No Great Mystery

It doesn't take Sherlock Holmes to find a popular detective story writer right here on campus

By GWENDOLYN NORGLE
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By the time he is a professor of medieval studies and the past forty years, McInerny has found the time to incorporate philosophical themes into his fiction and non-fiction writing, while, at the same time, he is a professor of medieval studies and the Director of the Jacques Maritain Center of the Medieval Institute. As the author of The Father Dowling Mysteries, McInerny has written seventeen books in this series that spotlights the character Father Roger Dowling, a Chicago-based priest and sports fan. Published last week, his latest book, A Cardinal Offense, is the first of the mystery series set on Notre Dame campus. In this book, Dowling is expected to give tickets to the Notre Dame-USC football game, which McInerny says is "functional to the climax of the novel." While at Notre Dame, Dowling is expected to participate in a conference on American annihilation practices.

The theme of the diminishing sanctity of marriage contributes to the plot of this murder mystery. This is not the first time Notre Dame has appeared in McInerny's work. In one of his books, McInerny used Notre Dame in the setting of his story, "Connolly's Life," published in 1983, included scenes of Notre Dame, and one of the characters in the story met with a fictional Father Husbrough. Most of McInerny's books have what he calls, "a Catholic context" and, though most of his fiction writing has been of mysteries, his stories include "Church law on the margin." When asked if working in a religious atmosphere, such as Notre Dame, and working in association with priests has had any influence in his writing, McInerny responded, "You know."

As a writer, McInerny says, "you convey your understanding of what life is all about." You give your perspective of the human existence when you write, according to McInerny. "I'm a Catholic. I'm a happy Catholic. This is the way I look at life," he says.

The Catholic aspect of his fiction writing appeals to his non-Catholic readers, who view his religious references as "exotic," he says. McInerny's writing appeals to a large number of people, and this became apparent when Viacom, a television company, bought the right to turn McInerny's character in a series which stemmed from the books. In the television series, which lasted three years, actor Tom Bosley (Happy Days) will participate in a forum last night at the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

The Observer/Brian Hardy
Saying hello isn’t that hard

We’re all probably guilty of it. I like to call it “The Campus Look.” Some people are great at it. They’ll walk through a crowd of people, with a smile, offering their polite hello. But then there are the rest of us. We walk towards someone we know and the people right behind us, exchanging absolutely no greeting. Instantly, we resort to one of our “anti-approach tactics.”

They include: instantly dropping our heads as we walk, starting at the ground with some sort of eerie fascination; two, pretending to be searching aimlessly for something in our backpacks; three, fixing a zipper on our coat that isn’t even closed; four, pretending to keep a look of great concentration on our face; and finally, pretending to sneeze. That’s just the way a truly unfortunate you’ve ever looked. That’s just the way someone who’s looking the most unfortunate you’ve ever looked. They nod and say, “What’s up?”

We’re all probably chronically shy, or they have absolutely no desire to befriend us. This happens too. Someone might say, “What’s up?” and in other random, unexpected places. And we’re all probably looking the most unfortunate you’ve ever looked. That’s just the way you’ve ever looked. That’s just the way someone who’s looking the most unfortunate you’ve ever looked. They nod and say, “What’s up?”

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Man charged in condom machine theft

WATERBURY, Mich. A man was charged with stealing a condom machine from a men’s restroom at a bar. “All we can figure is, he was anticipating a big weekend,” said Officer John Grimm, a police spokesman. Keith Bradford, 34, was arrested and 11 days after paramedics he called found the second Mrs. Kissinger, Koch form advisory team

ALBANY, N.Y.

Henry Kissinger and former New York City Mayor Edward Koch were among those named Thursday to one of the Governor-elect George Pataki’s transition advisory teams. The 53-member group included many political allies of the Republicans who control the State Capitol, including Gov. Mario Cuomo in an upset Nov. 8, and of his chief backer, House Speaker Joseph J. Morella. The group also included a few Democrats, including Koch, who was mayor of New York City from 1978 to 1990, and former New York Gov. Hugh Carey. Kissinger was secretary of state under President Nixon and Ford. Other transition group members expected to be named soon, a Pataki spokesman said.

Second wife dies in hot tub ‘accident’

PITTSBURGH

A man moves to town, sets up a business, takes on an insurance policy on a cheerful, churchgoing wife and hits a rocky spot in his marriage. She ends up dead in a hot tub. The man denies it can happen. That’s just the way it happens. It’s also possible to stand six feet of someone you know right in front of you and not really look at the football game where thousands of other people are present. You see him at the dining hall, the library, any place you might become aware of his presence. And you better believe you’ll see him when you’re looking for him. There’s no getting around it. It’s true, there’s no getting around it. That’s just the way it happens. It’s also possible to stand six feet of someone you know right in front of you and not really look at the football game where thousands of other people are present. You see him at the dining hall, the library, any place you might become aware of his presence. And you better believe you’ll see him when you’re looking for him. There’s no getting around it. It’s true, there’s no getting around it. That’s just the way it happens. It’s also possible to stand six feet of someone you know right in front of you and not really look at the football game where thousands of other people are present. You see him at the dining hall, the library, any place you might become aware of his presence. And you better believe you’ll see him when you’re looking for him. There’s no getting around it. It’s true, there’s no getting around it. That’s just the way it happens. It’s also possible to stand six feet of someone you know right in front of you and not really look at the football game where thousands of other people are present. You see him at the dining hall, the library, any place you might become aware of his presence. And you better believe you’ll see him when you’re looking for him. There’s no getting around it. It’s true, there’s no getting around it. That’s just the way it happens.

And to our extreme mortification, there will be those who ignore us when we say hello. Chances are they didn’t hear us, they’re chronically shy, or they have absolutely no desire to befriend us. This happens too. My point is it’s better to acknowledge people in some form than to blow them off entirely. And even if you don’t know who the hell they are, take a risk and exchange a random greeting every once in a while. Don’t become a member of the witness protection program. The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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Attridge joins Phi Beta Kappa

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Dean of the Notre Dame's scholarship and learning in the College has been initiated into honorary membership of Phi Beta Kappa, the preeminent honor society dedicated to scholarship and learning in the liberal arts and sciences. Attridge, a specialist in Hellenistic Judaism, second-century church history, and the New Testament, joins 65 other faculty members comprising the Notre Dame chapter of the honor society.

Phi Beta Kappa, so-named from the initials of the Greek motto translated "Love of wisdom, the guide of life," was founded in 1776. The organization currently has 242 chapters and a living membership of more than 400,000. Attridge said that he was "very pleased" to be inducted into the prestigious society, "a natural selection" for the society.

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Compromise sought on prayer

By MICHAEL J. SNIFFEN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
The Clinton administration is leaning toward legislation authorizing organized prayer, a top White House lawyer said Thursday.

"The president has long supported this moment of silence, and I think it's something he will look at seriously," Joel Klein, deputy White House counsel, said in an interview.

"But we think we can get it done legislatively without going down the constitutional path." Klein sounded a cautious note in addressing Republican plans to bring a constitutional amendment on organized school prayer to a vote in the House this year. Attorney General Janet Reno and even the House Republican who would chair school prayer hearings also spoke cautiously on the topic Thursday.

"I really don't think he (Clinton) is inclined to go that way."

Rep. Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., likely to become House speaker, has called for hearings and a House vote by July 4 on a constitutional amendment to permit organized school prayer. The Supreme Court ruled in 1962 that a New York school prayer violated the Constitution's prohibition against state establishment of religion.

Klein said no legislation has been drafted and it is not clear whether the White House would support a bill. The administration has not completely ruled out supporting a constitutional amendment, Klein said, "but I really don't think he (Clinton) is inclined to do that." He added, "It allows a moment of quiet reflection without coercion. A 12th-grade atheist would take a moment for his or her thoughts."

It's a chance to silently pray, it can be a kind of taking-stock moment," Klein said. "It's a chance for different people to do what they want to do — what they think is appropriate — with the time.

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By AMANDA COVARRUBIAS
Associated Press

SAN DIEGO
From boxers to businessmen, foreign and U.S. groups are threatening to boycott California over its anti-immigrant Proposition 187.

The Republicans, on the other hand, have put San Diego at the top of their list as a possible site for their 1996 national convention.

And some state officials are predicting the threats may never result in full-scale boycotts.

"The argument we make to Latino groups is that it harms them, they protest to want to help. Boycotts don't help people," said Sean Walsh, a spokesman for Gov. Pete Wilson, a Republican and strong supporter of the new immigration law.

So far, activists in Texas, Arizona and Colorado have called for boycotts of California businesses. And the World Boxing Council, based in Mexico City, is refusing to participate in any world title fights in California for four months to protest the measure.

Proposition 187, approved by the voters last week, would deny schooling, welfare and non-emergency health care to illegal immigrants. It has been blocked by legal challenges.

Despite the state's assurances, some California business people are jittery because of the boycott threats.

"If it becomes fashionable, which apparently it is, it could have a tremendous consequence," said Ernesto Grjijval, a trade relations expert for the Greater San Diego Chamber of Commerce.

Part of his concern is for the grocery, clothing and electronics stores along San Diego's southern edge and in its malls downtown, all heavily dependent on middle-class shoppers who cross each day from Tijuana, Mexico.

"We understand there's an emotional reaction to Proposition 187, but two wrongs don't make a right and that's what's happening right now," Grjijval said.

The National Association of Hispanic Journalists has dropped California from consideration as host for its 1998 convention, the first national organization to take such action. The convention would have brought about $1 million to the San Diego region's economy.

The retaliation recalls a boycott of the Colorado tourism industry in 1992 after voters approved an amendment against gay rights. The amendment was later ruled unconstitutional - after Colorado reported losing $59 million in tourism revenue.

Teen beaten to death over rape that wasn't

By WAYNE WOOLLEY
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA
They chased Eddie Polc from his rented car until he fell on the steps of the church where he was once an altar boy. Then, a police source says, the gang of teen-agers hoisted him to his feet for a clear shot at his head with a baseball bat.

The 16-year-old died of a fractured skull in what police said was retaliation for a rape that never occurred.

The violence, police said, was the product of a long-running feud between teen-agers in the city's Fox Chase neighborhood and in suburban Abington - both mostly white, middle-class communities. The rivals regularly trade insults, and often fight.

"This sounds almost like a case of vigilantism ... like a Western. They went in like John Wayne with guns blazing," said John Sablini, a University of psychologist who studies mob behavior.

More than two weeks ago, a girl from Abington got into a scuffle with teens she believed to be from Fox Chase, where Polc lived. Homicide Capt. John Apeldorn said rumors that she had been raped circulated quickly around her school, Abington High.

Teens from Abington planned revenge for days, said several other Abington young people. On Nov. 11, about 20 youths piled into three cars at a mall, armed themselves with baseball bats and drove into Fox Chase.

"There were kids joking about renting a U-Haul to go down there," said Billy Baldwin, 17, an Abington High student. Still, he said, "nobody in their right mind was planning on going down there to kill anybody."

The Abington group found Polc with friends near St. Cecilia's Roman Catholic Church and began chasing him, Apeldorn said. Polc tripped and fell on the steps, he said.

The police source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Polc was clubbed in the head repeatedly and his skull was crushed by one or two bat-wielding teens.

"It was like 'West Side Story,'" said Dene Harris, a juvenile probation officer as assigned to Abington High. "It was almost like a community murder, so many people were involved."

Hundreds of mourners attended Polc's funeral Wednesday at St. Cecilia's. Traces were visible on the faces of some of his friends, who said they were too upset to talk.

Acting on anonymous tips, police arrested Thomas Crow, 18, Bou Kathavong, 17, and Nicholas Pinero, 16. They were held without bail and will probably be tried as adults on murder and other charges, Apeldorn said.

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Losers don't leave empty handed

By JOHN SOLOMON
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Spurned by voters, most ousted congressmen won't be leaving Washington empty-handed thanks to a pension system that far exceeds the Those of most Americans.

For instance Thomas Foley, the first House speaker to lose re-election in a century. With 32 years of government service, he's eligible to begin collecting a $123,004-a-year pension starting in January.

Foley tops the list of more than three dozen lawmakers rejected on Election Day. Most are immediately entitled to pensions ranging from about $35,000 to more than $100,000, according to figures calculated by the National Taxpayers Union, a Washington-based group that advocates lower government spending and taxes.

Qualifying for pensions of $96,462 a year, according to the group, are:

- Former House Ways and Means Chairman Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., who is facing mounting legal bills as he awaits trial on public corruption charges.
- Rep. Jack Brooks, the prominent Texan who was upset by voters, the first House speaker with 46 years of government service. He's eligible to begin a pension starting in January.
- Rep. Neal Smith, an Iowa Democrat with 39 years of service.
- Rep. John Kasich, R-Ohio, who probably will be out of Congress with 32 years of service.

If Foley, Rostenkowski, Smith and Brooks reach their respective ages of life expectancy between 80 and 85 — their four pensions alone will have cost taxpayers nearly $9 million, according to the NTU.

For most of the more than three dozen lawmakers who lost their seats in the 1994 election are the hand-me-down plans for most lawmakers who didn't serve long enough to qualify for the congressional pension system.

Other ousted lawmakers who served several terms — but not the lengths of Foley or Brooks — qualify for more modest pensions. Those include early retirement ages (as early as age 50 in both the Senate and House), fewer years of service to be vested (five years in most cases), and a mandatory adjustment for inflation. Most private pension plans don't adjust for inflation.

Perhaps the biggest losers in the 1994 election are the handful of House freshmen, such as Virginia's Leslie Byrne and Ohio's Eric Fingerhut. They didn't serve long enough to qualify for the congressional pension system.

Victorious GOP wants to cut income tax

By ALAN FRAM
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Republicans preparing to take the reins of Congress have a strategy for some of their promises — using calculations that conclude that some tax cuts would actually earn money for the government.

The method, discounted as inaccurate by many mainstream economists, is derided by Democrats as wishful thinking that will make federal deficits swell again.

"Smoke and mirrors," White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta called it Wednesday. But the cadre of conservatives who support the idea say some tax reductions, especially those for business investments, would stimulate economic activity, which in turn would bring in extra revenues to the government.

The current method for calculating the effects of tax changes, used for decades with mostly bipartisan support, does not allow for that.

"The current system is broken," said Rep. John Kasich, R-Ohio, who probably will become House Budget Committee chairman in January. "It needs to be fixed." In addition to Kasich, the new system is supported by Rep. Newt Gingrich of Georgia, the likely next House speaker, and Rep. Richard Armey of Texas, who probably will be House majority leader.

The system, called "dynamic scoring," would make it much easier for Republicans to pay for the long, expensive list of campaign promises in their "Contract With America." Overall, it could make the task of billions of dollars smaller.

Included among the promises is a constitutional amendment calling for a balanced federal budget by 2002, which would require anywhere from $500 billion to $700 billion worth of spending cuts.

Their proposed tax cuts include a tax credit of $500 per child, a reduction in the capital gains tax rate, and tax savings for many businesses, better-off Social Security recipients, married couples and others — at a five-year cost of nearly $200 billion. They also pledged to halt recent reductions in Pentagon spending.

The overall price tag for the Republican contract could approach $1 trillion over five years.

The dynamic scoring method would most dramatically affect two items. One is the reduction in the capital gains tax rate, which is paid on sales of property. The other was a reduction in investment costs that business could write off. Both Republicans argue, would be more dramatic effect on economic activity, which in turn would bring in extra revenues to the government. The other would increase tax savings for business investments, which would most dramatically affect the capital gains tax rate, and tax savings for many businesses, better-off Social Security recipients, married couples and others — at a five-year cost of nearly $200 billion. They also pledged to halt recent reductions in Pentagon spending.

The dispute over calculating tax bills echoes fights that occurred when President Reagan came to Washington in 1981 with an entourage of supply-side economists.

What has Tim O'Neill been doing since graduating from ND this May?

(Tim "The Piano Man")

- Tim plays the piano and sings with the classic rock/alternative band, "Grover" in Minneapolis.
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played Dowling. Mcinerny feels that Finney "was not my Father Dowling. He created his own Father Dowling." However, he added, that "you can't sell your story and then complain."

Mcinerny, who began his writing career as a short story writer in the 1960's, began writing to supplement his income and to pay his mortgage. He created his own Father Dowling. "However, he added, "writing to supplement his income, he would write in his basement, next class day, and continuing from page 1...

"...and then..."
AIDS grows at slower pace

New definition causes case numbers to jump

By MARC RACE

ATLANTA

The AIDS epidemic is growing at a slower pace, though a revised definition of the illness initially caused a huge jump in the number of new cases being reported, federal health officials said Thursday.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, based on the new definition, had said that 105,990 AIDS cases were reported in the United States during 1993, more than double the 49,016 reported in 1992.

But the expanded definition "dumped into the system" many people who did not truly qualify as cases, said Dr. John Ward, assistant chief of the Atlanta-based CDC's AIDS surveillance branch.

The old definition diagnosed HIV patients with AIDS when they got any of 23 indicator diseases.


Researchers spent the last eight months analyzing the reports to separate from the 105,990 total those who were first diagnosed with AIDS in 1993, so that a meaningful comparison with previous years could be made, Ward said.

The CDC now says there were 61,800 AIDS cases diagnosed last year, up 3 percent from 60,000 in 1992. In 1992, diagnosed cases were counted separately from reported cases.

"The epidemic continued to grow in 1993, but not at the extent that has been observed in earlier years," Ward said.

The 3 percent increase in the growth of the epidemic continued a downward trend in the rate of the growth of AIDS, Ward said.

For example, he said, in the early 1980s, newly diagnosed cases were more than doubling each year. By the mid 1980s, the annual rate of increase averaged between 20 percent and 60 percent. By the late 80s, the annual rate of increase was down to about 10 percent.

Dr. Mervyn Silverman, president of the New York-based American Foundation for AIDS Research, said he was pleased to see the numbers. But he worried the public might minimize them as evidence the AIDS problem is ending.

"Sixty-two thousand, whether it's 165,000 or not, is an unconscionable horrible number," he said. "It's as good as saying the level of AIDS is flattening out, but at a totally unacceptable level."

The new definition has improved estimates of the number and characteristics of people with the disease, the CDC said. But it also has complicated the interpretation of AIDS trends.

"The best way to track the disease is by the number of cases diagnosed, not by the number of reports you get in your mailbox," Ward said. "We put out that (earlier) total numbers because those people really are sick, but in tracking the epidemic, you've got to look at the number that are diagnosed."

As the initial impact of the new definition diminishes, the CDC predicted the number of new cases in 1994 would drop below last year's figure. Through September, a total of 63,101 new AIDS cases had been reported to the CDC, compared with 88,075 cases in the same period last year and 36,333 in the first nine months of 1992.
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Johnson's best and worst efforts, we are looking at another part of the world. Neither he nor he has family may have in any way benefited from exploitation of minorities, but he is punished just the same. Nor is it a concern if those who benefit from affirmative action have actually incurred any damages due to past injustices. Affirmative action rewards the offspring of slave owners (3000 black families owned slaves in the antebellum South) and recent minority immigrants to America the same as it rewards those who have been ruthlessly oppressed and denied opportunity due to terrorizing policies of the past. Thus, affirmative action misplaces punishment and mis-handles reward.

Affirmative Action for present discrimination. Because, the argument goes, whites dominate the power structure politically and economically, and whites are largely racist, they will discriminate against minorities when the latter apply for jobs, university admission, etc. Thus, affirmative action is needed to ensure that minorities have the same opportunity as everyone else in acquiring that which they desire. In this context, affirmative action exists to rectify the effects of current racial discrimination.

First, the notion that every employer is a racist and therefore every employer should be subjected to affirmative action is untrue. I would venture to guess that the vast majority of employers would be more than happy to hire qualified minorities, and just because a few employers still do discriminate does not mean that all should be punished through affirmative action mandates.

Similarly, diversity of perspective can be valued in the workplace, where more than one way of looking at a problem can lead to a better answer. Unfortunately, an individual's perspectives and viewpoints have little to nothing to do with skin color. Clarence Thomas and Ronald Reagan, while at opposite ends of the complexion spectrum, are strikingly similar in beliefs and viewpoints. For any given individual, diversity of skin color in no way guarantees diversity of viewpoint. To say that diversity of viewpoint is a function of skin color is to say that all people of certain races think the same, and to assure that all viewpoints are represented, all races must be included. Clearly, if one were genuinely interested in obtaining, say intellectual diversity, it would be far more effective to ask college applicants to state their philosophies and viewpoints as possible, so that at institutions where education is primary, the argument goes, whites dominate the power structure; and to those who are effectively being punished were not those who benefited from the oppression of minorities. There is nothing inherently wrong with providing reparations for injustices; the problem is how the reparations are given. By giving reparations to minorities who are less qualified, in the name of reparations, we perpetuate the injustices of the past.

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Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to the great deal of writing that has appeared on Notre Dame football. The recent defeat of the Fighting Irish by Miami is the latest in a depth of reporting on Notre Dame football. The general consensus of this writing is that Notre Dame football is in trouble. I believe that this claim is correct, but I continue to be a faithful fan of Notre Dame football, and I believe that we can still be successful.

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Ben Trigg
Sports Copy
Chicago
The gods smile on production of Euripides’ “The Bacchae”

By THOMAS KANE

A colorful chorus of Bacchae women and a coolly played Dionysos bring life to the Notre Dame Communication and Theatre’s production of one of the Greek playwright Euripides last and most neglected works, the tragedy of “The Bacchae.”

While set in ancient Greece, the play transcends time; the corruption in government of the Greek people makes a statement about corruption of politicians, but also the objects of worship of the Greek playwright Euripides’ time is still seen today. Like Shakespeare’s works, it calls for balance. Euripides’ play, however, goes a step further than tragedies by Shakespeare, such as “Julius Caesar” or “Hamlet,” both of which have been performed in Washington Hall over the past couple years.

It brings into play a god element. The Bacchae, not only makes a statement about corruption of politicians, but also the objects of worship of the Greek people.

Along with the struggle between human qualities such as thought and action found in a play such as Hamlet, there is a struggle between the divine and the human. Such conflicts fuel the play.

The opening scene sets the tone, with the god of wine Dionysos (Josh Hartman) confidently strutting down the steps of a Greek temple to give his prologue.

With long dark hair, and wearing little but a few fig leaves, he bears a strong resemblance to a more wholesome Steve Tyler of Aerosmith performing “Walk This Way.” Though the audience may be a little taken aback by this display of flesh, it doesn’t phase the “fawn eyed” Dionysos—and why should it? Being cocky and wearing close to nothing are all part of being a god.

While his reflection on his godly lineage and his appearance itself we are given a hint that he is slightly against the outward culture of the times. While Dionysos’ role is important, the Chorus of the Bacchae, a group of women from Lydia of Asia minor who are devoted followers of Dionysos make the show.

These 10 wandering women wearing eyeshadow and purple dresses slink over the stage in catlike motions as they chant in unison “Dionysos, Dionysos.” With their teeth showing, as they pound their ivy and bell covers (or staffs) in rhythm with their chant, these Bacchae appear more demented than sinister.

All to eager to join in on this new movement are the two wise old men, Tiresias (Amanda Rafuse) and Kadmos (Eugene Johnson). To them, new creed means new life. “I am old, yet I go dancing...in the dance all are equal,” says Kadmos. And according to Tiresias, their are two main powers in life. The first is earth, and the second is Dionysos, whom he metaphorically relates with wine.

“Discover his juice of the grape to relieve our parched throats...drink him down,” he says. However Kadmos’ son, the ruler Pentheus (Andrew Rauch), at least outwardly opposes the decadent festivals that take place in the forest late at night—and he even questions the power of Dionysos.

“No more dancing, no more orgies, no more Bacchae!” Pentheus says as he orders the capture of Dionysos. Later, in response to testimony that doors are unlocked and gates opened as the manhandled Dionysos was brought back into town, Pentheus admits “It would seem that you have a certain presence.” However, he is quick to bring this god back to earth. Examining Dionysos’ modest physique, he adds “It appears that you never wrestled.”

While initially adamant in his distaste for Dionysos, this god’s spirit eventually capture him as well, and he pleads with his captive to help him get a look at the festivals which are taking place in the forest. In a comic scene, he asks Dionysos to disguise him like a woman (talk about “Dude Looks Like a Lady,”) and sneak him in for a peak.

“Teach me how to walk like a Bacchae,” he asks, and then awkwardly proceeds to raise his staff in time with the marching of his right foot as Dionysos instructs him. Such moments of comic relief are short-lived, however.

The Bacchae, aware of the corruption of Pentheus (“All his heart corrupted, all his mind a sewer’”), take up possibly the most eerie, staff pounding, chant of the play. Purring, slithering, echoing each other, with eyes wide open with morbid anticipation, they communicate a death wish for Pentheus with a tone so demented it makes the murder plot from Shakespeare’s Macbeth seem almost humane.

One thing that makes the play work is the use of contrasts. Through clever staging, the audience is able to see Pentheus throw a tantrum while Dionysos and his followers sit coolly in the wings. Pentheus is in the lighted portion of the stage, while Dionysos sits in the darkness (“Darkness has dignity,” he remarks in one scene). It almost seems a violation to be able to see countenances of Dionysos and his followers as they listen to Pentheus rave on.

Twice in the play characters remark offhandedly that balance is the key to success and happiness in life. It also makes for an entertaining play.
Both Brian Hamilton (above) and Oliver Gibson (above right) chose to return to Notre Dame to play a fifth year. Hamilton was nominated as a team captain while Gibson has been a mainstay on the Irish defensive line.

**Pair of Fives**

Despite a disappointing season, Oliver Gibson and Brian Hamilton have no regrets about returning to Notre Dame for a fifth and final year

By Jonathan Jensen

They knew they were taking a chance. When Oliver Gibson and Brian Hamilton decided to come back to use their fifth year of eligibility, they were aware of the risks involved. With a first-year defensive coordinator, they could have been phased out of a new defensive system, or worse, they could have sustained a career-ending injury.

But neither could foresee that going into their 30th and final game at Notre Dame Stadium they would already have four losses.

**GAME DAY**

A look at Saturday's matchup between the Irish and the Falcons.  
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**PLENTY OF OPTIONS**

Air Force's option offense is no longer run out of the wishbone.  
*see page 7*
Air Force defense not just a small test

By TIM SHERMAN
Assistant Sports Editor

Back in the good 'ol days, it was easy. Sweep right, fullback dive, quarterback keeper. Whatever they wanted. Notre Dame could move the ball whenever, however, and against whoever.

Times sure have changed.

This season, when up against any semblance of a decent defense, the Irish have struggled to put points on the board, let alone control the ball in a somewhat Notre Dame-like fashion.

Today, they will face some semblance of a decent defense. In fact, Air Force may not just resemble a good defense, they might be one.

Granted, they play in a division with a dearth of defense, the WAC, but so does BYU, who held the Irish to an embarrassing 14 points.

The Falcons have been particularly stingy against the run, allowing opposing backs a measly 2.7 yards per tote.

Most notably, they allowed Northwestern’s Dennis Lundy, the Wildcat who raced through the Irish defense for 127 yards, a mere 60.

In addition, they held Wyoming’s Ryan Christopherson, a true throwback head, to only 27.

"The difference between this Air Force team is confidence," Irish coach Lou Holtz said.

"Giving up about 100 yards a game rushing is excellent. They are very, very quick."

They are for real against the rush.

In past meetings with the Irish though, the only real thing about the Falcon run defense were the gaping holes it offered for the Irish backs to go marching through. Notre Dame has gained at least 227 yards via land in the past five meetings.

As it is with most opponents, the Irish will be forced to compliment their team's success.

As Lou Holtz noted.

"We aren't as good defensively, their speed is.

"They create a lot of disruptions," Holtz said. "They run very, very well. They probably rush the passer as well as any team we have seen on film."

Surely, Harrison has played the lead role on these films. In addition to his impressive sack total, he has added nine more tackles for losses.

Perhaps Harrison’s most important performance came just last week against then 12th ranked Utah. In the Falcons’ upset 40-32 win, the Plantation, Fla. native recorded six tackles, three sacks, and a forced fumble.

Last season, as a junior, Harrison was named to the second-team WAC defensive squad.

This season, his eyes are solely on the first team to compliment his team's success.

As it is with most opponents, a solid game against Notre Dame will not only increase visibility regionally, quite often, national exposure follows.

Although Harrison probably harbors no hopes of the NFL due to his military commitment, some national attention would be more than welcome. If for no other reason than to help the Air Force Academy draw some better talent.

Fisher DeBerry would probably be happy just to get a few more Johnny Harrison’s.

—TIM SHERMAN

Opponents the cordial opportunity to meet Ron Powlus personally, the Falcons would love to show that they can do it against a name, if not quality, opponent.

But their secondary give them the necessary time. If Air Force has a defensive weakness, and by looking at the numbers they sure do, it is the pass defense.

The Falcons not only love to hit the air themselves, they are just as willing to hit the opposition fly by the friendly skies.

In fact, they have suffered a somewhat staggering 260 passing yards per contest.

If Powlus gets the time, although that may be a fairly substantial if, he should be able to sit back and pick apart the Falcon backfield with ease.

The speed and athleticism he faced last week just won’t be there.

If his decisions are sound, a big day in the air will be likely.

It follows that Derrick Mayes, too, will enjoy the chance to face another service academy (get used to it). Someone besides Mayes must emerge.

Prime candidates are Leon Blunt and Okafor Champion.

Defensive Line 3
Perhaps the most important area if the Irish hope to capably defend the wishbone this weekend.

Linebackers 3
Lyron Cobbins is a capable fill-in for Justin Goheen, but the emotion and experience of the senior will be missed.

Secondary 3
Bobby Taylor showed signs of life against Florida State, but he can only do so much when no team will pass to his side.

Special Teams 3
Kicking and punting have been pathetic at times, but Emmett Mosley has breakaway ability as a return man.

Coaching 4
Holtz is still one of the best in the business despite an off season, but there is no greater challenge than preparing a team with little to play for.

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Notre Dame has never needed an impressive victory more than it does now, and Air Force is normally an accommodating victim.
Wishbone offense makes Falcons fly

By JASON KELLY
Associate Sports Editor

Quarterback Beau Morgan and the rest of the Falcon offense have been making a lot defensive players feel vulnerable over the last two months. Air Force has lost its last five games, and Holtz said, "It's not like they haven't been to war." But he has never been in a battle like the one he will face on Saturday. Though he directed the sport of Utah, a team more highly regarded in the rankings than Notre Dame, the Utes' defense doesn't exactly dominate. And, in return, he may provide the Irish with one of their most difficult tasks of the season: Stopping the wishbone, an option to pass. "Beau Morgan is a very talented young man," Notre Dame coach Lou Holtz said. "He's always been a very fine offensive football team, and this year they throw the ball too." —JASON KELLY

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Linebackers

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Secondary

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Coaching

Fisher DeBerry has this team on a seven-game win streak. But running the option on every other play is not much of a testament to good coaching.

—MIKE NORBUT

Beau Morgan isn't just the latest quarterback to run the 'bone at the Air Force Academy. He may be the best. Only 5'11 and 115 pounds, Morgan has helped pilot the Falcons to a 7-3 mark, including a 49-33 drubbing of then 12th-ranked Utah last week in his first collegiate start.

But it was only two weeks ago, when Air Force defeated Army 10-6 to clinch the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy, that Morgan became the chief navigator.

He had appeared in every previous game, behind starter Preston McConnell. But McConnell's season ended when he separated his shoulder against the Cadets.

Welcome to the captain's chair.

Already the team's fifth-leading rusher despite split time, Morgan has blossomed since becoming the starter.

He has more than 1,000 yards in total offense this season.

"Beau is a little more talented athlete than Preston," Air Force coach Fisher DeBerry said. "He just doesn't have the playing experience. He did an outstanding job for us in a big game against Navy, so it's not like he hasn't been to war."

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A healthy Bobby Taylor sparked the Irish defense last week.

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As sad as it may seem, Air Force has a chance to win this game for the first time since 1985. And they just might have the skills to do it, too.

Quarterback 4

Beau Morgan proved to be a big game quarterback in his first collegiate start last week against Utah, but his inexperience could hinder him Saturday.

Running Back 4

None of the top five Falcon runners average less than five yards per carry. Bad news for an Irish defense that allowed 332 yards on the ground last week.

Wide Receiver 3

Richie Marsh and Alex Pupich can catch, they just never get the ball. Their blocking ability is much more valuable than their pass receiving ability.

Offensive Line 4

You can't question an offensive line when a team is averaging more than 450 yards per game. Their ability to run block may be the difference in this game.

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**FALCONS**

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**Penalties**

- Penalties: 3
- Penalty Yards: 440

**Passing**

- Comp: 20
- Att: 30
- Yd: 217
-td: 2
- Int: 1
- Lg: 47
- QBR: 82.1

**Kicking**

- Points: 31
- FG: 3
- Punt Returns: 0
- kickoff Returns: 0
- Yard: 0

**Scoring**

- Touchdowns: 2
- Extra Points: 2
- Field Goals: 1
- Kickoffs: 1
- Punt Returns: 0

**RECORDS**

- TD: 2
- RE: 2
- FG: 0
- Punt: 0
- Kickoff: 0

### THE STRATEGIST...

**Fisher Berry**

11th season at Air Force

Career Record at Air Force: 83-49-1

Against Notre Dame: 2-6

Highlights: Took over as head coach of the Falcons in 1984 and has since then led them to seven bowl appearances.

### THE SERIES...

**LAST TIME**

Notre Dame 28

Air Force 15

Jerome Bettis (right)

scored three touchdowns, as Notre Dame scored on four of its first five possessions while holding a potent Falcon attack to only 15 points.

### THE SCHEDULE...

**Air Force**

- Sept. 3: Colorado State - 31-7
- Sept. 10: BYU - 9-6
- Sept. 17: Northwestern - 31-7
- Sept. 24: Brigham Young - 24-7
- Oct. 8: Wyoming - 34-7
- Nov. 5: Army - 49-7
- Nov. 12: Utah - 48-7

**Records**

- ND leads 17-4
- Streak by ND: 0
- At Notre Dame Stadium: Notre Dame leads 8-2

### THE STARTERS...

**WR**

- WR 21-Richie Marsh, 6-2, 180, Jr.
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- O 76-Carlton Hendricks, 6-3, 251, So.

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Sure, they had lost before. They lost two regular season games their freshman year, three during their sophomore season. But those first two seasons were followed by two years and just two losses, and a No. 2 national ranking accompanied a fifth year full of promise.

So the two defensive linemen from the Chicago area decided to forego a shot at their NFL dreams to play one more season under the Golden Dome. Both had excellent senior seasons and knew that one more solid campaign could help that chances of landing in the big time. Now they are mired in Notre Dame's worst season since Lou Holtz's first year in 1986.

As the oldest members of a very inexperienced Irish squad, they should take the losses the hardest. Others have a senior season to look forward to, another chance ahead of them. For Oliver Gibson and Brian Hamilton, this was their fifth and final chance.

"I knew coming back that it wouldn't be easy," said Gibson. "Looking over the whole season, I knew we wouldn't have the playmakers that we have had, and I knew it would be a fight and we would have to struggle."

"It is a surprise that we have four losses," he added. "But I knew it wouldn't be easy." For Gibson, this fifth year was a chance for redemption. Six years ago, Gibson rose out of the cornfields in the Southwest suburban town of Homewood to become a first-team prep All-American and the USA Today defensive player of the year.

One of his last few games was broadcast nationally, just so the whole country could see who everyone was talking about. However, until this season his career had been marked by numerous position changes under three different defensive coordinators.

After starting his senior year with five starts, including an eight-tackle performance against Purdue, he was relegat ed to a backup role for the remaining seven games.

This is not how Oliver Gibson imagined his senior year when he decided to come to Notre Dame as one of the most highly recruited players in the nation. Spending the last seven games of his career as a backup was not his idea of a good way to go out.

But this Gibson has finally achieved the consistency that has always been expected of him. He has become an intense leader and a dominating defensive tackle.

"If you look at it in terms of consistency, then I am definitely playing my best this year," noted Gibson. "Because I have been off and on a lot (in previous seasons). Like last year against Purdue I had eight tackles, then the next week against Stanford I didn't have any."

Though Gibson's resurrection has made the team's troubles difficult to accept, he has taken it in stride.

"In terms of our goals of having a winning season, and going to a major January 1st or January 2nd bowl game, we still can achieve those goals," insisted Gibson. "The things that have always held true have. We still have a pride about playing for Notre Dame and we still are a part of the tradition, now we just have to work on putting it back to where it usually is."

Despite the sacrifices, the struggle, and the losses, Gibson says his improvement has made coming back worthwhile.

"I'm definitely happy about it. I'm getting a chance to represent the University again and prove myself as a player," said Gibson. "It's also given me an opportunity to play at the next level. I'm confident I will get a chance to play in the NFL, and that's all you can ask for is a chance to play."

In contrast to Gibson's suburban roots, Hamilton came to Notre Dame from the streets of Chicago and the tough halls of St. Rita High. Hamilton joined Gibson as a first-team USA Today All-American.

However, Hamilton's fifth year could be described as the antithesis of Gibson's. He has gone from a captain and potential All-American to simply getting in on a few plays each game.

After Holtz and defensive coordinator Bob Davie decided to move to a quicker defense with more speed at the ends, they were forced to move Hamilton from his customary defensive end spot in to tackle. Since then he has rotated in with at least four other players.

"It's not like I enjoy not playing, but if its going to help the team then I have to do it," said Hamilton. "I will still get my chance to achieve my dream, to play in the National Football League. It will just be a harder road."

This situation has made the four losses even harder to stomach.

"I never dreamed this would happen. I mean, it never happened in the years before I came here. I didn't even have four losses in my high school career," noted Hamilton. "But I think you need to experience these things. Everyone loves winning, and it would be great to win, but you learn from your mistakes and things that hurt you."

This optimistic attitude has helped Hamilton cope with the adversity he has faced this year.

Though the season has certainly not unfolded as he had hoped, he feels he has benefitted by becoming a stronger person.

"I've been able to get another degree, which I think will help me a lot, and I think I've become a stronger person over this season," noted Hamilton. "I have learned from everything that has happened to us and it has made me a better person."

"Coming back didn't hurt me," he continued. "I think although I played a lot more last year I have played better this year. It will also help me because last year I didn't get much of a chance to play in any postseason bowl games, but I think I will have a better chance to play in those types of games this year."

"I'm definitely confident about my future. I think I have a great chance to accomplish my dream, and I have become a better person. I think it will work out."

Like Hamilton, Gibson insists he has no regrets.

"You know that if anyone looks over their lives in the past four or five years they will find something they will regret but I have enjoyed representing this University," said Gibson. "I have learned a lot of things and had a great time with my friends and my teammates, and I have met a lot of amazing people."

Something that Gibson and Hamilton will both be able to experience is a second final home game. The two will be honored once again before this Saturday's game with a pregame announcement. However, both contend that last year's loss in the final game of the year can be partly attributed to being too emotional.

The spectra of a home finale coupled with a No. 1 ranking conspired to defeat them, and the fifth year seniors are not going to let that happen again.

"My last home game will be very special and I'm sure I'll feel something. You can't help but emotional, but as Coach Holtz says you can't make tack les with tears covering your eyes," said Gibson.

"You can't sacrifice execution for emotion. Its going to be a strange feeling going through the tunnel for the last time again and announcing my name again, but we can't be thinking about it being our last game. I think the best way to represent this University and this team is to play well."

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Tony Rice led Notre Dame to a national championship in 1988. No other Irish quarterback since Rice has been able to run the option with as much excitement and flair.

No one could have suspected Lou Holtz to be so imaginative.

In the fourth quarter of last week's clash with Florida State, Notre Dame trailed 16-10, and were on a crucial drive that could have possibly given them the lead.

The Irish had been running the ball well up the middle, but Holtz suddenly decided to venture deep into the play-calling vault to drag out an oldie but, in his mind, a goodie.

Notre Dame trailed 16-10, and in his mind, a goodie. Not a prudent decision, but one Holtz made with such craftiness that it paid off. Today he explained.

And it hurt the Seminoles, as well. But now that we don't run it, it'll be a new experience for our players.

The defensive line must stop the fullback when a halfback goes in a line of deceptive option. But make no mistake, there are only so many things an offense can do out of this formation. But the Air Force successfully ran the option and failed. The defensive line must stop the fullback when a halfback goes in a line of deceptive option. But the Air Force successfully ran the option and failed.

And all Holtz felt like doing was kicking himself for not having the fullback hurt you, the fullback will hurt you, the fullback will hurt you.

And while he watched from the sidelines, all Holtz could do was sigh and remember the days of Tony Rice, when the option was run with fearless flamboyance. The days of Rick Mirer, when it was run with pinpoint precision.

And on this formation when a halfback goes in motion, setting up a regular 1-formation when the ball is snapped. But just because a man will be sent in motion doesn't mean the play will go in that direction. A team can just as easily hand the ball off to the other halfback on a reverse or counter.

There are only so many things an offense can do out of this formation. But the Air Force does them so well that any other plays are just considered extra baggage. They average 312.6 yards per game and have scored 29 touchdowns just by rushing the football alone. And most of that is from one play—the option.

Every position on the Irish defense will have an assignment. The defensive line must stop the fullback up the middle. The linebackers will have to keep close tabs on the quarterback. And the cornerbacks will have to cover the pitch man.

Having the Notre Dame secondary pulled in close to stop the run may give the Air Force the opportunity to throw the ball, as their formation may indicate.

By looking at a run-and-shoot look all afternoon, the Irish will never be quite sure if the Falcons will run or pass.

But make no mistake, there will not be too much passing, not even out of this formation. There are just too many other options. Literally.

Running the Option

By Mike Norbut

An Irish weakness turns out to be an Air Force strength

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A win over Air Force is a victory for national security

id anyone really think they'd live to see the day when the United States Air Force Academy would compete with the mighty Irish in football?

Come now, Notre Dame entertains the armed forces every year in order to get a couple of panises to stick in between us all the Michigan's, Florida States, and USC's that annually make up one of the toughest schedules in the country.

It's just a notion of gratitude. We let them play us as a sort of thank you for keeping the nation safe from foreign invaders. The one Saturday a year against the Irish is a kind of R&R from their daily tour of duty.

All they should do is acknowledge the warm applause from the fans, take their drumming like men, and go back to their respective branch being proud to be an American.

This trying to win thing shouldn't happen.

This year, it's the Air Force. Next year, it'll be the Army. In another thirty years, the Navy will be pressing us, taking our cordial offering of a friendly game and shoving it up our nose. Along with a real fat loss.

Just imagine if the armed forces became powers in the football world. They could join together and go undefeated.

We could start by playing a game against Navy, and they would call in reinforcements, and we'd suddenly be playing Army and Air Force too. All in one game. And we'd do the same thing once, twice, sometimes three times a year.

And then, after they beat us, they would penalize us by invading! Tanks, planes, big boats, the whole nine yards.

They'd scale the dome and put a flag on top of Mary. They'd take all the bigwigs of the university hostage. Amy Christofer's room in Cavanaugh Hall would become their headquarters for further military action against the rest of the country.

It's only a matter of time before we find gunboats patrolling St. Joseph's River and tanks running up and down Route 31.

Even armed guards outside of C.J.'s. Oh my God.

This thing has gone way too far.

We must nip this in the bud. We can't let them unite. They can't get good. And it starts tomorrow with Air Force.

Notre Dame has to pummel them. We owe it to ourselves. Our country. Even God.

The fact that they have won seven straight games doesn't matter. They've only won once in November. Their record for this month must have a loss. They can't leave without a blemish.

A win tomorrow is as important as any we've ever had. Forget the Fiesta Bowl on January 2, 1989. And don't even think about mentioning last year's Game of the Century.

Whether those who hate Notre Dame like it or not, the fate of the nation is in our hands. If the Irish win, the safety of the United States will be insured for another fifty years. If Air Force wins, who knows what could be in store for us.

Millions of Americans will be fixed in front of their television sets tomorrow, all praying that the Irish can pull it out. But just in case, they'll have the bomb shelters out back unlocked.

But they won't need them. They can't.

Did we back down when the Germans bombed Pearl Harbor? (Oh, wait—it might not be wise to use that argument to motivate the team, considering who we're playing.)

A win tomorrow isn't just a win. It's a victory. The Irish have to win. For every American child who still have their whole lives ahead.

For the Gipper.

Oh yeah, and if Notre Dame wins, we stay alive in the chase for a major bowl. That would be nice too.
'Winter Lightning' strikes Saint Mary’s

By LAURA SMITH

This should be an exciting weekend. It is the last home football game of the season is Saturday. Wouldn’t it be nice to relax on Sunday and wind down with the sounds of a widely acclaimed pianist who has traveled and thrilled audiences throughout

‘The poem [T.S. Eliot’s Four Quartets] is beautiful and fitting for the Sesquicentennial because of Eliot’s concept of time and how it changes people and institutions.’

Jeffrey Jacob

Europe, Russia, Asia, and the United States. He has performed with the London Philharmonic, the Moscow Symphony, and the Brazil National Symphony.

This weekend he is premiering his “Symphony: Winter Lightning” with the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra at Saint Mary’s College. The program will also include readings from T.S. Eliot’s “Four Quartets” read and chosen by Jacob. The program will also include Brahms’ Academic Festival Overture, Op. 80 and his Symphony No. 1 in C minor, Op. 68.

Jeffrey Jacob rehearses in his office at Saint Mary’s. Jacob is a pianist-in-residence and professor of music at Saint Mary’s.

Jacob will perform the premiere of his composition with the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra. The orchestra is one of the nation’s few 52-week orchestras. The orchestra is under the artistic direction of Raymon Leppard.

It is internationally acclaimed, performs nearly 200 concerts each year and has a total audience in excess of 500,000.

The orchestra has toured cities throughout the United States. A successful 1993 tour of five European countries brought the orchestra rave reviews. The orchestra records for Koss Classics.

According to Patti Valentine, Saint Mary’s College Director of Public Relations, this event has been planned for a couple of years. She encourages any student to attend.

“We encourage students to hear someone of the caliber of Jeffrey Jacob and the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra,” said Valentine.

“We want students to have fun and to be exposed to some of the best talent in the country,” she said.

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Jeffrey Jacob's performance as the piece's speaker. In creating his piece, Jacob was inspired by T.S. Eliot's concept of time in his renowned poem "Four Quartets" and derived the title "Winter Lightning" from interspersed with readings from T.S. Eliot’s "Four Quartets" read and chosen by Egan. The program will also include Brahms’ Academic Festival Overture, Op. 80 and his Symphony No. 1 in C minor, Op. 68.

The Washington Post reported that Jacob is "a pianist of enormous sensitivity and intelligence". Jacob has established an international reputation as an interpreter of standard repertoire and contemporary music.

Jacob has performed solo recitals in Berlin, Cologne, Munich, Prague, Warsaw, Moscow, Madrid, Milan, Dublin, Rio de Janeiro, Buenos Aires, Toronto, Hong Kong, Beijing, Seoul, Sydney, and in London’s Wigmore Hall and New York’s Carnegie Hall and Alice Tully Hall.

Jacob's Compositions have been performed and recorded by the St. Petersburg Philharmonic, the Moscow Symphony, and the Boston Symphony Chamber Players. In May of this year, his Piano Concerto was premiered at the St. Petersburg International Music Festival. Jacob says his favorite places to travel are London and St. Petersburg, Russia.

"London probably has more cultural opportunities than anywhere else and over 2000 years of history" Jacob said. According to Jacob, "St. Petersburg is filled with extraordinary people. They are warm, hospitable, and passionate about the arts."

This is the same man who adopted two infant girls from Paraguay. One five years ago and the other two years ago. Jacob says "adopting the wonderful little girls is the only really important thing I've done".

Becoming a parent has inspired and changed Jacob’s work. "My own work is very personal. It has changed me to become a parent and my work has changed," said Jacob.

"Symphony: Winter Lightning", a piece for speaker, piano, and orchestra was commissioned by Saint Mary’s College for the College’s Sesquicentennial. It is the closing cultural event of the Sesquicentennial year and will feature Jacob as piano soloist.

Saint Mary’s professor and religious studies department chair Keith Egan will join the

Tone present and time past
Are both perhaps present in time future,
And time contained in time past.
If all time is eternally present
All time is unapproachable.
What might have been is an abstraction
Remaining a perpetual possibility
Only in a world of speculation.
What might have been and what has been
Point to one and which is always present,
Footsteps echo in the memory
Down the passage which we did not take.
Towards the door we never opened
Into the rose-garden.

-From the first of T.S. Eliot’s Four Quartets, “Burnt Norton”

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The Notre Dame & Saint Mary’s Guide to the Weekend

Sunday

2:30 p.m. The Bacchae Matinee at Washington Hall
Crime and punishment aren't the name of the game.

Yes, Virginia, bad things happen to good people. You can tell every evening on the six o'clock news. Some nights, the catalog of horrors is so endless, you need a vacation. Napa to Two. I give you Dutch courage, trusting that the next day, maybe, the writers of the Peninsula Press or the San Francisco Chronicle might steep the news in something less senseless than violence; but if He's omniscient and omnipotent, He need not temper the storm about which I grieve. Why does

C’rime and punish­ment is not the name of the game.

God says: Reconciliation and redemption are the operative words in the theology of Christ and the Cross, which was itself an affair of innocence betrayed and tormented. He not stretch out a hand to save us from ourselves?

But if the way of the transgressor never seemed to prosper, the Christian call to Christ in an uncondi­tioned acceptance of the transgressor wouldn’t be so difficult. Christianity is not a vindictive religion; it doesn’t indulge us when we demand a pound of flesh. It’s not a matter of forgiving serial killers who are also entitled to the mercy of God. But if we don’t forgive one another, how can we bring ourselves to forgive the God of the universe? The pen­

Heaven is not what we expect. The words of this morning, the words of God, made me think of the difference between the story of Amahl and the Night Visitors. Christians, we can only conclude that God must speak to us through photographs. Our coffin was told by his friends with tears in their eyes…"He was the kind of guy who didn’t want to shrug off the world. I’ve been an idiot…"

In my old age, I need the help of my friends in saving my soul.
Webster traded to Washington, Gugliotta goes to Golden State

By ROB GLOSTER

OAKLAND, Calif. Chris Webber, whose differences with Golden State coach Don Nelson have been well publicized, was traded to the Washington Bullets on Thursday, less than a day after resigning as a free agent from the Bullets.

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Wolverines worry Cooper

By RUSTY MILLER
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio
Former Ohio State coach Woody Hayes had a habit of uttering the word Michigan. Current Ohio State coach John Cooper has been getting to be the same way.

In close to seven full years as the head coach of the Buckeyes, he has won (53-25-4), graduated his players and kept the team free from the taint of NCAA probation that has rocked the OSU basketball program.

But any time Cooper hears the word Michigan—as he has this week leading up to Saturday’s bash at Ohio Stadium—he almost shudders.

This week he blew up several times when asked about the rivalry and Michigan co-captain Wally Smith’s comment that he wanted to win so Cooper would be fired.

Cooper has declined to answer any questions about anything other than the X’s and O’s when it comes to the game.

Winless with one tie in six starts against the Wolverines, this is the year that Cooper finally pulls the maize and blue monkey off his back?

“In May, coaches worry about graduation rates,” said Michigan coach Gary Moeller, who had the rivalry burned into his psyche as an Ohio State captain in 1962. “In February, we worry about recruiting. But winning and losing is what we’re graded on.”

So far, at least in terms of the annual pressure cooker of the Michigan game, Cooper has received a falling grade.

There have been close calls—34-31 in his first year, a last-second 16-13 setback in 1990 and even a 13-13 tie two years ago. There have been lopsided defeats—by 28 points in 1991 and 28 again last year when Ohio State was unbeaten and ranked fifth in the country.

There have been no victories. Cooper has lost more games to Michigan without a victory than any coach in Ohio State history.

The last time the Buckeyes went six years without beating Michigan was 1951—and it took four coaches to do that.

Cooper’s predecessors, Hayes and Earle Bruce, each had winning records against the Wolverines. Hayes, who helped mold the rivalry in his show-downs with former pupil Bo Schmebecker in the 1960s and ’70s, was 17-10-1. Bruce was 5-4.

There already has been speculation in newspapers and on radio call-in shows that if Cooper loses, he’s gone.

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Harriers head to NCAA championships

By KATE CRISHAM
Sports Writer

You can’t accuse Jon Piane of not keeping up with his rivals.

In the wake of last week’s Republican elections sweeps, the Notre Dame men’s cross country coach had decided to adopt a similar strategy for the NCAA championships on Monday—run conservatively.

“The first mile of this course is downhill and it’s gonna be fast,” said Piane. “The first mile can really crank and we don’t want to get caught up in that.”

“We’ve got to be cautious and run smart,” he said. Senior John Cowan agreed that running an intelligent, conservative race will be the key to Notre Dame’s success.

At the start, everybody gets real excited because it’s the national championships, they forget that it’s still a 10,000 meter course, ” said Cowan. “Whenever we’ve run as a group, we run better.”

Running in high pressure situations such as the national championships are nothing new to the Irish. Indeed, Piane has guided Notre Dame to five top 10 finishes in the last seven seasons. Piane believes that Notre Dame’s long and storied history at the national championships will work in his team’s favor.

“Sure the experience will help,” he said. “It’s a lot more than just being in the race. It gives us a lot more confidence.”

At the time you went to the big dance you were in awe. The second time you’re there, you’re in awe. The third time you’re in awe,” said Cowan. It was predicted in the pre-season that Notre Dame would be greatly hurt by the graduation losses of four-time All-American Mike McWilliams. The Irish suffered several early-season losses before hitting their stride in the later part of the season to capture the Notre Dame Invitational and the Midwestern Collegiate Conference championships.

“Ironically, the absence of a consistent front-runner like McWilliams has only whetted Notre Dame’s appetite for success. The first goal this year was to qualify for nationals,” said Piane. “Now, we’re going to focus on our second and third goals, which is to place in the Top Ten or Top Three.”

“Those are goals I definitely think we’re capable of if everybody runs well. According to Cowan, however, word on the information superhighway has it that the Irish aren’t all they’re cracked up to be.

“We’re kind of the black sheep of this meet, Cowan said. “There’s been a lot of talk on the Internet this week, people basically scoffing at us and saying we haven’t performed that well this season.”

“‘No one in the country is taking us all that seriously, and for them, I think that could be kind of dangerous,’” he said.

Interestingly enough, no one team is a clear favorite to win the meet. Piane cited Wisconsin, Georgetown, Michigan, Iowa State, and Arkansas as teams that are most likely to give the Irish trouble. Plane denied that his squad may be especially motivated by a revenge factor against Georgetown, who soundly defeated them earlier in the season.

“No, there’s no real desire for revenge,” he said. “We’d like to beat them, though, and frankly, I think we can.”

Seniors Nate Ruder, J. R. Meloro, and Cowan, juniors Joe Dunlap and Derek Martius, sophomore Matt Althoff, and junior Matt Ruesing will run in Monday’s meet.

Unlike most meets, where a team can enter an unlimited numbers of runners, only seven runners can run in an NCAA championship. This situation created an unusual but desirable problem for Piane—determining which of his bevy of talented runners will run at nationals.

“The problem is that we can only run seven guys even though there is probably three or four other guys who should be able to go,” said Piane. “I appreciate that people on the team are willing to express their opinions, and that they are still very supportive of the team.”

“Coach had a really difficult decision, but basically for a coach it’s a really desirable position to be in,” Cowan said. “He’s got five guys who can fun in two or three sports, which shows our depth.”

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**Jersey Nets**

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Kenny Anderson had 24 points and 13 assists as the New Jersey Nets took advantage of a trade that cost Washington the services of Tom Gugliotta and beat the Bullets 111-103 Thursday night.

Gugliotta was shipped to Golden State along with three first-round draft picks in a mega deal for Chris Webber just hours before tipoff, and the Bullets really could have used more game.

Washington ran off eight straight points and grabbed its first lead since the opening seconds when Dan MacLean drove the lane for a dunk and a 96-95 lead with 6:11 to go.

Anderson then hit a jumper and two free throws to spark the Hornets to a victory over the winless Los Angeles Clippers, who equaled the worst start in club history.

By losing their first seven games, the Clippers matched the 1982-83 San Diego Clippers, who also began the season 0-7 before earning a victory against San Antonio in their eighth game.

Charlotte took a 19-18 lead on a layup by Johnson with 5:08 to play in the first quarter and never trailed again. Elmore Spencer had 12 points to lead the Clippers.

Rockets 106, Bulls 83

Hakeem Olajuwon scored 29 points and Kenny Smith's 3-point shooting led Houston to a 106-83 victory over the Chicago Bulls on Thursday night, extending the Rockets' season-opening winning streak to eight.

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**HOCKEY**

**Icers' slide continues**

By MICHAEL DAY

Sports Writer

Stuck between a rock and a hard place.

The Notre Dame hockey team, desperate for a win after falling to 1-7 in conference play with last night's 9-4 loss to Western Michigan, will have to try to turn things around tonight when they host third place Bowling Green at the Joyce Center.

Last night at WMU, Notre Dame fell behind early and was never able to recover. The Broncos mounted a 3-0 lead before the alarm clock finally rang for the Irish. Excluding the first 12 minutes, the rest of the game was competitive, but by then it was too late. It only gets tougher this evening with Bowling Green coming into town as a heavy favorite and one of the top teams in the country. Despite struggling so far this year, head coach Ric Shafer believes the Irish are primed to turn the season around.

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**Volleyball**

**Undefeated in conference play, Irish play the role of MCC favorite**

By BETSY BAKER

Sports Writer

The ninth-ranked Notre Dame volleyball team is looking to win its third consecutive bid to the NCAA tournament this weekend as they travel to DeKalb, Illinois for the Midwestern Collegiate Conference tournament.

The Irish, now 10-0 in the conference and 29-2 overall, will open the tournament Saturday morning at 10 a.m. with Wisconsin-Green Bay.

The Irish are coming off a successful weekend, last weekend-end, in which they completed their undefeated regular season in the conference, including a 15-10, 15-8, 15-7 victory over Wisconsin-Green Bay.

The undefeated conference record won the Irish the number one seed in the tournament, which should give the Irish a bit of an advantage.

"The first seed gives us a bit of a mental edge," said Irish head coach Debbie Brown.

The Irish have now won 33 consecutive conference matches, giving Coach Brown an undefeated record in the MCC since her arrival at Notre Dame. 26 of those matches have been in the regular season, and seven have been in tournament play.

The winner of the MCC tournament gets an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament, which begins in two weeks. The Irish will be playing for its fourth-consecutive MCC tournament title and its third-consecutive NCAA tournament appearance.

The tournament should not give the Irish much of a challenge, judging by their regular season conference performance, but the team is not looking past this weekend. Many times in a season-ending tournament, teams have nothing to lose, and the team morals and spirits are high. But Coach Brown has complete confidence in her team.

"The tournament will challenge us mentally," said Brown. "There is a lot more at stake for us, not only with the NCAA bid, but we are also looking to keep our ranking." One obstacle this weekend is the injuries that have plagued the Irish team. One of the most significant injuries is the sprained ankle of senior All-American outside hitter Christy Peters. Peters returned from an extended illness for one game against Loyola before spraining her ankle in practice last Friday.

Peters is still questionable for this weekend, but even if she was to play, she most likely would not be one hundred percent. In any case, the Irish have won five conference games without Peters, and it is probable that the Irish will not need her this weekend.

"If Christy plays, she plays," said Brown. "But we have adjusted and become comfortable playing without her."

Freshman outside hitter Angie Harris will be looked upon this weekend to pick up much of the slack of Peters absence. Harris, who is second in kills with 366 kills, was named MCC Volleyball Player of the Week this week. Her most powerful weapon is her jump serve which has placed her among the Irish record books for most service aces in a game with 8, and most service aces in a single-season with 68 through last Saturday's matches. She is also 12th nationally, averaging 0.71 service aces per game.

With captain Christy Peters possibly out this weekend for the Irish, players like freshman Jamie Lee will have to step up for Notre Dame.

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Kurowski leads the Irish to easy exhibition win, 89-69

By JASON KELLY
Associate Sports Editor

Keith Kurowski feels like a kid again.
His legs don't ache anymore each time he trots up and down the court. And his once-expli­usive first step appears quite combustible again.

The rejuvenated Kurowski scored 25 points to lead Notre Dame to an 89-69 exhibition win over Inter-Bratislava Thursday night at the Joyce Center.

"This is the best I've felt since high school. I have no pain at all," Kurowski said. "I feel like a high school all-star again."

Notre Dame looked like an all-star team at times against its weary guests from Slovakia. Playing its fourth game in as many days, Inter-bratislava couldn't sustain Notre Dame's frantic first-half pace.

Freshman Derek Manner scored all 11 of his points in the frantic first-half pace. Manner was the sharp­shooter from the perimeter. ...
Despite ranking, Tar Heels still considered the favorite

With a record of 23-1-1, it's tough to believe that North Carolina is having a down year. To the 'Tar Heels,' anything less than perfection has to be considered below expectations.

Going into this season, North Carolina had not been tied or beaten in five years, and only five teams had been able to stay within two goals of the Tar Heels. The No. 2 loss to Duke and a 0-0 tie with Notre Dame may make North Carolina more determined than ever to win a title and prove that it is the best team in the country.

KEY PLAYERS: North Carolina is led by midfielder Tisha Venturini, who could become just the second player in history to earn first-team all-American honors in each of her four collegiate seasons. Goalkeepers Tracy Noonan (.44) and Shelley Finger (.54) lead the ACC in goals-against average.

COACH: Anson Dorrance has a career record of 221-79-30 at North Carolina. He has been named by Soccer America as one of the twenty most influential men in American soccer over the previous twenty years, and has coached the U.S. women's national team.

PETRUELLIS' PITCH: "In one of my conversations I've had with Anson, he told me that at North Carolina he was not trying to win a national championship, he was trying to keep winning them. That's a concept I've tried to think about while building the Notre Dame program."}

Pilots have had hard luck against Final Four foes

If any team in the final four needs the home-field advantage, it may be Portland. Though the No. 7 Pilots have posted a 7-4 record against top-20 teams this season, they have gone 0-3 against the other three semifinal qualifiers.

Portland lost a 1-0 game at No. 6 Connecticut before dropping home matches to Notre Dame (2-1) and North Carolina (0-1). Injuries have plagued the Pilots much of the year. Two-time all-American Shannon MacMillan missed several games during the mid-season while recovering from having a pin inserted into her broken left foot. All-American Justi Baumgart, out for reconstructive ankle surgery, has also missed most of the season.

KEY PLAYERS: Two-time all-American Tiffany Milbrett is the team's leading goals scorer. Milbrett, a 103 career goals ties her with former North Carolina standout Mia Hamm for all-time leader in career goals scored. Forward Shannon MacMillan, also a two-time all-American, has scored 27 goals in just 17 games this season.

COACH: Clive Charles holds a 24-24-4 record in five seasons as women's head coach. Charles also coaches the University of Portland men's squad. He has coached his women's squad to three consecutive NCAA berths, but this is his first appearance in the final four.

PETRUELLIS' PITCH: "There will be two keys to the game. How our defenders play against their forwards at 'how our attackers play against theirs.'"
Irish confident despite track record against Hoosiers

Seniors excited about rematch

By THOMAS SCHLIDT
Sports Writer

When the brackets were finalized and the results announced there was not a mummer of a groan. There was only excitement.

Yes, the Notre Dame men's soccer will face the number one seed and number one ranked Indiana this Sunday in the first round of the NCAA tournament, but there is no reason to fret. The Irish could not think of a better match-up, especially the seniors.

"It's good, we get one more chance at them," senior forward Tim Oates said. "We haven't been able to beat them in four years, and thought we've lost our chance. Now we have another shot. Here's our chance to beat them."

"I'm glad we're playing them," senior co-captain Jason Fox added. "We play them in the preseason, the regular season, and in the spring season, and now we can pay them back for all the games they've won."

The seniors are really pumped up," sophomore midfielder Tony Capasso added. "They feel we've let them have a lot of games."

With this desire to win by the seniors and the pull of the tournament the Irish cannot help but feel confident.

"We're confident, but in a quiet way," Fox said. "We know them and we know what we need to do as a team to win."

While the Irish are eager for the rematch, they are not overconfident.

"We're not overconfident," Capasso said. "We can't give them (Indiana midfield) a lot of time with the ball," Capasso said. "We can't allow them to make good decisions."

"The seniors are really pumped up," senior forward Keith Carlson, the team's second leading scorer, will be leading the Irish in tomorrow's NCAA tournament showdown with the top-seeded Hoosiers of Indiana.

Yet, even against the Hoosier midfield, the Irish have kept the matchups close every year.

"We've always had close and good games against Indiana," Berticelli said. "This time the Irish may have the advantage. They enter the tournament as one of the last seeds, which means no pressure."

"We'll just go back to basics," Berticelli said. "We have to be sharp and confident. Do the things we do best, and hope to catch a break."

As he says there is not much to lose.

"If we catch a break—fine. If not, we lost to the number one seed."
**Bats sets sights on Crime's vaunted defense**

By NEIL ZENDER

Sunday's Off-Campus-Zahn Interhall Football Championship is kind of like an Old Milwaukee beer commercial. It doesn't get any better than this. Unless, of course, the Swedish Bikini team were to come railing downstream at halftime.

The senior-laden Off-Campus Crime is looking to go out on a high note, while the Rabid Bats are looking to continue their dynasty. Over the past four years, Zahn has compiled a 20-3-3 record, including three Stadium appearances.

Freshman quarterback Benji Hammond leads a Rabid Bats offense that struggled throughout the regular season, but has improved as of late. "On the basis of our past two games, I have new-confidence in our offense," captain Dave Bozanich said. "We've put together three drives that have been solid and error free and resulted in touchdowns. I couldn't have asked for a better time for our offense to be on a roll."

Zahn's running game will depend on the legs of Matt Bundick. Tricky wideout Rick Ross will be Hammond's prime target. The Rabid Bats are facing a tough Off-Campus defense, led by middle Linebacker George Reider recognized around Interhall as the league's greatest defensive mind.

His Crime defense will use its linearman to tie up the offensive line, and lets its linebackers roam free to create havoc.

Zahn will try to run the ball, but their offense depends on passing. Off-Campus captain Dave Dettore thinks the only throwing done will be for a loss, when someone faces his defense. "We dare them to come after us. If they have trouble running the ball, I'll be surprised if their quarterback lasts the whole game. If they come out expecting to pass, they'd better have a couple of quarterbacks."

On the other side of the ball, the Crime will look to establish the ground game against a strong Zahn defense that didn't allow a point in the regular season. The trifecta of Mike Thompson, Detore, and Chris Monahan will rotate at running back.

At quarterback will be Benji's older brother Chris. He orchestrated the winning drive against Stanford in the semifinals. "I will be throwing to Pete Couri, R.J. Sundine, and Tom Fitzpatrick. Talent wise, the game is Crime's to win. However, Off-Campus is notorious for "strategy" practices without a lot of physical contact. That lack of conditioning could haunt the Crime in the fourth quarter. Zahn should also have the edge in crowd support."

"Whoever plays us thinks they're playing a team of twenty-four guys, but they're playing a team of 250 guys," Bozanich said.

Dettore is confident that Off-Campus will emerge victorious.

"We thought Stanford was the best team in the league," he said. "As long as everyone's not too hung over from our last home game, we'll be in good shape."

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**Off-Campus VS Lyons**

**Women's Final**

**Surprise O-C must stop Lyons' potent attack**

By MICHAEL DAVY

Ladies and gentlemen... Boys and girls... This one is for all the marbles.

It's winner take all on Sunday afternoon at Notre Dame Stadium as Lyons and Off-Campus square off to decide once and for all who is worthy of the title of 1994 Women's Interhall football championship.

Both teams march into the title game coming off impressive victories and playing their best football of the year. Off-Campus' 40-0 triumph over No. 1 seed Siegfried coupled with Lyons' 14-0 victory over Pangborn last weekend set up an almost anticipated battle for the championship.

With shutout victories over O-C and No. 3 seed Crime, Lyons is yet to be scored on in the playoffs. The squad will face its toughest challenge of the season in trying to contain Off-Campus' explosive offensive combination of quarterback Nicola Neidlinger, tailbacks Sara Donnelly and Megan Allen, and receiver Michelle Drury. "The defense must continue to play well," said captain Julie Byrd. "We must stay focused and execute to have success against them."

On the other side of the coin, the Off-Campus defense will encounter a talented Lyons offensive unit led by quarterback Julie Byrd, wideout Layden, and a dominating offensive line.

The tandem of Byrd and Lyons has emerged as the team's top threat, and a rapidly improving running game could also present problems for the O-C defense. "Our offense is multi-dimensional," said Lyons coach Kevin Kwik. "We can beat you by running or passing. We just have to play with a lot of intensity."

The Off-Campus defensive unit, led by linemen Allison Coit and Annmarie Putt, safety Linda Kneel, and linebackers Kelly Guerin and Molly McShane, has a tough test ahead of them this weekend. But after shutting the high powered Siegfried offense last Sunday, the Off-Campus defense appears to be primed and ready for the challenge.

"We've been working on our defense a lot in practice," said Donnelly. "If we can keep up the good defense, we'll be off to a good start Friday night."

Each squad has been virtually unstoppable on both sides of the football this season. Both teams enter the matchup at the top of their game, but both Lyons and Off-Campus believe they are the team to beat for the championship.
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The Irish take center stage, still trying to convince themselves they can be the best

By RIAN AKEY

The Irish steps onto Merlo Field in Portland today to open semifinal play in the NCAA tournament, anyone who has not seen the Irish before will hardly think the Irish are ready to play.

Kate Fisher may screech something unintelligible as loudly as she can, Michelle McCarthy may do a little midfield dance, and if it's even a little bit sunny Jodi Hartwig will probably have her sleeves rolled up so she can work on her tan.

At least Irish head coach Chris Petrucelli hopes so.

"It's a very loose team," Petrucelli said, "And I'm concerned when they look like they're focused because that means they're nervous."

But in listening to Petrucelli talk about the game, it seems the Irish have very little to be nervous about. His team simply has to play the same game it has played all season long.

"We're not going to change anything," he said. "We've won 22 games this season by attacking, and that's what we'll continue to do."

"A lot of teams get more conservative in the tournament and play defensive soccer. This tournament is a showcase for our sport and we want to put on a show."

One way the Irish hope to provide excitement is to continue their penchant for scoring goals in rapid succession. In last weekend's regional, Notre Dame scored two goals in less than three minutes against George Mason, and two more goals within seven minutes against William and Mary.

Earlier this season, the Irish had three goals in a five minute span against Duke, a feat which drained Blue Devil players of any emotion they may have had.

"There's always a bit of letdown from the other team when we score," Petrucelli said. "We try to get a little more intense and focused to take advantage of that."

One game where the Irish were unable to score consecutive goals was the only game this season in which they were held scoreless - the 0-0 tie with North Carolina.

Despite being ranked and seeded ahead of Carolina, the Irish are quick to point out the Tar Heels as tournament favorites.

"North Carolina has the experience," Petrucelli said. "That's why I've said they're the favorites."

Goalkeeper Jen Renola agrees that the Tar Heel edge lies in their experience.

"North Carolina is definitely the favorite," she said, "because they've been here be-

"My grandfather played there, my father, three of my brothers... it's my time to shine."

- Off-Campus running back Chris Monahan on playing in Notre Dame Stadium.

NO BOBBY KNIGHT

The Irish men's soccer team squares off against another Indiana powerhouse in NCAA tournament action

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