of 600-700 drug tests will be conducted during the Feb. 12-27 Games. Most of those will be the standard urine tests for detecting use of steroids, stimulants, beta-blockers and other banned substances.

The top four finishers in each event will be drug-tested, with one or two more athletes chosen at random. In ice hockey, one player per team will be tested in the preliminary rounds, and two per team in the later rounds.

Blood tests will be used to supplement "urinalysis for detecting use of EPO, which has carried out blood tests at some of its events since 1990,

"We will use it as a form of blood doping, a practice which increases the amount of oxygen in the blood."

"I don't believe many people use this technique anyway because of the fear of AIDS and hepatitis," de Merode said.

He said athletes are more likely to practice self-transfusions, withdrawing their own blood and re-infusing it shortly before competition. The FIS blood test can not detect this practice, however.

EPO has much the same effect as blood doping, boosting the production of red blood cells and increasing the oxygen-carrying capacity of the blood. "We would like to say nobody is using drugs, but that's a bit too optimistic," IOC medical director Dr. Patrick Schamaas said.

The blood samples will be taken from an athlete's arm by syringe. The IOC has instructed that competitors should not be tested more than twice and that four milliliters of blood is the maximum that can be drawn per athlete.

After the blood samples have been analyzed, they are to be destroyed in order to protect the athlete's rights and to guard against their use for research or other purposes.

Prince Alexandre de Merode, chairman of the IOC medical commission, said the effectiveness of blood testing is minimal.

The tests are only capable of detecting whether an athlete has been transfused with another person's blood. This is a form of blood doping, a practice which increases the amount of oxygen in the blood.

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Associated Press

Melvin Booker led a balanced attack with 16 points, all but two in the second half, as No. 20 Missouri took control of the Big Eight with a 79-67 victory over No. 3 Kansas on Monday night. The Tigers (15-2, 6-0) ended a six-game losing streak against the cold-shooting Jayhawks and took a two-game lead in the conference over Kansas (19-3, 4-2), which has won the confer­ence regular-season champi­onship the last three seasons.

Steve Woodberry scored 19 points for Kansas, which lost for the second time in five games. The Jayhawks shot 43 percent and had 17 turnovers. Missouri has held its last 11 opponents to sub 50-percent shooting.

Boozer, Missouri's leading scorer with an 18.2-point aver­age, missed all six of his shots in the first half. But he went 6-for-7 at the free throw line and added three baskets in the second half to lead five Missouri players in double figures.

Kelly Thames and Jevon Crudup each added 14 points for Missouri. Lamont Frazier and Paul O'Liney had 13 apiece.

Greg Ostertag added 13 points and a game-high eight re­bounds for Kansas.

Richard Scott scored the first basket of the game for Kansas, but the Jayhawks shot only 27 percent (9-for-33) and had eight turnovers in the first half as Missouri led by nine points on three occasions and went up 34-29 at the break.

Kansas led briefly in the sec­ond half, going up 40-35 with 16:57 left. Woodberry had consec­utive baskets and then shot the ball and passed it to Scott for an easy basket to end the run. But Missouri quickly regained the lead, outscoring Kansas 13- 2 in the next 3:33 to go up 48- 42. As Boozer and Thames scored four points apiece. The Tigers pulled away in the final minutes.

Frazier, who is averaging 7.5 points, had seven of Missouri's first 13 points and led all scor­ers with 11 in the sloppy­played first half.

No. 2 Tennessee 84
No. 11 Vanderbilt 82

No. 2 Tennessee found out Monday night how long 2.8 sec­onds can last.

Dana Johnson scored on a put-back as time ran out and lifted the Lady Vols over 11th-rank­ed Vanderbilt 84-82. Her basket followed a missed free throw by Nikki McCray with 2.8 seconds left, a missed shot by one Lady Vol and a scramble for the ball before it landed in Johnson's hands.

"Oh God, it did seem long," Johnson said. "It had to be long. Vonda shot the ball and missed it, it knocked around a bit before it fell into my hands, and I shot it. It had to be a long time."

The final scramble for the vic­tory followed a tense second half as the teams swapped the lead several times down the stretch. Vanderbilt (15-5) went ahead the final time at 82-81 when Brenda Blades converted a three-point play with 3.8 seconds left.

Blades fouled out with 2.8 seconds to go, sending Nikki McCray to the line. McCray, a 65 percent shooter, hit the first for an 82-82 tie and missed the second. Johnson came up with the ball in a scramble and scored the winning shot.

"I credit Dana for not stop­ping," Tennessee coach Pat Summit said. "The next thing I knew it was going in."

Vanderbilt coach Jim Foster said the final 2.8 seconds lasted long enough to lose a basket­ball game but that his players missed earlier opportunities to put away the victory.

Tennessee (19-11) now has won the past four games in the series. Monday's game was ar­ranged to stoke interest in women's basketball, and 12,645 attended, the second-largest crowd behind the 13,157 that attended last year's game.

The teams meet Feb. 13 in Knoxville in a game that will count toward the Southeastern Conference standings. Foster said he wouldn't mind playing Tennessee a total of four times this season.

"At Tennessee, in the South­eastern Conference tourna­ment, the NCAA tournament. If you're going to make a pro­gram, ... you've got to play the best teams, and they are a very good basketball team. And we'll continue playing very good bas­ketball teams," he said.

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Then it was the Matadors' turn, scoring six straight points, including a fall away 3-pointer from Brooksby McLinn to cut Notre Dame's lead to two with less than five minutes re­maining in the half.

The Irish finished the half with a 9-3 run and took a 33- 25 lead to the locker room.

"Billy Taylor came out and showed some initiative and Marcus Hughes helped us with his defense," MacLeod said. "I also thought Pete Miller gave us a big boost."

Taylor had six points on 3- for-4 shooting and Miller buried a pair of 3-pointers on the way to a seven point perfor­mance.

But the night again belonged to Williams, who scored a game-high 20 points and grabbed 15 rebounds. Defense may have made the difference for the Irish, who held McLinn to 14 points and Ryan Martin to eight.

"We struggled somewhat with their defense," Cassidy said.

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jitters to win all three of her matches. "I was a little nervous at first," she admitted, "but once I got on the court I loosened up and just tried to have fun."

The Irish will not compete again until next Tuesday when they face off with the 23rd-ranked Badgers of Wisconsin.

"We had a real good fall, conditioning and preparing," said Louderback. "Now we just want to go to get going and start playing some matches."

Just say no.
Men head to Rolex Tourny

By PHIL LANGER
Sports Writer

Three members of the Notre Dame men's tennis team will leave to play in the prestigious 1994 Rolex National Indoor Intercollegiate Tennis Championsh­ips this Wednesday. Seniors Andy Zurcher and Al­lan Lopez and freshman Randy Simme will represent the Irish in the tourney, which is the third leg of the ITA Collegiate Grand Slam. The Rolex National Indoors, the premier event of the winter collegiate season, will be played Feb. 3-6 at the Brookhaven Country Club in Dallas.

The 32-player singles field and 16-team draw will consist of qualifiers from Rolex Regional Championships played around the country this fall as well as winners of the first two legs of the ITA Collegiate Grand Slam, the Rolex National Small College Championships, at-large selections made by the ITA's National Tournament Commit­tee, and wild card selections.

Zurcher, the No. 1 singles player for the Notre Dame, qualified for both singles and doubles by capturing both titles at the Rolex Midwest Championsh­ips in the fall. Currently the No. 36 singles player in the nation, Zurcher is also tied for seventh in doubles along with Lopez in the current Rolex Col­legiate Tennis Rankings.

Freshman Ryan Simme enters the tournament not only as the only wild card selected by the ITA, but also as the only freshman in a highly talented draw. Simme was awarded this honor because, as the thirty-second ranked player in the nation, he is currently the best freshman in the country.

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ment Coach Bayliss, "he is a great competitor who never quits."

The other Notre Dame team members who stepped up nice­ly were sophomore Mike Sprouse, who beat DeVore 6-3, 6-3, senior Todd Wilson, who defeated Jamison Hawthorne 6-2, 6-3, and sophomore John O'Brien, who beat Michau Bashe 7-6, 6-3.

"It was a great showing at singles," noted Bayliss. "Even the matches we lost we had a real opportunity to win."

"Illinois is a young team who has improved a lot over the past year," stated Bayliss. "Unfortunately for them, our team overcame the adversity faced when Zurcher suddenly fell out of the lineup."

SPORTS BRIEFS

Notre Dame Rugby Club:
There will be an informational meeting for anyone interested in playing rugby on Tuesday Feb. 7 from 7:30-8:30 in the Notre Dame Room of LaFortune (2nd floor). Practice begins at 9 p.m. at Loftus on Wednesday Feb. 2.

Ketsu-ka self defense class:
Meetings are on Tues­day and Thursday from 6:30-8 p.m. in Rockne 219 and Sun­days from 2-3:30 in Rockne 301. Registration is $18 in advance. For more info, call RecSports.

Bookstore Basketball Commissioner applications are available now in the stu­dent government office in LaFortune. Due Feb. 9. Freshmen and sophomores are encouraged to apply.

Snow Tubing: Thursday, Feb. 3, at St. Patrick's Park. $4 fee includes tubing, transpor­tation, and hot chocolate. Bus leaves library circle at 6:30 p.m., 7 p.m., and 7:30 p.m. and returns at 9 p.m., 9:30 p.m., and 10 p.m. Register in advance by Wednesday, Feb. 2, in the RecSports office. Call 1- 6100 for more information.

Ski Trip scheduled for Friday, Jan. 28, has been post­poned to Friday, Feb. 4. Limited seats. Register and pay in advance at RecSports. Deadline is Feb. 2.

ND Rowing Club:
Manda­tory meeting Wednesday, Feb. 2 at 8 p.m. for all novice and varsity members. Also: Varsity­ bring checkbooks for Steven­son, who will discuss the fall semester debts.

Attention Skiers: Last week to sign up for the spring break ski trip to Jackson Hole, WY. Contact Dave at 273-3105.

SportsTalk welcomes guest basketball stand out Monty Williams tonight on WVFI 640 AM at 8 p.m. Call Dave at 273-3105.

Attention Questions and Comments: Send your questions and comments at 631-6400.
Irish swimming and diving fall to Bonnies this weekend

By KELLY CORNELIS
Sports Writer

Despite a heated rivalry as in­
centive and a home pool advan­
tage, the Notre Dame men's and women's swimming and diving teams lost to St. Bonaventure on Saturday.

The Irish women lost 158-136, and the men fell 126-105. Although the races were all very close in the women's meet, the Bonnies won 10 out of 12 swimming events.

Sophomore sensation Jesslyn Petersen had Notre Dame's only first-place finish in the racing events, capturing the 200 IM, and the 100 and 200 breast. Fellow sophomore Joy Michnowicz placed second behind Peterson in the 200 IM and 200 breast.

"The meet came down to some really close races, and those points really add up fast," said Peterson. "But our times were still the fastest we've swum all season."

"It's really hard to feel that excited about what you do person­ally when the team goal is not met," added Michnowicz.

"This definitely gives us some­thing to work for because we'll see them again at Easterns." For the men, it was nearly the same story. The Bonnies dominated the swimming events, winning all but one. Sophomore Ry Beville had the low Irish victory in the 200 fly, his 15th straight first-place fin­ish in that event.

Although the women were happy with their times, the men had inconsistent results which Irish coach Tim Welsh called "sporadic."

The swimmers hope to re­bound from this loss and to keep shaving seconds off their times as they prepare to face nationally ranked Kansas this weekend.

"We're not down and out," stated Welsh. "We have plenty of time to regroup."

The Irish will take on the Jayhawks at 4:30 p.m. on Sat­urday at Rolfs Aquatic Center.
Since I've been bartending at the ALUMNI/SENIOR CLUB, many students have told me that they think its a great place but that they don't go because nobody does. Well, maybe I'm crazy (which is probably the case) but that doesn't make me feel much more useful. If you don't go, who else is there? And why not? The place is OURS! Its big, it has everything in it, you can get a membership and NEVER have to pay a cover ever again (we do have to pay rent, you know), its easy to get to for both on & off campus residents, we've got great bands playing almost every week, Friday lunches, the prices aren't cheaper anywhere else, and you probably know at least one of us bartenders: Dan, Colleen, Amy, Yve, Moles, Libby (our DJ), EJ (our other DJ), Patti, Squares, Prest, Jen, Angel, Kerri, Schenck, Paul, Mick, Susan, me, and our managers, Russ & BK. Even if you don't stay all night, use it as a place to meet up with your buds, have one or two and then hit the town. We open at 9:00, and serve FREE wings until 11:00 on Wednesday nights. What more could you want? More people? Well, that's up to you. So if you've been leaving us hangin, grab some people and come by for a while (Tom Zip). The cover is only a penny this Friday for everybody, and don't worry members, we'll make that up to you. I think I'm working that night, but if not, I'll see you there anyway cause I'M GOING!
Notre Dame tennis teams claim victory over weekend

Women roll over Drake and Miami

By KATE CRISHAM
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women's tennis team improved its record to 3-0 by soundly defeating Drake and Miami of Ohio at the Eck Tennis Pavilion on Saturday.

The team, ranked 18th nationally, won five of six singles matches and all three doubles matches in its 8-1 victory over Miami.

Senior Christy Faustman, sophomore Holyn Lord, and freshman Erin Gowan were all double winners for the Irish against the Redskins. The only loss for Notre Dame was senior Lisa Tholen, who dropped a hard-fought 7-6, 5-7, 6-3 decision to Dale Cohen at No. 1 singles.

The Irish continued their winning ways into the afternoon with a 7-1 victory over Drake. All six Notre Dame players won their singles matches, while Lord and senior Sherri Viale teamed up to defeat Lindsay Bell and Stephanie Dewald 6-2, 6-4 in No. 1 doubles to seal up the victory for the Irish.

"I thought we played pretty well," said head coach Jay Louderback. "We're switching lineups right now and trying to give everybody a chance to play."

"Erin Gowan played real well. She's a very, very good competitor and really did a great job in her singles matches."

Gowan overcame an early case of the blues spot by beating Jerry Turek 7-6, 6-4.

The squad, which is currently 36 in the nation and No. 1 for the Notre Dame, was forced out of the lineup Saturday morning when he woke up with a very swollen knee.

"I do think it's healthy for all of us mentally to preoccupy ourselves with basketball at least for a little while. We're more fortunate than the people back home dwelling on what happened," said coach John MacLeod.

"We're going through a very tough situation," Irish coach John MacLeod said. "When you're struggling, a win anywhere, anyplace is a good win."

It won't be listed among the great games in the history of Notre Dame basketball, but it will be listed among the wins.

Monday's battle between two of college basketball's six remaining independent teams could have been the purer child for joining a conference.

It was an Independents Daze at the Joyce Center. Without the fireworks. A piece of a light bulb fell to the floor, but that's it. They don't even turn on the spotlight for the introductions anymore.

It wasn't until Admore Whirler's long alley-oop to Monty Williams midway through the second half that the sparse and lethargic crowd stopped yapping.

The play gave Notre Dame its largest lead at 54-36, finally shaking the pesky Matadors. From that point it was cruise control.

"(Northridge) is going through a very tough situation," Irish coach John MacLeod said. "When you're struggling, a win anywhere, anyplace is a good win."

But an 8-0 Notre Dame run began when Monty Williams spotted Jon Ross in the open court, who dunked home two of his six points.

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"Life is better than it was," joked Northridge coach Pete Cassidy. "But the reality of recovery still awaits the players and coaches when they return home from a therapeutic two-game road trip."

"I think it speaks well for the character of the team that we won without three of our top weapons," said Irish head coach Bob Raylins.

The primary weight of Zurcher's absence was felt by freshman Ryan Simms.

Simms, the 32nd-ranked player in the country, successfully filled the No. 1 singles spot by beating Jerry Turek 7-6, 6-4.

"Ryan showed me an awful lot," com-