Gingrich: 'U.S. has no choice except to lead'

By ASHE MARIE MATTINGLY
Associated Press Editor

The United States is the most powerful country in the world and must lead the rest of the world into the future, said Former Speaker Newt Gingrich, former speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, in a lecture Tuesday.

He focused particularly on the U.S. involvement in Kosovo to illustrate his point.

"I believe the U.S. has no choice except to lead," he said. "There is no other country able to lead ... If we fail to lead, the world will be a mess in six months."

Gingrich said that, to ensure that the U.S. maintains its authority, the country has no choice but to ensure a decisive victory in the current Kosovo conflict.

"The whole world is watching us throw a temper tantrum. We can't just drop some bombs, accept some paper solution, walk out of there and leave," said Milosevic President of Yugoslavia's violent victory, he said. "Then the U.S. makes an irrevocable decision, we have to win."

He emphasized that the failure to win would cause the other leaders of nations to take the United States less seriously as a major power.

"My biggest fear is that NATO will accept some phony agreement, the president will give some phony speech about how we won, the whole world will know that's a joke and the world will be a more dangerous place," he said.

Gingrich said that the planning behind U.S. approach should consist of a hierarchal four-part plan: the vision, strategies, projects and tactics. Each of these must be developed, said Gingrich, to successfully undertake leadership.

"What's your vision? Where do you want to go?" he asked, citing Eisenhower's World War II vision of landing in Germany, infiltrating the country and stopping the war. "The second part is strategy. How are you going to make your vision real?"

Gingrich said that the development of a vision for Kosovo is the responsibility

The DART system experiences malfunctions, causing delays

By KATE STEER
News Writer

The DART system (Direct Access Registration by Telephone) system crashed Tuesday, causing inconvenience and frustration for students, administrators and faculty.

Just before 3:30 p.m., access to DART by telephone failed, resulting in a busy signal or continuous ringing for registering students. Soon after, at approximately 3:50 p.m., the seven computer terminals in Grace Hall also failed.

Those affected were instructed to go to Grace Hall, where employees of the registrar's office would help the students.

"We had a problem with the system. About 50 to 60 students were affected," said Harold Pace, University registrar. "Apparently the router went down in Grace Hall."

Students with DART times between 3:30 to 3:45 p.m. were the first to encounter the problems. All those who made their way to the registrar's office waited as they were told they would receive further instruction.

"We kept students in line for about 20 minutes while OIT (Office of Information Technology) worked on the problem," Pace said.

The outside phone lines into DART were restored by approximately 3:55 p.m., allowing those attempting to register by telephone access to the system. Meanwhile, those students whose time slots had expired were still waiting in the office of the registrar to be placed in classes.

"I was thoroughly annoyed when I had to bike to Grace Hall and then wait around for another 45 minutes, when other people had the convenience of their own phones," said Sarah Fisher, a sophomore management major. "People were really upset, but really, get a grip!"

"There has to be a more efficient way of registering for classes. The University spent so much money on ResNet, why not use it?" said Mary Beth Patterson, a science preprofessional major.
University president discourages students from ‘Naked Mile’

I'm sure that the crowd was ready to party, but I was not. I didn't want to be a part of it. I was in the middle of the crowd, but I didn't feel like I belonged. I was just there, watching the party go on. I didn't want to get involved, but I couldn't help it. The party was too big, too loud, too fast-paced. I was just there, a part of the crowd, but I didn't want to be.

I was overwhelmed by the energy, the music, the dancing, the drinking. I didn't want to be a part of it, but I couldn't help it. I was just there, a part of the crowd, but I didn't want to be.

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At any home football game, the student section of the stadium is a uniform mass of color. This year, a wave of moss-green fans screamed for victory. Next year, "The Shirt" will return to the traditional navy, and shirt project commissioner Garrett Skiba said he is optimistic about sales.

"We'd like to get more students to wear the shirts," said Skiba, whose position as shirt commissioner includes picking the design and working with both the manufacturer and the distributors, such as the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore and the LaFortune Student Center information desk.

"The Shirt" has become a recent tradition at Notre Dame, unifying students at home football games. There is even a display dedicated to the history of The Shirt project at the Alumni Senior Club, according to general manager Lawrence Briggs.

Yet, the importance of "The Shirt" lies not only in its unifying of the students during football games, but also in its contribution to student financial need.

Each year student government aims to make $200,000 from sales of The Shirt, a goal Skiba said was reached this past year. Proceeds from the sales are split between student government and charity.

The shirt project, entering its 10th year this fall, was originally developed to help pay the hospital bills for a student paralyzed in a car wreck. Since then, 50 percent of "The Shirt" revenues go toward a charitable causes fund, said project director Peggy Houstosko. Any revenues that surpass the $200,000 goal are added to the charitable fund.

The fund provides support for students who have suffered "catastrophic accidents, or illnesses," according to Houstosko.

When there was interest in establishing a scholarship in the name of Justin Brumbaugh, a student who died last year in a computer cluster, the University tapped into the fund for financial support.

Skiba said he is hopeful about the popularity of this fall's "The Shirt," particularly because the return to the traditional navy blue should assuage some student complaints about the "99 shirt.

A lot of people didn't really like the color," said Skiba. "At first I wasn't going to buy it because of the color," said senior Allison Shibuleski. "But then it grew on me."

"We hope this year should be better. Especially since we're going back to the traditional navy blue ... It should help immensely in sales," said Skiba, who said the $200,000 goal is definitely attainable.

Prices for "The Shirt" have risen to $11 for students and $15 for the general public, but shirt commissioner Garrett Skiba said he is optimistic about upcoming sales.
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administration didn't tell the president ... I don't blame the Chinese for spying on us. I blame us for being stupid and letting them do it.

ON KOSOVO:
"We have put our marker down, and we had better win, or the
world will be a much more dangerous place."

"Clinton had better define victory, and (chair of the Joint
Chiefs of Staff) Hugh Shelton had better deliver it, and that's the
only rational policy.

"You cannot ask other countries to approve ... If you're to be the decisive country that loads the planet, some days people are going to be irritated with you."
Cow bile helps cure cancer

PHILADELPHIA

An immune-system booster derived from cow bile shows promise in early testing against a rare cancer, the deadliest of all malignancies. Though it is probably no cure for most patients, the drug appears to work as well as the standard medicine with far fewer side effects. The next step will be to try giving the drug to patients. A Changchun Liu of the University of Nebraska presented data on preliminary human testing of the new medicine, called Viralizin, in Philadelphia on Tuesday at a meeting of the American Association for Cancer Research. About 27,000 cases of pancreatic cancer are diagnosed yearly in the United States. The outlook is grim because the disease spreads silently. In 90 percent of cases, the malignancy has already escaped the gland before it is detected.

AOL presses Congress on high-speed cable line connections

WASHINGTON

In a fight over the ways that consumers will connect in the Internet during the next generation, America Online wants Congress to force the nation’s cable television companies to grant its subscribers easier access to those companies’ new high-speed data pipelines. No-rules broadband access over cable lines, with connection speeds dozens of times faster than today’s telephone modems, promises to further push the coming backhaul of a rocket ride already fueled by the technology industry. Existing consumers from the frustrating, sluggish performance of the Internet, high-speed connections will finally make possible the new computer applications that include TV-quality video and better audio on the Web.

Japanese court justifies solitary confinement

TOKYO

Japanese prisons have the right to put inmates in solitary confinement for as long as they want, a court ruled Tuesday, dismissing a suit by a prisoner held alone for 12 years. The Asahikawa District Court ruled that solitary confinement is “reasonable” and “necessary for keeping order” in prisons, according to a copy of the decision provided by the plaintiff’s lawyer. The character of the suit, one of a string of cases against Japan’s judicial system, was a setback to efforts to open Japan’s harsh and highly secretive prison system to public scrutiny.

The defense protested the ruling and said they would appeal. “Solitary confinement represents a human rights violation at Japanese prisons,” lawyer Yoriko Kato said. “Today’s ruling shows again the court is siding with the administration.”

Kevorkian receives prison sentence

Associated Press

PONTIAC, Mich. — Dr. Jack Kevorkian, who videotaped himself giving a man a lethal injection and dared prosecutors to stop him, was sentenced to 10 to 25 years in prison Tuesday by a judge who told him: "Sir, consider yourself stopped.”

Kevorkian, who turns 71 next month and had top of hair that was lost from the courtroom in handcuffs, saying, to a friend, "Justice." He said nothing when given the opportunity to speak at his sentencing.

Judge Jessica Cooper refused to let him on trial ball while he appeals his murder conviction, saying she couldn’t trust his promise not to take part in any more suicides.

"That is what he believes his life mission is," she said.

In addition to giving Kevorkian the sentence prosecutors asked for, the judge handed him three to seven years for delivery of a controlled substance. The sentences will run concurrently, and Kevorkian will be eligible for parole after six years and three months, a prosecutor said.

It would have gotten life in prison.

Defense attorney David Gorsh said that he was surprised by the judge’s decision and that he hopes it does not amount to a life sentence for Kevorkian. "It would be the saddest, most tragic, to lose such a heroic figure in America,"

The widow and brother of Thomas Youk, the 52-year-old former Michigan patient whose videotaped death was shown on "60 Minutes" last fall, pleaded

"This trial was not about the political or moral correctness of euthanasia," the judge said. "It was about you, sir. It was about lawlessness. It was about disrespect for a society that exists because of the strength of the legal system.

"No one, sir, is above the law. No one," she continued. "You had the audacity to go on national television, show the world what you did and dare the legal system to stop you. Well, sir, consider yourself stopped."

Even so, she predicted the debate that Kevorkian brought to the fore will continue "long after this trial and your activities fade from public memory."

On "60 Minutes," Kevorkian threatened a hunger strike if sent to prison — a claim he has not repeated. If he does go on a hunger strike, Michigan prison policy calls for forced feeding.

Kevorkian injected Youk with lethal chemicals on Sept. 17 at Youk’s request. Youk was in a wheelchair. He could barely move his arms or legs and was afraid of choking to death on his own saliva.

Medical examiners considered the death suspicious. But they had little to go on until Kevorkian sent a videotape to CBS. The tape and the "60 Minutes" interview with Kevorkian were the prosecution’s main evidence.

It was the first murder trial for Kevorkian, a retired pathologist who says he has been involved in 130 deaths since 1990, and the first time he was found guilty of taking part in a death. His previous trials, all on assisted suicide charges, resulted in three acquittals and one mistrial.

Albania

Kosovo conflict widens for a moment

Associated Press

BARJAM CURRI

 Igniting fears of a widening conflict, Serb forces pushed into north­ern Albania on Tuesday, fought an hour-long skirmish with Albanian troops, seized a border hamlet and torched homes before withdrawing, Albanian officials and international observers said.

With Albania a major staging ground for NATO forces, even Tuesday’s incident — short-lived, small-scale, with no reported casual­ties — set off a warning from Washington that Yugoslavia would make a grave mistake in expanding the fighting.

In Belgrade, Yugoslav officials denied any intention into Albania. The chief of the army information service, gen­eral Douglas Milosovic, said on state television that Yugoslavia’s defense of its own borders was "being fabricated as an alleged invasion."

Albania, in turn, said the Serb push into its territory would carry conse­quences. Sokol Bajka, an Albanian Foreign Ministry official, said his country would take necessary steps to defend itself, "in close coordina­tion with our allies."

These days, that means NATO, which has taken over Albania’s air­fields, airspace and military infra­structure. In coming weeks, a force of Apache attack helicopters and thousands more allied troops will be based in Albania.

White House spokesman Joe Lockhart said Washington had received "credible reports" of a Serb incursion, as well as past instances of Serb forces crossing the border or shelling Albanian terri­tory.

"If [Yugoslav] President [Slobodan] Milosevic seeks to widen this war, it will be a great mistake," he said.

The warning came as NATO moved to more than double its air armadas. In Brussels, Belgium, the supreme allied commander in Europe, U.S. Army Gen. Wesley Clark, said he had requested 300 more U.S. aircraft as well as additional air power from other NATO allies.

In Washington, President Clinton said nearly three weeks of NATO airstrikes are "diminishing and grinding down" Milosevic’s military capabilities.

The Albania border clash, by the account of international monitors watching from nearby, began when about 50 Serb infantrymen advanced on lightly manned Albanian border posts early Tuesday afternoon.

Listening in on the Albanian bor­der police radio frequency, interna­tional monitors say they heard police urgently ask Albanian sol­diers stationed a few miles away what to do. They were told to stand and fight, but soon reported they were surrounded and retreating.
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plated by the current resolu-

tion," O’Fara wrote in a letter to

to former student body presi-

dent Peter Cesaro.

There have been other exam-

places of difficulty in student-

administration relations

throughout the year.

For much of the fall semes-

ter, the Student Senate lobbied

director of F.P. Services David

Prenkowitz to allow bookbags

in South Dining Hall. Despite

repeated letters and increased
dialogue, Prenkowitz never

sented, and bags are still

banned from the eating areas

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Under the guise of "safety and

security," Prentkowski claimed

that he had received hundreds of

complaints about "handbags"

throughout the year.

"I think it's limited that

administrators will only talk to

the president, vice-president,

and chief of staff," said Roberts.

"There may be other

students or student leaders that

may know specifics on a certain

issue, it has to be chan-

neled through president, vice-
president and chief of staff.

"In the end, by the time

the information is disseminated
to the proper parties, there is a

chance that personal bias may

affect the finished product.

"Then those three people
take what they can from the

other student government

members and other student

senators, and put their own

twist on that when they pre-

sent that to the administra-
tion," she explained.

"Like anything, though, Mumak

said that the first step to

building a good relationship with

the administration is tak-

ing the initiative.

"They're real open to talking,

but you've got to dial the num-

bers on the phone," said Mumak.

Tim Logan contributed to this

report.

Professors to be 'arrested' in protest

Select University professors will be treated like their foreign

brothers today by being "arrested" in protest of the

imprisonment of Ethiopian pro-

fessors based on their political

beliefs.

Notre Dame University professors from a wide array of disciplines will be arrested in the waning minutes of their respective classes by Notre Dame Security-Police. After the arrests, an Amnesty International representative will be there to display a dis-

claimer and pass out flyers

explaining the event to the stu-

dents. The detained professors

will then be incarcerated in a

mock jail at the Fieldhouse Mall.

"Professors hold a special position

of authority in society," said Matt Monberg, president of

Amnesty International.

"As such, they are highly-targeted,

people. Abuses of professors not only affects the

professor's right to speak, but also society's right to hear him

and seek the truth."

"Arresting professors out of their

classrooms is a dramatic

way of making this abuse seem

real and personal, and through

it we hope to encourage stu-

dents to continue to stop these

abuses like it, and also gain a

better appreciation for the

learning environment we have

at Notre Dame," said Monberg.

"It's about bringing civil

rights abuses close to home," said Monberg.

Petitions will be available at

the Fieldhouse Mall today for

data to sign. The petitions are

specifically directed toward the

president, vice president and

chief of staff.

Currently in Ethiopia, the

Tigray People's Liberation Front (TPLF) has incarcerated many

political leaders and profession-

als for their beliefs. Recently

the TPLF has arrested Tate

Wolde Semayate, president of the

Ethiopian Teachers Association.

"Semayate is one of 42 profes-

sors fired from his teaching

position at Addis Ababa

University two years ago.

"There are literally hundreds of

professors from around the

world who are currently in jail

because of their teaching or

beliefs," said Monberg.

In another high-profile case,

Professor Father Ahmed Subch

of Azhar University is serv-

ing a one-year jail sentence for

writing a paper on the corruption

of the Palestinian government.

Subch's home and office were

ransacked by authorities, and the

student papers were confis-
cated.

"The arrested professors will

symbolize actual professors

around the world who have

been threatened for their teach-

ings," added Monberg.

An effort has been taken to

match arrested professors with

Notre Dame professors from

similar backgrounds.

Notre Dame professor Jill

Godmellow will represent Hakl

Gerger, a political scientist from

Turkey. Philosophy professor

William Ramsey will be arrest-

ed to represent Al-Awany of

Cairo University in Egypt, while

assistant theology professor

Father Michael Bayer will rep-

resent Father Pere Junachoa from

China.

Father Patrick Geffrey, assos-

iately professor of anthropology, will be arrested for Father Chen

Hekun, also of China. Visiting

assistant math professor

Christopher Bendel and assis-

tant professional specialist in

biological sciences Michelle

Murphy will represent Moncef

Refa Salem of Tunisia and

Wolody of Ethiopia, respectively.

"Associate professor of chem-

istry Michael Chettri, adjunct

assistant professor of philoso-

phy Charles Seymor, and phi-

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Holocaust survivors share stories

By ERIN FROUDET

Those who helped shelter Jews during the Holocaust were heroes of circumstance, according to Marilyn Gardner, executive vice president of the Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley.

"Though we can collectively call these people nobles, they did it not because it was an extraordinary thing to do, but the right and ordinary thing to do in extraordinary times," said Gardner during "Quiet Acts of Courage: The Righteous Among Nations," a program sponsored by the Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley. The program featured three speakers commenting on the selflessness of those who helped save Jews from the Nazi's program of systematic extermination.

Dora Goldberg, a native of Paris, spoke of her experiences as a Holocaust survivor.

"We were a normal family until 1941," she said. In 1941, her father received a letter from the authorities, asking him to report to a local gymnasium. Though her mother accompanied him, she returned alone.

"She was crying and said that Hall wasn't coming home," said Goldberg.

While Goldberg's father was detained in France, they attempted to keep in contact with him. One day, however, the Gestapo were waiting for Goldberg's mother at her sister's apartment. Eventually both of Goldberg's parents perished in the Holocaust.

Goldberg and her young brother were left without protection.

"Not that many people were willing to put their life on the line," said Goldberg. "Any time you denounced a Jewish person you got 80 francs for it."

Eventually a Christian family in the French countryside took them in and her family claimed to neighbors that it was because the children needed food, said Goldberg.

"Everyone in town knew this was a lie, we were Jewish, but no one said anything," Goldberg stated.

Goldberg later came to the United States where she attended Notre Dame and Saint Mary's. She became a teacher in the South Bend Community.

Notre Dame history professor Doris Bergen spoke of Chambon-sur-Lignon, a small French town which harbored approximately 5,000 Jews during the Holocaust.

The city harbored the young and the old — individuals, couples and entire families — regardless of their ability to pay, Bergen said.

"The villagers of Le Chambon did not count their good deeds," she said.

Leaders of the movement, the Protestant minister André Trocmé and his wife, Aline, stressed three lessons to be learned from the rescue operation in Le Chambon.

The force of individual conviction was present. "For them, the principles of humanity . . . was something that grew naturally," said Bergen.

"Leaders gave a sense to people that they were not alone, they were not isolated," she said, highlighting the strong leadership role provided by Trocmé and his wife.

"Le Chambon also provided a social context in which decency and humanity were promoted rather than destroyed, according to Bergen.

"Our context allowed the spark of Goodness to become a conspiracy of goodness," said Bergen.

Father John Sullivan, publisher of Institute of Catholic Studies Publications, related the story of Pierre Jacques, a priest who risked his life to help many during the Holocaust, including three young Jewish boys.

"We know that Pierre Jacques' risk-taking did not stem the tide of the injustices against his Jewish countrymen, yet for a time he warmed a community," said Sullivan. "He bolstered their will to survive."

Sullivan hopes that Pierre Jacques' life will serve as an inspiration.

"We have a chance to do better here in America than anywhere else. May we learn from Pierre Jacques that the outcome was definitely worth it," said Sullivan.

The names, ages, locations of both births and deaths of Holocaust victims were read during the annual "Unto Every Person There is a Name" as an effort to honor each victim by remembering him or her as an individual.

"There's a terrible imbalance between the unfamiliarity of the names of the dead and the infamous names of their murders," Bergen said.

South Bend mayor Stephen Leuke and Mishawaka mayor Robert Breiter named April 11-18 as Days of Remembrance for the Holocaust in South Bend and Mishawaka.

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who was also affected by the DART crash.

Several students who were assigned 3:45 p.m. DART times were able to successfully register, either before the computers in Grace were affected by the glitch or by phone once the lines were restored.

Lauren Cain and Brian Gimlett, both business majors, managed to register before the crash.

"It actually got through to DART by phone before a lot of people who were supposed to go at 3:30 could get through," said Cain.

Gimlett had a similar experience. He went to Grace to...
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Gunman attacks Simpson at Los Angeles golf course

Simpson injures hand while wresting attacker in parking lot

Associated Press

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** Los Angeles **

O.J. Simpson wrestled and bit a gunman who tried to rob him Tuesday in the parking lot of a golf course, police said. Simpson was cut on the hand during the attack.

Simpson chased the assailant in his car while calling police on his cellular phone, but gave up because the man was running red lights and police told Simpson to pull over.

Nobody has been arrested, said Officer Jason Lee, a spokesman for the Los Angeles Police Department.

Simpson, in a phone interview from home with The Associated Press, called the incident at Los Feliz Golf Course "the weirdest thing."

"I had finished playing golf and was walking to the car saying goodbye to my buds, he said. "I was taking my shoes off between cars and I sensed someone coming up behind me. I turned around and he was holding a gun on me."

"I said, 'Man, why do you want to screw up your life? Take my car. You don't want to do this.'"

He said the man looked at him and called him by his name, saying, "O.J., I hear you carry a lot of money."

The assailant seemed intent on robbing him, Simpson said, but when he offered him money and his credit cards, he didn't take them.

"This guy looked like a regular solid citizen," he said. "In his 40s, very clean cut, I might have taken him for an off-duty policeman."

Simpson said he told him people would see him aiming the gun, but the man refused to leave.

"He stepped toward me and we wrestled for the gun. I bit his hand so he would let go of the gun," he said.

Simpson cut his hand with the barrel of the gun.

"My hand was bleeding and my first reaction wasn't to follow him, but I got in my van and followed him.

He said he got the license number, which he gave to police, then went to the police station.

Asked if he thought the incident was an attempted carjacking, he said, "He didn't want the car, he wanted me."

In 1994, Simpson was acquitted of murdering ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman. However, he later was found liable for their deaths in a civil trial and was ordered to pay $33.5 million in damages.

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MALAYSIA

Ex-Prime Minister faces prison time

Associated Press

KUALA LUMPUR

Ousted former Malaysian Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim was convicted of corruption and sentenced to six years' imprisonment on charges of bribery on Wednesday, in a verdict expected to change the face of Malaysian politics.

High Court Judge Ahmad Paul found Anwar guilty on all four corruption charges. Paul sentenced Anwar to six years in prison on each charge, saying the penalties would be served concurrently.

"I find him guilty as charged," said Paul.

There were gasps in the courtroom when the sentencing was read.

The six-year sentence was longer than most observers had anticipated and effectively bars Anwar from politics for at least five years upon his release from prison.

But Anwar turned to reporters in the courtroom, shrugged and said, "Are you surprised? I'm not!"

Anwar, finance minister since 1991 and deputy prime minister since 1993, still faces another corruption charge and five counts of sodomy.

During the trial, which opened Nov. 2 and ran for 78 days, Paul listened to 23 prosecution witnesses and 22 from the defense. The state argued Anwar had accepted bribes and was corrupt.

Anwar, 46, who has been barred from competing in the 1999 elections, faces another trial for sodomy, which he also denies.

"We'll see what the court says," he added.

The defense argued that Anwar was a devout Muslim, innocent of all charges and the victim of a political conspiracy.

The state's opposition leader, Mahathir Mohamad, 84, was tagged as Malaysia's 18-year leadership.

Anwar described the judgment as "maddening" and "state-sponsored" and "criminal".

Anwar's conviction and jail term could make him a larger hero in Malaysia and a rallying point for the fragmented opposition.

The main Islamic opposition party is also expected to portray Anwar's imprisonment as an example of how Muslim leaders are treated by Mahathir's government.

Anwar is widely viewed as an Islamic reformer who tried to support opposition support among younger Muslims. After the verdict was announced, a crowd in Kuala Lumpur draped water cannons at some 3,000 anti-government activists as they marched from the National Mosque to the courthouse.

"Malaysia's Frame-up. Anwar is innocent. Anwar is insulted. Anwar is defaced," read a banner at the head of the march.

"We came with automatic rifles, came at the crowd, the demonstrators attacked us with rocks and some hurled rocks at the officers," said a.k.a. A. Anwar, a defeated miraculous. Anwar, the group was blocked from a hundred yards from the courthouse.

Opposition leaders had predicted that the "Mafia" allegations and the political pressure on the 46-year-old will not go away.

"It's a political trial, an intimidation attempt at organizing mass demonstrations have failed, since Anwar was put behind bars, the government is on trial November."

Days after he was fired on Sept. 2, Anwar launched a nationwide tour railing for Mahathir's return. From initial crowds of several hundred people in the backyard of his residence, Anwar mobilized tens of thousands of activities within a few weeks.

For the first time ever, citizens in the typically placid Southeast Asian nation gathered more than 30,000-strong at the capital's National Mosque on Sept. 20.

Police arrested Anwar that night, pumped him, brought him to court days later with a badly bruised face and charged him with 10 counts of corruption and illegal sex.

International and local human rights groups condemned the verdict.

"What should have been a neutral legal process was corrupted by everything from suspicious circumstances, in which a judge-friendly judge was assigned, to the blatant hostility toward the defense," said Robert O. Weiner of the New York-based Lawyers Committee for Human Rights.

The Associated Press

Sinn Fein leaders reject plan

BELFAST

Responding pressure from other parties, Sinn Fein negotiators formally rejected a compromise plan Wednesday that would allow Northern Ireland's long-delayed government to be formed in exchange for an IRA concession on arms.

The Irish Republican Army-linked party made the announcement after all eight parties that backed last year's Good Friday agreement met to discuss the plan proposed by the British and Irish prime ministers.

After negotiating for two hours in the same room where the accord was struck, Sinn Fein chairman Michel McLoughlin benefited Britain's Prime Minister Tony Blair and Ireland's Bertie Ahern of trying to rewrite the accord to satisfy the Ulster Unionists, Northern Ireland's major British Protestant party.

McLoughlin, whose party insists it should receive two seats in the Protestant-Catholic government without delivering anything from the IRA in return, called the prime ministers' plans "an attempt to move away from the Good Friday agreement. It makes transfer of powers dependent on an IRA (wench) disarming."

Ahern and Blair have recommended a middle path between the IRA's blanket refusal to disarm and the Ulster Unionists' insistence that the process must start before they will share power with Sinn Fein.

The prime ministers said Sinn Fein should receive its posts one month before the IRA disposes of some weaponry, after which the British government would make good on its promise to the 12-member government.

The two men were expected to get directly involved in the negotiations later this week, but "I don't think the gap between Sinn Fein and the other parties appear to be narrowing."

Both the majority Catholic-supported party, the populist Social Democratic and Labor Party, and the Ulster Unionists said Sinn Fein shouldn't "suck the accord from the accord if it doesn't meet its responsibilities."

At the heart of the stalemate is the delicate balance of the agreement, which called for the IRA to finish disarmament by May 2000 but specified no point for starting the process.

While clearing the way for early paroles for more than 120 IRA prisoners, the accord also called for Sinn Fein to "demonstrate a commitment to exclusively peaceful and democratic means," a condition that the Ulster Unionists and the British and Irish governments agree is incompatible with the IRA's retention of weapons.

Two cranies lay first eggs in wild

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.

Two whooping cranes have produced the first eggs laid in the U.S. wild in decades, raising hopes that the birds will make a comeback after nearly being wiped out.

The 4-year-old cranes are part of an experimental flock in captivity and placed in contrast to the Assiniboine Prairie. None had produced eggs.

"We'll be happy if the eggs hatch, and we'll be really happy if they do raise chicks," said George Archibald, director of the International Crane Foundation, said Monday. "But we don't really expect it to happen."

Paul Sullivan said the eggs themselves were "a condition that the birds were doing in the wild." Once, thousands of whooping cranes soared across the United States, their bugling calls audible for miles.

In 1936, only two small cranes remained; one that nested in Canada and witnessed the species raising birds in captivity.

In 1993, federal officials started sending whooping cranes raised in captivity to Maryland to Florida as an experiment. Over the last three years, 300 trees have been cut to 60,000 baby cranes are expected to be transferred to the wild.
The Germans used 1,000 attack and escort aircraft in those 48 hours. NATO has employed 700 — soon to be 1,300 — strike and support aircraft in three weeks of attacks over Yugoslavia.

Estimated death totals from the Nazi bombing range widely, but published German and American estimates put the total as high as 17,000.

The German ground invasion consisted of a dozen divisions — roughly 180,000 troops — supplemented by forces from Bulgaria and Romania. German forces completed their conquest of the Balkans in 11 days.

But the lightning conquest only began Germany's troubles in the Balkans. Despite brutal tactics, summary executions and wholesale burning of villages, German forces assaulted guerrilla strongholds again and again, only to see the rebels slip into the hills and forests. By mid-1943, the U.S. Army high command conceded it was obvious that more German troops would be required if the 180,000 were to be held.

Total German forces peaked at 2.5 million at the beginning of 1943, though many of these troops were either green or battle- and weary veterans resting from the Russian front. No reliable figures exist for German forces in Yugoslavia.

Hitler fell to the westward-marching Russians on Oct. 20, 1944.
What Every “Schmoe” Must Know

Any number of college students shun high-paying summer jobs that take place in an office building, require power suits and Issa’s lunch, and in general look impressive when typed in carefully bolded Courier font, but who instead opt for the offbeat, the adventurous, the unsung, the career and Counseling Center. There’s a lot to be said for these people: They are schmoe.

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**Sweatshops: Cheapen All**

"You can contemplate without a sense of exhilaration the splendid achievements of progress. We are making great improvements, which, from the latter part of the 17th and 18th century, are transforming the face of material civilization, and of which England was the United States carried the distant embers. If, however, economic ambitions are good surface, they are low masters.

The most obvious facts the most easily forgotten. Both the existing economic order and the long march of men, in advancing for reconstructing it break down upon the point of view of the poor, since even quite common men hate souls, no increase in material wealth will compensate for the loss of their self-respect and impair their freedom."

— R. H. Tawney, Religion and the Rise of Capital

**Gabriel Martinez**

What is the argument for sweatshops? One of the arguments is that if those places are so bad, why do people choose to work in them? If they don't like the conditions, the pay, the treatment, why do they make long time to get one of those "terrible" jobs? Low-paying jobs are being offered in areas where there are no jobs, where this is the best alternative. Relatively speaking, it is indeed a very good alternative. Clearly, even if conditions and pay are bad from the point of view of Western middle-class activists, they are an improvement over what is generally found in, say, Philippines in Mexico or Thailand.

Multinationals evidently do workers a favor by providing them with jobs. Besides, the argument, a corporation is not a charitable institution. If a corporation does not use all the opportunities available to it, including cheap labor, it is not fulfilling the mission for which it was created. This mission is in utility society's resources in the most efficient way, that is, generating the greatest benefit at the minimum cost. By doing this, corporations obtain the best use of those who contribute capital and contributed their talents. If a corporation did not take the opportunities offered by sweatshops, it would be wasting society's resources by paying wages that do not reflect the best use of those who contribute capital and contributed their talents. If a corporation did not take the opportunities offered by sweatshops, it would be penalizing for those who contribute capital and contributed their talents. If a corporation did not take the opportunities offered by sweatshops, it would be penalizing society's resources by paying wages that do not reflect the best use of those who contribute capital and contributed their talents.

A corporation's objective is to generate profits, and the argument is that we have to take care of its workers, but to take care of the workers will make the product too expensive. The decision to make the products at a low price makes no sense to give incentives for corporations to leave the area; the alternative may be well worse.

But even if the argument is that workers in sweatshops have no choice, we do. We have a choice. We can accept higher prices or lower dividends from corporations that choose to pay their workers what is decent.

We oppose sweatshops for exactly the same reason we oppose homosexual activity and racism. We oppose sweatshops for exactly the same reason we oppose gay-bashing and divorce. We condemn the exploitation of the worker and the fact that some people don't care for the same reason we condemn self-hating and abortion. We reject a culture that wastes food and energy and that uses artificial contraception for the same reason we condemn the same. We think the exploitation of some is necessary for the enrichment of all. We reject it because we know that human beings insist that the University of Notre Dame has no part with us. However, in the sweatshops because men and women are children of God.

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**Vinck Writes 'Journalistic Violence'**

After reading Sean Vinck's article entitled "Liberalism Analyzed," I was very tempted to write a long psychoanalysis in response to Vinck's biased generalizations of liberals. I could write paragraphs on my personal beliefs about the sacredness of life in all forms and I do consider myself liberal, if one wishes to categorize individuals. I denounced abortion and euthanasia, but I also include militarism, corporate greed, and racism on that list.

I will not, however, psychoanalyze Vinck's views because it is useless to revert to the tactics of those who oppose you. Erasmus told us, "If your enemy is hungry, give him something to eat. In doing so you will heap coals of fire upon his head."

Mr. Vinck's "Liberalism Analyzed" attempts to make the point that either positions of liberalism or conservatism can be taken to an extreme. In doing this, both viewpoints can appear foundation on negative human emotions and blind to any type of formal logic. Unfortunately, such an approach is not an explicit clear in his article. Whether what the intention or not, Mr. Vinck's piece shares some communality with a method that is often imple- mented by politicians and is popularly known as "mud-slinging." It is can be done against anyone for any reason.

However, this effort of persuasion is totally ineffective. It does one of two things: arouse greater animosity in the opposition or receive instant dismissal by those intelligent enough to realize the futility of such an attempt. Pertaining to the former, such a piece as Mr. Vinck's does nothing but present unconstructive criticism with the rationalization of making a point. It should have been recognized by The Observer as a simple "voting" of emotion, not an individual perspective that leads to a better understanding and greater respect for a particular position, race, origin, orientation, etc. Such a piece as Mr. Vinck's has no place in The Observer.

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Chris Ramos

In 1997, through a handful of cameo roles and assorted guest appearances, Sean "Puffy" Combs introduced the hip-hop world to unknown street rapper Mase, a Murder, and transformed him into a rage-monster in very little time. After two years, a multi-platinum debut album (Harlem World) and a record label (All Out Records), Mase is doing some introducing of his own, hoping for the same result. And the first act on his new roster is a group called Harlem World, featuring, among others, Mase's twin sister Stase and younger brother Blinky-Blink with their debut, The Movement.

Executive producer Mase, who isn't featured on too many cuts, remains true to his hip-hop image and supplies plenty of party hits on The Movement, such as "Crew of the Year" and "One Big Fiesta." The first single and Mase's debut production, "I Really Like It," features New Edition's Ronny "Love" sample a la "Can't Nobody Hold Me Down" from two years ago. If it ain't broke, then keep making money off it.

In addition to hyping the crowd, Harlem World proves it can get gritty as well on such cuts as "Meaning of Family," "Family Crisis" and "Pointing Fingers," a track in which each member of the clique gets to politely harass the others. On other tracks, however, such as "Across the Border," the rhymes sound corny and immature, and by the end of it all one might ask why the track was ever made.

While The Movement doesn't captivate with mind-blowing lyrics or speaker-blowing beats, it is an entertaining album. Stase and Blinky do their best to keep up with big brother's status, but all they share with him right now is a last name. With a little work, though, Harlem World just could be the "crew of the year."

Jim Kelly

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ot enough people on this campus know about the late '80s phenomenon, Operation Ivy. For some strange reason, this band's music is sorely absent on a campus that embraced the Skankollies and continues to coo after the likes of Sublime and The Mighty Mighty Bosstones. But if one asks a true authority (any high school punk with a guitar, trying to start a band who his idols are, he's bound to mention the grandfathers of ska-punk, Operation Ivy.

The band's most obvious influence is the Clash — specifically the Clash that experimented with Jamaican ska and reggae rhythms in their punk songs. Operation Ivy took the cue from its heroes and forged a raw, honest sound that became the beginnings of the currently popular ska-punk genre that includes bands like Bucky-O-Nine and Less Than Jake. But more importantly, the band was instrumental in opening the door for the third wave of ska in general, and bands everywhere that experimented with Jamaican music (especially punk music) offers? Or who can hear the anthem "Unity" without screaming along with the lyrics that demand without a hint of irony that humans stop making war? What about listening to the opening saxophone lick to "Bad Town" without reaching over to crank up the stereo?

Unfortunately, the band's career was frustratingly short, and in the end they could claim only one album's worth of material. But in some ways this adds to Operation Ivy's appeal — they straddled on the scene, carelessly and unintentionally transformed punk, ska and rock music, and promptly disbanded before they had a chance to screw it up. Everyone should be grateful.

Jim Kelly

The sound of Blur has fallen out of memory, think back to 1997, when their hit single "Song 2" was popular and people everywhere were singing along. "Woo-hoo!"

With their latest release 13, Blur again manages a graceful balance between approachable pop craftsmanship and artistic sophistication. The band's music is informed by just enough talent, experimentalism and off-color songwriting to satisfy those fans who are easily turned off by shallow pop music. "Tender," the album's first and best song, is immediately likable — the verses contain a John Lennon-inspired melody and the catchy chorus sounds like Lou Reed doing gospel. As a whole, the song sounds like the serendipitous result of the Beatles collaborating with Beck.

The rest of the album is a tour of several different styles; the numbers range from excessively distorted, guitar-driven rock songs to David Bowie and Lou-fi influenced pieces, to darker ballads, to astringent, spacey and experimental excursions. One consistent feature of 13 is its great rhythm. Several songs have the kind of groove that gets inside of one's consciousness and infects it. The best of these is "Trailerpark," a bluesy hip-hop gem that draws heavily from Ivy Pop. Even when the album's abundant filler starts becoming tedious, one can usually count on the rhythm section to keep things slightly interesting.

In general, 13 is probably best described as really great background music. Perhaps this qualification is a result of songs that are made too long by their drawn out, pobbedly-studio-pook beginnings and endings. But when Blur does turn it on, listen up because they have a unique sound that pervades this album, from its punk rockers to its more somber ballads.

Chris Ramos

MASE

Harlem World
The Movement
Sony Music

*** (out of five)

Photo courtesy of Sony Music

Operation Ivy
Energy
Lookout Records LLC

***** (out of five)

Photo courtesy of Lookout Records LLC

Blur

13

Virgin Records

*** 1/2 (out of five)

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Photo courtesy of Mase

Wednesday, April 14, 1999

THE OBSERVER
Marsalis disappoints at jazz performance

Last Wednesday night South Bend was treated to a rare performance by one of jazz's most renowned and innovative young leaders, Branford Marsalis. Son of legendary pianist Ellis Marsalis, Branford studied with jazz greats like Wayne Shorter and Sonny Rollins, performed in more commercial roles as the Tonight Show band leader and has performed with numerous musicians of strong caliber in his short but storied history. Taking the stage at Notre Dame's cavernous Stepan Center, Marsalis and his current band of pianist Joey Calderazzo, upright bassist Eric Revis and percussionist Jeff Watts guided the music through a number of genres with conservative ease.

While Branford is notorious for technical excellence, which he certainly delivered, the band had yet to cohere into a tight working unit. On numerous occasions, Marsalis rather disturbingly issued Calderazzo pop talks in the middle of his solos, and on too many occasions he completely disappeared from the stage. Marsalis' tendency toward visual distraction tainted the energy of the music throughout the night and it generally appeared unprofessional.

None of this is forgivable, as the band is trying to recover from the loss of Kenny Kirkland, Branford's best friend and pianist, who died last year as the result of a drug overdose. The evening included a Kirkland piece, keeping his spirit and music alive.

Branford wailed smooth melodies throughout the night, with some glorious melodic phrasing on the soprano sax, a rare moment of unity with the sound of the band. But as usual at Stepan, his rim shots, mallet work and drumming proved equally effective. Again, one of the night's strangest moments came when Marsalis pulled up next to Watts and quickly instigated a horrible mistake from Watts, as he fumblingly dropped the beat.

The main problem with the concert was its lack of continuity. Branford often played the tenor and then immediately walked off the stage, and limited improvisatory interaction, making the format much too predictable. While he and his players certainly have the chops to solo endlessly, there is no need to actually do that. Moreover, Calderazzo too many times played virtually interchangeable piano solos, of a weaker and watered down generic jazz version of Chick Corea that was too punctual and purely metrical. His most accessible and sincere sounds came in sparse and melodic moments where his chordal textures were nuanced and featured.

Bassist Eric Revis was further back in the mix than he was on stage, an unfortunate blunder on the part of the house sound engineer. His soloing was ample and engaging, yet he could barely be heard over a pianissimo riveted ride cymbal; he was completely buried once the group dynamic reached mezzoforte. Revis' near absence from the mix combined with Calderazzo's active and thick gestures complicated the sound significantly, leaving it with low punch than it deserved.

All things considered, the show was not bad for Stepan Center, the eighties wonder of acoustic nightmmares. As usual at Stepan Center concerts, the show took a few Cagan turns with someone buying a Coke and getting change along with a nicely timed phone call which Branford playfully answered from the stage, both of which destroyed two of the group's most intimate and thoughtful passages. Unfortunately, too many blunders left much to be desired on that jazzful night at Stepan.

Joel Cummins
Wayne Gretzky's father, Walter Gretzky, said his son's waiting anxiously for the final days of the NHL and the Rangers season finale against Pittsburgh on Sunday. Others have reported that retirement is 50-50 at this point.

"At this moment, he probably can't see or be as optimistic that things will change next year," Россій said. "I don't think he just wants to have another productive year. He would love to have a shot at going deep in the playoffs but I don't think he sees it that way."

Newspapers in Toronto and New York have reported that Gretzky will retire after the Rangers season finale against Pittsburgh on Sunday. Others have reported that retirement is 50-50 at this point.

Michael Barnett, Gretzky's agent, did not immediately return a telephone call left at his Riverside, Calif., office by Associated Press on Tuesday.

The New York Post cited what it described as "un accessible sources in whom The Great One confided in" in reporting on Tuesday that Gretzky will retire. "He has made up his mind. And he has had his reasons for not wanting to make an announcement," the Post quoted an unidentified person it described as having knowledge of the retirement decision as saying. "But it's done. He is not coming back for sure." The Toronto Sun also reported that Gretzky would retire, saying the only question would be whether he would retire his decision to quit would be his own, without consulting Janet, and Barnett urged him to step back and review his decision.

"I don't know if we are going to find out soon enough," Rangers coach John Muckler said Tuesday of Gretzky's plans. "Everybody's doing their speculation, but only one person knows for sure."

Wayne Gretzky could be close to hanging up his skates for good after the Rangers season finale Sunday.

The Sun and ESPN quoted unidentified sources as saying Gretzky asked for an unusually large number of tickets for Sunday's game, although the Rangers spokesman who said he officially only asked for 10 tickets.

John Davidson, a commentator for the Rangers, said Sunday on Fox TV that after speaking with Gretzky he believed the player was 80 percent sure he would retire after Sunday's game.

"The people very close to Wayne and I am an very close, feel there is a very strong possibility Sunday will be the last time he plays," Davidson said. "Gretzky responded to questions about Davidson's report by saying, 'There's been times where I've said things to friends that got blown way out of proportion.'"

"The only thing I will say is that I will not be one of those guys who says 'I'm 90 percent sure' or 'Maybe I'm coming back.' The decision I make will be 100 percent. No ifs, ands or buts."

Fans at Madison Square Garden held up signs Monday night with slogans such as "Wayne Don't Go," said the fan reaction made it difficult to consider retiring. "I said it a hundred times that I've been here over the three years. Gretzky said, "This is the greatest city to be an athlete in."

Fare at recent Rangers games in Chicago and Dallas have given Gretzky standing ovations when either his picture or statistics were flashed on the scoreboard. In other cities, the pregame stories hyped the contest with the Rangers as possibly being Gretzky's last game in that city.

It hasn't been a typical season for Gretzky, who missed 11 games at one point with an ankle injury. He had played in 223 straight games since signing with the Rangers as a free agent in 1996.

The injury was the second in Gretzky's career involving a disc. In 1992-93, he missed most of the season with a lower back injury before coming back to lead the Los Angeles Kings to the Stanley Cup finals.

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Tennessee completes move with new uniforms

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The oil derrick and any ties to Texas are gone forever for the Tennessee Titans.

The franchise, which officially changed its nickname from the Oilers in February, unveiled its new uniforms, which officially went into effect Tuesday.

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The New York Jets' retro uniform approach coincided with an AFC East title last season.

In 1997, the Denver Broncos won the Super Bowl and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers reached the playoffs for the first time in 15 years with completely revised looks. And in 1996, the Philadelphia Eagles reached the playoffs with a new wardrobe.

The 1981 Cincinnati Bengals and the 1972 Washington Redskins also played their way into Super Bowls with different uniforms.

LA Times: Ovitz to drop bid

LOS ANGELES — Entertainment executive Michael Ovitz is preparing to drop his bid to bring professional football back to Southern California and endorse a competing proposal, the Los Angeles Times reported Wednesday.

"The proposal brought to us, one of many we have seen, is too preliminary and non-specific for us to comment on," Fox and the Dodgers said in a statement Tuesday.

"Nonetheless, we are progressing with our plans of investment in — and limited renovation of — Dodger Stadium.

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The uniform change is the first in 24 years for the franchise, and the Titans are hoping for similar luck with the new look. The 1975 Oilers went 9-4 after the change, following a 7-7 season.

The last four NFL teams to redesign their uniforms responded by going to the playoffs in their first season with the new look.

The New York Jets' retro uniform approach coincided with an AFC East title last season.

In 1997, the Denver Broncos won the Super Bowl and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers reached the playoffs for the first time in 15 years with completely revised looks. And in 1996, the Philadelphia Eagles reached the playoffs with a new wardrobe.

The 1981 Cincinnati Bengals and the 1972 Washington Redskins also played their way into Super Bowls with different uniforms.
Worst Team Ever might have proved the name correct with its first-round loss to Suck It!

Academic All-Star shined and shut him down as full turnovers and moves. Team 187 responded with tough man-to-man defense and made The University of Minnesota Academic All-Star Team earn every shot. We played really well against a great team," Fanella said. "They were tough to beat.

Panella racked up five points in the winning effort. In one of the best pairings of the day, No Change, with players Aaron Yoder, Michael La Duke, Matt McKay, Brendan Browne and Derek Smalls defeated Lake Effect Snow in a close game that went down to the wire, 21-18. The quick pace of that game was set in the first 15 seconds as the two teams quickly exchanged baskets, racing up and down the court.

After the two teams settled down, Lake Effect Snow took control, leading at halftime by an 11-7 score. "We were a little slow getting started and getting things going in the first half," La Duke said. "But we pulled it together in the end."

The second half brought a different story for No Changes, as La Duke turned up the heat offensively and scored five baskets for a total of six points in the game. McKay had a strong defensive showing, bringing down 11 rebounds and making three steals.

Lake Effect Snow center Justin Sandberg gave No Changes trouble in the paint, tallying eight points from inside. Sandberg also proved to be a powerhouse on the boards, ending the game with 14 rebounds. Sandberg’s strong play was not enough to pull off a win — Smalls made a few key steals late in the game and Brown hit some clutch shots in the final moments for the victory.

It was a long procession on the basketball court for Jesse and the Rippers as they took on Mike Quig’s Special Hot Lunch in a matchup that took almost an hour to produce a winner. Jesse and the Rippers teammates Joe Mosley, Chris Padjen, Dave Hunts, Josh Bilz and Vince O’Connor had trouble coming up with baskets early on before putting the game away 21-10.

In a game with a 13-minute scoring drought for both teams in the first half, Jesse and the Rippers used their height advantage and tough defense to finally come up with a win.

Frank Helgesen (right) takes things inside out in the University of Minnesota Academic All-Star Team’s win Tuesday against Team 187.

“...Again (forfeit)"

Today marks the end of the round of 512 and the beginning of the round of 256 as teams continue to set their sights on the championship.

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Aikman rounds up $85.5 million deal from Cowboys

Associated Press

IRVING, Texas

Troy Aikman once again is the highest-paid player in the NFL, reworking his contract with the Dallas Cowboys so he'll get $85.5 million through 2007. A league source who asked to remain anonymous told The Associated Press on Tuesday that the deal includes a whopping $20 million signing bonus.

Aikman, 39, was the first overall pick in the 1989 NFL draft and the first player picked under Dallas' regime, guided Dallas' transformation from 1-15 to Super Bowl champions three seasons later. He's one of only three quarterbacks to lead a team to three Super Bowl victories.

"His talent and commitment will help us ultimately get back to the Super Bowl," Jones said. "That's his goal, that's what he's all about. Any time you have ever seen him in any form of excitement or frustration it's because of the direction the team was going in his mind toward doing things in win the Super Bowl."

Stepnoski broke into the NFL with Aikman in 1989 and they made a formidable tandem for six years. But Stepnoski signed with Houston after the 1994 season, when Dallas didn't make re-signing him a priority.

Stepnoski said Tuesday it was the right decision at the time, but things didn't turn out as he hoped. The Oilers missed the playoffs all four seasons and the team moved to Tennessee halfway through his tenure.

"The whole emphasis on winning is definitely one of the key features that motivated me to come back," said Stepnoski, who is a bit undersized for a lineman at 6-foot-2, 265 pounds but makes up for it with speed and technique.

Stepnoski's bonus will count $700,000 against the cap each season through 2003. His annual salaries are $400,000 in 1999, $1.7 million in 2000, $1.9 million in 2001, $3 million in 2002 and $3.5 million in 2003. There are hefty roster bonuses payable in February of 2000-2002.

Jones isn't done dealing, with several more signings likely before the draft begins Saturday. Topping his wish list are receiver Raghib Ismail and linebacker Quentin Coryatt. Dallas' negotiations with Stepnoski, Ismail and Coryatt have led to an NFL investigation of possible salary cap violations. Whistleblowers say the Cowboys agreed to terms with all three players, but couldn't finalize them until clearing room under the salary cap. The team reportedly had about $400,000 before reworking Aikman's contract.
Women’s Lacrosse

Vandy snaps Irish win streak

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame women’s lacrosse team fell behind 10-2 at halftime and could not recover as 19th-ranked Vanderbilt ended a five-game winning streak for the Irish 18-9 on Tuesday.

Notre Dame falls to 8-3 with the loss, while Vanderbilt improves to 5-7. The Irish return to action on Friday, when second-ranked Duke travels to Notre Dame for a 4 p.m. game.

Sophomore Lael O’Shaughnessy led the Irish with five goals and two assists for seven points. Senior captain Kerry Callahan notched a pair of goals to extend her scoring streak to 25 games. Sophomore goalie Carrie Marshall made 15 saves for the Irish.

Kinsey Osberg stung the Irish with seven goals and three assists for a game-high 10 points.

The Commodores led just 4-1 after more than 21 minutes gone in the game but the Commodores outscored the Irish 6-1 in the final 8:18 of the first half to build a 10-2 halftime lead. After falling behind 14-4 in the second half, Notre Dame got as close as 15-8 with 6:15 left in the second half but could get no closer.

Vanderbilt outshot Notre Dame just 42-32 but the Irish made 29 turnovers to just 17 for the Commodores. Notre Dame collected 28 groundballs to Vanderbilt’s 23.

O-Line

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"There’s a lot of skill and technique included in both (pass blocking and run blocking). Pass protection is a little bit more of an unnatural thing to do so it takes more time to teach," he said.

Havlicek echoed his sentiments, stating "Anytime you have youth you’re concerned particularly in pass protection — that’s always the toughest thing for young guys to learn."

The true test for the line will come during five game situations in front of 60,000-plus screaming fans, but for now, Barlowly said the most important thing is to work together as a unit and learn the intricate blocking schemes.

Barlowly said that there are talented players here that can make a contribution in the fall and he has seen the improvement of them this spring.

"I think we’ve gotten better every day — that’s the goal right now," the second-year coach said. "We’re really trying hard to focus on different guys and the things we need to work with the on. I think we’re better today than we were Saturday at the scrimmage. Hopefully that will continue throughout the spring.

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FRIDAY, MAY 7TH- BAR-B-QUE @ SENIOR BAR WITH CAMPUS BANDS

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Sophomore attackman Tom Glatzel and his team-leading 19 goals will be counted on to kick-start the offense and develop quality scoring opportunities against the Buckeyes today.

The Irish are searching for a way to play strong for the entire game as they prepare for a possible tournament bid.

"We have played extremely well at times," Corrigan said. "But we haven't played 60 solid minutes from beginning to end in one game. We have a number of guys who are freshmen and sophomores playing for us, but at this point, that isn't an excuse.

"We are nine games into the year so they are no longer young players," he said. "I think it is time for us to put together a full game and I think we are capable of doing it."

The offense has been especially inconsistent, scoring goals in bunches and then going for long periods of time without even a quality shot.

"The key for us is to have good possessions," Corrigan said. "I don't worry about how and when the goals come as much as what our possessions are like. We have to sustain quality possessions over 60 minutes. We have had poor possessions because we are settling for average opportunities instead of being more selective and wanting an excellent opportunity every time we have the ball on the offensive end."

Despite the pressure of the final four games and the frustration of tough losses, the Irish are not ready to panic.

"There is no need for the team to be in any kind of panic," Corrigan said. "We've lost four games — all close games, all games we could have won — to four teams in the top 10 right now.

When the Irish travel to Columbus, Ohio, they will face a Buckeye team that will try the patience of the Notre Dame defense. The defense will have to remain patient and not allow the slow style of the Buckeyes' play to frustrate them.

"We can't get overanxious and try to create turnovers that aren't there," Corrigan said. "We have to be patient and smart without losing our aggressiveness. That's not always an easy thing to do."

The Irish offense will be facing a Buckeye defense that has thrown a different game plan at every team they have faced. This Buckeye strategy has led to great success. They lead the GWLL with a 10.2 goals per game average. They did, however, give up 21 goals in a 21-0 loss to Virginia.

If the Irish step up and make plays against the Buckeyes, they should return to campus with a 6-4 record and a 4-0 record in the GWLL.

"It's not a matter of playing well," Corrigan said. "We are playing really well. We have to continue to play well, we have to make plays in order to win games.

"If we don't get excited and we raise the level we are playing at on a daily basis and sustain it for 60 minutes, we will be successful," he added. "These are little things — little adjustments we are making. We are not reinventing the wheel. We are just looking to find those extra plays, eliminate those mental errors, and I think we will be where we need to be if we can do that."
Police arrest UConn’s El-Amin for drug possession

Richard Johnson, an attorney who represented El-Amin at the booking, said the player would have no comment.

Tim Tolokan, UConn’s sports information director, said the school had no knowledge of the arrest, and no further comment.

El-Amin, a 3-foot-10 point guard, led the Huskies (36-2) in scoring with 1,000 points as a sophomore.

For the past two seasons, he has averaged 14.9 points and 4.1 assists. He finished second in scoring this season at 13.8 points and led the team in assists with 140.

El-Amin was voted to the Final Four all-tournament team after scoring 30 points and handing out 10 assists in the wins over Ohio State and Duke.

El-Amin’s arrest came one day after Minnesota North High School in Minnesota retired his jersey. El-Amin graduated from North in 1997 after leading the Polars to three consecutive state high school basketball championships.

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The Irish will build their play against Michigan in their last matchup of the regular season, preparing for the Big East championships.
Heilman’s heat earns him third Big East pitching honors

By ANGELA FOX

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The individual single scores were No. 1 Katie Vales over Kari Sederburg (4-6), No. 2 Annie Knish against Taylor Campbell (4-6), No. 3 Becky Kremer versus Marisol Diaz (6-7, 7-5), No. 4 Becky Glemmer versus Bessee Keeler (6-2, 6-7, 6-3), No. 5 Taylor Jarrin versus Emily Brookhouse (2-6, 6-0, 3-6), and No. 6 Krista Eastburn versus Amy LaGuire (6-0, 6-2). In doubles the competition was just as tough.

The No. 2 team of Kremer-Glemmer defeated Campbell-Diaz in a tie breaker of the first set 7-6 and 7-5 in the second set. No. 1 Vales-Knish beat Sederburg-Keeler, 6-3, 6-0, and No. 3 Jarrin-Eastburn lost to Brookhouse-LaGuire, 1-6, 2-6.

Monday, Saint Mary’s recorded a victory over University of Chicago, 5-4. Saint Mary’s had not defeated them in years, and it took a total team effort by the Belles to get the win.

The No. 4, 5 and 6 players really pulled through and helped carry the team to victory. Team captain Vales said, "We beat them in singles and doubles." At No. 4 singles, Glemmer, after winning the first set 6-3 to Megan Inman, lost in the second set, 4-6, but regained her composure to win the third set, 6-2.

At No. 6 singles, Eastburn was in the same situation and was able to defeat Christy West, 6-2, 6-1, and 6-1. No. 1 Vales lost to Karen Lui (6-0, 6-6). No. 2, Knish fell to Julie Calhoun (4-6, 6-4, 4-6), No. 3, Kremer dropped a close one to Sharhane Roy (6-4, 6-2, 4-6) and No. 5, Jarrin defeated Eimi Berger (6-1, 6-4).

After the long matches, the doubles played eight-game pro sets. The No. 1 team of Vales-Knish lost to Lui-Calhoun, 6-3, while the No. 2 team of Kremer-Glemmer won 8-3 and the No. 3 team of Jarrin-Eastburn won 8-6.

Today the Belles play against conference rival Calvin College at 3 p.m.
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Careers in the State Department will be the topic of Vivian Lippitz's speech today at 4:50 p.m. in the Hesburgh Auditorium. Topics will include preparing for the foreign service exam, working in an embassy, internships and fellowships, and scholarship opportunities.

Spread the word to the class of '99: The USA has been posted in the Career Resource Center of Career and Placement Services (114 Flanner) to aid in your hunt for that apartment/house you are looking for when you leave school in May and head out into the real world. Stop in to check the lists often and leave a self-addressed, stamped envelope to have the lists sent to you at the end of May.

Dragon and Human Rights in Brazil — Sr. Michael Mary Nolan, a human rights lawyer in Brazil who has been featured on "Sixty Minutes," will share reflections on her work Thursday from 12:15 to 1:15 in Haggart Parlor. Co-sponsored by SURV, Campus Ministry and the Human Rights CGL.

The Notre Dame Choral and Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of Alexander Blachly, present their spring concert this evening at 8 p.m. in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. The concert is free to all, although a $300 challenge; you are willing to spend some time to volunteer for service opportunities.

Wanted: Reporters and photographers. Join The Observer.
Young offense's test will come in the trenches

By TIM CASEY
Sports Writer

While Jarvis Jackson, his receivers and the battle for the starting tailback position have been the major stories of the spring season, the most pressing issue for Kevin Rogers and his offense is the guys in the trenches.

After losing four starters from last year's unit, there is a lack of experience along the line. According to head coach Rob Davie, there is plenty of talented linemen who are eager to develop those young. We're in a footrace, trying to use every minute we can to develop those guys.

"What I see in our offensive line is some athleticism and speed," Davie said after Tuesday's practice. "We've got enough talent. It's just that we're awfully young. We're in a footrace, trying to use every minute we can to develop those guys."

As of now, center John Merandi and right guard Mike Gandy are the only two linemen that have seen significant minutes.

Joining them on the tentative first-team line are left tackle Jordan Black, left guard Jim Jones and right tackle John Teasdale.

Matt Brennan, Kurt Vollers, Jeff Roehl and Ryan Scareola have all been impressive in the spring and look to challenge for a starting spot. Offensive line coach Dave Borbely would like to get his unit established by the end of the spring but said the case.

"All questions that he has the potential to be a leader. He's a fiery line leader by default but rather because the intangibles he brings to the squad."

John Merandi, at this time last year, was the new guy. All of a sudden you look up and he's the experience guy and he's the core," Davie said. "There's no question that he has the potential to be a leader. He's a fiery, an aggressive guy and he has a lot of confidence because he played well last year. He may have graded out as our top offensive lineman."

In Saturday's scrimmage, the offensive line looked capable of creating holes for Tony Fisher and Tony Driver to run through but had some trouble in giving Jackson enough time to throw the football.

Borbely said that this is because the run blocking is more natural, whereas pass blocking techniques are learned and developed through repetition and practice.

Although current senior tailback Jamie Spencer (with ball) had the luxury this season of a veteran offensive line to help punch holes in defenses, next year's backs will be without as the Irish return only two linemen with significant playing time.

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By KERRY SMITH
Sports Writer

The University of Minnesota Academic All-Star Team may have looked funny with its Spandex and underwear outfits, but it was serious about winning its first Bookstore Basketball game Tuesday.

Players Kevin Jones, Matt Buell, Chris Fanella, Joe Drown and Frank Helgesen took on Team 187 in a fast-paced matchup at St. Paul.

"I think the Spandex really helped our game," said Buell. "It gave us an extra feeling of confidence."

Playing the first few minutes of the game down a man, the University of Minnesota Academic All-Star Team had to hustle to keep up with its opponent. Upon the late arrival of Drown, they were at full force and secured a spot in the round of 256, winning 21-9.

"The Spandex kept our muscles tight and heated," Jones said. "And the lacy underwear was definitely key to hustle to keep up with its opponent.

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MEN'S LACROSSE

Cracking Buckeyes key to postseason

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Associated Sports Editor

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If the Irish hope to return to the NCAA tournament for the eighth time in 10 seasons, they will have to defeat Ohio State today. If the Irish defeat the Buckeyes, their 4-0 record in the Great Western Lacrosse League should lock a bid in the NCAA tournament.

In order to be sure of a bid, however, the Irish must also play strong in all their games. "We need to win this game," Corrigan said. "It certainly puts us in the driver's seat for a bid but we still have to win some games."

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