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Safe ty Tony Driver leaves school, returns home

By ALLISON KRILLA
Associate Sports Editor

According to four Notre Dame football players, sophomore strong safety Tony Driver left the university indefinitely, returning to his home in Louisville, Ky., before yesterday's afternoon practice session.

"He left to go home, to be with his family," said Driver's roommate and Irish defensive end Jason Ching. "We didn't talk about the details."

Driver's departure comes in the wake of Saturday's devastating 45-23 loss to Michigan State, in which he started seven games following starting strong safety Bennie Guillot's early-game knee injury.

"We have a lot of guys who really want to win," Driver told the Chicago Tribune following the defeat. "I'm a guy who really wants to win. This is a little setback."

"Only thing to do is learn from our mistakes, and play again."

Recruited as a tailback, the 6-footh-2, 210-pound sophomore was moved to defense after the first five 1998 spring workouts.

"I don't think he liked the coach's-," said a player requesting anonymity. "For a long time he didn't like the fact that he switched positions."

Driver was one of six freshmen to earn a monogram in 1997, appearing in all 13 games with the special teams unit and in short-yardage and goal-line situations. As a freshman, Driver carried the ball 35 times for 125 yards, and averaged 3.5 yards per kickoff return.

After completing his senior season at Male High School, Driver received Parade, Feeblest and first-team USA Today prep all-America accolades, and was ranked as the nation's fifth best prospect by Pro Football Weekly.

University officials expressed no knowledge of Driver's departure.

"I'm not aware of any specifics concerning the situation," said Notre Dame Sports Information Director John Heider. "I haven't heard anything about it."

"I don't want to discuss it," Director of Public Relations and Information Dennis Monroe commented.

Defensive coordinator Greg Mattison declined to comment on the situation.

By DERICK BETCHER
Assistant News Editor

The Notre Dame endowment grew 10 percent to $1.8 billion during the first half of 1998 and stands poised to continue appreciating despite the stock market's recent volatility, according to announcements by Notre Dame president for finance and investment Scott Malpass.

"The endowment is very well diversified with private investments and a stock market downturn affects us only modestly. We're very well diversified," Malpass said.

The University's endowment finances most of its scholarships, many of its faculty positions and makes a significant contribution to the annual operating budget, thereby slowing increases in tuition costs.

"To be honest, there's no reason for our market to be down," Malpass said, citing strong domestic economic fundamentals like low inflation and low unemployment.

Malpass did admit to legitimate concerns regarding the global economy, but remained optimistic.

"We're investors, not speculators or day traders," Malpass emphasized. "Market corrections are a part of an investor's life. If you have a downturn, we're prepared for our payout to maintain a consistent level."

Players intended only to spend five percent of the endowment's real returns (growth minus inflation) annually.

"The purpose of having an endowment is to spread the money equally over time," Malpass said. Perpetuity, he emphasized, is the key concern when planning...
Coincidence? I think not.

As I ... today has finally arrived. I new beverage would be further evidence that I did think much of my freshman year (okay, you may count the time last January 24, 1997. Yes, I remember it well. It was a Killian's Red, and I did finish the bottle. It took me around 12 hours to finish, but I did not stop until the next day. The next evening, I decided to test myself, for imbibing two beers in two hours' time. Fortunately, there were no ill effects that night. I was pu

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Illustration Editor

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Outside the Dome

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Harvard rapist bargains for leniency, probation

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. For months prosecutors and Harvard administrators have remained silent in the rape case of junior Joshua Elster as the discovery of sexual abuse increased interest toward trial. The trial began in a rapid turn of events, at a routine state supreme court hearing. Elster formally raised his right hand and professed his guilt with oath.

The case reversal came after 11th hour discussions between the assistant district attorney, the victim, and her family about possible ways to avoid a public trial. With Elster and his attorney they devised an agreement to recommend to the judge. In exchange for pleading guilty to all six counts, Elster received no jail time and three years probation — a sentence some in the legal community characterized as lighter than expected.

"Most people who plead guilty to rape would get more serious sentences," says Steven Duke, a professor of criminal justice. According to the Assistant District Attorney Thomas A. O'Reilly, the prosecution agreed to the arrangement to protect the victim from "re-victimized" during testimony.

She wanted the defendant to admit he did it and leave her alone and stay away from Harvard, says O'Reilly. "This young lady wants to get on with her life and finish her education. That is why the complainant has accepted this recommendation."

The Coalition to Defend Affirmation Action By Any Means Necessary held a forum last night in defense of affirmative action and in support of the Oct. 21 and 22 university-wide walkout. More than 75 professors and students participated in the forum which featured UCLA professor and walkout organizer Rafael Perez-Torres, UC Berkeley Professor Alfred Arteaga, UC Davis student senator Jason Chen. At the forum, UCLA graduate student, assistant instructor Matthew Richardmon and Ramon member Taxi Kappner. Perez-Torres urged students and professors to take a stand and voice their support for affirmative action. "Get the word out to as many professors as you can to sign up for the walkout and teach-ins to add their names to a call for action," Perez-Torres said. He added that the UC Board of Regents meet tomorrow in 1995 affirmative action, needs to be aware of the result of their highly controversial decision. "Let the regents know that their actions will have consequences as far as professors are concerned and we cannot accept what they are doing."

A junior business major who spoke on condition of anonymity said she was paid by the athletic department to photocopy her religion and theater class notes and give them to an athletic department employee. It was her understanding that these notes would be distributed to varsity basketball athletes in her classes. "The department paid me $25 a week to photocopy my notes for the athletes in my class," the junior said. The student received university-paid photocopies through the athletic department for photocopying her notes each week after giving the copies to the female employee in that department. Ron Wellman, the director of the athlet

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Morlan, Cordaro describe protest

By RACHEL HOPE
Newswire

A group of people gathered in the Center for Social Concerns last night to hear a lecture about military disarmament delivered by Reverend Larry Morlan and Father Frank Cordaro.

The two priests, who are touring the Midwest on a campaign for military disarmament, are awaiting trial for their alleged participation in the destruction of an B-52 bomber at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland earlier this year.

The activists explained their protest of the United States government's mass investments into military production, which continues despite the burgeoning homeless conditions across the nation. According to Morlan, 60% of every American tax dollar goes toward the preparation and maintenance of our military establishment.

The two activists confessed their story of civil disobedience to the assembled audience in the CSC.

On the morning of the planned demonstration at Andrews Air Force Base, Morlan and Cordaro, along with two Dominican sisters and a grandchild, went to the B-52 display at the air show equipped with hammers and containers of their own blood.

Slouched Cordaro, and with that, the group bent down dismantly of the bomber plane. While more than 1,000 onlookers watched curiously, the group struck the banner repeatedly with the hammers and poured their blood onto the plane.

The five activists then held up a banner which read, "God of Metal Piousness", and peacefully awaited their subsequent arrests.

"The threat of nuclear weapons is greater now than it ever has been," said Morlan. He and the other peace activists stated their belief that it is their duty to do all they can to protect the innocent masses who will be harmed by "weapons of mass destruction."

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Panel debates world economic situation

By CHRIS KUSEK
News Writer

Will the current economic troubles in areas such as Russia and Asia lead the world towards economic meltdown?

That was the question that a special roundtable discussion, co-sponsored by Thel Kaigell Institute and the Department of Finance, attempted to answer yesterday. The panel included visiting fellow Ilene Grabai, from the University of Denver, economics professor Kwan Kim and Jeffrey Bergstrand, a finance professor.

The main topic of discussion was the current instability of the world economy, and the dangers which this uncertainty breeds. The panel focused on potential problems inherent in the trend to hard currency in debt restructuring.

This trend "will pull the rug out of certain southeast Asian countries, leading to debt distress and higher rates of native speculation," said Mais. It was stressed that this speculation, especially in relatively recent derivative markets, can lead to extensive economic disturbances.

The panel stressed that the current volatility and high trading volumes in foreign currency markets presents a very real danger to developing economies. Due to a decrease in government regulations, new trading mechanisms such as futures, options, and swaps are becoming more and more popular.

Grabai noted that while the pitfalls of these markets threaten "ivory tower" institutions, the panelists stressed that the potential for great danger. Grabai used real life stories of a novice trader from Orange County, Cal., to prove her point. She also spoke of a former bank officer who was "betting in derivatives" to disguise the dangers of such an interdependent world economy.

"But this ever increasing interdependence," Kim claimed, seemingly unrelated markets will be touched by crises.

If the whole world is in recession, how can one country escape it?

The panel also focused on the long term economic trend away from Asia, claimed Kim, towards the Middle East. By 2000, assets will be invested in less stable finance-based areas such as stock, bond, or derivative trading.

Comparing the Asian and Mexican markets, Kim went on to speak of the dangers of greater global exposure to the "money game" of the Anglo-American financial markets. He pointed out that Mexico, a "good boy" in terms of International Monetary Fund rules and regulations, still experienced a 26% stock market drop. Due to problems with full disclosure, even "the Mexican government doesn't know how deep the crisis is," he claimed.

Bergstrand also expressed concern with the IMF's "tradi­sonalist policies", but had a slightly different perspective on the Mexican situation. In order to join international trade organizations and "play with the big boys", he argued, Mexico must liberalize its economy, and lower its interest rates. This fall away from real, tangible, government regulations would lead to a more liquid, less stable economy. Like the other panel members, however, he saw the increase in speculation and lack of effective controls as a major factor in Mexico's current instability.

While the panel was fairly consistent in diagnosing the world economic crisis, kim's ideas were quite diverse. While Grabel urged greater regulation and understanding of financial markets, Kim argued for more liberalization to prevent the IMF from "crashing" the Mexican economy. The two panelists agreed, however, on the need for a "shakeup."
The agenda at yesterday’s meeting of the Campus Life Council consisted of reports from each of the CLC’s subcommittees.

Mick Doyle, head of the Alcohol committee, reported that his committee had discussed how the procedures for the dorm semi-formals could be reformed. The current procedure states that 70 percent of the dorm must participate in the event for it to occur. “If it’s eight o’clock, and the SYR gets canceled (due to low participation), people are just going to filter off campus to parties and bars,” said Doyle.

Bill Kirk, assistant vice president for residence life, explained that since the SYRs often take over the entire floor, it would not make sense to have less than 70 percent of the residents agree to participate.

Student body president Peter Cesaro suggested another option. “By physically speaking, Friday and Saturday nights are slow nights at the Alumni Senior Bar. Maybe opening it up to undergraduates on certain days would give them a place to go that’s still off campus,” he said.

Mick Roberts, chair of the Bylaws Review committee, reported that her committee was in the process of conducting a preliminary investigation. “We’re looking at the purpose of the CLC before we review the bylaws,” said Roberts. She also reported that she and her committee members were examining the archives in order to chart the history of the CLC and how its purpose has evolved. From there, her committee will examine how the bylaws support the mission of the CLC.

The Community Life committee has focused on the issue of 24-hour space on campus, according to chairperson Matt Mamak. Following a preliminary examination of the residence halls on campus, it discovered vast differences existing among the 24-hour spaces.

“We want to assess the available space in each dorm, and how that space could possibly be expanded,” Mamak said. In addition, the committee hopes to meet with the hall presidents and rectors from each dorm in order to investigate the needs of each residence hall.

Race relations on campus and the non-discrimination clause were the two main issues on the agenda of the Diversity committee. Chairperson April Davis said that her committee has discussed the possible implementation of diversity workshops. The Diversity committee has also explored the idea of organized orientation activities for multicultural freshmen.

For the University’s fiscal year that ended this summer, the endowment appreciated a total of 20 percent, its third consecutive year of such high growth. “The market has been very good to us, and so we’ve been able to increase the payouts,” said Malpass. In the 12-month period that ended June 30, the fund grew by $300 million due to both appreciation on the principle investment, as well as gifts received from the Generations fundraising campaign. Last year’s growth was primarily appreciated, but three-fourths of the $767 million Generations campaign will be endowment-related, Malpass explained.

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Student body president Peter Cesaro addresses the CLC as Tim Keller looks on. Last night’s meeting lasted less than 15 minutes.

Bradley

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“What do we do...to invigorate democracy today?” Bradley asked his audience.

Bradley answered his question by suggesting a grassroots effort for campaign finance reform. He said that the Supreme Court has made it difficult, however, to enact such reform. Bradley cited a 1975 Supreme Court ruling which stated that the freedom of spending money is equivalent to the freedom of speech, and thus to limit money in campaigns would limit individuals’ rights to free speech.

Bradley also exhibited an interest in bringing politics closer to the lives of the American public. “People see politics less, not more, related to their lives,” said Bradley.

To increase interest in politics, Bradley believes that the country must make voting participation easier through such ideas as weekend voting, 24 or 48-hour voting, or expanded voting by mail.

Bradley ended his list of suggested improvements for American politics by saying that middle or centrist voters need to play a greater role in government; a political system without moderates kills stability and drives down participation.

“When ideals are joined with actions, the ingredients are set for transformation,” said Bradley.

Bradley is a visiting professor of public affairs at Notre Dame during the fall semester. His next open lecture will take place on October 2.

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ACAPULCO

Receding waters revealed the death and devastation brought by flooding in southern Mexico, where President Ernesto Zedillo flew Monday for the third time to check on relief efforts.

With a 100-mile stretch of coastline cut off from the outside world due to damaged or blocked roads and bridges, Zedillo flew by helicopter to Esquipula and Acapatzaguca. Army troops, meanwhile, opened provisional roads about a quarter of the way up the coast, from Tapanchula toward Esquipula. "The emergency situation will last for many more days," Zedillo said. "There are several communities ... where the houses are filled with mud. We must have people who have not been reported as dead and we are going to find them,"

The Health Ministry said 90 people have been confirmed dead in Chiapas. The number of missing is not known. More than a dozen people also have died in storms elsewhere in Mexico over the past 10 days.

About 23,000 people were being housed in shelters in Chiapas state. Relief organizations appealed for volunteers and donations. "The primary thing is that you don't die of hunger or thirst," Zedilla told victims at a shelter in Acapatzaguca.

Associated Press

Three bodies down near Nizan's main boulevard to Nato's office.

Suddenly, guards inside the building opened fire. Armed Berisha supporters returned the fire and hurled grenades into the windows. A general uprising ensued, during which opposition gunmen quickly overran state television, parliament and other major buildings.

Crowds of looters broke into stores closed for the funeral, carpeting away jazz, electronic appliances and other goods. For hours, gangs of armed men menaced the city, firing in the air.

Protesters seized at least four tanks, which lumbered through the streets as civilians clamored on board.

After his force seized the television station, Berisha appealed for calm in a televised address. He urged his followers to seek a political solution.

MEXICO

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By MICHAEL FLANNERY  
News Writer  

At a spirited religious ceremony yesterday presided over by South Bend Bishop John D’Arcy, Notre Dame dedicated the new headquarters of the Ave Maria Press.

University President Father Edward Malloy and several Holy Cross priests were in attendance as the Bishop lauded the Press for continuing to provide service-minded Catholic literature in a world where the media is, according to him, “so self-centered.” He also stressed the value of the written word in spreading the message of God.

The Ave Maria Press publishes several hundred titles of religious literature, ranging from religious education texts to prayer books; it also prints the University’s Bulletin of Information for both graduate and undergraduate students as well as an array of media guides for Notre Dame’s athletic teams.

University Executive Vice President Father William Beauchamp explained that the new building was conceived when the University decided to expand the power plant adjacent to the location of the old Press. Construction began in October 1997, and workers began moving into the building in April. According to Father Mark Thesing, a member of the Board of Directors of the Ave Maria Press, and Mark Witbeck, the company’s controller, the new facility will enhance the productivity of the Press by combining printing, storage, and distribution in one location.

The new building houses a four-color printing press, as well as a combined storage facility and conveyor belt system which allows the Press to fill a book order in 24 hours. Witbeck stressed this development as a major improvement, because the Press sells most of its products by mail order. Previously, books were stored in up to three different warehouses at one time.

“I am very pleased with how things turned out,” Thesing said.

The Ave Maria Press was founded in 1865 by Father Edward Sorin. Until 1970, it published Ave Maria, a magazine for Catholic families. This publication boasted the highest circulation of any English language Catholic magazine in the world, at the turn of the century.

Today the Press is headed by Frank Cunningham, the eighth man to hold the post since Sorin and the first layman to do so.

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New prime minister pledges reforms, relief

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MOSCOW
While pledging to continue economic reforms, new Prime Minister Yevgeny Primakov said Monday he would try to make them easier on impoverished Russians by restoring the social safety net and paying overdue wages.

"We cannot conduct reforms that affect the people adversely," Primakov said at a Cabinet meeting. "If therapy drags out for decades, and no gleam of light is seen, it is certainly not in the interests of the country, not in the interests of the people."

But besides repeating his predecessors' pledge to improve tax collection, Primakov provided few details on where his government would get the money to carry out his plans. Other officials on Monday denied reports that the government has printed extra rubles.

Primakov promised to pay off government workers' back wages, which have been left unpaid for months by the previous government, and to compensate low-paid Russians for inflation.

"This problem [must] be resolved once and for all," Primakov said. "It cannot be done immediately, but people should know that the government firmly and strictly will be pursuing this."

Primakov's speech came a day after leading reformers lamented his appointment and the recruitment of two former Soviet bureaucrats to senior economic posts in the Cabinet.

"It's quite obvious that their course is aimed at desanctifying the country's finances and dismantling elements of a free-market economy," former Prime Minister Yegor Gaidar said on Echo Moscov radio.

Primakov, a former foreign minister and spy chief, was easily approved Friday by a parliament that had earlier rejected Yeltsin's first choice for prime minister, Viktor Chernomyrdin. Chernomyrdin affirmed Monday that he still intends to run for president in 2000.

Primakov's economic program would include tightening control over capital expenditures of state-run companies, strengthening government discipline, and promoting foreign investments into Russian industries, he said.

Primakov named Yuri Maslyukov, a senior lawmaker and former Soviet central planning chief, as his deputy prime minister in charge of economic policy.

The new prime minister also brought Viktor Gerashchenko, former chief banker for the Soviet Union and later Russia, to head the Central Bank. Gerashchenko has been criticized by Western economists for generously printing money to help ailing industries when he headed the central bank in 1990.

Primakov defeated his new team as a group of professionals that would not follow any party's line. He was expected to present his Cabinet nominations in Yeltsin by this weekend.

Communist leader Gennady Zyuganov also tried to play down the new Cabinet's leftist bent and insisted that was not the reason his parliamentary faction supported Primakov in the confirmation vote.

"We will support everyone who is going to pull the country out of the marsh," Zyuganov said.

Primakov has also asked the International Monetary Fund to begin immediate talks with the Russian government, according to the IMF's Moscow representative, Martin Gilman. The IMF director in charge of Russia, John Olling Simic, was due in Moscow on Tuesday.

But IMF chief Michel Camdessus insisted in an interview published in the French financial daily Les Echos on Monday that there would be no new financial help for Russia until market reforms are enacted. The IMF put together a $22.6 billion rescue package for Russia in July but cut the first tranche and warned last week that a second infusion of $4.3 billion is likely to be delayed.

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Despite scandal, Clinton’s approval rating stays strong

President Clinton’s lofty job approval ratings seem far removed from the growing calls for his resignation and the talk of impeachment. Indeed, political analysts say he’s never seen anything quite like the president’s steady run of ratings over 64 percent during eight months of intense controversy over his relationship with Monica Lewinsky.

“It’s the economy, stupid”—the oft-quoted slogan from the war room in Clinton’s first presidential campaign—“We could talk all day and all night about factors that might change his job approval two or three percent,” said political scientist Larry Sabato of the University of Virginia. “The economy is the single most important ingredient to his image.”

“The country has prospered under President Clinton,” said Gestural Council James Carville, field general from that 1992 war room. “In democracies, historically, people have blamed their leaders when things go bad and rewarded their leaders when things have gone well.”

The stock market has struggled lately amid international financial problems, but unemployment and inflation rates are the lowest they’ve been in a generation, and falling interest rates have spurred a boom in housing sales.

On Monday, the president addressed growing international financial troubles and called on the world’s wealthy nations to work together on economic issues.

While the president’s personal ratings on trust and ethics have declined recently, and some people say they want him censured, public approval of his job performance is helping him for now.

The president struggled in the polls during his first two years and Republicans took control of Congress in 1994. During the government shutdown in late 1995, Clinton boosted his approval numbers by successfully blaming Republicans for the gridlock.

“Our survival in the presidency and his high popularity are directly attributable to the overreaching of Republicans in the Congress,” said Alan Brinkley, a history professor at Columbia University. “Once he had an unpopular enemy against whom he could compare himself, it gave him enormous leverage for improving his image.”

The president’s job approval numbers fluctuated through 1996 and 1997. When news of the Starr investigation of Clinton’s relationship with Ms. Lewinsky broke in January, his job approval rating actually spiked to 71 percent in a Pew Research Center poll. It has been in the sixties ever since.

Since the president admitted in August that he had a sexual relationship with Ms. Lewinsky, some newspapers, TV pundits and members of Congress have called for his resignation or impeachment. But the public has not caught the anti-clinton fever.

Sure he has faults, said Doris Graber, a political communications expert at the University of Illinois at Chicago. “But people can identify with lying about this sort of thing, even in their teen years, lying about dating.”

“The media’s sense of outrage is higher than the public’s,” said Mervin Kovach, curator of the Nieman Foundation. “Because individual journalists feel a sense of betrayal.”

“In spite of everything that people in Washington, D.C., may believe, the sun does not rise and set on Washington,” said Kovach. “For most people, Washington and the work of the federal government are a much smaller part of their lives than people tend to believe.”

Clinton’s Republican predecessors saw their job approval ratings drop dramatically. President Reagan lost 20 points in a month and a half in late 1986 when the Iran-Contra affair became public. And President Bush, whose job approval ratings were near 90 percent in early 1991 after the Persian Gulf War, saw them drop to about 20 percent by the summer of 1992 as the economy sagged.

Republican pollster Frank Luntz said Monday that job approval is merely “a measure of the country’s sense of well-being.” He contended that the president’s personal poll numbers are a far more important measure of how people view him.

Almost six out of 10 people in a CNN/USA Today/Gallup poll taken Sunday had a negative view of Clinton.

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**Mary Beth Ellis**

It is a distinct honor, my brothers and sisters in the Notre Dame family, to share with you the following special moments appearing in the Starr report. While the President was on the telephone, according to Ms. Lewinsky, he unzipped his pants and exposed himself.

You know, there are just certain nouns and verbs you don't want to be in the same sentence as "The President."

— An afterword report from Ms. Lewinsky.

"And then I think of a joke... that he wouldn't have had in a long time..."

(Sound of Hillary Clinton flinging for divorc
e.)

— After Ms. Lewinsky complained that Clinton wasn't spending enough time with her, he responded in the following heartwarming manner that only a caring, sensitive guy like our President can: "Every day can't be sunshine."

Other generations get "We have nothing to fear but fear itself" and the Gettysburg Address. We get: "Every day can't be sunshine."

I would like to sincerely propose that upon the death of President Clinton, this inspiring statement be carved next to: "Tell what your country can do for you. Ask what you can do for your country." in Arlington National Cemetery. Who's with me?

— (Ms. Lewinsky gave the President several gifts including sunglasses, a puzzle, a mug emblazoned "Santa Monica," a frog figurine, a letter opening depicting a frog.

Well, no wonder he dumped her. She shopped for him in the Crap Department at Meijer.

— (She also gave him a book entitled, "Oy Vey! The Things They Say! A Guide to Jewish Idioms."

Okay. This beats even the Santa Monica mug. If we want Monica, all personal sex-life details included, the fact that I actually purchased this book, would be the most embarrassing revealing disclosure of the Starr report. (The report as it appears on the search engine Yahoo!, by the way, includes a direct link to amazon.com, where you can buy your very own copy for $3.46. God bless the information highway.)

— Monica Gets Clingy: I asked him why he doesn't talk me any questions about myself, and is this just sex or do you have some interest in trying to get to know me as a person?"

Here I realized that at no point in Ms. Lewinsky's formative years did someone sit her down and have a little talk involving men, a cow and free milk.

— "She recalled that the President took a telephone call during their sexual encounter, and she believed that the caller was a Member of Congress or a Senator. White House records show that... the President talked to two Members of Congress: Representative Jim Chapman and Representative John Tanner."

Let's say you're a Congressman. Let's say — specifically, just for fun — you're Representative Jim Chapman and/or Representative John Tanner. Here. You can borrow my barf bag.

What a smashing way to brush with history. Something tells me that these Congressmen will opt against highlighting their appearances in the Starr report in their campaign brochures back home.

— "Ms. Lewinsky came to wonder if she was being 'strung along.'"

This I would place in a section entitled, "Ding ding ding! We have a winner!"

— Earlier in his marriage (the President) told Mr. Lewinsky, he had had hundreds of affairs, but since turning forty he had made a concentrated effort to remain faithful.

Yay! Bill! Doesn't the President deserve a nice pat on the back for instituting a cutoff point on snapping his marital vows like a strand of uncooked spaghetti? And hey, why not stick to it, Bill? No one can break a promise to stop breaking promises like our President! USA! USA! USA!

— From the chapter titled "Breakup."

"(The President said) he was attracted to Ms. Lewinsky, considered her a great person and hoped they could remain friends."

He also said he'd call her, the check was in the mail and that every day can't be sunshine.

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The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Is It Just Me, or Has the Left Been Going Crazy in the Past Few Weeks?

Although the arguments of the left are usually of dubious intellectual merit, the letters put forth by the ubiquitous group of obsequious do-gooders appear on the editorial pages of The Observer the past few weeks have been particularly horrendous. Not only do they mention the economic system in the national political arena. First, we had Aaron Kreider and his PSA write a lengthy, tire-some diatribe against oppression. He even called for the administration of "specimen," and it seems becoming a "vegan" will somehow remedy this oppression. Aaron Kherstia humorously dissected Kreider's piece, and I found my self shuffling "right on" while reading his devastatingly on-target analysis. Yet, after reflecting on both Kreider's and Kherstia's columns, I found myself a bit angry. A real idea of who was and wasn't oppressed was mind bog­ling. He emphasizes with the plight of women, non-white peoples, and pigs, yet he mentions nothing about the oppression of unborn children in this country, or the plight of senior citizens in their quest for dignified, quality medical care. This is yet another example of the hypocrisy of the extreme left; it demonstrates how far the radicals have alienated themselves from the mainstream of society.

Professor Ed Manier then wrote a letter to the editor last spring detailing her experiences with the WHC. Manier's letter bespeaks his utter ignorance of what goes on in the "nasty little feminist enclave," known as the Women's Resource Center. It also shows that he fails to understand the moral signifi­cance of abortion, and what it means to have abortion referrals at a Catholic University. If a woman's greatest need is love and support, not refer­als to abortion mills given by dogmatic pro-aborters. Moreover, a "snitch" is a gram­mar error, the last who sells to a classmate for cheating on a test; a young woman who courageously points out evil practices going on at a University-sponsored organiza­tion/should have saved the lives of a few innocent children. I was very excited for last Tuesday, when the PSA column would appear. The column was authored by Sophie Fortin and Jennifer Weaver. These two tried to make the case that conserva­tives implicitly support abortion through upholding a capitalist economic system. Even if true, which it is not, this argument still portrays conservatives in a better apologizing role. The column was not a testament to this fact.

Kevin Patrick

The score was 42 - 3 at halftime! That leads to a less than a White House intern in the Oval Office. That clausless Nick Saban was throwing deep against us in the second half. What, a 39-point lead was not enough? Was he worried about an offense that was nine points against his num­ber one defense? Maybe on the over­ all, he threw the over­ all. That's Northwestern.

For those who will be the win­ share of the blunder, Bizarre Jackson for this in­ dispensable. Imagine if the coaching staff last year deter­ mined that we could not poss­ the ball. As such, the only play that would work was determined to be the only play. Then the opposition said, we are going to cover the tailback and make Ron Powlus run every play. I let me repeat that: make Ron Powlus run every play!

The imagination Ron Powlus with 30 carries in one game. He may if he is lucky total 70 years throughout the entire game. We were 42 - 3 at the half. The brainless wondernees would all scream how slow Powlus is, how poor a runner he is, and how the back-up quarterback is much better. The blame, however, would not be with Powlus, Mr. Blue Honor Star. We know what Powlus can and can­ not do. Why would the genius play caller have Ron Powlus running his ability be our bread and butter play against a high cal­iber team? Good question.

So let's look at Jarious Jackson. Five of the first seven plays were passes. That was ludicrous. Let's look at the logic. We should not establish the run. We should not do this in an attempt to open up a passing game that needs this type of confi­ dence. We should not work to control the line of scrimmage. We should not put the ball in the hands of our best player (Auriu Development), and use our strongest asset (a huge offensive line) like we did against a bunch of freshmen (Michigan Lebanese). What we did was have our inexperienced quarterback do what he does worst (pass) and use our most inconsistent asset (the wide receivers) against a team that was 0-2 on the road. Oregon defensive coordinator said the way — how many times will we have to watch Malcolm Johnson give a pathetic one-handed effort on difficult balls we have seen Notre Dame receivers catch in previous years. Didn't anyone teach him to catch with two hands? Oh I'm sorry, he went to Gonzaga.

Anyway, to ask Jarious to throw to thirty ways is begging for总s. I was not surprised. Yes, Jarious threw them. Yes, we were ugly at this, he phpied a couple of catches just added insult to injury. But I will not fault Jarious as much as many black and white critics will. It isn't reasonable to have a running quarterback to pass your team to victory — this disaster was brought on by ourselves. No excuse that a right-wing anti-Arkaness conspiracy forcing us to drop our pants every time an inn stands in the walk in work here.

Now the genius in the box will say, "we were down 21-3, 28-3, 32-3, etc. You have to pass your way back into contention. Even if it was the passing game put us in that predicament in the first place."

While that may be true in the "hiding man's" football manual, it only made our situation worse. You must remember, the only game is to coach your players according to their skills. If we are a running team (we are not) and we have a running quarterback (we are not), and our best players are by far not runners (they are), guess what we have to do to get back in the game? I'll give you a hint: we're not claiming that we are sex addicts. But of course, I am an idiot because a tac­ tic uses too much of the defense. Everyone knows Auriu Development don't even break a big run (especially against us) worse than our last opponent). We also know that once we get something we are going to do it. Not having Kery Minuer was bigger than anyone could have anticipated. That Jani Sanders and Jeni Guileux kept their fin­ gers in the dam against Michigan until the team caught up with them was run more important than they were given credit for.

The inexpertise of Tony Driver showed — his effort, however, was excellent. Certain people on the offensive line blocked even though it wasn't the second game of the perspective week — I'll break down the films with anyone to prove it. How many times as a pulling guard in protective gear did you run out did they run right past the defensive person? All of our best players are not on the field. The decisions makers must be questioned in every regard. Changes need to be made in the White House (mostly the beginning).

Obviously everyone is upset. It is impor­tant to remember that one win last week does not make a season. Neither does one loss.

Kevin Patrick is in the final year of the JD/MBA program. He blooms blue and gold and thinks the coaches should apologize to the team about the loss to Ohio State. He does not believe in a running quarterback to pass your team to victory — this disaster was brought on by ourselves. No excuse that a right-wing anti-Arkaness conspiracy forcing us to drop our pants every time an inn stands in the walk in work here.

Man was that ugly. I strenuously suggest that after the coaching staff breaks down the player off the field and makes the requisite personal changes (something needs to be done), they burn the film. I mean, what was happening there? We were reading the Starr report instead of prepar­ing for the Michigan State? What was Davin's progame pep-talk: Smoke'em if on you got on.

Kevin Patrick
**PROGRESSIVE STUDENT ALLIANCE**

**Editorial:**

**Keep Hope Alive This Year**

How many of you students out there remember last year's football season? How could you forget? We barely defeated Georgia Tech in our home-opener, went on to lose the next four games, and ended the season with a dismal 7-6 record. As a result, many students at this school give up on our football team after its lackluster start, stopped cheering for them, and let our school spirit slide into the gutter. Remember how empty the student section was at the Navy and Western Kentucky games? Those of us who attended those games felt like a bit of room to move around. It looks like this season is off to a similar start after Saturday’s loss. But this year, no matter what happens throughout the season, do not give up on our football team. Those men who practice for hours each week and strive so hard to make Notre Dame football as classy and extraordinary as it is deserve the student body’s full support, respect and encouragement.

So forget about last year’s 7-6 season, forget about this summer’s scandals, forget about Saturday’s loss to Michigan State. Get your asses out of class, onto the football team. Continue to root for them, four more games, and maybe, just maybe, we can march onward to victory! Our goals deserve it and it’s the least we can do for them. I’ll see you in the stands.

Brian D. Tomcik
Senior, Korean Hall
September 13, 1998

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**PROGRESSIVE STUDENT ALLIANCE**

**Letter to the Editor**

**Are your roommates sick of hearing you whine? Do it here instead.**

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**PROGRESSIVE STUDENT ALLIANCE**

**War Machines Not to Be Admired**

When I was a kid I used to love to go to air shows. I would make fighter planes that looked so cool, slick and maneuverable that I would build cardboard cutouts of them and hang them from the ceiling like a fighter pilot. But what do I do with them now? I put them in the closet and put on board games instead. I have seen the world of genuine games in the past and now wish to bring them back to our lives.

I was recently reading a book by John C. Wright, and I was struck by his argument that games should not be seen as mere entertainment, but rather as a way of life. He writes that games are a way of learning about the world, and that they can be used to teach important life lessons.

The three called themselves "God of Plowshares". They were members of the Plowshares movement, which advocates nonviolent resistance to the military. Their action of turning these weapons of mass destruction into plowshares is a symbolic act of resistance against the powers that be, and a call for the end of war and violence.

They declared themselves "God of Plowshares" drawing on Leviticus 26:9, "Thou shalt not turn to idols and do not cast metal gods for thyself; I am the LORD thy God," as well as Isaiah 2.4, "...we will hammer them into swords to plowshares, their spears into pruning hooks. Nation shall not lift sword against nation, neither shall they learn how to make war." The five acted to turn these gods of metal into plowshares, or at least a few good works at them with hammers before being arrested, as others have done before them in the last 18 years of the Plowshares movement. The opening words of the Statement of The Catoinsville Nine included in the Gods of Metal Plowshares Statement: "Our apologies, good friends, for the fraction of good order. ... We could not do so help us God, for otherwise. We are at least, at heart, our hearts give us no rest ...

For them, they were a matter of divine obedience to a God who teaches love of enemies, overcoming evil with good, forgetting one’s own benefits, and increasing the cross rather than the sword in the spirit of redemptive suffering rather than redemptive violence. Greg Tomlinson speaks of God for that fraction of good order, when good order is death and love for others is life. A B-52 was chosen as the site of the witness because of its extensive use in Vietnam and the Gulf War. The protest—hammered at the weapon total of 30 times. To mark the Catoinsville anniversary and then poured their own blood on the place in order to show that hundreds of unlookers (including three young boys who were standing in the bomb bay during the action) that the B-52 is a weapon of mass destruction, that hides beneath the quiet, not mentioned or on display are "tangled bodies, mangled limbs, destroyed lives, ruined towns, daily terror." As Fr. Larry said, "Through the blood poured on the B-52, the blood of those who died in the work of that plane was allowed to be seen and to cry out.

After this they read their Statement, stating their purpose: "To unmask the idolatry of those gods of metal, celebrated in this nuclear liturgy of the Air Show. We publicly and openly offer disarmament, in a sacred liturgy on behalf of life, to nonviolently and lovingly disarm those weapons of mass murder enflashing the imperative of Isaiah, to hammer swords into plowshares. We plead for the cease of peace with justice and the abolition of war. To celebrate liberation the True Security of a just and free world.

The five called them themselves "God of Plowshares" and turned their swords into plowshares,xFFFF

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**VIEWPOINT**

**Sheila McCarthy**

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The fall staple for ABC will once again be Monday Night Football. The unexpected but solid popularity of the sitcom "Everybody Loves Raymond" has brought it back as the anchor for the CBS line-up. Then we have two of the most sexually charged and racy shows in primetime in the forms of "Melrose Place" and "Ally McBeal" on FOX, and two of the must-see-boring shows pretending to stand alone in the forms of "Sudden Sunday" and "Caroline in the City." On the WB, critically-acclaimed "7th Heaven" returns thanks to its status as a truly successful "family" program. Hoping to receive a boost by the "Cosby" show lead-in, "King of Queens" stars Kevin James in a promising "*comet* to TV star" vehicle, while "L.A. Doctors" tries to avoid being stereotyped as an "*ill*" clone by focusing more on the mortality of a hospital setting rather than the mortality. The UPN has some shows about Abraham Lincoln's butler (?) which should not be serving up laughs for long. The WB is heavily promoting "Hyperion Bay," a post-adolescent drama starring Zach ... er ... Mark-Paul Gosselar, who has not fared as well on the entertainment frontier as most of his Bayside comrades. This attempt may just be another yuppie "902-66h out" Snow Stopper, "Ally McBeal." One summer removed from winning the Golden Globe for best TV comedy and for best actress Calista Flockhart, the sleeper-hit of the 97-98 season brings the quirky and hip comedy to another level. Surrounded by the same undeniably attractive cast, which somehow manages to involve themselves in the situations whimsical Miss McDeal creates for herself, this season our heroine will have a new boyfriend, more working-girl problems and a righteous pad overlooking the hub of Babs-town.

**SCENE STEALER- "WILL & GRACE"**

This is a very hyped and during comedy on NBC that might actually outline its tried veteran companions "Sloan" and "Caroline." The premise is very "Object of My Affection," as we follow the lives of a soulmate searching woman (Debra Messing) and her soul-mate (Eric McCormack), who happens to be ... you guessed it, gay. Although the idea sounds familiar, dealing with homosexuality in any comedy is a touchy thing (just ask Ellen) and could provide some intriguing laughter and tears.

**TUESDAY**

The king of Tuesday night, Tim Allen, returns for an eighth season of grunts, groans and garage, but now faces real competition from a cataclysmic battle sure to please the fans of the generation loyalty tuned in each and every week. "I Love Lucy," "The Mary Tyler Moore Show," "M.A.S.H." and "Cheers" all established their legendary status long before their final good-byes. ours is a generation which has seen the final curtain close on another TV saga just months ago, and not since NBC pulled "The Tony Danza Show" from the airwaves has there been such emptiness been felt across a culture. So what refuge do we find in the coastal kingdom of the post-"Seinfeld" era? The Observer previews the upcoming television season, separating the "bits" from the "hype" and helping the Notre Dame student find boob-tube bliss in a world without "Seinfeld" or Tony Danza.

**MONDAY**

Kevin James and Leah Remini of CBS's "King of Queens." Photo courtesy of CBS

**SCENE STEALER- "FELICITY"**

This fall favorite continues to thrive due to creative storytelling and hip young cast. The start of the season pits Buffy thonde goddess Sarah Michelle Gellar of "I Know What You Did Last Summer" against ex-beau and arch-devil Angel (David Boreanaz) in a rauccous battle sure to please the "Gen-X Files" fan base. (Sept. 29th on the WB)

Photo courtesy of the WB

Amy Jo Johnson, Scott Foley, Scott Speedman, and Keri Russell star in The WB's "Felicity."
WEDNESDAY

ABC's veteran lineup of "The Drew Carey Show" and last year's surprise "Dharma and Greg," with the every-challenging Jesse Edelman, return for another year of laughs. "News Radio" will seek to forge on with the humor despite the tragic loss of star Phil Hartman, and "Law and Order" continues to have widespread appeal well into its eighth season.

Snoo Steppe - "Her Brother's Keeper"" Party of Five" and " Dawson's Creek"

What Wednesday would be complete without the start of new melodramatic, angst-riddled seasons for our favorite college soaps? For "90210" (Sept. 14), it's out with the old, in with the ... older? Bad boy Dylan McKay (Luke Perry) returns from a failed movie stint (who says art doesn't imitate life?) to replace Brandon (Jason Priestly), who splits after his marriage goes kaput with Kelly ( Jennie Garth). The former subject matter and resurrection of the controversial "tasty teacher" story line is sure to cause major ripples in the "Creek" this season.

Snoo Steppe - "Seven Days" and "Charmed"

In "Seven Days," a time-traveling agent (Jonathan LaPaglia) is sent back in time to a time Cop to right a wrong that a Dylan McKay had. A shop-worn premise, but with incisiveness which should prove entertaining.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, & SUNDAY

THURSDAY

With the demise of the "show about nothing," "Frazier" has claimed the throne atop the must-see-TV kingdom, and from the greatest time slot in primetime rolls over new seasons of " Veronica's Closet," "Entourage," and "Friends." (Tues. Sept. 24th). But the WB answers with "Must-See TV" and all-new episodes of "The Wayans Bros.," "The Jamie Foxx Show," "The Steve Harvey Show," and "For Your Love.

Snoo Steppe - "ER" and "Friends"

After four years of fast paced, hard-hitting, lump-in-the-throat dramas, the ratings juggernaut "ER" promises not to slow down on the way through the emergency room. Expect much of the same from doctors Greene (Anthony Edwards), Carter ( Noah Wyle), Benton (Eriq La Salle), and Gorlick (Alicia Minshyur) but prepare for the inevitable departure of Doug Ross (George Clooney), who's medical license runs out after this season.

So it is Rachel or the British chick? Ross fans want to know when the season opener of "Friends" reveals what happened following the cliffhanger wedding last year. Despite not gaining the "Seinfeld" vacancy and the lukewarm pseudo-movie "The One with the Son" for many of the principles, "Friends" stays popular due to fresh writing, well-known characters and that theme song that's so annoying and catchy it is addictive.

Snoo Steppe - "Jesse"

Assuming the most coveted hammock-position in primetime, "Jesse"(Sept. 24 on NBC) aims to fare much better than former slot occupants "Seinfeld" and "The X-Files" which should prove entertaining. It stars former "Children" bimbette Christina Applegate as a single rose weaving her way between a plethora of male thorns as she tries to raise her child, slave as a waitress and just maybe... does it again.

Snoo Steppe - "The X-Files"

After five seasons and a feature film out last summer, Mulder and Scully and the rest of "The X-Files" (um, prepare for the winds of change, or is it invasion?) The season opener (Nov. 8th) will answer questions left by the cliffhanger from last year, as well as continuing to develop the plot revelations from the big screen. A shift from Vancouver to Los Angeles should brighten the mood of the principles (David Duchovny and Gillian Anderson), but will not affect the tone of the show, according to creator Chris Carter. Things for X-Files to watch for this year: changing within the Shadowy Syndicate, whispers of war between the alien races and further development of the sexually-tense relationship between our two favorite FBI agents.
Mets stay in wild card hunt with 7-2 victory

Associated Press

HOUSTON

Brian McRae hit a tying homer in the ninth inning, then hit a walk-off liner in the 13th as the New York Mets prevented Houston from clinching the NL Central title as the Astros 7-6 Monday night.

The Mets, who began the day one game behind Chicago in the wild-card race, trailed 4-2 when McRae hit a two-run double in the 13th. Rightfielder Derek Bell mishit the ball for an error, and John Olerud grounded out and Mike Piazza, who had gone 0-for-3, walked to load the bases.

McRae followed with his go-ahead double off Doug Henry and later scored on a wild pitch by Greg McMichael (4-4) who was the winner. John Franco got his 37th save, breaking the franchise record.

For the second straight day, the Astros blew a late lead in a bid to clinch their second consecutive NL Central title. On Sunday night, St. Louis rallied in the ninth inning for a 3-2 win, keeping Houston's magic number at one.

The Astros scored four times in the first, highlighted by Carl Everett's home run in the fifth, for the final 12 innings. Houston had a runner at third with one out in the 11th, but failed to score.

Piazza hit a 480-foot, two-run homer in the fourth as the All-Star catcher also made a key play in the eighth with the Mets trailing 4-2 when McRae hit a three-run homer, but were held scoreless for the rest of the game before Olerud struck out to end the game.

Tampa Bay had taken a 7-1 lead in the eighth inning, but the Mets rallied in the eighth inning for a 3-2 victory. Metropolitan 65, 83 and 4391. Loved them. Never want to see them again.

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Wolverines drop to 0-2, out of national polls

Associated Press

What's wrong with Michigan? It's a question some of the Wolverines are asking themselves.

With most of the starters back from a team that won a national championship last season, the Wolverines were expected to make a serious bid at another title. Instead, they gave the first defending champion in to start 0-2 since Penn State went 0-3 in 1983.

How could they go from dynasty to disarray so quickly? "That's a hard question to answer right now," offensive tackle Jon Jansen said Monday. "As a team, we can't look at anybody else. We've got to look at ourselves, look in the mirror."

The Wolverines started the season ranked No. 5 in The Associated Press poll.

A 36-20 loss in the opener at Notre Dame dropped them to 13th and a humiliating 38-28 drubbing by Syracuse on Saturday knocked the Wolverines off the Top 25 list altogether.

"If you ask me what's going on and what's happening, it's still a surprise," said Jansen, who has been a co-captain the last two years. "But we can't dwell on these losses any more. We have to focus on the games ahead."

Right now, the Wolverines don't even have the best record in Washtenaw County. That honor goes to Eastern Michigan (1-1), which happens to be Michigan's next opponent.

Jansen said some of the seniors called a meeting Sunday night to work out the Wolverines' problems. He said the team's leaders were concerned about the mood of the program.

"Right now, I think it's ... " and Jansen's voice trailed off. "It's not confused. We know what happened. But after any loss you come away a little bit angry, a little bit mad."

"I think you'll see some of that Saturday when we come out against Eastern Michigan. Michigan coach Lloyd Carr doesn't quite agree that his team is in disarray, but whatever it is, he doesn't like it."

"I'm not down. I'm mad," said Carr, who conceded after the Syracuse loss that the team wasn't very well coached.

The team's problems involve every phase of the game: offense, defense and special teams.

The Wolverines have rushed for just 307 yards in their first two games. They have lost two of four fumbles and taken 114 penalties for 108 yards while being outscored 74-4.8.

"We have to be able to run the football," Carr said. "That is, in my judgment, is the No. 1 thing we have to get better at. More precisely, we have to be much more aggressive."

No defense at Michigan had given up 30 or more points in successful games since 1935 before Saturday.

Last year, when the Wolverines had the top defense in the country, they didn't give up their 74-24 point until the 10th game.

Did the loss of cornerback Charles Woodson affect the Wolverines that much? Perhaps.

Woodson, the first defensive player to win the Heisman Trophy, could take the opponents' best players out of the game. That allowed the rest of Michigan's defense the freedom to take chances.

And, whenever the Wolverines needed a really big play on offense, Woodson often provided that, too.

Atlanta clinches seventh in a row

Associated Press

ATLANTA

Seven and counting. It doesn't matter whether it's West or East, the Atlanta Braves have managed to transform the tricky task of capturing a division championship into a rather blase accomplishment.

As the baseball world let out a collective yawn, the Braves clinched their seventh straight division crown Monday, winning the NL East with a 4-2 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies.

Atlanta's main goal is securing home-field advantage throughout the NL playoffs. Despite slumping in recent weeks, the Braves remain in a three-way race with Houston and San Diego for the best overall record in the league.

"This team is going to be good for a while," We know that, third baseman Chipper Jones said. "We're not looking ahead to the playoffs right now. We've got home field to play for."

Atlanta began its unprecedented run of title-hoarding in 1991, when still a member of the NL West under the old two-division alignment. Since switching to the East when baseball went to three divisions in each league, the Braves have added four more trophies to their collection, the only exceptional being the strike-balked season of 1994.

By winning another division title, the Braves moved into some exclusive company. Among the major pro sports leagues — baseball, NFL, NBA and NHL — only seven franchises have finished first during the regular season at least seven times in a row.

Two NBA teams, the Boston Celtics and Los Angeles Lakers, are at the top of the list. The Celtics' seven straight Eastern Division titles between 1957 and '65, while the Lakers were Pacific Division champions from 1982-90.

The NHL's Montreal Canadiens won eight straight division titles — seven in the Norris, another as part of the Adams — from 1975-82.

The list of teams with seven straight firsts includes one team from each of the four sports. Along with the Braves, there's the Los Angeles Rams (NFL Western winner, 1973-79); Milwaukee Bucks (NBA Midwest winner, 1968-73); and Detroit Red Wings (first overall in the six-division NHL since 1926).

The run of 1990s dominance also has moved the Braves to the brink of the top spot in overall division titles since baseball went to that format in 1969.
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Freshman Retreat #18 Sign-Up
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Tuesday, September 15, 7:00-8:30 pm, Badin Hall Chapel
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Tuesday, September 15, 10:00 pm, Basilica of the Sacred Heart

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Wednesday, September 16, 7:00 pm, Log Chapel
Part 1 of a Seven-Part Series on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit:
Fear of the Lord by Rev. Bill Wack, C.S.C

Thursday, September 17, 6:15-7:00 pm, Hesburgh Library Lounge

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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Monday-Tuesdays, 11:30-10:00 pm, St. Paul's Chapel, Fisher Hall
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The newest choir on campus, offers a spiritual, diverse musical alternative to those who would like to participate in the music ministry at Notre Dame, drawing from a rich variety of contemporary, folk, gospel, Taize prayer and traditional sacred music. For details, contact Karen Schneider-Kirner, 631-9326.

Student Volunteers needed at University Village Married Student Housing:
The Parents' Time-Out Cooperative is looking for a few students to assist with child care (ages 1-4) on Mondays between 9:00-11:30 a.m. in the Village Community Center. Duties will include organizing games, assisting with arts and crafts activities, and helping out during snack time. Please contact Alice at 273-1417 or Hae- Jeon at 634-4632.
Manning learning the ropes in Indy

Associated Press

The Indianapolis Colts moved from the day they made Peyton Manning the No. 1 draft pick that he was destined to have trouble as a rookie.

His first two NFL games have proven coach Jim Mora and club president Bill Polian knew what they were talking about.

In losses to Miami and New England, the former Tennessee star has been intercepted six times.

A seventh interception was wiped out when offensive lineman Tarik Green was called for a false start. In addition, Manning has lost three fumbles while being sacked six times.

Manning may not be the entire problem on an offense that includes three rookies and two second-year players. However, his quarterback rating of 55.1 is the second-lowest in the league among starters and he's completed as many (two) touchdowns as opponents as he has to touchowns.

"You watch the film and it's no fun to watch, you try to learn from it and it is kind of hard to stomach," Manning said Monday.

Defensively, the Colts have held their opponents to an average of 120 yards per game rushing and 176.5 against the passing of Dan Marino and Drew Bledsoe.

"The defense is really playing well for us. That's really the frustrating thing, we're putting them in some bad situations," Manning said. "We're really moving the ball well. We got down in touchdowl and field goal range and turn the ball over."

Manning, whose father also was a rookie, struggled as a rookie.

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We're minus 176.5 yards. We're minus six in the rush... for us. That's really frustrating," Manning said.

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imize them.

"You're not going to be 17-4 going into the season and turn the ball over seven receptions in third-down passing, going 7-11 for 84 yards with three interceptions on third-down plays."

"We ran the ball the best we've run it, and that's encouraging," said Mora, who said Marshall Faulk gain 127 yards on 29 carries and another 60 yards on seven receptions. "I thought we did a pretty good job of picking up the blitz."

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Packers’ Levens out indefinitely

Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — The Green Bay Packers got through training camp without Dorsey Levens, who parlayed his 44-day holdout into a $25 million contract.

Now the defending NFC champs will have to get along without their Pro Bowl halfback for a good chunk of the regular season.

Levens broke his right leg and severely sprained his right ankle in Green Bay’s 23-15 victory over Tampa Bay on Sunday. Levens, who declined comment as he left the team’s headquarters Monday with his leg in an immobilizer, could miss six weeks or more.

The fifth-year pro from Georgia Tech was rusty after missing training camp, averaging just 2.4 yards on 43 carries, but he also served as Brett Favre’s favorite outlet for the dump pass, catching 15 balls in two games.

In addition, Levens’ backups are banged up, too.

Travis Jervey aggravated a pulled hamstring Sunday, so the Packers (2-0) went with rookie fullback Michael Blair to replace Levens.

Jervey, a special teams gainer, was excited for the chance. "Yeah, totally. I mean, that’s what I love to do is play running back. I’m real excited, being on Astroturf, too. I love turf."

Holmgren said he would have preferred to bring Harris along slower and to give Jervey more time to recover from his hamstring and turf toe injuries, "but I’m running out of choices here.

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Either Harris or Jervey will start Sunday in Cincinnati.

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any drastic changes on this
team, however. There's going
to be subtle changes this week.
For now, none of those subtle
changes include the quarter-
back position. While freshman
Tracy Battle had an excellent
performance in the closing min-
utes of Saturday's game, Davie
doesn't think there will be
shuffling in that category.
"I thought Battle did some
good things," said Davie. "Right
now, there's no quarterback
controversy. He may get a little
more playing time. We'll take it
two step at a time and some-
times make some spectacular
days in that game. Getting him
married, getting him settled
from right now is our number
one priority."
For right now, the football
team can attempt to put the
lost to the Spartans out of their
mind and begin anew.
Davie believes the key to that
achieving that is returning to
square one, not only in their
procedure, but also their sched-
ule.
"I talked to our football team
today, and told them we're going
to play the rest of the season
like we're 0-0. That's kind of
what we want. We played two
good teams, and we
found one real high and one real
low. Somewhere in the middle
of that is where this football
team is."

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SAINT MARY'S Cross Country
Belles finish last in first race of season
By EMILY PARKER
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's cross
country team placed third in
the first race of the season,
the Aquinas Invitational,
hosted at Aquinas College in
Grand Rapids, Mich.

The Belles 58 points
placed them behind Aquinas
College and Lansing
Community College in the
three-team meet.

"Topping the teams' scores
were Aquinas with a 15-
point first place finish and
Lansing with 55."

The top five runners in the
5K race last Friday were on-
captains Krista Hildebrand, a
junior, who left with a time
de 21:22.

Following closest in her
co-captain's footsteps was
sophomore Genny Yavvolo
who crossed the finish line
at 21:25."

Hildebrand and Yavvolo
were chased by freshman
Melissa Groves, who competi-
ted of the race in 21:31.

"This was a very strong
showing for the first race of
the year," Barone said.
Another motivation for the
team was the show of sup-
port for the home team.

"There was a lot of
good and family there," Yavvolo
said.

The team hopes to make
steady improvement this
Friday at Notre Dame in the
National Catholic Meet.

Linebacker Jimmy Friday wraps up fullback Leroy McFadden in the Irish's 45-
23 loss to Michigan State on Saturday.
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MEN’S GOLF

Irish place seventh at Invitational

The Observer

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The Notre Dame men’s golf team finished in a seventh-place finish today in final-round action at the 1998 Falcon/Cross Creek Invitational, held at the par-72, 7,301-yard Eisenhower Blue course.

Notre Dame stood in third place for Friday’s opening-round 287 but held down fourth place after posting a 290 on Saturday before final-round 303 in Sunday’s play, for an 880 total that tied Colorado. The 22nd-ranked University of California wrapped up a team title (278-285-298/852), winning by six strokes overuni- surrex, which used an impressive 36-hole round of 275 to vault past the Irish. Hardin was fourth at the 1997 Falcon Invitational, when Notre Dame tied for 12th out of 26 teams.

Junior Jeff Connell (La Crosse, Wis.) led the Irish in finishing tied for 30th with a 219 total on Saturday while finishing his opening-round 287. The junior co-captain tied for 18th with a 221 total in his home tournament.

Like each of his teammates, senior Willie Kent (Asuncion, Paraguay) fired his worst round of the tournament Sunday while finishing with a share of 35th at 231 (72-73-76). Junior co-captain Todd Vernon (Hinglewood, Colo.) also finished with a 221 total in his home state, after rounds of 74-72-75.

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Vernon sliced his second round 75-39 to 75.28, over 22 strokes from his opening-round 287. Vernon, who finished 3rd at the 1997 Falcon Invitational, improved 16 strokes from his 75.00 at The Falcon this year.

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Fassell not pleased with loss

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. A tired and angry Jim Fassel on Monday was considering lineup changes and a down-right miserable week for the New York Giants after they gave away a game in Oakland.

While Fassel would not identify anyone about to be benched with Dallas, the Giants' offensive line wasn't alone.

"What I'm not happy with the way we played at all," said the affable Fassel, who didn't appear to smile once during his news conference.

"We have to get a sense of urgency to get the job done out there," he said.

Last Sunday's 27-20 loss to the Raiders was reminiscent of last season - Fassel's first - when they never hid anything and it has 153 yards rushing on 23 carries by Oakland running back LaDainian Tomlinson.

"Our offense is reminiscent last year," he said. "We aren't very pleased with the way we played at all," said the affable Fassel, who didn't appear to smile once during his news conference.

"Some of the guys we were really counting on to play did not play well," he said.

"There were a ton of mistakes, including 15 penalties for 120 yards, five different mental errors on Kufman's long TD run and little consistency from the offense," he said.

The offensive line, which returned all its starters from a group that averaged 124.3 yards rushing last season, had its second straight off week running the ball. New York had 71 yards rushing on 23 carries at Oakland and it has 153 yards in two games.

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The defense was criticized for giving up a 80-yard touchdown run by Napoleon Kaufman on the opening play from scrimmage and for allowing the Raiders to convert at least four third-and-long plays.

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Jacksonville was a good team battling quarterback injuries. The Raiders are rebuilding, and the Giants, the defending NFC East champions, played down to their level.

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Irish men, women race to first place at Invitational

By ALAN WASIELEWSKI
Sports Writer

The cross country program at Notre Dame is usually used on steady improvement. Every meet is a stepping stone to the NCAA Championships and hopefully a national championship meet. Last Saturday was the first of those meets, and it was the Wolf and Kettle Country Invitational in Gilmores, Ill.

Notre Dame dominated the meet with both the men's and women's teams taking first place.

The course was one of the toughest Notre Dame will face this season.

"You had to be a mountain goat to run the course," said head coach Joe Price. "It was almost too challenging. Credit our teams for being able to step up in extreme conditions."

Junior JoAnna Deeter ran to the highest finish of both teams with a time of 18:54. Notre Dame was forced to rest key junior runners Alison Klemmer and Nicole LaSelle due to minor injuries but junior Patty Rice (19:48) along with sophomore Erin Olsen (20:43), and Bridget O'Brien (20:47) picked up the slack by finishing in the top 15.

Rice finished third, just five seconds behind second place, while Olsen and O'Brien finished together at 14th and 15th, respectively. Junior Erin Luby was the final scorer for the Irish with her run of 2:01.2 in 22nd place. Notre Dame used these top finishes to edge Loyola Chicago 58-55 for the Invitational title.

"It was nice to get back to running," said Luby. "With one meet under our belt, improvement in the next run is the key."

The men's team came a dominating effort on Saturday. All five finishes scored were in the top 16. Sophomore Ryan Shay crossed the finish line second overall with a time of 25:56.

"The course was extremely tough," Shay explained. "The hills are extreme. It put a lot of pressure on the ankles. We won't face a course this tough until the Nationals."

The men's team benefited by having all their runners healthy for the meet. Junior Ryan Maxwell crossed the finish line in fourth place with a solid time of 26:37. The rest of the scoring finishers were not far behind.

Freshman Luke Watson, running his first collegiate meet, ran 26:51 in sixth place. Senior Tony Arre (27:01, 10th place) and sophomore Ted Higgins (27:17, 11th) were the next Irish runners across the finish line and were just ahead of teammates Tim Engelhardt and Marc Striowski in the 15th and 16th slots.

These strong finishes gave Notre Dame a total of 33, easily defeating its closest competitor, Loyola-Chicago by 16 points. The Irish men's team will be pushed by Loyola-Chicago again this weekend at the Catholic Invitational, founded by Coach Price.

The Catholic Invitational is run on campus, giving the Irish a chance to sprint around their own course.

"The first meets are not the time to push yourself, but winning is always a priority," Price said. "We should be able to defend ourselves.

The women should be back at Friday morning, after showing they are a power without their top scorers.

The men should put forth another dominating performance against their new competitors.

At the next run in a long line of stepping stones to the national championship meet ahead.

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FOOTBALL

Notre Dame looks to recover from loss

By BILL HART
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It was the first day of practice for the Notre Dame football team following Saturday's game, but for head coach Bob Davie, it was back to business.

"It's just business as usual," said Davie. "You get into a rhythm with this around this time of year."

While the 45-23 loss to the Spartans was a major setback for the Irish, the team has two weeks to prepare for their next game. Davie's key concern has been injuries to many players, these facts are reflected in the practice schedule between now and the Sept. 26 match-up with Purdue.

"We're trying to think you've got to go back to making each player a better player," said Davie. "If you have a 15-16, 15-17, 15-18, you're a little bit better to put a loss like this behind you." 

One of the first areas of focus for the coaching staff this week will be the defensive line, which fell prey to a strong Spartan defensive front. The Irish ground attack was able to tally only 118 yards, while quarterback Jarious Jackson was forced into difficult passing situations under almost non-existent protection.

"We had a little problem with communication," Davie remarked on the position. "Our offensive linemen had a little trouble getting off the snap count. Michigan State was beating us to the punch, and Davie was really impressed with their front seven. We did some good things too, but we just had too many breakdowns."

The Irish defensive line is the position that probably needs improvement the most, following a 209-yard rushing effort by MSU that set the tone early in the game. Still, Davie was able to see some positives in this weekend's loss.

"We didn't play that well up front," Davie said. "I thought Tony Weaver played well; he continues to be probably our most consistent lineman. Grant Fromm didn't play as well as he did against Michigan, but he did okay. The productivity inside is a problem for this football team. We put ourselves in the position where the other team could rely on their strengths of penetration and quickness."

The injury situation for the Irish looks slightly less bleak. While quarterback Jarious Jackson jarred his neck during Saturday's game, the only outcome is that he and Autry Dixon will not practice for the next few days. Both are expected to be fully healed and ready to play when the Boilermakers come to town.

"We've got a bunch of players injured," Davie said. "We're fortunate that we don't play this week. There's not going to be any

FOOTBALL

Saint Mary's goes 2-2 in tournament

By SARAH MAGNESS
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's volleyball team spent last weekend in Iowa and killing against their opponents at the Ohio Northern University Tournament, where they went 2-2.

Friday turned out to be the low point of the tournament. The Bellas lost to both host Ohio Northern University 15-12, 15-12, 15-15, 1-15, and to the College of Mount St. Joseph (15, 11-15). They were able to rebound on Saturday, however, with a 11-15, 15-6, 15-7, 12-15, 15-2 win against Manchester and 15-11, 7-15, 16-14, 6-19, 15-11 win over Thomas Moore.

After losing five consecutive matches, the Bellas were in a definite rut which continued to carry them on Friday. Their loss to Ohio Northern was their seventh straight loss in just two days of play as they fell to a 1-7 record.

"These were games we should've won," co-captain Agnes Bill said. "We're at about the same level. They're not that much better than us. I don't know why we've been losing."

Saturday didn't just look like a different match for Saint Mary's, but a whole new season.

"We started out slow, but we really picked it up," co-captain Mary Rodovich said. "We're at about the same level, they're not that much better than us. I don't know why we've been losing."

Coach Jennie Joyce said that Friday was a hard day on the Bellas. They tried to focus on that morning and only took a quick stretch before jumping into tournament play.

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