Billy Joel to go to an extreme in upcoming show  
By DAVE TYLER  
News Editor

The Piano Man will put Notre Dame in the mood for a medal at the 1996 Winter Olympics. Set for Jan. 30. He will also take questions from the audience.

Billy Joel (yes, the one who was married to Christie Brinkley) will appear at Stepan Center at 7 p.m. in an unique solo performance set in a surprisingly intimate setting for a rock superstar. The concert is not a concert in the traditional sense of the word. Joel will take the stage in an intimate room and play a variety of songs, although not necessarily all of his compositions. Joel has moved recently from playing large outdoor stadium show to smaller more intimate appearances. In recent years he has played such shows at Princeton, Harvard and Long Island University at South Hampton.

"Things are going to be extremely laid back," said the Student Union's Julie Wallman who is helping to coordinate Joel's appearance. "I think it will be almost like sitting around your living room with Billy Joel."

Joel will have a guitar, piano and synthesizer at his disposal and will play whatever.stars, said Wallman. If his recent shows are any guide, audience members are just as likely to hear Beethoven's "Ode To Joy" as they are Joel classics like "Goodnight Saigon." "We don't really have a set format yet, but from what I've heard he really likes to wing it," said Wallman.

Joel's very appearance at Notre Dame came together in a rather haughty manner, Wallman said. Joel's agent sprang the idea on Notre Dame student organizations just before final exams last semester.

The pervasive campus rumor that Joel had been banned from Notre Dame by school officials for

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Exhibits display ‘domestic’ art  
By PATTI CARSON  
Saint Mary's Editor

If a picture is worth a thousand words, then just take a listen to this evening. Two artistic photography exhibits will open tonight at the Moreau Galleries on the Saint Mary's campus. The Hammes Gallery of Moreau will feature Lorrie Novak's "Out of Darkness." And "Open Intimate Setting: Photographs on Fabric," Amalia Amaki's and Suzanne Williamson's exhibit, will also be featured in the Little Theatre Gallery of Moreau. Opening receptions for both exhibits start tonight at 7 p.m. and run until 9 p.m.

Novak is a nationally-recognized artist who is currently teaching as an assistant professor of photography at New York University. Her ethereal color photographs of family album-type portraits is a projected large scale onto night scenes of landscapes which are intended to evoke memories, dreams, and emotions. K. Johnson Bowles, director of Moreau Galleries, says that a trend in "domestic" art is noticeable lately. "I think that artists are using domestic forms for symbolic purposes."

Bowles said, "They are finding familiar forms and trying to evoke feelings about life in general." she added.

Amaki, graduate of the Art Institute of Chicago, has received numerous awards and grants including the National Endowment for the Arts Individual Artist's Fellowship in Photography in 1990. Unfortunately, the artist will not be present at the opening tonight due to obligations in relation to the 1996 Olympic games, according to Bowles.

The other exhibit featured at the opening is that of Amaki and Williamson. It is dualistic in nature as these artists collaborated to compose the exhibit. Amaki constructs patchwork quilt-like pieces from photographs of people transferred onto fabric as well as domestic symbols to comment on the opening tonight.

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Orange Bowl proceeds to fund scholarships  
By KELLY BROOKS  
News Writer

Notre Dame is projected to receive close to $8 million for its Orange Bowl appearance. Many wonder where the money goes. Some may assume it goes back to the athletic department, but it goes directly to help the students.

Notre Dame has decided to use $5 million of the proceeds from the Orange Bowl to make more scholarships, available to students starting in the fall of 1996. This is a change from the University’s past policy which relied on a financial endowment to fund undergraduate scholarships.

"In recent years bowl money has gone to supporting the endowment for undergraduates," said Joe Fisette, director of financial aid. "Bowl proceeds will still support undergraduate scholarships but rather than putting all the money in the endowment (the new policy) provides more money to students sooner."

An endowment is a permanent source of income for scholarships, but the revenue stream takes a long time to flow at the level that would help all students. By withholding some of the Orange bowl earnings, more money is made available to students as soon as possible. The University will continue to improve the endowment. "An endowment is a long term goal but until we get there we will spend the revenue stream. It puts us in a position to help more students," Russo said.

The University is committed to making available another $5 million in yearly scholarships for the next four years. The money will come from sources such as bowl proceeds, licencing income, and the NBC contract, which have already increased the financial aid endowment by more than $30 million just in the past three years.

"The money is great news for students," Russo said.
**National Hockey League's super puck lights up TV screens**

**BOSTON** The big problem with watching hockey on TV — trying to see that little puck — is about to be solved by James Bond-style technology: a computer chip embedded in the disc to help it stand out on the screen like a neon light.

The National Hockey League and the Fox network unveiled the high-tech puck Thursday.

"There are a whole lot of people who haven't been brought into the hockey experience. This is an opportunity to entice new fans into the television set," said NHL vice president Steve Solomon.

FoxTrax, as the puck-tracking system is known, will make its debut in Saturday's All-Star Game at Boston's FleetCenter.

On the ice, the puck is indistinguishable from a regular disc, but high above, hundreds of a gram of an official 6-ounce puck. Held in your hand, the clue is the 12 dots around the edges and four on each side — infrared emitters.

On television, the SuperPuck appears with a digitize, animated halo that follows it around like a little brother. "The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer."

**A Needed Return to the Center**

The budget battle in Washington has claimed another victim. Tuesday William Cohen announced he would not seek reelection. The senator from Maine marks the thirteenth to make the same decision. This brings the unfulfilled promise of twelve set back in 1986.

In these days of disenchantment with politics and their players the loss of Cohen perhaps will not be as jarring as it should be. Perhaps Cohen's decision will not cause a major ripple in the Senate pool. But Cohen's decision should perhaps point to a more serious situation in politics.

The loss of this fairly obscure senator from Maine, whom most of us probably never heard of, will mark a milestone in Senate history. More senators have called it quits now than at any other time in American history. But why these gaffes? Why would so many want to leave a job that arguably has some of the best fringe benefits any other? The answer to this looms large and important: the Senate is definitely heading in a scale in this country. Only through collaboration and mutual understanding can the Senate be a force for good.

When a player lets loose with a slapshot, the puck is trailed by an electronic comet tail that streaks across the television screen. Fox can give it any shape or color it wants. "With computer graphics, it can simulate anything from Roger Rabbit to Guilty," Fox vice president Jerry Geppner said.

And so, while video games are looking more and more like the real thing, the NHL and Fox have turned hockey into something out of Segu. It will become a little easier for hockey purists to react.

"We're obviously very concerned about our core fans. We don't want to do anything that turns off this segment of the audience," Solomon said. "It's also a matter of the core fans of the game that do not need the puck enhancement since they are used to it."

At the very least, SuperPuck backers want to make sure it doesn't interfere with the game. To that end, the puck was tested and found to drift as a consequence at more than 110 mph to make sure they will hold up.

**Judge overturns memory conviction**

A court set up by the United Nations to try people accused in Rwanda's 1994 genocide plans to start examining mass graves of some victims next month.

The International Tribunal for Rwanda has a list of 400 suspects, but has only indicted eight people, none of whom have been tried yet. The court's chief prosecutor, Richard Goldstone, said Tuesday the court will have to rely on testimony — a daughter's sudden recollection of seeing her father kill her playmate 20 years earlier — will be screened, prosecutors said after the George Franklin's conviction and life sentence were overturned last year by a federal judge who said the trial of a made two major errors: allowing jurors to find a confession in Franklin's silent response to a jailhouse confession, and barring defense evidence of news reports she might have read.

Judge overturns memory conviction

**United Nations to exhume graves**

The death of President Juvenal Habyarimana, a moderate Hutu, allowed Hutu extremists to unleash a campaign of genocide against Tutsis. The Hutu-dominated government and military to exile Goldstone did not say where the mass graves are.
O'Connell earns award for Catholic literature

Special to The Observer

Father Marvin O'Connell, professor emeritus of history, received the American Catholic Historical Association's John Gilmary Shea Prize during the association's 76th annual meeting in Atlanta on January 6.

The Shea prize is given annually to an American or Canadian author for a distinguished work of historical scholarship. O'Connell's recent book, "Critics on Trial: An Introduction to the Catholic Modernist Crisis," was selected by a committee of church historians from a field of 26 books on Catholic history.

The citation praised O'Connell for his presentation of a complicated Catholic controversy "in its intricacy winds through late 19th and early 20th century secular and ecclesiastical culture" and for his success in offering "a cohesive narrative despite the fact that the modernist movement was never as neatly circumscribed as past church crises."

"Critics on Trial" was published by Catholic University of America Press.

A native of St. Paul, Minn., O'Connell studied philosophy and history at Saint Paul Seminary and was ordained a priest for the archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis before receiving a doctoral degree from the University of Notre Dame in 1959.

He taught history at the University of Saint Thomas from 1951 until 1958, and from 1960 to 1972, when he joined the Notre Dame faculty.

At Notre Dame he served as chairperson of the history department from 1974-80, and from 1993-95 he directed the University's undergraduate program in London.

He is at work on a biography of Notre Dame's founder, Fr. Edward Sorin.

In the course of things

A student picks up his course packet at the newly relocated Copy Shop in the Corby Room of the La Fortune Student Center. Copying is still a service offered at the original Copy Shop in the basement.

Essay of ND magazine editor wins recognition

Special to the Observer

An article by Kerry Temple, editor of Notre Dame Magazine, has been selected as one of the outstanding essays of 1995.

"Last Call of the Wild" — in which Temple tells of his trek into the wilderness of New Mexico to pay homage to the naturalist Aldo Leopold — was cited as one of the "notable essays of 1995" in the 10th edition of "The Best American Essays," published by Houghton Mifflin Company.

Notre Dame Magazine is the only university periodical represented among the selections, which includes articles from Atlantic Monthly, Esquire and Smithsonian.

A 1974 Notre Dame graduate, Temple was appointed editor of the magazine in July. He joined the staff as an associate editor in 1981 and was managing editor from 1985-95.

By ED WHITE

"Don't do that."

Marshall, 38, was convicted Jan. 4 of misdemeanor abuse for shoving his wife, Crystal, against the wall Oct. 31. Marshall acknowledged grabbing his wife by the shirt and pushing her against the wall. She fell to the floor.

"Any man in this county who deals violently with a woman should not expect a slap on the wrist. That is not what happened here," Gehrke said Thursday. "The whole thing was staged. . . . Sometimes women lie. Sometimes women manipulate."

Gehrke played a tape of the trial at a news conference in his courtroom. 50 miles northeast of Grand Rapids, and also was interviewed on Rush Limbaugh's syndicated radio talk show.

The altercation between the Marshalls stemmed from an affair that Mrs. Marshall had with her husband's brother that resulted in a pregnancy. Eventually, the couple reconciled, and Marshall said they agreed they would put the baby up for adoption.

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sensor III, is used as a method to determine the blood alcohol level in a motorist suspected of driving under the influence. This model has a three digit readout instead of the traditional two digit, Kajzer said.

Notre Dame Security also uses the Alco-sensor, according to Assistant Director of Notre Dame Security Chuck Hurley. At least two of the units on campus are equipped with the portable breathalyzers, and the Security Building contains a stationary breathalyzer machine which officers must be certified to operate and from which results are admissible in court.

When a driver is suspected of driving under the influence, the officer has probable cause to stop the car and administer tests to determine whether or not the individual is sober.

Once the car has been stopped, Kajzer said that additional probable cause can include smell of alcohol on the driver and bloodshot eyes.

Once the officer has probable cause to believe that a motorist is driving under the influence, an officer has probable cause to test for alcohol, said Kajzer.

At a Joyce Center news conference, the director of student police for the State of Indiana, Ande Comdr. John Frager said.

The body of L.t. Robert Funk, 26, was found alive with minor injuries, the Navy said today. The PA-18 Hornet jets collided Wednesday evening during a training mission. Navy officials said the two pilots had been alive a few hours after the crash, Petty Officer Michael Bowles said.

The body of Lt. Comdr. Brian Long, 28, was found by searchers shortly before mid-night, Frazer said.

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once performing his late 1970's hit "Only the Good Die Young" at a Joyce Center appearance is just that - a rumor, said Kajzer. That song contains the oft-quoted line "Come on Virginia, don't make me wait..."

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Public colleges see tuitions fall

By JON MARCUS
Associated Press

BOSTON

Knowledge may be getting cheaper. After increasing at more than double the rate of inflation for a decade, tuition at some universities and colleges is coming down.

Massachusetts public colleges cut tuition 5 percent to 10 percent on Wednesday, one day after North Country Community College, part of the State University of New York, lowered part-time tuition 12 percent.

Last week, North Carolina Wesleyan College said it would cut tuition 23 percent. And in November, Muskingum College in Ohio decided to reduce the cost of an education 29 percent.

The schools say they have dropped their prices in response to public anger over escalating costs, and to attract more students. Muskingum already is seeing what it described as a significant increase in applications.

"Education is becoming regarded more and more as a commodity," said the college's president, Samuel W. Speck Jr. "Colleges and universities have been increasing tuition and fees faster than inflation and family income, and each time you do that you're pricing more people out of the market."

For years, colleges have blamed tuition increases on the cost of giving scholarships to students who cannot afford an education.

But whenever tuition went up, more students found themselves in need, and the additional revenue would go toward financial aid.

Colleges were like dogs chasing their tails. Tuition has climbed at double the rate of inflation for 10 years — including last fall, when prices rose an average of 6 percent. Tuition and fees — not including room and board — now average $2,860 at four-year public universities and $12,432 at four-year private colleges and universities, according to the College Board.

Other schools are now planning their tuition for the fall.

Clinton prepares to deliver State of Union

Address will focus in part on budget battle

By TERENCE HUNT
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Deadlocked with Republicans over a balanced budget, President Clinton will confront a hostile Congress when he delivers his State of the Union address Thursday. His election-year message: All sides must face up to America's real problems of crime, education and the economy.

The speech will open Clinton's 1996 campaign and preview the themes he will throw at his Republican rival.

The budget battle will loom over Clinton's address, which comes just three days before the expiration of a temporary measure keeping much of the government open. However, presidential spokesman Mike McCurry said the budget won't be Clinton's primary focus.

"In a sense, he will make the budget fight seem puny by talking about the things that have a much more direct impact on the lives of Americans," McCurry said.

Everyone agrees it would be an excuse in facility for Clinton to ask the Republican Congress to approve a lengthy list of initiatives.

Still, he is expected to offer ideas dealing with the economy, education, crime and the environment.

He also is expected to renew his call for a campaign against the junk-food industry — a crusade he promised in last year's address, only to let fade away with his failed nomination of Dr. Henry Foster as surgeon general.

Last year, soon after taking control of Congress, the Republicans booted Clinton's speech. The mood is sure to be worse this year after a year of hot tempers, angry battles and veto struggles.

One thing seems certain: Clinton's address won't be as long as last year's 81-minute marathon.

Republicans happily ridiculed it as too long, and the White House says it won't let them give them another easy shot.

On the budget, the president will argue that Congress and the White House should put aside their disputes and lock in a deal with what the administration claims are $740 billion in agreed-upon savings.

"It is wrong for us to defer this because of disagreements that are not necessary to resolve in order to have a balanced budget or a modest tax cut," Clinton said Thursday, a day after Republicans called off budget talks with the White House.

Republicans portray Clinton as the barrier to a budget deal and hope to make that the focus of the November election.

"We'll take it to the voters rather than make a bad budget deal," said Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole of Kansas, who is running for the GOP presidential nomination.

Clinton solicited speech ideas from political scientists at White House dinners. Other suggestions were invited from a coalition of America — from radio humorist Garrison Keillor to Boston University president John Silber — and their ideas were compiled in a green book for Clinton.

"The principal theme is, 'Look, setting aside all this bickering, we've got some big challenges facing us as America goes into the 21st century,'" McCurry said.

Clinton's focus away from the titanic budget struggle is, of course, dictated by political reality.
States take part in crack down
By LAURAN NEERGAARD
Associated Press
WASHINGTON
The government is giving states seven months to figure out how to crack down on illegal tobacco sales. Congress in 1992 passed a law that would require any store selling tobacco to anyone under 18. The so-called Synar amendment, named for the late Oklahoma Rep. Mike Synar, requires states to enforce the sales ban.

But the Department of Health and Human Services never told states how to do the job — and studies have estimated that teens eat about 3 million packs of cigarettes a year.

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States sees strong, damaging winds
By RICK CALLAHAN
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS
High winds gusting up to 60 mph raked the state Thursday, bringing an abrupt end to spring-like warmth, knocking down trees and sending teeming rains and snow showers throughout the state. Showers and thunderstorms developed ahead of a strong cold front that clashed with readings in the 60s that arrived at what's normally the coldest time of the year. The halmy readings were short-lived, however, with a blast of polar air expected to cause a 50-degree plunge in temperatures by daybreak Friday.

"You have to have a really strong system in order to have this warm of air this far north at this time of the year," said Michael Sabones, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Indianapolis. "It happens from time to time but not very often."

At least one death was blamed on the winds, an Indianapolis man killed when he was struck by a falling tree about 3:45 p.m. Thursday on the city's north side. The man's identity was being withheld pending notification of relatives.

Thursday's storms brought 40 mph winds to most of the state, including a 62 mph gust that knocked down trees in the Columbus area. A gust in excess of 50 mph that blew the roof off a barn southwest of Alexandria was typical of damage reports scattered across a wide swath of the state.

Indianapolis' high rose to 61 Thursday, the warmest since a 63-degree reading on Dec. 14, said Sabones. In Fort Wayne, the high was 60, tying the record high originally set in 1973, while South Bend rose to 59, breaking the previous record of 58 set the same year.

By Friday morning, the unseasonable warmth will be nothing but a memory. With readings in the teens, about 2 inches of snow are forecast to be on the ground in the north and less than an inch over the south. Winds will remain gusty Friday, producing dangerous low wind chills and blowing and drifting snow, the weather service said.

Thursday's midwinter warmth melted most of the state's snowpack, leaving only grayish mounds of snow piled along roads and in parking lots. The runoff from the sudden melt fueled flooding around the Wabash River, East Fork of the White River and the White River through early this week.

"There is flooding, but the areas that are flooded are the low-lying areas that always flood," said Alden Taylor, a spokesman for the State Emergency Management Agency.

The sudden melt fueled many fires in the north, particularly in New York and Ohio. Chicago reached 58 degrees, Cleveland hit 60 and Jackson, Ky., 69.

The storm caught many by surprise because it moved in so quickly after a spell of mild weather. In Oklahoma, the temperature dropped 40 degrees in two hours on Wednesday. Waterloo, Iowa, was a balmy 60 on Wednesday; on Thursday, the wind chill hit 50 below zero.

"We had a little Florida, then a little Minnesota," said Megan Terry at the National Weather Service in Norman, Okla.

Minnesota had a little Arctic. Wind gusting to 60 mph pushed the wind chill down to 90 degrees below zero at Crookston. The wind chill hit minus 72 in Grand Forks, N.D., and more than 60 below in parts of Nebraska.

"We went out yesterday just once and that was for food," said Irma Abel in Hallock, Minn., where the wind chill was minus 86. "We'll be staying out of this stuff today. The only time I'm going out is to walk the dog, and it will be a short walk.

National Guardsmen used armored vehicles to help rescue stranded motorists in Polk County, Iowa. But elsewhere, even rescuers had to stay indoors.

"We're not sure whether there are people stranded out there or not," Minnesota State Patrol dispatcher Roxanne Engum said. "Because of the zero visibility, we can't get out there. At one point, more than 200 cars were stranded in Nebraska.
Israel, Syria approach treaty

**Assad willing to give recognition to Israeli state**

By BARRY SCHWEID

WASHINGTON

In what would be a revolutionary shift, President Hafez Assad of Syria is willing to sign a peace treaty with Israel that includes an element of recognition of the Jewish state, Israel's ambassador to Washington said Thursday.

"What element, we don't know yet," Ambassador Itamar Rubinovich, who doubles as a negotiator in talks with Syria, said at a news conference.

Israel will pursue the offer at a new round of negotiations opening next Wednesday at the Wye Conference Center in eastern Maryland. The talks also will focus on distribution of scarce water resources and on making the Israel-Syria border secure, Rubinovich said.

Rubinovich, a professor and specialist on Syrian history before becoming an Israeli diplomat, described Assad as well entrenched in Damascus, contentedly able to offer comprehensive peace.

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Yeltsin weathers hostage crisis

By CHRIS BIRD
Associated Press

Boris Yeltsin declared a bitter victory Thursday over Chechen rebels. They were wiped out by Russian troops and most of their hostages survived an assault that turned a tiny village into a wasteland of cinders and corpses sprawled in snow-covered ditches.

His account, which attempted to put a humiliating and politically costly episode in the best possible light, could not be independently confirmed. Other government and military officials said fewer hostages lived through the barrage and some rebels survived.

Photographers allowed into Pervomyskaya after the four-day assault found bloodied bodies lying in makeshift bunkers alongside rows of rifles and stacks of ammunition boxes. Those images may bolster Yeltsin’s image for taking a tough line against well-armed rebels — or may increase the perception that the country is on the brink of chaos and that Chechen war is a mistake.

The immediate reaction from rebel forces to Yeltsin’s remarks and it was not clear if they had reached rebel sympathizers who were holding a Turkish ferry hostage and threatening to kill the Russian officials.

Trying to explain why a huge Russian force took so long to defeat a band of no more than 250 rebels, Yeltsin claimed the village masked a giant underground rebel base with concrete gun emplacements.

The claim about Pervomyskaya, a remote hamlet of simple brick houses, seemed highly unlikely.

Chechen separatists humiliated Russia last week when they slipped past the border into the neighboring Russian republic of Dagestani to press their demand that Moscow pull its troops out of Chechnya.

After a five-day standoff in Pervomyskaya near Chech­nya’s border, Russian troops sur­rendered Monday, unleashing their tanks, artillery and helicopter gunships on the gunners who surrounded them.

On Thursday, Yeltsin said his forces had killed the gunmen and would now go after rebel leaders who have vowed to taking hostages and attacking Russian towns in their fight for independence from Russia.

“We have taught (rebels leader Dzhokhar) Dudayev a sound lesson, and now it is necessary to deliver strikes on Dudayev’s strongholds ... to put an end to terrorism on Russian soil,” Yeltsin said.

Defense cuts fund U.S. mission

By JOHN DIAMOND
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The White House is preparing a list of $1.6 billion in defense spending cuts to partially pay for the Bosnia troop deployment, according to documents obtained Thursday by The Associated Press.

The draft list proposed cutting projects for an expanded need of B-2 bombers, Army and Marine Corps Reserve helicopters, machine guns, fighter planes and research projects.

A Pentagon official cautioned that the list, titled “Program Budget Decision 719,” is under review by the Office of Management and Budget and could be changed. If approved by Congress, the cuts would provide most of the $2 billion the Pentagon estimates it will spend on the year-long deployment of 20,000 troops in Bosnia.

The Clinton administration also spoke Thursday of its plans to provide artillery, helicopters and communications equipment to the Muslim-Croat federation to hold its own against better-armed Serbs if new fighting erupts after the peacekeepers leave.

“it’s a kind of insurance policy” for the federation, an administration official said. “It will create a military balance. But if deterrence fails, they will be able to defend themselves.”

The administration is portraying the proposed $1.6 billion in cuts as a modest bite out of the $7 billion that the Republican-controlled Congress added to the President Clinton’s defense budget request for this year.

Based on an agreement between the administration and the congressional leadership, some programs added by the Congress would be proposed for rescission in order to fill the $1.6 billion cut in Bosnia and fi­nance the Bosnia (deployment),” according to an admin­istration memo accompanying the list of cuts.

Republican would be likely to balk at some of the proposed cuts.

“We’re going to make the fiscal decision — that speaks for itself,” said Rep. Bill Young, R-Tampa, chairman of the House Appropriations national secu­rity subcommittee.

In Remembrance

Dr. Roland Smith, Jr., speaks at the forum entitled the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Celebration, 1996: Economic Justice—or Just Us?

Flat tax stance affects Forbes voter support

By SANDRA SOBERAJ
Associated Press

MANCHESTER, N.H.

GOP presidential candidate Steve Forbes acknowledged to­day that he has put his “politi­cal life on the line,” in propos­ing to scrap a popular mort­gage-interest tax deduction.

Despite some economists’ worries that losing the deduc­tion may devalue homes, Forbes held firm on his pure flat-tax plan, urging voters to consider possible broader gains as their overall tax bill is cut.

“People will have more to spend and the cost of financing a home goes down,” the multim­illionaire publisher told a Rotary Club breakfast here. “In the real world all of us come out ahead.”

One day after a Republican conference in Washington en­dorsed the idea of a single-rate income tax, Forbes seemed en­ergetic. He maintained that ev­eryone would pay lower taxes under his 17 percent flat tax plan, and that it would drive up savings rates and push interest rates lower. “I know I’m putting my political life on the line, but please go beyond what they say you will lose,” Forbes said, referring to deductions.

Pumping up his usual stump speech, Forbes called the cur­rent tax code an “anti-family, anti-growth monstrosity” that terrorizes the American people. His call for killing the tax code and creating a job re-training program for Internal Revenue Service workers drew enthusi­astic applause from the break­fast crowd of about 150 busi­nessmen and women.

Forbes dismissed criticism that his flat-tax will drive the deficit and suggested that, if this were the case, Washington lawmakers would have to adjust spending downward.

“If something is good for the nation, shouldn’t Washington adjust to the needs of the nation rather than the nation adapting to the appetites of Washington,” Forbes said.

On other issues, Forbes reit­erated his call for medical sav­ings accounts to replace Medi­care; for retirement accounts to replace Social Security for younger workers, and for an act that would put tenants in control of public housing.

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Living in a bathrobe beats ‘working for a living’

No office, no boss, no worries, no money. I’m not retired, I’m a free-lance writer. I’m living the life deadline journalists dream of...work in your bathrobe, meet your friends at lunch, cash checks that arrive in the mail. The downside, at least in the early part of the free-lancer’s career, is a life of constant rejection. Our early manuscripts come right back with form letters ("we’re sorry, but your manuscript does not meet our needs at this time...’). This is nothing new for writers. Late 19th century Indiana writer Booth Tarkington (who won a Pulitzer Prize for The Magnificent Ambersons) complained that when he started writing, it seemed as though “my poor things must have been stopped and returned from Philadelphia, they didn’t seem to have had time to get all the way to New York and back.”

Of course worse than a rejection slip is never hearing at all. Chicago writer Harry Mark Petrakis once had a story out with an editor for more than a year, never give in, never, never, never, never. If you want to be a writer, that’s the best advice you’ll ever get.

Another line I find even more appropriate is this: How do writers feel about editors? That’s like asking the fire hydrants how they feel about the dogs. Sometimes the writing life gets me down... I crave an office, a 401K plan, office supplies somebody else pays for... Then I realize that this would actually entail working for a living, and I immediately sit down and start writing again.’
Loving Lady of Lourdes

The following letter was received in response to a letter requesting for Grotto stories to commemorate the Grotto's one hundredth anniversary on August 5, 1996. The author of the letter and Lucy's husband, Notre Dame Professor Mark Plinkston, have granted permission to publish it to encourage others to share their Grotto memories.

Dear Editor:

I had a friend named Lucy Plinkston. Lucy was also my neighbor for ten years. We shared a common outlook on life and love for the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes at the University of Notre Dame. But the only time that we visited the grotto together was late evening on January 31, 1993, the night before my surgery for cancer. My prognosis was poor and I was filled with worry, fearing that I would not live to raise my chil-

The trip to the grotto was a special sticker on her car window over the dashboard. I laugh at how I think of her affectionately on the drive. The night was tranquil and the stars shone brightly as we drove through the countryside on our way to the grotto.]

Almost everyone at Notre Dame will forever be a reminder to me of the soul's survival because my evening visit there with Lucy made it so.

ANNE RAYMER

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Dear Editor:

Martin Luther King, Jr. led the civil rights movement of the 1960s with a vision that was coupled with his sincere attempt to change American society for the better. King's belief in non-violence, hatred of prejudice and segregation, and the rights of African-Americans, served as inspiration for the students of Notre Dame, who joined in the protest. King's passion and charismatic leadership helped to bring about a new era of hope and possibility for everyone.

Almost everyone at Notre Dame can recall some of the stories in Martin Luther King, Jr.'s famous "I Have a Dream" speech. The powerful words have been heard by millions of Americans and continue to inspire us to this day. When individuals decide that certain attitudes and behaviors need to change, they often turn to the wisdom of a great leader for guidance.

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The Year? 2096. Life in the shadow of The Dome sure has changed. But then again, the more things change, the more they stay the same. Nearby, the old Notre Dame campus still patrol campus with a vengeance. Nowadays, they're floating high above the treetops and really keep an eye on things. And the Admin building? It's huge! The old golden part is still around, but nobody ever ge...
change, the more they stay the same, right? Although security ditched the bikes way back in '23, they ping an eye on things. The Bookstore is eight times the size it used to be. It's also about 16 times as its a chance to see it. Unless, that is, you're one of those lucky folks security takes home after the top. But who wants a bunch of pictures with scaffolding anyhow? Buy a postcard.

MORE CONSTRUCTION?

Construction ahead! As of 2098, all dorms built after 1980 will be converted to administration buildings. The renovations will include satellite television in all rooms. Because construction will temporarily shut down WNDU until 2100, NBC will not be available in the student dormitories until all work is complete. Students will still have access to CBS, PBS, QVC and The Food Channel. Reception on WVFI 640 AM, Notre Dame's student run radio station, will now only be available in the basement of Farley, the elevator in Lewis and the third stall from the right in the fourth floor bathroom in Badin.

The new administration buildings, which will be all of West Quad, Mod Quad, and the new East Quad, will be equipped with saunas, weightrooms, bowling alleys, movie theaters, meditation rooms and lap pools. There will be one student faculty conference cubicle measuring 4 x 4 in each building. The new buildings will make Notre Dame's faculty/student ratio 48:1. First year grad students will continue to teach all of Notre Dame's freshman year classes, at least the ones that are not already "taught" by DeBartolo's Media-on-call system.

PARIETALS CHANGE!

In an unexpected joint decision released yesterday by Residence Life and Student Affairs, the University will experiment with changes in the parietals policy in the upcoming academic year. The six-minute addition, the first variation since the extension to 3:15 a.m. in 2051, now makes the magic number 3:21. But the new legislation comes with a catch. The extra six minutes will only go into effect on even single-digit Fridays during the first quarter following a new moon and on odd-numbered Saturdays of each month in which the first did not fall on a weekday. Any student caught breaking parietals will face disciplinary measures.

AND YOU THOUGHT THE VIEW FROM THE FRESHMAN SECTION WAS BAD?

Welcome fans to Notre Dame Stadium and the 209th season of Irish Football! We'd like to apologize right away for any inconvenience or light-headedness you might experience today, especially those folks up in the upper tiers. The stadium is currently undergoing its tenth expansion, slated to be completed later this year. After renovations are complete, the stadium will hold 251,307 ticket holders and everyone will have their own bathroom.

Classrooms will be added along the upper tier of the stadium and the old press boxes will be converted to dorm rooms by sometime next year. Because of increasing demands from alumni for tickets, we are happy to announce that the student section is now two seats wide and 4903 rows high! Yes that's right sports fans! You will now be a participant in the largest alumni reunion of all time! We'd also like to inform all Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students that we've increased ticket prices to $2096 in order to celebrate what could be yet another winning season for the Irish!
Owners unanimously approve interleague play

By RONALD BLUM

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Baseball owners broke with more than a century of tradition in 1997, unanimously approving the start of interleague play by 1998.

The 130 owners will play 15 or 16 interleague games each year, the most in baseball history. That's considerably more than the 10 contests other than the All-Star game and World Series.

"This is the greatest tradition in the world, but tradition shouldn't stand in the way," acting commissioner Bud Selig said. "This will be a tremendous success. There isn't a doubt in my mind.

Owners aren't worried that the two eventual World Series teams may play each other during the regular season.

"There's nothing in the Constitution of the United States that forbids that," Selig said. "I remember sitting in the Super Bowl last year and watching the San Francisco play San Diego, and somebody said they played last November. Their team could have been playing in the World Series.

In 1997, each team in the AL East will play against the NL East teams four times, and teams in the AL West will play against the NL West teams four times during the regular season.

"We have some clubs that were against it in the past when we took straw votes," said AL president Bill Giles, one of the plan's creators. "I just think it's logical to accept it and approve it.

The Major League Baseball Players Association must approve the idea, and owners said they aren't worried about union reaction.

"The concept of interleague play in major league baseball has been on the minds of serious consideration," union head Bob Feller said. "As we look for new ways to grow the game and make it more exciting, we will find more ways to make the game desirable. So a lot of good discussions have gone on.

"As a result, I generally think the designated hitter, used by the American League since 1973, probably won't be a sticking point.

NL president Len Coleman and AL president Gene Budig said that in 1997, the DH probably would be used in AL ballparks only.

The union wants the DH for all back league games, because it creates high-salaried DHs that owners have proposed the elimination of in the DH.

Selig said the "DH is a non-issue. "It is the DH that might kill interleague play, but I don't expect the union to do that," said Selig, speaking on the expectation that chief operating officer John Harrington, chairman of the union's scheduling committee.

Owners said they anticipated interleague games will rotate by division, meaning that every AL East team will meet at least once every three seasons, but they didn't formulate specific plans.

"We're creating new excitement, new opportunities," Selig said.

On the final day of their winter meetings, owners approved the proposed purchase of 25 percent of the California Angels by the Walt Disney Co., which will take over operation of the team this year, its founding owner in 1961. The deal is contingent on the Anaheim City Council approving within 60 days the reconfiguration of Angel Stadium. If that doesn't happen, Disney could either pull out or attempt to make more deals.

"There are obviously other alternatives," Disney chairman Michael Eisner said.

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By MEL REISNER
Associated Press

TEMPE, Ariz. — Imagine a Fortune 500 executive who arrives in Phoenix via Learjet, stays at the plush Phoenician resort and pays seven times face value for tickets to the Super Bowl.

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Arizona State’s 37-year-old stadium, seen by the university as a jewel between scenic, buttes, is a Jump of movers and shakers.

Arizona State is seeking public-private backing for a $200 million dome that would allow him to leave the stadium and still keep the Cardinals there.

He’s not alone in pointing out shortcomings.

“Face it, Phoenix,” the student newspaper State Press editorialized last September. “If you want to host a world-class event like the Super Bowl, you have to have a world-class facility.

Sun Devil Stadium just isn’t in that field.”

Bidwill began his quest in a cactus-topped butte, is a Jump of movers and shakers.

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Steelers confident in victory

By ALAN ROBINSON
Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — It is as inexcusable as a Charles Haley pass rush, as inexcusable as an outrageous Jerry Jones quote. No matter what they turn, the Pittsburgh Steelers keep hearing they can’t possibly beat Dallas.

Not these Cowboys, not this year, not this team. The Steelers of the 1970s were 2-0 in the Super Bowl against the Cowboys, but nobody has spotted Terry Bradshaw taking any snaps from center recently.

But if the public’s general apathy toward the Steelers’ chances is upsetting the mood or mentality of their locker room, it isn’t apparent.

Each new prediction causes only another shrug, and each new controversial statement from the Cowboys’ Valley Ranch complex barely elicits a response.

Neil O’Donnell’s reaction Thursday was typical of his teammates. So what?

“A lot of people have written us off all season, they wrote us off when we were 3-4,’ O’Donnell said. “There’s no more added pressure, because we’re just trying to go out and win one more game. You just don’t get caught up in it. You never know what’s going to happen in a game, so you just can’t get caught up in it.”

Just as Rod Woodson didn’t when his full-throttle comeback attempt from September reconstructive knee surgery was laughed off by Cowboys receiver Michael Irvin.

Irvin suggested it would be “scary” for Woodson to try to play so soon after surgery, in so big a game.

“I don’t know what he said, and I don’t care what he said,” Woodson explained. “Michael Irvin doesn’t wear black and gold. He’s not Dan Rooney. He doesn’t sign my paychecks.”

Chad Brown and Brentson Buckner are among several Steelers who have grown slightly uneasy about the Cowboys’ can’t-miss mentality, and they question why the game will be played if the winner is so certain.

Still, no Steelers have issued any outrageous predictions in response.

As coach Bill Cowher said, “ Nobody’s making any Joe Namath predictions.”

The Washington Redskins beat them twice, so they’re not unbeatable,” Brown said. “It’s a little frustrating; and I don’t feel as though we get very much respect. But we’re not going to earn respect by saying we don’t get it. The only chance to earn respect is go out there and win next Sunday.”

The Steelers’ best chance for that to happen. O’Donnell said, is to keep playing the style that’s been so successful as they’ve won 10 of their last 11 games. Run whenever possible, keep throwing the ball, avoid turnovers on defense.

“You have to stay in the game with them,” O’Donnell said. “They can’t let them jump on us early, because they can really bury you if they do.

Still, as if playing the Cowboys weren’t pressure enough, these Steelers must live with the legacy of their 1970s predecessors; a 4-0 record in the Super Bowl, 2-0 against the Cowboys.

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Happy 21st
Cowboys overcome turmoil to reach Super Bowl

By DENNE H. FREEMAN

Irvlg, Texas With all the distractions and adversity, it's a wonder the Dallas Cowboys ever made it to the Super Bowl.

Quarterback Troy Aikman put it this way: "This 1995 team overcame more than any Super Bowl team I've been on."

Did it ever, starting with a bad break and bad manners in the opener against the New York Giants.

Week 1 Cornerback Kevin Smith, who had been given a $11 million deal just the day before, was lost for the season with an achilles' tendon tear in the second quarter of the 25-0 rout as Emmitt Smith rushed for 163 yards and four touchdowns.

Dallas owner Jerry Jones, who had already irritated the NFL with a Pepsi Cola deal owner in the Summer that shot up the face at halftime.

While the Giants were trying to retire Phil Simms' number, Jones paraded Nike chief Phil Knight and tennis star Monica Seles around the stadium in full view of the fans and the national television cameras.

The NFL later sued Jones over the Nike deal, saying it infringed on property rights agreements.

Week 2 Jones announced he had signed Deion Sanders to a $32 million contract including a $13 million bonus, beating out the San Francisco 49ers, whose club president, Carmen Policy, called the offer "irresponsible."

On the field, the Cowboys beat Denver 31-21.

Week 3 Deion arrives at Valley Ranch, buys a new home and meets his new teammates, who claim they are not bothered by his outlandish salary.

On the field, the Cowboys beat Minnesota 23-17 in overtime on Smith's two touchdowns, who claim they are not bothered by his outlandish salary.

Week 4 A $300 million suit by the NFL over the Nike and Pepsi deals jars Valley Ranch.

On the field, the Cowboys act like nothing has happened with a 34-20 win over Arizona on three touchdowns.

Week 5 Sanders has surgery on his left ankle and doctors say it will be several weeks before he can play.

On the field, former Dallas offensive coordinator Norv Turner picks apart the team he knows so well and the Washington Redskins win 27-23.

The game triggers a tempest of finger pointing. Barry Switzer rips Leon Lett, Tony Tolbert and Charles Haley for their play. Later in the week Switzer apologizes for going public with his comments.

Week 6

On the field, Dallas beats Green Bay 34-24 but a still-irritated Haley threatens to quit. It's the sixth consecutive loss by the Packers to the Cowboys and the two teams are destined to meet again in the NFC championship.

Week 7 Haley sheepishly admits he was wrong for his outburst and begs the team's forgiveness. He says he will play out the rest of the year.

On the field, Dallas rolls over San Diego 23-9 as the enraged defense produces six sacks.

Week 8 In a bye week, holdout linebacker Darrin Smith finally signs a contract for $400,000 and joins the team for conditioning work.

Week 9 Sanders bounces back quick er than expected and says he will make his Dallas debut against his former team, the Atlanta Falcons.

On the field, Sanders makes no big impact in a 29-13 victory. He is used on offense and drops a 48-yard pass from Aikman that skips off his fingers in the end zone.

Week 10

The NFL substance-abuse policy hits home as Lett and Clayton Holmes are both suspended. Lett gets a four-game suspension but Holmes must sit out the year.

Jones countersues the NFL, asking for $700 million in the battle over sponsorships.

On the field, Dallas cruises to a 34-12 win over Philadelphia on Monday Night Football.

Michael Irvin ties an NFL record with his seventh consecutive 100-yard receiving game.

Week 11 Hype galore over the meeting between the 49ers and the Cowboys, who are seeking revenge for a 38-28 loss in the NFC championship game the year before. Sanders and Jerry Rice exchange verbal shots.

On the field, San Francisco whips Dallas 31-10 as Rice catches an 81-yard touchdown pass on the second play.

Aikman is knocked out of the game with a bruised tendon in his left knee in the first quarter.

Week 12 Some Cowboys players privately question why Aikman didn't at least return to the sidelines in the second half of the 49ers game.

Most players are in a snit with the media and hide out.

Cornerback Larry Brown's son dies three days before the game.

On the field, Dallas beats Oakland 34-21 as Smith scores three touchdowns and Sanders intercepts his first pass.

Week 13 Hairy goes to Los Angeles to have his back checked. Middle linebacker Robert Jones is hospitalized with an ear infection.

On the field, center Ray Donaldson breaks a leg and Emmitt Smith sprains a knee but the Cowboys win a Thanksgiving Day match with Kansas City 24-12.

Week 14

Leift retums from his suspension. Smith recovers from knee sprain and Jones says something like that won't happen in 1996 because he's going to plant grass in Texas Stadium.

On the field, Smith rushes for 91 yards but Washington shocks the Cowboys again 24-17.

Week 15

Haley, who has a herniated disk, announces his retirement from football for the second time in a year. The next day he changes his mind and says he will return to the Cowboys as soon as possible.

On the field, Switzer's fourth-down gamble on his own 29 lage in the fourth period makes him the subject of national ridicule. The Cowboys fail twice to make a field goal and Philadelphia wins on a field goal 20-17.

The Dallas Morning News headlines it "Flacco in Philly." An eastern newspaper calls Switzer "Bozo the Coach."

A "We're shat tered right now."

Switzer backs Switzer, saying he will return as coach. Jones says: "Switzer is doing a good job. Get off his back."

Switzer goes on a tirade in the Dallas locker room, saying "Switzer is doing a good job. Get off his back."

On the field, the struggling Cowboys get lucky as Chris Boniol makes five field goals, including a 35-yarder with 0:00 on the clock, in a 21-20 win over the New York Giants.

Week 17 Defensive line coach John Blake takes the Oklahoma job and Switzer gives him permission to leave the team.

On the field, the Cowboys beat Arizona Christmas night to earn the NFC East title, and home-field advantage throughout the playoffs.

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Pearl Irvin upset over son's use of profanity

By JIM LITKE
Associated Press

Michael Irvin insists he will say what he wants whenever he wants. His mom says not so fast.

"I will be talking with my boy," Pearl Irvin said from her home in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. "I don't need to tell you he didn't say that way.

Pearl Irvin chuckled softly through much of the Thursday morning conversation.

That means her son, better known as the Dallas Cowboys' 29-year-old perennial Pro Bowl receiver, probably will avoid a scolding, at the very least, for occasions in recent days.

Irvin first created an uproar last weekend while addressing live national television audiences during presentation of the NFC championship trophy. In an interview that the movie "The Hustler," died today, a day before his birthday. Fats died of congestive heart failure, his wife, Theresa, said.

His age was a matter of dispute. Associates said he was born Jan. 19, 1960, but a 1966 biography, "Bank Shot," listed his date of birth as Jan. 19, 1913.

"He always said, 'St. Peter, rack 'em up,' " his wife recalled in announcing his death.

Fats, whose real name was Rudolf Wanderone Jr., was portrayed in the 1961 movie that starred Jackie Gleason in the role of the character Minnesota Fats because of the popularity of the film.

"Right after the movie hit the theaters all over the country, every living human started calling me Minnesota Fats," he wrote.

In the movie, the character Minnesota Fats was a dapper, decisive pool player challenged by a younger player (Newman) out to win his respect.

Wanderone said in the 1988 interview that the movie "didn't mean nothin' to me. I'm known clean around the earth. It meant something to Gleason and them people. Gleason used to rack balls for me when he was a kid in Brooklyn and in Long Island."

"Paul Newman is not a very good pool player. But he can make it look good. Now Gleason can play Gleason can hustle. He could play pool for a living and make a living because he's plenty smart.

Wanderone suffered a heart attack in 1992. The same year, he married Theresa Ward Bell. A previous marriage ended in divorce.

In September 1993, he became disoriented and was involuntarily committed to a psychiatric ward at Vanderbilt University Medical Center.
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Notre Dame will begin their push for the playoffs this weekend when they host Illinois-Chicago tonight at the Joyce Center before traveling to Ann Arbor to face Michigan on Saturday night.

Like the Irish, Illinois-Chicago has suffered through their share of problems this season. The 7-13-3 Flames have struggled at the offensive end, averaging an almost 2.87 goals per contest.

Forwards Tony Koloszy (21 points), Mike Peron (20), and Chuck Mindel (20) have been solid, but few others have contributed to the Flames.

With that in mind, one would think that the Irish defense would have little trouble containing the floundering Flame offense.

However, UC was able to escape with a 3-2 victory at the Joyce Center back on November 10.

Freshman Remit Cotnoir, senior Jeremy Cue, junior Ben Nelsen, senior Gary Gruber, junior Brian McCarthy, and the rest of the defense have elevated their level of play after a tough beginning.

Cotnoir and McCarthy have been the key to the Irish defense as they have limited the opposing offense to a season-low 1.79 goals per game. McCarthy has been the workhorse of the Irish defense, logging 236 minutes, while Cotnoir has chipped in with 150 minutes.

Senior goaltender Wade Salzman (.974 Goals Against Average) has emerged in his last three games after spending much of the season on the bench, but fans should expect to see sophomore Matt Elster (.27 GAA) in goal for at least part of the weekend.

Michigan has been a mainstay in the coaching career of Jerry Tarkanian, and his first year at Fresno State has no exception.

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The Shark's back at it again

by ROB GLOSTER
Associated Press

FRESNO, Calif.

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of the half, they failed to trim the lead to less than five points. With 8:28 remaining in the half, Jeanne Augustine hit a key three-point basket to pull the Irish to within six. After a television timeout and a three pointer by Connecticut guard Jennifer Bizositi, Notre Dame trimmed the lead to five points on a steal and breakaway layup from Mollen Pickrel.

After going into the locker room at halftime with an eleven point deficit, the Irish attempted to close the gap early in the second half.

Connecticut, however, increased its lead to 18 points. Notre Dame's last serious threat to the Huskies occurred when Beth Morgan hit a four-point jumper to cut the deficit to eight. Connecticut dominated for the remainder of the second half to win the contest by 23 points.

Despite Connecticut's impressive win, Connecticut head coach Geno Auriemma commented on his great concern heading into last night's contest.

"I would not have been surprised if we had lost tonight. It has been tough keeping the team focused during this stretch. We had some players really step up," stated Auriemma.

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Doctors confused, but Camby cleared to play

By HOWARD ULMAN
Associated Press

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Joey Meyer's best season came in 1986-87 when the Blue Demons finished 28-3 with two wins in the NCAA tournament. He's taken DePaul to seven NCAA and three NITs in his previous 11 seasons.

Meyer, who signed a new four-year contract before this season, has heard from his critics the last several years. Now his task is even more difficult.

"I'm not going to avoid people and not worry about what's said or printed. I'm going to do the best I can to get my team to compete," he said. "I'm not going to walk around and cry. I'm going to try to be upbeat." DePaul braved 11 Wednesday night; only eight were scholarship players.

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son win record.

Auriol, though, does have a few question marks on the other squads, mainly due to

the younger fencers he will be

forced to use.

"We have great individuals but it depends if our older team members can perform,"

One of his concerns is the men's foil team. Senior All­American Jeremy Siek captains this squad that has little experience in play.

Auriol feels that the duo of
senior Paul Capobianco and

sophomore John Tejada must

step up for the team to excel in the 1996 season.

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ous meeting with the Scarlet Knights, something that
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wars a few times.

"Our younger players have gotten a lot of Big East
experience that we didn't have the first
emerged as the team's floor general in recent weeks.
explained MacLeod. "We're also a healthier
Gottlieb played a season-high 37 minutes against the
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have adjusted to Gottlieb's up-tempo style, which led
attached to conference games that reflects in the way
essential.

"Every one of these games is a key game," said
MacLeod. "There's an urgency and importance
that all the conference teams battle."
Women's Basketball

Huskies manhandle Irish 87-64

Multiple weapons, suffocating defense too much for underdog Irish
By TODD FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women's basketball team stepped onto the Joyce Center basketball floor with visions of an upset. Connecticut, however, thwarted the high hopes of the Irish and emerged victorious.

The Irish were greeted by an attendance of 6501 energetic spectators, but the fan support was not enough to lift the Irish past the Huskies.

"I think the only thing I was happy with tonight was the crowd," commented Irish head coach Muffet McGee.

The Huskies' suffocating defense and arsenal of individual weapons was too much for the Irish to handle.

Kara Wolters, Connecticut's 6'7" center, led all scorers with 28 points and an impressive 13 out of 18 from the field. Irish center Katryna Gaither tried valiantly to defend Wolters, but the four inch height differential proved to be too great.

"She's probably one of the toughest players we have played against in the Big East," stated Gaither.

"She will probably join the Olympic team based on that highlight film alone," added McGee when asked to analyze Wolters' performance.

Connecticut's defensive pressure frustrated co-captain Beth Morgan from the opening tip-off until the last buzzer. The star guard hit only 5 of her 17 field goal attempts, including only 1 of her first 10.

"Anywhere I went, someone was there. They got up in your face, and didn't give you any room," explained Morgan.

"They had the best defensive team all year. We just didn't execute," said McGee.

Connecticut opened the game with a flurry of baskets to take an 11-2 lead. Although the Irish kept the point differential in single digits for most of the game, a strong second period from the Huskies helped their cause greatly.

The Notre Dame defense, led by its senior forward Andrew Westphal, was solid for the entire game.

"I think the only thing I was happy with tonight was the defense," said McGee.

Westphal was fired on Tuesday.

By TIM SEYMOUR
Associate Sports Editor

Rutgers senior forward Andrew Kolbasovsky has been on John MacLeod's mind in recent days. Phoenix Suns forward Charles Barkley has not, according to the fifth-year Notre Dame head coach.

"I have no comment," stated MacLeod when asked about the vacant Suns coaching job, which became available when Paul Westphal was fired on Tuesday.

MacLeod coached the Suns from 1973-87, and his name has been mentioned as a possible successor to interim coach Cotton Fitzsimmons after the season.

"My concerns is with the Notre Dame basketball team," continued MacLeod, who gave no other indication that his eyes have wandered back toward the pro ranks recently.

Specifically, MacLeod's concern has centered on guiding the Irish to their first conference victory.

No greater opportunity seems to present itself to 5-8 Notre Dame (0-6 Big East) than the visit of the Scarlet Knights to the Joyce Center on Saturday at 2:00.

The Irish can console themselves in the fact that the season is far from over. It is not often that they will face a player the likes of 6'7" Kara Wolters, a redwood among oak trees who scorched the overmatched Irish in an 87-64 loss to the third ranked women's basketball team in the nation.

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