COBA delivers verdicts in cheating scandal

By MARY KATE MORTON
Assistant News Editor
and DAVE TYLER
News Editor

After an anxious Christmas break and a tense opening of the semester, students involved in the Finance Department's Advanced Corporate Finance cheating investigation were notified of the University's decisions on their cases earlier this week, sources close to the situation said.

Students found guilty of cheating received varying punishments, including the reduction of their course grades by one or two letter grades. According to one male senior, who wished to remain anonymous, students who had appeared at the January hearings and were found not-guilty, received their decisions two weeks ago.

The grade reduction poses a problem for some seniors in the class if the penalty caused a student to fail the course, one source said. Advanced Corporate Finance is not offered in Notre Dame's summer session, and the deadline for adding a course for the Spring Semester has passed. Because the class is required for finance majors to graduate, offenders could be faced with an extra semester of school, sources said.

"Student's who regularly had Cs and Ds are faced with the possibility that they might not graduate before they may have received Fs," one student said.

Sam Gagliano, assistant dean of the College of Business Administration, said that investigations into the matter were complete, but he could not discuss specifics because of confidentiality provisions in the school's Honor Code.

"Yes, we are done with the formal hearing," he said. "I can't comment on anything that might implicate a student."

Last November members of four sections of Advanced Corporate Finance were accused of cheating on a departmental take home examination. The cheaters were asked to leave the College of Business Administration computer cluster where students were collaborating on the test. The proceedings are still ongoing, according to Assistant Dean Robert Battalino and D. Katherine Spies, requested written confessions from students involved. At that point according to the University's Honor Code, The Finance Department must begin to hold hearings into the matter.

Gagliano noted that any decision of the honesty committee can be appealed by students.

"If the cases are finished, however, within the monsoon of things, there is an appeal procedure and the deadline for those appeals has not passed," he said. "Since the appeal procedures are not complete, sub-process will not begin before decisions are rendered on those appeals."

That leaves open the possibility for a reversal. Gagliano added, "no action is in place until the appeals are complete," he said.

James Peterson, assistant

Mass celebrating the Grotto's one hundred year anniversary will be held on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes on Sunday, Feb. 11 at 10 am at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. The celebrant and homilist will be the Reverend Agostino Cacciavillan Titular Archbishop of Amiterno and the papal nuncio to the United States.

Grotto celebrates centennial

Weekend marks one century of history, tradition

Editor's Note: This is the first of a two-part series honoring the centennial of the Grotto at Notre Dame.

By GWENDOLYN NORGE
Assistant News Editor

Peace, reflection, inspiration. Though the Grotto at Notre Dame may offer different things to different people, it sits in the heart of the campus as a representation of one important aspect of the University's tradition. Marking its one-hundredth year, Notre Dame will honor the shrine with a service on the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes this weekend.

An internationally renowned site of prayer and pilgrimage since 1896, the Grotto resemb­les a riverside cave near a town in southern France. In Lourdes, apparitions of the Virgin Mary appeared 18 times to a French peasant girl between the months of February and July of 1858. The 14-year-old, Bernadette Soubirous, was canonized on December 8, 1933, the feast of the Immaculate Conception. According to the story, when

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SDF President equates racial prejudice, power

By ERIN LUM
News Writer

"You can't live in the United States of America and not be conscious of race," said Reverend Albert McKnight, president of the S.D.F. in the Development Foundation, to an audience on September 27 at the Inter­national Library last night.

According to McKnight, a lecturer on racism in America, society has become a divided community compared to mental illness, and it is the responsibility of every American to overcome it.

"Racism is more than prejudicial, it is the power to impose prejudices into public policy," he said.

According to McKnight, racism has been institutionalized in every area of Ameri­can society. The result is a soc­iety where the relationship be­tween black and white people is "sick" due to the lack of understanding and the two groups.

"To hate oneself and one's people is not normal...to try to be like other people is not nor­mal," McKnight directed at the black members of the audience. He encouraged the group for the African-American community to go back to its roots and get involved in its history rather than continue to embrace the white culture and values it has been educated with. "Culture affects how we view reality...and (American) blacks have become whiter than white people in terms of what they believe and values," he said.

To overcome racism, McKnight says people must continue relying on their left (white) brain which is materialistic, analytical brain, and return to the right (black) brain which acknowledges the impor­tance of the soul.

"For a long time, black sym­bolized the divine, but this has been reversed by racism. The salvation of the world starts in the heart...for this salvation to be successful, the blackness must be embraced," said McKnight.

As part of his endeavor to change the problem of racism in America, McKnight formed a program called R.U.S.T. (Black Unity and Spiritual Togetherness) which is organized into chapters of thirteen members. They meet twice a month for the purposes of spiritual bonding, community action, and saving to invest in a national financial cooperative institution. Through R.U.S.T., McKnight hopes to improve the spiritual and economic situation of the black community in America and to combat the racism that now prevails in society.

For more information on how to get a R.U.S.T. chapter started, Father Albert McKnight can be contacted at the follow­ing addresses: P.O. Box 1988, Opelousas, Louisiana, 70571.

Imminent election sparks debate over equality of districts

By RUSSELL WILLIAMS
News Writer

In light of the completion of four new residence halls on Notre Dame's campus by the fall of 1997, redistribution was the main topic of concern at the Student Senate meeting Wednesday afternoon.

The Senate unanimously approved the proposal to redistribute residence halls for this year's and all future elec­tions. Because the Student Senate election is approaching rapidly, Student Government President Jonathan Patrick and Vice President Dennis McFarry felt that the potential redistricting should take place in a timely manner.

The proposal will now go to the Hall President's Council, where a vote will be taken at its next meeting. If the propos­al gets the 2/3 majority required for approval, it will officially become an amend­ment to the Student Government constitution.

In the Student Government report submitted by McCarthy and Patrick to the Senate, there are three drafted proposals that would effectively deal with any potential problems arising upon completion of the new residence halls. These concerns include gender, numerical and geographic inequities which could sur­face in the future.

Below is one of the proposals for redistricting the dorms put forth by Student Government to the Student Senate. This is one of three possible choices for redistricting. These figures represent the current 1996-1997.

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My best friend for life

Nearly seventeen years ago, when mom called to tell me that I had a new baby sister, I had more important things on my mind. Grandma allowed me to have both an orange soda and a milkshake with my McDonald’s® Happy Meal. I had enjoyed one, and a half would be too much, as the only apple in my doting parents’ eyes. So mom shared that my new family member was more than just a rival for my parents’ attention.

Kate made a fun new playmate—a live action Whack-A-Mole! My four-year-old apple in my doting parents’ eyes. Except for the occasional squabble, I had more important age set in, attempting to hit the small head of the future.

As we now totter on the brink of adulthood, I do not believe that I ever appreciated the impact my new family had on my sister—Kate. As three years her junior, I was so thrilled by any button nose, her chubby posterior skills, I had counted every freckle on my body as a potential tattoo at some point, though, Kate transformed into a morning person. My youth. We've come along way from the morning person. My youth. We've come along way from the morning person.

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Senator votes to revamp farm subsidies

WASHINGTON—The Senate voted Wednesday to break the decades-old link between farm programs and government services by allowing farmers instead of a series of fixed but declining payments. The action could lead to the eventual end of farm payments.

The 64-32 vote came despite a last-ditch fight mostly by Midwestern Democrats who wanted to save at least some connection between prices and payments. Twenty Democrats joined the majority. Opponents charged that Republicans offered welfare to farmers without money for education, school lunches and health care for the poor.

In exchange for less government support, controls over most planting decisions would end, along with requirements that acres be idle for six years. Those controls, backers say, farmers will lose the opportunity for mom to sufficiently pull, tears, and mom as referee.

Farmers will finally plans for the market and the next government. It was said Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan. “Our patience and perseverance have resulted in

Pope wins over former difficulties

MANAGUA, Nicaragua

Celebrating Mass before 150,000 worshipers, Pope John Paul II expressed happiness Wednesday at political changes that have brought peace here but caused tears in the former Sandinista government that supplanted his visit last year. At one point, he alluded to the Sandinista period as "a long, dark night. Nicaragua has emerged from that night and into the light." President Violeta Chamorro, a convert who grew up in the church, attended the service in sign of hope for her country. "We are a people divided by ideologies, foreign or our own," she said, her voice breaking with emotion.

AIDS marrow transplant fails

SAN FRANCISCO

Baboon bone marrow implanted in an AIDS patient to boost his failing immune system has apparently failed to work, doctors said Wednesday. But the AIDS patient, 38-year-old Jeff Getty, is described as feeling well, perhaps due to chemotherapy, said Dr. Steven Deeks, who performed the transplant at the Air Force General Hospital. Getty, a former University of California policy analyst who turned into an AIDS activist when he discovered he had the disease, said from his hospital bed that if a low-fat diet can influence risk, it would have to be adopted in childhood or adolescence to affect the decades-long process that leads to cancer. "There are reasons to believe that even if dietary habits are relatively low in red meat, and low in high-fat dairy products, and high in fruits and vegetables," said Dr. David Hunter.

Mom fights over food-intolerant kids

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Several times a day, Catherine Evans gets home from work down a little juice box containing a gloopy, foul-tasting nutrient solution. The nutrient drink is necessary because the Evanses have three children who suffer from severe food allergies. Two of the children work with each other to avoid the problem, but with the third child, a nine-month-old, her eating is limited to a select few foods. The Evanses are concerned that this limited intake could lead to a deficiency in nutrients, with severe consequences.

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The AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures.

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Graduate program receives award

By DEBORAH SCHULTZ
News Writer

Notre Dame's Alliance for Catholic Education, a program for graduates to teach in disadvantaged areas of the U.S., recently received the Western Association of Summer School Administrators Exemplary Program Award and a $100,000 grant from the UPS Foundation. ACE was founded in 1994 to provide committed Catholic teachers for understaffed parochial schools and to give recent college graduates intensive teacher training and opportunities for Christian community and personal growth.

The ACE program offers two years of teaching experience in the south and two summers of graduate courses, along with teaching positions in the South Bend community. Summer sessions are taught by faculty from both the Universities of Portland and Notre Dame.

"The University of Portland teaches our students, so the award we won is in both the Western conference, and is an association of all summer schools. The grant is beneficial for the most innovative summer school programs in their districts," said Louis Del Fra, associate director of ACE.

"We think we won the award due to our teacher training program, as we are so practical and experienced. The students receive a masters degree for what is mostly practice, which is a really new idea in education. There are only 16 weeks of coursework, so most of the credit is from the summer teaching in South Bend and the years spent in the south," said Del Fra.

ACE currently sends students to locations in eight southern states; it expands next year to include Texas. "Our goal is to revitalize elementary and secondary education. We send recent college graduates to parts of the country where resources are inadequate, financially and structurally," said Sister Lorendes Sheehan, director of ACE.

While teaching in the south, ACE participants are assigned a mentor for supervision, these people do not stay in the classroom. "This supervision enables the students and the mentors develop a close relationship over the years. The mentors must do the teaching in the south and two summers of teaching in the south," said Sheehan.

The grant from the UPS Foundation will enable ACE to cover their expenses and begin planning for the future.

"We can run a $200,000 a year deficit. After the fees are deducted from the UPS fund, we still need to find about $200,000 for expenses. By the year 2000, we would like to have between three and four million dollars in an endowment, because even though we wouldn't have to go through fundraising. Since the money from the UPS is a grant, it will go into the fund for the endowment," said Sheehan.

The UPS Foundation began in 1985 to address adult literacy and hunger relief. It distributed approximately $13.3 million in 1994 throughout the U.S. and Canada, according to Sheehan.

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Discussion pinpoints women's health issues

"Beneficial" forum answers students' queries, concerns

By DONNA MIRANDO
News Writer

In an effort to address Saint Mary's College students' concerns about women's health, Judy Kenney, director of Health Services at Saint Mary's College, led a Women's Health Issues forum last night in Haggar Parlor.

Books and pamphlets on preventative and general health care were available, and the staff of Health Services answered questions from the students.

Saint Mary's College Health Services believes in treatment as well as the importance of students gaining knowledge of current health care issues. Students have the opportunity to ask questions and learn.

"General health care knowledge is essential. If you know how to protect yourself and treat yourself, this will empower you when you leave the college and are out on your own," says Kenney.

A commonly asked question was what college students can do to stay healthy and maintain a nutritious diet. "A combination of low fat and low calorie foods, fresh vegetables and exercise in your best bet for staying fit," states Dr. June Ferguson.

Other issues addressed included how to help a friend with an eating disorder, vegetarianism, and breast and ovarian cancers.

"I think that the forum was a good idea. It is beneficial to learn information about our general health and especially the important issues in women's health," says student Karin Hardy.

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the girl asked the vision to identify itself on the last occa­
sion, the apparition said, "I am the Immaculate Conception." Mary told Bernadette to dig in the dry ground, where a spring arose that no one had seen before. Several million visitors go to Lourdes every year, and in this same spring, half a mil­lion people bathe in what are believed to be miraculous waters (National Catholic News on August 4, 1983).

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One-man-play to highlight abortion issue Special to The Observer

A one-man play, entitled "Born/Unborn," will be per­formed by 1959 Notre Dame graduate Dan Ferrone on Thursday, Feb. 8 at 7 p.m. in Washington Hall. Admission is free and open to the public.

Written by the late playwright and novelist Martin Chrin, the play addresses the moral, social, political, and spiritual dimensions of legalized abortion by examining the impact of an abortion on the lives of a young couple and five other charac­ters, four of whom operate an abortion clinic. According to the National Catholic Register called it "a searing and unblink­ing look at the abortion issue.

According to Ferrone, the play "proposes no resolution of the dilemma of abortion other than that won by prayer. What it will do is to have abortion clinics shuttered, to outlaw the practice, if, in our hearts, there's no desire to persevere in our response to God's love, to choose life in the fullest sense?"

The Notre Dame performance of "Born/Unborn" is sponsored by the Notre Dame/Saint Mary's Right to Life group and the Graduate Ministry office.

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China warned against 'grave' military action

U.S. officials view attack as
unwise, unlikely

By JIM ABRAMS

WASHINGTON

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School bus kills 14-year-old
Driver escapes with year-long probation, no fine
by DAVID LIEB
Associated Press

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. - The air was cool and the
ground wet, so 14-year-old Ryan Sayles wore a jacket May
17 as he stepped off a school bus in front of his Kansas City
home.

Halfway across Missouri, the Statehouse was quiet, the leg­
gislature was over.

But a little-noticed law passed just a few days earlier would soon come into play in the tragic sequence of events that followed.

As Ryan got off the bus, the drawstring of his jacket got caught in the door. The bus driver, Saladin Anderson, pulled away.

The ninth-grader's best buddy, Conrad Wright, said Ryan "ran alongside it, knocked on the door trying to get the bus to stop. Then I saw him fly up in the air and hit the ground,"

Conrad, 12, said Ryan fell to his death under the big wheels after keeping up with the bus for half a block.

"What the Legislature did before I adjust it would ensure that the bus driver would esc­
ape certain penalties for careless and imprudent driv­
ing," said Rep. Gary Witt. "Occasionally, we make a mistake."

Witt has since helped the state House pass an amend­ment to restore the higher penalties.

The Senate has not acted, but Gov. Mel Carnahan consid­ered the change a high priority, his spokesman said Wednesday.

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The intent of last year's law was to lower the criminal sta­tus of speeding to avoid costly, time-consuming jury trials.

But the legislation failed to specify the targeted subsection of the law, and as a result also reduced careless and impru­dent driving from a mid­
emeanor to an infraction.

Under the old law, the offense carried up to a year in jail and a fine of $1,000. An aggrav­ated parking ticket has a fine of up to $200 and no jail time.

Judge Jay Daugherty found Anderson guilty of care­
less and imprudent driving and placed him without expla­
nation on probation for a year.

The loss of life here resulted in nothing more than an aggravat­
ed parking ticket...and I don't think that is appropriate."

Lauren Claire McCaskill

after which his driving record would not be wiped clean. He was not fined."

Jackson County Prosecutor Claire McCaskill said Ryan's grandfather, George Sayles, asked her to press the charges.

"I don't think that is appropriate," she said.

Sen. Harold Caskey, whose legislation contained the weak­ened penalty, questioned why prosecutors did not bring such charges.

But the prosecutor said no other charge fit. "We had suf­
ficient evidence to prove operating in a reckless man­ner, but not enough evidence to charge something more," she said.

McCaskill said the driver should have waited to see that the boy was clear of the bus before driving off. Youngsters on the bus said Ryan was wav­ing to get the driver's atten­tion, but Anderson's lawyer said the driver didn't see the boy.

McCaskill refused to specu­late on why the driver did not stop.

Ryan's grandfather, George Sayles, said he is angry and disappointed with Missouri government.

"Death was involved," he said. "And that bus driver should have to pay some sort of personal penalty for what he's done. He should have to repent."

Sayles added: "I am not a vengeful person. I just want what's right."

Anderson, 33, who is no longer a bus driver, has suf­fered enough, said his lawyer, Chuck McKoon.

"This is something he lives with every day - a tragic accident, and it is a horrible, horrible thing that happened to him."

Anderson is being sued for wrongful death by the Sayles family.

Also named in the lawsuit are the Kansas City School District, the bus company, Vancom Inc., which the Sayles­
contends did not properly train Anderson or review his driving record.

School bus drivers in Miss­ouri and Illinois also have had a bill introduced that would allow drivers to be charged with a more serious offense.

"Everything you do in the Court has real-life con­se­quences," the prosecutor said, or sometimes real-death con­sequences.

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Authorities investigate cause of massive crash

By KERNAN TURNER
Associated Press

PUERTO PLATA

Working among sharks and floating debris, rescuers in inflatable rafts pulled more than 100 bodies from the deep waters of the Atlantic on Wednesday after a chartered jet loaded with German tourists crashed with 189 people aboard.

There were no signs of survivors, and the cause of the crash was unknown.

The Boeing 757 was carrying the tourists home from the Caribbean on Tuesday night when it crashed about 12 miles northeast of this oceanside resort.

There were differing accounts over who operated the flight.

The German tour operator said the Dominican airline, Alas de Transporte de Internacional, was responsible, having leased the aircraft from a Turkish company, Birgenair. But Gen. Hector Roman, director of the country's civil aviation agency, said Alas was not responsible because it did not own the plane.

An air and sea search by the U.S. Coast Guard and Dominican military on Wednesday turned up only debris from the aircraft.

"You can see at least 50 bodies floating. It doesn't look like anybody would have survived that," said Coast Guard helicopter pilot Scott Mathews.

At least 105 bodies were recovered, the Coast Guard said.

The search was suspended at nightfall with a heavy rain and was to resume Thursday.

Boeing spokesman Dick Kenny said the plane — the second Boeing 757 ever to crash — was built in 1985. An American Airlines Boeing 737 crashed Dec. 20 as it approached Cali, Colombia, killing 160 people.

Flight 301, operated by Alas, took off from the Puerto Plata International Airport about 11:45 p.m. (10:45 p.m. EST) Tuesday in a light rain. It reached an altitude of 7,000 feet and appeared on radar screens to be on course, if turning back, before going down, Dominican officials said.

The civil aviation director said the pilot radioed that he was returning to Puerto Plata, and that the last message from the crew was "Stand by."

Roman's account, however, was disputed by an air traffic controller on duty in the tower Wednesday and by Maj. Alan Arias Batlle, a member of a committee assigned by the country's Civil Aeronautics Office to investigate the crash.

"He just called to his air traffic controllers his position and then the aircraft disappeared from the screen," said the controller, who refused to give his name.

"All the communication was normal," Arias Batlle said. "In no moment did they speak of an emergency."

Board for Frankfurt and Berlin, the Birgenair plane was chosen at the last minute to replace a Boeing 727 owned by Alas which developed mechanical trouble, Dominican officials said.

Birgenair's owner, Gulperi Ciriaco, said he had asked Birgenair to lease the plane because another plane, a 767, had technical trouble. The plane was leased Tuesday night to Alas, Perejil said.

She also said there was a report that lightning may have struck the jetliner, but investigators said no cause had been determined.

An Alas executive, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the 767 had problems with its landing gear. Mechanics were working on the aircraft at the Puerto Plata airport Wednesday.

Rosamaria Meischner, a spokeswoman for Schoenefeld airport in Berlin, gave a conflicting account. She said the plane had been switched because the flight was underbooked for a 767, which holds about 300 people. The 757 holds 224 passengers.

Alas de Transporte Internacional was shut down temporarily in 1993 after failing to meet international safety standards.

The airplane carried 176 passengers, including four children and 13 crew members. Most of the passengers were German tourists, while 11 crew members were Turkish and two were Dominican.

Aircraft from the U.S. Coast Guard and Navy and the Dominican military flew low over the crash site Wednesday, directing rescue workers in inflatable boats to bodies. Volunteers hauled bodies from Puerto Plata and nearby towns joined the search for survivors as rain squalls in the morning gave way to calm seas.

The bodies were taken to a makeshift morgue at Puerto Plata, protected by heavily armed Dominican guards.

Coast Guard officials initially said sharks in the crash area prevented divers from entering the water. Coast Guard Cmdr. Tom Nies, part of the search team, said sharks were not hampering the search.

Still, the water's depth — about 4,300 feet — makes "normal scuba diving . . . impossible," said Coast Guard Petty Officer Timothy Lavier in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

The U.S. Navy has offered a dive team to try to retrieve the aircraft's flight data and cockpit voice recorders, he said.

Dominican Air Force Col. Samuel Mendez Segura said "the plane struck the water nose down. It's a relatively new aircraft and I believe it did not have prior mechanical problems," Mendez Segura said.

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**JETLINER CRASH**

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cleansing of the nation's secu­
ter Gen. Julio Balconi said the
changes were routine.
both Arzu and Defense Minis­
prisons army, but it is also a prod­
tution to the army's regular use of
torture.

Analysts stopped short of say­
ing President Arzu is trying to
reform the army.

In his first week in office, Guatemala's armed forces re­
fi red several top military command­ers and opened more than 100 police officers — kindling hope that Alvaro Arzu would
Rebe Preval, an agronomist who turned his back on elite so­
ety to fight for democracy, took power Wednesday in the first peaceful and democratic
change in government in 37 years. The event, however, was overshadowed by challenges the
herits: a population frustrat­
ed by continuing poverty, a near-empty treasury and stag­
ant economy; and the prospect of imposing unpopular econom­
austerity to get foreign aid.

Most Haitians boycotted the December election Preval won
with 87.9 percent of votes. Only 27.9 percent of the electorate voted, apparently because most wanted Ariste to stay on even
though the constitution barred him from serving two consecu­
tive terms.

"Alvaro, you're waiting for
you in the year 2001," people
outside Parliament shouted, re­
ferring to the date when the next president takes office.

"I think he will outlive the
provision that the official state­
language of the Net be English.

Three men in white pants and
white shirts were standing outside
the presidential palace as France
Mitterrand passed by. Nearly 300
Protestors were gathered in front of
the White House.
Candidates focus on Iowa

Gramm looks to rebound from Louisiana loss

By TOM RAUM
Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Iowa
Republican candidates stepped up their Iowa cam-
paigning Wednesday as the battle for critical GOP caucuses entered its final stage.

Steve Forbes used a shiny rac-
ing car as a prop to de-
clare "growing momentum," while a disappointed Sen. Phil Gramm said he'd drop out if defeat set-
tack.

"I think it is clear that if I don't get first, second, or third in Iowa I'm going to knock me out of the race," the Texas
told supporters in Des Moines, a day after a humiliating loss to conservative commentator Pat Buchanan in a Louisiana face-
off.

At a campaign stop at Cedar Rapids later in the day, Buchanan was still relishing Tuesday's victory over Gramm. "We beat him in his own back yard," crowed Buchanan.

In the meantime, front-run-
er Bob Dole courted Iowans
from afar, staying in Washing-
ton to help bring to harvest long-awaited farm legislation. He told Des Moines radio sta-
tion that "by day's end, we will have passed the most signifi-
cant farm bill since the 1930s. He said he would be back in Iowa campaigning on Thursday night.

Iowa's GOP caucus on Mon-
day will be the first national
test of all the candidates' rela-
tive strength. And with the day fast approaching, campaign activity picked up.

Forbes, who like Dole and most other GOP candidates boycot-
ted Tuesday's Louisiana con-
test out of deference to Iowa, conceded the possibility that the Louisiana results had given Buchanan a boost here.

"He's a formidable candi-
date," the multimillionaire pub-
lican said, then turning on the
harsh rhetoric he has used on other rivals on Buchanan. "He has a Fortress America mentality," Forbes told re-
porters. "He is pessimistic about our ability to compete in the world. I have faith in America."

Forbes traveled to the Na-
tional Sprint Car Hall of Fame to campaign among local resi-
dents of Knoxville, a community
about 40 miles southeast of Des Moines and the site of the annu-
al national sprint car races.

Standing in front of a shiny red sprinter in the museum, Forbes said the racer was "a symbol of our gaining
momentum."

Asked by one of the 40 or so people in the audience, Forbes replied, "When I get to the White House, we will work with the Congress. We won't be playing the games they're play-
ing today." He said he hoped to
win "an unmistakable major-
date."

Gramm, meanwhile, attended a rally at the state capitol in Des Moines originally planned to celebrate a Louisiana victory, instead he made a crucial vote on the farm bill. With Iowa's caucuses less than 24 hours away, he made a possibly fatal blun-
der campaign in Louisiana
instead of returning to Wash-
ington Tuesday for an important farm-bill roll call that failed by a single vote.

Gramm worked hard to lay
the blame on Dole, the Senate majority leader.

"Bob Dole, when he set the vote yesterday, knew with abso-
lute certainty that I wouldn't be there," Gramm said at a news conference. "It was a classic case of Bob Dole playing poli-

tics."

Gramm risked criticism anew
due to declining for a second time Wednesday to return to Wash-
ington for a final vote on the farm bill. He said his presence wasn't needed because a "deal has already been cut. They don't need my vote. I'm here running for president."

Dole, in a jab at Gramm, said, "Everybody has to make their decision whether to campaign or be in the Senate."

While farm legislation draws
little attention in many places, it's viewed as essential in Mid-
winter's "farming state." At the White House, presiden-
tial spokesman Mike McCurry offered soft words to Gramm, without mentioning him by name.

"I'm the populist candidate with a vision and a plan," Buchanan said.

"I'm the populist candidate who can win," Forbes answered.

"I'm the only fellow in the field with a 2-0 record."

"There's no question that the tremendous, the shocking nature of the upset of Senator Dole and the staggering nature of our victory is going to have a dramatic impact on Iowa conservatives who once divided and Iowa right-to-life voters who are divided," Buchanan said.

"I'm the populist candidate who can beat Bill Clinton. We ask you to rally behind this collective cause."

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole and other GOP candid-
dates bypassed the Louisiana race. Buchanan denied his victories as the result of help from Dole aimed at derailing Gramm.

"My guess is we have the good wishes of Senator Dole, but I don't know of any organized support we had down there. I don't believe there was any. We did this one ourselves. We worked for it day in and day out. We earned the credit."

Looking ahead to Monday's Iowa caucuses, where he admitted he had ground to make up, Buchanan urged supporters of other candi-
dates, including anti-abortion candidate Alan Keyes, to get behind him.

"I think there's a real potent-
tial for, if you will, a sort of a landslide effect in the tremen-
dous number of undecided voters coming down in the last five days behind the conserva-
tive who can carry that mes-
age and who can win," Buchanan said.

He warned against un-
estimating Buchanan's prospecs in Iowa, calling him "the most tenacious, tireless campaigner I've ever seen."

Buchanan said Dole remains the "most likely" to nominate Bob Dole, but he said that "we've got a fighting chance to do very, very well here."

"I don't think the Re-
publican party wants to nomi-
nate Bob Dole," Buchanan said. "That's an arranged marriage. I think they want to nominate and choose someone who is a contender, and I think Bob Dole who can lead the party into battle against Bill Clinton."

Buchanan said he would begin running ads leading up to Iowa as "we ask that he anticipates harsh attack ads from publisher Steve Forbes in response."

Speaking of the ads Forbes has run against other GOP candidates, Buchanan said, "I've seen those ads and the treatment of Dole and Gramm and Lamar (Alexander). You Buchanan are going to feel like the Iraqi army with all those air strikes."
I see generation X is getting a lot of attention again. Maybe it’s the election year, with all the aged mummies attracting attention again. Maybe it’s the election terrific way, to attract young voters. (They berating around and trying, in their the growing apathy of young people in dicrous of all, may be found at the bot-tom of this page. Getting lost in the shufne of the sitt­ing there in its usual spot? Now read word in smarty-pants baby-boomer political wit, has had his alter-ego Mike es, the elimination of taxes on the rich, as funny as cancer, I grant you, but at Democratic incumbent, all the possible vote (and worse still, organize) on the natural environment where young people, washes whose works surpasses imitation of Nemo at his standing. So far has Gary Trudeau gone that he can’t even work up a passable all the aged mummies luring around and trying, in their the growing apathy of young people in dicrous of all, may be found at the bot- tom of this page. Getting lost in the shufne of the sitt­ing there in its usual spot? Now read word in smarty-pants baby-boomer political wit, has had his alter-ego Mike es, the elimination of taxes on the rich, as funny as cancer, I grant you, but at Democratic incumbent, all the possible vote (and worse still, organize) on the natural environment where young people, washes whose works surpasses imitation of Nemo at his standing. So far has Gary Trudeau gone that he can’t even work up a passable all the aged mummies luring around and trying, in their the growing apathy of young people, America. And exhibit three, most lu-dicrous of all, may be found at the bot-
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**ALBUM REVIEW**

**Victoria Williams: wisdom and wonder**

Victoria Williams and the Loose Band

*This Moment in Toronto*

**Mammoth Records**

*Out of five*

By TIM BAYNE

**Mucic Critic**

Victoria Williams is the child Tom Waits and Flannery O’Connor never had. Set in the South with a cast of truly memorable individuals, her songs are self-contained commentaries on the human condition; always insightful, always honest.

By TIM BAYNE

**Mucic Critic**

Chisel

*8 A.M. All Day*

*Out of five*

Chisel should make you prouder to say that you attend Notre Dame than the 1995 Football Team. It boggles the mind to see how far the boys seemed to rely on the Jawbox songbook Chisel showed huge potential, but still arrived. The band has defined its own diction made in the punk roots.

Chisel truly is one of the best indie-pop-rock bands in this fine nation.

In the recent pop world, music has been a bit stagnant. Oasis, Blur, and other Brits seem content to replay songs from their predecessors in the ’80s. "Looking Back at Venus," "Ain't Nothing Like a New Thing," "Venus," and "Scraping" just five great tracks on the album. It's music that they're replaying but they make it look fake and phony. In an age when the artistic community as a whole seems content to either simply describe the nihilism of the present age or to retreat into the narrow corridor of romantic love, it is indeed refreshing to find a singer who points to the good without consigning herself to the irrelevant margins of society. Magical stories told with gusto, verve and obvious delight, Victoria’s Wide-Eyed Adventure is truly her own.
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She intended

Her expression was better off when other people were around.

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Pistons 102-101

Dallas' defense was a low of 29.7 points, last accomplished in 1992. Stackhouse was 7-for-9 and Mike Dunleavy's 3-pointer accounted for the final score.

Philadelphia led by as many as 21 points in the third quarter, but Indiana went on a 13-0 run to tie the game at 81-81 with 6:05 remaining, on a basket by Terry Mills. Houston then scored Detroit's next eight points on a driving layup and two 3-pointers, the last one following Grant Hill's block of Penny Hardaway's shot.

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Davis wins 200th in Iowa win

Thursday, February 8, 1996

Jess Seitzes matched his career best with 19 points and No. 19 Iowa overcame the loss of Chris Kingbury with strong late-game play to beat Northwestern 88-77 Wednesday night.

The victory was coach Tom Davis' 200th at Iowa. The Hawkeyes (16-6, 5-5 Big Ten) played without 3-point ace Kingbury, who was suspended three games for pulling Penn State guard Dan Earl to the floor and out of bounds after Earl tried to block Kingbury's shot in a game four days ago.

Northwestern, down nine at the half, got to within six with just over four minutes left on Irvin Johnson's 3-point play but settled down with a pair of inside baskets to bring the lead back to 10.

Northwestern (10-13, 1-9) made one last run and cut it five when Johnson again hit a 3-pointer with 1:12 remaining. Settles then dropped in two free throws with 46 seconds to go. Andre Woodruff hit two more 3s for Northwestern. Settles hurled a layup as steal as Iowa recouped its 10th victory over Northwestern. The teams meet in the last of a four-meeting series.

Kenyon Murray added 17 for the Hawkeyes.

Gino Carlisle, Northwestern's leading scorer with a 20-point average, managed just 15 as the Wildcats lost their fifth straight game. Johnson led the Wildcats with 14.

Iowa took a 39-30 halftime lead behind 12 points from Seitzes, 50 percent shooting and a 22-15 rebounding edge. Carlisle scored managed only three first-half points, missing six of his seven field goal attempts.

No. 14 Purdue, Wisconsin 42

Reserve guard Todd Foster scored 15 of his 18 points in the second half Wednesday as 14th-ranked Purdue pulled away to beat Wisconsin 73-42 in the Big Ten.

Foster made five 3-point baskets during a 22-2 second-half run by Purdue (18-4, 8-2 Big Ten).

Brandon Brantley added 11 points for Purdue, which took a half-game lead over Penn State in the conference standings. Wisconsin (13-9, 5-5) was led by Sean Daugherty with 13 points and Sam Okey with 12.

Purdue led by as many as 21 points in the first half. Wisconsin closed to 36-31 early in the second half and trailed only 42-35 when Purdue began its 25-2 charge.

Purdue opened the game by sprinting to a 32-11 lead, with nine points coming from Roy Hairston. Wisconsin was held scoreless for more than six minutes.

Daugherty broke the Badgers' drought with a layup with 4:34 remaining in the half. That triggered a 14-2 run that pulled the Badgers to 34-25. Okey scored six points during that stretch.

Chad Austin hit two free throws with three seconds left to give the Boilermakers a 36-25 halftime lead.

No. 18 Clemson, Maryland 53

Stephanie Ridgeway scored 23 points and Laura Cottrell had 13 rebounds and 11 points Wednesday night to lead No. 18 Clemson to a 76-53 victory over Maryland.

Ridgeway hit nine of 14 shots, including six of her last seven.

Maryland (9-12, 3-8 Atlantic Coast Conference) was paced by Kelley Gibson with 16 points, five rebounds and four assists.

Stephanie Cross had 11 points and Sonia Chase added 10 for the Terrapins. Kallsia Davis pulled down 10 rebounds.

Clemson (17-3, 7-3) went on a 15-2 run as Maryland made only one of its last eight shots of the first half.

The Terrapins also turned the ball over seven times in the last eight minutes.

After the break, the Tigers increased their lead to 19. But Maryland cut it to 47-36 with 10 minutes to go as the Terrapins hit 10 of 12 shots to open the second half.

The Golden Eagles rise above Red Storm

By JIM O'CONNELL

NEW YORK - Freshman Sean Cotton scored 20 points and No. 22 Boston College used a quick burst of 3-pointers in the second half to take control of the way to an 89-73 victory St. John's on Wednesday night.

The Eagles (14-5, 7-4 Big East) were ahead 65-62 when Mo Brown of St. John's hit a 3-pointer with 7:23 to play. Boston College's next three field goals were all 3-pointers and came in a 78-second span from three different players - Keenan Jourdian, Andy Bedard and Duane Woodward.

Woodard's made it 74-62 with 5:10 to play and the lead was never less than 10 the rest of the way as St. John's (8-11, 2-9) dropped its third straight and sixth in seven games with the only win over then-No. 6 Georgetown.

Penn and Danya Abrams, who finished with 18 points, dominated the game for Boston College until the run of 3s gave the Eagles their second win of the season over St. John's.

Woodward finished with 17 for the Eagles, who were 8-of-18 from 3-point range with Woodward perfect in three attempts.

Abrams had 13 rebounds for Boston College.

Zendon Hamilton led St. John's with 24 points and 15 rebounds but received little help. Felipe Lopez added 13.

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Wallace holds off Pittsburgh

John Wallace scored 25 points and Otis Hill's only points of the second half helped No. 18 Syracuse hold off a second-half rally and beat Pittsburgh 73-67 Wednesday night. Hill had 18 points as Syracuse opened first-half leads of as many as 14 points, but he did not score in the second half until his three-point play gave the Orangemen a 69-61 lead with 1:40 remaining. Pitt (9-10, 4-7 in Big East) had closed to within four points for the first time since early in the game at 63-59 with 4:47 left, but scored only once more until Chad Varga hit two 3-pointers in the final 23 seconds. Wallace, Hill and Todd Burgan, who had 10 points, scored all but 17 Syracuse points as the Orange (17-6, 7-5) beat Pitt for the ninth consecutive time since Jan. 8, 1992. The Orange are 20-7 against Pitt since the Panthers joined the Big East in 1982.

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Irish bury hapless Panthers

Morgan hits for 26 in victory

BY TODD FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

Notre Dame has not been kind to visiting opponents this season. They have triumphed in all but one game at the JAA. So Pittsburgh should not be surprised by the way they were treated last night.

The women's basketball team thrashed the Panthers 90-51 in a game the Irish dominated from beginning to end.

"We came out ready to play. Our intensity was high, and our defense was the best that it has been in a few games," commented Irish head coach Muffet McGraw.

Notre Dame used this weekend's loss against Rutgers as incentive to play with a heightened level of intensity. "Against Rutgers, we shot poorly and didn't play a very smart game," said McGraw. "When we lose, we like to take it out on our next opponent."

The No. 24 Irish also wanted to prove that their Associated Press ranking was well-deserved.

Coach McGraw admitted that she was surprised by the announcement, considering the recent loss. "The ranking was definitely a confidence boost for the team," Beth Morgan led the Irish early with a flurry of baskets that resulted in a 24-2 margin. She also contributed to the effort with several key assists and rebounds.

Morgan finished the game with an impressive 26 points and 6 assists in only 21 minutes of action.

"That is how she played against Syracuse. She played great defense and shot well all night," said McGraw.

Notre Dame walked into the locker room with a 50-15 halftime lead. During most of the second half, McGraw rested her starters and brought players off the bench for some valuable playing time. She was particularly pleased with the play of freshman Diana Braendly. The talented center showed no signs of nerves in her most successful game of the season. Braendly finished the game second in Irish scoring with 14 points.

"Diana Braendly had her best game of the season, and Mollie (Peirick) played well tonight also," noted McGraw.

Notre Dame led Pittsburgh by 51 points on four separate occasions, which was the largest margin of the game. The Irish never trailed in the contest.

The Irish have six games remaining on their regular season schedule, all of which are against Big East opponents. Wednesday night's performance by the Irish bench could be crucial in the future when Notre Dame faces more formidable opponents.

Next up for No. 24 Notre Dame: Georgetown Hoyas.

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Cardinals pluck Tobin from Colts

By MEL REISNER
Associated Press

TEMPE, Ariz.

For the second time, Vince Tobin is in territory vacated by Buddy Ryan.

The Arizona Cardinals hired the defensive coordinator of the Indianapolis Colts as their coach Wednesday. He replaces Ryan, who was fired Dec. 26 after his team skidded to 4-12 with a season-ending 37-13 loss to Dallas.

In 1986, Tobin replaced Ryan as defensive coordinator of the Chicago Bears after Ryan got his first head coaching job with Philadelphia.

Cardinals owner Bill Bidwill, who kept his plans secret until the last day, said he likes Tobin's low-key but determined style.

"He comes across as a very straightforward person," Bidwill said. "He's been described that way to me by a number of people. What you see is what you get."

Tobin, 52, said he always prepares for victory. But he demurred when asked if he was saying there was "a win in the town." The now infamous way Ryan described himself when he was hired Feb. 3, 1994.

"I've never gone into a game or a season thinking we couldn't win," Tobin said. "Now, is that a goal? I don't know, but the only purpose of coaching or playing in the National Football League is to win, is to want to get to the Super Bowl."

Bidwill flew to Honolulu for last week's Pro Bowl and made his first contact with Tobin there. Both said the deal wasn't closed until Wednesday afternoon, hours before the Cardinals called their news conference.

Tobin's five-year contract is for coaching only, and Bidwill said he has not yet settled on a general manager, the other position left vacant by Ryan's firing.

The owner said he would not try to hire a GM until after the NFL scouting combine which begins Thursday in Indianapolis.

Bill Tobin, the new coach's older brother, is the Colts' director of football operations and has been mentioned as the Arizona GM. Vince Tobin said he didn't know whether Bill was a candidate.

"This is something that Mr. Bidwill and I discussed at great length, and he has assured me when he hires a general manager it will be a guy who is very compatible with me," Tobin said.

Bidwill took six weeks to replace Ryan, but he beat his own deadline by one day. He had said he wanted to send the new coach to the combine.

Tobin said he hopes to talk to defensive tackle Eric Swann and cornerback Aeneas Williams, the team's two most valuable free agents, before returning to Indianapolis this weekend.

Arizona's offense was anemic throughout Ryan's two years, but the third-ranked defense helped the Cardinals to an 8-8 record in 1994. Last year, the defense was as mediocre as the offense.

The Cardinals have not had a winning season since 1984 or been to the playoffs in a nonstrike year since 1975.

Tobin becomes the Cardinals' fifth coach since the team moved to Arizona from St. Louis in 1988, and the 32nd coach in the franchise's 75-year history.

He emerged as a top candidate for the job from a field that included Green Bay defensive coordinator Fritz Shurmur and former UCLA coach Terry Donahue.

Tobin's 1986 Bears defensive unit set an NFL record for fewest points allowed (187) in a 16-game season, and the 1988 Bears were the league's stingiest in opponent scoring. He was out of football in 1993, then joined the Colts.

In 1994 he took over a defense that ranked last the previous season and molded it into a unit that tied for seventh in total defense and fifth in fewest points allowed in 1995.

And his stock climbed during Indianapolis' drive to the AFC title game last season.

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Men's Soccer

Irish sign defensive standouts

By DYLAN BARMER
Sports Writer

Five high school seniors from around the country put their paper on "National Signing Day," and just like that, the Notre Dame men's soccer team became a little more well-rounded.

"We basically met our needs, which is the most important thing in a recruiting class," offered head coach Mike Berticelli. Those needs include shoring up a much-maligned defense which surrendered 39 goals in 19 matches last season. It looks as if this most pressing of needs may have been met and more.

Four of the five signees are defensive players, and one of them also doubled as a kickr/tight end for his high school football team last season. He was also an all-state selection for two straight seasons in football.

In Texas. But in the end, Matt McNew, considered one of the top 100 football prospects in football country, decided to pursue his equally impressive soccer career for the Irish, who will no doubt welcome the presence of the 6'4", 210 pound McNew in their defensive backfield. "Matt adds good size and strength and will be primarily a center defender for us," commented Berticelli on the Arlington native. Currently, a member of the Under 17 National team "Technically, he is a very sound player with a powerful shot."

McNew's leg? Powerful enough to nail a 44-yard field goal this past season on the football field during the waning seconds of a state playoff game. McNew was no slouch this past season on the offensive end either, leading his team in scoring with 22 goals and eight assists.

In addition to McNew, the Irish defensive backfield corps will be augmented by the addition of Alan Woods and Matt DeDominics, who both help fill a much needed addition of marking backs to the Irish squad.

With the loss of sophomore marking back David Cutler due to a knee injury program next season, Woods and DeDominics may find themselves spending a good deal of time on the field next season.

"We gained a lot of experience in the backfield last season," said Berticelli of a defense which was almost entirely green last season. "With the addition of that experience and this recruiting class, we're hoping to stop some of the leaks back there."

Woods, who hails from Prairieville, Maryland, led Paint Branch High School to the regional state semi-finals last season, notching seven goals and 11 assists in the process. A three-time All-State selection, Woods is currently a member of the Maryland state and regional Olympic Developmental team.

"He filled an immediate need at marking back," said Berticelli of Woods. "He is a very strong and athletic player with good speed and tremendous passing ability who will challenge for a starting position next season."

DeDominics started his entire high school career at Simsbury High School, Connecticut, leading the team to a state championship this past season. DeDominics is another multi-talented athlete, currently averaging 17 points per game for the school basketball team.

"Matt is another solid addition for us at marking back," commented Berticelli. "He will give us tremendous speed and quickness in the backfield, and he is a strong leader on the field."

Rounding out the defensive additions is goalkeeper John Krivacic, a two-time all-district selection the past two seasons for Newman Smith High School in Carrollton, Texas. Krivacic led Newman Smith to a 17-5-2 record last season, posting six shutouts on the year.

"There is no stranger to international experience, Krivacic has traveled to both England and France to train and spent the summer of 1994 training at the Wimbledon Football Club in England.

"John is a very consistent goalkeeper who rarely makes mistakes," noted Berticelli. "We had a big problem with consistency in the net last season, so I think John will push our two returnees for the starting spot in the fall."

And then there is the master of Ryan Cox, the most heralded of the five signees. The Irish offense, beset with injuries last season, got a huge boost with the addition of Cox, who was considered by many to be one of the top three high school forwards in the nation last season.

"This is currently a member of the Under 20 National Team," noted Berticelli. Cox finished his high school career with 65 goals and 47 assists, both school records. Cox also has international experience, having played soccer in eight European countries in his spare time. Cox is an outstanding addition to our program," said an obviously pleased Berticelli. "He has a tremendous work ethic and will contribute immediately. He's very opportunistic and an extremely tough player to defend. Ryan's going to add great excitement to our program."

Bucke your seatbelts soccer fans because the 1996 Irish season is sure to look a whole lot more exciting.

"I think we got excellent speed in this recruiting class," said Berticelli.
Irish strength lines, skill positions

Williams adds size, strength to defense

TIM MCGOON
Sports Writer

The knock on Notre Dame's recruiting in recent memory, before last year, has been that we've recruited nicely with great character, but so what? They're not the blue-chip athletes that we need in order to compete with the Nebraska and Floridas of the college football world.

Those who think that mix of character, athleticism, and size is in the Past and one that the Irish will never discover, have yet to meet Brad Williams, the 6-foot-6, 250 lb. defensive lineman from Orange, CA. who signed a national letter-of-intent yesterday to play for Notre Dame next year.

According to coaches, he has the ability to compete for the Irish on the defensive line, possibly even sooner.

"He's a big, physical player," stated defensive coordinator Bob Davie. "He will be given the full opportunity to play defensive line here at Notre Dame.

"He's an awfully, awfully fine player," Holtz added.

The athletic exploits of Williams are well-documented in national publications, including Parade and USA Today. He named him first-team prep All-American; while several others have him listed in their top 50 lists nationally. As a result, coach Holtz labeled Brad as "a highly acclaimed pupil.

For the first time in recent memory, since the signing of Bryant Young in 1990, Notre Dame fans have their hope for the Irish in the defensive line, possibly even sooner.

"You need to look at a recruiting class when it's back-to-back with the one you had last year," he pointed out.

I think when you put this one with last year's class, it's an awfully, awfully good class.

A class of third graders could be good when matched with the Class of 1999 and 2000. Potential is definitely there again.

Defensive Line B+
Jeffree Moore and Jason Ching and Brad Williams are both first-team USA TODAY All-Americans. They should see immediate time. Nuff said.

Saturday Post Positions

Quarterback B+
Eric Chappell seems to fit Lou Holtz's new open style of play. Chappell could be great size, and above average arm and can run the 40 in 4.7 seconds.

Running Backs C+
Jay Vickers looks to be the tailback of the class while Joey Goodspeed will try to follow in the path of Marc Edwards. This need could have been filled better.

Receivers A
with Williams B+
(without Williams)
Raki Nelson will make this solid corp even more special if he decides on Notre Dame. Dawson, Johnson, and Harper all bring solid credentials.

Defensive Line 3
Joe Moore has to be ecstatic about the prospect of working with the Classes of 1999 and 2000. Potential is definitely there again.

Special Teams A+
The Irish were consistent but not the highest-touted recruiting class when it's back-to-back with the one you had this year.

Not Notre Dame's average kicker

By THOMAS SCHLIDT
Assistant Sports Editor

Just don't call him a kicker. Well, maybe he is a kicker, but he doesn't act like one. Just call him the Tony Stewart of the kicking game.

When Notre Dame head coach Lou Holtz scoured the country for a solution to his kicking game, he searched high and low. But only one kicker really caught Holtz thought merited a scholarship.

That man was John Raki Nelson. Best known for his tremendous leg, hit six of his ten field goal attempts, including a 52 yard field goal, and 91 percent of his kickoffs during the 1994 season. In 1994, he was credited with the longest field goal in the country with a 22 yard boot, while connecting on 12 of 18 field goals.

Yet, whileSansen may have won praise for his leg, it may have been his attitude that caught Holtz's eye. Sansen sees himself as more than just a kicker.

"I'm not just a kicker," he explains. "I have the mentality of an athlete. Other kickers at Notre Dame have never played another position before. They've just kicked or played soccer. I've played wide receiver and defensive back. I may even work with the receivers at Notre Dame!

In Arizona, he earned all-state honors as defensive back, intercepting two passes and caught 50 passes for 801 yards and nine touchdowns. St. Mary's even had his kicker/receiver/defensive back ranked the fifth best in the nation.

Throughout his high school years, it seems to be just a matter of time before he found his way to South Bend.

Receivers: Jawon Evans, Eddie Reed and Harper all bring solid credentials.

Defensive Line: Josh Lanning and Lee Lafayette, Jr. will be looked upon as leaders this year.

Linebackers B
No Cory. Minor's but Byron Cobbins wasn't exactly a solid choice either three years ago. Joe Ferrer may eventually be one.

Secondary C
Assuming the Irish aren't lucky enough to land highly touted Berry, this group again falls short, not even having intent, of expectations.

Only one recruit is listed as just a DB.

Special Teams A+
The Irish were consistent but not the highest-touted recruiting class when it's back-to-back with the one you had this year.

Overall Grade 3.2
The Irish followed a stellar 1995 class with a solid 1996 group. Stringing two consecutive above average classes has not happened in a long time. That has spelled trouble in recent times. Maybe it's time for change. When Notre Dame football is involved, hope springs eternal.

-- Tim Sherman
Tradition, new offense appeal to TE O'Leary
By JAMES BELDEN
Assistant Sports Editor

Some people crumble under it. Others thrive in it. Billy Joel sings about it, and it's old hat for All-American prep tight end Dan O'Leary.

Prosser: "Running out on the field gives you a charge, but once the game starts it's down to business," said O'Leary. He has done his job and has done it extremely well. During his four years at Cleveland St. Ignatius, O'Leary helped his mates earn four state titles and one National Championship.

Success has been synonymous with the 6-foot-6, 230 pound O'Leary wherever he has gone.

"St. Ignatius has really prepared me for the college level in both the classroom and the weightroom. My days are structured in order to get enough time with the books and the weights," stated O'Leary.

"All last year I carried the load as a receiver, and last year's tight end was Pete Chrystliewicz was another bonus for O'Leary. "Pete's one of the premier tight ends in the nation, and I just hope that I can learn from him when I'm there. I'm sure that he'll help me out with the little things that make him one of the best," o"Leary.

Notre Dame's tradition of great tight ends will hopefully continue with O'Leary's signing.

"Notre Dame has always had great tight ends that have made it to the professional level, and making the NFL has always been one of my dreams," O'Leary revealed.

The new Irish offensive mindset also appeals to O'Leary. "The coaches told me that the tight ends and wide-outs would be a major part of the offense in the near future. It was nice to just watch the Orange Bowl and actually see it in action."

At St. Ignatius, O'Leary snagged 46 catches for 683 yards, including six for touchdowns. That is more than the records of the Irish tight ends' entire careers, but O'Leary hopes that it will become more of a norm.

Dan's mind was made up even before he made his official visit. "I knew from the start that it was the place for me. I made an unofficial visit over the summer with my coach, and it was everything I imagined it to be."

Coach Chmiel, the tight ends coach, was an integral part of O'Leary's commitment. "I was really relaxed with Coach Chmiel. He's a great friend and I am looking forward to having a good time with him at Notre Dame."

Hopefully, O'Leary will give the fans a reason to have a good time over the next four years.

Cooper adds a spark to Irish offense, receivers
By THOMAS SCHLIDT
Assistant Sports Editor

He didn't have the fame and recognition, but by the end of his senior season the college football world knew the name Deke Cooper.

After having a rather quiet junior season, this 6-foot-4, 205 pound tailback burst into the Mr. Indiana race while leading his team to the state finals. He eventually ended his senior campaign with an impressive 88 carries for 925 yards and eight touchdowns.

Yet, with such an enormous build for a tailback, it was Cooper's play at receiver and strong safety that thoroughly impressed Notre Dame head coach Lou Holtz.

While working mainly out of the backfield, Cooper caught 16 passes for over 350 yards. An outstanding average of over 20 yards per catch.

"Deke Cooper is a very fine receiver," he commented. "This young gentleman can play either receiver or defensive back and fill a big void at either one of the two. He could contribute next year."

If it is more than likely that Irish fans will see this speedy star on the field next year. With the Irish moving to a more wide open offense with multiple receivers, more than one of the freshmen will be forced to step forward.

"Last year was a great class, but we didn't know if any would start right away," Holtz said. "This year some people will have a chance at quarterback, wide receiver or defensive back. But for that to happen the upperclassmen would have to give them the chance."

One doesn't see Ron Pawlik or Peter Turner crumble under the weight of being the number one of the class of 2000, but receiver or defensive back is different. "We need a minimum of three wide receivers from this class," Holtz explained. "We recruited him as a receiver, and told him we could use him as a defensive back."

Either way, the Irish will just want him on the field.
National champs add bumper crop of recruits

By JOE VILLINSKI
Assistant Sports Editor

The nature of college sports dictates that no matter the results of the previous year, coaches never rest in a tireless quest for improvement.

Just a little over two months after directing the women's soccer team to their first national championship, Notre Dame head coach Chris Petrucelli believes that search is over.

"Now that we've reached our goal of winning a national championship, the goal is to win more national championships," Petrucelli said. "The only way you do that is with top-level talent. This year's class brings a combination of great athletic ability along with a technical knowledge of the game of soccer.

Yesterday, the women's soccer program signed six players to National Letters-of-Intent including United States National Team member Jen Grubb out of Conant High in Hoffman Estates, Illinois. Regarded by many as the top incoming defender in the nation, Grubb has played on the international level and was selected as Illinois Player of the Year by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA).

"She's special because she is very athletic," assistant coach Carla Chin added. "More importantly, she understands the game and wants to be better. By coming here, she knows she will be better by the time she graduates."

Grubb is already in a class by herself, graduating a semester early from high school as she recently accompanied the U.S. team to Brazil for a pair of games against the host country, while also playing in a two-game series against reigning World cup champion Norway in the United States.

It wasn't Grubb who helped shore up the Conant High football squad's kicking game in the fall, doubling as a place-kicker in her spare time. She is expected to compete as the sweeper position left vacant by the graduation of Ashley Scharff.

"She (Grubb) is a true leader," Chin said. "She'll help pick up the slack of leadership from Cindy Dawes and Jen Renola. She fits into the chemistry of the team well.

With the graduation of Michelle McCarthy and Rosella Garey, the program's top two all-time leaders in goals, Jenny Heft of Pius XI in Germantown, Wisconsin will step into the forward position. Heft, known as a quick frontrunner, was the NSCAA Wisconsin soccer player of the year and four-time all-state selection.

Like Grubb, Heft is also versatile, leading Pius XI to the 1995 Wisconsin state basketball championship. The star point guard was honored by both the Associated Press and USA Today, a season ago. Heft will be competing with midfielder/forward Jenny Streiffer from Baton Rouge High in Baton Rouge, Louisiana for a spot on an already talented squad.

A four-time all-state choice, Streiffer is currently a member of the United States U-20 National Team and was also named an NSCAA All-American in the fall of 1995. With the commitment of Grubb, Heft, and Streiffer, Petrucelli's efforts paid off after the trio caught his eye about three years ago.

"Over the years, Chris has seen their wonderful attributes that will help us," Chin commented.

As the senior season of the All-American goalie Renola approaches, Petrucelli wasted no time in looking towards the future. With the signing of goalkeeper Lakesia Beeene of Del Largo High in Gold River, California, Notre Dame recruited one of the most coveted outsideminders in the nation. The 5-foot-8 Beeene will see immediate time in goal, while

The Irish signed Lakesia Beeene of California to one day take the place of goalie Jen Renola (above). Although Renola will return as the starter next fall, Beeene should eventually take over in goal.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LUCK!

Although making others happy is a priority with you, give some thought to your own needs. It is important to take care of yourself in the future. Instead of always putting others' needs first, occasionally, give them encouragement and understanding. Romance will provide some of the year's brightest moments. Your career picks up when you display strong leadership qualities. Be willing to explore new and unfamiliar areas.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: across Audrey Minn, pioneer sci-fi author Jules Verne, actress Lana Turner, hockey player Doc O'callahan.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): An outpouring of emotions or itself triggering a personal event at the day's progress. set your goals. Communication is essential when dealing with loved ones.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Unexpectedly, a key project. Stick to conventional methods in business. Take key phone calls. Good timing is a vital part of your success.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Act quickly on a unique opportunity and you will make fresh financial gains. Act out of character could bring some surprising benefits at work.

CANCER (June 22-July 22): You will know what to say after the past. Take a chance, even if it seems risky. Do not be discouraged if the pace is slower than anticipated or if personal setbacks occur.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Guard against being overly critical or selfish. Getting better organized will help you to perform at top priority projects. Your rapport with someone special develops.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your social networking grounds storage. Be confident in your dealings with others. Pluralistic people are impressed by your inclusiveness. (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Closed attention to detail is the key to success in business. Put aside unrealistic wishes and make wise work decisions. An influential person applies your ability to perform well under pressure.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Loved ones have an idea that could help you a lot. Confide in an old friend or plan a change of residence. See this evening to do something productive. Study or read a good book.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Might work is more important than vanity today. Acknowledge your achievements, and surround you. An unexpected visitor could change your work or social schedule. You benefit from going with the flow.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You will never achieve your career goals with a tentative effort. Put your whole heart into what you do! If image is important in your line of work, shape up. Take pains with your appearance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Inside information comes to you in a financial deal. Check all details. Taking a chance on a new investment will be worth it. Attending a social event tonight will give you a chance to mingle with influential people. Don't impress, impress! It will be a big night. A private chat could improve a work or domestic situation for you. Going to a room to make sure where music is on will be the best decision. A private chat will provide some levity. Avoid revealing too much too soon.

Of Interest

Meet tonight outside of the Oark Room in SDH at 6 PM for the weekly dinner with the Spanish Club.

Igor Grabin, a former member of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR, will speak today at "Russian Danger and European Security" today at 4:15PM in C-103 of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

George M. Marsden, along with panel respondents Sr. Joan Kline, Tom Partisi, and John Pauley, will be discussing "What Difference Should Christian Perspectives Make?" today at 4:30 PM in the Stapleton Lounge of LeMans Hall. Refreshments will be served.

BORN/Unborn: The Truth will be presented tonight by ND Alum Dan Ferrone '59 at 7 PM in Washington Hall. Tickets are free but donations will be accepted to support the Women's Care Center.

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Holtz holds high hopes for Class of 2000

by MIKE NORBUT

Sports Editor

I wasn’t quite the atmosphere of a year ago, when Notre Dame pulled in the top-rated recruiting class in the nation. But 1996’s version of National Signing Day, however, was a satisfying time for Irish coach Lou Holtz and his staff.

“Coach Lou Holtz

“...Our coaches did a fine job,” he said. “They’ll get away for a week or so. Since about July 15 they haven’t had a free day except Christmas. They’ve been at it seven days a week.”

Their hard work paid off, as 23 high school stars, including three Parade high school All-Americans, signed letters of intent Wednesday to play football for the University of Notre Dame. "They’re very good football players," Holtz continued. "I thought our coaches put forth an awful lot of effort. We overcame an awful lot of obstacles along the way."

Could those obstacles include the possibility of some negative recruiting on the behalf of some recruiting schools? "I've tried to focus on the positives," Holtz said. "When I said obstacles, I mean you had to put out a lot of fires about Notre Dame before you could talk about your own program. As far as negative recruiting, I would never acknowledge that either way."

Best of the rest: soccer, volleyball recruits