They were out in force. South Bend police teams raided at least two more bars and taverns early this morning, issuing citations for "minor in a tavern" to students and establishment owners alike.

Irish Connection and Corby's Pub received visits from what managers described as SUIDS (Stop Underage Drinking and Sales) teams - 20 to 25 uniformed officers converging on their premises to check for underage drinking.

The South Bend police department scheduled an comment press time.

"They came in and asked everybody for identifications," said Tom Teasen, manager at Irish Connection. "They made two lines: one for people over 21 and one for people underage. There were about 30 or 40 people who got citations. I think, it’s hard to say."

While no minor was charged with consumption and the bar was not shut down, the establishment was issued a citation for minors in a tavern. Teasen asserted that a county police officer had been checking for identification all night.

"We carded everybody as they came in. Our responsibility as bar owners is to do the best we can. IDs are highly sophisticated these days," he said.

Junior Tim Breuckman, 20, said he was not asked to show ID upon entering the bar and that the atmosphere was like that of the raid on Bridge's McGuire's Filling Station last January. He expects a punishment similar to the $212 city fine and $100 University fine issued to those underage students earlier this year.

"They didn't even ask to see an ID. I guess it really doesn't matter now. We're all pretty sure we're going to get the same thing they got at Bridge's," Breuckman said.

Unlike January's raid at Bridge's, police officers were not searching for fake IDs but instead were distinguishing those over and under 21, asking the latter to submit their names for citation with or without documentation.

A similar raid took place at Corby's Pub, but only one student was issued a citation, according to manager Jason Zolman.

"Twenty-five cops showed up. They cleaned us out and only busted one person. Corby's wasn't cited though. We had a county cop sitting at the door and a guy watching the back door so that no one would sneak in," Zolman said.

While other local establishments were not targeted, managers and bartenders knew of raids going on throughout the area.

"The bars themselves didn't call, but I found out mostly by word of mouth from people who came over from other bars," said Todd Dvorak, a bartender at Finnegan's and Notre Dame senior.

While The Boat Club was also not raided, bartender Mark Boros described the scene outside the bar. He said there were several law enforcement officials surrounding the establishment at approximately 2 a.m.

"We have cops gathering around the building right now. They're terrifying people," he continued, relating that police officers were stationed on the street corners between The Boat Club and Irish Connection.

"I can't believe that we didn't get busted," Boros said at 3 a.m., closing time. "We double carded. Whoever wasn't 21 had to leave," he explained. "We turned down a lot of people.

"They gave fair warning at The Boat Club," said a Notre Dame senior, noting an announcement made by the club's D.J. "Basically they said, "Leave. I-Conn's going busted and they're on their way here.""

"Most of the bar left," said an underage Notre Dame sophomore.

Coach's Sports Bar manager

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Rebuilding Season

Dome set to reopen next fall

By DEREK BETCHER
Assistant News Editor

Exactly 120 years after Father William Corby first welcomed students and faculty into the just-completed Main Building, Notre Dame's greatest campus landmark will again reopen its doors to the world.

The two-year, $50 million renovation of the University's Main Building has followed planners' expectations and will be completed by July, 1999. Project managers estimate their aggressive task in two-thirds complete.

"The project is definite­ly on schedule and budget," confirmed Notre Dame's associate vice president of Labor Force: 175 laborers
Square Footage: 144,000 sq. ft.
Windows: 550
Slate Roofing Squares: 320
New Classrooms: 3
New Elevators: 2
New Library: 1
Architect: Ellerbe Becket
Contractors: The Christman Companies

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Fast Facts
Main Building Construction
Original Construction: 1879
Rennovation Start: June 1997
Expected Completion: July 1999
Cost: $50 Million

Overrated?

The devil is in the details. That is the conclusion student government leaders from across the state have come to about State University System Chancellor Adam Herbert's plan to reclassify Florida's universities. The plan will be voted on next month by the Board of Regents.

Funding and tuition changes are proposed in the five-year US system strategic plan. Student leaders said they are too vague for the Florida Student Association to support in its lobbying group.

The plan is controversial, in part, because University of Florida's president, Peter Macleod is overseeing black university in the Comprehensive "tier" — perceived by many as the lowest classification.

The Comprehensive classification, which also includes the University of West Florida and Florida Gulf Coast University, focuses on undergraduate education.

Students from those schools question what the "stigma" of that classification will be worth in the value of their degrees.

"Placing certain schools in tiers above certain others results in the "brand naming" of degrees," states a Florida A&M University student report. "In the academic, vocational, and public eyes, degrees from the top tier schools will be looked upon with higher regard."

Students Body President John McGovern said fear of the stigma must be dispelled. UF's to be in favor of the plan, which classifies UF as a research I institution that will focus on graduate education and research.

"I think the problem with this whole thing all along is there has been way too much argument over the names," McGovern said. "This is a core of what we're talking about has nothing to do with the names. The focus is non- classification. Everyone is having resources and overall presentation of classification standards to the state."

However, UF's student report states the plan will "increase the value and reliability of any degree obtained from UF."

FAMU also expresses concern that its graduate programs will not be able to grow because Florida State University, a Research I school, is also in Tallahassee.

### UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

**Doctors every prescribes marijuana**

**TUSSON, Ariz.**

Although Arizonans support using otherwise illegal drugs for medicinal purposes, doctors are unlikely to start prescribing marijuana, one physician and two Arizona legislators said last week. Voter rejection Proposition 200, which would have upheld the state's decision to ban physician prescribing of marijuana, has left some in legal limbo.

People have spoken their minds. It's going to be a long time before any doctor will be willing to prescribe (marijuana)." Arizona Sen. Ruth Solomon, a Democrat, pointed to a state Supreme Court decision that bars doctors from prescribing drugs approved by the proposition. It is still against federal law to prescribe such drugs, and doctors could lose their licenses for doing so, Solomon said.

### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

**Former student files suit against judge**

A former UC Berkeley student, who allegedly was a classmate judge sent her to prison to block her from having a second-term abortion, has filed a lawsuit against the judge.

Berkery, Calif. — A former UC Berkeley student, who allegedly was a classmate judge sent her to prison to block her from having a second-term abortion, has filed a lawsuit against the judge.

Kawaguchi's imprisonment, according to the lawsuit. The suit also states that the judge has allowed rape, drug abuse, and child abuse to continue because a number of individuals, including Cleary, Cuyahoga County Sheriff Gerald McNeil, health administrato Robert Pace and prison social workers, did not provide her with the information that she needed to get a timely abortion, according to Chris Link, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Ohio. "She was not fully informed of her choices and was not given the opportunity to have an abortion," Link said.

### YALE UNIVERSITY

**Baffled students adjust to new Master**

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — Less than a week after the sudden resignation of former Saybrook Master Antonia Lasaga and days after the reve- lation that he is the subject of a federal child pornography investigation, the Yale administration is trying to help baffled students adjust to new Master.

This week, students were shocked when Lasaga's resignation was announced and were left to wonder who their new Master would be. Some students have speculated that Lasaga may be replaced by another Master from within the school, while others believe that an external figure may be brought in to fill the position.

Many students have expressed concern about the uncertainty and have called for clear communication from the administration. However, the administration has stated that they are working closely with students to ensure a smooth transition and that they will provide updates as information becomes available.

### KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

**Fake money sneaks onto campus**

KENT, Ohio — Someone is circulating funny money in Portage County, and the counterfeit bills have ended up in the city of Kent.

One Kent State student Jon Fitz found a false $20 bill when he withdrew money from the Huntington National Bank drive-through ATM machine on state Route 59 last week, and more bills circul- ated in the Hub shortly thereafter. Kent Police Sgt. Steve Link said just because the bills were not part of the operation that may be producing the fake bills as other bills have been found in the county.

"Some students said they felt saddened and shocked by the events that have unfolded and all the questions that remain unanswered."
Death penalty forum voices objections to execution

By TOM ENRIGHT
News Writer

The night before Easter of 1999, Jennifer Bishop Jones' pregnant sister and brother-in-law returned home to find an armed man sitting in their living room. He led the couple to their basement where he murdered both. The criminal was the couple's 16-year-old next-door neighbor, and he escaped Illinois' death penalty by virtue of only his age, according to Jones.

Jones, a member of Murder Victims Families for Reconciliation, spoke Thursday night at the Death Penalty Forum sponsored by Amnesty International and ND/SMC Right to Life. Students, a Notre Dame faculty member and the wife of a death row inmate also shared their experiences.

"Why do we kill people to show people that killing is wrong?" asked Dr. Meintjes, who explained how her sister's murder challenged her opposition to the death penalty. "It's not making us safer, it doesn't save us money... and it's administered in an incredibly discriminating and arbitrary way."

Illinois ranks third in the nation in number of death row inmates, with 170 men and women on death row, said Jones. Noting that 67 percent of death row inmates are black and Hispanic, she highlighted the general racial disproportion associated with the death penalty.

Jones also said that Illinois ranks second in the nation in number of mistaken death penalty convictions. Nine death penalty cases were reversed in the past six years, all without the aid of the court system, said Jones.

She criticized the judicial systems tendency to seek immediate justice rather than to examine all facts, giving examples of individuals who almost underwent the death penalty before evidence arose exonerating them.

Beverly Miller, the wife of a death row inmate and herself a member of the group Love Over Vengeance, interwined her opposition with the death penalty to her Christian faith.

"The death penalty is a total denial of the individual's self-worth," said Miller. "If you believe in Jesus Christ then how can you believe in the death penalty?"

Miller read letters from death row inmates describing their feelings about the judicial system and their individual fates.

"We generally assume that if a person is arrested for a crime, they committed that crime," said Miller reading one inmate's letter. "By the time you go to trial... everyone hates you.

Miller argued that keeping a prisoner alive makes economic sense. It costs $900,000 to keep an inmate in prison for 50 years, but over $2.5 million to execute one individual. The higher costs come from the multiple appeals and fees incurred before an individual is executed, she said.

There are over 3,500 people on death row today in the U.S., said Miller, who interspersed personal accounts with statistics. She added that since 1976, almost 700 executions have taken place in the United States which remains the only Christian country in the world to enact the death penalty.

"Christ Meintjes, a law professor and associate director of Notre Dame Law School's Center for Civil and Human Rights, outlined the reasons for Amnesty International's opposition to the death penalty.

"Amnesty International believes that the death penalty violates the fundamental right to life. There is an unmistakable trend away from the practice of the death penalty in the international community," said Meintjes.

Meintjes also said that Amnesty International opposes the death penalty because of its associations with violations of due process and bias against poor and racial minorities.

Meintjes cited a 1998 Philadelphia study which found that a black person in four times more likely to get the death penalty than any other criminal in the American states.

Bill Pelke, a speaker from Indiana whose grandmother died after several teenagers had stabbed her to death, spoke about the need for love among victims' families and the accused.

"If you can get people to believe in love and compassion for humanity, you don't have to talk about the death penalty," said Pelke.

One of the murderers of Pelke’s grandmother was a 15-year-old girl who became the youngest girl on death row in the country. Only after Pelke appealed and sought the support of death penalty opposition in Europe did the court system take the girl off death row.

"These people have families. We have to take that stand it's wrong," said Pelke.

Several of the speakers noted the increased public support for the death penalty in recent years, citing the state of New York as an example, which has reinstated its death penalty. Two Notre Dame students and Father Joe Ross, a chaplain at the State Prison, also shared their experiences of corresponding and visiting with death row inmates.
Law School Forum opens in Chicago

By MAUREEN SMITHE
News Writer

With an inexpensive train ride from New York City or Chicago, law students can broaden their horizons at the Chicago Law School Forum today and Saturday.

Over 1,000 schools will be represented at the registration fair in the Chicago Hilton and Towers at 720 South Michigan Avenue. In addition to the fair, special presentations and information sessions will be held.

"The forum presents a chance to learn about the admission process, financial aid options and career opportunities in the legal fields through live panel discussions and video tapes," said Edward Haggerty, media relations specialist for the forum.

Haggerty said the purpose of the forum is "to recruit qualified people to law school, acquaint them with the law school admission process and put them on the road to finding the right law school."

Included in the forum are workshops on financing a legal education, videos on the law school admission process, special presentations for minority applicants, law schools' publications and LSAT preparation materials are available for purchase as well.

Several other cities, including Atlanta, Boston, Dallas, Los Angeles, New York and Washington D.C., have hosted similar forums. The forums allow students to "meet with representatives of many law schools and learn firsthand what they have to offer," Haggerty said.

A statement issued by the Law School Admissions Council encourages prospective law students to attend such events.

"Law School Forums are designed to be helpful and informative to all prospective law school students; they have proved to be particularly helpful to people who have been out of undergraduate school for a year or more," the statement read.

Pre-registration is not required and admission is free.

Nova...
Chile approves expedition to search for buried treasures

SANTIAGO, Chile

A U.S. expedition to search for 16th century treasures on Robinson Crusoe island has been approved by Chilean authorities, the National Research Commission said Thursday. Authorization was given for "scientific and archaeological diggings aimed at finding the exact place where a valuable shipment was buried in the 16th century," the commission said. The site is about six miles from the island's only populated village.

A scientist and an archaeological team were assigned to follow the expedition because the three-island area, 500 miles west of continental Chile, is a national park, the commission said. If treasures are found, Chile would keep 75 percent and the remaining 25 percent would go to the expedition.

Mysterious fumes force Tennessee school to evacuate

McMINNVILLE, Tenn.

Noxious fumes filled a high school classroom and hallway Thursday, sending at least 62 people to the hospital. A student prank was suspected by investigators who spent the day trying to determine the source of the odor at Warren County High School, which was variously described as reminiscent of paint thinner, bug spray or pepper spray. "It's a mystery. We may never know," said Richard Myers, Warren County Emergency Management Agency director. Victims were students and at least one teacher at River Point High School for nausea, headaches and dizzy spells.

Custody battle over switched babies begins

ROUEN VISTA, Va.

A custody battle may be in the works for one of two girls switched at birth three years ago. When John and Linda Hogers, the Virginia maternal grandparents who have been helping name Rebecca Grace Chittum, have petitioned a juvenile court for sole custody of the child, a relative said Thursday. Relatives said the grandparents want to end a joint arrangement between themselves and Rebecca's biological mother, Paula Johnson, at the University of Virginia Medical Center on June 30, 1995, a day after Kevin Chittum and Whitney Rogers had Callie Conley three DNA tests this summer determined the babies were switched and raised by the wrong parents. Chittum and Ms. Rogers did not know of the switch when they died in a car crash July 4.

Dubai workers risk the remains of a U.S. bomb at a Baghdad museum Thursday. The museum displays artifacts from the Gulf War. The United Nations completed the evacuation of most of its Baghdad staff to shelter them from possible U.S. air strikes.

U.N. pulls workers out of Baghdad
WITH AN OLD BUILDING, YOU HAVE TO BE A LITTLE LIKE A DETECTIVE. YOU PULL THINGS APART AND YOU FIND PROBLEMS. A LOT OF OUR WORK WAS JUST TRYING TO BRING SOME SENSE TO THIS.

Mike Bjornberg
PROJECT DIRECTOR
Ellerbe Becket,
MAIN BUILDING ARCHITECTS

THREE MONTHS TO CREATE, TWO YEARS TO RESTORE

The extraordinary circumstances of the building's original construction has challenged contractors' plans to keep their aggressive schedules.

Father Sorin's original administration building was destroyed by fire in April, 1879. Just days later, Notre Dame's president, Father William Corby, boldly declared that a new and improved structure would open by September of that year.

Three-hundred unskilled workers — many of them students and volunteers — took just 3 1/2 months to erect the current structure. Some of the negative effects of that chaotic construction persisted and deteriorated within the building until 1991 when the University asked Minneapolis-based architect Ellerbe Becket to conduct a preliminary study of the building's condition. They found a structure badly in need of both structural and cosmetic repairs.

"The patient was sick, but not terminal," Bjornberg recalled. "We were fortunate that a lot of the work done on the original project was of quality."

The architect's list of serious structural deficiencies was dispiriting; the north annex was leaning and pulling away from the rest of the building, the north annex was leaning and pulling away from the rest of the building, the building's focal location on the National Register of Historic Places, the Basilica of the Sacred Heart to handle much of the Main Building's interior ornamentation and artwork, including the main corridor murals.

The project's managers agree that the contractors' work on the Main Building represents something special.

"My observation is that this project is certainly different, and this makes it special," Norton said, alluding to the building's focal location on Main Quad, an area honored on the National Register of Historic Places. "Because of the unique nature of this project, many of the specialty contractors have improved their cooperation. They all take pride in this work."

At the current advanced stage of construction, contractors can hopefully carry that pride to the finish line.

"This attitude has been heightened in the past few months as the project has really taken shape," agreed Jim Wyller, senior construction administrator for Ellerbe Becket.

As recently as a few months ago, the Main Building was a gutless shell without interior walls or even floors, but much of its inside has now taken shape as laborers add flooring and restore stairwells, project managers note that only the finishing touches remain — albeit eight months worth.
Building on Tradition

Creating historically sensitive, functional office space was the primary goal for the renovations in the lower wings of the Main Building, but planners' aesthetic aspirations for the upper reaches of the landmark were heavily.

For the interior of the dome, architects concentrated on restoring the full effect of architect Willoughby J. Edbrooke's original design. He called the eclectic mix "modern Gothic," and created a design that endures more than a century after its inception.

Pictured directly below, the original route, spiraling wooden staircases climbs from the Main Building's fifth floor up into the cupola of Edbrooke's dome. Right, the moon sun streams into the top of the dome cupola through the south-facing windows. Plastic shields the recently-restored wooden bannisters that were among the thousands of items contractors returned to original luster.

Bottom right, ornamental decorations will be painted onto the corridor walls of the Main Building to approximate the original 1879 adornments.

Comparatively mundane yet necessary tasks also occupy the project's contractors. Bottom left, a craftsman installs utility-work alongside the insulation-shrouded first floor walls. In July, 1999, the Office of Financial Aid will move into that area with the rest of building's returning tenants.

Photos by Kevin Datum
RUSSIA

Leaders restructure debt

Associated Press

MOSCOW - Russia plans to seek a second restructuring of its Soviet-era foreign debt, a move that may further improve the government's battered reputation among foreign creditors. 

Russia inherited about $260 billion in Soviet debt, much of it from bonds developed by governments that defaulted. 

Under a 1996 restructuring agreement, Russia was granted a grace period through 2002, during which it only makes debt-service payments. But even that is proving too much. 

Finance Minister Mikhail Kasyanov said in an interview published Thursday that Russia would be asking creditors for some "breathing space" in the payments of the debt in the next two or three years. 

The breach-debt payments are part of the $17.5 billion in foreign debt that Russia was to pay creditors next year. 

Foreign lenders expected the government to try to pay off the newer, Russian debt first, and Kasyanov's announcement, in an interview with the business daily Kommersant, confirmed those expectations. 

Kasyanov said Russia did not rule out the possibility that the government would also want to reschedule the Russian debt. Russia has built up $50 billion in foreign debt as well as inbreathing about $100 billion in debt since the Soviet collapse, Kasyanov said. 

Also Thursday, Russia was on the verge of signing a food aid deal with the European Union that would start providing wheat, rice, beef and pork in early January. Russia signed a similar agreement with the United States last week. 

The country has not experienced any serious food shortages so far, but the government wants to ensure its stockpiles last until spring. 

In a new sign of trouble for the Russian banks, Central Bank Chairman Viktor Gerashchenko said the government won't bail out domestic banks whose overseas assets are frozen by foreign creditors. 

A government-declared moratorium on debt payments that had protected Russian banks is due to expire within days. 

Central Bank's deputy chairman Andrei Kozlov said that more than 700 Russian commercial banks will fail, because the government does not have the $5 billion to save them.

A French judge handling the cases of three French citizens who disappeared after Pinochet took power had asked British authorities to file an extradition request. 

A French court then sent a temporary arrest warrant for Pinochet to British authorities, accusing him of "sequestration followed by torture... It was the final step necessary before France could officially ask for his extradition. In Britain Thursday, prosecutors wrapped up their appeal of a court ruling allowing Pinochet immunity from prosecution in Britain, arguing that the crimes against humanity he is charged with are "uniquely" violate international law.
Central America begins to rebuild

TEGUICAPA, Honduras — High school students with shovels Thursday throughout roaring earth-moving equipment, trying to rid Honduras' capital of thick layers of mud left by Hurricane Mitch.

In Honduras and Nicaragua, where nearly 100,000 people died in the storm's fury, much of the recovery effort now involves sheer hard labor by thousands of ordinary citizens.

"We will rebuild," insisted Francis Juarez, a law student whose houses were flattened from shoveling the foul-smelling black muck. An 8-foot-high watermark on the wall behind her showed how high the Cholula River rose on Oct. 30-31.

The river normally flows two blocks away and 15 feet below. "I had never seen my country like this," said Hector Duran, an engineering student standing in front of his destroyed home.

"I have not seen my country in years," said Hernando Arias, a staunch opponent of the treaty accord.

But supporters of the treaty — both in Congress and throughout the U.S. — insist that the United States and other countries cannot rebuild with charity alone.

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Meanwhile, aid continued to arrive from across the globe. The Peace Corps announced it was deploying more than 100,000 tons of rice, corn, fish and oil and over the past six months in the hurricane-hit countries.

"With emergency assistance, these countries are facing nutritional risk — in addition to facing the threat of cholera and other diseases," said Catherine Bertini, the agency's executive director.

Florencio Facusse said repairs would cost four times Honduras' $1.2 billion annual budget. He urged the United States, other nations and the international community to "come together" and help.

The United States is part of the Paris Club of creditor nations, which announced Thursday it would likely grant debt relief to Honduras and Nicaragua when it meets in early December.

France on Tuesday canceled debts owed by Nicaragua and Honduras totaling $2.4 billion, Britain, Italy, Mexico, Jamaica and dozens of other countries have lent $1.5 billion.

Finally, officials put the Honduran death toll at 2,287, including 11,000 people injured. 10,000 missing and 800,000 homes damaged or destroyed. In Nicaragua, the toll was 2,362 dead, 287 injured and 36,000 houses destroyed or damaged.

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Wednesday, Argentina said it would take voluntary action to curb greenhouse gases, a move seen as a breakthrough by U.S. officials because Argentina would be the first developing nation to make such a commitment.

China and India, two of the biggest contributors of heat-trapping carbon, however, have steadfastly refused to participate.

The United States has been criticized by developing countries and Europeans for refusing to curb greenhouse gases, mainly carbon dioxide released from burning fossil fuels.

The signing, however, is expected to add fuel to the congressional debate over global warming.

In a letter to President Clinton this week, Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., urged against a high-profile signing of the accord at this time. He called it an "empty gestures" that will only make the potential for future approval of the Kyoto protocol by the Senate more difficult.

Another Democrat, Rep. John Dingell of Michigan, canceled plans to attend the Buenos Aires conference because of the expected treaty signing. The timing of this signing only encourages countries who refuse to be part of any effort to limit greenhouse gas emissions," said Dingell, a staunch opponent of the Kyoto accord.

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Is Notre Dame a ‘Student-Centered Research University’?

Charles Rice

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ease my jitters. I stay away from open ladders and wear garlic around my neck… too ward of Gingrich-like Republicans!

Ten days ago the American public must have been.FONT balanced between the fear of being swept up in a new wave of political extremism and the comfort of knowing that great numbers of people were voting for candidates who, however electorally challenged, were not yet far beyond the pale.

Several dynamics were at play last week with many one-issue conservatives and many who define political tribalism that would assure their candidates victory. Yet it was Newt Gingrich’s renegade Republicans who shaped the national political landscape and nationalized the election. It was not so much of a referendum on Bill Clinton. Rather, it was a referendum on the Republican leadership’s handling of Clinton. Republicans claim to have supplanted the now defunct Clinton administration and positioned their party as a viable alternative for the American people.

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Earlier this week, Gingrich delivered his usual diatribe to members of the conservative political action committee he established more than a decade ago. Naturally Gingrich wanted to preach to the choir, so he podcasts on the old themes of spreading our weak national defense and his ideas of bringing back the political system and statesman to the nation. Gingrich has been and will always be a self- serving conservative politician. His true priorities come from his own pocket. Much of his rhetoric is simply a thinly disguised appeal to眼镜ed some Clintonites as saying Senator Robert Byrd (D-W. Va.)

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This year marks the 72nd meeting of Notre Dame and Navy. Notre Dame has won the past 34 games against Navy.
Drexler lifts "V" of Houston

Associated Press

Most college basketball fans come to see the players of the University of Houston, they're coming to see the coach.

The Cougars are preparing for their first season under Alvin G. Brown, who went 24-14 in Conference USA to finish at the bottom of the league, the same place where he started to finish this season.

Drexler, mindful that his presence could be a distraction, has closed practices to avoid what he calls a "carnival atmosphere" of people wanting to see him every move.

"We've got a lot of people, not interested to know how you like the coaching profession," Drexler said. "I just want the players to be totally focused, because we are trying to do a job.

With fans banned from practice, the Cougars are determined to create a frenzied, frenzied presence which could be intimidating.

It's too.

"He makes people feel comfortable, not like he's a superstar and you can't talk to him," said Junior Jeff Owny. "He greets everyone with open arms. You feel comfortable and not afraid to tell him what you're thinking.

Returning starter Chad Hendrick said the Cougars want to make a good impression on their famous coach.

"It makes you a little nervous because he expects so much from us," Hendrick said. "Sometimes you wonder if you were there, what would he do? We have to be up to his standards."

Drexler doesn't think his star status is a problem.

"I am who I am, you can't change that," Drexler said. "At the same time, the guys have been great to work with. They've shown a lot of discipline and that's made me feel good. They are willing participants."

The Cougars lost last year's leading rebounder, Galen Robinson, and leading assist man Shamsah McBride, who combined for 2.5 points per game. They return three starters, a 6-foot-5 guard, a 6-foot-5 guard, and a 6-foot-5 guard.

Drexler played for former Cougars coach Guy L. Lewis, who attends practices and offers advice. Drexler said he takes the advice, but won't copy the trademark red checkered towel Lewis used on the floor.

"That was Guy V's legacy and it served him well," Drexler said. "But I'm determined to make my own creations."

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Women's College Basketball

Lady Vols start season out at Purdue

One thing that Tennessee coach Pat Summit has figured out in 24 seasons of coaching is how to get players' attention. Her No. 1 Lady Vols started this week with a visit to the White House as the defending NCAA national champions. They raise their championship banners and receive their rings when they play in Portland in their season opener.

But in case the players want to enjoy their visit to your home in the tunnel, Summit will have them stay in West Lafayette, Ind., for the real test of the season Sunday against No. 5 Purdue in the State Farm Hall of Fame Tip-Off Classic.

"We want to take a team on the road, regardless of which team you might take a veteran team, a young team, a combination of that, which is what we have — it always gets their attention," Summit said. "And this great" (Purdue) "has obviously used that.

"The Lady Vols' already hectic week became even crazier on their return flight from Washingt. The Boilermakers were forced to land in hard and cold a bus for a three-hour ride east to Knox., and they didn't arrive until 4:30 a.m., forcing Summit to rethink when to hold practice.

The company that Tennessee has been keeping the past few years as the winner of six national championships, combined with the Lady Vols' stature as one of the best teams in women's basketball, can be daunting.

Purdue coach Carolyn Peck said that intimidation factor personally when she was an assistant on Summit's staff from 1993-95.

"No doubt we're intimidated opposing players even during your season opener," she said determined not to let that happen to her team.

Lady Vols want to go out, play hard and have fun and do the game and we've got to do things we've never done before. And let the chips fall where they may so we don't get caught up," said Peck, who will be coaching against Summit for the first time.

The classic features No. 10 North Carolina vs. No. 11 Indiana in the first game, followed by the Lady Bears vs. Tennessee. At least 10,000 fans are expected to attend. Summit took Tennessee to the inaugural classic in 1993, at which Indiana took its 500th career victory in that game against another former Lady Vols foe.

By playing Purdue, this season's Lady Vols dig into a schedule that looks like the route to Top 25 opponents in Indiana, Tech and Connecticut. It's part of Summit's philosophy of building a team and the NCAA tournament experience by facing the toughest competition keeps players from looking too far down the road.

"It improves our practice and just our overall game in terms of preparation," she said.
College Football

Georgia Tech a game from winning ACC
Associated Press

CLEMSON, S.C. — Georgia Tech running back Joe Burns was thinking about only one thing during the last drive: "The season.
"We kept saying. 'We've got to score, we've got to score.' We knew if we wanted to win the ACC championship, we had to do it," said Burns, whose 1-yard TD run with one
minute left lifted No. 22 Georgia Tech to a 24-21 victory
over Clemson on Thursday night.
With a victory at home next week against Wake Forest, the Yellow Jackets (7-2, 6-1) clinch a tie for their first title in eight years.
For Clemson (12-8, 1-7), it was another dark night in its bid for the ACC crown in 23 years. The Tigers were up 21-17 in the fourth quarter and chocked off one Georgia Tech drive. But Tech quarterback Joe
Hamilton got the ball back with 2:30 to go, finding Charlie Rogers for 28 yards and Leon White for 15 to Clemson's 4. Two plays later, Burns burst in for the go-ahead score.
The Tigers' final possession couldn't get past 21.
"If we didn't get it and we lost the ACC title, we wouldn't have anyone to point the fingers at except ourselves," said Hamilton, who was 17-of-32 for 190 yards. "That's what kept us going."

Associated Press

NBA

NBA lockout turns to huge losses

NEW YORK

There came a time 2 1/2 weeks ago, with Michael Jordan's deal just as
likely as anyone's, the NBA lockout might have been settled.
Progress was being made, the sides were talking earnestly and unofficial proposals were being floated by both sides.
It was time to make a deal, yet no one wanted to take the final shot.
Looking back Thursday on that moment, commis-

sioner David Stern admits it was a golden opportunity that shouldn't have passed without a better fight.
"I've been doing this for 30 years, and I'm used to negotiating through the night. At 1 a.m., I was just getting started," Stern said of the 8 1/2-hour bargaining session Oct. 23.
"I wouldn't say we were close to a deal, but we were on track. We were trying. But it was clear that they were going to reject whatever number we were going to come up with.
"That one moment of reluctance to take a bold step is one of the reasons why the NBA lockout is now in its 134th day and showing no sign of being resolved.
Stern expected to receive a phone call from
timely director Billy Hunter on Thursday after Hunter vowed to make one. But the call apparent-
ly was never placed, giving Stern one more reason to view anything Hunter says with heavy skepti-

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Kansas City, Mo. — Take it from someone who's been coaching basketball for 40 years: Things aren’t as bad as they’re being portrayed.

"I don’t think there’s a team in our league right now that you could say is in the top 15," Oklahoma State coach Eddie Sutton said. "But the overall quality is better than it was last year.

Behind the extraordinary talents of All-Americans Paul Pierce and Blake Griffin, Kansas went 69-6 over the past two seasons. Oklahoma State and Raef LaFrentz. Kansas went --

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36-2 in the Big 12. Packing

such national prominence, the

Jawhawks lifted team power

rankings throughout the league.

Now Kansas, which also lost 3­

point specialist Billy Thomas,

isn't even picked to repeat as

Conference champions. That

suggestion goes to Sutton’s

Cowboys, who return four starters from

last year’s team that went 22-7.

The Longhorns have one of the

league’s biggest problems.

in senior center Venson

Watkins. who has most of the

Senior forward Manny Dies. And

like it better when we were picked No. 1. But if it means less pressure on our kids, that’s fine.”

Stewart, the dean of Big 12

coaches, has the preseason pick for freshman of the year in Keon Douglas, a 6-foot-3 guard from Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Keon Douglas is a guy who

had a lot of recognition, and he
deserved it," Stewart said. "He’s a

very good athlete. The thing

that sticks out in my mind is he’s

very down to earth. A nice

person, and he’s very talented. We

just don’t want to put all our

expectations on Keon because

he’s just a freshman.

Sutton finished the only starter he lost, center Brett Robisch, may be harder to replace than people think.

But he’s not shying away from

predictions that this team will be

special.

"I’m beginning my 40th year of

coaching. Some years you don’t

look forward to with much

optimism," he said. "But I look

forward to coaching this ballclub.

I like the team. Last season ... by

the end of the year, we were a

very good basketball team. That’s

one reason we’ve ranked

so high.

Still, the Jayhawks have won

seven conference titles in the

past eight years and nobody

expects them to just go to pieces.

Roy brought in a good freshman
class, including highly regarded

point guard Jeff Bischee. The

same preseason poll that picked

Oklahoma State first stared not

predict anytthing lower than sec­

ond for the Jawhawks.

Injuries, however, have

further clouded the picture as

forwards T.J. Pugh and Ashanti Johnson

are recovering from surgery.

"We’re way behind where we’d

like to be. But the calendar keeps

moving so we’ve got to be ready," Williams said.

One thing Williams knows not

to expect is sympathy from his

coaching peers. In the past two

years, only Stewart has been

able to beat him.

"The other coaches would

never agree Kansas is an under­

dog, and could probably care

less about our injury situation," Williams said. "I liked it better when we were picked No. 1. But if it means less pressure on our kids, that’s fine.”

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Torre wins AL Manager of Year

NEW YORK

Once again, Joe Torre breezed to a big win. Torre was the overwhelming choice as the AL Manager of the Year on Thursday, earning the award after his New York Yankees set a league record for victory and swept the World Series.

"You don't expect anything," Torre said.

"A lot of managers, because they have a good team, don't necessarily get this award," Torre said. "But got 23 of 28 first-place votes, four seconds and one third for 128 points in voting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

Boston's Jimy Williams was a distant second with three firsts, 12 seconds and eight thirds for 59 points. Anaheim's Terry Collins was third with two firsts, seven seconds and seven thirds for 38 points. Texas' Johnny Oates was fourth with 11 points, followed by Cleveland's Mike Hargrove (80), Toronto's Tim Johnson was tied for sixth with Chicago's Jerry Manuel (14 each).

"After winning the World Series, this is obviously a tremendous honor because the people who vote for this follow baseball on a day-to-day basis," Torre said.

Torre split the award with Oates in 1996 after leading the Yankees to the World Series title. Torre, close to getting a two-year extension from the Yankees through the 2001 season, also won The Associated Press Manager of the Year award last week.

New York finished the regular season 114-48. The Yankees went 11-2 in the postseason, capping the year by sweeping the San Diego Padres in the World Series. At 125-50, they had the most combined regular and postseason wins ever.

"What makes me a good manager is pretty good players," Torre said. "You can't win the World Series on a quarter horse. We have quality here and quality with a lot of heart."

One of those key players is AL batting champion Bernie Williams, and his future was clear on Torre's mind Thursday. Unsubstantiated rumors have had Armenia offering the free agent center fielder $100 million, reports the Diamondbacks have denied.

"I guess that could mean Bernie is gone," Torre said. "But I'm not going to necessarily believe everything I hear until I hear it from (general manager) Brian Cashman or Bernie Williams on a phone call to me."

Williams visited the Diamondbacks this week and is set to visit the Baltimore Orioles and Boston Red Sox next week. Planning for a future without him, the Yankees are bringing in Brian Jordan for a visit next week.

"He's obviously one of the guys were looking at. Hopefully we don't have to make that decision," Torre said. "Yes, he would be a good replacement. I don't like to make comparisons. Bernie meant so much to this organization the years he was here and hopefully in the future."

Torre was happy to learn World Com will back, agreeing Wednesday night to an $8 million, one-year deal. Cone went 20-7 this year, becoming a 20-game winner for the first time in a decade.

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Hockey hosts Bowling Green, national champ Michigan

By TED BASSANI
Sports Writer

This weekend, the Notre Dame hockey team has a chance to further solidify their standing atop the CCHA with home conference games versus the Falcons of Bowling Green and the Michigan Wolverines, defending national champions.

Tonight, the Irish square off against Bowling Green and head coach Buddy Powers, who recently notched his 200th career coaching win. To the surprise of many, the Falcons have started off well, tallying seven points in their first seven CCHA games (3-3-1). Their biggest team accomplishment so far was their 6-5 upset of the Northern Michigan Wildcats, currently ranked ninth in the nation, on NMU's home ice.

Last season, the Falcons struggled to a last place finish in the CCHA (6-21-5) thanks to numerous injuries, none more noticeable than the one in which forward Adam Edinger tore up his knee. "They had a very strange year last year," said Irish coach Dave Poulin. "They had injuries, they had a year every coach fears.

Even though the Falcons struggled last season, they managed to play hard in each of the three games between the two clubs. The Falcons outscored the two one-goal wins including one in OTI and a tie in the three games.

The first game between the two teams, which took place last November in the Joyce Center, provided one of the most memorable moments of the season. Center Ben Simon displayed his great speed and stick handling talents on a great end-to-end rush as the Irish were on the penalty kill.

The rush culminated with a brilliant shot to the lower left side of the net, all as Simon shielded himself from a FGK defender, to provide what turned out to be the game-winning goal for Notre Dame in a tight 2-1 contest.

This year, the Falcons come in healthy, with a big, physical team capable of winning in a conference like the CCHA, which is known for physical play. "Their defense is huge, they will clear out in front of the net," said Poulin.

The leader of this Falcons squad is senior captain Dan Price, who leads their team in goals (five), points (10), and is second in assists (five). In addition to his experience and leadership capabilities, according to Notre Dame's head coach Turco, he's an all-around player. He'll kill penalties for them, he'll be on the power play, he'll take a regular shift. He's a big, strong, physical player.

Perhaps an Achilles heel so far for the Falcons has been their penalty-killing unit, currently ranked last in the conference, operating thus far at 80 percent efficiency. This weakness plays right into Notre Dame's hands, as they come in with the league's top power play unit at 29.7 percen.

Saturday night on Joyce Center ice, Notre Dame will play host to last year's national champions, the Michigan Wolverines. Last season, these two teams saw plenty of each other, as they met three times in the regular season (in conference play), but also three times in the first round of the CCHA playoffs in Ann Arbor. Michigan totaled five wins in the six games, two of which included their share of controversy. In fact, Michigan has won 29 of the last 31 meetings with the Irish. The last time the Irish defeated the Wolverines at the Joyce Center was a 3-6 decision on Feb. 25, 1995.

With all the recent history between the two programs, one might think this Saturday's match-up might be a grudge match of some kind. Not so, says coach Poulin.

"What happened last March made us look forward to this season, but not specifically to playing Michigan.

"No one forgets things like that," said Simon, "but I don't think we specifically geared up for anything in practice. We're just going to play our game and take it to them."

This Saturday's game is interesting not only in terms of the conference standings, but because Notre Dame comes in ranked one place higher in the national polls than the defending national champions Wolverines. But, says Simon, "I don't think the rankings mean anything right now (this early in the season)."

Michigan, like almost all CCHA teams, comes in with a good combination of size and speed. Players like senior captain Bobbi Berenzech play a strong, physical game on defense while forwards like senior Bobby Blayes provide the offensive game. Said Simon of the team's all around capabilities, "They're big, they're also fast and quick.

The Wolverines lost two key members of last year's championship team, goaltender Marty Turco and right wing Bill Muckalt. Turco led the team to four straight NCAA semifinal appearances, including national championships in 1996 and 1998. He also holds the NCAA record for wins by a goaltender with 125 for his career. Muckalt led the team and the conference last season in points (32-35-67), and finished second in the conference with 32 goals.
McGraw signs stellar trio of top-100 seniors

Special to The Observer

Alicia Batast, a 5-foot-11 guard from Lake Zurich, Ill., Amanda Barkdale, a 6-foot-3 forward from Friendswood, Tex., and 5-foot-9 guard Monique Hernandez from Friendswood Rancho, N.M. — all ranked among the top 100 seniors by Blue Star Basketball — have signed national letters of intent to join the University of Notre Dame women’s basketball beginning in the fall of 1999.

"On paper, this is probably our best recruiting class ever," said Notre Dame head coach Muffet McGraw. "My staff did an outstanding job of identifying these players as the three that would be best suited for our program. We filled all of our needs and improved ourselves defensively. I’m extremely pleased with this class because all three players are going to come in here and contribute in a lot of different. They give us tremendous balance and depth both offensively and defensively."

Batast, a member of the U.S. Youth World Games team which captured the bronze medal this summer in Moscow, Russia, is rated eighth by Blue Star Basketball.

A three-year starter at Lake Zurich, Batast averaged 22 points, 7 rebounds and 4 steals in leading her squad to a 38-3 record during the 1997-98 campaign and into the quarterfinals of the state championship.

A first-team all-state selection and all-area honoree in 1998, she has been named to the all-Fox Valley Conference first-team in each of her three scholastic seasons while leading her team to three consecutive undefeated seasons in league play.

Batast ranks second all-time in scoring at Lake Zurich with more than 1,500 points. She led her 1997 Illinois Hustle AAU squad to a sixth-place finish at the AAU National Championships.

"Alicia’s experience playing internationally this summer cannot be underestimated," said McGraw. "I think it helped to improve her game as well as helping her mature as a player. She is a great shooter, handles the ball extremely well and is a great passer."

Alicia is going to remind a lot of people of Beth Morgan (Notre Dame’s all-time leading scorer who graduated in 1997) because she is such a pure shooter. I expect her to make a quick adjustment to the college game and come in and contribute immediately." 

Barkdale is rated 41st in the Blue Star ratings. A two-year starter at Clear Brook, she netted 10.3 points, grabbed 9 rebounds and averaged 8.5 blocked shots in her junior season as she led her team to a 26-6 mark and into the regional quarterfinals, its first-ever finish in school history.

Nominated Clear Brook Intermediate District MVP and a first-team all-district selection, she led the Houston area in blocked shots as a junior with 23. Barkdale has twice garnered league defensive MVP honors and also was the league’s offensive MVP as a sophomore.

Barkdale, who has been a member of the Houston Sport Shuts AAU team for the last three years, led her squad to the nationals where it took first in the regional tournament.

"Amanda is a great shot blocker," said McGraw. "She runs the floor very well and is a very strong athlete and defensive player. Her shot-blocking presence, along with that of Beth Riley, will help us tremendously on defense."

Hernandez, who averaged 16.7 points in her junior season at Ghsa, is rated ninth among the top 30 guard nationally and is 98th overall by Blue Star Basketball. A three-time first-team all-city selection, Hernandez has garnered first-team all-state honors each of the last two seasons.

The leading scorer in the city, she ranks third all-time heading into her final season at Ghsa with 952 career points. Hernandez holds the school record for three-pointers in a game (seven). In addition, she is second all-time with 454 rebounds and third in career assists (197) and steals (98).

"Monique’s quickness and skills as a point guard will help us immediately," said McGraw. "She is such a good athlete and versatile player. Monique is a strong ballhandler with excellent passing skills. She gives us great depth at the point guard position."

Who counts what’s in Nabisco’s cookie jar?

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Hensy’s performance adds depth to an already solid Irish bench. McGraw will count on the fresh players off the bench to offset the strong starting lineups that Notre Dame will encounter as the season gets underway

UCLA will tip-off boasting an unmatchable one-two punch with all-American candidates Maylana Martin (forwards) and point guard Irish Gome.

“They pose a lot of problems for us because they have a very good center in all-American Maylana Martin,” said McGraw.

“They have good shooters on the wing who are both good three-point shooters.”

The starting five includes center Jamee Holbred and forward Marie Philton, who round out the four returning starters.

Notre Dame will be counting on a bench that has already suffered injuries to help the Irish pull off their 400th win in school history against UCLA. Junior forward Julie Henderson did not play in either pre-season game with a sore Achilles ankle while freshman Sheri Hils missed making her first appearance after suffering a concussion. The 5-foot-8 Hills collided with Danielle Green in pregame warm-ups against Visby, Sweden.

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Irish on the road for two to attempt Big East clinch

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Sports Writer

The goal for the Notre Dame women's volleyball team this weekend is to win a Big East regular season title as they close out conference play with matches at Pittsburgh and West Virginia.

The Irish (12-11 overall, 8-1 Big East) are tied for the lead in the Big East with rivals Georgetown and Connecticut. They moved into a share of first place after handing the Georgetown Hoyas their first defeat in the conference last weekend.

Both of Notre Dame's weekend foes are 4-5 in the Big East.

The Irish face Pittsburgh tomorrow, a team which has had its share of ups and downs this weekend. The Panthers won their first four matches, then lost five straight, won six in a row and had another four-game losing streak. They are currently coming off a loss to Providence. If the Panthers fail to qualify for the Big East tournament, it will be the first time they have failed to do so under sixth year coach Cindy Alvey, as well as the first time in 17 years.

"I would have anticipated that they would have a little bit better record in the Big East," said Notre Dame head coach Debbie Brown. "I think they have some athletic players and pretty solid all-around skills."

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Pittsburgh has not defeated the Irish since 1990.

Notre Dame will face the West Virginia Mountaineers on Sunday, a team under the direction of 1997 Big East Coach of the Year Veronica Pecoraro, in her 24th season at the school. Although the Mountaineers return five of six starters from last season, their record stands at 11-14 on the year.

"I think Notre Dame is a pretty big team, so the challenge for us will be hitting against the bigger blockers that they have," said Hammersmith. "I think we have to serve tough. They have physically a pretty intimidating team."

West Virginia's top player is junior middle blocker Nikki Hardy, with 360 kills this season. The Irish have won the past four meetings between the two teams.

"They may be a little stronger in their backcourt defense, but I do think our hitting and blocking are a little bit stronger and, hopefully, that will be enough to help us win that match," said Brown.

Brown said that blocking and passing will again be key for the Irish. Notre Dame leads the Big East in blocking, and is also first in hitting in Big East matches.

Senior Lindsay Treadwell and junior Mary Leffers are tops in blocking for the Irish, both at the middle blocker position. Other projected starters for the Irish are sophomore outside hitters Christi Girton and Jo Jameson, setter Michelle Graham and junior opposite Emily Schriebhut.

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Freshman outside hitter Marcie Bomhak has been a major contributor for the Irish this season. The Irish
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already has 26 goals on the season, tying Cindy Dawes' single season record. She is fifth nationally in goals per game and seventh in points per game, while her teammate Makiyen ranks one spot behind her in points per game. Makiyen is also third in the country with 0.89 assists per game and co-captain Jen Grubb is fourth, averaging 0.86 assists per game.

MEN'S SOCCER
Irish trio score Big East season accolades

Special to the Observer

Freshman Shane Walton, who led the Irish in scoring with 10 goals and seven assists in 1998, was a unanimous selection in the Big East's All-Tournament Team. The announcement came at the 17th annual Big East men's soccer banquet held in Princeton, N.J.

Walton, along with senior goalkeeper Matt McNew and junior defender Matt McNew were also named to the All-Big East Second Team. Walton and forward Gregory Stishov of Seton Hall were the only freshmen chosen to the second team, while Chris Ghandi of Maryland, who earned Big East Rookie of the Year honors, was selected to the all-rookie team.

Velho, who was named the Most Valuable Player of the 1996 Big East Men's Soccer Championship after leading the team in goals scored, finished the season with 14 goals, one assist and a 24-14-4 league record. The freshman will play for the Irish post season in Jamaica, N.Y. last Saturday.

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out on the fast break. But the first thing we are going to do is have to get the ball on the defensive rebounds,” said Maturin.

Noirex has unveiled a full-court pressure defense on their made free-throws. Designed to take advantage of the Irish guard depth, its effectiveness will be determined when it counts for the first time tonight. Both point guards, sophomore Martin Ingelsby and junior Jimmy Dillon, also showed an ability to pressure the opposing point guard in the preseason games.

“One of the most improved players on our team this year should be Jimmy,” said MacLeod. "We (the) foal want Martin to be more productive offensively. He needs to shoot better than he did last year.”

With Inglesby and Dillon, point guard is the most durable position on the Irish roster. Other players who will have an opportunity to improve are Notre Dame will be sophomore forward Lyndsay Winston, junior forwards Skylor Owens and forward Troy Murphy has already shown offensive aggressiveness, especially in key moments.

and Todd Palmer and senior forward Denny Carroll. Notre Dame has little height on its roster, the ability of these players to "play big" will be crucial.

Miami of Ohio is a stern first-game test for Notre Dame. The Redhawks, coached by second-year man Charlie Oles, are one of the best teams in the MAC Conference. Damon Frieron who averaged 18.8 points last season and Wally Sekerziak (24 ppg) are the top players on a team looking to improve on their 17-12 record of a year ago. Sekerziak has popped up on some preseason All-America teams and Frieron will test Graves head-to-head at the two-spot.

"Miami is a great basketball team. This is one of the most difficult opening games since I've been here," said Marroon.

The freshman will be tested immediately and the veterans will need to provide guidance for the Irish tonight. If Notre Dame can force Miami into an up-tempo game they might just have enough scoring punch to take control. For one, Notre Dame has some untapped talent. Tonight will be the first step toward molding that talent into a top-notch basketball team.

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Nore Dame head softball coach Liz Miller announced the signings today of four high school seniors to national letters of intent. Shortstop Andria Hledse, infielder Andrea Lomas, infielder Alexis Madriz and first baseman/catcher Lisa Mattison will make up Notre Dame's class of 1998.

"We're very excited about this class," Miller said. "I think it is one of the top recruiting classes we've ever had."

Bloese earned all-conference honors a year ago while batting .406 for Highland High School in Gillman, Ohio. She signed with L'il Saints during the summer travel season and earned the team's Golden Glove award for defense in 1994.

"We recruited Andria for her defense as a middle infielder," Miller said. "She has great hands and her voice will be heard at shortstop next year."

Loman was recently named a 1998 Amateur Softball Association (ASA) All-American. Miller said, "She's a really raw talent, who we believe is going to get better and better every year."

Ward, another 1998 ASA All-American, is a two-time first-team all-league selection for Temecula Valley High School.

"Alexis will contribute a lot of speed to our lineup," Miller said. "We really needed to add that element (speed) to our lineup and she's also a great middle infielder."
CROSS COUNTRY

Harriers race in last chance for champs

By ALAN WASILIEWSKI
Sports Writer

The cross country season is drawing to a close and the District IV meet will be run on Monday, November 16. Terre Haute, Ind., will be the last opportunity for the Notre Dame runners will have to impress the NCAA Championship selection committee. Terre Haute holds the last guaranteed event on the schedule; only one of the four automatic qualifiers, the Irish will allow their season to continue.

On the women's side, the goal of finishing in the top three is of paramount importance. A top-three finish in one of the best districts in the country would solidify the invitation to the NCAA Championships Nov. 23 in Lawrence, Kan.

Head women's coach Tim Connelly knows that finishing fourth means and end to the season.

"If we finish third, I really believe we have a realistic shot of getting an invitation. This team can do it. Thirteen spots is a lot of invitations to fill," Connelly said.

The "13 spots" refers to the expanded field of teams the NCAA is inviting to the Championships. In previous years, the number of non-automatic qualifiers was small, but this year that number has increased to 13. Only a first or second place in the district meet earns an automatic invitation.

The women have their sights set on third place on two different levels. One, third place in the district meet will be on the course with them. We will have to recognize where their runners are in the course and just to out and try to beat them," Connelly explained.

Second, the Irish are to be led by JoAnna Deeter. Pushing for America status and already a member of the all-Big East team, Deeter has four wins in five starts. "JoAnna is in great shape. It is nice to know that you don't even have to count her place where she is going to be in the top three," Connelly said.

Former all-American Allison Klemmer will look to repeat her top-15 performance in the district from a year ago. Klemmer was slowed by an injury early in the season and has yet to run an excellent race. Patti Rice will also be among the top Irish runners. She has finished second on the team in all of the races this season. "Now is not the time to hold anything back," Connelly said. "We have the ability to get the job done. We just need to go out and run like we can.

The 21st-ranked men's team will also need a good showing at the meet. Their situation is not as serious as the women. The Irish have already beaten some teams who will earn automatic bids to the NCAA Championships and need a solid run on Saturday to make the trip to Terre Haute.

"We can't enter into this lightly," men's coach Joe Piane said. "If people go out of their league like we are capable of, we should finish third in the top four and earn an invitation."

The top four will not be a certainty. The Irish (ranked seventh) and Michigan (ranked 10th) are sampling of some of the top teams in District IV. The Irish are also coming off of a sub-par showing at the Big East Championships.

The Irish will need the veteran leadership of seniors Antonio Arce and Ryan Maxwell to run the kind of races they are capable of. Both Arce and Maxwell had poor runs at the Big East finishing out of the top four on the team for the first time this year. Arce and Maxwell finished 10th and 21st, respectively, at the District meet in 1997.

The uncharacteristic showing of Maxwell and Arce at the Big East Championships allowed both English and Watson to make their best runs of the season. Watson, a freshman, will be participating in his first district meet while Englishhardt has steadily improved throughout the year. Ryan Shay, the top Irish runner, should continue his drive toward all-American status.

"Our fourth and fifth place guys have really improved their times. We are right where we want to be," Piane said.

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Football at its finest

By TED FOX
Sports Writer

"It's not just football, it's Notre Dame football. As many of you probably know, this is Adidas' chance to describe our legendary pigskin tradition. It's supposed to make you stop and think about Notre Dame football.

I and I believe it does. Hidden away from the national spotlight, even from the campus, lies a more fundamental source of gridiron greatness.

So, I'm not talking about interhall football. After all, everyone around here knows about that, and it is a close approximation, at least in style, of the games we file into the stadium to see on Saturdays. The final game is even in the stadium, so interhall has made it to the big time, relatively speaking of course.

Well, if it's not the varsity program or its interhall cousin, what is this football treasure Left? Unless you've played it, you probably don't know the answer.

It's section football, the interhall game within the confines of one dorm. "This is the kind of football you used to play back home in your neighbor's yard when the street was a go-to, the end zone and the flower bed was the sideline."

There aren't 11 guys on a side running around in pads and helmets with fine-tuned plays and defensive sets. There are six or seven guys running around with no special equipment, except that pair of running shoes they should have thrown out last year, acting as if they have fine-tuned plays and defensive sets.

Disputes don't end with ref's, because there are none to be found. They end with "liberal discussion" and the ever popular "re-do" option to satisfy the two sides.

Apparently the announcers' microphones have been permanently turned off because the only commentary you hear is the receiver who just beat the safety for a touch down, leaving the defender know how bad he made him look.

There's plenty of seating for a crowd to come and cheer, but for some reason, the cover never seems to show up. That's okay, though. The players don't seem to notice.

There are some striking similarities between these games and the ones everyone else cares about, however.

Both feature guys whose competitive drive won't let them give up, no matter what the man, will be participating in his first district meet while Englishhardt has steadily improved throughout the year. Ryan Shay, the top Irish runner, should continue his drive toward all-American status.

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Your Horoscope

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Happy Birthday! Don't forget to treat the kids. You've been putting too much pressure on yourself and it's time to accept some mental relief. According to your sign, you may find your powers of intuition enhanced. Be sure to keep your eyes open for possible clues to what's likely to happen. You're more likely to succeed when you're approached with a calm and positive attitude.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Enjoy your relationships. Your ideas can earn you rewards. Visit or talk to friends who you love. Take care of the needs of your mate to pin down a dream. Please trip will be successful.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Talk to someone about your unique ideas. You're not clear on your current hobbies. Do not make any unnecessary luxury items. Don't lend possessions to anyone.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Allow others to lean on you. It's your time to play. Visit or talk to friends who earn you rewards. Do not lend possessions to anyone.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Help solve the dilemmas that are now available for all interested students and faculty at the Center for Social Concerns and at the offices of Campus Ministry.

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Wanted: Reporters and photographers.

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Looking Through the Wizard of ND

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Michigan first test in Irish road to championship

By BRIAN KESSLER
Assistant Sports Editor

Last Sunday, it was the luck of the Irish. Or perhaps it was the luck of the Finnland.

Coach Muffet McGraw's squad will start this season right where it left off last year -- squaring off against some of the nation's best.

Coming off of its second consecutive appearance in the NCAA Sweet 16 last year, the Irish will begin this season with their highest ever rankings, 17th by the Associated Press and 19th by USA Today/ESPN.

The Bruins are just the first of four teams on the Irish's early Notre Dame schedule that are all ranked in the top 25. Next Saturday, the Irish play No. 4 Duke, then No. 25 Illinois three days later. The advantage for the Irish is that they will play all four of their first ever trip to the NCAA tournament in 1992, UCLA.

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CRUNCH TIME

JERRY WISNE'S TALENTS AND BELIEFS PROVIDE THE STRENGTH TO SUCCEED.
Ismail rockets himself into national recognition

Freshman uses speed and agility to become kick-return specialist

By KATHLEEN LOPEZ
Sports Editor

Stepping on to a new campus, seeing all kinds of fresh faces and being on your own for the first time is overwhelming for any freshman.

Imagine adding on top of it the pressure of coming to play for one of the top programs in the nation and you will find yourself in the position which Rocket Ismail did back in 1988.

Rather than retract into the shadows, Ismail rose to the occasion.

While a majority of Ismail's fellow freshmen teammates found themselves on the practice squad, Ismail found himself thrust into gameplay immediately.

Ismail was not unfamiliar with the spotlight which found him so quickly. He was a high school standout. In fact, he got his notorious nickname, "Rocket," back in eighth grade when he ran track. Prior to the season, he clocked a 4.28 average on two runs on the first day of practice.

"My coach said I came out of the blocks like a rocket," Ismail recalled.

Speed definitely would be a word to describe his talents. Ismail's collegiate career thrived on speed. He used his power to accelerate past opposing team's coverage.

Ismail reluctantly took the spot at split end. While he wanted to make a definite impact, Ismail feared the onslaught of punishment that lay ahead.

"I thought, 'Oh no, not receiver,'" Ismail said.

Just past midpoint in the season, it became evident to Holtz and Co. that Ismail had let almost all his fears slip away. He had caught nine passes for 198 yards. Not to mention he snagged a 58-yard bomb from Tony Rice that cued the go-ahead touchdown in the Miami win.

His explosive speed truly became evident in Notre Dame's trouncing of Rice, 54-11. Ismail made Rice's defense look flat and lifeless. He ran back two kickoffs for touchdowns which solidified him as kick return threat.

"We work so hard at it in practice," Ismail said about his special teams work. "The coaches always tell us to play like we practice. We take special teams as another offensive play. It's one of the biggest plays in college football."

The two big returns against Rice of 83 and 87 yards catapulted Ismail to the top of the nation in kickoff returns. He averaged around 37 yards per return, leading his nearest competition by six.

Not to mention his star efforts on the blocked field-goal attempt in the second game of the season against the Michigan State Spartans.

Switching from tailback to receiver provided Ismail with a challenge that he gladly accepted.

"There are a lot of little things that I knew nothing about when I was a running back," Ismail said. "It's like starting over again."

One thing was for sure for Notre Dame, and that was when it acquired its new star split end, it knew it wouldn't be starting over on offense for a long time.

Ismail anchored the Notre Dame special teams for four years. He used his speed and power to make his mark his freshman year and become one college football's biggest playmakers.
By JACK GROSS
Sports Editor of The Capital

Notre Dame at Navy. Sort of. It's really Notre Dame vs. Navy at Jaxg Kent Cook Stadium, and that is as strange a setting to the Midshipmen as to the Fighting Irish.

Still, the game will be as much of a home game as Navy ever gets against Notre Dame. The game will kick off at 3:36 p.m. Saturday at the Italian facility in Prince George's County. As many as 78,000 people will be in the stands and millions more will be watching on national television.

Every Navy coach has always looked forward to the game against Notre Dame. But the Mids have gone through seven head coaches without beating Notre Dame.

Yesterday, Charlie Weatherbie joined the last six coaches in saying that he isn't concerned with Navy's losing streak to Notre Dame, which has stretched to 34 games.

"I know it is that we haven't beaten Notre Dame since I've been here. The streak before that means nothing to me," Weatherbie said. "We didn't have any of our games against the teams before we got here."

For the most part, the players think the same way, although they admit they would like to be on the team that finally beats Notre Dame. That would be a noteworthy achievement this season since the Navy solidly beat the Mids with the team at 3-5, while Notre Dame is 7-1 and ranked No. 12 in the nation.

"For one thing, this is a huge game for us because there is so much riding on it. A win would make it possible for us to have a winning season and that's something the members of this senior class really want," Gainey explained.

"We don't want it to seem like we were just riding on the coat tails of the two classes before us, we want so follow them with our own winning season," he said. "It also think this will be a fun game to play. It will let us know just how good we really are," Gainey said.

The burly defensive guard is looking forward to this game more than he has to the past Notre Dame games in which he has played. His reasoning is sound.

"What should help us in this game is that it is only the second or so game as a real home game for us. We won't have to go to Ireland or the Meadowlands," he explained.

"The brigade will be there just like they are here in Annapolis. We'll have more of a pro Navy crowd with several thousand of our fans being there."

"And," Gainey added. "We'll follow the same routine as we do for all of our home games. We'll have the same practice schedule. We'll stay at the hotel."

But, and although it isn't one that we put down before our season starts," the realistic Gainey said.

One of the leaders of this senior class, Gainey said it's most important to convince the younger players on the team, and there is an unusually large number of them, that this is just another football game.

"If we can win this game it will be a step in getting Navy back where it belongs in regard to respect," Gainey said. "I think we've taken the first steps by having the back-to-back winning seasons. Beating Notre Dame would give a big lift in that area."

"Having some of the problems Notre Dame has had the last two seasons, he added confidence. "I think we've taken the first steps by having the back-to-back winning seasons. Beating Notre Dame would give a big lift."

"Nothing to it," Gainey said. "Coming as close as we did last year, despite the mistakes that were made. The Irish will go to the tournament. We have no chance to win this year."
By ALLISON KRILLA
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Not every person possesses the athletic talent to be a top-notch football player. And not every person exhibits the faith and determination to live his dreams.

But Irish senior offensive lineman Jerry Wisne has it all rolled into one.

Wisne, a mammoth 6-foot-7, 320 pound quick guard solidifies one of the largest and most talented offensive lines in the nation. Seniors Mike Rosenthal and Tim Bilzerian and fifth-year player Luke Petigout join Wisne in protecting Irish quarterback Jarious Jackson and paving the way for tailback Autry Denson, who is on the verge of becoming Notre Dame's all-time leading rusher.

"I think we're the best offensive line in the nation," said Wisne. "And we all believe that."

Next to the veteran Rosenthal, a regular on the line for three seasons, Wisne's 24 career starts rank second among all current offensive linemen. But Wisne's numbers go beyond just the time he's logged on the field. He's also one of the largest and most impressive linemen I've ever been around," Davie said. "He has nine percent body fat. The average body fat in the NFL, I think, for offensive linemen is over 20 percent."

"He benches 225 pounds 42 times, which I think the NFL Combine record might have been 38 or 39. The guy is unbelievable," Davie continued. "He's still young."

But the oldest of the former Notre Dame offensive linemen Jerry Wisne, a member of the 1966 national championship team, didn't always play a starring role.

"As a senior at Jenks High School in Tulsa, Okla., Wisne earned letters as a three-year starter, splitting time between defensive tackle, offensive tackle and even tight end. But it was on defense where Wisne's talent shone brightest. He finished his high school career with 110 solo tackles, 46 tackles for losses, 25 sacks and 15 blocked passes.

USA Today honored the Oklahoma resident with first-team prep all-America accolades as a defensive lineman. Bluechip Illustrated ranked Wisne sixth nationally among defensive linemen, while Parade, SuperPrep and Prep Football Report placed him on a variety of all-America teams.

"In high school, I established a defensive mentality," Wisne said. "It's more aggressive, and instinctive."

But in the fall of 1995, just three weeks into Wisne's freshman year, the coaching staff decided to move Wisne to the offensive line.

Almost immediately after Wisne's position change, veteran left guard Jeremy Aker suffered a knee injury that appeared to create an opening for the rookie offensive lineman. However, Wisne logged only four minutes that season during a 41-0 pounding of Vanderbilt.

"It was different," said Wisne of the position change. "Offensive line requires a more cerebral attitude. You have to really know the game and play smart. It's been real challenging for me."

The following year Wisne prepared to be a major contributor for the Irish, but managed to play in only nine games, seeing less than 100 minutes of action.

"My sophomore season was the most difficult," Wisne said. "Coach Holtz was about to leave and there was conflict on the coaching staff, which I'm sure happens at any school when a change like that happens."

Wisne's sophomore season turned out to be his darkest hour, as the young lineman seriously considered forsaking his dreams and leaving the University.

And it was only the biggest influence on Wisne's life that could convince him to remain at Notre Dame.

"God got me through that," Wisne said. "I was so close to leaving, and I just prayed that if God wanted me to stay, everything would somehow work out."

Wisne stayed, and his family followed. Jerry's younger brother Andy received a football scholarship to play for the Irish the following year, and their parents packed up the family home in Oklahoma and moved to South Bend.

"I was shocked," said Wisne about his family's decision to relocate. "I guess it's weird sometimes, almost like high school. Most people think you go to college to get away from your parents. But it's nice, like on Sundays when we'll go over and eat dinner together. It's a pretty unique situation for someone playing college football."

"Jerry and I are pretty close," said Andy Wisne. "His being here was a pretty big factor in my decision to attend Notre Dame."

"It was during Wisne's junior year, under rookie head coach Davie, that he finally solidified a starting role on the offensive line. He finished 1997 as one of five offensive players to start all 11 games, including the Independence Bowl, and ranked fourth on the offense in total playing time. Wisne also made 52 regular-season special team appearances.

"Jerry brings a quiet confidence to the team," said Andy. "He's a leader, but he doesn't have to say much. Plus, he's a good blocker."

But if there could be considered a breakthrough year for the offensive line, this is it.

In 1998, the men in the trenches have been crushing more than their share of opposing defenses, and represent a major reason the Irish sport a 7-1 record. While the Notre Dame defense has produced 13 sacks for 81 lost yards, the offensive line has allowed only four sacks for a measly 19 yards.

"This season I just wanted the offensive line to gel," explained Wisne. "As Coach Calletto says, we're kinda like the pипing on this team. We're essential to the offense, but we're not the guys in the limelight. We don't get the attention unless something goes wrong."

For now, Wisne's living a dream that began when he was a seventh-grader watching Notre Dame's 31-30 victory over Alabama.

And God is right there with him.
Austy Denson looks to set up a new Notre Dame record in rushing yards tomorrow.

Senior tailback Austy Denson will likely finish the chase to pass Notre Dame's all-time leading rusher Allen Pinkett.

The magic number for Denson is 47 to break Pinkett's previous mark with 4,131 yards.

Denson currently ranks 43rd in the NCAA rushing category. He needs just 346 yards to crack the top 25.

Navy, just like every other team on the Irish schedule, will make Denson earn every yard.

They will likely pack the box with Middieharam and the offensive line and Mike Rosenthal and the offensive line make Denson's achievements possible.

fullbacks will have to be on top of their game.

Notre Dame is at its best when it only has to go to the air a couple of times a half.

Although Jackson has proven he is capable, as Denson goes so does the offense.

Navy usually gains on its best defensive efforts of the season against the Irish, sometimes playing beyond their abilities and size.

I'll be a historic game, but it won't mean much to Denson if his team loses.
Irish head down tough road to New Year’s Day

For targeted Notre Dame football team, every game presents bowl atmosphere

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How Notre Dame plays this Saturday will determine which bowl it will make an appearance in.

Sounding a little melodramatic, doesn’t it? True, the Irish still have three more games to play, and Navy, with its 3-5 record, looks to be the weakest of the bunch. Why should this rivalry, which has been all but dominated by Notre Dame for over three decades, determine the course of the entire season?

First off, don’t expect the streak against Navy to hold any advantage. Sure, it’s the longest winning streak in the nation, but any returning student can give a vivid recollection of the final play of last year’s 21-17 victory.

For those who don’t remember, the Midshipmen had the ball on their own 29-yard line with three seconds remaining in the final play of the game. Quarterback Chris McCoy threw a Hail Mary pass that bounced off the helmet of an Irish player and fell into the hands of Pat Mcgrew at the 18. The receiver dashed toward the end zone, but Allen Rossum was able to knock him out at the one-yard line.

For the fans on the other side of the stadium, including most of the student body, there was no indication of what had happened. The crowd was kept in suspense for several minutes before an obviously relieved stadium announcer relayed the outcome of the play.

Somewhere among the confusion and relief, there was a lesson to be learned. Even though Navy was a heavy underdog, it dominated virtually every category of the game. The questions on most fans’ lips as they exited the stadium were, “Why was that game so close? Why wasn’t it a clear cut win?”

The answer is simple. For Navy, playing Notre Dame is the most important game of the season. For schools that have had less than average seasons, a win against the Irish can turn the entire season around.

This season, one wonders whether the Irish remember that lesson. If they haven’t, their opponents this season have continually tried to jar their memory.

Against Purdue, it took one interception by Tony Driver to set up the game-winning field goal and another to preserve the 31-30 victory. Against Army, Jim Sanson needed to kick a career-long field goal with 1:06 remaining to put the Irish on top for good. And last week against the Eagles, it took an effort from the entire defensive unit to black victory from the jaws of defeat.

Where the margin of victory was one yard last year, it has now closed to within a few inches.

For the Irish, it isn’t a matter of talent that hampers them; it’s a matter of heart. The team must treat every game as though it’s the national championship, Super Bowl and the final game of their career all wrapped into one. Why? Because that’s exactly the same way every team on the other side of the field is looking at it. If Coach Davie and his staff hope to take the team to the next level, he has to have every team treat every game as the most important one of the season.

Which brings us back to the beginning. Why should this game decide the entire season for the Irish? Because it’s the only chance they have to put this insight into practice. LSU is looking for atonement for last year’s embarrassing defeat at home, and only a victory at fabled Notre Dame Stadium would be true revenge. As for USC, its rivalry with Notre Dame makes it one of the most hotly contested games in college football. Unlike other teams, however, the Tigers and Trojans have grit and determination with a great deal of talent to match.

So, before the Irish start thinking about Pasadena, they should keep their eye on the task at hand, and treat every approaching game as the important one of the season. Otherwise that margin of victory could shrink even further, even to the point where it doesn’t exist at all.
Razorbacks hope to crush Vols’ season

By ANTHONY BIANCO

Michigan looks to extend its Big Ten winning streak to 16 straight games against Wisconsin.

Defensively, the defense is hitting its stride, getting its first shutout in seven seasons with the 31-0 win over Ohio State. In last week’s run defense with 82.6 yards per game. The Razorbacks are yielding just 2.4 yards per carry this year, allowing just two rushing touchdowns all season.

Michigan will have its work cutout for the best offense in the nation. The Wolverines are averaging 5.8 yards per carry this season, amassing 333 yards on the ground, including five TDs.

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