The Americans have invaded...

By CAROLINE BLUM

They began to notice it early last week, first around the airport, then in downtown Dublin, Cork, Galway, and Blarney. Everywhere they looked, they would see them. "I can't believe all of the Americans around here lately," Galway pub owner Frank O'Sullivan said. "It's like an invasion."

Twenty-five thousand to 50,000 Americans are estimated to take part in the "invasion," by visiting Ireland not as an off-season vacation, but as a chance to see Notre Dame play football at the "Shamrock Classic."

"They say it is the biggest tourist event in Dublin's history," Dublin resident Ellen Duggan said. "I'm going to the game, and I graduated from one of those schools." She meant Notre Dame. Duggan is a 1976 grad of Notre Dame's College of Arts and Letters.

"Shamrock Classic" is supposed to bring in 50,000 extra visitors this weekend because of the game and a European Bank Holiday, according to Marie Villa, an employee of the Dublin Tourism Bureau. On bank holiday weekends, many Europeans spend their free time in the city of Dublin because it is rather close, she said.

"The Shamrock Classic is supposed to bring anywhere from 25,000 to 50,000 fans from the states," Villa said. And according to the Irish Independent, the game is supposed to generate nearly 15 million pounds—$25 million—for the Irish economy.

But something is still missing. Perhaps it's the lack of advertising. The only advertisements for the game which are clearly noticeable are concentrated in only a few parts of town—at the airport, at the tourism building, and the like. The advertising is all the same. It's a poster of Derrick Hagan, head coach of the Notre Dame football team, and the like.

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SMC begins ad push for new president

By MAUREEN HURLEY

The search is on.

A major advertising campaign is underway for the search for the next president of Saint Mary's College, according to a Board of Trustees memo distributed to the college community.

College President William Hickey, who is currently in his 19th year as president of the College, announced his resignation in April. He will remain in the presidential role until a successor is found.

The responsibility for naming the 10th president of the College lies with the College Board of Trustees. The Board has appointed a Presidential Search Committee, led by former Board of Trustees Chair Sister Rachel Callahan, to oversee the search process.

To date, major advertising strategies have included placing advertisements in The Chronicle for Higher Education. In addition, over 200 letters soliciting nominations have been sent to all Catholic colleges, all women's colleges, and other selected institutions.

Calling for a candidate who "will inherit an institution which is strong intellectually and financially and prepared for a new era of growth," an advertisement for
Free Speech Misunderstood

What is "free speech?" Ever since the University of Notre Dame denied permission for a recognized student group to hold a rally on campus, those two words have been tossed about like a hot potato. David Freedom during the Notre Dame crisis, a well-meaning person at Notre Dame. But uniformly, every one of these students has clearly taken "free speech" to mean what the uninformed common opinion has defined it to mean — as a license to dig deeper into the issue. For example, Matthew McCoy (Viewpoint, Oct. 30) writes that the University's action "tramples on the rights of students," and violates the words "free speech." Though we may not all agree with what (certain) organizations have to say, he writes, "we must fight for their right to say it." McCoy thus defines our right to free speech by referring to a famous quotation from Voltaire, and many people across the country would probably do the same.

But is "free speech" in the United States really based on Voltaire's notion? Should we really fight to defend anyone's right to say whatever they want in our country? For several reasons, we must allow a "right," to tell lies? Should we defend their "right" to slander my mother? Or should I defend their "right" to attack the youth of our nation that the Holocaust never happened?

Notwithstanding the Constitution, I am obliged to fight for any such "right." The Constitution guarantees that none of us can be arrested for expressing an unpopular political view to print or in assembly. It does not by any means guarantee the right to say whatever we want, and then, in addition to that, the right to expect that no one will hinder us from saying it publicly. But that is precisely what the University administration wanted to do to the Notre Dame crisis. And just as the right to free speech does not guarantee that we may say whatever we want, it is even less the case that it allows us to say it wherever we want. At the Democratic National Convention, protesters were kept far away from the festivities. And this means the Constitution necessary for the right to use a particular location to exercise his or her right to "free speech."

In conclusion, the "right to free speech" is irrelevant in the discussion of the administration's action. The Notre Dame administration is not obligated under the Constitution to endorse anyone's right to say whatever they want. Would it be fair for anyone to say that the University can neither legally refuse to allow any group to demonstrate on campus? Regardless of the group's principles are incompatible with those of a Catholic university.

Nor does our right to free speech give us the license to speak out wherever we want. To the University, "free speech" is a particular demonstration does not violate the Constitutional right to free speech, since campus protests involve the use of University property, and the University has no obligation to allow it to rally on its property. In the end, regardless of how one feels about the issues at hand, it is only fair for everyone to recognize that no one's Constitutional right to free speech has been violated. If the Notre Dame administration does one goes deeper than the common notion of what "free speech" really means, one will see no such high and lofty idea as "free speech" as it stake here, and so "free speech" need not even be discussed.

The views expressed in the Inside column are of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Car stereos among recent thefts at ND

By HEATHER COCKS

A multitude of thefts have recently been reported by Notre Dame students whose locked vehicles have been broken into and robbed of car stereos, according to Chuck Hurley, assistant director of Notre Dame Security. In the past six weeks, several cars parked in the D2 south lot and the C1 lot, south of the Joyce Center, have been vandalized and stripped of CD players and other audio equipment.

"The culprits have avoided all cars with visible security systems," stated Hurley. "They break the windows of locked automobiles and take whatever they can find."

Hurley advises students to keep a close watch on the lots, taking note of any remotely suspicious persons or activities. He also urges any concerned parties to call security immediately from the call-boxes located throughout the lots.

The Firm:
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Student: 'Make OMSA an advocate'

By KELLY BROOKS

The first national tour of "Having Our Say," a play chronicling the lives and times of two African-American sisters, will make a stop at the O'Laughlin Auditorium at Saint Mary's College in a few weeks. The performance is scheduled for Tuesday, November 5.

Nominated for a 1995 Tony Award for Best Play, "Having Our Say" tells the story of Bessie and Sadie Delany, who both lived well past the age of 100. The drama presents a family history containing the stories of two African-American women. Their experiences are recalled in vivid detail and with straightforward insight. The play also covers events from the often-overlooked perspectives of the black middle class.

Presented in the Delany's own words, this production is a must-see for anyone interested in the civil rights movements of the 1960s. After moving to New York City during World War I, the Delany family moved to New York City during World War II. Their social circle came to include such prominent figures such as W. E. B. Du Bois and Paul Robeson. Later, the two "maiden ladies," as they referred to themselves, counted their friends Eleanor Roosevelt and Martin Luther King, Jr.

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Tickets for "Having Our Say" are $18 for adults, $16 for senior citizens, $10 for members of the Saint Mary's/Notre Dame community, and $5 for students.

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Mayes, now a member of the Great Britain rugby team, described the rugby experience as "crazy about football," said David Owen, a cab driver in Dublin. "I've seen all Ireland against England in the Football," he said, "we're crazy about not American football. Our 'football' is your soccer." Not many Irish follow American football, it was added.
But there is still definite interest in the game. All around Dublin, blue and gold can be seen. But it is almost exclusively worn by people who are not students. They are parents and graduates and lifelong fans, but very few are students.
Yes, there are fans here to support the team—managers, cheerleaders, and the band. But the greater number of the fans are obviously not students. Perhaps that is what's missing.
That's a theory held by the Notre Dame Club of Ireland. Vice-President Raymond Kelly, according to the Notre Dame Club of Ireland wanted to provide affordable student travel packages so that the student population could attend the game. But the plan was "side-lined" by big business.
The University basically sold out," according to Katie McBride, a 1992 graduate of Notre Dame and a member of the Notre Dame Club of Ireland. The University relinquished all rights for about $1 million. McBride explained. And from that point on, it was "hang-ups.
"The Notre Dame Club of Ireland hoped to put a travel package together at extremely reduced prices, but permission to do so was refused at a meeting held at Jury's Hotel of Dublin within the last year. Present at the meeting was an absolute "no" for the Notre Dame Club.
And so, as of Thursday evening, there were still plenty of tickets available for the game, selling at either eight, 40, or 50 pounds, according to Villa of the Dublin Tourism Bureau. Croke Park, which seats 70,000, will not sell out. There will be seats which could have been filled by Notre Dame students, who will instead watch the tape-delayed game in South Bend at 11 a.m. tomorrow.
They may be missing the game in Ireland, but at least they will not be missing the game altogether.

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from Northwestern.
Duggan currently works as a Dallas Cowboys public relations assistant and is earning money so she can travel Europe. My boss warned us that we will be busy," she said.
Several Americans will be attending the game who are not even alumni. One of these is Tim Healy, a Chicago native who made the trip across the Atlantic to see the game, despite the fact that he has no formal ties to the University.
"My brother and I have lived in Notre Dame as long as I can remember," he explained. "We've always wanted to see a football game, and we've always wanted to go to the stadium when our parents grew up. We thought that this trip would be the perfect opportunity to investigate our heritage and see the Fighting Irish play." But many Irish citizens do not understand exactly the billboards, radio advertisements, television commercials, and signs at airport mean when they say, "Come see the Fighting Irish play!"
"You mean soccer?" a Cork resident responded when asked if he would be attending the football game. "We aren't big fans of the sport. American football is a weak version of rugby—what's that we play here?"
Other confusion among Irish people arises from the mere phrase, "What do you mean, Fighting Irish?" a Galway student asked Notre Dame law student Tom Stienske. "Do you think we like fighting?"
Stienske, who is using this trip as an excuse to travel to Ireland, explained the history of the phrase to the Irish student. An influx of Notre Dame fans began arriving at Blarney Castle early this week, as crowds of Americans sporting various forms of Fighting Irish apparel sought their chance to kiss the Blarney Stone.
"There are so many Americans over a week's time, the castle store's attendant remarked. Wednesday afternoon, the American invasion escalated when a flight arrived at Dublin Airport, carrying members of the Notre Dame band.
Everyone seems excited to be back in the homeland players Frank O'Linn said. "We feel honored to perform in our native land on Saturday."
The band will kick off their homecoming performances with a parade followed by the traditional pep rally.

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the position, featured in the Sept. 6 and 13 issues of The Chronicle of Higher Education, read. "The successful candidate will have an outstanding record of academic and spiritual leadership; management and community building; resource generation and allocation; development of diversity, external relations; governance; and personal effectiveness."
Today, Callahan, along with Shelly Storbeck, the consultant hired by the College to aid in the search process, will sit in hand to share information regarding the status of the search process. Presentations will take place today at 7:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. in Stapleton Lounge in LeMans Hall.

Remember to share the warmth in the true Notre Dame spirit. Contact the Hammes Bookstore or the Center for Social Concerns for details.

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SMC promotes local schools
By SHANNON RYAN New Writer
In an effort to reach out to educators in the surrounding area, Saint Mary's College has recently initiated programs specifically designed to enhance the education in local schools. Saint Mary's varying departments have attempted to promote the value of education this semester through a technology initiative workshop and a session concerning women in mathematics and sciences.
In support of President Clinton's Educational Technology Initiative, Saint Mary's welcomed local school teachers to a workshop as part of the National 21st Century Teachers Project." This workshop was designed to promote technology and the knowledge of it among current educators, many of whom have not had the opportunity to develop their skills with modern computers. Saint Mary's is also encouraging women to enter into the field of mathematics and sciences through the session entitled, "Women in Mathematics: A New Release."
The inspiration behind this session was set in motion six years ago, when Sister Miriam Cooney of the Saint Mary's department of mathematics welcomed 20 teachers from the South Bend region to a seminar entitled, "Mathematics, Science, and Gender." These twenty teachers would most likely choose to study literature and to research the role of women in math and science. Each teacher then wrote the biography of at least one woman who contributed to these fields which young women are often discouraged from entering.
These stories have now been republished and compiled into a volume entitled "Celebrating Women in Mathematics and Science," edited by Sister Cooney. Sister Cooney and the twenty authors will discuss their writings today at the Century Center and Marriott in South Bend. Afterwards, guests of the session are welcome to come to a book signing reception.

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Saturday, November 9, 1996
**BRAZIL**

**Plane crashes in Sao Paulo; 98 reported dead**

By STAN LEHMAN

Associated Press Writer

SAO PAULO, Brazil

A Brazilian jetliner crashed into a residential neighborhood in Sao Paulo shortly after takeoff today, igniting flames that engulfed apartments, homes and cars. A civil defense official said all 95 people on board were killed.

Three other bodies were pulled from the rubble, and the death toll was expected to rise as firefighters searched homes on fire by the crash.

There was no word on the nationalities of others on the plane. One resident of the middle-class neighborhood where the plane crashed said he saw "a river of fire on fuel flowing down the street."

Dozens of bodies lay covered with black plastic on the sidewalk, while firemen sprayed water on smoking rubble. Pieces of the plane were strewn over the neighborhood, and parked cars were burning.

Thirteen people were treated for shock, burns and minor injuries at the nearby Jabaquara Municipal Hospital. Seven were hospitalized, one in serious condition with burns. Police and firemen used plywood planks as makeshift stretchers to carry bodies to black morgue trucks.

Roberto Pacheco de Toledo, head of the police's Special Operations Group, said 98 bodies were recovered from the rubble.

"They all were mutilated and carbonized," he said, asking families to bring dental records to help identify the victims.

"There's no sense in just coming (to the morgue), because they won't recognize anyone," he said.

The vice president of the regional airline that owned the plane, TAM, said the plane's two flight data recorders were recovered from the rubble. They were sent to Air Force for investigation, Luz Eduardo Falco said.

"When we arrived, we saw cars, buildings, houses demolished, and parts of bodies amid the wreckage," said Col. Leonardo Correa of the Sao Paulo fire department. "It was like a scene from Dante's Inferno."

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**ZAIRE**

**Aid workers to evacuate Goma**

By KARIN DAVIES

Associated Press Writer

GOMA, Zaire

Warfare and loading choked off relief supplies for 700,000 refugees Thursday, sending tens of thousands streaming south in a desperate search for food and safety.

Ethnic Tutsi rebels closed in on the Zairian-held city of Goma, and aid agencies said looting by Zairian troops had forced them to halt food distribution in the area, which now includes the country's largest refugee camp.

The agencies also said they would evacuate foreign workers.

Cars packed with people and their salvaged household goods sped south. Streams of others trudged on foot, carrying reed mats and seeking on their backs.

The fighting threatens to escalate the refugee crisis into a disaster as bad as the one Goma experienced in 1994, when 1.1 million Rwandan Hutus fled into Zaire. Tens of thousands died then for lack of food, water and medicine.

Artillery battles raged all morning around Goma's airport — the only route for food supplies to the 700,000 Rwandan Hutu refugees living in sprawling camps near the shores of Lake Kivu.

Even that lifeline was cut Thursday, the airport remained in Zairian hands but was closed by fighting, roads from Rwanda, Burundi and Uganda into Zaire were already shut.

The Tutsis are fighting to repel Zairian army attacks and to push the Rwandan Hutus refugees further into Zaire.

After capturing the provincial capital of Bukavu on Wednesday, they closed in on Goma, 60 miles to the north.

After a late meeting, Zaire's parliament urged Hutus from Rwanda to join Zaire's army in fighting the Tutsi rebels. It also urged Zaire's government to identify and expel all Rwandan Tutsis.

Shells fired from the hills across the border in Rwanda bludgeoned areas north of Goma on Thursday. From dawn into night, blinding booms and cracking gunfire sent thousands scurrying for safety.

Reports of a two-pronged Tutsi attack on Zairian positions north of Goma sent more than 110,000 Rwandan refugees from the Kahindo refugee camp and 20,000 local residents fleeing along dirt paths towards Goma's Mugunga camp.

Mugunga — swollen and miserable with some 400,000 inhabitants — is already the largest refugee camp in the world.

"This concentration is a recipe for rapid deterioration," said Ruth Marshall, spokeswoman for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees in Geneva.

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**Black Catholic Mass**

Sunday, November 3

4:00 p.m.

Fisher Hall Chapel

Theme: Reflection on the Life of St. Martin de Porres

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Three children killed in air raids

By ANDREW SELSKY
Associated Press Writer

KABUL, Afghanistan

The day began with an air raid that killed three children and ended with artillery duels just north of the capital, caught in an escalating battle to oust the strict Islamic leadership.

At 7 a.m. Thursday, a plane flew in low and dropped two bombs on the northwestern edge of Kabul, destroying two mud-brick homes.

A 16-year-old girl and her 6-year-old brother died in one house, while a 10-year-old boy in the other.

Relatives of the dead siblings collapsed into the arms of the children's grandmother at a neighboring home where the two bodies were laid out on mats.

"God! Why did this happen? What did we do wrong?" women cried.

Fear briefly interrupted the wailing when a plane flew low overhead.

The siblings' parents were among seven people wounded in the air attack.

More bombs landed in a field and near Kabul Airport, the likely target of all the explosives.

A coalition force trying to retake the capital from the Taliban Islamic militia has been bombarding Kabul on and off since Saturday, but Thursday's raids were the first to kill anyone. Taliban shells and bombs have killed civilians on the other side of the front line.

The Taliban controls roughly two-thirds of the country, but its campaign has stalled since the group took Kabul last month.

Ousted government military chief Ahmed Shah Massoud, powerful northern warlord Rashid Dostum and the leaders of two smaller factions have banded together to fight the Taliban.

The three children who died Thursday were buried almost immediately in accordance with Islamic custom. Some 200 men gathered in a field about a block away to dig three graves in dry, hard-packed earth and pray.

As the mullah, or cleric, recited from the Koran, artillery explosions could be heard from the front line, 10 miles north.

The allied forces have been skirmishing with Taliban soldiers along the front line for the past week, with neither side gaining much ground.

Late Thursday, Taliban soldiers fired howitzers along the road heading north from Kabul, sending up geysers of smoke and dirt some four miles away.

Liberian warlord evades death

By JONATHAN PAYE-LAYLEH
Associated Press Writer

MONROVIA, Liberia

Liberia's chief warlord escaped an assassination attempt Thursday but gunmen killed his bodyguard and at least two others in an attack that raised fears of renewed warfare in the capital.

Charles Taylor, the target of the assault, warned of "the probability of things getting out of hand" as a result of the incident.

Taylor, speaking on his private radio station KISS-FM, said he had ordered his forces to "remain calm," and there were no immediate reports of fighting in the city.

Officials announced a 7 p.m.-6 a.m. curfew, replacing a 10 p.m.-6 a.m. one that had been in force more than a year.

Taylor is one of six warlords jockeying for control of this West Africa nation, which was founded by freed American slaves in 1847.

A civil war that started in 1989 has killed more than 150,000 people.

Gummen opened fire on Taylor's entourage as it arrived at the downtown Executive Mansion for a meeting of Liberia's interim government, said Nigerian Gen. Victor Malu. He is head of the 8,500-strong multinational African peacekeeping army deployed in Liberia.

The assailants had been in a taxi that followed the motorcade past guards and into the compound, Malu said.

Pontiff celebrates golden anniversary

VATICAN CITY

A choir and orchestra joined in Handel's "Messiah" for Pope John Paul II on Thursday to mark 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

The pope applauded the basso di voz, played this Saturday in the Vatican ballroom.

The 76-year-old pontiff smiled broadly past guards and into the crowd of 7,000 spectators as he walked out of a Vatican auditorium. The 76-year-old pontiff smiled and appeared in good health during his most strenuous public event since surgery Oct. 5 to remove an inflamed appendix.

"I extend my gratitude to the many people I have met along my road and that, in different ways, have helped me on the way in these years," the pope said after the concert by the Salzburg Chamber Orchestra led by conductor Franz Welser-Most.
A popular brand of fruit juices was pulled off store shelves in seven Western states and Canada after health officials linked the product to an outbreak of E. coli bacterial poisoning.

As of Wednesday, health officials in Washington state had confirmed 13 cases of E. coli infection and at least 10 of them involved Odwalla fruit juices.

At least eight possible cases were also being investigated. Most of the victims have been children. One boy remained hospitalized; the other victims were not seriously ill.

Health officials used dietary histories taken on the victims, coupled with genetic “fingerprinting” of the bacteria, to trace the outbreak to a batch of unpasteurized apple juice that Odwalla uses as an ingredient in many of its fresh mixed-fruit beverages.

“The public is admonished not to drink Odwalla fruit juice containing apple juice,” Dr. Alonzo Plough, director of the Seattle-King County Department of Public Health, told a news conference.

Odwalla Inc., based in Half Moon Bay, Calif., on Wednesday issued a nationwide recall of all its products containing apple juice.

Thirteen types of juice were being taken off the shelves.

While they all contain some apple juice, most of them, like Blackberry Fruitieshake and Mango Tango, do not have “apple” in their names.

“Our first concern is for the health and safety of those affected,” Stephen Williamson, Odwalla chief executive officer, said in a statement.

Company spokeswomann Sydney Fisher could not say what volume of juice was involved in the recall or how much it will cost the company.

The stock of Odwalla plunged 29 percent this morning on word of the recall, falling $5.37 1/2 to $13 a share on the Nasdaq Stock Market.

Odwalla sells its products in select markets in Washington, California, Oregon, Colorado, New Mexico, Nevada, Texas and British Columbia. The company’s total markets its drinks as natural.

Ten of the 13 confirmed victims drank Odwalla beverages containing unpasteurized apple juice, Plough said. Nine of the 13 children are ages 10 and younger.

All drink the juice between Oct. 11 and 21.

Plough and officials from the state Department of Health said they did not immediately know if the other three victims also drank Odwalla juice.

Officials were alerted to the E. coli outbreak when five infected children were admitted to the hospital.

E. coli killed three children and sickened hundreds in western Washington in early 1993. That outbreak was traced to contaminated hamburgers served at Jack-in-the-Box restaurants.

The potentially tainted Odwalla flavors are: Apple Juice, Blackberry Fruitieshake, Mango Tango, Super Protein, Strawberry Banana Smoothie, Raspberry Smoothie, C-Monster, Mo'Betta, Femme Vitale, Strawberry C-Monster, Superfood, Serious Ginseng and Deep in Peach.

Odwalla sells 12 other products, from strawberry lemonade to a vegetable cocktail, that do not contain apple juice and are not affected by the recall.

Patients choose new technique

Prostate cancer victims' latest hope: seeds

By TARA MEYER

Monday, November 4

ATLANTA

When Wallace Black found out he had prostate cancer, he thought it was the end of a normal life ...

Doctors told the 55-year-old Federal Express worker they would remove his prostate, and he'd probably end up impotent and with little or no control of his bladder.

Instead, he chose to have the cancer treated by injecting it with radioactive pellets, a procedure that has slowly gained favor since the first such operation in the 1970s.

Skepticst say there's not enough evidence to prove that the procedure, known as seed implantation, is as effective as surgery for prostate cancer.

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Gore: GOP 'following siren song of right wing,' straying from roots

By JEANNINE AVERS
Associated Press Writer

Republicans have strayed far from their roots as the party of Abraham Lincoln, Vice President Al Gore asserted Thursday in pressing Texas voters to help re-elect President Clinton and return Democrats to control of Congress.

Gore strongly criticized former Senate GOP leader Bob Dole, the presidential challenger, and House Speaker Newt Gingrich in his remarks.

He has been emphasizing the importance of the Democrats place on retaining the House and Senate, which they lost to the Republicans in 1994.

He said of Dole and Gingrich: "They are following the siren song of the right wing that has now captured control of the modern Republican Party in 1996."

"This is not the party on the other side that Abraham Lincoln founded. They have strayed far, far from their roots."

Clinton invades GOP turf

Looking for a lopsided victory, President Clinton campaigned Thursday in a state that has not voted for a Democrat for president since Harry Truman. He urged Americans to reject "the racial, the ethnic, the tribal and the religious divisions."

Fighting back Republican attacks as the campaign nears an end, White House image-makers wrapped Clinton in the pageantry of the presidency: Swelling crowds and countless marching bands met Clinton at every stop on his six-day, 15-state trek to Election Day.

He hopes to avoid the smudge of-homestretch ugliness, particularly allegations that foreign campaign donors bought access to the Oval Office. Dole suggested that Clinton may have broken the law.

The White House refused to allow the president to be questioned by reporters. And aides deflected inquiries about the growing controversy, saying Clinton will address campaign finance reform Friday in Santa Barbara, Calif.

The president and his team were sticking to their play-it-safe script that put Clinton in front of Democratic voters with recycled speeches about American values and Republican excess.

"I want an America that is rejecting the racial, the ethnic, the tribal and religious divisions that are tearing apart so much of the rest of the world," Clinton told thousands of supporters at Arizona State University. He was speaking in Las Vegas, Nev., and Oakland, Calif., before ending a 13-hour day.

Privately, the president has expressed mounting irritation with Dole, aides said. That may explain why his criticism of the former senator has slowly become more pointed.

 Mentioning Dole by name, something he has rarely done so far, Clinton suggested that the former senator opposes student loans and called his tax-cut plan "a risky tax scheme."

In a typical touch of hyperbole, Clinton said Dole and fellow Republicans "shut the government down to try to force us to keep police off the streets."

It was a reference to Clinton's budget plan to fund his project that may eventually hire 100,000 police. "I couldn't believe it," he said.

Gore: ‘following siren song of right wing,’ straying from roots

By KATIE FAIRBANK

Dallas

Billionaire Ross Perot has money to burn in the waning days of the presidential campaign and he's using it to blit TV viewers and pop up at rallies around the country.

Perot saved about 75 percent of his more than $29 million in government financing to use during the election home stretch.

Television viewers are being inundated with 15-second spots from Perot, airing nationally during prime-time sporting events and on various cable shows.

Perot, who has made several months of weekly public appearances, is attending campaign rallies daily now, hitting hard on President Clinton's ethics and the need for an outsider to reform the political system. He had appearances planned Thursday in New York and Illinois.

"We're right on track now with our paid programing, advertising and appearances," said campaign coordinator Ross Verney, attributing Perot's recent uptick from single digits in national polls to his stepped-up campaign effort.

A Los Angeles Times poll earlier this week put Perot's support at 12 percent nationally, and a CNN-USA Today-Gallup tracking survey had him at 11 percent.

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Thurmond's childhood sitter to vote at 104

By JESSE J. HOLLAND
Associated Press Writer

Now he's the nation's oldest senator ever at age 93, and she was born.

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Forging the constitution for a kinder campus

Many people cite the Constitution as guaranteeing us a government of, by the people, and for the people. They've never read it, of course, that phrase comes from the Declaration of Independence. I have grown weary of their shallow misperceptions and I've decided to put up, but not shut up. Today I present a modest proposal to begin reforming America where America began—on the campus of the University of Notre Dame.

It has been argued in these very pages that the Constitution is the document of the people. The Constitution is written by the people, but in its very utterance that we are all guaranteed a government of, by the people and for the people. Many people write of the Constitution as the statement of our outmoded notions of individual ownership and its ties to concepts like "ownership" and "property." "One's" is a particularly offensive word, given that men own 95 percent of the property in the world. The United States continues to lag behind nations like Brazil in standard of living because of our outdated notions of individual responsibility and its implications of this linguistic sexism are increases in discrimination, date rape and the general enslavement of the fairer sex.

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There can be no denying this. It is an American institution of learning. If the things you learn are wrong, then you're not really learning, are you? The College for the Year 2000 may not have addressed this, but an Ad Hoc Committee for the eradication of Error should be convened immediately by the President.
Remembering a lost friend

This Saturday, Lyons Hall is sponsoring the Fourth Annual Mara Fox Scholarship Run. For the underclassmen, Mara Fox was a freshman, set to graduate in the class of 1997. She was beloved by her classmates as a woman of great humanity, but the thing that is certain is that her death occurred and it was more than enough to make me a firm opponent.

A friend sent me this poem that they found on an internet chat group, and it brings up some timely questions. I can't track down the author's name, but he/she asked to have it printed in this column.

Six presidential elections ago, I registered in Indiana to vote for the first time. I had registered at an address off campus so I had to walk three miles to the LaSalle High School polling station. It rained for most of the afternoon and the LaSalle High School campus was flooded. I remember a campaign worker yelling at me from the top of a car, "Remember to vote!" I reluctantly got into the car and it was raining for the entire way to the school. It was the others. Mom, the others didn't think he was probably at the same party as I. The only difference was the way I voted.

How could this happen to me? My life just burst like a balloon. There is too much to the story of that mine. I hear the medic say, Mom, I'll die in a short time. I just want to hold you. I didn't drink it was the others, Mom, the others didn't think he was probably at the same party as I. The only difference was the way I voted.

Tell my brother not to cry, Mom. Tell Daddy to be brave and when I go to heaven, Mom, put Daddy's girl on my grave. Someone should have told him, Mom, not to drink and drive. I'm lying here dying and all he can do is stare.

JULIE HARRISON
Four year MBA/Students

Gary Caruso

pennies in change he mistakenly kept. Only the history of Watergate vindicated his character and we trusted in his dedication to the American flag from Pennsylvania Avenue.

Willie remembers that Bob Dole helped thwart campaign finance reform while he was the senate majority leader. He can recall the Republican Congress siding with corporate interests and over riders of a Clinton veto of the Securities and Exchange legislation that made it harder for investors in Pennsylvania. Another key intangible for Trump is that he knows a bunch of bull when he hears it, and he knows the read-headeds crusade of the Republicans during the last Congress.

Willie may have to think twice about his vote, but it will be for only a few months and then we will have four years away from this Scandal. Despite Republican claims that the economy is growing slower than a snail, and that business interests have distributed more than labor interests by a ratio of 7-to-1, and doing nothing to buy the "less government and less regulation" of Republicans, especially after Reagan and Bush had 12 years to get regulations and reduce bureaucracy in various executive branch agencies.

Caruso, Notre Dame '73, worked in the U.S. House of Representatives for 29 years, this year's ballot initiative that requires an end to affirmative action programs in the state. He probably would be upset with the Republican agenda during the last Congressional session that attempted to cut education and environmental programs.

After the election, Willie has noticed that both candidates have warts, that nobody votes for one candidate on a litany of problems of the future while Dole keeps harping on what is wrong with the economy. Willie thinks that returning Democrats to Congress will allow us to consider other ways to reform the political process, and that while he was the senate majority leader.

My main concern with Lewis's article, though, goes beyond my belief that the Bush administration is continuing the deception and propaganda of the last campaign, I believe that the approval of Dole is a great mistake. I think that we should celebrate the obvious decision the American public made to ensure progress for the next four years, and I hope that whoever wins the election will celebrate. I'll tip my glass in celebration to the obvious decision the American public made to ensure progress for the next four years. Willie Caruso will not.

Willie thinks that returning Democrats back to control at least the House of Representatives might be a good thing. We were the guys who enacted the welfare rolls, that unemployment can't include that. We know that what's good for your business and you, and the long run costs of the Dole administration's MBA graduates score well against the customers who share this view, and the graduates take the jobs and stay in business because of it. That's all the payback I need.

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Northern Ireland. This place generally conjures images of bigotry and violence—a place where Catholics and Protestants hate each other, a place where people gun each other down in the streets. While in certain isolated regions this holds true, overall, Northern Ireland is “a brave wee place where all the lads (no matter what their religion may be) can go down to the pub and take a Guinness,” claims Michael Dunnigan, a local bartender in Ballamena.

For the most part, the people of Northern Ireland carry on with their daily lives without the threat of violence. Kids walk to school alone and the elderly can shop along the street without worry. “Oh sure every weekend some of the boys are going to march here or there, but we just drive by it,” explains Cathrein Finnley, a mother of six from Belfast, “We’ve gotten used to it by now — we just live out lives.” And live they do.

“In America, people arrange their social lives around their work lives. Here it’s backwards. We arrange our work lives around party time,” maintains Niall O’Lagan, a civil servant from Derry (according to Catholics) or Londonderry (according to Protestants). And spending nights at various watering holes around Northern Ireland attests to that statement.

For the most part, Northern Ireland is as warm and welcoming a place in the country as any.

—Rob Finch
By TIM SHERMAN

CORK CITY, Ireland—In the truest sense of the phrase, this is a different story. At one end of the street is the Bohemian coffee bar by day (moody punk bar by night). Up the street a bit is what locals consider to be your classic sports bar—half the crowd is riveted by the football game on the big screen while the other half is having a casual conversation with the sounds of the Cranberries, House and the Blowfish in the background. And of course, in seemingly every corner is your traditional Irish pub.

Sure, the above description may aptly describe any American city, but it is actually a v e r y p e c t i v e of Irish cities like Dublin, Cork, and Galway.

While much of Ireland, particularly small villages, may still be the setting for a traditional pub, the larger scale watering holes boast scenes far beyond the stereotype of the Irish pub life.

Irish pubs are a shining example of such. In particular the Washington Street area presents a wide range of options to the Irish, especially the cosmopolitan generation. While some are bound to follow in their father's footsteps and head straight to the pub for a pint of Guinness and some rebel songs, substantial amounts turn to more alternative establishments. There is a trend to be trendy.

At the aforementioned coffee bar, the meandering too Bar there is no fiddle filling the air. Instead, there is lounge music and calls to the barmaid for imports like Budweiser and fruit drinks called Corky's for many of the women. And there are lots of men and women. "Women are allowed, or course. They bring in like men," barmaid Katie Smith said. "Maybe in the strictest pubs you'll see mostly just men, but not here in new places."

Yet ever older establishments now welcome all sorts of crowds. "The Network in Cork is an example.

The bar may be your typical dark wood bar with Celtic designs but the arts REST on it are far from typical.

Sit below the classic wood rafters your ear will pick up a r a n d o w sea

The cliff marveled them. Short grass and vegetation grew where they were standing, but looking down straight down 700 feet into the Atlantic Ocean—was a different story.

The whole bus moaned, even the non-English speaking were understanding the tone of the other hapless passengers. Walking, they accused the bus driver of embezzling their money and filling the boxes of getting to the pub earlier. He drove off, chuckling to himself as he let the crew out at the parking lot near Cliffs of Moher. The gullible ones apologized as they climbed off the bus.

The tourists climbed steps for about 10 minutes before seeing the first cliff. But they expected this, as a 700 foot cliff is not usually noticeable at eye level.

The tourists needed only to look out the window at the "fighting Irishmen" to figure out what had happened. A crazed driver had tried to pass the bus, only to find it was too narrow.

The whole tour group apologized as they hurriedly climbed back onto the bus. They looked mystically at each other. Flashes of memories of the drive through the Burren came flooding back into their minds. The bus topped up its engine, and dusted off its seat cushions as it traveled toward the cliffs.

By CAROLINE BLUM

GALWAY, Ireland—A land famous for its livestock, fields, pubs, and so-called "forgotten" adventuress bus tours. It is often said around Ireland that a bus tour is not complete without an accident. What a reputation to live up to.

During this time, a Catholic widow married a Cromwell soldier in order to save her castle from the British. When she still lost all of her money, she became unfaithful and threw her husband out of the castle window.

Thrust by the mention of the word "castle," the tourists stared out of the window for a glimpse of the structure.

The tour guide informed that if the sight needed a stop for pictures, but the front, oblivious to English of the bus failed to answer. The driver must not have heard that it relished in its role of mellow coffee bar by day, and "rumtulous" beer pub at night. For many of the women.

Each guide placed on their seats to get a glimpse of the damage. Those that could not speak English, tried to explain the accident to the impending lack of the bus, but could make only hand gestures.

The new tourists began walking up the stairs that watched the veterans being thrown down the stairs by the wind, and quickly changed their minds.

At first, hats flew off and tourists crouched down to avoid winds. Some of the more daring tourists hopped the barbed wire fence marking the end of the trail and climbed even further.

But soon the winds grew stronger. Children were unable to stand upright, and others held on to the railings or poles for support.

Taking one last look at the cliffs and the shadows of the Aran Islands, they could see through the fog, and the tourist surrounded. They journeyed back to the stairs and back to the bus.

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After purchasing postcards and other memorabilia at the gift shop, the group reoccupied their seats and warmed up to the breath-taking Atlantic Coastline on their way back to Galway.

But just as the crowd was situated, they flew to the front of their seats. The bus had come to an emergency stop—at the expense of a car on the opposite side of the road.

The tour was complete, the bus had collided into another vehicle. Absolutely stunned by the incident, the crowd pushed to the front of the bus in order to get a glimpse of the damage. Those that could not speak English, tried to explain the accident to the impending lack of the bus, but could make only hand gestures.

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"Some of us just want to be different," said a rather uncharacteristic type who would only identify himself as "Mutt."

"This place (Ireland) is boring. Someone has to be different," he added.

But at the other end of the spectrum, some find the need to be the same.
Owners give Super Bowl to Miami

By MARY FOSTER
Associated Press Writer

NEW ORLEANS
Miami was awarded the 1999 Super Bowl on Wednesday. NFL owners were to announce the Super Bowl site one game later in the day, with Tampa the leading contender.

"We have made a decision about going for us — great weather, great golf, and fun," said Al Davis, President of the Oakland Raiders and Mayor of Dude County where the Super Bowl will be played. "This is a very black decision, very yachts right there." The original announcement was supposed to be made to the Los Angeles, but with uncertainty with the stadium’s future forced the Miami to look elsewhere.

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According to a recent study, the economic impact of last January’s Super Bowl on Phoenix was $300 million. On Wednesday, the owners reviewed a number of issues, including the current season, the pennant races, and the future of the league in the last days of the crossover ownership question.

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Coach football

Lions next up for Cardiac kids

Cats look to average last Big Ten loss

By DAVE IVEY
Associated Press Writer

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. - Northwestern has won 13 straight Big Ten games since losing 45-17 in its last visit to Penn State in 1994.

"In the league today, as tough as it is, that's an amazing feat," said Nittany Lions coach Joe Paterno. "It's extraordinary. They are playing with much confidence as a football team can have."

Wildcats coach Gary Barnett is not intimidated about facing Penn State Saturday, which travels to No. 15 Northwestern for the first time all season.

"I think we're ready to go," Barnett said. "We handled a team that was ranked No. 1 last season's meeting, 21-10, which was at its best."

"We've achieved a certain level of confidence as a football team, and we're not intimidated about the Lions," Paterno said.

The Nittany Lions have scored 15 or more points in 13 of their last 14 games, and quarterback Dan Enis has performed consistently.

"He's smart, a great competitor," Paterno said. "I just love to be in the situations he has been in. You can almost sense it. He is a kid who just loves competition's - that's Enis.

"Schorr's favorite targets are D'Wayne Bates and Brian Maso. Bates leads the Big Ten in receptions with 60.1 yards per game and yards per game (107.8) and has caught nine touchdown passes.

"Schorr may not be the fan's guy, but performance-wise, he's as good as any quarterback in the country," Paterno said.

The passing game has been a key ingredient of the offense for Penn State, which ranks dead last in the conference at 161.7 yards per game. Against many fans' wishes, Wally Richardson remains the starting QB over Mike McQueary.

McQueary, who led the Lions to 38 second-half points in a comeback victory over Hoosiers last week - the first time all season Penn State has shown any life in the second half. The 38 points was more than the Lions scored in the second half in their previous four Big Ten games combined.

Northwestern, meanwhile, has thrived in the late going.

"They've been counted out three or four times this year and they have been able to make the big play in the clutch," Paterno said. "We have got to be ready to play the full 60 minutes against them."

Penn State tight end Keith Godbold, mayor of Jacksonville.

The last game played in Jacksonville was another frenzied affair, despite a fierce rainstorm that turned the field to slop.

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State College, Pa. - Northwestern's offense is both nurturing in its own right but not intimidated about facing Penn State Saturday, which travels to No. 15 Northwestern for the first time all season.

"I think we're ready to go," Barnett said. "We handled a team that was ranked No. 1 last season's meeting, 21-10, which was at its best."

"We've achieved a certain level of confidence as a football team, and we're not intimidated about the Lions," Paterno said.

The Nittany Lions have scored 15 or more points in 13 of their last 14 games, and quarterback Dan Enis has performed consistently.

"He's smart, a great competitor," Paterno said. "I just love to be in the situations he has been in. You can almost sense it. He is a kid who just loves competition's - that's Enis.

"Schorr's favorite targets are D'Wayne Bates and Brian Maso. Bates leads the Big Ten in receptions with 60.1 yards per game and yards per game (107.8) and has caught nine touchdown passes.

"Schorr may not be the fan's guy, but performance-wise, he's as good as any quarterback in the country," Paterno said.

The passing game has been a key ingredient of the offense for Penn State, which ranks dead last in the conference at 161.7 yards per game. Against many fans' wishes, Wally Richardson remains the starting QB over Mike McQueary.

McQueary, who led the Lions to 38 second-half points in a comeback victory over Hoosiers last week - the first time all season Penn State has shown any life in the second half. The 38 points was more than the Lions scored in the second half in their previous four Big Ten games combined.

Northwestern, meanwhile, has thrived in the late going.

"They've been counted out three or four times this year and they have been able to make the big play in the clutch," Paterno said. "We have got to be ready to play the full 60 minutes against them."

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The last time the series was played in Jacksonville was 1992, the Florida-Georgia series was moved on campus while the aging Gator Bowl was rebuilt to house the NFL's Jacksonville Jaguars. The seats are painted teal now, the colors filled with the black and red of Georgia on one side, the orange and blue of Florida on the other. The Gators' recent dominance may take away the edge of the game, but not the passion of the pageantry.

"There is a certain atmosphere there that creates a mystique," said Georgia athletic director Vince Dooley, who had a 17-7-1 record against the Gators as the head coach.

"It's not hard to find it. Just look up and down the Atlantic Coast, where fans dock their boats from St. Augustine up to St. Simons Island in southern Georgia.

The motor home lot across from Jacksonville Municipal Stadium is full by Thursday.

Most folks won't even leave until the morning of the game, when thousands of fans mingle outside the stadium hours before kick."
New Blazer runs into more legal trouble

By BOB BAUM
Associated Press Writer

PORTLAND Isaiah "J.R." Rider, who has said he looked forward to a fresh start in Portland, had been cited for possession of marijuana less than two days before he is to play in his first Trail Blazers game.

Rider, 25, was cited at 11:30 p.m. Wednesday when sheriff's deputies found him sitting in the back seat of a car parked alongside a highway in Lake Oswego, an affluent suburb south of Portland.

"They observed Mr. Rider holding a pop can and a lighter near his mouth," Clackamas County sheriff's spokesman Damon Coates said. "Deputies seized the items and found the can to be converted into a smoking device, which contained a small amount of marijuana."

Rider, already suspended for Friday night's season opener because he missed the team's final exhibition game last Sunday, said after Thursday's practice that he was only sitting in someone else's car.

"The bottom line is I happened to be a back seat passenger in someone's car," he said. "I was a big name. The cops didn't find a big name. I happened to be in someone else's car, so it's kind of messed up."

Coach P.J. Carlesimo said Rider was coming to spring training last night at Seattle and no decision would be made on any action against him until he spoke to the team.

"He will not be unfairly unfair to jump to a conclusion without knowing anything," Carlesimo said. "It's unfair to anybody. It wouldn't matter whether it was J.R. or any of our players. You people are implying that because there's a past here, we should jump to a conclusion. That's not fair."

Rider had a history of off-court problems in his three seasons with the Minnesota Timberwolves and was arrested this summer in his hometown of Oakland, Calif., on charges of marijuana possession, illegal gambling and possession of illegal cellular phones.

Blazers management came under considerable criticism when it went ahead with a trade that brought Rider to Portland.

"I'm a big name. I'm here for a reason. The reason is to play and have a impact," Rider said. "I'm a big man. I'm a big man. I'm a man. I'm a man."

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Rider was cited to appear in court on the charge Nov. 18.

"We are going to look into this," Coates said.

The Blazers have not announced whether he will play Sunday night at Seattle and no decision would be made on any action against him until he speaks to the team.

"That's not fair," Rider said. "You can't say I'm guilty without enough evidence."

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Rodriguez named baseball's best

NEW YORK Alex Rodriguez, who began the season batting ninth for Seattle and became the top hitter in the majors at age 21, was voted The Associated Press major league player of the year Thursday.

Rodriguez hit .358 with 36 home runs and 123 RBIs in his first full year in the big leagues. He set modern-day marks for steals in a season in 125 attempts, extra-base hits (93) and runs scored (124).

"It was a very humbling year," he said. "All they asked me to do was hit 240, hit 10 home runs and drive in 40. But I still need to improve."

Rodriguez received 103 votes from a nationwide panel of sports writers and broadcasters. San Diego third baseman Kevin Caminetti was second with 12 votes, and Atlanta pitcher John Smoltz third with nine in balloting completed before the playoffs.

"I came to spring training this year and had to win a job," Rodriguez said.

Caminetti and Seattle manager Lou Pinella said Rodriguez would stay in the lineup that included Ken Griffey Jr., Edgar Martinez and Jay Buhner.

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‘Air’ McNair ready to launch

By JIM COUR
Associated Press Writer

SEATTLE

Still holding true to their belief that later is better than sooner, the Houston Oilers would rather have Steve McNair watching on Sunday.

Instead, McNair will be on the field, because coach Jeff Fisher has no other choice.

With Chris Chandler sidelined with a strained groin, McNair will make the third start of his two-year NFL career when Houston (5-3) goes against the Seattle Seahawks (3-5).

McNair, 23, made his first two starts at the end of last season, when the Oilers were out of the playoff chase. This time it’s the start of the second half of the season and they’re in the race.

The Oilers have a lot of confidence in McNair, the first quarterback and third player chosen in last year’s draft.

“Steve has really come on in the last two months,” Fisher said.

Three-quarters of the way through the season, when the Oilers came across the playoff chase, McNair had thrown for 205 yards and three touchdowns. He’s challenging Campbell’s Oilers’ rookie rushing record of 1,450 yards in 1978.

“I think he’s made a lot of progress,” Fisher said. “I think at this point he’s ahead of schedule.”

“We feel very comfortable with McNair coming in and doing the things that he can do,” linebacker Michael Barrow added.

And Alcorn State play­er presents a dilemma for opposing teams. He’s a big, out­standing athlete with a strong and accurate arm who can run. It’s a familiar situation that sets him apart, sort of a third-year McNair.

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McNair will go back to the bench when Chandler gets healthy. He says he agrees with Fisher’s premise that it’s better to sit and get his feet wet, rather than start at the start of his career.

“A lot of quarterbacks who have come in and started in their first year have not been successful,” Fisher said. “It’s been very hard sitting on the sidelines, because I’m a competitor.”

The only player in NCAA his­tory to gain more than 16,000 yards in total offense played in his third game of the season in a 10-9 loss to San Francisco last Sunday. He replaced Chandler during the opening drive of the second half and was 5-for-9 for 45 yards with one interception. He also had a 10-yard run.

“Nothing special to scare an opposing team, right?”

The Seahawks disagree.

“We’re not looking forward to chasing him all over the Kingdom,” Seattle defensive end Michael Sinclair said.

McNair’s first two starts came at the end of last season and he helped the Oilers beat the New York Jets and Buffalo.

McNair liked that experience. He said he looked forward to that start more, because it matters if the Oilers win or lose Sunday. It didn’t matter last season.

“This year we’re in the battle to succeed,” McNair said. “But something I’m thinking about,” he said.

After a 1-4 start, the Seahawks will be trying to get 3-1 and McNair will face Rick Mirer as their starting quarterback.

In McNair, they will be facing their third backup quarterback in six games. They saw at Miami when the Dolphins were the first team to beat the Chargers 32-13 in their first game.

“Steve has stressed it time and again, obviously forgetting that the Jets didn’t have anyone when they were available, either,” he said.

“We cannot sit back and say, ‘Well, T#3’s God!’ We said of the win over the Cardinals that ended a team-record 12-game losing streak.

“I think this team will take the time to work hard and put this thing together. We know we’ve got a team with well-injured­ ed wounds. But we’re getting some people back that we haven’t had a chance to see.”

They’ve also lost line­backer Kevin Greene, with the best defensive player for several years.

Neither is the fact that their first two opponents have a combined 30-18 mark.

“There have been a lot of road bumps in our way,” says Wayne Chrebet, one of the few standouts during the Jets’ 1-8 start.

“But it’s something to build on. It feels like a long time… It’s a good thing it happened, because it was starting to get crazy in here.”

So crazy that talk of 16-0 came up constantly.

“Wayne tells us it’s true,” says running back Adrian Murrell, another bright spot in the first two months of the season.

“We keep getting asked about it. But we think it’s just wishful thinking, that there was that talent here to win a championship.”

Much of whatever talent the Jets have will be back from injury following this week’s bye. Quarterback Neil O’Donnell, who came from Pittsburgh as a $25 million free agent, should have recovered from a separat­ed shoulder.

Defensive end Hugh Douglas (broken ankle) and middle line­backer Marvin Jones (knee) already are practicing. Wide receiver Webster Slaughter (hamstring) Replace­d Rick Mirer as their starting quarterback.

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enough to face San Francisco at the start of the season.

“I think that any dispasion­ate observer looking on would feel that in the last few weeks our team has improved in every single area, starting with Presi­dent Steve Gutman says.

“I felt we devised a plan. The results would be the same. I still feel the same way.”

Gutman and Kotite continually praise the players for working hard and playing hard. They probably will be praised by the same wave of players for the same things as the season winds down.

But if there aren’t more victories, if the Jets aren’t any better than their last dismal record, then what?

“We’re aware there’s a deep problem that has to be solved,” Gutman says.

“We have to get this right, this is only the beginning,” adds Kotite. “If we can cut out some of things we do to ourselves, we can be a different football team.”

Different, sure. How about better?
**Broncos bound for Super Bowl?**

By JOHN MOSSMAN

Associated Press Writer

DENVER

Finally, in his 14th NFL season, John Elway has it all, and he is taking his Denver Broncos along for the ride. The Broncos have the best record in the AFC (7-1), the best as the NFL's top-rated offense and defense and a third-best defense. Like it or not, league observers are beginning to tout the four-time Super Bowl champ as one of the favorites to make another run at pro football's coveted trophy.

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Badin picks up first victory

By NICOLE JOHNSON
Sports Writer

The night may have been bitterly cold but there wasn’t plenty of heat on the gridiron last night as the women’s interhall football regular season comes rapidly to a close.

In the first contest the 2-1-2 Pangborn Phoxes set out to tame the 0-4 Badin Attitudes. The first half yielded no touchdowns but a Phox fumble in the endzone gave the Attitudes 2-0 lead at the half.

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Badin went on to win their first game 8-0, with their final contest versus Howard on Sunday.

The Howard Ducks hoped to follow Badin in what looked to be a night of upsets as they faced undefeated Lyons.

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‘Potential’ abounds for Belles’ swimming

Youngsters up for challenges

By STEPHANIE VILLINSKI
Sports Writer

It is not unusual for a sports team to pick a phrase to describe themselves. The phrase “small but mighty” has been chosen by this year’s St. Mary’s Swimming and Diving team.

This is fitting for the eight membered swim team and four membered diving team who open their season Saturday at Grande Valley State. Although the Belles pre-season swimming practices were delayed because of the lack of a coach, they are now under the guidance of first year coach Angela Addington. Addington and the team are not letting their size and late start affect their performance.

"The team realizes that such a small squad is a problem, but they don’t let it bother them. They all have a high level of dedication, and I have seen improvement in the last two weeks of practice," said Addington.

High goals have been set, and the team is confident these can be reached.

"We hope to improve last year’s record and build a solid foundation so the team can be bigger next year. Also, there are a few swimmers who can qualify for nationals, and we think they can do it," said Addington.

The team has named senior Shannon Kelleher and sophomore Sara Levandusky the co-captains.

The team’s goals are to gain a positive attitude, support each other, and become confident in our diving. For me personally, I want to learn new dives and polish up on the ones I already know," said Slattery.

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Addington, who broke the SMC swimming record in the 100 and 200 backstroke last year, is looking forward to the start of the season and the opportunity for team bonding.

“I see a lot of potential for team unity because there are only four returning swimmers from last year,” said Thomas.

Addington is most proud of the way the team has worked together so far.

"Each member of the team watches out and motivates the other. They are all aware of the day each other has had. This is a strong team," said Addington.

The St. Mary’s Diving Team can best be described in one word—young. Three out of the four divers have never dove competitively before.

However, coach Dan Slattery believes the team is up for the challenge.

"All the divers are serious about the sport and they are progressing quickly. They have a whole lot to learn from scratch so every practice is a new challenge," said Slattery.

Slattery looks toward sophomore Sara Levandusky, the only returning diver, to show leadership in the new divers.

"Sara shows leadership that you would see from a junior or senior," said Slattery.

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Both Addington and Slattery are looking forward to seeing their teams hard work be put into action in their season opener on Saturday.
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begins. "We have been working on supporting each other on the field," said Sobrero. "We are getting everything down."

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Last year the Irish had quite a scare thanks to the Buckeyes. Last year in a regular season game at OSU, the Buckeyes managed to match the Irish's effort. The game finished regulation all tied up, and was forced into overtime. Senior Cindy Daws ended the possible upset for OSU, when she put in the winning goal.

"There is no big revenge for us against Ohio State," said Sobrero. "We have not even talked about last year," said head coach Chris Petrucelli about whether or not the team is seeking revenge.

This year the Irish are not going to let the Buckeyes get that close. Although OSU might prove to be a challenge for the team, as the Buckeyes return ten to their starting lineup. "It is a game where we will have to play very fast."

Sunday will also be a big day for the Irish. Not only does the team take on the Villanova Wildcats, but it is senior day. "A big factor will be Sunday for our kids," said Petrucelli.

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Poulin's totals for the OSU and UM games were 68 saves and 2 goals (97.1% save percentage) allowed. For the season, he has allowed just six goals in four games, for a 1.48 goals-against average that ranks first in the CCHA among goalies who have played more than 200 minutes. His 95.4% save percentage also ranks first among CCHA goalies with 200-plus minutes and trails Miami’s Trevor Adair (95.7% in 150 minutes) among all conference goalies. The attention Eisler’s play has attracted is no news to ardent followers of Notre Dame hockey. As a freshman he was the team MVP and rookie of the year. As a sophomore he made 26 starts, finished fifth in CCHA action with 56 saves, and posted his fifth career shutout against Ohio State. And now it appears that Eisler is continuing his success. Where is this success leading?

“My dream is to play professional hockey,” declared Eisler. “I’m going to give the pro game my best shot. I don’t know what will be if the NHL or the NHL, but I’d definitely like to play for at least a couple of years.”

Notre Dame (2-1-1, 1-1-1 CCHA) has an important weekend ahead of them. Tonight they take on Michigan, ranked number one in the country, at the Joyce Center at 7 p.m. and tomorrow they travel to Bowling Green for another CCHA game.

“This is a huge weekend for us,” explained Eisler. “We’re very excited to have the opportunity to play these teams. We have the chance to show the league and the country that we’re for real.”

For the meantime, the country knows that at least Eisler is for real.
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was the only squad to push the Irish to a fourth game, and they did so twice. In the regular-season match junior Jamie Lee led the squad to a 15-13, 15-9, 14-16, 15-4 triumph with 19 kills. In the Big East championship game it was Lee’s classmate’s turn. Angie Harris notched 18 kills in a 5-15, 15-7, 15-1, 15-4 win. Last year the Orange could only manage 7 points against the Irish.

"They (Pitt) are the strongest team in the Big East other than the Irish and it is definitively an important match for us," commented Brown. "We have the rest of the Big East and the tournament so we definitely like to be going into the tournament being seeded first and remaining undefeated in the conference."

The Panther tandem of senior Stephanie Dufresne and hitter Jennie Driscoll will hope to lead their squad past the Irish whose emphasis on blocking has given them one of the best blocking averages in the country (1.97/game). 6-4 freshman Mary Leffers has made her presence felt with an average of 1.51/game. Senior Jen Rouse also gets her share of blocks with her imposing 6-5 frame.

Coach Brown voiced some of her Panther concerns. "They are going to compete real hard. One of the things they have done is adjust their block and make us hit angle, so we have been working on that in practice. Their setter, Dufresne, and senior hitter Jennie Driscoll make their team really good and have been playing together for a couple of years so they have good timing."

Some of Brown’s players explained that they need to stay focused on their side of the net as the Irish have been upset several times this season. "Pitt has been the best team in the Big East that we have played, and at this point we can’t take anyone for granted," Lee stated.

"I don’t think we should concentrate on them as much as we should concentrate on our side of the court," senior hitter Jen Briggs expressed. "If we play our game then so one in the Big East will be any kind of competition. It is a pivotal match for us because it is becoming that time in the season when we need to start playing, start picking it up."

Harris’ knees make her ‘a little bit questionable’ for this weekend’s action. In addition, senior Carey May is still not fully recovered from her shoulder injury as she continues to get more comfortable and is developing her timing with the hitters.

May’s injury has certainly been a setback for the team. However, the starting lineup has been in tact for the last seven matches in which the Domes have gone 3-4, with two of those losses at #1 Hawaii, but a sense of urgency might be felt as time is running short on the squad.

"We are searching for an answer and if we knew it we would have fixed it by now," Briggs noted. We know that time is running out, but we’re just going to be there everyday and are pushing away at it.

For a team that put up an impressive 27-7 mark a year ago, one wonders how this team will remain confident when they have already lost eight this season.

"It’s tough at this point to stay upbeat and confident in light of everything that has happened this year," said Lee. "But, I think everyone is really trying to block out the negatives and focus on what we have left and realize that this is the beginning of the second half of the season."

"It’s been hard, losing that many games in a row, but really good," Briggs said. "But, I think the loss in the Hawaii match was important, how we ended it. We didn’t just roll over and die, we saw a spark so I think that has helped a lot."

So the team’s attitude remains positive as they don’t look back and refuse to give up. The team can still see the light at the end of the tunnel, as Jaimie Lee mentioned. "I guess everyone is hanging on to hope in the rest of the season because that is all we have."
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3. When monsters argue about religion.

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- 22: Settings
- 23: Tear apart
- 30: 1990 Best Actor
- 31: Lapse
- 32: Standout
- 33: Elects
- 34: Margays, e.g.
- 35: Flowerlike
- 36: Amphibian with sticky feet
- 37: Cherry
- 38: Browned, in a way
- 39: Annual subscriptions are available for the best of Sunday crosswords from the last years:
- 40: 1-900-420-5656 (75¢)
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  - Mexican Beef Enchiladas
- Baked Cod with Herbs
- Cold Shrimp Poppers
- South
  - Vegetable Vegetable Soup
  - Cajun Chicken Breast Sandwich
- Shrimp Poppers
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SPORTS Weekend

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Road to a repeat

BY CHARLEY CATES
Sports Writer

Notre Dame junior goalkeeper Matt Eisler (West Milford, New Jersey) was named the Central Collegiate Hockey Association defensive player of the week after posting a 120-minute shutout streak in action this past weekend.

This is an incredible honor for Eisler. To put the significance of this achievement into perspective, consider the following facts.

The CCHA includes eleven teams and is the most competitive hockey league in the country, boasting perennial powerhouses like Michigan and Lake Superior as members. From all of these teams, the CCHA picks one defensive player per week to honor. Usually this honor is reserved for a player whose team went undefeated for the week, but Eisler's accomplishments during the week were so outstanding that they outweighed Notre Dame's loss to Miami of Ohio.

"I was a bit surprised because we went 1-1," stated the netminder, "and the award is normally reserved for players whose teams went undefeated. But it was definitely a pleasant surprise."

Just what did Eisler accomplish this last weekend? On Friday night he posted a shut-out against Ohio State, making 47 saves and literally carrying his team to victory.

"I was especially focused that night," recalled Eisler. "I was seeing the puck well, I was playing confidently, and things went well for us."

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HOCKEY

One of the best

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Since joining the Big East, Notre Dame boasts an 18-0 record with 15 of those wins coming by way of sweep.

This weekend they will do battle with Pittsburgh and Syracuse. The Panthers' 5-0 Big East record puts them in a first place tie with the Irish setters which also places more importance on Saturday's match-up.

In last year's campaign, Pitt
#19 Notre Dame vs. Navy
at Croke Park, Dublin, Ireland
Saturday, November 2, 1991
8:00 a.m. (tape delay 1:00 p.m.)

The Irish at Home
Navy sails into Dublin this weekend with the nation's third-best rushing attack. Currently averaging 206.8 rushing yards a game, the Midshipmen have subordinated opponents all year with their feared triple-option wingbone attack.

Junior quarterback Chris McCoy has been the catalyst of Navy's attack, compiling 731 yards and 9 touchdowns on the ground in leading the Midshipmen to a 5-1 mark. Fullback Omar Nelson has also shone, averaging 7.6 yards a carry and scoring 5 touchdowns.

Dominant against the run early on in the season, the Irish front seven have had problems stuffing opponents' ground games lately. Air Force quarterback Beau Morgan, similar in style to McCoy, ripped the Notre Dame defense for 183 yards in the Falcons’ 20-17 win.

Navy Ground Game vs. Irish Front Seven

The Underwood-Mike Ryan

Minor, Dansby and Co. struggled two weeks ago.

Fullback Tim Cannada gives Navy another option.
Center of Attention

By JOE VILLINSKI
Assistant Sports Editor

Notre Dame center Rick Kaczenski doesn’t think about it. Doesn’t think about his size. Doesn’t think about the guys 50 pounds heavier lining up against him in the trenches. After 17 consecutive starts on the offensive line, those bigger guys tend to run together in a hazy blur.

No matter what the Irish senior is 6-4, 255 pounds. The only thing that matters to Kaczenski is getting in someone’s way.

No matter what it takes.

“He’s (Kaczenski) got to do anything he can and that’s how he plays,” offensive coordinator Dave Roberts said. “He’s got to grab you by the top of the shoes and bite you on the ankle. Right now, he’s not the biggest guy in the world, but he’s got so much grit.”

Enough guts that these size differences make no difference to him.

“I try not to even think about it,” Kaczenski said. “I just go out there and play. Once you’re on the field, it doesn’t matter. Weight, height, speed. It all doesn’t matter. You’ve just got to go full blown.”

That type of attitude quickly earned the respect of his teammates when he entered the starting lineup last year. With Kaczenski starting the final 11 games of 1995, the Irish finished 6th nationally in rushing, averaging 233.5 yards per game. His quickness and tonicity made him a favorite of the coaches.

“Rick’s not the biggest guy, but he is the toughest,” Roberts added. “There’s no question about his athleticism or his heart.

“He’s a warrior. He looks up and sees all these bigger guys and you wonder how he does it. But sometimes the bigger guys tend to run together in a hazy blur.

Like so many underclassmen, Kaczenski toiled in practice for the first two years, wondering if he would ever receive the minutes he desired. With further competition, players like Tim Rudyki and Dudy Zeigler in front of him, question marks filled Kaczenski’s head.

“You always wonder if you’re ever going to play,” he remembered. “I never thought I would spend the year in a backup role, but an injury to Jeremy Akers forced Kaczenski to the guard spot and Dudy Zeigler to the center position for two years.

“Once the starting job opened up, however, Kaczenski’s confidence soared.

“I think with the respect of his teammates, Kaczenski has earned the right to be a leader. All of a sudden he found out he’s a football player,” Roberts said. “He started playing and quickly became a leader, and I think people look up to him or look down to him. You know some of the linemen look down to him.”

Nevertheless, Kaczenski realizes that he cannot merely show up and start every week. It is this attitude which has endeared him to coaches and players alike.

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**Offensive Line**

A major sore spot for the Irish lately, unit is even more suspect following loss of Rosenthal. Navy's line has helped churn out big yardage all year.

**Defensive Line**

Despite a poor showing against Air Force, the Irish D-line remains a formidable trio. Navy's line has also been strong in stuffing the run.

**Linebackers**

Irish's fab four were also quiet against the Falcons, but it's hard to keep a good thing down. Navy co-captain Clint Bruce is as gritty as they come.

**Secondary**

While their complexion is constantly changing, the Irish unit is holding their own. Navy's solid bunch is led by Second Team All-American Sean Andrews.

**Special Teams**

A much improved unit against the Falcons, the Irish have a dangerous return man in Rossua. Navy has excelled on punt returns so far this year.

**Coaching**

Navy's Weatherbie has righted a once sinking ship, compelling them to a 5-1 start. Holtz's erratic play-calling hasn't helped the Irish cause this year.

**Overall**

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The Irish have a dangerous unit with McCoy and McPhee. This is due to the fact that Randy Kinder has worked very, very hard. He has done a nice job out there and deserves to have the opportunity to start.

The Notre Dame defense hopes to rebound on Saturday after struggling against Air Force two weeks ago.

After a lackluster showing against Air Force, the Irish hope to add a spark to their rushing attack with Autry Denson (above) heading to the bench and Randy Kinder moving into the starting lineup.

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Navy may have a great deal of confidence right now, but that one ingredient the Irish are lacking. Holtz hopes his offense can regain some of that confidence in Dublin.

**Offensive Line**

A major sore spot for the Irish lately, unit is even more suspect following loss of Rosenthal. Navy's line has helped churn out big yardage all year.

**Defensive Line**

Despite a poor showing against Air Force, the Irish D-line remains a formidable trio. Navy's line has also been strong in stuffing the run.

**Linebackers**

Irish's fab four were also quiet against the Falcons, but it's hard to keep a good thing down. Navy co-captain Clint Bruce is as gritty as they come.

**Secondary**

While their complexion is constantly changing, the Irish unit is holding their own. Navy's solid bunch is led by Second Team All-American Sean Andrews.

**Special Teams**

A much improved unit against the Falcons, the Irish have a dangerous return man in Rossua. Navy has excelled on punt returns so far this year.

**Coaching**

Navy's Weatherbie has righted a once sinking ship, compelling them to a 5-1 start. Holtz's erratic play-calling hasn't helped the Irish cause this year.

**Overall**

The Irish can't blow a game in their "homeland," right? What once looked like a laugh turn into a mattress, however.
Holtz inject life into fading Irish

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Well, we all know

what happened

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But OSU was expected
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and the Irish made it

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Cats face crucial Big Ten test, Trojans look to spear Washington

By TODD FITZPATRICK
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#11 Northwestern at #15 Penn State
After last year’s dream season at Northwestern, many people thought the overachieving Wildcats would stumble in 1996. The critics were wrong. Northwestern has fought and scratched its way to a 7-1 record thanks to several come-from-behind victories.

Adrian Autry, no relation to Darnell, filled in admirably in the latter’s absence last weekend against Illinois. Defensively, linebacker Pat Fitzgerald is one of the Big Ten’s best.

Penn State was one of Northwestern’s many upset victims last season, but the Nittany Lions hope this year’s game at Happy Valley will yield different results. Tailback Curtis Enis has the potential to run wild if Northwestern loses their battle in the trenches.

#5 Nebraska at Oklahoma
This Big 12 rivalry produced some memorable matchups in the 1980s, but the Sooners have detailed in recent years. The Cornhuskers, on the other hand, are the two-time defending national champions.

The Cornhuskers are anchored by a massive offensive line that includes Eric Anderson, Aaron Taylor and Chris Dishman. The man who earned the unlucky task of replacing Tommy Frazier at quarterback has been Scott Frost. With the exception of a shutout loss at Arizona State, he has been solid.

Oklahoma’s first-year coach, John Blake, led the Sooners to an upset victory over Texas three weeks ago. But this is the upset he would really like to have.

#21 Washington at USC
When the season began, many experts predicted that these two teams would fight for the conference title. But undefeated Arizona State has left the Huskies and Trojans to fight for second place.

Washington’s strength on defense is its linebacking corps. In particular, Ink Alega has already drawn comparisons to NFL Pro-Bowler Junior Seau. On offense, freshman quarterback Brock Huard must maintain his composure against the Trojans’ defense. Tailback Corey Dillon ranks among the nation’s leading rushers and scorers.

Brad Otton was supposed to be the next great Trojan quarterback. At 6-6, he’ll have to settle for being the tallest. Defensively, cornerback Dayton McCutcheon will give Washington’s receivers big problems.

#3 Florida at Georgia Tech
Each team knows the importance of winning this game. The Seminoles hope to keep their national championship hopes alive, and the Yellow Jackets just want to crack the Top 25.

The Seminoles want to continue their ACC dominance with another win on the road. They’ll rely on a big game from Heisman hopeful Warrick Dunn, the only two-time, 1000-yard rusher in Florida State history.

The Yellow Jackets must play some threat of a passing game to complement their running game. If they don’t, Florida State could dominate.

The Peerless Prognosticators

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