Women led in early days of Church
By CHRISTINA TECSON
News Writer

"Women Leaders in the Beginnings of Christianity" was the subject of a presentation by Mary D’Angelo, associate professor in the theology department and director of gender studies, yesterday in the Decio Conference Room.

D’Angelo made reference to passages in the New Testament to bring attention to the many mentions of women in the Bible. These women were leaders in the early Christian mission.

"There were relatively low gender boundaries and a relatively high degree of social mobility," D’Angelo said. "There was quite a lot of crossings of boundaries."

She stressed the importance of the woman’s role in Roman times, especially their social status and their family life. These characteristics were made distinguishable by a slide presentation of funerary monuments from the Augustinian period in history.

The presentation was the last of a semester-long series of lectures sponsored by the Notre Dame Gender Studies Concentration. The Gender Studies forum will continue each Thursday afternoon at 12:15 p.m. in the spring semester, mostly on a different gender issue will be discussed each week.

"It’s informal enough that people can ask questions. It’s more of an discussion than a lecture," said Marie Kramb, coordinator of the gender studies concentration.

"The response has been very positive. We get anywhere from 10 to 25 people a week, mostly graduates and faculty," Kramb said. "They indicated, however, that it is open to everyone and anyone may attend."

The more things change...

Do you approve of the job Hungeling and Orsagh have done?
By KATE CRISHAM
Senior News Editor

When 2,730 students cast their votes for the ticket of David Hungeling and Matt Orsagh in last February’s student body elections, they did so for a variety of reasons.

Some were hoping for a chance to see Jerry Garcia perform at Notre Dame Stadium. Others were enticed by the idea of free football tickets. But most students realized that there was very little chance that Hungeling and Orsagh would be able to dissolve student government, bring the Grateful Dead to campus, or provide free football tickets to the student body.

Instead, they joined the duo’s self-described “campaign wide, grass-roots social movement.”

Do you think they’ve brought “fun” to this campus?

Would you vote for them again?

Student Body President and Vice President Dave Hungeling and Matt Orsagh say they have been effecting change in student government despite the failure of several planks of their platform.

Business College receives MBA society charter

Society of Human Resource Management President Patricia Gilmore awarded a charter to the Notre Dame School of Business.

By JAMIE HEISLER
News Writer

The Notre Dame Business School recently received a charter from a division of the Society of Human Resources Management, an association for MBA students that is affiliated with both the regional and national Societies.

At the ceremony, held yesterday at the Hurley building, the club was officially presented with a national charter by Regional President Patricia Gilmore.

"Human Resources Management is a profession that focuses on the human element in an organization including the recruiting, selection, and training," stated the club faculty advisor Professor Bob Vecchio.

The regional and national lev-els of SHRM are oriented to the professional side of the field with over 50,000 professionals as well as students composing its membership.

With the establishment of this division comes an opportunity for business students to view those actually involved in the work and related processes of human resources management. The previously existing Human Resources Club at the Business School wanted to affiliate with this division in order to "interact with professionals in the field of Human Resources Management, giving the students a deeper quality of experience. The purpose of the club is to involve students with people on the professional side," said Professor Vecchio.

The interaction with other society members will offer the students possible opportunities such as intern-like experience during the summers, as well as a shadowing program in which students follow a professional for a day, viewing first-hand what is actually involved in the field.

The local Michiana chapter also issues an annual scholarship to a Notre Dame MBA student "on the basis of grades, social involvement, as well as the ability and desire to remain in the field," according to Gilmore.

At the school level, the club is part of the regional society.

Business College receives MBA society charter

In their platform, Hungeling and Orsagh stated that student government should "do and bringing fun things to campus. There is no need to spend time or money on anything which will not result in the direct pleasure of our student body." They promised that "we will stay committed to our goals and we promise that we will not run student government as it has been run in the past."

But seven months into their administration, with the exception of the decor, little seems to have changed in the student government office. Plans for a spring benefit concert have fallen through, while projects like The Guide and the Board of Trustees reports, which the duo promised to cut, have continued. 

This is the last issue of The Observer until January 18, 1995. Have a safe and happy holiday season. See you next year!
NEWS

Patti Carson
Saint Mary's News Editor

Our rooms are a good place to start. Perhaps we could resolve to put some sort of a lock on the secure bar of our alarm clocks. Or maybe we could come to the realization that our sinks won’t clean themselves. Neatness is key, so maybe we should live so as to find no excessive use for Lynx. We really should not have to go through more than one per semester.

And then there is respect for our friends. Perhaps we could all resolve not to take the batteries from our roommates’ cameras or remote controls for our walkmans. Or how about if we give our friends kinder, gentler nicknames that reflect their inner beauty instead of names like “Queeny,” “Gimp,” “Scratch,” or “Fishy.” Maybe we could resolve not to learn so many cruel jokes involving gypsies.

Next comes the laundry issue. We could resolve not to be that guy or girl who is so anxious about getting to the last clothes out of the washer and onto a table just so we can get our load in the machine. Furthermore, maybe we could arrange to keep our clothes clean for at least three weeks before washing them. While we’re at it, maybe we could arrange to have a change of clothes more than once a year per semester. And we should also wash our baseball caps before they get that brown ring around the inside. Perhaps we could opt to live more economically, too. Maybe we shouldn’t order so many late night pizzas. However, we should probably buy a box of Kleenex every now and again because those rolling rolls of toilet paper from the bathroom. Also, we should probably plan to stop digging back through our laundry bags to find the “cleanest” of the dirty clothes. And we should resolve not to look through the lost and found box for warm, new mittens. We could also agree to cut down on those endless afternoons spent playing games. Plans range from an all-out ban on fishing of cod, haddock and flounder in the Northeast, to a patchwork of bans on certain types of fishing gear in certain areas.

James Brown wanted again

AIREN, S.C.

James Brown, still on probation for aggravated assault and failing to stop for a police officer, is again a wanted man. This time it’s for knocking his wife to the floor. An arrest warrant was issued Thursday for charging the “Godfather of Soul” with criminal domestic violence for allegedly shoving his wife, Adrienne, during an argument at the couple’s home in Berkeley County. Aiken County Sheriff’s spokesman Tim Hoffman said police responded to a 911 call from Mrs. Brown, 44, about 11:30 p.m. Wednesday. Mrs. Brown told officers that during an argument with Brown, 61, she showed her to the floor, where she struck a chair, cutting her lip.

Mrs. Hoffman left before police arrived, but Hoffman said he was not considered a fugitive. “I think he’ll turn himself in as soon as he finds out about the warrant,” Hoffman said. James Brown was noted to have committed domestic violence is a misdemeanor punishable by 30 days in prison and a $200 fine.

Cocaine washes up on Texas beach

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, Texas

It’s not something anyone’s likely to claim at Lost and Found: 92 pounds of cocaine washed up on the beach. A vacationer on a stroll came across the load Tuesday afternoon and flagged down a park ranger. “What problem do you have?” the ranger asked. “It’s something you could very well find in your own backyard.”

The Ministry of Commerce

The Commerce Dept. closes New England fishing grounds

GLOUCESTER, Mass.

New England fishermen who once roamed freely are being forced to cast their nets on shrinking seas, increasing competition and causing overcrowding.

First the World Court gave half of Georges Bank to Canada. Then, on Wednesday, U.S. regulators closed fishing grounds for three months starting Monday in an effort to rebuild depleted stocks of cod, haddock and flounder.

As the new restrictions force fishermen to re-think their tactics, regulators are wondering how long it will take for other fishing grounds to become barren.

Jim McQuaile, one of 17 members on the New England Fishery Management Council, said that if the present trend continues, “it could be depleted within two years.”

On Thursday, the council voted unanimously to draw up proposals to allow fish stocks to recover from decades of overfishing.

Thus far, the council has come up with a plan to close certain fishing grounds to certain fishing gear in certain areas.

PhD

States can encourage use of a common language, but not by outlawing other tongues, a federal appeals panel said in ruling Arizona’s “official English” law unconstitutional.

The Arizona law allowed other languages to be used in bilingual and foreign-language classes and as needed to protect public health or safety, protect the rights of defendants or victims, and comply with federal law. But it prevented non-English-speaking residents from commun­icating effectively with the government, Judge Stephen Reinhardt said in the decision. Furthermore, he said, state universities couldn’t issue diplomas in Latin and judges presiding at Jewish weddings couldn’t wish couples good luck by saying “Mazel tov.”

Russian ballet tumbling into new era

MOSCOW

Their Soviet-era privileges lost, dancers and musicians from the Bolshoi Theater staged a 20-minute strike at the start of the ballet “Giselle” today to demand higher pay and better management. The audience was apparently sympathetic to the performers’ cause, explained by singer Yevgeny Raikov. The Bolshoi has suffered in recent years from insufficient funding, the flight of talent abroad and internal bickering. The theater has not prevented non-English-speaking residents from commu­nicating effectively with the government, Judge Stephen Reinhardt said in the decision. Furthermore, he said, state universities couldn’t issue diplomas in Latin and judges presiding at Jewish weddings couldn’t wish couples good luck by saying “Mazel tov.”

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Labeling, diversity, prime concerns

By WENDY LOWDERMILK
News Writer

Labeling and diversity are major concerns on campus, according to students gathered for an informal discussion on race and ethnicity. After showing a film about diversity in the workplace to the students gathered at Pasquerilla East, Carrie Pugh, assistant director of Multicultural Student Affairs, posed questions to the students.

Several students shared their personal experiences and offered their opinions on how to eliminate the problems of labeling on campus and "communication" was the answer given by many.

"We need to get into positions where we're telling our story," said Sister Joris, the rector of Pasquerilla East. "We've got to get to know each other as persons."

Pugh said that the Multicultural Student Affairs Office enjoyed holding discussions in residence halls where they could get in touch with students directly and initiate discussion about issues such as stereotyping and differences between students on campus.

She also encouraged the students to utilize the resources the Office has to offer.

"I wish I may, I wish I might ..."

A younger member of the Notre Dame family joins in a holiday festivity in Deco Hall.

Murder rates linked to race

By LAURIE ASSEO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
Young black men were almost 14 times more likely to be murdered during 1992 than the general population, the government reported Thursday.

Black males age 12 to 24 were victims of homicide at a rate of 114.9 per 100,000 that year, compared with 8.5 murder victims per 100,000 of the general U.S. population, the Justice Department's Bureau of Justice Statistics said.

Young black males constituted 17.7 percent of all homicide victims, even though they were only 1.3 percent of the U.S. population, the report said. Young white males made up a smaller share — 10.3 percent — of those killed in single-victim homicides during 1992, although they were a larger share of the overall population at 7.4 percent, the report said. Young white males were killed at a rate of 11.7 per 100,000.

Black men over age 24 were victims of homicide at a rate of 67.5 per 100,000, compared with 7.8 per 100,000 for white men.

The Bureau of Justice Statistics also said that among males age 16 to 24, blacks were 1.5 times more likely than whites to be victims of all types of violent crime. About two-thirds of the violent crimes suffered by black males age 12 to 24 were the most serious types of non-homicide violence, such as robberies and aggravated assaults. White males in the same age group suffered mostly simple assaults involving no weapons and resulting in little or no injury.

Two-thirds of the violent crimes against blacks under age 21 were committed by people who also were under 21, the study said. The overwhelming majority of crimes against black males were committed by other blacks, while whites committed the great majority of violent crimes against white males.

Criminologist Alfred Blumstein, a professor at Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh, said his research has shown that gun homicides committed by young people have doubled since the crack cocaine epidemic began around 1985.
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still exist. Rather than dissolving student government, Hungeling and Orsagh seem to be simply following in the footsteps of their predecessors.

"Students were promised less spending money, that's what they've gotten is student government, under the Board of Trustees, said Hungeling. "We're not just giving money to the students, they've gotten is student government, promise was a different way of doing things, to make sure that they're doing good," he said. "I don't think things have been going tragically," he said. "Just don't think we've worked diligently to bring the promise done. What we promised was a different mentality."

Hungeling and Orsagh, however, reject the idea that they have failed to keep their campaign promises.

"People who are intelligent and at Notre Dame should have realized that our campaign was more of a statement than a platform," said Hungeling. "They were fooled, that wasn't something intentional."

"When we ran, we bit off a bit more than we could chew," he said. "Both Matt and I have done a lot of work, which most average students don't realize. Even if we're just giving money to different forums and speak- ers, we're still working to bring fun and diversity to campus."

According to Farmer, the problems began when Hungeling and Orsagh placed the organization of the benefit concert, which formed the crux of their campaign, under the auspices of ND Aid, the organization which was to receive the profits from the concert.

"By putting all our cookies into someone else's jar, we took our responsibility away from ourselves," said Farmer. "And since we were bored, we took up Frank Flynn's call to arms, to do things like The Guide and the Book Fair.

"The publication of this year's Guide has been one of student government's more controvers- ional actions. In their campaign platform, Hungeling and Orsagh pledged to cut funding for the $50,000-per-semester Guide. A recent Observer poll revealed that 62% of the student body do not use The Guide. However, Hungeling remains optimistic that with time and effort, The Guide can effectively improve the quality of our undergraduate education.

"One thing we're working on for next semester is to get ads for The Guide," said Hungeling. "It's still new, and just haven't pursued enough prills to get behind it or maybe some prin just didn't think it's important."

Farmer said a bloated budget has prevented student government from doing all its fun, student-directed activities.

"This student government was promised to be completely non- conventional," he said. "Now we're not conventional in the side of spending money foolishly."

Farmer cited the Board of Trustees reports and posters listing off-campus student housing as having their houses watched over semester break in the residence halls as examples of financial irresponsibility.

"I thought we could functionally shut student government down, have fundraisers and service projects on a twice-a-week semester basis, and give much more money over to an enter-
tainment effort," Farmer said. "Every thousand dollars that we blow is a thousand dollars less that we can give to SUB for their concert.

According to Hungeling, however, the projects such as the Board of Trustees reports and The Guide have served to bene-

"We're having a clothing drive in March, and we are going to have a student referen-
dum on the cable issue that we submitted to the Board of Trustees," said Hungeling. "However the students respond, the University will listen."

"The Administration listens to us, and we've handled our- selves differently than in the past," he said. "With our images of us before were nega-
tive, but now they realize that we're regular guys who are willing to work."

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Controversy surrounds Summit

By RTA BEAMISH

Latin American leaders threatened Thursday to raise such controversial subjects as Cuba and U.S. immigration at the Summit of the Americas. President Clinton is hoping to keep the focus on trade.

The weekend summit — featuring 34 of the Western Hemisphere's heads of state and excluding only Cuba — gets under way Friday evening with Clinton's formal greeting of the leaders and a ceremonial dinner.

Arriving Thursday night, Clinton told a group of summit volunteers and organizers that the leaders were "joining hands together not because we agree on everything but because we agree on the important things, and because we believe in the promise of freedom, the promise of democracy and the promise of open, free trade."

Participants agreed to make free trade the focal point for the summit, the first such gathering since 1967. Clinton wants to keep the momentum going from his recent successes in pursuing open markets around the world. But Mexico's new president is promising to bring up the touchy topic of immigration.

Ernesto Zedillo said he will try to get summit presidents to repudiate California's Proposition 187, which would deny education and health services to undocumented aliens, the Miami Herald reported Thursday. That would ruffle Clinton administration plans to keep the contentious subject off the summit agenda, though Clinton campaigned against the successful California ballot measure.

Assistant Secretary of State Alec Watson declined to say how Clinton might respond to Zedillo's idea, saying of the Mexican, "He's free to raise any issue he wants."

Clinton also may get caught up discussing Cuba — another non-agenda item that puts the United States at odds with some Latin governments.

Argentine President Carlos Menem, a strong critic of Cuban President Fidel Castro, said Thursday that he will make sure the summit discussion centers on democracy in Cuba "even if I have to struggle alone."

Chile's President Eduardo Frei said before leaving Washington the he was right to exclude Cuba from the summit on grounds it is the only nation in the hemisphere without democracy. But he reiterated Chile's opposition, shared by some other Latin nations, to the longstanding U.S. trade embargo against Cuba and said he expected at least informal discussion of the subject.

The White House is billing the summit as the capstone of a projection effort, which saw the United States stand to gain an estimated $13 trillion market with more than 850 million people, according to U.S. projections that also show the United States stands to gain an increase of 2.5 million jobs.

The Summit will occur the same week as the United States Congress debates and votes on the North American Free Trade Agreement last year, followed by the Asia-Pacific trade conference last month and congressional approval this month of the international trade pact known as the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Clinton on Thursday signed the legislation to approve the 22,000-page GATT, authorizing the United States to join 123 countries in lowering trade barriers. Clinton, who has embraced free trade on the theory that new international agreements will create U.S. jobs, said the United States "will not succeed and we will never restore stability to the lives of the working people of our country until we have more folks buying what we sell."

"Some say the answer is to try to just hunker down within our borders. That is clearly not an option. No country can escape the global economy," he said before leaving Washington.

In Miami, the summit leaders will meet in a Hemisphere-wide free-trade arrangement by 2005 — an earlier timetable than the recent agreement by Asia-Pacific countries to create free trade by 2020.

By 2005, Canada, the United States and its Latin and Caribbean neighbors will comprise a $13 trillion market with more than 850 million people, according to U.S. projections that also show the United States stands to gain an increase of 2.5 million jobs.

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**Post office to change commemorative stamp**

By RANDOLPH SCHMID

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The post office, under heavy White House and diplomatic pressure, is scrapping plans for a stamp recalling the atomic bombing of Japan.

"We are changing the design of the stamp because of the importance of U.S.-Japan relations at this critical time in U.S. foreign policy, and because of the stamp because of the views that it was appropriate to bomb Japan," Runyon said Thursday.

Marvin Runyon said Thursday.

President Truman preparing to depart a mushroom cloud following a bomb blast — will be replaced by a design showing President Truman preparing to announce the end of the war.

Controversy swirled around the stamp almost from the moment last month when its design was disclosed, along with many other stamps planned for 1995. Japanese officials were outraged over the design and filed protests.

The Post Office initially defended the stamp as commemorating a crucial event in the war that needed to be part of the series of World War II stamps spread over several years.

Runyon said he was particularly mindful of the feelings of veterans who make up a large part of the postal work force. "Many gave their lives for their country and we will always be grateful for their paying the ultimate price," Runyon said.

The post office's governing board discussed the controversy at a closed meeting recently and directed Runyon not to change the stamp unless Clinton called for the move.

He acted after two calls from White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta, who expressed Clinton's concern and urged that the stamp be changed.

White House Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers had commented earlier that the atomic bomb helped speed the end of the war "there could be more appropriate ways to depict that event."

In the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1, 1995, the Army will close down headquarters and supporting units of the 1st Infantry Division — the famed "Big Red One" — at Fort Riley, Kan., and the 4th Infantry (Mechanized) at Fort Carson, Colo.

One brigade at Fort Carson will also be inactivated with the remaining brigade falling under the command of the 2nd Armored Division at Fort Hood, Texas. Two brigades remaining at Fort Riley will be aligned with divisions stationed in Germany.

Two Continental Army headquarters units, one at the Presidio in San Francisco, the other at Fort Meade, Md., will be inactivated with most of the relatively small number of people working there being reassigned to the two remaining headquarters units in Atlantic and Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

The Army plan also involves shifting of several units in an effort to balance the force between the Atlantic and Pacific theaters of operation and to streamline overall operations.

Among other changes, the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment will move from Fort Bliss, Texas, to Fort Carson, Colo., and will share the post with the brigade that is to remain there. Two Patriot missile defense batteries, the 108th at Fort Polk, La., and the 31st at Fort Hood, will move to Fort Bliss, which is the Army's Air Defense Center.

In all, the Army plan cuts 45,000 active soldiers and 644 civilian positions and brings the active force down from a current level of 540,000 to 495,000. By comparison, when the down sizing of the Army began in 1989, the force stood at 770,000 active-duty soldiers and 18 active divisions; at the end of 1996 the force will have been cut by as many as 36 percent.

But the Army reduction from 12 to 10 divisions is not quite as large as it seems on paper because under the new configuration, each division will consist of a full three brigades. The current 13 divisions include several that have only two active-duty brigades.

Because of the peculiarities of the military, these reductions don't mean that thousands of soldiers will be receiving pink slips. The units in units that are being deactivated will have the opportunity to be reassigned to other units. The reductions in the total Army force are being achieved by a combination of attrition and incentive buyouts. Retirement of new soldiers continues despite the reductions.

The Army cuts that were detailed unit-by-unit in a Pentagon briefing Thursday add up to about 18,000. In addition, the Army will be reducing its 74,000-person force in Germany by about 10,000 over the next 19 months.

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Orange County reassures investors

By VIVIAN MARINO
Associated Press

NEW YORK

Financial advisors sought to assure the public Thursday that municipal bonds were still among the best long-term, tax-exempt investments despite the Orange County, Calif., bankruptcy filing.

The value of municipal bonds and municipal-bond mutual funds fell in reaction to the county’s decision Tuesday to seek bankruptcy protection.

Among the biggest losers were uninsured bonds issued by governments in California, along with the more than two dozen mutual funds that invest in them.

By Thursday, prices in the municipal bond market appeared to have stabilized. Some dealers, in fact, said they saw buying opportunities ahead, even in California.

“You show me some Orange County bonds and I’d be interested in buying them,” said James Crooner, who heads the tax-exempt bond-management division for the Bank of New York.

“I heard that some of them were selling for 20 cents on the dollar. I would mortgage my house and buy them at that price,” he said.

The reason for Crooner’s confidence is simple: Orange County bonds are likely to recover their losses in price because the region, home of Disneyland and the rich and famous, remains “a very, very strong, very affluent area of the country.”

“Counties don’t put up an out-of-business sign as companies do. You’re not going to see new maps of California with a hole in it where Orange County used to be,” he said.

Other bond dealers agreed, speculating that the county would make good on the interest payments and principal owed thousands of bondholders. There’s been no indication so far that payments would be suspended, but dealers said there could be some delay.

The worst thing you can do is sell right now,” when bond prices are low, Crooner said.

Orange County sought bankruptcy protection after disclosing a $1.5 billion loss to its investment fund, where it puts taxpayer money and its own borrowings to work in the financial markets.

Whatever its outcome, the Orange County debacle underscores the simple fact that all investments are risky.

The $1.3 trillion municipal bond market is especially vulnerable given its wide diversity. More than 50,000 state and local government agencies issue bonds to build roads, sewage systems, airports or schools.

The value of each bond issue, including the interest rate it carries, depends on how the issuer is rated, based on financial health and ability to repay loans.

“If there’s a lesson to be learned by Orange County ... it’s that you should be fully informed about what you’re holding,” said Jeremy Diamond, publisher of the biweekly newsletter Grant’s Municipal Bond Observer.

Crooner said municipal investors should stick with issues rated AA or better by the three major rating services, Moody’s, Standard & Poor’s and Fitch.

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4. Be prepared to give police a contact person and telephone number in case there is a problem at your residence.
5. Be sure to notify police if you return from break early.

In addition to Home Watch, take other steps to protect your home:
1. Stop mail and newspaper delivery.
2. Leave lights on a timer. Consider leaving a radio on too.
3. Double check to see that all doors and windows are locked.
4. Keep valuables out of sight.
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With America" would deny welfare and housing payments to unwed teen-age mothers, sending the money saved to the states to set up alternative programs, including orphanages. Dorgan and Conrad said they agreed with the Republicans that something had to be done to discourage children from being sent to children, and to get rid of incentives that encourage unwed motherhood.

Conrad suggested that, instead of looking to orphanages as a model from the past, Congress instead look at the settlement houses that helped new immigrants learn the tools they needed to survive at the turn of the century. They also said Congress should continue to vigorously pursue programs to track down parents who do not provide child support.

In recent days, Gingrich has spoken of orphanages as an idea of last resort, implying that they would be used only in cases where parents were unfit or children were abused, for example.

"We say to a 13-year-old drug addict who is pregnant, you know, put your baby in a Dumpster, that's OK, but we're not going to give you a boarding school," he said Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press." But Conrad and Dorgan said the GOP proposal goes much further.

But that dynamic is far more likely to affect a president than the speaker of the House, the job Gingrich, R-Ga., will assume Jan. 4. And in any event, the public's questions about Gingrich don't appear to have adversely affected its view of the G.O.P. agenda in recent weeks.

A Times Mirror Center for the People and the Press survey released this week, for example, showed 52 percent supported the Republicans' plans while 28 percent opposed them and 20 percent weren't sure.

Given Gingrich's prominent media profile since the election, it is somewhat surprising that nearly one-third of the public says it has never heard of him. But just five months ago, 65 percent said so, so his name identity is rising rapidly.

In May 1990, by comparison, nearly half of Americans had never heard of Rep. Thomas Foley, who by then had been House speaker for nearly a year. But of those who had, Foley was rated favorably by 20 percent and unfavorably by just 9 percent. By March 1991, Foley's name recognition has risen substantially, and 41 percent viewed him favorably while the percentage viewing him unfavorably ticked up to just 10 percent.

In Gingrich's case, the percentage viewing him unfavorably has gone from 12 percent in July to 25 percent in the survey conducted last weekend. "Gingrich is a lot more partisan than Foley," said GOP pollster Neil Newhouse. But, he said, "How he is viewed this month is irrelevant to how he is viewed after he actually takes power."

Indeed, many Republicans predict Gingrich's ratings will improve dramatically if House Republicans can cut committees, adopt a balanced budget amendment and move quickly on other reforms. "The message and agenda he has is exactly on target for the people want," said GOP pollster Ed Goeas.

Democrats are aggressively trying to muddy Gingrich's image, repeatedly attacking his politics as extreme as well as demanding an ethics investigation of the former house of a college course he taught. "He is the most dangerous man in America to the Democratic Party," Goeas said.

While optimistic Gingrich will use his formidable political skills to boost his image, even many of his biggest fans are worried about the early polling trends.
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Politicians trade blame for Bosnian debacle

By DAVID CRABY
Associated Press

PARIS

Is the United Nations at fault, or Western Europe? Does Washington raise false hopes? Solutions to Bosnia's war are scarce, there is plenty of finger-pointing as governments do their part for the debacle.

The nastiest name-calling is transatlantic, confronting NATO with perhaps its most bitter internal crisis. U.S. politicians accuse European leaders of being misguided. European leaders snap back that they at least placed peacekeepers in Bosnia, in all the Western powers, commentators depict them as governments as shameful appeasers.

"One cannot compass what the West will do, God forbid, one day have to do on a small scale," the French daily Libération said in an editorial Thursday.

France and Britain, the two biggest contributors of peacekeepers to Bosnia, were outranged last month when the U.S. government said it would no longer help enforce the arms embargo on Bosnia’s Muslim-led government.

Horried about NATO’s solidarity, the Clinton administration softened its rhetorical support for the Balkans. Then Thursday, President Clinton offered to send up to 25,000 American troops to Bosnia to help the United Nations evacuate peacekeeping forces.

That decision represents a sharp turnaround for Clinton, who has been reluctant to commit ground forces to Bosnia. The newly empowered Republican leadership in Congress has called for tougher NATO air strikes on the Bosnian Serbs and arm the Muslim-led forces.

"That would be the worst possible policy," French Foreign Minister Alain Juppé said Wednesday, suggesting French peacekeepers might soon be withdrawn.

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Woodstock doesn’t end in love

By DAVID BAUDER
Associated Press

ALBANY
The singing’s over, let the singing begin.
The town that was host to the Woodstock concert is suing the promoters, claiming it was cheated out of thousands of dollars because flimsy security allowed thousands of gate-crashers.
The concert promoters also broke a promise to let the town know by mid-September how many tickets were sold, David Van Benschoten, a lawyer for Saugerties, said Thursday.
Michael Lang, partner in Woodstock Ventures Inc., which promoted the concert with Polygram Diversified Entertainment, said the security argument was nonsense.
He said there wouldn't have been as many gate-crashers if the town had allowed ticket sales at the site. Instead, all tickets had to be bought in advance.
"I think it's a bit of an overreaction," Lang said of the lawsuit.
An estimated 350,000 people — most of whom didn't pay the $135 ticket price — turned out Aug. 13-15 for the concert featuring Metallica, Nine Inch Nails, Aerosmith, Bob Dylan, Green Day and others.
Promoters have yet to say exactly how many tickets were sold. Lang said it will probably be just over 163,000, but that Polygram has been slow to get information from all ticket outlets.
Saugerties, whose town board voted Wednesday night to sue, is frustrated with the delay, Van Benschoten said.
To get permission to hold the concert, promoters agreed to give Saugerties $5.05 per ticket.

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Progress slow in South Africa

By JOHN DANISZEWSKI
Associated Press

ORANGE FARM, SOUTH AFRICA
Seeking to blunt murmurs of disappointment among South Africa's poor seven months into his government, President Nelson Mandela visited shack settlements Thursday and pleaded for patience.

"You must know that the wheels of government grind very slowly. Don't expect us to do miracles," he told 2,000 people gathered on a soccer field, many of them barefoot children and adults in tattered clothes. "I bring you no good news."

But if there was any unhappiness with Mandela's message, it was not evident Thursday. The country's first black president was welcomed with delirious applause, joyful chanting, dances and drumbeats.

The trip was designed in part to dampen expectations among the have-nots that all would immediately improve upon Mandela's election to a five-year term that expires in May 1999.

As president, Mandela has sought to balance reassurances to whites and the business community of sound financial policies and promises to the black majority that his government would brighten their lives.

Lately, there have been complaints that government policy under the 76-year-old former political prisoner is skewed too much in favor of whites and that not enough progress has been made to help blacks.

One day after his Cabinet approved a policy paper on a new national housing drive designed to produce 1 million homes, Mandela flew by government helicopter and motorcade to impoverished black communities in Orange Farm, Ivory Park and Soweto. Here families live in small corrugated iron shacks that are broiling hot in summer and cold in winter. They get water from public taps and share out-houses where they exist.

"Before the election ... I went around telling all our people that we wanted to ensure a better life for everybody in this country. And that better life means the creation of jobs, the building of homes, of schools, of hospitals, of clinics," Mandela said, somberly taking a podium.

"I have brought today none of these things and I will not be able to bring you good news for next year and in the year after," he said. He blamed the current budget, which was prepared by the former National Party government, for the situation.

Although the spending plan was endorsed by his government, Mandela called it "the budget of the previous apartheid regime ... drawn up by people who wanted to create more privileges for the minority." He promised that next year's budget, now in preparation, would brighten their lives.

Speaking in Sotho, Zulu and English, Mandela drew the loudest cheers when he spoke of his problem as president keeping in touch with the people.

Cuban refugees riot, injuring U.S. soldiers

By JUAN ZAMORANO
Associated Press

PANAMA CITY
About 1,000 Cuban refugees, angry at the slow pace of finding them permanent homes, threw stones at U.S. soldiers Thursday, injuring about 60 of them. An unknown number of Cubans also were injured.

The violence came as 119 refugees were flown to Spain or Miami. Those refugees apparently had not been involved in the melee.

A U.S. military communique said the fighting was caused by the "erroneous perception that ... transferring people to other countries was being deliberately delayed."

They have said they were disenchanted with the pace of efforts to find them a permanent home.

"One day they tell us that children will be sent to the United States and the next day they say something else," said Cuban refugee Antonio Giovanni.

Spain agreed to accept 72 refugees after receiving about 500 requests for residency, said Gloria Bodejon, a Spanish foreign ministry official in Madrid.

She said preference was given to refugees and the relatives in Spain, women alone in the U.S., married couples with small children, and people capable of finding work in Spain.

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Castro noticeably absent from Summit of Americas

By WILL LESTER

MIAMI

The smiling images of 34 Western Hemisphere leaders were plastered over Domino Park, a shady square in Little Havana where older Cuban men drift down to click their dominos, deal cards and make small talk.

But missing from the colorful wall mural prepared for the Summit of the Americas is the only one who matters to these Cuban exiles — Fidel Castro.

The communist dictator wasn't invited to the summit — he is the only leader in the hemisphere excluded — but that's not enough for the exiles. They want him out of power, and they want the leaders to address the issue.

Miami's huge exile community has little confidence the summit will accomplish much, said Orlando Menem, a 67-year-old retired furniture dealer born in Cuba. "They come here, they eat good food, they talk, blah, blah, blah..."

"Of all these people here, only one will talk about Castro," Menem said mentioning toward the painted image of Argentina's president. Carlos Menem has pledged to force Castro's leadership of Cuba, a divisive issue in Latin America, onto the agenda.

Fundamentalists violate rights

By ANWAR FARUQI

NIOSIA, CYPRUS

Governments battling Muslim fundamentalists commonly practice arbitrary arrests and torture, and are the worst violators of human rights in the Middle East, a rights group said yesterday.

Israel, Egypt, Algeria and Saudi Arabia were singled out for the worst abuses, according to the New York-based group Human Rights Watch.

In their showdown with Muslim fundamentalists fighting to overthrow the government, the Egyptian "security apparatus committed abuses with impunity," the group's annual report on the Middle East said.

It accused the Egyptian government of resorting to "extra-judicial executions" in some cases, detaining lawyers and journalists, and dispersing peaceful protests "forcefully, and sometimes violently."

The group said that in Algeria, civilians were often caught in the war between Muslim militants and the government. Estimates of the number of people killed between 1992 and September 1994 ranged from 4,000 to 30,000, it said.

"In 1994, Saudi Arabia witnessed the largest roundup in recent history of opposition activists and a new low in the dismal human rights record of the kingdom," the report said.

" Arbitrary arrest, detention without trial and ill-treatment of prisoners remained the norm during the year, especially for those accused of political offenses," said the group.

However, many Palestinian prisoners "were subject to torture or ill-treatment at the hands of their interrogators. They underwent some combination of beatings, shackling, confinement for prolonged periods in painful positions, hooding, sleep deprivation, denial of access to a toilet, and other forms of humiliation, " the group said.

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As the Notre Dame/St. Mary's community comes together to celebrate Peace on Earth through the promotion of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s ideologies and challenges, we are called to truly embrace and embody the words of Joseph Cardinal Bernardin, "...life together, in unity and peace for the greater good of all." In A. Bartlett Giamatti's words, President alone.

As we prepare for the coming of Christ in our heart and our home, we remember the words of Dr. King in his A Christmas Sermon on Peace: "If there is to be peace on earth and goodwill toward men, we must finally believe in the ultimate justice and kindness of the universe, and believe that all reality hinges on moral foundations. Something must be done about this as we are once again gathered in the Christmas season and think of the Easter season simultaneously, for the two go together. Christ came to show us the way."

"I am the gentle autumn's hush, I am the swift uplifting rush of gathering storm. I am the soft star that shines at night."

As we find the beauty in each other, we recall Martin Luther King Jr.'s words, "As you press on for justice, be sure to move with dignity and discipline, using only the weapons of love."

Gesar Chavez, organizer of farm workers across the country, never tired of telling us, "We need your help. We call you to action: now—to attract educators, community action volunteers and organizations for effective action. We need to evaluate our strengths and ways to fight hunger, homelessness, drug addiction, disease, illiteracy and unemployment. Together we gather to support friendship and give assistance to those in need."

"A spiritual leader must be able to bear the weight of the world. Here is the world's wish for it to do something."

Teresa Creighton, Priscilla Wong

It's never too late to evolve

Dear Editor,

We realize that editing such a small daily newspaper as The Observer involves difficult choices as to what to cover, but we have been shocked to learn of the nearly total lack of coverage of such an important Olympic sport at Notre Dame as swimming and diving. Student interest in the progress and achievements of the Swim and Dive team is very high. In fact because many ND students are former competitive swimmers, Swim and Dive deserves the student body's full support, especially in this transition year as the men's and women's teams get ready to compete in the Big East Conference Championships next year. The women's team has already defeated one nationally ranked team this year, and both teams are well on their way to their most successful season in several years. Both teams are working very hard to raise their competitive level, and increased student support and recognition gained with the help of good coverage by The Observer would help achieve team goals. We urge you to give the Swim and Dive team the consistent and thorough coverage it deserves.

PARENTS OF SWIM AND TEAM MEMBERS

KERN TREMBATH

Assistant Chairman
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It's never too late to evolve

Dear Editor,

We turn out that Notre Dame is at least 25 years behind the times in deciding to convert "ombudsman" to "ombudsperson." I was a student at Berkeley in 1969 when they made the switch. So, contrary to Mr. Imbs' suspicion in his December 5th column that ND administrators will be ridiculed when they travel to other schools using this word, they will more likely be met with the response, "It's about time." It turns out that there are ombudspersons all around us.

While I agree in general with your method of "beginning with etymology," it is also important to recognize the fluid and evolutionary nature of language. The American language can choose to reflect Swedish language and culture if American's wish for it to do so, but by the same token, they also don't have to. The choice is up to us and the dictionary—not simply the last by itself.

Finally, the word "ombudsperson" was used several times in the column, and I would bet that most of us readers know exactly what he was referring to. Doesn't that argue against Mr. Imbs' claim that "ombudsperson is not a word"?

KEVIN C. TREMBATH
Overpopulation not a myth

Jeffry Dahmer was perhaps the most violent and gruesome serial killer in recent time. He killed his victims with malice aforethought, tortured their corpses, and collected their body parts as souvenirs to the brutal slaying. As a sports fan and Observer reader, I have read countless commentary on the Jeffry Dahmer case, which reads like an intelligent commentary on the criminal justice system. As a sport fan and Observer reader, I have read countless commentary on the Jeffry Dahmer case, which reads like an intelligent commentary on the criminal justice system. A sport fan and Observer reader, I have read countless commentary on the Jeffry Dahmer case, which reads like an intelligent commentary on the criminal justice system.
Wishful thinking won’t work

Dear Editor:

Professor Morton Fuchs’ sentiments as expressed in his letter “Students need a lesson in responsibility” make me frustrated and confused; they highlight a problem that I have run across all too often on this campus. Professor Fuchs has overlooked the mistake of believing we live in a simple and idyllic world. This has left him without any real answers as to how to deal with the problem of drinking and driving, especially among the student community.

To reduce the arguments for Weekend Wheels, to an attempt on the part of the students to shirk responsibility of their actions is to miss the point. I believe all of us own a conscious attempt to be like for people to see drinking and driving for the evil that it is, to refrain of realizing the dangers involved. However, when people do choose to disregard, whether one deems it “stupid” as Professor Fuchs argues, perception becomes impaired. Very few know they are too intoxicated to drive and do so anyway. What happens is that one loses the ability to judge when it is no longer possible to continue.

Therefore, people who should not be drinking and driving do so because they believe they can. If Professor Fuchs, or anyone else for that matter, can come up with a realistic solution to convince people that one drink they are impaired, I would be among the first to endorse it. However, the fact of the matter is that people, especially in college, go home to drink. This is not an assumption, as Fuchs asserts, it is a fact for the vast majority of our generation.

When there is no reasonable alternative, people are going to drive to bars. And, knowing their car is right outside as a convenient form of travel, people are going to drive home from the bars, believing they are in fine condition to do so. It is not the fault of the university that these are facts.

Weekend Wheels, if operated differently, could be that reasonable alternative. If this were the case, less people would drive drunk, and less people would be hurt as a result. The University is obviously not responsible, ultimately, for the actions of those who represent it. It should, however, care enough about these people to want to protect them. Notre Dame is in a position to affect some changes in the world, maybe an income lives. However, it hides behind insurance liabilities and claims such as Fuchs that we all must “grow up.” I too wish that Weekend Wheels wasn’t necessary.

It is time for all of us to force the issue and make the University see the good it could do by using a stand on something. Why not do something that puts pressure on responsibility in the hands of people equipped to handle it. So what is it going to be Notre Dame, wishful thinking, or reality?

MARK McKENNA
Zahn Hall Sophomore

Harmony inconsistent with ‘American Dream’

Dear Editor:

I’d like to respond to Dec. 6 letter’s “Night division full, diversity conquered,” submitted by Shanak Ramachandran and Caleb Goodwin of “Peace House.” Writing in bizarre prose, Ramachandran and France focused on a certain ideological abstraction called “world harmony.” The two subjects sought to impose their ideals of “peace, togetherness, selfless personal-and-inclusiveness” by slaming the system of capitalism.

Deep in the recesses of the vacuous mind is this unyielding animosity for capitalism. Yet it is capitalism which inspires people to do great things with their lives. America is the land of opportunity as any successful person like Clarence Thomas, Michael Jordan, Bill Gates will tell you. Yet Ramachandran and France have condemned this great economic system as an anachronism. Capitalism is not a product of my white male ignorance and my cross-eyed heartlessness, but apparently stems from my failure to be as entirely as these two are. Perhaps I am an achiever in our capitalist society because I want to accomplish something in addition to interpersonal harmonization. I shall endeavor to be productive with my intellect, for without a sense of integrity and peace within myself I can be of no use to others. To exist solely in a sappy state of emotion—to feel, and not to think, as is the standard liberal modus operandi—is to lay to waste the mind that God had given us.

Ramachandran and France are driven by their fantasy-prone personas to achieve their own interests. I am driven by the desire for a normal family, a respectable career, and a strong set of values. Yes, the stuff that the American dream is made of is values.

Unfortunately for Ramachandran and France, capitalism is one of our sacred capitals. When our two constituents suggest that we sacrifice who each of us is as a person to some pathetic notion of harmony, they are asking us to relinquish those things that God had given us which made us individuals. They are asking us to renounce whatever it is that makes each of us as special. As people living in America, we should all share the thought of uniformity. It is the pervasive change of a socialist world view. Remember that at the end of our lives it will be God, not bunch of utopian liberals, who determines much needs and harmony we sowed during our lives.

JASON MAIER
Off-Campus Senior

Beyond Freedom Rock

Poor Shakespeare? Remembered!

About the worst thing a theater company can do with a famous plot line is to make a boring and flat adaptation. “Servant of Two Masters,” the sister-disguised-as-her-brother fencing scene and failed to parry a descending saber, which in-visible sword. How was that possible? The main event was the worst on-stage fencing disaster, petrifying Saint John Baptist and leaving Juliet standing alone on the stage with a plastic balcony on his chest.

If Pete Peterson, ‘71, is Readership Services Manager at the Press-Republican in Plattsburgh, NY,
Santa is real!

By PATTI CARSON

Santa's children are often taught not to be naughty or else Santa will come and steal their toys or worse, Santa will not come at all. This is what I believe every kid in America has been told at one point or another. Many kids, including me, who grew up believing in Santa, have since grown up and realized that Santa is not real. Kids are taught to believe in Santa in hopes that when they are good that Santa will give them presents, and if they are bad that Santa will put them in the closet. But Santa does not exist. We are taught to believe in Santa so that we can believe in the importance of the gift giving season.

On the first day of Christmas

Holiday dances begin the season of giving

By THERESA ALEMAN

We entered the South Dining Hall for the Morrissey Hall Christmas SYR Pancake Breakfast. Flowers, carefully selected toys from the dollar store, games, stuffed animals, hats, cookies—there was a parade of Christmas as impressive as Christmas morning. What happens to all these treasures the morning after? Do they end up like Christmas presents actually received on Christmas? As I settled into my bed that night, I glanced around the room at my new pot of poineettas and a teddy bear with a turtleneck Christmas sweater, and remembered how my treasures of Christmases past fell apart before their time. The flowers seemed to quake in their vase, the bowl of cookies nearly made its way to my pillow as a set in for my winter's nap. As I nodded off, I journeyed into the linen closet of the abandoned gifts of old Christmases past. I had only five Christmas toys all I wanted was "Baby That-A-Way." She had these magical shoes that you were supposed to make her walk and make her arms and legs move. Santa mapping Santa had her there waiting for me. Shiny flowing golden hair, rosy cheeks, a cute little baby outfit, and even magic shoes. Of course she didn't work quite like she did in the commercial, but anyway, her arms moved. My cousin Tricia had received a doll that actually ate and then dirtied her diaper! Well, next to that, it wasn't long before "Baby That-A-Way" paled in comparison. First I cut her hair to make her look more like a real baby (Tricia's doll had very short hair). Well, "Baby That-A-Way" didn't have a mouth opening, so I ripped off her head to feed her some Christmas cookies. The milk I gave her to wash it down must have shortage out the inner workings of poor "Baby That-A-Way" because her body never worked after that.

By Korte found out when she was only near the plate of empty cookies I had enough already... Could you imagine kids lining up to sit on Barney's lap during the Christmas season? Enough is enough already. Could you imagine hearing "I love you. You love me. That makes Christmas as good as can be" instead of the good old "Ho, ho, ho. Merry Christmas." Santa does it much better. What a class act.

Meagher reads an altered version of "Twas the night before Christmas, pointing out that if there really was no Santa, the holiday would not be as much fun. It read something like this:

"Twas the night before Christmas and all through the house, the kids were all running around and even the mice were out. The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, Where? There would be no one to fill them on Christmas morning. How depressing Christmas would be if we had no Santa. There would be few good Christmas carols or specials or movies. Who else would appear on Coca-Cola cans during the holiday season? Clinton? And how else could parents threaten their children with the holiday season besides saying "Santa knows?" Santa's children all through the holiday season says "Don't tell Santa!" How else could parents get their kids to go to bed so early on Christmas Eve?

All of our traditional carols would be changed. Lyrics might possibly include "Nobody Special is Coming to Town," "Grandma Got Run Over by a Snow Plow," and "I Have Mummy Kissing—" who, Daddy? That just don't fit, does. Personally, I think we lose the truth all too early. Sophomore Anne Kendrick said that kids in third grade. "Santa left his glasses and a pair of cigarettes on the table near the plate of empty cookies I had left out the night before."

When Sophomore Ashley Denniston访谈 her mom, she said, "Oh great! Now I suppose you're going to tell me there's no tooth fairy either.

Once we encounter the truth, we seem to lose all belief in Santa. Instead of being so rational, perhaps we should take a second look at the Christmas and try to find how real Santa can be for us. As it's said in the movie The Santa Clause. "Seeing is not believing. Believing is seeing." Santa is a vital part of this holiday. So celebrate him any way you can. It makes the whole season a lot more fun.
Traditionally, insults come in whispers. They pass from person to person like a dirty joke, "told" in a soft voice and in a private place. They fall like a soft rain, the real storm only breaking when the words have built over time. Never all at once.

But not in this case. Not for this class.

The majority of the 24 men who came to Notre Dame in the fall of 1991 as freshman, have spent their college days hearing the same words they heard as high school seniors, when on February 6, 1991...
IRISH ON THE OFFENSIVE...

By MIKE NORBUT
Assistant Sports Editor

The Notre Dame offense shouldn’t hope to compete with the mighty trio from Colorado. They should just try to keep up.

While Kordell Stewart, Bashaaa Saalaa, and Michael Westbrook will be strutting their stuff for all to see on January 2, the Irish will be methodically plodding along, mixing a lot of run with a pass here and there. The firepower that Colorado’s offense creates will probably make Notre Dame’s efforts on the field look like a small side show.

But the bright lights and big plays could all be for naught. Because if the Irish offense plays half as well as the Buffaloes, they should have a chance to win.

"I think this will be a good yardstick for us," Notre Dame coach Lou Holtz said. "I think we can play with them, I really do. I think our players will approach this game with a positive attitude and with seriousness."

The Buffaloes didn’t go 10-1 this year because they’re lucky. They did because they’re good.

But that quality is slightly off-balanced. It’s tipped a bit towards the offensive side of the ball. That’s not to say that the Colorado defense is poor. But it can be beaten.

No. 1 Nebraska proved it on October 29. The Cornhuskers were able to stop the potent Buff attack and hold them to only seven points. But more importantly, they scored 24 to make the game look somewhat lopsided.

If Notre Dame’s offense is to emulate this performance, the pressure will be on quarterback Ron Powlus. The sophomore has had a year of experience. January 2 will serve as a final exam of sorts.

"I think (Ron) Powlus will be a lot better by then," Holtz continued. "Unfortunately, we aren’t going to get many injured players back and we aren’t going to be able to add any more until then.

Two of those injuries are very important to Powlus. Center Mark Zataveski (sprained neck) and guard Jeremy Akers (dislocated shoulder) will not be available for the game.

In their place, junior Dausy Ziegler will be at center, while Steve Mistic will take over at left guard. Ryan Leahy will be the other guard, while sophomore Mike Doughty and Chris Cleveenger will be the tackles.

They will be facing a strong Colorado front four, led by linemen Ted Johnson and Matt Russell. The two leading tacklers are the main reason why the Buffaloes give up only 114.2 yards per game on the ground.

This front will be facing a rejuvenated tandem of Lee Becton and Ray Zellars, both of whom had to fight off mid-season injuries and are just now getting back into the form they displayed the first few weeks of the season.

The Buffaloes defensive line will probably not have to worry as much about the Irish running game as they will with Powlus’ throwing ability.

A strong pass rush will be needed to take the pressure off a secondary that does not boast a single senior starter.

Free safety Steve Rosga leads the team with four interceptions, but the Buffaloes give up an average of 229.5 yards passing per game.

Because of coverage problems, the Buffaloes have had to resort to blitzing on numerous occasions. They thrive on pressure. The more the better.

Linebackers Greg Jones and Mike Phillips are the team sack leaders with 6.5 and 4.5 on the season. And their pressure has opened the door for the linemen many times.

Defensive tackle Shannon Clayville has five sacks and ten tackles for losses, while fellow trench warrior Darius Holland three sacks and eight tackles for losses.

And if there’s anything that can save Colorado from the lethal Powlus-to-Mayes combination, pressure on the quarterback can.

And it better. The pair has hooked up for eleven touchdowns and a two-point conversion on the year.

They have been the only consistent offensive threat for Notre Dame this year, and will need to continue their domination to give the Irish a chance.

That is, a chance to keep up with Colorado.

[Photo courtesy of Colorado University]

PLAYER TO WATCH... T. E. D. JOHNSON

Most teams relish the opportunity to run to the wide side of the field. A chance to use their open turf could mean the difference between a touchdown and a loss of yards.

A defense usually tries to stop teams from running to the wide side. But Colorado downright challenges their opponents.

They don’t say anything. They don’t do anything dramatic, either. They just put a sign up to the offense. It’s all implied.

The sight of inside linebacker Ted Johnson lining up as the boundary, or short, side linebacker should be enough to make anyone run to the wide side.

But teams have yet to pick up on the hint.

The proof is that Johnson is the team leader in both solo and total tackles. The senior has recorded 147 on the year.

Maybe opponents don’t bother to pay attention to Johnson. Or the entire defense for that matter.

When a team has an offensive attack like Colorado’s, others tend to lose their defense. Why does it matter that you score 40 points when they can score 50 or 60?

—MIKE NORBUT

[Photo courtesy of Colorado University]

Defensive tackle Shannon Clayville has five sacks and ten tackles for losses this year for the Buffaloes.

RATING THE IRISH

Quarterback 4
Two strong games against Air Force and USC have made Ron Powlus a better quarterback. Decisions still need to be made quicker, though.

Running Back 4
Seeing Lee Becton and Ray Zellars back together in the Irish backfield is something that any Notre Dame fan loves and any opponent hates to see.

Wide Receiver 4
Granted, Derrick Mayes is the only proven quality receiver that the Irish can boast, but he’s just so good. No one can cover him.

Offensive Line 3
Drastic improvements were made against Air Force and USC. But oh, to have just a tiny bit of consistency week to week. Who’s to say what will start and which will actually play come January 2.

Defensive Line 3
Much maligned throughout the season, Oliver Gibson and Paul Grasmanis have had strong showings week after week.

Linebackers 4
The strongest unit on the Irish defense, but one that can’t afford to miss tackles against Colorado.

Secondary 2
With the loss of Bobby Taylor, the secondary may have problems chasing Michael Westbrook. Lots of problems.

Special Teams 2
Notre Dame boasts punters that can’t punt and kickers that can’t kick. The coaching staff must be proud.

Coaching 4
Lou Holtz has more than a month to prepare for this one, but the odds may be bit overwhelming.

—MIKE NORBUT

If any team can win when it looks bleak, it’s Notre Dame. A win would be a bit-sweet end to this year and a springboard for next year.
BUFFALOES ON THE OFFENSIVE...

By TIM SHERMAN
Assistant Sports Editor

Rashaan Salaam, Larry Bird, Magic Johnson, and Isaiah Thomas. The theme is the same - choose your weapon.

"Colorado very well may have the Heisman Trophy winner in Rashaan Salaam," Notre Dame coach Lou Holtz noted. "Kordell Stewart is a great quarterback and Michael Westbrook is a fine receiver."

Obviously, Holtz and his Irish know what they are up against. You stop Salaam, then Stewart and Westbrook will burn you. Shut down the passing attack, and Rashaan will run roughshod.

At least that is how the argument looks on paper. The problem for Notre Dame - it is a pretty convincing one.

Salaam, a 6-foot-1, 210-lb tailback, is slightly bigger than Lee Rector of the Irish, yet still possesses better speed. That has translated into over 2,000 yards and 24 touchdowns this season.

With the possible exception of FSU's Warrick Dunn, the Irish have not faced a back this season who even approximates the combination of talent and tenacity that the CU's star junior does.

Joining Salaam in the Buffalo backfield is quarterback Stewart. The 6-foot-3, 210-lb senior struck stardom earlier this season with his Doug Flutie-like bomb to Westbrook to nip Michigan, but that is not even close to all he has done.

Completing over 62% of his passes, the three-year starter from Marrero, La., threw for over 2,000 yards for McCartney's now well-balanced offense. Quite possibly just as athletic as ex-FSU quarterback and current New York Knick Charlie Ward, Stewart is just as dangerous on foot as he is with his arm.

Evoking favorable comparisons to former CU signal-callers Darian Hagan, Stewart rushed for more yards this year (1,181) than Notre Dame leading carrier (Handy Kinder with 735).

In the 1990 and 1991 Orange Bowls, a stifling Irish defense allowed Hagan to compile 8 of 25 passes for a mere 94 yards.

Granted, Westbrook may be too good of a receiver to let Stewart suffer so mightily, but the early 90's Buffs also featured Michael Pritchard, a very talented target in his own right. In addition, the CU rushing attack boasted Eric Bieniemy, a back who seemingly garnered just as much attention as Salaam.

So, maybe a Notre Dame defense has seen its offense with as many weapons as this season's Colorado club. But that was a defense with the likes of Chris Zorich and Todd Lyght. This year's edition is nowhere near as talented and will take the field without their one true playmaker, the suspended Bobby Taylor.

So, what if anything, can Holtz and defensive coordinator Bob Davie do to slow down the running (and passing) Buffaloes?

Well, if the past two games are any indication, the answer will likely involve a lot of blitzing. Against FSU and USC, the Irish knew they were up against teams with both a ground and aerial attack, so they resorted to the blitz.

When asked after the game in Orlando the blitz design was to stop the run or the pass, he shot back, "Both."

It didn't stop the run against FSU, but Tailback U. was unable to get the chains moving on the ground.

That is they type of effort the Irish will need on January 2nd.

Without Taylor, an impact player must step up. In recent games, Jeremy Sample has shown that knack. In Tempe, those like Lyron Cobbins and Bert Berry, who have yet to really show all they has to offer, must be accounted for. If not, it may be a long day in the sun for the Irish.

Quarterback 5
Kordell Stewart can beat you by throwing or by running with the football. But make no mistake, he will beat you.

Running Back 5
Rashaan Salaam is the frontrunner for the Heisman Trophy this year, and is by far the best the Irish will see this year. The problem is, with his speed and balance, Notre Dame might not see him all game, either.

Wide Receiver 5
Michael Westbrook proved that he can hold the ball no matter where it is on the field with his catch against Michigan. And he has a very capable counterpart in Christian Fauria.

Offensive Line 4
Stewart and Salaam could not have had such terrific seasons without a terrific offensive line, but this unit is susceptible to a decent pass rush.

Defensive Line 5
Shannon Clavelle and Darius Holland have combined for eight sacks and almost 20 tackles for losses this year.

Linebackers 4
Ted Johnson and Matt Russell are the two leading tacklers for Colorado. This unit is tough against the run.

Secondary 4
Steve Rosga heads up an experienced unit, but it is a weak link for the Buffalo defense.

Special Teams 3
Andy Mitchell is a decent punter and Neil Voskeritchian is deadly inside the 20.

Coaching 5
Bill McCartney will be coaching his final game as the Buffaloes head coach. He has the talent to destroy Notre Dame, and his players will have the emotion to do it.

-TIM SHERMAN

The Sports Illustrated cover jinx. No one knows why or how it happens, but it does. If you on the cover, that's it. Something bad is bound to happen to you. Inexplicable, yet reality. Just ask Steve McNair.

If you remember, SI wanted to "Hand him the Heisman" earlier on this fall. Well, "Air" had a tough time with the handoff and fumbled. Out of nowhere (actually Boulder, CO, but close enough) came Colorado's Rashaan Salaam, who picked it up and has been "off to the races" ever since. Odds are, tomorrow, Mr. Salaam will cross the goaline the scoring column 24 times.

Salaam will cross the goaline the scoring column 24 times. He scored nearly 1000 yards and 24 touchdowns this season. If he would have played in more than just six quarters, he would have rushed for more yards than the entire club. His rushing attack (2372). Not too shabby.

In the history of Division IA football, just three players, Barry Sanders, Marcus Allen, and Mike Rozier have rushed for 2,000 yards. For all you not up on your Heisman trivia, let me note that all three struck the famous pose. This year should be no different.

If yards aren't enough to convince you, take a gander at the scoring column. 24 times he has rushed for touchdowns, including four games when he crossed the goaline at least three times. He scored nearly half of CU's touchdowns.

That's enough for Notre Dame coach Lou Holtz.

"Colorado may very well have the Heisman trophy winner in Rashaan Salaam," he said.

-TIM SHERMAN

Photo courtesy of Colorado University

Quarterback Kordell Stewart was a preseason candidate for the Heisman Trophy.

Photo courtesy of Colorado University

Colorado could be the second best team in the nation, considering their only loss was to No. 1 Nebraska.

The might not take kindly to the Irish.

Photo courtesy of Colorado University

Colorado boast a Great Triumvurate

The Buffalo's offensive line, a powerful unit that features nine starters.

The Irish's offense, led by quarterback Terry Hanratty and running back Joe Montana.

The Colorado defense, which held the Buffaloes to just 9 points in the season finale.
**BUFFALOES**

**The Stats...**

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**The Strategist...**

**Bill McCartney**

13th season at Colorado

Career Record at Air Force: 92-55-5

Against Notre Dame: 1-3

Highlights: Coached the Buffs to a National Championship in 1990 after finishing the season with an 11-1-1 record. Won three straight Big Eight titles between 1989-1991.

**The Series...**

Colorado 10

Northeastern 9

Punt return for a touchdown by Raghib Ismail (right) in the 1991 Orange Bowl was called back because of a clipping penalty, giving the Buffs the win and National Title.

**The Schedule...**

**Colorado**

Sept. 3 at Miami (Ohio) 28-13

Sept. 9 vs. Wyoming 35-7

Sept. 16 at Nebraska 33-20

Sept. 24 vs. Stanford 45-20

Oct. 1 vs. Oregon State 34-17

Oct. 8 at Arizona 34-20

Oct. 16 vs. UCLA 38-13

Nov. 22 vs. Colorado 37-21

Nov. 30 vs. Utah 35-14

Dec. 2 at Hawaii 17-3

Dec. 9 vs. Arizona State 17-0

Dec. 16 vs. Arizona 52-10

Nov. 28 vs. Washington 57-7

Dec. 31 at UCLA 40-31

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**Oregon State**

Sept. 3 at Oregon State 22-21

Sept. 9 vs. California 28-20

Sept. 16 vs. Washington State 24-17

Sept. 23 at Washington 27-20

Oct. 7 vs. Stanford 34-13

Oct. 14 vs. UCLA 45-14

Oct. 21 vs. Oregon 14-14

Oct. 28 at Arizona State 27-26

Nov. 4 vs. Arizona 34-17

Nov. 11 vs. Utah 21-10

Nov. 18 at Washington 41-21

**Notre Dame**

Sept. 10 vs. Notre Dame 28-14

Sept. 17 vs. Wisconsin 44-13

Sept. 24 at Stanford 38-14

Oct. 1 at Texas 34-31

Oct. 8 at Michigan 30-29

Oct. 15 vs. Oklahoma State 20-17

Oct. 22 vs. Kansas State 35-21

Oct. 29 vs. Nebraska 27-9

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### The Strategy

**LOU HOLTZ**

Nine season at Notre Dame

Career Record at ND: 83-23-2

Against Colorado: 1-1


### The Site

Sun Devil Stadium

Tempe, Ariz.

Home of the Fiesta Bowl

Opened in 1958

Capacity 73,656

Natural Grass Irish at Fiesta Bowl 1-0

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Seniors

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they signed on to play for the Irish and were told...You're not worthy. Jeremy Sample heard it the day after he signed. Sitting as his home near Chicago reading USA Today and the Chicago Tribune, he wondered what the articles that said his class was unlike any other Irish coach Lou Holtz had brought in. He looked for the names of his future teammates among the list of All-Americans but found few.

"The illegitimate class, that's what they called us," Sample said.

The class was not full of promise but full of promises. Players like Sample hoping to silence the critics and make their mark. To put an end to the question...were we worthy? And as that group of seniors prepares to face Colorado (10-1) in the Fiesta Bowl, the question still rises and sets like the sun on an Arizona desert.

The numbers. The numbers. They hope you will not judge solely on the numbers. Of the 24 men who came in as freshman in 1991, 22 remain on campus. Linemen Eric Kuechenberg and Tyler Young transferred after the 1991 and 1992 season. Of those that stayed, nine are starters and 14 will graduate with a varsity letter. By comparison, there were eighteen starters and 21 lettermates among the list of All-Americans. The most devastating of numbers: Last year, ten of Notre Dame's 34 scholarship players earned All-American honors. Last year, ten of Notre Dame's 34 scholarship players earned All-American honors. Last year, ten of Notre Dame's 34 scholarship players earned All-American honors.

Jeremy Sample went from throw in recruit to a starter for the Irish.

"I imagine all the prognosticators are saying they were right," Mark Zataveski said. "But it is not as bad as it could be. It didn't help that we followed the class we did. They were the most talented class to go through Notre Dame. Anyone would have paled by comparison."

"We have 24 very, very good competitors," Holtz said the day he signed the class of 1991. "You cannot play the game if you are not tough."

There are certain things even toughness cannot overcome. Players like Bachik, John Talaferro, and Jeff Riney all were lost at one time or another because of injury. Bachik had the back. Talaferro tried to play through two shoulder surgeries. Riney's neck forced him to retire.

The three-career-ending injuries, two transfers and Paul Faila's decision to stick to baseball left Notre Dame with six players not contributing during their final year, triple what was unavailable in 1991.

Throw in injuries to Ray Zellers and Lee Hecht, and the class of 1991 played most of this year without one-third of its original base.

It also didn't help the class that Holtz's hands were tied when he began recruiting groups by the media with poor rankings from the Tom Lemmings and Max Emfinger's of this world. There is Holtz.

Throughout their time here, Holtz has made it public his dislike for the class. Not as people, but as talent. He wondered early in the season where the senior leadership would come from. He answered questions about his seniors beginning with, "There not the most talented of groups, but..."

And that "but" has never clearly defined this class as anything but illegitimate.

"He tried to use (our lack of talent) as a motivational tool," Zataveski said. "Whether or not it worked I don't know. He was confronted with what the media said about us and maybe that had a lot to do with what he said."

What the media and Holtz has said will matter little when the class of 1991 takes the field in Tempe.

"This group has tremendous," Holtz said. "They've been through some hard times, but they keep hanging in there."

And they will continue, holding on till the season is long over and the rains stop and each player can ask himself the question everyone has poured on them since the day they signed.

"Was I worthy?"
The junior proved game in and game out why he is the Observer Player of the Year

Derrick Mayes walks funny. His knees curve inward, almost rubbing together with each step, and his toes point outward at opposite angles. It's an unusual stride that belies his acute athleticism.

When that little "turns wind and spirit, and all of a sudden he's on the other side of some unfortunate cornerback, Mayes ability is immediately evident.

But his legs are not what separate him from the middle of the pack. Every major college wide receiver worth a pair of Reeboks can run.

"He's a hand. Bare or wrapped in a pair of Neumann gloves, Mayes fingers always seem to cling to any football thrown in his direction.

"It's incredible. You know every time you throw it that he's got a chance to get it," Notre Dame quarterback Ron Powlus said.

Mayes caught at least one pass in every game and snared more touchdown passes in a single season (11) than any other player in Notre Dame history.

"It was that steady and often spectacular play that made Mayes the obvious choice for the 1994 Observer Player of the Year award.

Watching Mayes make a tough catch is a study in acrobatics. He leaps and twists and flips, somehow bringing the ball back to earth with him.

He did it last year against Boston College, ignoring the late drive that gave the Irish their short-lived lead with an impossible diving, twisting grab.

He did it again this year against Michigan, rising to snatch a Powlus pass in the back of the endzone, giving Notre Dame another late lead it would watch slip away.

And he does it in practice every day.

"It's not all that impressive to us anymore," Powlus said. "We see him do it all the time.

Even when the Irish are supposed to be taking it easy, Mayes does it, endangering his limbs and frightening his coaches.

"On Mondays and Thursdays (during the regular season) we practice without pads and I mentioned to (offensive coordinator) Dave Roberts that it was important that we keep Derrick from diving for balls," Irish coach Lou Holtz said.

"He's always diving all over the field, landing on his shoulder, on his nose, on his chest. He just loves the game."

That love bore the dedication that has made Mayes one of the best ever to run pass patterns for Notre Dame.

He emerged almost immediately, scoring on his first three catches as a college player. But he exploded last season against Boston College.

"It was a really special moment, I'm glad (my parents) could be there to share it," Mayes said.

But now that he has done something no other receiver in Irish history could do, now that he has carved a niche for himself as arguably the best receiver ever to wear blue and gold, what challenge remains for Mayes at this level.

His teammates have named him this year's Most Valuable Player. And his statistics are without peer, considering Notre Dame's ground-oriented offense.

Mayes has long been considered a candidate to leave school a year early to seek new challenges in the NFL. It's a decision he must make soon and Notre Dame fans have their fingers crossed that he'll choose to stay in South Bend.

"I think about pro ball, but I want to get a ring," Mayes said earlier this season. "That's all I'm concentrating on right now—being No. 1."

Come April, he may be concentrating on being a No. 1 draft pick. If not, he'll likely find himself filling this space again next season.
JOCK STRIP

The bottom line is: Like it or not, we’re destined for the desert

It doesn’t matter. It just don’t matter. Argue all you want. The front-runners are beside themselves with venom.

“How can we be going to a bowl like the Fiesta Bowl?”, they scream. “We’re terrible. Let USC go. Let Sam Houston Institute of Technology go for all I care. We don’t belong.”

They see four losses and visions of Prairie View A&M come dancing into their heads. If we’re not undefeated, we’re unworthy.

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But it’s not just Dick Rosenthal and FaIher Beauchamp that spend thier days and nights dream of little dollars signs, the Fiesta Bowl brass also knows the bottom line is where it’s at. The FightingIrish Brag ratings, which means bucks. You’ve heard it before, you’ll hear it again. You either love Notre Dame or hate them. It’s really pretty elementary.

If you love the Irish, you will watch with all your optimism that the ghost of Jerome Bettis will return, maybe in the form of Ray Zelleria, and once again, what the odds be great or small, old Notre Dame will win over all.

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If you’re a Holtz-hater, you’ll be tuned into NBC to see the boys in blue and gold get what they deserve - a good, ol’ fashioned butt-whoppin’ (most effective when said with a deep Alabama drawl).

Either way, a decent amount of those football-watching Americans will tune in. If we’re on, those who prefer to spend their New Year’s Day, or as is the case this season, their New Year’s Second Day, stuck in front of the TV under a mountainous pile of Doritos (or for the more diet-conscious, Fat Free Rold Gold Pretzels) and six-packs of Coors, will watch.

Things happen for a reason. So far, the Irish are two for two in these types of games. In both the aforementioned Sugar Bowl and the ’93 Cotton Bowl, Notre Dame was courted despite the existence of supposedly better teams. But, as luck would have it, we won both.

Still, it doesn’t matter. It just don’t matter. So let’s all just drop the Great Debate. Accept it. As Lionel Richie once said, it’s Fiesta, forever.

Come on and sing along.
Dancing of students brings The Nutcracker to life

By LAURA SMITH

With finals quickly approaching, many students are cramming day and night for the upcoming tests. Imagine taking out several hours every day, right before students are cramming day and night for the upcoming tests. It's a daily thing. I keep calendar," said Schwoyer. For Horvath, sympathetic friends are very important. "My friends understand why I can't go out all the time or talk on the phone for hours and that helps," she said.

For these women, dancing has become an important part of their lives, one they would not give up in spite of the long hours.

Schwoyer, Horvath, and Sullivan are full company members of the Southold Dance Theater located in South Bend. This weekend, Southold Dance Theater is presenting The Nutcracker Ballet in O'Loughlin Auditorium at Saint Mary's.

The Nutcracker is a ballet in two acts with music by Peter Illyich Tchaikovsky and original choreography by Ivanov. The traditional Christmas ballet is about a young girl Clara, who receives a toy nutcracker from her Uncle Drosselmeyer. In her dreams the nutcracker comes to life and takes Clara to the Land of Snow and the Kingdom of Sweets. Christa Clous, Saint Mary's sophomore, is attending this weekend's performance because, "It's a cute story. I've seen parts, but I've never seen the whole thing."

In this weekend's performances of The Nutcracker Ballet, Southold Dance Theater will be accompanied by the South Bend Symphony Orchestra and guest artists Diana White and John Summers. White, a member of the New York City Ballet, will dance the roles of the Sugar Plum Fairy and the Snow Princess. Summers is a member of the American Ballet Theater and will dance the roles of the Snow Prince and the Cavalier.

Schwoyer, a freshman Biology major at Saint Mary's, is excited about performing this weekend. "It's a whole new experience, learning a new ballet and being with a new company" she said. Schwoyer read an article this year "The Nutcracker" in the Observer about Southbend's. She while visiting Saline she liked it, took a class to join and is a member of Southold Dance Theater for 14 years, has already performed in the Nutcracker six times. The Saint Mary's freshman fondly remembers the performances of her freshman year of high school when she was Clara. "It was a little girls dream come true," said Horvath.

From September to May, the Southold Dance Theater dancers practice about 14 hours a week and this week rehearsals for The Nutcracker are even longer, often lasting from 5 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. every day. How do these busy college students keep up with everything? According to Sullivan, Notre Dame junior and Biology major, "You can't waste time. It's a daily thing. I keep calendar everywhere so I can look ahead," said Schwoyer. For Horvath, sympathetic friends are very important. "My friends understand why I can't go out all the time or talk on the phone for hours and that helps," she said.

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Sullivan has been dancing since she was 5 and would like to continue after graduation. Schwoyer agrees with Sullivan. She said, "I hope to keep in shape after college and maybe audition for some companies and be able to perform."

The Southold Dance Theater consists of 14 apprentices. "Messages is "To remember. The company special way." the dance is to live in."

The Nutcracker Ballet will perform three concerts this year at O'Loughlin Auditorium. They include The Nutcracker, Family Concert, and Spring Concert. Experience will be performed at the Coffax Cultural Center on Wednesday and Thursday. Southold performed six abbreviated versions of The Nutcracker this year at O'Loughlin Auditorium on the Saint Mary's campus.

On Friday, December 9 at 7 p.m.; Saturday, December 10 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Sunday, December 11 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. All performances are in O'Loughlin Auditorium on the Saint Mary's campus.

Tickets can be purchased in the box office at O'Loughlin. Tickets for the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday evening performances and the Sunday matinee are $20 for adults, $15 for students, and $10 for children.

Saturday's matinee has recorded music instead of the live orchestra and is $15 for adults, $12 for students, and $8 for children.
I wonder which mall order houses God uses when He does His Christmas shopping? Does He buy His cards at Hallmark's, when He cares enough to send the very best? Does He window-shop at Tiffany's, convinced that diamonds are forever? Does He send many crosses to those for whom life has been a school of hard knocks, which He will exchange in eternity for a starry crown, up where the sun shines ever? Thomas Hardy wrote: "The President of the Immortals (in Aeschylian phrase) had ended his sport with Tess." Do you ever feel that the Deity needs watching?

Christmas should be a moveable feast, which we can celebrate every day in our hearts. Coming, as Eltoy mentions in his "Journey of the Magi," in the dead of winter, the very worst time of the year, we might wonder if we are celebrating Birth or Death. "There was a Birth certainly...this Birth was hard and bitter agony for us, like Death, our Death." Did the Magi understand the three trees on the low sky and "the six hands at an open door, dicing for pieces of silver" as a foreshadowing of the Cross? Among the poems in Ferringhi's "A Coney Island of the Mind," is a piece called, "Christ Climbed Down." "Christ climbed down from His bare Tree/this year/And ran away to where/no intrepid Bible salesmen/covered the territory in two-tone cadillacs and where no Sears Roebuck creches/complete with plastic babe in manger/arrived by parcel post/the babe by special delivery/and where no television Wise Men/praised the Lord Calvert Whiskey." Who can blame this Beat poet of the Fifties and Sixties for being sickened by the hypocrisy of the Christian tradition? Still, it seems easier to light one candle by believing in Christmas (as the churches do) than it does to surrender to the darkness. Thomas Hardy wrote of the scene meaningful. It strikes me as more tasteless when breast implants are advertised as an appropriate gift for a woman to receive from her significant-other; and apparently Roseanne has had herself artificially inseminated, as a Christmas gift to herself.

Father Robert Griffin
Letters to a Lonely God

To be overtaxed and astonished by Christmas as a December hope is as uplifting as the music of the thrush's caroling. At age 69, I no longer wish that I could be a child at Christmas, able to believe in magic. At my age, I wish for grace (which is God's magic) to believe that there are, for the sake of the children, hearts above the snow line. If I can believe that at Christmas, God gave us His only-begotten Son as our brother in the flesh, then I can believe that history, with its endless sorrows and tragedies, has been unfolding as a love story centered on an all-loving Father Who writes straight with twisted lines. I don't suppose that a child who is starving ever wonders if he should forgive God for could leaving him abandoned. But when, as a grown up, you see the pinched faces, you could wonder if Divine Providence is irresponsible. When you remember all the throwaway children, you could wonder if the hearts above the snowline are all cracked and children Princess is an important feast for children, and because there there are children everywhere more everywhere more where the horn lamb for whom the chilled wind has not been tempered. There are also athletes dying young, and the battle dead; sick mothers and out-of-work fathers, and senior citizens who need a light for the night to keep the fear of death away. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." begins the Gospel of John, updating the Creation story in Genesis. Can we believe that in addition to the sun, moon, and other planets, God created the Christmas star, to guide shepherds and kings to the place of the Nativity? Can we believe that Bethlehem was the first of the Lord's stations on the way to Calvary, where God His face in the overwhelming darkness? O Lord, I do believe. Help Thou my unbelief.

The confusing part of Christmas is the way the malls and the media try to make the season meaningful. It strikes me as more tasteless when breast implants are advertised as an appropriate gift for a woman to receive from her significant-other; and apparently Roseanne has had herself artificially inseminated, as a Christmas gift to herself.

I don't believe that I ever had an event like the birthday of God at the death of the year, we would have to invent one.
Salaam's 2,000 may be magic number

By RICK WARNER
Associated Press

NEW YORK

Like the 4-minute mile in track and a .300 batting average in baseball, a 2,000-yard rushing season is a benchmark in college football.

Prior to this year, only three Division I-A players had reached that total, and they all won the Heisman Trophy. Colorado tailback Rashaan Salaam is expected to complete his 2,000 yards this week and scoring with 24 touchdowns, is favored to win the Heisman over Penn State's Barry Sanders and Stanford's Tyree Willingham.

Willingham was considered the favorite before the season, but then Salaam clinched it when he went over 2,000 yards last week.

Salaam, who led the nation in rushing with 2,055 yards and scoring with 24 touchdowns, is favored to win the Heisman over Penn State's regular-season favorite, Barry Sanders in 1988. Salaam went over the 2,000-yard mark in his final regular-season game, a 259-yard effort against Iowa State. It was his fourth game over 200 yards, including a career-high 317 against Texas.

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“If he had carried as many times as Salaam, I think it’s a safe bet he would have gained more yards,” said John Tucker of The Union Leader in Manchester, N.H. “I think he was the best player on the best offense in the country.”

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Michael Wilbon of the Washington Post disagrees.

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Salaam, Carter, Collins and McNair have been invited to the Heisman ceremony along with Alabama quarterback Jay Barker, who played against the best offensive tackle Warren Sapp.

The winner will be announced at the Downtown Athletic Club. "I think Salaam clinched it when he went over 2,000 yards," said Lee Corso of ESPN, which will televise the ceremony. "It’s a mark of excellence that fans can relate to."

Marcus Allen of Southern Cal, Mike Rozier of Nebraska and Barry Sanders of Oklahoma State were the three players to gain 2,000 yards in a season. Allen won the Heisman in 1981, Rozier in 1983 and Sanders in 1988.

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Walk-on Martin keys Ohio State

By RUSTY MILLER
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio

Kevin Martin had always hoped to play basketball for a major college. But a torn and scarred knee all but turned those hopes to cinders.

Yet last spring, after playing a pivotal role as Westerville North won the big-school state high school championship, it occurred to Martin that he could walk on at the colossus a few miles from home. Maybe he might even get in a few games.

Now Martin, 2 1/2 years after being a limo-on with his high school team, is a starter as a walk-on at Ohio State. It even astounds him.

"I was hoping coming in here that I could contribute to the team, maybe play some minutes," says the 6-foot-5, 190-pound freshman. "But with everything that's gone on, I've had the opportunity to play a lot more than a lot of people expected me to."

"Then I got the opportunity to start a game my freshman year," Martin said, hesitating for a second while he laughed at the thought. "Which is nothing that I expected." Opportunity is a key word in Martin's vocabulary. He used it at the thought.

Opportunity came knocking when Ohio State graduated three players, three others were kicked off the team for disciplinary reasons and two others transferred. Players, even ones still coming back from a damaged knee, were at

Mom, Dad, 
& Colleen

Happy 21st Michelle

We love you!

By EDUARDO MONTES
Associated Press

EL PASO, Texas

Antoine Gillespie is not a man of modest goals. Playing in his final season, with Texas El Paso, the Miners' scoring wizard is going for a place in the record books.

"I've never had a chance to play in the NCAA or win the WAC," said Gillespie, who led the Miners in scoring last season. "Those are my goals and dreams this year.

If that's what Gillespie has set his sights on, then that might also be in UTEP's future. Because as Gillespie goes, so go the Miners. The 6-7 guard is the driving force behind the Miners' offense, boasting a 20.3-point average and a quickness that helps him slip away from defenders and free himself up for open jump shots.

Gillespie again is expected to be a major factor in the Miners' success as he pursues his goals of championship trophies and making it to the NBA.

The man known simply as "Toine" to fans also has the added impetus of chasing Tim Hardaway's scoring record.

Hardaway, the Miners' all-time leading scorer, amassed 1,586 points in his four years at UTEP and is now a standout with the Golden State Warriors.

In his three-year career, Gillespie has accumulated 1,169 points.

UTEP coach Don Haskins said Gillespie is a better player than he was last year. That's impressive, considering Gillespie already was a formidable scorer.

Gillespie, an All-WAC selection last year, is only the second UTEP player in history to score more than 1,000 points in the first two years.

He scored in double figures in every game last season, finishing with a 23.7 point average, and was the league's second-leading scorer. He racked up at least 20 points in 16 games and went over 20 five times.

His single game best is 45 points scored in an 104-103 overtime loss to Hawaii on Feb. 17. He also turned in a 37-point effort to lead the Miners to a victory over Virginia Commonwealth in the Sun Carnival Classic championship game a year ago.

Gillespie hasn't shown any signs of slackening his pace, looking impressive in exhibition games and turning in 26 points in the Miners' season opener against Bellhaven College and 25 in a loss to No. 22 New Mexico State.

He had only 11 as UTEP beat the Aggies 77-68 in the rematch. But it was also a game where Gillespie began to show he is maturing into a team player, leaving behind some of his showboating.
College Athletics

Cooper getting comfortable at Ohio State

By RUSTY MILLER
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio
Ohio State's John Cooper, sur­rounderd by the artifacts of 33 years as a college football coach, leaned back in the leather executive chair behind the desk in his office at the Woody Hayes Athletic Center. He looked relaxed. He should be.

How long has it been since Cooper hasn't been confronted by a controversy? How long has it been since his critics have had something to shout about?

Three weeks ago, he picked up his first Ohio State win over rival Michigan. Last week he agreed in principle to a new five-year contract that could give him the third-longest tenure in Ohio State's 105 years of football. And they said it wouldn't last.

"That's two of the big things on the list," Cooper said this week of the Michigan victory and the new contract. "But I never have worried about that stuff. I keep telling you guys that all the time. I'm going to come to the office and work. There's always going to be something to do, whether you're worried about that or you're looking at film or working on recruiting."

Ever since he took over at Ohio State in 1988 after three years at Arizona State and eight years as head coach at Tulsa, Cooper has been assailed for a variety of reasons, from the commercials he did to the games he didn't win (his first four bowls, his first six meet­ings with Michigan).

Rutgers a darkhorse in final four

By PAUL NOWELL
Associated Press

DAVIDSON, N.C.
Hamisi Amani-Dove, who has been nursing a heel injury all season, has shined for Rutgers in the postseason to help the Scarlet Knights make it into the NCAA men's soccer Final Four. One could argue the Scarlet Knights have been dragging their heels all year.

"A lot of people might say we don't deserve to be here," Amani-Dove said Thursday after Rutgers finished its final practice before taking on No. 2 Indiana in the Holiday Bowl. "But if you're looking at film or working on recruiting, you wouldn't say we don't deserve to be here, too."

"We're used to playing against good competition. These guys aren't in awe of anybody," Reano refuses to call the Scarlet Knights a surprise finalist.

"We don't worry about those kinds of things," he said. "We just look at our next task and that is Virginia. We are their way to the title and they are in our way."

The Cavaliers have proven to be quite an obstacle in recent years. They are in the Final Four or the Elite Eight five of the last eight years. They beat Rutgers all four times they met, including a 3-0 victory in the 1999 NCAA semi­finals.
Jackson rails against hiring practices

By MOLLY HALL
Associated Press

DENVER
Civil rights leader Jesse Jackson said Thursday the University of Colorado’s decision to promote a white assistant football coach over a more qualified black typifies hiring practices at schools nationwide.

"The case is fairly clear that the pattern is from Miami to Colorado and points beyond," he said.

Jackson, speaking during a conference call, called the practice "white male affirmative action." He contrasted the high number of black athletes in NCAA football and basketball in Division I with the fact that only 6.2 percent of athletic administrators are black.

He hopes criticism of Colorado by his civil rights organization, the Rainbow Coalition, will highlight the disparity.

"If weoller it from a 'Mile High,' maybe they can hear it in all the valleys," Jackson said.

Jackson is protesting the appointment of Bill McCartney as head coach. They say Simmons was excluded from serious contention because of his ethnic background.

"What makes a 33-year-old white (man) with less experience, less time in the area, fewer stripes on his shoulder, more qualified than Bob Simmons," Jackson said.

"We're not saying appoint someone with less experience just because he's black. We're saying do not exclude us from the pool."

Colorado president Judith Albin has defended the decision and the university's efforts toward diversity. She will meet with Colorado Rainbow Coalition coordinator Chet Wey Friday in Denver to discuss the issue.

"When the ministers meet with the president, they will make our case for reconsideration," Jackson said, adding the coalition is considering several actions of protest, including talking to potential recruits, picketing bowl games and contacting the Justice Department.

"This is a state institution and they are obligated to follow the law," Jackson said.

CAA executive director Cedric Dempsey has agreed to meet with Jackson during next month's NCAA Convention in San Diego.

The Rainbow Coalition for Fairness in Athletics has begun to rate NCAA Division I institutions for several factors, including the number of black athletes, graduation rates for blacks and the number of blacks in coaching and administrative positions.

"This fairness index will give our children and community a basis on which to judge how individual institutions are treating us," Jackson said.

The Coalition compiled data showing that 47 percent of Colorado's football players are black and 6 percent of the non-playing positions, including coaching, are held by blacks.

"On the field, where the standards are objective, we do well," Jackson said. "But off the field, where the rules are subjective and behind closed doors, we don't do so well."

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CINCINNATI

Tim Krumrie, a 10th-round draft choice from Wisconsin in 1983 who became a fixture on the Cincinnati Bengals' defensive line, said Thursday that he will retire at the end of the season. Krumrie, 34, said he has achieved all his goals, including playing in the Super Bowl and the Pro Bowl, getting 1,000 career tackles and not missing a game since the seventh grade.

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Bengals general manager Mike Brown said he has not offered Krumrie anything yet.

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He often said he motivated himself by recalling the perceived slight of not being drafted until the 10th round. He also said he wanted to finish his career with the Bengals, and he passed up opportunities to go to other teams as a free agent.

In 1992, Krumrie wound up leading the Bengals in tackles for the fifth time. Last year, second-year player Mike Frier was chosen to split time with Krumrie, but Krumrie kept him on the bench. The Bengals released Frier in October.

Entering 1994, Krumrie had started 160 of the last 161 games for Cincinnati, excluding the 1987 players' strike. Krumrie has seen the Bengals' fortunes decline since the Super Bowl year. The team had a franchise-worst record of 3-13 in 1991, Sam Wyche's last as head coach. In two full seasons under coach Dave Shula, the Bengals went 5-11 and 3-13, and are 2-11 this season.
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Ex-Bear finds home in Green Bay

By ARNIE STAPLETON
Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis.
Wide receiver Anthony Morgan isn’t the Deion Sanders type.
So don’t expect him to do any gloating if he gets his chance Sunday when Green Bay (6-7) faces his former team, the resurgent Chicago Bears (8-5), who are out to bury the Packers’ plans for the playoffs.

The Packers are counting on Morgan to help them complete their first undefeated season at Lambeau Field since 1962.

Green Bay has won eight straight games at home and Chicago hasn’t won on the road in December since 1987.

The Packers claimed Morgan off waivers in November 1993 after Bears coach Dave Wannstedt gave up on him following two plunging injury-riddled seasons.

Morgan has become the Packers’ No. 3 receiver behind Sterling Sharpe and Robert Brooks, who is nursing a hamstring pull and could be limited Sunday.

Morgan lets his actions speak for him, however.

“T’m kind of tired of talking about Chicago,” he said. “They made a decision. I’m happy here. They’re happy there.”

Morgan preferred to prepare quietly for the Bears, surprising co-leaders in the NFC Central, where the Packers now sit in fourth place after a disastrous three-game stretch of losses at Buffalo, Dallas and Detroit despite 13 touchdown passes by Brett Favre.

Since becoming the third receiver when Ron Lewis retired just before the Packers’ 33-6 demolishing of Chicago on Halloween night, Morgan has 14 receptions for 214 yards (15.3 average) and three touchdowns in the last six games.

At Detroit last week, Morgan had his first 100-yard receiving day, grabbing six catches for 103 yards, including touchdowns 47 and 26 yards. Morgan was a fifth-round pick from Tennessee in 1991 and appeared headed to a promising career in Chicago as a receiver and returner under coach Bill Belichick.

“I’m glad that he’s having some success,” says the Packers, of course.

Morgan, at 6-foot-1 and 195 pounds, has outstanding speed for his size, and has allowed Favre to fulfill his preseason pledge to spread the ball around.

Morgan’s development took time, because his knee was still healing and he was busy learning the offense, Holmgren says.

“When you bring in somebody new it takes some time,” Holmgren said. “I’ve said this before and I don’t want to make more of it than it is. But we ask our receivers to do a lot more than other teams ask their receivers to do.

“There’s a little subtle involvement as far as pattern adjustment, reading defenses, different types of routes they run. Blocking, we ask our guys to block a lot more than some teams.”

Another Pack who hasn’t had much to say about his former team is defensive tackle Steve McMichael, who signed with Green Bay when Wannstedt cut him last summer after 13 years in Chicago.

McMichael did address the matchup in training camp, saying that facing the Bears was nothing special.

“When you’re a purist, it doesn’t matter where you line up,” he said. “It’s all football, no matter where you are. It’s just another game. I can’t get any more fired up to play any more football game than I already do.”

The Bears are 4-point underdogs even though quarterback Steve Walsh is 7-1 as a starter.

Since Week 4, when Walsh became the starter, the Bears have led the NFL in average time of possession (32:35). They ranked last in the first three weeks.
By JOHN NADEL
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

The Los Angeles Raiders play their favorite patsy on Sunday at perhaps the optimum time. Then again, maybe the law of averages will catch up with them.

The Raiders face the Denver Broncos, a team they've beaten 10 times in 11 games since Art Shell became head coach following the fourth game of the 1989 season. Both teams have 7-6 records, having overcome horrendous starts to move into playoff contention.

The Raiders have a seven-game winning streak against Denver at the Los Angeles Coliseum, site of Sunday's game, and the status of Broncos quarterback John Elway is uncertain. Elway strained a muscle behind his left knee during Denver's 20-17 overtime victory over Kansas City last Sunday.

"It may be a game-day decision as far as whether he plays or not," Broncos coach Wade Phillips said. "Certainly, we'd like to have him. I know John wants to play, but we'll have to see medically how he is."

If Elway can't go, veteran backup Hugh Millen, who guided the Broncos to their game-winning field goal at Kansas City, will be the starter.

"John's assuming he's going to play and it's my job to assume that I'm playing," Millen said. "That's the mindset I have to have."

Elway said he won't be surprised to play if he's not healthy. "I look at it as a 16-game season," he said. "It's just a matter of if I can play and be close to myself. Hugh is not a second- or third-year guy. He's played a lot of football in this league."

Elway, who's listed as questionable, has missed only six games because of injury since joining the Broncos in 1983. Two of those six were in Los Angeles against the Raiders, including in 1992, when Tommy Maddox filled in and the Raiders won 24-0.

The Raiders have won five of their last seven games after starting 2-4. The Broncos have won six of seven, including their last four.

The teams are tied for second place in the AFC West with Kansas City. San Diego sits atop the division with a 9-4 record and needs just one win in its final three games to clinch the AFC West title.

So it's likely the Raiders, Broncos and Chiefs are seeking a wild-card playoff berth.

The Broncos hope to become the second team in NFL history to make the playoffs after an 0-4 start. San Diego did so two years ago, winning 11 of its final 12 games to earn the AFC West title.

The Raiders continued their recent domination of the Broncos with a 48-16 victory at Mile High Stadium on Sept. 18, a game Shell called his team's best of the season.

"They just beat the heck out of us last time," Phillips said. "They scored at will and stuffed us every time we tried to move the ball. They've got to be looking forward to playing us again, because they probably think they're a whole lot better than we are."

"But we're a different team and, hopefully, a better team than we were at that time," Shell has a simple explanation for his team's domination of the Broncos; the Raiders beat Denver three times last year, including a 42-24 victory in an AFC wild-card playoff game.

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Chargers need it all against 49ers

By BERNIE WILSON
Associated Press

SAN DIEGO
The current state of the San Francisco 49ers and San Diego Chargers can be summed up rather concisely by the coaches:

"It feels good to have a loaded gun," said George Seifert, coach of Steve Young, Jerry Rice, Deion Sanders and Co.

"We've just lost a little bit of our oomph," said Bobby Ross, whose Chargers once were the best team in the league at 6-0, but have since failed to win consecutive games.

The Chargers (9-4) will need all their oomph, and probably more, in Sunday's home game against San Francisco. The 49ers (11-2) have won eight straight and come in as 7 1/2-point favorites.

Since losing 40-8 to Philadelphia on Oct. 2, the 49ers have been relentless in pursuing home field advantage in the NFC. They hold the tiebreaking edge based on their 21-14 victory over the Dallas Cowboys on Nov. 13, and became the NFL's first division winner by clinching the NFC West two weeks ago.

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Their winning streak includes three victories of more than 40 points, including last Sunday's 50-14 blowout of Atlanta. And their defense, loaded with free agents such as former Chargers inside linebacker Gary Plummer, has come together.

"That (Philadelphia) game kind of shook everyone up and kind of humiliated us," said Young, the NFL's top-rated passer who has thrown 20 touchdown passes and only two interceptions during the winning streak. "Certainly from that point on we turned around and said, 'Well, let's quit walking on eggshells. Everyone's a 49er, let's just go play like it.'

"I think that humiliation made a big difference in the way we played football. We've played much more intense since then, and really a lot more error-free since then.

Several weeks ago, 49ers-Chargers looked it might be a Super Bowl preview.

"It could still be, there's no doubt about that," Young said. "Either one of us could still be there.

"We've got a lot to work for this week," he added. "We're looking at bye weeks, we're looking at home-field advantage, we're looking at all kinds of things that are very important to us, and you know that the Chargers have a lot a riding this week. So we're looking at a big ballgame.

The Chargers still need one win to clinch the AFC West title. They could have won it Monday night, but lost at home to the Los Angeles Raiders 24-17.

"I would go as far as saying if there were a game that would make a big change in our season, since probably against New Orleans, this is it," said defensive tackle Shawn Lee, a key link in trying to contain the scrambling Young. "Monday night, that was a must win, and we didn't win. So that makes this game much more of a must-win game."

Although the Chargers won 36-22 at New Orleans on Oct. 16 to go 6-0, that's when their breakdowns began, mostly on defense.

"After a period of time, it caught up to us," Lee said. "It's fixable, if everyone decides that we'd like to go not only to the playoffs, but further than the playoffs, and put the rest of the season behind us."

Each loss has brought a different breakdown — dropped passes, poor pass protection, poor run blocking. Injuries are mounting on the offensive line, and quarterback Stan Humphries bruised his right thumb in the first half Monday, requiring a cortisone shot.

Defenses are bottling up Natrone Means, whose 1,142 yards leave him 84 short of breaking the club single-season rushing record of 1,225. And the Chargers can't hit the big pass play.

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"It’s a single-game elimination, as far as we’re concerned." Indianapolis coach Ted Marchibroda said. "This is the first one. It’s one we have to take, and I think the uphill climb could be extremely tough."

He knows a loss probably would render meaningless the remaining two games, both at home against AFC East rivals Miami and Buffalo.

The Colts haven’t won or lost two straight games in their last 10. They need to change that after rebounding from the loss to New England by beating Seattle 31-19 last Sunday.

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Pettit’s Huskers head into Friday night’s semifinals of the NCAA Mideast Regional with a 30-0 record, the only perfect mark in Division I-A this season.

Nebraska meets Colorado (24-7) at 6 p.m., followed by Notre Dame (33-3) against Penn State (29-3) at 8 p.m. Winners of Friday night’s matches face off Saturday to earn a spot in the Final Four at Austin, Texas.

Before the Big Eight Conference tournament, Pettit said his team had not had a bad match all season. However, it had not been a dominating team like some of his past squads.

Nebraska has been to the Final Four in 1986, 1989 and 1990 so it is not like Pettit has been without talent in 17 years at the school. But earning a trip to Austin as a Final Four participant has been a driving force for this year’s team.

Six of Nebraska’s top seven players had major roles on a team that was uncharacteristically unorganized in a humming loss to Notre Dame in the second round of last year’s NCAA tournament. This team is different because of that experience, Pettit said.

“Your experienced players know how to keep pushing at the end of the year.” Pettit said. “A lot of times you’ll see freshman head south at about this point because they just aren’t used to making a grind for this long. But your experienced players understand that this is a different time of year, and you just have to keep getting better.”

The Huskers are gifted ball handlers, play solid defense and have a reliable big gun in Big Eight player of the year Allison Weston at middle blocker.

“Our team plays off her energy,” Pettit said. “I think every player on the team is playing significantly better than they did last year. A lot of it is in little ways you might not see statistically.”

Pettit said the 1993 Husker team had only one player — setter Nikki Stricker — who earned All-Big-Ten. "We will be a completely different team," said Pettit.

Penn State’s 29-3 record is no farce. Two out of three of the Lions’ losses were to fourth-ranked Ohio State, and the other loss was to Michigan State. The Spartans accounted for the first of the three Irish defeats earlier this season.

Penn State’s potent weapon is senior setter Salima Davidson, who was selected to the first team All-Big-Ten. Senior outside hitter Laura Cook also wreaks havoc in the court of opponents with a team-leading 422 kills and 381 digs.

“Penn State has their entire starting line-up back,” said Coach Brown. “They are not going to make errors.”

Brown is prepared for the task that lies ahead of her team, but has full confidence that if her team plays up to its potential, it will have no problems defeating the Lions.

“We are going to have to be patient and have endurance through the long rallies,” said Brown.

And, Brown thinks, that style of match may be in the favor of the Irish. "I think it should be a good, competitive match. But we’re going to win."
Irish skaters need CCHA wins ‘badly’

By MICHAEL DAY
Sports Writer

The opportunity is here for the
taking.

With a pair of struggling teams heading into town this weekend in Alaska-Fairbanks and Miami of Ohio, it could be the perfect chance for the Notre Dame hockey team to turn around a disappointing season.

“We know we need to win these two games badly,” said goaltender Wade Salzman.

“We’ve been struggling, but if we can get a couple of wins here, it should pick us up for the rest of the season.”

After falling to Michigan 11-2 last weekend, the Irish’s record has fallen to 3-11 overall, including a 1-9 mark in CCHA play. However, the squad hopes to snap their six-game losing streak tonight against a struggling 4-9-1 Alaska-Fairbanks team.

For the Irish to win for the first time since November 11, they must receive more consist­ent play out of their defense. The unit currently ranks last in the CCHA, giving up an average of 5.90 goals per game.

“We need better play from our defense,” said coach Ric Schafter.

Alaska-Fairbanks enters the game averaging just 3.17 goals per game. As bad as the Nanooks have been on offense, they have been worse on the defensive end. UAF gives up 4.50 goals per game, so Notre Dame should be able to take advantage of struggling goaltenders Larry Moberg and Brian Fish.

“We just need to get back to the basics and start doing the things that we do well,” said Jamie Ling. “We have the talent to beat anybody we play.”

Saturday’s game against Miami at the Joyce Fieldhouse should pose a tougher challenge. Coming off two wins over the Nanooks last weekend, the Redskins currently stand at 7-7 overall, including a 5-4 mark in CCHA competition.

Offensively, Miami is led by the outstanding trio of junior center Kevyn Adams, left wing Marc Boxer, and center Andrew Miller. Each rank among the CCHA leaders in goals and assists.

The Irish will attempt to counter the Rhode’s offense with Ling and sophomore cen-
ter Tim Harberts. Ling is currently sixth in the CCHA in scoring with 20 points, and Harberts leads the team in goals with seven.

With freshman goaltender Matt Eisler out with a injured hamstring, Salzman will again earn the starting nod at goal­tender. Despite struggling in last Saturday’s route at Michigan, the junior goalie is confident that he and his teammates will be able to turn things around this weekend.

“It’s been very frustrating,” said Salzman. “But we’re working hard and giving it all we got. We know what we got to do—it’s just a matter of going out and doing it.”

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Kurowski, Ryan Hoover, Pat Garrity and Lamarr Justice have done by committee what Monty Williams had to do all by himself last season.

The difference has been dramatic.

"It’s healthy that we have this kind of balance," MacLeod said. "It’s a good pattern to see develop."

An even better pattern has been the victories that have re-
sulted from the newfound scor-
ing distribution.

Another victory Saturday would catapult the Irish into their 12-day layoff on a high note. But regardless of the out-
come, Saturday’s game offers the scenario for another Notre Dame-DePaul classic.

“It’s Saturday afternoon basketball in Chicago," MacLeod said. "It’s perfect.”

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**ND-DePaul a meaningful match**

By JASON KELLY  
Assistant Sports Editor

This rivalry reaches across generations, cluttering the past of both programs with memories and melodrama. It has lost some of its national appeal in recent years as both teams have struggled to revive lost traditions. But Notre Dame-DePaul still matters, if only to the participating schools and their most ardent followers.

The teams will add another chapter to their age-old men’s basketball rivalry in a brand new building Saturday afternoon. Tipoff is set for 3 p.m. (South Bend time) at Chicago’s United Center.

“No. 5 Penn State seven confrontations, Penn State has coach Debbie Brown after the come-from-behind 9-15, 15-11, 15-13, including three victories which have State to arrive Lincoln, Nebraska, the first-round bye and an exhausting mental. The Lions have erased Irish story. The Irish are prepared for tonight’s having a first-round bye in the 1992 tournament and in the Regionals. The Irish also hope to have the mental edge in the match, mostly because the team’s success being its depth, a full roster. With one of the keys to the roster is definitely in favor of the Irish.

The struggling Notre Dame hockey team hopes to rebound this weekend against Alaska-Anchorage and Miami of Ohio. See Page 34 of note...