Past conflict key in ethnic strife

By ROSANNA D’ALESSANDRO

Although there are no simple solutions to ethnic conflicts today, understanding the causes of past conflicts can be a significant step towards their future resolution, according to Dr. Jari Värynen, the newly installed John M. Regan Chair of the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies. The conceptual analysis of “ethnic vs. state-based nationalism provides the basis of whether conflicts can be resolved, and the implications for the structure of international society,” he told an audience gathered in the Hesburgh Center International Studies Auditorium yesterday afternoon. Värynen was presented with the first award of his office by University Provost Timo­thy O’Malley. The inaugural lecture entitled “Towards a Theory of Ethnic Conflicts and Ethnic Mobilization,” Värynen examined how the concept of a nation-state combines two different contradictory notions, the state and the nation, and therefore, is conducive to resulting conflict. “If ethnic minorities suffer from a clash between state-based and ethnic-based nationalism, White nationalism, which is always in existence, is exclusive. For ethnic demands autonomy,” he said. He further explained that when this clash between ethnicity and nationalism occurs, it is fundamentally nationalistic prevails.

Rostenkowski, Netsch win in Illinois races

By DAVID DISSEN

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Dan Rostenkowski matched his clout as one of Capitol Hill’s premier power brokers against challengers who bet a federal probe into his finances could lead to an upset.

The 17-year incumbent was tainted by questions about his congressional office, also were on his re-election a foregone conclusion. In the fall, Rostenkowski found himself making a major-party gubernatorial campaign actively, also were on the table.

Emphasis was placed on the primary ballot seeking to win in heavily Democratic Illinois, as an example of how primar­ies can be downplayed so that the focus can be on territory and party positions.

However, the most effective way to avoid a repeat of LaRouche victory was for Illinois voters to decide whether to hand the Democratic nomination for governor to a candidate who posed a $2.5 billion income tax increase. Democratic leaders nervously watched a state of Lyndon LaRouche followers on their party’s ballot, hoping to avoid a repeat of LaRouche victories in 1986 that threw the party into disarray.

Rostenkowski’s main chal­lengers were state Sen. John Cullerton and former Chicago alderman Rick Simpson, who complained that the 66-year-old congressman was tainted by Washington corruption and out of touch with his district. Chicago alderman Michael Wozick and a fifth candidate, John McCarthy, who did not campaign actively, also were on the ballot.

Recent polls suggested Rostenkowski might have a narrow edge. A Chicago Tribune poll two weeks ago indicated Rostenkowski was supported by 27 percent of likely voters, while Cullerton had 23 percent and Simpson had 13 percent. Thirty-one percent was undecided.

Victory in the primary has been tantamount to re-election in heavily Democratic Chicago, though five Republicans were on the primary ballot seeking to challenge Rostenkowski in the fall.

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Värynen emphasized the importance of understanding that “ethnic crystallization” is a necessary precondition of outbreak and escalation of ethnic conflict. “There is a constant dialogue between ethnic communities about who is the gen­uine representative of the people and what particular rights can be derived from their de­mographic situation,” he said.

Ethnic crystallization refers to a situation in which communities establish and communicate with each other their values and needs, and can be understood by either an ethnic majority’s point of view, Värynen said. He warned against disregard­ing the primordial approach because it describes ethnicity by kinship, culture, and blood ties; concepts which seem out­dated today.

He cited the former Soviet Union as an example of how ethnic crystallization remains a relevant concept in modern day ethnic conflicts. By controlling the media, the Communist Party prevented the mobilization of ethnic con­sciousness, he said, and used phony stamp transactions at the House post office to con­vert congressional expense funds for personal use. Newspaper reports documented that Rostenkowski used taxpay­er money to buy three cars, used campaign funds to pay himself for a little-used office and controlled a payroll that included employees who did not show up for work.

The negative public­ity took a political toll; a Tribune poll in January placed his approval rating at just 30 percent.

Rostenkowski, son of a Democratic ward boss, was installed in Congress in 1958 by the late Mayor Richard Daley, and for decades, the influence of the party organization made his re-election a foregone con­clusion. In the mid-1970s, one Rostenkowski opponent was quoted as saying he’d demand a recount if declared the winner.

But his district was radically reshaped in 1992 by a Republican-drawn reapportion­ment map. Gone were the conserv­ative, blue-collar Polish neighborhoods that had been his core support. Rostenkowski found himself representing large numbers of suburbanites and affluent, liberal professionals along Chicago’s lakefront.

In 1992, Simpson gave Rostenkowski his toughest pri­mary race in more than 20 years, drawing nearly 43 percent of the vote, and he main­tained the criticism until this year’s remap.
Legalization of drugs is the only solution

After ten years and untold billions of dollars into America's oft proclaimed "War on Drugs" it should be clear to all that the battle is far from won. The war is being fought through the downtown district of any major American city after dark. Although an occasional postcard-perfect billboard has emerged (e.g. the decrease in cocaine use among 18-24 year olds), the news from the "Drug War" has remained notably absent of the most part going under the daily radar of crime in our cities simply reconfirms the abysmal status quo that we all see.

It is time for the United States to recognize that no amount of money and no number of extra police officers can win this war. We must look into the heart of how we in America can most efficaciously, and legally, address this extraordinarily pernicious and interwoven problem which permeates our society and cannot be won. Illegal narcotics will continue to be demanded in this country, they will continue to be supplied, and we in America can now most effectively and imminently address, via the process of legalization, the fundamental basis of drug law and demand.

While our government is essentially powerless to stop the drug trade, it is well within the capability of the United States to regulate and manage this aspect of the economy in much the same way that alcohol and tobacco distribution are already monitored. Instead of a war on drugs, the nation's criminal justice system can successfully counteract the basic laws of supply and demand.

The benefits of controlled drug legalization are self-evident. From the perspective of the average American citizen it can regulate the aspect of the economy and does not require a war on drugs. The price of the drug will not be driven too high by the combination of illegal market forces and put into the hands of legitimate distributors and put into the hands of legitimate distributors and states that for instance, 75 percent of inmates are in prison on drug related crime. Legalization would allow the extra police officers that we have been talking about, and the criminal justice system can successfully enact this policy.

Mandela kicks off South African Homelands Campaign

MAMABATHO, South Africa

The African National Congress and the government will act against anyone who stands in the way of South Africa's first all-race election, Nelson Mandela told cheering crowds Tuesday.

Mandela was kicking off the ANC's campaign in Bo- phuthatswana, where the South African government and the ANC worked together last week to oust homeland leader Lucas Mangope and opposed the vote.

About 35,000 jubilant supporters cheered Mandela at Independence Stadium, one of the many extravagant government structures on which Mangope had spent money at the expense of his impoverished people.

The crowd was the largest ever to attend a political rally at the stadium, showing the ANC enjoys much broader support in Mmabatho, the homeland capital, than Mangope ever had.

"My mere presence here is proof that in Bo- phuthatswana there is now free political activity," Mandela said. Throughout the day, ANC banners had been posted around Mmabatho, the first campaign posters to appear in the area.

Mandela said Mangope's ouster should send a signal to others opposing the April 26-28 vote that the ANC and the South African government determined to ensure free campaigning and voting nationwide.

The Zulu nationalista site freedom Party has threatened to disrupt the election unless it gets an autonomous homeland. On Sunday, 3,000 Inkatha members prevented the ANC from holding a rally at a sports stadium in Natal Province, which includes the traditional Zulu homeland.

Mandela announced he would meet Zulu King Goodwill Zwelithini during a campaign swing through Natal on Friday.

"The demand for free and fair elections is very strong," he said. "What happened here is going to send a message to other areas," Mandela told reporters. Without singling out any particular group or region, he said acting against the free vote "is a roping measure that is not necessarily similar to measures that were taken in Natal Province.

The ANC is expected to ride strong despite win to the election and lead South Africa's first post-apartheid

Utah governor vetoes women's bill

SALT LAKE CITY

Gov. Mike Leavitt vetoed legislation that would have allowed the Elks Club and other private organizations to exclude women without losing their liquor licenses.

The bill was introduced in response to the ruling. The bill would have amended the state's state liquor law so that organizations with a state liquor license can have regulations that are "wholly applicable to its sale, service and distribution of alcoholic beverages," and resistance can't violate the law.

"The bill would have allowed the Elks Club to exclude women without losing their liquor licenses. This is not necessary," said Rep. Mike Thompson, R-Salt Lake City, who introduced the bill.

A heavy "sin tax" and a blue carpet (at least $2,400) for the four-year-old club were enough to make Thompson change his mind. Thompson said the bill would have contradicted the Bible. The difference is guests are encouraged to walk in between a drug and a book, a gun and a book, God knows what," said Brodsky a Soviet native and farmer who owns the Hotel New York in Boston, Massachusetts.

He first discussed the idea in 2002 Olympic Winter Games. Craig Trujillo, executive director of the organization Centro Medicial de La Costa Spa, said the plan was hatched by the former governor of Utah's theme for the Olympics: "The World is Welcome Here."

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NEW YORK

It's Lena Heilmeyer's day. Today, the city remembers her: firing executives with impunity, cutting loose longtime posters to appear in the region of Means is being blamed by several top executives for their dissolutions for the past two months, Grain's New York Business reported this week. The firings coincide with Mrs. Heilmeyer's release from prison after she served 21 months on a tax charge.Crain's said she fired general managers at two hotels, three senior executives at her commercial real estate company, senior sales officials at one hotel and one of her lawyers.Not true, Heilmeyer spokesman Howard Rubenstein said.

Books of poetry appear in hotels

NEW YORK

Nobel laureate Joseph Brodsky and Anthony Marshall, a Columbia University graduate, decided to stock hotel rooms with anthologies of poetry, alongside the Bible. The difference is On the one hand, he was encouraged to walk off with Emily Dickinson, Walt Whitman and Robert Frost. But Joseph Brodsky and Anthony Marshall first discussed the idea in 1992, but it wasn't until last night that hotels in Massachusetts, Virginia and Texas signed on. Funded by donations, about 10,000 books of poetry have been distributed. Their American Poetry and Literary Project has branched out to a Manhattan hospital, a homeless shelter in San Diego, a Club Med resort in Florida and airport waiting rooms.

"When books are available you can make a choice between a drug and a book, a gun and a book, God knows what," said Brodsky a Soviet native and farmer poet laureate.
Conference ends without consensus

By ROBERT NAYLOR JR.

Associated Press

DETROIT
A first-ever global jobs conference drew to a close today with all countries agreeing they held their final session at the conference. United States Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen was to present it later in the day.

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RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil

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Clinton seeks solace in friendly New Hampshire

By TERENCE HUNT
Associated Press

KEENE, N.H. — Struggling for another political comeback in snowy New Hampshire, President Clinton went before friendly crowds Tuesday in hopes of demonstrating Americans care more about jobs and health care than the Whitewater Bill Clinton controversy.

"Whitewater is for canoing and rafting," 68-year-old Betty J. Windberg told Clinton at a town meeting in Nashua. "Shame on those who would distract and detract from the important work you're doing."

"Thank you, Bless you," the president replied. He beamed when he echoed by two other participants, which was excited by two other participants.

In his hour-long appearance, Clinton moved like a talk show host, pacing the stage at the Elm Street Junior High School with a warm microphone answering questions — which were exclusively about education, jobs and health care.

"This is America," Clinton said afterward. "This is what people care about.

"Attendance was limited to people who got tickets from local politicians or school officials. The attendance of 1,250 people was filled with Clinton supporters.

He said the reason his message had been drowned out by the Whitewater affair was simple: "I haven't been out here with them."

New Hampshire was the state that launched Clinton's comeback in 1992 when he was battered by questions about his draft record and allegations about womanizing. He said he had "a depth of affection and respect" for the people here.

Asked by reporters if his visit was intended to launch his re-election campaign, Clinton said, "This isn't about the 1996 campaign. This is about what we're going to do in Congress for the American people in 1995."

From Nashua, Clinton flew to Keene to tour a factory that makes equipment for industrial printing and marking. He was applauded repeatedly when he addressed the workers.

Later, he was flying to New York state to welcome home American troops from duty in Somalia.

In Nashua a reporter brought up Whitewater, telling Clinton that Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., had said there should be congressional hearings to clear up any perception of wrongdoing.

"You learned nothing at the town meeting," Clinton snapped.

As for Hamilton, Clinton said, "That's a discussion he ought to have with the special counsel."

Special prosecutor Robert Fiske has asked Congress to delay any hearings, fearing that they would compromise the integrity of his investigation.

"We have all cooperated," Clinton said.

Clinton had caused a stir Monday night when he launched a blistering attack on Republicans in Congress. At a Senate fund-raiser in Boston, Clinton accused the GOP of trying to block anything he proposes and being "committed to the politics of personal destruction."

"I wasn't angry," Clinton said Tuesday. "That was deliberate. I wanted to tell those people how I felt."

In Washington, Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas responded that Clinton and his wife may be frustrated by Whitewater questions but "that does not mean White House attacks on Republicans have a shred of truth to them."

"He has had our help on issue after issue," said Dole, naming the North American Free Trade Agreement, anti-crime legislation, a Russian reconstruction package and other issues.

Republicans have been in the lead in pressing for an investigation by a special prosecutor and for a congressional hearing into the Clintons' investment in the Whitewater Development Corp. in Arkansas and its ties to a failed savings and loan. A federal grand jury is looking into the matter in Little Rock, and 10 administration officials have been subpoenaed to testify in Washington.

At the town meeting, one woman told the president, "I'm a recovering Republican."

She said, "We made you the 'comeback kid' a few years ago and we hope to send that message from this town meeting to Mr. Dole and his friends in the media that we're very focused. The people are very focused, we're concerned with jobs and health care."

It was just what Clinton wanted to hear.

The town meeting gave Clinton an opportunity to boast domestic policies that he said had created "a real economic comeback for the country."

Denouncing "the people who are giving me hell in Washington," Clinton declared: "I'm going to try to give you health and take whatever it is they want to give me in return."

Aldus and Adobe to join forces

By CATALINA ORTIZ
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Adobe Systems Inc. and Aldus Corp., leading makers of desktop publishing software, said Tuesday they would merge in a stock swap valued at about $525 million.

The companies said the move would help them better compete in evolving electronic publishing industry.

"We could have both gone on our own, but we looked to the future and we felt in this case that adding one and one together created three," said Paul Brainerd, president and founder of Seattle-based Aldus. The combined company will be based in Mountain View, Calif., dominate the market for personal computer programs used by newspapers, magazines and newspapers.

Their products generally don't overlap, but they do have competing programs used by graphic artists to make illustrations.

The companies would continue to sell all their products for the foreseeable future, Brainerd said.

John Warnock, chairman and chief executive of Adobe, would hold those posts in the merged company. Aldus

Chuck Geschke would be president of the combined company, which will be based in Mountain View. A name has not yet been decided.

Brainerd, who said he planned to stay in a way out from management, would join the new company's board. He also is a major Aldus share­holder and has agreed to vote his shares in favor of the deal.

While the companies were looking to cut expenses, including labor costs, they said they would not lay off workers.

"If layoffs had occurred, Geschke said.

Adobe's flagship product is a program called Adobe PostScript that lets personal computers work with different types of printers.

It has become an industry standard. The company also makes programs to let PCs users print in various typefaces.

Aldus' leading product is PageMaker, a $600 program for making layouts of sophisticated documents with color illustrations and graphics.

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The combined companies would "pioneer the process and provide the tools required to help our customers move from today's paper-based information infrastructure to tomorrow's digital world," he said.

Adobe agreed to give 1.15 share of its stock for each share of Aldus common stock. The value of the deal would fluctuate with Adobe's share price.

Aldus' $600-a-share stock closed $12.50 per share, down $1.25, on the Nasdaq stock market Tuesday. Aldus closed up 75 cents at $62.25 per share.

The deal is subject to approval by management, shareholders and other regulatory agencies, including antitrust authorities.

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Retarded woman can have abortion

By JONATHAN YENKIN
Associated Press

BOSTON

A pregnant woman with the mental abilities of a 4-year-old would be less harmful to her ing, the court noted that "would Jane A., lives in a group home childbirth."

The woman, identified only as Jane A., lives in a group home with other disabled people. The state's lawyers, who serve as her guardians, did not immediately return telephone calls.

The state Department of Mental Retardation filed a petition in January to determine whether the woman, if competent, would choose to have an abortion. The woman has been unclear about her desires, saying she wanted to "keep the baby inside my belly" but also to have the "baby stop growing inside my belly."

A Suffolk County probate judge ruled that the woman wouldn't agree to an abortion if competent. The judge based the decision on testimony from a court-appointed doctor who said the trauma of an abortion might cause the woman "to disintegrate into a psychotic state."

However, the same doctor testified that the woman has become violent when under physical or psychological stress and that the trauma of an abortion could be minimized if it were handled carefully. The chances of suffering mental harm from the pregnancy were "a thousand fold" greater, the doctor testified.

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Ellen Convisser, president of the state National Organization for Women, said the decision should have been based on what is medically safest and best for the woman. But Madeline McComish, president of Massachusetts Citizens for Life, said the baby should be born and put up for adoption.

Leo Sarkissian, executive director of ARE Massachusetts, an advocacy group for the retarded, said the case pointed to broader issue: the need to better protect retarded people.

The court said staff workers at the group home are on duty around the clock, but that doesn't mean the woman is always watched. "Obviously, she is not; were she, this case would not have arisen," the court wrote.

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Talking labor

Princeton University's Kathleen Thelen, a member of the Kellogg Institute, spoke yesterday afternoon on the intricacies of modern labor policies in her lecture "Institutional Legacies: Patterns of Labor Incorporation and Contempory Shopfloor Policies."

Fire wreaks havoc on Pacific Bell service in L.A.

By MICHAEL FLEEMAN
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

A fire at a Pacific Bell office early today crippled much of the city's phone service for hours, including 911 emergency calls to police and fire departments.

The blaze was reported about 12:45 a.m. in a downtown building housing a telephone company switching office. It was brought under control about an hour later, said Los Angeles Fire Department spokesman Bob Collins.

Technicians scrambled to repair the equipment and by 10 a.m. 911 service was restored and an increasing number of regular calls were getting through. The center handled 3 million calls an hour.

Earlier, residents and businesspeople dialing in the 213 area code, which includes downtown, were met only with a busy signal, even on lines known to be free.

With emergency calls also disrupted, particularly in the San Fernando Valley, helic- copters were sent to fly over neighborhoods and firetrucks patrolled streets to check for problems as a precaution.

There were no immediate reports of problems caused by delays in emergency response time. But downtown businesses could barely function without their phones, fax machines and modem-equipped computers.

"I can't even sign in," said Miki Kobayashi of Kuremco Yamato Travel Agency. "I can't get in to make reservations for our clients."

The fire on the 13th floor of the 17-story building broke out as an AT&T crew worked on a unit that powers a switching office, said Pacific Bell spokesman Gary Sanderson. The fire severed the office's main power source.

Pacific Bell, a local phone provider, shares facilities and equipment with AT&T, which provides long distance service. Sanderson said some AT&T service was affected but had no details.

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SEXUALITY AND THE NOTRE DAME STUDENT

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Associated Press

Jerusalem The army went on high alert to foil suicide attacks threatens Tuesday by Muslim fundamentalists on Jewish settlers, setting up roadblocks and clashing with Palestinians in Jerusalem and the Gaza Strip.

By MARILYN AUGUST Associated Press

PARIS The trial culminates a painful learning period for France over the past decade. Revelation by revelation, both the wartime generation and its children have learned how deeply and willingly many French citizens were involved in the worst outrages of the Nazi occupation. Testimony by testimony, the trial concerns the killings of seven Jews — Zelig, Glasser, Bentzimra, Krzykowski, Schlusseman, Prock and an unknown victim. They were lined up and shot on Touvier's orders 50 years ago on behalf of the pro-Nazi Vichy regime that ruled France during the Nazi occupation.

But the testimony expected over the next five weeks at the Versailles criminal court will go far beyond just executions in June 29, 1944, in Rillieux-la-Pape, outside Lyon. It will provide an unprecedented forum for exploring the extent of French collaboration with Nazi Germany.

For the 45 years that preceded his arrest as a Roman Catholic priest in Nice in 1989, Touvier was a fugitive, moving from convent to monastery under assumed names with his wife and two children.

The trial will take place in a specially renovated, enlarged courtroom. There will be testimony from three French premiers, several historians, and representatives of Jewish and anti-Nazi French Resistance groups.

One of the historians, Rene Remond, headed an investigation into the case as president of the foundation of Cardinal Albert Decourcy, archbishop of Lyon. He concluded that Touvier was helped over the years by church groups ranging from extreme conservatives led by renegade Marcel Lefebvre to moderate organizations such as the charity Secours Catholic, which paid him a regular living allowance.

Touvier went underground in 1947 and emerged 20 years later after the statute of limitations expired. In 1971, Premier Georges Pompidou pardoned Touvier at the behest of leading church advocates.

"The time has come to throw a veil over the period when the French were engaged in hatred, civil strife and even murder," he said.
**Seven dead in U.S. gunship crash**

By TERRY LEONARD

NAIROBI, Kenya

Seven crewmen who died when a U.S. gunship crashed off Kenya might have tried to parachute too late. Rescue teams searched the waters off-shore Tuesday for a missing crewman who reportedly jumped right on top of the aircraft.

Lt. Col. Mike Gannon, speaking from the scene, said six crew survived, including three who stayed in the cockpit when it ditched in the Indian Ocean late Monday 75 miles north of Mombassa and just 200 yards offshore.

Army Col. Steve Rausch, a U.S. spokesman in Mogadishu, said the AC-130H gunship had taken off minutes earlier from Mombassa's Moi International Airport for an "Eyes Over Mogadishu" surveillance mission.

The parachutes of some of the dead were deployed and floating in the sea. "One parachute hung on the tail of the aircraft," said Gannon, who added investigators believe it floated onto the aircraft afterwards and did not snag during a jump.

Other parachutes were deployed, indicating the dead crewmen might have attempted to jump when the aircraft was too low over the water, he said.

The names of all 14 crewmembers were withheld pending notification of their families. The plane and its crew were from the Air Force's 16th Special Operations Squadron, based at Hurlburt Field in Florida.

The survivors were in good condition, Gannon said. They were flown to a hospital on a U.S. Navy ship off Mogadishu and three were taken to Mombassa.

Rausch said preliminary indications pointed to engine failure as the cause of the crash. He said no distress call was heard from the stricken plane either in Mombassa or Mogadishu.

Mombasa, which borders Somalia, has long served as a base for U.S. military and humanitarian efforts in Somalia.

The pilot attempted to ditch the aircraft in the sea, but Rausch said, Gannon who added that the plane floated for a short time after it hit the water. Three crewmen who stayed with the aircraft made their way to shore, walked a short distance to a restaurant and called for help, said Gannon, who added he had not talked with the survivors.

Gannon said he was told most of the bodies were found near the plane in 10 to 15 feet of water but it was not clear yet if any of the dead were actually found inside the aircraft.

Rausch said there probably was less than 10 minutes from the time they knew there was a problem until the time they crashed-landed in the sea, said Gannon.

Rausch said three men were rescued by a Korean fishing trawler and may have parachuted from the plane as it went down.

Survivors said the missing crewman parachuted from the aircraft. Gannon said rescue workers clung to hope he had reached shore or was picked up by a fishing boat.

"They had seen him leaving the aircraft," said Gannon. "To their best knowledge he cleared the aircraft.

Gannon said he had survived the whole survival gear, including a flotation device, divers, and an emergency beacon.

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**Russian economy hits new low**

Associated Press

MOSCOW

Russia's staggering economy registered a new low last month when industrial production laggered a record 24 percent behind the level of a year ago.

The decline in February output compared to year-earlier figures indicated the charge since the start of reforms in 1992, the State Statistics Committee said Tuesday.

There was a glimmer of good news: Last month's output rose 2.3 percent from January's depressed levels, and average daily production, adjusted for holidays, increased 5 percent.

But the February decline compared to a year ago exceeded the previous record drop of 23.1 percent, set in January, the government statistics agency said.

Industrial production plunged 16.2 percent overall in 1993 after plummeting 18 percent in 1992. It fell 23.6 percent for the first two months of 1994, compared to the same period a year ago.

The machine building sector has suffered the sharpest decline this year, falling 49 percent from year-earlier levels.

The fuel and energy sector registered less sharp declines, falling 7 percent to 10 percent, the report said.

The statistics committee reported an increase in the price of plant shutdowns last month, tied mostly to difficulties in finding buyers for products.

Russian government statistics are widely seen as understating the output of the country's burgeoning private sector, which often conceals its output to avoid taxes.

Also Tuesday, the ruble continued its slide against the dollar and traders said the market probably will continue pushing the Russian currency lower.

The dollar was fixed at 1.71 rubles, compared to 1.71 on Monday. For the second straight week, the ruble has fallen to a new record low each day.

Traders said the ruble's steady decline reflects primarily the effect of inflation, which was 9.9 percent for February. They said the central bank has been intervening in the market to keep the downward trend from accelerating.

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Residents wonder why killer was allowed to walk free

By LESLIE DREYFOUS
Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C.
As the initial shock subsided Tuesday, a troubling question emerged. Why were the serial stranglings of 14 young black women over a period of two years all but unknown to the people of this city?

The answer, some charge, is obvious. "These were common, everyday, hard-working individuals," said Dee Sumpter, whose daughter Shawna Hawk was among the victims. "They weren't prominent people with social-economic status. They weren't special."

"And," she added, "they were black."

To many who live and work in the east Charlotte neighborhood where police say Henry Louis Wallace befriended many of his victims, the formula for oversight was a simple one: They don't really count. As the initial shock subsided Tuesday, hard-working individuals," in whose presence a killer was free. "When Shawna was murdered, I begged and pleaded with the police to go talk to her friends and former co-workers at Taco Bell," said Mrs. Sumpter, who found her 20-year-old daughter, an aspiring paralegal, strangled in a full bathtub a year ago. "The result: more silence, Mrs. Sumpter said. "Are you going to tell me that if they had done a little digging Henry's name would not have come up? Are you going to tell me that this doesn't reek of blatant incompetency and racism?"

Police have apologized for not spotting a link between the murders sooner, but say the cases varied enough to throw them off Wallace's trail. Indeed, until the strangler's pace picked up last week, the deaths were sporadic and not entirely similar. Officials would not comment Tuesday except to say the investigation is under review.

In hindsight, of course, the links are hard to miss. A few months after Wallace moved into town, the first body turned up. As the months wore on the ranks of victims quietly swollen. Many had worked at fast-food restaurants clustered around Sharon Amity and Alabmarle roads, like Wallace had. Many lived in nearby apartment complexes, as Wallace did until things began to disintegrate.

In recent weeks, friends reported, the smooth-talking former radio deejay had been going without sleep and wearing the same clothes day after day.

Some wonder how Wallace, who investigators say is addicted to crack cocaine, was out on the streets at all. On Feb. 4, he was arrested for shoplifting at a mall within walking distance of the Country Harvester.
First female wins " macho" Hemingway contest

By MAURA REYNOLDS
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

"Then she smiled," Bernice Richmond wrote.

"She did not have to smile. She did not have to lick her lips with that tongue, the kind that would not quit. What was she trying to do? Was this her way of being coy at 1 a.m., or was there a poppy seed caught in her teeth?"

"Short and sweet and wonderfully clever," said author Ray Bradbury, one of a panel of judges that included Hemingway's son, Jack Hemingway, and novelists John Grisham, Wilma Morris and Barry Hannah. Richmond said she saw a bit of Papa Hemingway in her father. "My father was a bit of a macho quintist, so I guess I understand the whole Hemingway mindset," she said. "It probably helped me win."

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Richmond, who owns a greeting card company in Westfield, N.J., said she used "demented thinking" to mimic America's paragon of masculinity and compose a pithy passage titled "Hemingway Competition."

Richmond's entry continued.

"This is a small, private club and the employee are like family," said Chris Parlapiano, the club's manager. "I feel as if I've lost a sister."

The morning of Feb. 21 was typical for Horvath. She showed up shortly before 9 a.m. at the club, which has white linen and a large cigar selection. "There were about 10 of us here," Parlapiano said. "About 30 minutes later, one of her coworkers noticed she wasn't at her usual place. It was a cold day and her coat and purse were in the club, so we knew she probably hadn't gone out side."

Police using dogs found Horvath's body several hours later in the small, windowless attic above the Blue Room. "She was found with no clothes, no underwear, and her head was beat," her husband, Kalvan Horvath, told The Hartford Courant. "I couldn't hardly recognize her face. She was so beautiful, but her face looked like a horror movie today."

An autopsy listed the cause of Horvath's death as a blow to the head and strangulation. Police wouldn't say if Horvath was sexually assaulted.

Police have questioned all employees in the club at the time she disappeared, some more than once, Parlapiano said. The investigation is continuing, police Lt. Louis Wolf said.

As far as anyone knows, there were no members around the club shut down a day after the killing. Some have returned, and the club reopened Monday. Employees will be allowed back at work as long as their jobs are available, Parlapiano said. Horvath, a Hungarian immigrant, supported a 2-year-old daughter and her husband, who was injured in a traffic accident several years ago.

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One Pole, two Swedes charged with Picasso theft

Associated Press

STOCKHOLM, Sweden

Three men were charged Tuesday with stealing works by Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque valued at $52 million from Stockholm's Modern Art Museum.

Court officials said Krystian M arczak, 24, a Polish citizen, and Kenneth Vikstrom, 23, a Swede, were charged with grand theft and hiding stolen goods.

Marczak's brother, Erwin, 23, was charged with being an accomplice to grand theft and receiving stolen goods.

Court officials said they were unsure of Erwin Marczak's citizenship.

"There may be some mis-
termin that we are not aware of," said District Prosecutor Sven-Erik Alhen, indicating more people may have been in-
volved in the November 8 bur-
glary.

The three men were arrested in December, along with an-
other man and a woman, who were freed after an investiga-
tion.

Eight paintings and a sculp-
ture were removed from the museum through a hole the thieves sawed in the wooden roof.

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Female astronaut wins duel

By MARCIA DUN N

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla.

One of Columbia's astronauts challenged her crewmates to a duel of dexterity Tuesday with the space shuttle robot arm.

She won.

"It takes a woman's touch," said astronaut Marsha Ivins, the only woman aboard the shuttle.

She claimed victory during the second round of tests of the new magnetic grapple, strain gauge and targeting system on Columbia's jointed, 50-foot robot arm.

Ivins, Charles "Sam" Gemar and Pierre Thuot took turns using the arm to slide a 10-
inch-long peg into increasingly smaller sockets.

The tightest clearance was three-hun-
dredths of an inch.

The peg protruded from a
bar, 5 feet long and 1 foot wide, that was gripped by powerful
magnets on the end of the shuttle crane out in the cargo bay.

A sensor measured the force exerted by each crew member, who controlled the arm from inside the cockpit and relied on three video cameras and a mir-
for guidance.

The astronauts also practiced inserting the bar into a slot on
a box. It looked as though they
were punching in a huge time

card, although NASA said it
was supposed to simulate the installation of a heat radiator
on a space station.

"Marsha came up here and
embarrassed all of us and did a
great job," Gemar informed
Mission Control.

Minutes later, Gemar

returned to the robot arm con-
trols for "a chance to redeem

myself.

Noted Ivins: "The sure-fire
game to get them to do a
good job is for me to do it first."

NASA is testing the magnetic
grapple, which packs 3,200
pounds of electromagnetic
force for the first time in
space. The camera-and-mirror
targeting system for the robot
arm has flown on a shuttle
twice before.

Researchers want to see if
magnets work better than the
mechanical snare that has
been used on shuttle robot
arms for 13 years.

They say the new system could simplify the handling of satellites — the main robot-arm chore at pre-

sent — and the construction of
an international space station later this decade.

The astronauts will complete the robot arm tests Wednesday.
As the astronauts worked
with the robot arm and con-
ducted more medical tests,
researchers on the ground
operated Columbia's primary

science experiments by remote
control; fluid transformation,
metal solidification and shuttle-
glare observation.

Twice Tuesday, scientists
released hydrogen gas from a
can in Columbia's open cargo
cargo bay.

As on Monday, the stream of
gas extinguished the natural
glow around that part of the
shuttle, the glow is the result of
molecules of atmospheric gas
colliding with orbiting space-
craft.

Columbia is supposed to
return to Kennedy Space Center
on Friday, 14 days after depart-
ing on the research mission.

As for future missions, NASA
shuttle director Tom Usman
said Discovery will be sent to
Rockwell International's shuttle
assembly plant in Palmdale,
Cali., next year.

It will be equipped with a
mechanism for docking with
Russia's Mir space station.

Atlanta is planning missions to Palmdale, including the
addition of a Mir docking
back-up.

Atlanta is supposed to make the first shuttle-Mir docking
mission, in mid-1995. Up to 10
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Dear Editor:

This is a response to Roger Zalneraitis' letter of March 2, 1994, in which he criticized the handling of a recent abortion case.

Zalneraitis claims that the university has a duty to ensure that abortion is handled in a way that is consistent with the law. He argues that the university should not allow students to have access to abortion services, even if they are legal.

I believe that Zalneraitis is mistaken. The university has a duty to provide a safe and secure environment for all students, and this includes providing access to legal services when necessary.

In addition, I believe that Zalneraitis' argument is flawed because it assumes that all students who seek an abortion are doing so because they have made a morally correct decision. This is not necessarily the case. For many students, an abortion is the best choice for their circumstances, and the university should support them in making this decision.

Finally, I believe that Zalneraitis' argument is based on a misunderstanding of the law. The university's duty is not to prevent students from accessing legal services, but to provide a safe and secure environment for all students.

Sincerely,

George Dohrmann
Mythical Tales of the Snite Museum

BY KAREN SHOPP

If you are looking for an interesting way to spend your Saturday morning, go to the Snite Museum's storytelling presentation. The session begins at 10:30 a.m. and includes songs and stories revolving around the theme Myths and Legends.

The storytelling and reading program began five years ago, according to Diana Matthias, Assistant Professional Specialist for the Snite Museum of Art. Although the program was small at the beginning, there are now over one hundred participants for every session.

Three storytelling sessions are held each semester. They are based on a central theme or ethnic group.

The storytelling sessions begin in the atrium of the Snite with ten minutes of folk singing, according to Matthias. The idea of beginning the program with songs originated with storyteller Jim Kevin, said Matthias.

"There are stories within folk songs," Matthias said.

Most of the performers now are professional singers, but they perform participatory songs, she said.

After the singing, the group moves from the atrium of the museum to the gallery containing the art which pertains to the geographical area from which the story originated from.

"It's a great way to learn more about the civilizations of the stories and the civilizations of the objects in the Snite Museum," said Matthias.

"We match the ethnic origin of the story to an object in the collection," she continued.

Unlike the professional folk singers, the storytellers are students, faculty, Snite staff, and members of the community.

The audience is divided into two groups, and they move about the museum depending on the origin of the story. Each storyteller performs twice per session.

The storytelling program attracts members of the South Bend community. Many parents bring their children, but individuals are encouraged to attend.

Although the attendance at the storytelling sessions pleases the Snite staff, student involvement is low. "We would like to have more student storytellers involved," Matthias said.

Matthias believes that ethnic groups could benefit from organizing a storytelling event. To conclude African-American history month, the Student Alliance held a storytelling event. To conclude African-American history month, the Student Alliance held a storytelling event. To conclude African-American history month, the Student Alliance held a storytelling event. The event was a great success, according to Matthias.

"I believe that we should involve students from an ethnic area," Matthias said. Because stories are not taught in the schools, the Snite, Matthias is willing to work with student groups interested in arranging a storytelling evening.

The groups are free to choose the songs, stories and performers for their storytelling event.

The storytelling program offers three different ways of telling stories.

"There is storytelling in the gallery, such as the sessions we hold here at the Snite," Matthias said.

"There is also tandem telling, where two people tell a story from which it originated.

"Many of the paintings and sculptures tell stories," Matthias said. "We have to find out how the story changes," she said.

Because of the different facets of storytelling, Matthias encourages students with either singing or speaking abilities to contact her at the Snite.

Although the remaining session for this semester is already planned, performers are needed for next fall's programs.

Saturday's session will meet in the Snite Museum's atrium at 10:30 a.m., and it will be one hour of music, stories and traditional art works. The event is free of charge.
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(1) Oregon, Calif. 17-10
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(1) Kansas 2-3
(7) Arizona 21-11

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(1) Arizona 21-11

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(12) Mercer 15-21
(14) Dayton 14-13
(12) St. John’s 21-16
(10) Arkansas 20-19

3rd Round

(8) Buffalo 20-14
(2) Kentucky 24-7
(4) Kansas State 14-7
(1) North Carolina 27-6

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(2) Kentucky 24-7
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(1) North Carolina 27-6

Regional Finals

(2) Kentucky 24-7
(1) North Carolina 27-6

4th Round

(2) Kentucky 24-7
(1) North Carolina 27-6

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(1) North Carolina 27-6

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(1) Tennessee 22-10
(2) Stanford 24-4
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(4) Arizona State 17-14

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President Clinton favors Razorbacks

Associated Press

He is on the cover of Sports Illustrated wearing an Arkansas warmup jacket, and he’s seen inside the magazine watching the team on television and in person. Also, there he is, posing for a photo with the Razorbacks. President Clinton, who was governor of Arkansas, is big on Razorbacks, the nation’s second-ranked college basketball team and the top seed in the NCAA Midwest Regional tournament, which begins Thursday. Clinton is such a rabid Razorbacks’ rooter that he’s planning to be at Charlotte, N.C., next month if Arkansas makes it to the Final Four. “If they go, I’m going,” the President is quoted as saying in this week’s SI. If not, “I just may go anyway,” he said.

The President, who was a reserve on the Oxford University B team when he was a Rhodes Scholar from 1964 to 1970, talks like a basketball junkie.

For example - “It’s a fabulous game, isn’t it?” he said. “It makes me wish I were two inches taller and 20 pounds lighter. With a 4-foot vertical jump, I could do something else.”

He was a little too chunky and slow to be very commendable on the basketball court at Oxford.

“If you look, you’ll see Georgia’s turnover is 23 and Arkansas’ points off turnovers are 13,” he said, after watching tape the Razorbacks’ 95-83 victory over the Bulldogs in the quarterfinals of the Southeastern Conference tournament. “... Here we are five minutes from the end of the game, we’re up by five now. They are playing this half-court trap defense that worked very well. They got about three charges, which really helped them.”

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Upsets paved the way for Graf in Lipton
By STEVEN WINE
Associated Press

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. — Upsets eliminated Steffi Graf's three first-round challengers Tuesday at the Lipton Championshio.

Two-time defending champion Arantza Sanchez Vicario, Gabriela Sabatini and Jana Novotna — seeded second, third and fourth — all departed in the space of less than three hours.

The quarterfinal results left only longshots to face the top-seeded Graf, who beat No. 5 Kimiko Date 6-1, 6-1. Graf will face the winner of Zvereva, the second set against Natalia Vodianova, who beat Sabatini 6-1, 6-2.

"Maybe more players will be pushed into the media and the public's knowledge," Sanchez Vicario said, "but it went my way."

The biggest stunner ousted Sanchez Vicario, who squandered five consecutive match points and lost to Brenda Schultz 1-6, 7-6 (7-5), 7-6 (7-4).

"I have the match in my hands," Sanchez Vicario said, "but it went away." Novotna likewise drew a 4-0 lead in the second set against Natalia Zvereva, who won 7-6 (7-5), 7-6 (7-4).

Zvereva will play Schultz in Thursday's semifinals. Davenport will face the winner of Tuesday night's match between Graf and Kimiko Date.

The top men weren't immune to upsets. Unseeded Australian Patrick Rafter beat eighth-ranked Michael Chang 6-2, 6-7 (2-7), 6-2.

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afternoon Battersby would struggle, giving up five earned runs and seven hits in three and a half innings of relief as the Irish fell to Creighton 9-3.

Senior Stephanie Pinter went 2 for 3 with an RBI to lead Notre Dame at the plate. Starting pitcher Kobata picked up the loss, going over three innings, striking out five and allowing one earned run.

The Irish recovered the next morning as Elizabeth Perkins went 3-for-4 with a two-run home-run to lead the Irish past Sam Houston 5-3. Senior Carrie Miller went the distance for the win. However, the Irish again struggled in the afternoon game, falling 5-3 to North Carolina. Kobata was saddled with the loss, giving up four runs but striking out seven.

Notre Dame opened elimination-tournament play in College Station with a 4-3 win over Tulsa. Hayes smacked a three-run homer in the third inning and Battersby pitched a complete game to earn her third victory. The Irish were then eliminated by their hosts, the 14th-ranked Aggies, 8-0.

Leaving Texas 3-3, Notre Dame headed for Tampa. The Irish struggled in the South Florida Tournament, winning only one of their five games. The win saw Kobata pick up her fourth collegiate perfect game as she nced No. 24 Robert Morris 18-0.

The game was packed with offensive highlights, as Hayes went 3-for-4 with a home-run, double and five RBI. Pinter drove in three runs on a 2-for-4 performance, and senior shortstop Christy Conneroy was a perfect 3-for-3.

Through the rest of the tournament, the Irish struggled. No. 21 Illinois-Chicago knocked Battersby out of the box with a seven-run first inning en route to a 7-0 win. A trio of freshmen helped second-rated UCLA rout Notre Dame 12-0.

The Irish finished the tournament edged by Penn State 5-4 and despite a nine-strikeout performance by Kobata, were shutout by No. 9 Florida State 3-0.

Notre Dame must now prepare for regional competition in this Thursday's home opener against Bowling Green and the weekend's Sycamore Classic against host Indiana State, Valparaiso, and Evansville.

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Braves release injured Gant in dispute over salary

By BEN WALKER
Associated Press

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. - Injured outfielder Ron Gant was released by the Atlanta Braves on Tuesday, throwing his future in doubt and touching off a debate about how much money the team must pay him.

Gant, coming off career-highs of 36 homers and 117 RBIs last season, broke his right leg Feb. 11 in a dirt-bike accident. The injury, which could sideline him until the All-Star break, came one week after he signed a one-year, $5.5 million contract.

"Since he is unavailable to perform as a result of this accident and, according to our doctors, will be rehabilitating for an extended period of time, we have decided to take this action," Braves general manager John Schuerholz said.

"This is an unfortunate and sad day for us, but nonetheless, this is our decision," he said.

By cutting Gant before 2 p.m. EST, the Braves were to owe him only 30 days' termination pay, about $906,593. But Braves president Stan Kasten said the owners' Player Relations Committee had advised the team not to pay Gant at all.

The Braves could argue that Gant violated his contract by putting himself at risk. Gant's agent, Eric Goldschmidt, said this week that he would file a grievance if Gant was cut, meaning an arbitrator may decide how much the Braves must pay.

Gant, 29, has averaged almost 30 home runs, 97 RBIs and 31 steals in the last four years. Without him, the Braves will try to win their fourth straight division title this season with either young Tony Tarasco, Ryan Klesko or Chipper Jones in Gant's spot in left field.

"I'm sad and upset," Braves manager Bobby Cox said. "He's going to be a tough guy to replace."

Any team can claim Gant off waivers until 2 p.m. EST Friday.

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Canseco denies attempting suicide

Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas - Jose Canseco was so upset over the crumbling of his personal and professional lives that he considered committing suicide, although the Texas Rangers slugger says he never tried killing himself.

"The last two years were a total nightmare," Canseco told Fort Worth Star-Telegram columnist Jim Reeves in a column published today. "When the home run fell out of my hand and said his 70 percent healed. Coaches say he's regained his bat speed and is back to his old self. He was so upset, he couldn't believe his eyes."

The month-long treatment was supervised by a professional therapist who helped him work out of an 18-month depression. "It's better," Canseco said.

The observation continues with a full-time therapy for cancer.

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Jordan makes debut behind the plate

By Jacki Silver
Associated Press

SARASOTA, Fla. - Michael Jordan didn't play Tuesday, but the Chicago White Sox outfilder donned a catcher's mask to warm up pitcher James Baldwin before the sixth inning against the New York Yankees.

Jordan, who got his first spring training hit in 15 at-bats Monday, took over the catching while White Sox regular Ron Karkovice was putting his gear on between innings.

"With no hair, you really can't tell if he has a helmet on," White Sox manager Gene Lamont said. "When he first went down behind the plate, I wasn't sure he'd get up. He was kind of like a giraffe trying to get off the ground."

"I'm glad James didn't throw too hard," Lamont added.

Jordan said he caught briefly in high school, the last time he played organized baseball before trying out for the White Sox.

"I wasn't a very good catcher," Jordan said. "Every time the bat came through, my eyes closed."

Jordan did not start Tuesday's game, but was on deck with two out in the eighth. Glenn D'Arcina struck out to end the inning, and was booed by fans who wanted to see Jordan hit. The White Sox won 6-5.

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Pitino senses Kentucky peaking at right time

By MIKE EMERY
Associated Press
LEXINGTON, Ky.

Kentucky appears ready to make another run to the Final Four.

"I think we're at the point where we were last year," said forward Rodrick Rhodes. "We feel good about ourselves."

The Wildcats (26-6) are coming off a Southeastern Conference tournament championship that included victories over then-No. 1 Arkansas 90-78 in the semifinals and No. 14 Florida 73-60 in the final.

"Right now we feel we're at our highest point of the season," said Kentucky coach Rick Pitino, who sends his third-seeded team against No. 14 Tennessee State (19-11) in the first round of the Southeast Regional at St. Petersburg, Fla., on Friday.

Besides winning the three tourney games by an average 14.7 points, the Wildcats made 30 of 95 shots from 3-point range and forced opponents to turn the ball over more than 17 times.

Kentucky swept through the SEC tournament a year ago before going on a tear in the Southeast Regional, winning four times by an average of 31 points to reach the Final Four in New Orleans.

Pitino said his team is better focused. It has also improved in spacing on offense, defensive effort and foul shooting.

"Time heals all wounds," he said. "And it was a matter of time before a young team will develop." Forward Jeff Brasso believes Kentucky's pressing defense can make a difference in the next two weeks.

"If we make our press a factor in the tournament as we have in the past three weeks, we'll have a chance of going all the way," he said.

Kentucky guard Travis Ford, the MVP in the SEC tourney for the second straight year, said the Wildcats aren't consciously trying to shoot a lot of 3s.

Carolina hoping that Williams has hit stride

By DAVID DROSHAK
Associated Press

CHAPEL HILL, N.C.

When North Carolina's coaches gathered back in November to pick the team's most improved player from a season ago, an unlikely candidate emerged - Donald Williams.

Last year's MVP of the Final Four, whose outside shooting had carried the Tar Heels to the NCAA championship, had toned his skills even further.

But what started out as a promising campaign turned to mid-season disappointment. Williams missed nine games with a foot and shoulder injury. And his shot that had produced 25-point games against Kansas and Michigan in the Final Four disappeared when he returned.

Top-ranked North Carolina (27-6) suddenly became a vulnerable team as opponents began packing defenses around Williams.

And coach Dean Smith hopes a top-notch performance in a regular-season finale win at Duke and a strong Atlantic Coast Conference tournament will give Williams needed confidence.

With North Carolina clinging to a two-point lead Sunday, Williams hit a clutch shot in the lane with 45 seconds left in the ACC title game against Virginia that helped propel the Tar Heels to victory and an automatic bid to the postseason.

Top-seeded North Carolina begins its 20th straight NCAA tournament Friday against Liberty, winner of the Big South, at the East Regional in Lan­dover, Md.

"Now it looks like (Donald) is back at the defensive end and in some ways offensively," Smith said Tuesday. "But in some ways he may be trying to do too many things to prove he's back."

Williams was averaging better than 20 points a game in December before tendinitis in his foot sidelined him over the holidays.
Tulane denied access to the Big Dance

Associated Press

EVANSVILLE, Ind. - Tulane faces some soul-searching before it takes on Evansville in the first round of the National Invitation Tournament on Wednesday night, Green Wave coach Perry Clark said.

Tulane (17-10) has to rebound from a dispiriting loss to Southern Mississippi in the opening round of the Metro Conference Tournament last week and prepare for Evansville (21-10) on the Aces' home court, Clark said.

"Whenever you lose, you hurt a little bit. The only way to get rid of the hurt is to go out and beat somebody. We were tight against Southern Miss and it cost us," Clark said.

The NIT is not the way either team had set out to end their seasons. Both had hoped to make the 64-team NCAA Tournament field for the third year in a row. But now, both teams hope to go far in the 32-team NIT.

"We don't look at it as a negative, but as a positive," Clark said. "The main thing is to get better for next year."

Evansville lost what faith it harbored for an NCAA berth with its loss to Detroit in the championship game of the Midwestern Colle­giate Conference Tournament last week in Indianapolis. The Aces did some soul-searching of their own.

"We did a lot of thinking about that game (loss to Detroit)," said Andy Elkins, Evansville's leading scorer. "But by Friday, we were all ready to practice. There were no more letdowns."

One reason Tulane left the Metro tournament early was that LaVeldro Simmons, a 6-foot-4 sophomore who had averaged 18 points in the Green Wave's previous 10 games, went 1-for-12 from the field against Southern Mississippi.

"We have to rebound as a team," Clark said. "We have to get ready to practice. There were no more letdowns."

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Northwestern to host Battle of Chicago

By RICK GANO

Associated Press

EVANSTON, Ill. - Northwestern is just grateful to be in the NIT, to be anywhere in the post season after a long history of losing basketball.

The Wildcats are also grateful to the Grateful Dead for giving them a first-round home game Wednesday night against Chicago rival DePaul.

With the much larger Rosemont Horizon, DePaul's home area, booked for a "Dead" concert, the game will be played at the 8,117-seat Welsh-Ryan Arena in Evanston.

Northwestern's home court can do some rocking and rolling of its own, although the only instruments belonging to the school's loud pep band.

"The way our home court has gotten, the crowd is really active, particularly at a time when you're playing an emotional game," said Northwestern coach Ricky Byrdson.

But Northwestern guard Kevin Brandt, the Blue Demons' leading scorer, who grew up in the Chicago area and is now the Blue Demons' leading scorer.

"I'd go there in grade school and high school to see Indiana because I was a big Indiana fan," said Andy Elkins, Evansville's leading scorer.

While Northwestern is ecstatic to be in a post-season tournament, DePaul had hoped to play well enough for an NCAA bid. The Blue Demons didn't and were beaten in the first round of the Great Midwest Tournament last week.

The Wildcats didn't think the Blue Demons would be down, once the game starts.

"I guarantee when the ball goes up with this being a big intra-city rivalry, the game can't help be full of emotion," Byrdson said.

Emotional states are something Byrdson became familiar with during this, his first season at Northwestern. He took a four-game leave of absence after strangely wandering into the stands during a game at Minnesota, slapping hands with fans and the opposing mascot.

During the season, the Wildcats won their first nine games, then lost their first nine in the league. During Byrdson's absence they were 2-2 and then were 3-3 once he returned. They played their best basketball in the final weeks.

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Kinder sprints to fourth place finish

By DOMINIC AMOROSA
Sports Writer

Expectations sometimes don't turn out as planned. Over spring break the Notre Dame track team found out that it's tough to fulfill some lofty expectations.

The Irish traveled to Princeton University to compete against 68 other teams in the prestigious individual race. The team finished 4th, but according to head coach Joe Piane, the team could have finished in the top five.

"It was fair," said Piane. "It was not as good as we anticipated. Everyone competed well, but if we could have performed a little better we would have finished top five."

One of the bright spots for the Irish was freshman sprinter Randy Kinder, who finished 4th in the 200 m. Kinder's time of 21.77 placed him first in his heat, but 4th overall.

Including Kinder, the Irish had only five top five finishes in the meet. Junior Nate Ruder finished 4th in the 3,000m. Kinders' time of 21.17 placed him first in his heat, but 4th overall.

Men's volleyball to face tough task in Michigan

By G.R. NELSON
Sports Writer

After a three week hiatus, the Notre Dame men's volleyball team returns to action today when it faces a strong University of Michigan squad at 7:30 at the Joyce Athletic and Convocation Center.

The Irish (8-1) hope to continue where they left off before the break, playing great volleyball. However, Notre Dame will not be able to slip comfortably into the game. Instead, if they intend to win, the team must come out playing well against a quality Wolverine team.

"This will be one of our toughest matches of the year," said a now-healthy captain Brian Ceponis.

In fact, Ceponis used the layoff to rehabilitate his ailing right knee, and he now expects no further problems from his knee. One problem he and coach Jennifer Slosar are aware of is coming out rusty after their time off.

"It will be the tightest match to soon after the break," added Ceponis. To combat this, the Irish have had some of their toughest practices of the year, including a three hour marathon last night.

Notre Dame respects Michigan, but they also believe that they, not Michigan, will determine the outcome of the match.

"If we play our game," said Ceponis, "we will be fine. Notre Dame's strength centers around establishing the middle early with Ceponis and senior Leo Casas, then having setter Chris Lilly and sophomore Keith O'Brien and Andy Burns, finished 4th in the meet. Princeton's 200 m track was smaller than the Irish were used to at Loftus, but Piane didn't think it had too much of an effect."

"It was a big adjustment for me to run on the 200 m track," commented Kinder. "It affected me and I didn't perform as well as I could have because I wasn't prepared for it."

"It was a good experience and I had fun," added Kinder.

Besides the NCAA's, Kinder competed in the NCAA Championships in Indianapolis on March 11-12. He placed 3rd in his heat in the 200 meter dash with a time of 21.53. Although his time was not good enough to advance to the finals, Piane thought it was a success.

"It's pretty amazing to make it to NCAA's considering only 2 percent of all the competing track athletes are invited to attend," explained Piane. "Four of our athletes qualified provisionally, but Kinder was the only one who got a bid."

Kinder will miss the next five weeks of the track season to concentrate on football, but the rest of the team begins their outdoor season the weekend of March 22-24. That weekend, Piane plans to split the team in three for three invitational meets at Purdue, Eastern Kentucky and North Carolina.

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Lacrosse team feels the pain of Eastern swing

By TIM SHERMAN
Sports Writer

Lacrosse is a pretty tough game.

Just ask coach Kevin Corrigan or any of his players, especially Willie Sutton, Todd Bialous, or Marc Pasquaile.

All three Irish midfielders sustained injuries during Notre Dame’s opener against Penn St.

The losses of Sutton (fractured leg), Bialous, and Pasquaile (hamstring) showed, especially in Notre Dame 15-8 loss to Georgetown.

That game in South Bend is really not a factor right about now,” said Corrigan. “We just didn’t play well and it showed,” said Colley. “They were a lot more mentally prepared after last year (an Irish victory).”

A 60-34 edge in groundballs to Georgetown summarized the contest.

In addition, Hoyas Chris Remington and Damon Vettori (combined 8 points) converted many of these possessions into scores.

“That game in South Bend is really not a factor right about now,” said Ward. said of the 31-24 game in which he completed the triple crown with the Sullivan Award on Monday night as the nation’s outstanding amateur athlete for 1993.

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“We were down a lot of points during that game,” said Corrigan. “We were down a lot of points and came back.”

Ward was 31-of-50 for 297 yards and three touchdowns, including two in the second half as the Seminoles rallied from a 24-7 deficit. Florida State drove to the Irish 14 in the closing seconds before a pass by Ward was batted down at the 3 as time expired.

“We came back and won the national championship. Some people thought we didn’t have won it, but the Lord saw fit that we win it, and I’m very happy I was on that team. A lot of people can’t say that,” said Ward.

For the season, Ward passed for 3,032 yards and 27 touchdowns with only four interceptions in 357 attempts. After the 18-16 bowl win, in which he was the MVP, he joined the Seminoles’ basketball team and started 16 games at point guard, averaging 10.5 points a game.

Ward was among 10 finalists for the Sullivan, presented each year since 1930 by the U.S. Amateur Athletic Union. He also is the first football player to win the Sullivan since Army teammates Doc Blanchard in 1945 and Arnold Tucker in 1946 and the first winner from a team sport since baseball’s Jim Abbott in 1987.

“I haven’t accomplished everything I want to accomplish yet,” said Ward.

“This is the amateur level. I’ve done everything possible on the amateur level, but I want to like it to the next level. If I can accomplish just half the things I accomplished in the amateur ranks I’ll be a very happy person.

“Even if I don’t, I’m still going to be happy,” he said.

He still doesn’t know — or won’t say — whether he’ll try to play in the NFL or the NBA.

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different story.

“As good as we played against Rutgers, we played just as bad as against Georgetown,” noted Corrigan. “We just didn’t play well and it showed,” said Colley. “They were a lot more mentally prepa red after last year (an Irish victory).”

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determined not to let this scor­ing machine end their season.

"She was the player-of-the-year in the Big Ten," noted Irish head coach Muffet McGraw. "She is a real threat who can score from everywhere but behind the three-point line. She plays a lot with her back to the basket, and she can just turn and shoot. She's smart, and gets to the free throw line around eight times a game." McGraw recognizes that they can only hope to contain Shudlick, yet she's not ready to overhaul her normal defensive style to slow down the Min­nesota star.

"We're going to work on our normal defense; not do any­thing special," said McGraw. "We realize we need to contain Shudlick, but we can't overlook the rest of the Minnesota team. They're too good a team."

McGraw will assign junior Letitia Bowen to guard Shudlick, and will hope that the Irish defense as a whole stays true to its form. For the season, Notre Dame's defense has lim­ited opponents to just over 66 points per game, holding the opposition to 60 points or less on nine occasions this season. Bowen currently ranks tenth on the Notre Dame career list with 131 steals.

In addition to Shudlick, Min­nesota also boasts Shannon Leorbitl, who averages 12.4 points a game, and Crystal Flint, who averages 11.6 points. While Notre Dame does not have a truly dominant scorer, they do have a rapidly develop­ing star and a great depth.

Fresman guard Beth Mor­gan has averaged 17.6 points per game this season, and has done at least to the point where she can be expected to lead the team in scoring every night out. She has all the tools necessary for success, and is a pure shooter who could very well be­come a dominant player such as Shudlick by her senior year.

Notre Dame is not all about Morgan, however, and has a great deal of depth on its ro­ster. Bowen scores 10.6 points and pulls down 9.6 rebounds a game, and senior Tootie Jones averages an even 10 points and 5.8 rebounds per game. Senior Kara Leary is a point guard in the truest sense, and sopho­more forward Carey Poor is emerging as a scoring threat as well as a force on the boards.

Poor has managed to score 8.6 points in just 17.3 minutes per game, and has been espe­cially hot lately, hitting a mind-boggling 23 of her last 23 shots. The 6-0 sophomore recently eclipsed Irish assistant coach Karen Robinson's consecutive basket record, draining 17 straight shots to shatter Robinson's 1989 mark of 13.

"I think we're mentally ready to play," said Poor. "We have higher expectations than the first round of the NCAA's, but we're taking it one game at a time. Tournament time is where you have to play as a team, not just as five individu­als. I think our depth is our strong point, and I'm excited about playing at home tonight. We should have a good outing."

McGraw, who calls this "the best team I've ever coached," is also excited about her team's chances, and feels that they are ready to go.
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The seniors on the Notre Dame women's basketball team thought that they had played the last home game of their college careers when they beat MCI, rival Loyola 84-75 in an emotional season finale on March 3. Think again. The seniors and the rest of the Notre Dame team will get one last chance to impress the home crowd, as they play host to the Minnesota Gophers in the first round of the NCAA Tournament tonight at 7:30 in the Joyce Center. The 22-6 Irish secured a surprisingly high seventh seed in the East region when they won the MCC tournament on March 8. That meant that the team would get to play host to the tenth seeded Gophers, who come into the first round game as an at-large selection with a 17-10 overall record. One has to wonder whether the high seed will prove to be a blessing or a curse for the streaking Irish. After all, this is a team that has won its last 10 games on the road, while owning only a 5-4 mark on their home court. The visiting Gophers, who finished 10-8 in the Big Ten, are coming off a 64-51 upset of 13th-ranked Iowa, led by the extremely dangerous Carol Ann Shudlick. Shudlick led the attack against Iowa with 16 points, but is capable of scoring much more than that. She is the scorer in the Big Ten, and has torched the opposition for 23.6 points per game this year. Five times this season the Minnesota senior has scored 30 or more points, with a high of 44 points coming in a 92-82 overtime defeat of then third-ranked Texas Tech on December 18. Notre Dame recognizes the powerful player they must face in Shudlick, and are LACROSSE edges Rutgers in overtime
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Three ranked opponents. Two wins. Not too good, not too bad. Over spring break, the 17th ranked Notre Dame lacrosse team split a pair of games to bring their record to 2-1. The injury-plagued Irish had to go to overtime to defeat the Black Knights of Rutgers 8-7 on Wednesday in a game that had to be rescheduled. Their early season success came to an end on Saturday, as the Irish dropped their first loss at the hands of rival Georgetown 15-8. While coach Kevin Corrigan cannot be completely satisfied with his team's performance, any victory over a top twenty team such as No. 15 Rutgers is gratifying. "The trip was a little disappointing," said coach Corrigan. "But after spending 5 days in a hotel (one canceled game, one rescheduled), and all our injuries, I'm pretty excited to still come back and beat a 15th ranked team." In a defensive struggle, the Irish turned to top scorer Randy Colley in the fourth quarter for some offense. The senior tri-captain responded. Colley notched two fourth period goals, as well as the winner two minutes into overtime. "I had had a tough time before the fourth," commented Colley. "We needed to score and I'm glad I was able to step up. It's definitely a good feeling." The Irish controlled play throughout, but not on the scoreboard. Notre Dame outshout the Black Knights 45-29 and failed to clear the ball just once. However, RU netminder John Kidon stopped 22 shots to keep his team in it. On the strength of two Robbie Snyder tallies, the Irish were even at the half 4-4. Rutgers' Dan Spillett scored the lone goal of the third quarter at the 10:18 mark. The fourth quarter was basically a Colley versus Kelly Rogers shootout. After Colley knotted the score with his first goal of the game, Rutgers' Rogers responded to put his team in the lead. Irish attacker Steve Manley scored his third goal of the year to tie the contest at six. With Colley and Rogers each adding another goal, the game went into the extra session. Colley and his teammates had a bit more left as the Irish ended it after 2:04 of the 8:7 win. "It was a great team effort," said Corrigan. "Everyone did what he had to do to win. That's great to see." Saturday against Georgetown was a Softball shows effects of winter
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While most of their fellow students were relaxing over spring break, the 17th-ranked Notre Dame softball team took on some of the toughest teams in the nation, playing six ranked teams among 13 games in a nine day span at Texas A&M and Tampa. The Irish struggled against perennial powers like UCLA and Oklahoma State, limping home with a 4-9 record to bring their overall mark to 6-11. Despite the relatively poor showing, coach Liz Miller found reasons to be optimistic. "We got stronger defensively and I felt we hit better than we ever have this early in the season." Despite playing injured much of the season, junior Sara Hayes remained the team's batting leader at .372 and drove in three runs with a home-run and a double. Junior Liz Goetz moved to third among Irish batters with ten hits in the last 13 games. Goetz was 4-for-5 as a pinch-hitter with two RBIs. Sophomore Jenna Knudson also had six hits, causing her batting average to jump close to the .300 mark, good for fourth on the team. The main reason the Irish struggled, according to coach Miller, was lack of pitching depth. "One of our problems was that our pitchers are not ready to come back to quickly, and we need a fourth arm." Miller does not see this problem affecting the team later in the season. "The only time this happens is over spring break," she said. "Once we get in the regular season the games will be more spread out and we won't have that problem." The Irish pitching staff is again led by sophomore Terri Kobata, last season's NCAA strikeout leader. Kobata was 1-3 over the break, but the win was a 12-strikeout perfect game. She punched out 54 batters to bring her strikeout total to 72, just above last year's numbers. Notre Dame started the week off strong, splitting the round-robin competition of the Texas A&M Invitational, but the lack of pitching depth was evident the first day. Freshman Joy Batersby gave up no earned runs in a five-inning performance as the Irish earned a 3-2 win over Centenary in the first game. Knudson drove in the game-winning RBI on a fourth inning squeeze play, scoring sophomore Andrea Kollar. However, later that TRACK returns from Princeton
Coach Joe Plano's squad placed eighth out of a 68 team field, with five top-five finishes Fun for Free: Admission to tonight's women's basketball NCAA first round game is free with student ID. at Gate 10.