University faces potential violation in Dunbar case  
By ERICA THESING  
Assistant News Editor

When Notre Dame appeared before the NCAA Committee on Infractions June 4, the University and athletic association gave indications the

Kindrith Dunbar matter would be resolved in four to six weeks. But nearly three months after that hearing, Notre Dame's culpability in the case involving a former football booster is yet undetermined, and speculation the University will face its first major violation of NCAA regulations abound. The case dates back several years, when Dunbar, a former head coach of the now-defunct Quarterback Club, embezzled $1.2 million from his employer, Hominick Mechanical, Inc., of South Bend. She reportedly spent $18,000 of that on former Irish football players, funding gifts including trips to Las Vegas and Chicago.

Now, Notre Dame officials expect the University to face a major violation, according to an Aug. 24 article in The Chicago Tribune. The report cited an anonymous source who said the committee would likely decide that staff members under former head coach Lou Holtz did not bring information about Dunbar's gifts to the attention of Notre Dame compliance officials quickly enough.

Such a finding would raise the issue of Notre Dame's ability to fulfill NCAA standards.
INSIDE COLUMN

Save your antagonism for Michigan

Walking around campus this week, I have noticed the usual humorous T-shirts poking fun at life under the Dome and the beverages that are available there. "Drink Like A Champion Today" to shirts that spoof famous logos and advertisements. With Notre Dame, there are many humorous articles of clothing worn around campus.

The "Irish Comfort" shirts and I own a "King of School" T-shirt. But there are a few shirts that I just don't get. Most of these shirts involve ripping the Irish opponent this weekend, the Kansas Jayhawks.

I'll be the first person to proudly sport a "Sooners Suck" or "Lloyd Carr = Great Sucks" on my chest but I really think that "Kansas SUCKS" is a huge waste of cotton.

I mean, come on, is anyone debating the idea that Kansas sucks?

But there are a few shirts that I think are worth his usual! These guys are a tough team and we respected them their whole season and talking about how concerned he is with the Jayhawk offense. defense and special teams. If you give him the ball he can do the rest of the year or the season, and so far he has done his job.

So please spare the cotton and stop printing up "Kansas SUCKS" shirts. There are so many better ways that the cotton could be used. "OleKs" and "scM" are excellent ideas for T-shirts. Insulating USC and Michigan are worthy uses of cotton.

Big blue on the Jayhawks is like kicking a dog. I think, I miss it to be honest, but I don't like it. It's not fair to the team.

INSIDE THE DOME

Boise State player dies in football scrimmage

BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

Freshman defensive lineman Reyna was ready to do battle in the trenches of Division I football. He arrived at Boise State in early August for the 1999 football season, and had yet to play a regular season game. The collegiate ranks. But during the team's first organized scrimmage last week, Reyna suffered an internal head injury that claimed his life Monday morning.

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head football coach at Boise State

Alan Boss, the Boise State head coach, announced at a press conference Monday night that he was placing the team on an indefinite hold in the wake of the death of freshman defensive lineman Reyna.

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Ohio State studies income trends

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

A new nationwide study examining the wealth of baby boomers found that most young people accumulate income slowly and steadily. The study tracked the wealth of 16,810 young baby boomers from 1985 to 1995, said Jay Zagorsky, a professor at the study and a research scientist at Ohio State's Center for Human Resource Research. "Overall, the typical boomner increased his or her wealth by more than $2,000 each year," results showed that more than one-tenth of study participants were in debt by the time they reached their late 30s. "I set a very low bar in the research and asked how many boomers had assets that were at least $1 more than their debts. In 1996, 13 percent of young boomers could not jump over this low hurdle," said Zagorsky. "The data also contained a number of people who earned large incomes but had little wealth. Conversely, there are even a few people whose income is below the U.S. poverty line, but have a very high net worth," Zagorsky said.

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UC student meets Kosovar pen pal

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY

A Kosovar Albanian teenager known to National Public Radio listeners as "Adona" came to the Bay Area last night to meet the Berkeley boy who corresponded with during the Balkan crisis. Kuqesja Rejzillahu arrived at San Francisco International Airport yesterday to face a group of approximately 30 members of the media who bargarded the teenager with questions during her arrival. Rejzillahu, a 17-year-old Berkeley resident and Finnegan Hamilton, "I'm really excited," Rejzillahu said. "It is exciting for me to meet him this moment a long time ago." She arrived with three other Kosovar teens last night, following the efforts of Berkeley's First Congregational Church (of which Hamilton is a member) to bring the youths to the United States. Hamilton and "Adona" began exchanging messages in January, after Mrek Zaglozkiewicz, a former UC Berkeley researcher and a member of the San Francisco-based Peace Workers group, put the two in contact. Throughout the correspondence, Zaglozkiewicz said Rejzillahu had been looking forward to meeting the Berkeley boy

This Weekend on Campus

Friday

- Stadium open for visitors: Leisy Gate, noon to 3 p.m.
- Reality show bookings: Bookstore, 4 to 6 p.m.
- Pep rally: Joyce Center, 5:30 p.m. for students.
- 5:45 p.m. for public.

Saturday

- Marching band concert: Band Hall, 1:00 p.m.
- Football game: vs. Kansas, 2:30 p.m.
- Saturday vigil masses: Basilica, 30 minutes after game; Stepan Center, 40 minutes after game.

Sunday

- Mass: Basilica of the Sacred Heart, 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 11:45 a.m.
- Audition openings: Studio Museum, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Panel discussion: Annebong Auditorium, 7:45 p.m.

Monday

- Auditions for performance classes: Regina Studio at Saint Mary's, 7 p.m.
- Cashhanna: Annebong Auditorium, 7:45 p.m.

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Board approves Master Plan for campus expansion

$74 million plan result of year-long planning project

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Final preparations for campus expansion are around the bend for Saint Mary's after the Board of Trustees approved a Master Plan for campus expansion at its June 26 retreat.

Concluding a year of planning with Performa Consulting, the Board gave the go-ahead for a $74 million long-range plan which will extend over a period of several years.

“The overriding goal of the planning process was to retain that special quality of the Saint Mary’s campus while, at the same time, enhancing the teaching and living space to provide the best possible student-centered environment,” said William Schmidt, chairman of the board.

The approved plan includes the construction of four new buildings, renovations of five current buildings and additions to three existing facilities. Parking lots will be moved and added and common areas will be created to unify campus.

New Buildings

New residence halls designed to accommodate apartment-style living will be constructed on the northeast corner of the campus. In addition to alternative living space, it will allow for conference housing during the summer months.

Living space was a concern for the College in the design process, due to an increasing student population. Saint Mary’s hopes to enroll 1750 students by the year 2005.

“Because our enrollment is expanding, we have been aggressive about keeping up with the demands upon our campus,” said Marita Fldred, president of Saint Mary’s. “We expect that 90 percent of our student body will be living on campus by 2005, so we are challenged to keep it a place of beauty that is truly supportive of our academic and spiritual missions.”

A multi-purpose center will also assist in the College’s need for conference and common space. The 30,000 square foot facility will be located on the northeast corner of campus. Meeting rooms, instructional space, faculty offices, meeting space and food preparation areas will be included in the building.

A welcome center, designed to greet visitors to campus, will also be constructed. Campus security will move in this location.

Expansion

Keeping with the need for 24-hour student meeting space on campus, the demand for a student center is also answered in the Master Plan.

Noble Family Dining Hall will undergo significant renovation to create a Student Center that will be home to the bookstore, a convenience store, a travel agency, bank, post office, student organization offices and meeting space for student organizations.

Angela Athletic Facility will also undergo major renovation, with plans outlining additional recreation and support spaces, a pool and second gymnasium.

Walzgar College Center will house offices several campus offices.

Green space

Common areas will help connect existing and future buildings into clusters with connecting walkways to unify campus.

The Master Plan, approved by the Board of Trustees on June 26, outlines a long-term plan for campus expansion. The plan includes new residence halls, green space and renovation to current buildings.

One common area will be constructed where Le Mans parking lot currently exists. This space will serve as a connection for Le Mans Hall, Regina Hall, Moreau Center for the Arts and the renovated Noble Family Dining Hall and student activity center.

A second green space will be built at the northeast corner of campus, connecting the new residence halls, Angela Athletic Facility and the multipurpose center.

A financial plan is currently in planning to finance the project. The first project will be the renovation and expansion of the Noble Family Dining Hall and renovation of teaching space in existing buildings.

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questions about a lack of institutional control over athletic programs, namely football. If the committee determines the University did not adequately officiate its football program in this case, it could receive its first major violation.

Possible penalties for a major violation include loss of scholarships, probation, post-season sanctions or restrictions on radio or television broadcasts.

David Swank, chairman of the committee and a University of Oklahoma athletic director, said he could not comment on the Dunbar case, and Mark Jones, director of enforcement for the NCAA, said his staff isn’t privy to information on the committee deliberation.

A statement released by the University immediately following the hearing said the case was unlikely to reach a decision at least four to six weeks. That duration, which included a one-week extra time is not a considered delay.

"The four to six week guideline is based on the fact that the University had felt after that hearing that the case was not just sit down and make a decision," he said.

"The University is just beginning to review things further, obviously that stretches out the process. But its not unprecedented. In fact, it would be unusual if the process did not take a considerable amount of time.

The investigation

The NCAA first became aware of the Dunbar case in March 1997, when Notre Dame self-reported the matter.

One year later, the association’s enforcement staff completed its investigation and recommended the second severest violation, which could carry sanctions like probation without penalty or a minor loss of scholarships.

The committee on infractions, however, decided to review the case itself.

Pursuant to that decision, the University hired two outside attorneys from Bond, Schoeck & King, a firm specializing in NCAA cases, to help prepare for the June 4 hearing.

University president Father Edward Malloy and University executive vice president Father William Beauchamp led the delegation to Indianapolis.

They were joined by other administrators and athletic department representatives, including vice president and general counsel William Schoeneck; associate athletic director William Hepp; athletic director Mike Woodsworth, head football coach Bob Davie; and associate athletic director for legal issues Melissa Kaesebier, and director of compliance for the department of athletics Mike Karwowski.

The hearing

On June 3, ESPN aired a report citing excerpts from Dunbar’s diaries. Although Moore said the diaries contained nothing substantial, the entries carefully documented Dunbar’s relationships with the players.

The next morning, the Notre Dame delegation and the innocence attorneys spent nearly five hours before the committee, explaining their response to Dunbar’s activities. After the hearing, Beuchamp read a prepared statement.

The response today to the Committee on Infractions was as our response to the NCAA has been from the beginning, forthright and complete, and it included the significant steps the University is taking to guard against any recurrence of incidents such as this," he said.

More waiting

The University continued to await word of the NCAA’s decision on its case for our alumni and friends.

Fr. William Beauchamp University executive vice president

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Inclusion’s spirit

Blandford attacked the administration’s assumption that his group is opposed to the Catholic Church.

"The assertion here is that GALA represents positions contrary to the Catholic Church. I find this wholly offensive," he said. "It goes to the issue of prejudiced policies that drive this administration."

The Spirit of Inclusion, adopted by the Officers of the University in August 1997, calls the Notre Dame community to “create an environment of mutual respect, hospitality and warmth in which none are strangers and all may flourish.”

Activities

The written statement is intended to reflect the spirit of the University’s case, not to serve as permanent policy, according to Johnson.

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NCAA investigation process

By ERICA THESING

Although specific details about the NCAA investigation of Notre Dame are not public record, the NCAA publishes general information about its enforcement staff on its Web site. The following is a summary of that information.

The NCAA enforcement staff may investigate a member institution whenever it has reason to believe that the institution may have violated NCAA rules, according to the organization. Notre Dame self-reported its case to the NCAA in March 1998.

If the enforcement staff determines that a major violation may have occurred, it sends an official letter of inquiry to the institution.

After completing its investigation, the enforcement staff makes a recommendation to the Committee on Infractions. The committee then decides whether further investigation is warranted. According to the foundation, "The enforcement staff does not have the authority to mandate findings or impose or recommend penalties."

The Division I Committee on Infractions has eight members, including six from NCAA member institutions and two from the general public. Division II and Division III institutions have their own committees, composed of five individuals. Four of those represent divisional memberships and one is from the general public.

If the committee chooses to study the matter, a hearing date is set. Notre Dame appeared before the committee June 4.

The committee chair opens the hearing with general background information. The institution, the enforcement staff and other involved parties then give opening statements.

Next, the enforcement staff presents specific details on the allegation, followed by presentations from the institution and other parties. The Committee may decide to call oral testimony from individual coaches, or make requests for other information.

According to the NCAA, "The information upon which violations are found must be credible, persuasive and of a nature that reasonably prudent persons would rely upon in the conduct of serious affairs. Penalties can include probationary periods, bans on postseason competition, restrictions in television appearances and reductions of athletics scholarships. Restrictions are based on the athletic-related duties of individual coaches may be imposed, if warranted."

"We encourage the committee to review the Spirit of Inclusion, which espouses positions that make this a part of our identity as a Catholic institution," said Father Edward Malloy in a letter accompanying the NCAA's written statement.

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**World News Briefs**

**O'Hare shuts down after mysterious man bolts**

**CHICAGO**

A passenger ran past a security checkpoint and disappeared into the crowd at O'Hare International Airport on Thursday, prompting United Airlines to shut down a terminal as authorities searched for him. United canceled 60 flights and expected delays of several hours on other routes, said United spokesman Joe Hopkins. The man was not found. Hundreds of passengers were cleared from the terminal during the three-hour search by police. Chicago Police spokesman Patrick Camden said they did not find the man or any suspicious bags. Camden said the man had been seen carrying a canvas bag. The man was leaving a concourse and heading toward the baggage claim area when he turned back and ran up a one-way staircase leading to the concourse, said United spokesman Matthew Trica. Guards are stationed at the staircase, but the man ran past them.

**Three stabbed on Amtrak train in Ohio**

**COMPILED FALLS**

A man with an 8-inch knife stabbed two conductors and a passenger on an Amtrak train outside Cleveland on Thursday and was pulled from a crowd and arrested after a tailor pointed him out, police said. The passenger and one of the conductors were in critical condition Thursday night, one with a head wound and the other with stab wounds to his chest and jaw. Police said they had no motive. The suspect, before a court appearance, shouted to reporters that he acted in self-defense when a train porter pulled a gun on him. Passengers on the Lake Shore Limited rail route from Chicago to New York were later pulled about 3:20 a.m. as the suspect and the victims ran through the train, leaving a bloody trail through seven cars. The train carried 374 passengers and 12 crew members.

**Protest follows economic reform**

Associated Press

**RIO DE JANEIRO**

Tens of thousands of Brazilians, fed up with belt-tightening reforms that keep unemployment high and wages low, converged peacefully on the capital Thursday with a loud message for the government: Change course or face growing social unrest.

Under the close watch of about 6,000 police and army troops, the so-called March of the 100,000 clogged streets around the city's modernistic, cone-shaped cathedral. Early police estimates said there were 60,000 protesters, but police officers later said the number could have reached 100,000. Organizers said there were up to 150,000.

Red flags and banners calling for the resignation of President Fernando Henrique Cardoso colored the dry savannah landscape. Deafening music from a dozen decorated sound trucks created a carnival-like atmosphere on the broad lawns of the Esplanade of Ministries. The protest was organized by an array of 86 institutions, including leftists, labor unions and student groups. It was the biggest rally ever against the free-market reforms of Cardoso, who took office in 1995 and was re-elected last year.

The protesters planned to deliver a petition with more than 1 million signatures asking for a congressional investigation into suspected irregularities in the 1998 privatization of Telebras, the federal telecommunications company. Some leaders also want to examine Cardoso's role in the episode—the first step toward impeachment proceedings. "We see no future with Cardoso. The poor are going through sharp pain because of his policies," said Flavio Ramos.

**GOP candidates oppose court rulings**

Associated Press

**WASHINGTON**

Court voucher programs in Cleveland and providing for an Arizona teenager's abortion are raising red flags in the Republican presidential campaign.

Steve Forbes on Thursday decried the rulings as "judicial overreach with serious casualties — Cleveland's disadvantaged young people in trouble and for Arizona's funding of abortion clinics." Forbes said the decision in Cleveland and Arizona show the need to appoint judges who respect the rights of parents and the unborn.

Forbes, whose anti-abortion views have hardened since he ran for the GOP nomination in 1996, has said that as president he would appoint judges opposed to abortion rights. Among rivals for the GOP nomination, Bush has said he would not make abortion views a test for his judicial appointments.

Arizona Sen. John McCain, recently accused by some conservatives of softening his anti-abortion stance, declined Thursday to comment on a county judge's decision in his state forcing officials to take a 14-year-old girl who was 23 weeks pregnant out of state for an abortion.

"It sounds like a tragic case," McCain said when asked about it while campaigning in San Diego. But he said he wanted to study the matter further before saying more.

Forbes was not so reticent, calling the decision "nothing short of infanticide. The state's Republican governor, Gov. Jane Huitt, said taking the teen out of state for the abortion was legal and the judge — who is not a presidential appointee — was acting in the perceived best interest of the girl.

Forbes and Bush both attacked the suspension of Cleveland's program allowing pupils to attend private schools using tuition vouchers paid for by taxpayers.
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as profoundly unjustified," Brian Watkins, an attorney for the DuBose family, told The San Diego Union-Tribune.

The investigation should be complete within six to 10 weeks, after which the police report will be made public.

Dave Cohen, a spokesman for the San Diego Police Department, would not comment on the still-pending case because the DuBose family still could enter civil litigation.

The shooting scene

The incident occurred when a surprised tenant walked into his apartment to find the former Irish linebacker asleep on a couch. DuBose mistakenly had walked into the apartment and fallen asleep.

Police arrived after the owner woke DuBose, according to Watkins, who told The San Diego Union-Tribune the situation was resolved when police arrived.

A story reports show DuBose had alcohol, cocaine and the drug "ecstasy" in his system at the time of the shooting. It is not clear whether DuBose's behavior was affected by the substances.

Conflicting reports of the event of July 24 exist between San Diego police and Watkins. Police said they arrived and questioned DuBose, who matched the description of a local hairy suspect, until he became agitated.

DuBose allegedly then grabbed an officer's nunchucks.

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Saint Mary's, Notre Dame fall in annual college rankings

**2000 rankings drop Saint Mary's to No. 2**

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Saint Mary's Editor

Finding a five-year run as the top-ranked Midwestern Regional Liberal Arts College by U.S. News and World Report, Saint Mary's fell to No. 2 in the 2000 rankings. "To be ranked second among 139 colleges in our category by any standard is impressive," said Saint Mary's president Marilou Elder.

Saint Mary's has held a top-10 spot in the rankings since the survey's beginning in 1986. The only other college to match Saint Mary's five-year streak in the top spot of any category is Susquehanna University of Pennsylvania. Saint Mary's tied Susquehanna's record with their 1997-98 ranking.

U.S. News and World Report tabulates these rankings first by combining results of a reputational survey. The survey is completed by 1,400 accredited four-year colleges and universities which provide the magazine with educational data about the institutions. College presidents, provosts, and deans of admission are asked to rate the schools that fall into their own categories. These surveys weight 25 percent of the final tally. Data collected measuring

**Rice jumps, Notre Dame drops after 1999 tie**

By MATTHEW SMITH
News Writer

In an annual ranking of national universities conducted by U.S. News and World Report magazine, Notre Dame dropped from number two to number three. A one-position drop isn't even one percent of the total field.

Bob Morse
U.S. News and World Report, director of research

and World Report explains that little is left to opinion when the final rankings are compiled. "We base everything on hard evidence, and there is an exact science to it," said Folkers. The hard evidence makes it clear that in general, Notre Dame's competitors have shown greater improvement than the University has this year. "We have a lot of things to work on," Morse said.

Dear Alumni & Friends,

The staff of Campus Ministry extends an invitation to come together and celebrate the Eucharist this weekend.

Michigan State Football Weekend
September 11-12, 1999

**Saturday Vigil Masses**

- Basilica 30 minutes after game
- Stepan Center 45 minutes after game

**Sunday Masses**

- Basilica 8:00, 10:00 am & 11:45 am
- Sacred Heart 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am

**RECYCLE.**
Library joins consortium for electronic, collection benefit

By MAGGY TINUCCI
Assistant News Editor

The University Libraries have joined a consortium of libraries including Harvard, Yale, Princeton and 14 other universities in the northeastern United States.

The Northeast Research Libraries Consortium (NERL) focuses on electronic collections development among its 18 members.

"The consortium puts us in with a group of libraries to help identity electronic resources to be made available to us at Notre Dame," said Jennifer Younger, director of University Libraries and member of the University's Task Force on Consortial Relations, one of eight task forces formed in the spring to develop a Plan for Academic Advance at Notre Dame.

"Membership in consortia is increasingly important," she said. " Consortial arrangements provide opportunities for discussions, exchanges and cooperative endeavors on administrative and program activities. There are many possibilities for library cooperative arrangements, including the preservation of physical and electronic collections, digital library initiatives, coordinated collection development and expedited access for interlibrary borrowing and lending of books and journals."

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The decision not to join the Big Ten did play a role in joining the NERL, according to Younger. The NERL is really a substitute for us for licensing electronic databases," she said, referring to the Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC), the library consortium for the Big Ten.

While the NERL does not have the capacity to borrow individual volumes directly from member libraries like the CIC does, it does give the University the ability to negotiate and acquire either full-text or citation databases for a discounted rate.

"These administrative and support activities leverage purchasing power and enable the sharing of physical resources and human expertise. The result is the development of programs that are not possible with just local resources," said Younger.

Notre Dame does have the ability to borrow individual volumes from CIC member libraries, as well as other libraries, through interlibrary loan.

University Libraries worked informally with the NERL in the licensing of the Web of Science full-text database, facilitating membership in the consortium, according to Younger.

In addition to Harvard, Yale and Princeton Universities, the member libraries of NERL are Boston, Brown, Columbia, Cornell, New York, Rutgers, Syracuse and Temple Universities Dartmouth College, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the Universities of Connecticut, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Rochester.
Ristau takes reins as new Dean

By NELLIE WILLIAMS
News Writer

Karen Ristau has assumed the position of vice president and Dean of Faculty of Saint Mary's, replacing Dorothy Feigl who retired in May. Formerly the vice president for Academic Affairs at Saint Joseph College in West Hartford, Conn., and a member of the faculty at the University of St. Thomas, Graduate School of Business in St. Paul, Minn., Ristau brings a strong knowledge of the classroom and women's colleges, said Marilyn Eldred, president of Saint Mary's.

"Ristau brings a wealth of experience in teaching, in addressing issues of liberal arts colleges and in developing programs. Her commitment to Catholic higher education will make her an important asset to Saint Mary's," Eldred said.

As the daughter of a Saint Mary's alumnus, Ristau understands how important tradition is to the women of Saint Mary's. One of her goals will be to maintain that tradition.

"I feel the pioneer spirit is still here," she said. "The spirit and tradition are a major part of this school."

Ristau will enlist faculty members to help with this goal.

"As I get to know the faculty here, I feel that we can work to do this together," she said. Ristau is also an author, having published "The Challenge of Academic Leadership in Theological Education" in 1996. She is currently working on a new book, "Leadership Toward Community."

"My care about philosophical issues and underpinnings results from my background in leadership studies," Ristau said.

Ristau has big dreams for the students at Saint Mary's.

"As a mother of daughters and also growing up watching the changes in women's rights, I feel women need to prize themselves in being intelligent," she said. "Young women should know some of the history on women's rights and understand that doors are open today for women."

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**Romania**

**Balkans seek rewards from NATO**

Associated Press

BUCHAREST

After strongly supporting NATO's bombing campaign against Yugoslavia, countries of the southern Balkans are anxiously awaiting tangible rewards from the United States and Western Europe.

During the 78-day air campaign, traditionally isolated countries such as Bulgaria, Romania and Macedonia, which border Yugoslavia, were on the diplomatic center stage. British Prime Minister Tony Blair, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and NATO's supreme allied commander, General Wesley Clark, all came calling to urge governments in the former communist countries to stand with the West, despite public sympathy for the Serbs, who share their Orthodox cultural traditions.

Now that the bombing is over, however, southern Balkan states fear they will be forgotten, left even poorer and more isolated by the NATO campaign.

And Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic is still in power.

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Support for NATO among southern Balkan countries was not beyond rhetoric. Romania and Bulgaria allowed NATO to use their airspace to attack Yugoslavia. Macedonia served as a staging area for Western ground forces who are now in Kosovo under the June peace deal.

That support carried a price. At least seven NATO missiles strayed over the borders into Bulgaria, one of which damaged a house on the edge of the capital, Sofia.

Key parts of the Danube River, a major trade artery to Western Europe, remain unpassable after NATO destroyed bridges in Yugoslavia.

**Brazil**

**Gun control triggers national debate**

Associated Press

SAO PAULO

The deadly shootings at Columbine High School are still echoing in Brazil, where people are divided over a radical proposal to ban the sale and possession of guns.

The April 20 shootings that left 15 dead in Colorado shocked this nation and sparked a national debate over violence. Gun control advocates submitted a bill to Congress in June, and their support has swelled with recent violence in Atlanta and Los Angeles.

"It's a good law that will reduce the excessive levels of violence in our society," said Colonel Rui Cesar Mebo, commander of the Sao Paulo State police force.

Ironically, the bill also has led to the rise of a previously unknown gun lobby. The National Association of Gun Owners and Retailers, modeled on the U.S. National Rifle Association, is enlisting gun owners and lobbying lawmakers to vote against the bill.

"There's no way I'm going to turn in my gun," says Lula Afonso Santos, a founder of the association, leaning close to be heard over the gunfire at a shooting range in Sao Paulo's posh Pacaembu district. "If I have to, I'll break the law."

Under the proposed measure, only the armed forces, police and private security personnel could possess a firearm.

Gun owners would have 360 days to turn in their weapons and ammunition and would receive $80 for every gun turned in.

Opponents say the law is unconstitutional because it violates citizens' rights to self-defense. It also may be unworkable—previous efforts to disarm people in the notoriously violent Maraba district of the eastern Amazon turned up a few rusty pistols and hunting knives.

From the rugged outback to urban slums, Brazilians own an estimated 8 million guns, only 2 million of which are legally registered.

**Attention SENIORS interested in the Rhodes, Marshall, and Mitchell Scholarships**

Professor Walter F. Pratt, Jr. will have a final meeting to inform you of deadline dates and the application process on Tuesday, August 31, 1999

7:00 p.m.

129 DeBartolo

If you are unable to attend this meeting, a sheet of information may be obtained in 102-B O'Shaughnessy Hall after the meeting date.
WASHINGTON

Nearly 100,000 people would be deprived of new jobs and thousands more locked out of affordable housing under GOP proposed budget cuts, the Clinton administration says.

A report released Thursday by the Department of Housing and Urban Development details how $3.6 billion in budget cuts proposed by the House Appropriations Committee in July would affect communities because of the number of jobs that won't be created and housing that won't be available to low-income people.

In addition to the 97,000 people who wouldn't be employed, the report said 156,600 families would be locked out of affordable housing and 14,600 families and individuals who are homeless or who have AIDS would lose housing assistance.

"This nation is doing extraordinarily well...but that's not to say everyone, everywhere is sharing in the success," housing secretary Andrew Cuomo said.

"Congress shouldn't rob the poorest Americans to provide reckless tax cuts and create a new deficit. Now is the time to invest in a brighter future for people and places left behind."

Andrew Cuomo
secretary for Housing and Urban Development

makes the cuts all the more onerous.

However, Rep. Rick Lazio, R-N.Y., chairman of the House Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, issued a statement in response to the HUD report accusing HUD officials of "trying to score political points at the expense of our most vulnerable."

Lazio said a Government Accounting Office study found HUD had requested $700 million for 18 new programs "instead of focusing on its core mission."

"While residents of assisted housing properties were faced with the threat of losing their homes...HUD's budget reduced new housing construction for senior citizens, our fastest-growing and most vulnerable population," Lazio said in his statement.

President Clinton had proposed a $2 billion increase for the department in fiscal year 2000, up from $2.5 billion this year.

Clinton has threatened to veto the committee's spending plan because of the cuts, but Republican budget writers say they had to make them to stay within spending caps that were imposed two years ago.

Appropriations Committee spokeswoman Elizabeth Morra said the cuts were made in specific programs, rather than across the board, and that "some tough choices had to be made."

Cuomo attributed the need for severe cuts to the HUD budget to a 10-year, $792 billion tax reduction that the GOP-led Congress approved earlier this month.

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HUD: GOP tax cut will hurt poor

Group sues Atlanta over contract quotas

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Saint Mary's College

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Sam (Capt.) 287-3006

*Look for us August 31st at Activities Night*
My Summer Vacation at the White House

Thirty years ago this week, I walked out of Lyons Hall for my first stroll across campus as a Notre Dame freshman. Full of confidence and youthful pride, I passed through the Howard arch, made my way through the Executive Mansion, and pride of professors wearing a tie. Following a path away from the President’s Office, I knew he would soon be leaving the Oval Office, but found that door closed due to construction. I turned right to proceed around the South Portico, but found that door locked.

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“Putting Violence in Context”

“Our children need our help to deal with tough issues, like violence. Please, talk with your kids,” said President Clinton in a recent TV spot. But what are the parents supposed to say?

Who has the final say in particular violence at Columbine High School and other places? Mary say the solution is more than gun control. But the answer is deeper.

For a hint, let us consider:” a tale of split personalities was how Cardinal Francis George described the contrast between the pope’s visit last January to Mexico City and St. Louis.

In Mexico City, young volunteers handled crowd control, police presence was inconspicuous and the pope was able “to visit the city of great hundreds of thousands of people, to be among the people.” In St. Louis, the Secret Service chose to “eliminate...as much as possible, any threat to the pope and people as possible.” For every person on the sidewalk there, it seemed, were four police officers. Everything was secure, but control, human relationship, was kept to a minimum.

It was “there is a difference between a culture of relationships and one of autonomy, a culture of communion to one of competition. Participation...violence and sociopathy are so high in our country that the preconditions were necessary” (in the United States today relationships are the key to the dignified treatment of people because they threaten control, relationships will be sacrificed for the sake of control.” (Eagan, Feb. 18, 1999, 609).

The Cardinal was neither idealizing Mexico City nor disparaging St. Louis and those who participated in the papal visit. His comments may help us understand how our culture can be so different from a kinder, gentler world, which the subject does wish to establish in our country. If the Church is to be the Church he himself is the one to “establish the truth” of what he is doing, whether he is speaking wisely or usefully. Individualism thus remains egoistic and selfish,” (Letter to Families, no. 14). This “notion of freedom” he continues, “is an individual in an absolute way and gives no place to solidarity, to openness to others and service of them.” (Evangelium Vitae, No. 19).

This individualism arises from secularism and relativism. In truth, you are your brother’s keeper because you are both children of God made in his image and likeness. But “when the sense of God is lost, there is also a tendency to lose the sense of man, of the brother and his life,” (E.V., No. 21).

Other people are seen as objects for use and possible disposal. With objective truth denied through relativism, each person claims “the pre­­ge­­re­­ va­­ria­­ tive­­ly depending on the criteria of what one thinks and acts by acting accordingly. Such an outlook is corporal to an individualistic ethic,” (Faith and Reason, Nov. 98). “If the promotion of the self is understood in terms of absolute autonomy,” said John Paul II, “people inevitably reach the point of regarding one another. Everyone else is considered an enemy from whom one has to defend oneself. Thus society becomes a mass of individuals placed side by side, but without any mutual bonds. Each one wishes to make his own interests prevail.” (Cf., Nos. 19-20). As the sense of God, of an objective moral law and of one’s inher­­ent­­ relations and responsibilities, diminishes, only force can keep the peace in the absence of those inner restraints. Even in a police state, forcible restraint cannot be effective.

So what is to be done? Let me pass on an invita­tion from President Clinton to children. “This is an urgent call to action,” he says. “I ask all Americans...to single out one thing you care about,” he says. “I ask you to choose one issue you care about.”


One issue is violence. “Violence is an issue I care about,” he says. “Violence is an issue you care about, too.”

One issue is...”

SMC still strong

The banner proclaiming “Beavers” in front of Saint Mary’s College won’t be replaced this year by one boasting straight No. 1. Title...
1. The marching band is cool
The Band of the Fighting Irish is a nonstop marching machine. Usually given at least two weeks to prepare for its first halftime performance, the band finds itself with only one week to spit out a show for Saturday's game against Kansas. Not only does the band add spirit to the actual game, but it performs throughout the weekend at various spots around campus.

As the band plays the large array of Notre Dame songs — from the victory march to "Notre Dame, Our Mother" — be sure to play along with whatever hand movements may go along with each song.

- Notre Dame, Our Mother: Sway to and fro with arms around neighbors
- 1812 Overture: Wave "b"- and "d"-shaped hands back and forth
- Notre Dame Victory March: Clap hands and sing
- When Irishbacks Go Marching By: Clap hands
- Down the Line: Clap hands

2. People begin football Saturday early
In the form of tailgating, a good number of Notre Dame fans rise early Saturday morning to begin preparation for the afternoon game. Ingesting anything from brats and ale to soda in a can, Irish tailgaters add a free-spirited tinge to the crisp fall mornings, particularly the occasional bagpipe-player tooting the victory march throughout the campus.

The morning is also marked by the exquisite aroma that emanates from Port-a-Pit, as in barbecue pit, which is located by the JACC each Saturday morning.

3. Candlelight dinner at the dining hall
Following every home game, both dining halls sponsor a candlelight dinner, bringing out balloons and candles to celebrate Notre Dame football, win or lose. Just as with Saturday brunch, the dining halls receive a good amount of business from non-students, particularly alumni or parents of students. Considering there is usually a crowd at regular dinners, expect candlelight dinners to be especially crowded and chaotic.

The menu at candlelight dinners is usually a notch above the typical dining hall menu. Unfortunately, most of the items on the menu have distractingly exotic names, such as new-chopped rosemary potatoes or German Swiss cheese soup. Is it German or Swiss? Only the dining hall knows.

4. Post-game prayer
Thirty minutes after the football game, several Masses will take place throughout campus. They occur in the chapels at the following dorms: Alumni, Cavanaugh, Dillon, Keenan-Stanford, Morrissey, Siegfried and Walsh. Mass is also celebrated at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart 30 minutes following the game, and at St. Mary's Center 45 minutes after the game.

5. Visitors abound
Each Notre Dame football game brings a contingent of alumni, parents and non-student fans, so be careful not to do anything that will get you mentioned or pictured in Monday's newspaper. Though such behavior is commonly accepted, it is not necessary.
Facts about the University of Kansas

- Location: Lawrence, Kansas
- Student body population: 28,000; 2/3 from Kansas
- Conference: Big 12
- Mascot: the jayhawk
- Colors: Crimson and Blue
- Words to school song, "I'm a Jayhawk."

Talk about the Sooners
The Cowboys and the Buffs,
Talk about the Tiger and his tail,
Talk about the Wildcats,
and those Cornhuskin' boys,
But I'm the bird to make 'em weep and wail.

CHORUS:
'Cause I'm a Jay, Jay, Jay, Jayhawk,
Up at Lawrence on the Kaw
'Cause I'm a Jay, Jay, Jay, Jayhawk,
Husk some corn and listen
to the Cornhusker's wail —
'Cause I'm a Jay, Jay, Jay, Jayhawk,
Riding on a Kansas gale.
COFFEE TALK 

By RICHARD ROSENBLAT

COLUMBIA, S.C.

LouMania is everywhere.

On a humping sticker: "HALLO-

LOW!" On t-shirts: "IN LOU WE

TRUST!"

At a recent football clinic for

women, where 1,200 showed up

for a daylong talk with Lou

Holtz, former Irish head coach.

"I'm the Gamewcocks' coach,"
turned in his evil, looked to the heavens and

said, "Lord, I know you're listening."

The Lou Holtz Revival Show has

arrived, right here in Columbia,

and settled in for what the
courtroom promises will be

another successful season.

So what, he says, if the program
has just one bowl victory

in 105 years of playing foot-

ball?

"I believe you can win here," Holtz

said. "I'm just not sure it will be as
easy as it'd like to be.

At every other place he's been —

Mary, North Carolina State, Arkansas,

Minnesota and Notre Dame —

the teams have won 62-

year-old coach with a hip has added

his flair to the college game's

Best Reviver.

He even had the Golden Gophers

who lost 17 Big Ten games in a row

before he arrived in Minneapolis, in

Independence Bowl in his sec-

ond and final season there.

So you have to admire his

direct, final and toughest coaching task —

move on from out of the Gamewcocks, who are coming off
the worst season (1-10) in school history.

On 4, he'll lead his new

team against NC State in Raleigh.

Then, it's on to Georgia.

One-timer: "We have to change the cul-

ture here. We have to build
courage, but it's tough going on the road against

maybe the best NC State team

they've had in years, then

playing Tennessee, Florida and

Arkansas."

"He's not a very serious

for long. Though, About his

confidence for success, Holtz

said: "I'd like to have this thing

turned around by the second

quarter of Sept. 4.

From the day Holtz arrived,

when a crowd of 4,000

appeared on just three hours'

notice for his Dec. 4 news

conference in Williams-Brice

Stadium, much of the state has

been in a kind of, well, delu­sion.

The fans aren't root for rival Clemson, which has a

new coach of its own, Tommy Bowden.

When Holtz kidded about all

the trash he saw on the state

highways, an anti-toll cam­

paign begun and a "Clean the

Roads" task force was formed.

When school asked for

money in the spring, Gamecocks

boosters answered with a record

$103. million — $8.4 million in

cash. "We raise more money per

vin than the school in the coun­

try," Holtz has said dozens of times since then.

Hotel rooms around town

were booked quicker than ever

for Holtz's team's five home

games. "We ought to put him

on the front of our travel guide,"

said Fontana of the state.

department of parks, recreation and

tourism.

For this mission, Holtz isn't on

a one-man crusade. He brought

much of the Holtz Household with

him, including his wife, Beth,

who he says has been gaining

strength in her fight with

throat cancer. "She's my first priority, always," he

said, "a very courageous woman.

And Lou Holtz returned to school to

work on his coaching staff

and take a program that

has a single 10-win season into

a contender in the rugged

Southeastern Conference.

"We've got to show the faithful

fans, who fill the 82,000-seat

stadium no matter how ugly the

losing games, their prayers have

been answered. He wants to end

the "chicken curse," a

phrase placed on the school near

the turn of the century by Sen. Ben

"Plowboy" Tillman, who founded

Columbia because he didn't

like the "228 roads in Columbia.

Holtz plans to keep the best

high school players home first

by starting signing tailback

Drew Thompson, Watson, South

Kidner, "Mr. Football," knock off a

Florida, Georgia, or Tennessee

some point soon, and take Gucky

and Co. to a major bowl for the

first time.

Said Scott Freeman, a

former Irish head coach Lou Holtz is confident that he can

create a successful football program at South Carolina.

he's been spread.

I don't compromise those beliefs. I don't compromise."

Freeman, a personal aND﨑 choice before he rup­

hed his team and missed the 

low season, would have been in the

NFL by now.

"I think my injury happened

so I could come back and play

for somebody the caliber of coach Lou Holtz," Freeman

said. "I really felt blessed."
Campus Ministry Events

Monday, August 30, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm, Badin Hall Chapel

Emmaus Leadership Training

Monday-Friday, August 30-September 3, 103 Hesburgh Library

ND Encounter Retreat #57 (Sept. 24-26) Sign-Up

Monday, August 30-September 20, 103 Hesburgh Library, 112 Badin Hall

Freshman Retreat #24 (Sept. 24-25) Sign-Up

Targeted Dorms: Badin, Keenan, Lewis, O'Neill Family, Pasquerilla East, St. Edward's, Morrissey, Walsh, and Zahm

Wednesday, September 1, 4:30-5:30 pm, Montgomery Theatre-LaFortune

Catechist Information Session

Thursday, September 2, 5:00-7:30 pm, LaFortune Ballroom

Pachanga '99

Friday-Saturday, September 3-4, Fatima Retreat Center

Africentric Spirituality Freshman Intro Retreat

Sunday, September 5, 1:00 pm, NO Room-LaFortune

RCIA Information Session, Candidates and Sponsors

Tuesday, September 7, Siegfried Hall

Confirmation Information Sessions

7:00 pm, Candidates - 8:00 pm, Sponsors

Tuesday, September 7, 7:00 pm, Badin Hall Chapel

Campus Bible Study

Tuesday, September 7, 10:00 pm, Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Eucharistic Ministry Workshop (also September 12, 2:30 pm)

Wednesday, September 8, 7:00-8:00 pm, Recker's Hospitality Room

Africentric Spirituality: Freshman Intro First Year Partner Reception

Wednesday, September 8, 8:00 pm, Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Lector Workshop (also September 12, 8:00 pm)

Thursday, September 9, 7:00 pm, Eck Center Auditorium

Sankofa Scholars Honors Assembly and Reception

Sunday, September 12, 4:00 pm, Sorin Hall Chapel

Rejoice! Black Catholic Mass
**NFL**

Ditka counting on Williams to play

By MARY POSTER
All-Sports Writer

NEW ORLEANS

He's on the billboards. He's in the TV commercials and the newspaper ads. But will Mike Ditka actually be on the field for the New Orleans Saints regu-
lar season opener?

Coach Mike Ditka says he's counting on it. Williams said he doesn't know.

Williams will miss Saturday's exhibition game against Green Bay with what doctors call a "high left ankle sprain" suffered Aug. 13 against Miami. Although the injury will proba-

bly keep him out of the last pre-

season game as well, Ditka said he expects Williams to be ready for the season opener Sept. 12 against San Francisco.

"Yes, absolutely. There is no question in my mind," Ditka said. "There's no question in my mind that he'll be there."

Williams, who took off the protective boot he was wearing and donned shoulder pads and a helmet for a 15-minute session on the star-stepper Wednesday, had the boot back on and the pads off again Thursday when he spent 15 minutes riding a stationary bike.

As to his comment to a reporter earlier in the week that he had a torn ligament and would miss four to six weeks, Williams admitted he really had no idea how long he'd be out.

"I don't think you can tell someone how long they're going to be out, really," Williams said. "You can give an estimate, but most doctors' esti-

mates are on the safe side, so to speak. I've been given a lot of estimates, anywhere from two to six weeks. I feel great right now."

An examination this week by a specialist confirmed the Saints' diagnosis that surgery was not indicated, Saints trainer Dean Klein schmidt said.

While the Saints call it a sprain, and Williams described it as a "winding" of bone in his lower left leg, medical authorities refer to it as a separation in Williams left syndesmosis, a fibrous band that runs between the tibia and fibula and bonds the bones together in the lower leg.

"It's all part of the same thing," said Dr. Lewis Maharam, president of the New York chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine. "All sprains are to a tear in the ligament. A high sprain is just tear-

ing at the base of the ligament. High sprains are harder to treat and can sometimes take six weeks to heal. But they can heal sooner. Everybody heals at different rates."

Professional athletes general-

ly recover more quickly because they can devote full time to rehabilitation, Maharam said. And, he said, doctors tend to be ultraconservative when predicting recuperation times.

Such an injury can cause pain when an athlete tries to run, walk or cut, Maharam said.

The Saints have not had a winning season since 1992, going 6-10 each of the last two years. The Saints have keyed this year's ticket sales promo-

tions, just as they tied promotions to Ditka when he signed on as head coach in 1997.

Full-page newspaper ads in New Orleans and surrounding cities ran throughout the sum-

mer, showing a smiling Williams running with a football under his arm.

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**TENNIS**

Sampras earns top seed at Open

By BOB GREENE
All-Sports Writer

NEW YORK

Almost every move Pete Sampras makes these days goes into the record book. The 28-year-old right-han-

der is the No. 1 seed at the U.S. Open for a fifth time, tying the Open Era record set by John McEnroe from 1981-

85. He is seeking his fifth title at the National Tennis Center, which would tie him with Jimmy Connors, two behind a trio of players, including Bill Tilden.

And in a victory in the centu-

ry's last Grand Slam tourna-

ment, the 12th of his career, would break the record Sampras shares with former Australian star Roy Emerson for most Grand Slam men's singles titles. He tied Emerson in July when he won his sixth Wimbledon crown.

The road to the record book, however, could be a little rough.

In Wednesday's draw, Marat Safin, a young Russian with a big serve, was selected to play Sampras in the opening round.

Also in Sampras' bracket is two-time finalist Jim Courier, Frenchman Fabrice Santoro and 16th-seeded Nicolas Lapentti of Ecuador, who won the RCA Championships in Indianapolis last week.

Martina Hingis, the top-

seeded player in the women's field, will face Kvetu Hrdlickova of the Czech Republic in her open-

ing match.

Lindsay Davenport, seeded No. 2, will begin the defense of her women's singles title against American Corina Morariu. Davenport, somewhat of a surprise when she won her age a year, added the Wimbledon crown earlier this summer.

The Williams sisters, third-seeded Venus and No. 7 Serena, are playing in opposite halves of the draw and could meet in the title match, as they did last year in Key Biscayne. Fls. Venus, who has never lost to her younger sister, opens against a qualifier, while Serena will play Kimberly Po, who won their only other meeting.

While Sampras is seeded No. 1, Australian Pat Rafter has won the last two men's singles titles on the hard courts at Arthur Ashe Stadium. Seeded fourth this year, Rafter also could have his hands full with his first opponent, Cedric Pioline of France.


Seeded second is Andre Agassi, winner of the French Open in June and runnerup against Sampras at Wimbledon. He begins the chase for his second U.S. Open crown.

Dennis Weatherwax, president of Sports Register in New York, tied promotions to Ditka when he signed on as head coach in 1997.

"There's no question in my mind that he'll be there," Ditka said. "I've been given a lot of estimates, anywhere from two to six weeks. I feel great right now."

An examination this week by a specialist confirmed the Saints' diagnosis that surgery was not indicated, Saints trainer Dean Klein schmidt said.

While the Saints call it a sprain, and Williams described it as a "winding" of bone in his lower left leg, medical authorities refer to it as a separation in Williams left syndesmosis, a fibrous band that runs between the tibia and fibula and bonds the bones together in the lower leg.

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**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**

**Late rally puts Cubs over Giants**

Associated Press

CHICAGO

Sammy Sosa hit his major league-leading 53rd home run and the Chicago Cubs rallied from five runs down to beat the San Francisco Giants 11-10 on Mickey Morandini's RBI double in the ninth inning.

The Cubs trailed 7-2 after the eighth innings before rallying behind Sosa and Mark Grace, who hit consecutive solo homers in the fifth inning. Sosa has 10 homers in the last 12 games for the Cubs, who are 5-2-0 in August.

Sosa, who has nearly one-third of the Cubs' 160 homers, connected on a 1-1 pitch from Livan Hernandez in the 10th. Sosa is nine games ahead of last year's pace, when he hit No. 53 in the Cubs' 115th game and ended with 66.

The Cubs won the game in the ninth. Jeff Fiedor hit a leadoff double off Rich Nen (3-7) and two outs later Morandini doubled to left-center to give the Cubs their first win in eight games this season against the Giants.

Terry Adams 15-3 pitched one scoreless inning.

Grace added a pair of two-run singles for his seventh career five-RBI game. His second two-run single tied the game in the eighth inning against Nen.

The Giants intentionally walked Sosa with two out and two runners on in the eighth to load the bases. Grace followed with a single to right.

Jeff Kent hit a two-run single in a six-run third and a two-run double in the sixth, and has hit safely in all five games played since being activated from the disabled list Saturday.

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**Montgomery leaves mark in record book**

By DOUG TUCKER

AF Sportswriters

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - It's hard to know who was more relieved to see Jeff Montgomery get his 300th save Wednesday night: the pitcher, the manager or the just-liberated Kansas City Royals.

A night after blowing a chance to reach the milestone, Montgomery retired Albert Belle on a groundout at first, becoming the 10th member of the 300-save club as the Royals beat the Baltimore Orioles 8-6.

"I know it's been tough on him. It's been tough on the club and it's been tough on me," said Royals manager Tony Muser, criticized for staying with the 37-year-old reliever.

Joe Randa had four RBIs and Johnny Damon legged out his first inside-the-park home run as the Royals set up Montgomery's big moment and stopped a five-game losing streak.

Montgomery, in his 12th season, is the only man to get all 300 of his saves with the same club. He has eight saves for the season and six of the Royals' 28 blown saves.

"I'm not a historian, but I know it's a big moment," Montgomery said. Montgomery blew a 3-2 lead in the ninth Tuesday night, and the Orioles won in the 10th on Belle's two-run home run. In another thriller, Montgomery allowed two singles before retiring Belle on Wednesday.

"Once a couple of guys got on base and I've got one of the top RBIs in the game standing there with a piece of lumber in his hand, that creates focus," Montgomery said. "The slider I got him out with was a quality pitch." Randa broke a 1-all tie in the fourth with a three-run homer off Doug Linton (0-2) and added an RBI single for a 6-1 lead in the fifth.

Kansas City led 6-1 in the eighth before Baltimore scored four runs on hit that helped with the help of two errors by second baseman Steve Scarsone. After the Orioles loaded the bases with one out, Scarsone bobbled Harold Baines' potential double-play grounder, allowing one run to score.

Alvin Morman crashed in a run by walking Jeff Conine and two more runs scored on Delino DeShields' grand slam to Randa at third. Randa threw Scarsone at second for a foreclose, but Scarsone's relay to first was low for an error.

Scott Pose and Ray Herbert then hit run-scoring singles in the eighth off Scott Kamieniecki for an 8-5 total. Mike Figg homered off Brad Rigby in the ninth.

Jeff Suppan (8-7) gave up four runs, eight hits and four walks in 7-1-3 innings. Littell, seeking his first major league victory since Sept. 11, 1996, with Kansas City, gave up six runs and 10 hits in 4-2-3 innings.

With two outs in the third, Damon lifted a high drive into the right-field corner. The ball appeared to bounce off the foul pole just inches behind the fence and rolled back toward the infield, with Belle juggling behind. Damon slid home safely ahead of the throw.

Baltimore manager Ray Miller was upset with second baseman Delino DeShields for not running out for the ball.

"That's one run that sticks in my mind," Miller said. "Albert ran halfway back to first base to pick the ball up."

DeShields said he wasn't sure it was a home run.

"I thought it was foul. I was looking at the umpire to make a call. He kind of made a late call," DeShields said.

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**South of Stadium at the corner of Eddy, Edison, and Juniper**
Loaiza lands key victories

By MIKE FINGER

ABINGTON, Texas

Just over a month ago, Eddie, Loaiza was struggling to keep his job with the Texas Rangers. After winning his seventh straight decision, he's making a bid to become the best in the AL.

Loaiza overcame a shaky start to pitch seven strong innings as the Rangers beat the New York Yankees 7-3 to salvage the finale of a three-game series between two possible playoff opponents.

"He can throw any pitch for a strike right now," said Texas catcher Ivan Rodriguez. "He's hot."

Loaiza (7-3), who hasn't lost since being inserted into the starting rotation after the All-Star break, gave up three runs in his first three innings, but gradually regained his command and needed just 24 pitches to get through the fifth, sixth and seventh innings.

Loaiza allowed all three runs and eight hits in seven innings, struck out five and walked two.

"I feel a lot of confidence in myself," Loaiza said. "I'm starting to throw the ball where I'm supposed to."

Rafael Palmeiro continued his torrid pace for the Rangers, getting his ninth homer in as many games in the sixth inning. Palmeiro was 11-for-24 during Texas' six-game homestand, including six homers and 13 RBIs.

"Playing the Yankees is fun," Palmeiro said. "You get to play these kinds of games. Fortunately, we were able to win one of them."

Rick Triltsch (10-5), who had his career-high eight-game winning streak snapped in his last start, gave up six runs and 10 hits in five-plus innings.

Trailing by three runs, Texas took a 4-3 lead in the third when Mark McLemore, Ivan Rodriguez and Rusty Greer hit consecutive one-out RBI singles and Juan Gonzalez added a sacrifice fly.

Irau was chased in sixth by Palmeiro's 39th homer and consecutive singles by Todd Zeile and Lee Stevens, who drove in Zellie Mark Melendez-st dolled RBI single off Jeff Nelson in the eighth.

"I threw a lot of balls up," Irau said. "My pitching balance was off, which happens sometimes during games."

The Rangers got their final run in the bottom of the eighth, when Royce Clayton singled and scored on Melendez's second RBI single of the night.

"I don't miss his Sunday's Kickoff Classic between No. 9 Ohio State and No. 12 Miami. Both quarterbacks— the Buckeyes' Austin Mohrman and the Hurricanes' Kenny Kelly—are starting for the first time."

"I haven't started since high school, and this is a whole new ballgame," said Kelly, a third-year sophomore. "Once I get those first couple of snags out of the way, I think I'll get the butterflies out of my stomach."

Kelly threw for 433 yards and five TDs as Scott Covington's backup last season. Mohrman, also third-year sophomore, beat out Steve Bellisario to earn his start. But coach John Cooper expects both to play against Miami.

"Austin has more experience and a better grasp of the offense," Cooper said earlier this week in announcing his choice.

BASEBALL

College Football

Top quarterbacks will come out throwing

By RICHARD ROSENBLAT

Looking for a few good quarterbacks?

Tune in this weekend, when some of the nation's top guns start flinging footballs to open the final college season of the century.

Start with Louisiana Tech at No. 1 Florida State on Saturday, when a healthy Chris Weinke matches passes with the Bulldogs' Tim Rattay, who threw for nearly 5,000 yards last season.

Or try North Carolina State at No. 17 Texas, where Jamie Bannette, the ACC's total offense leader in 1998, book up with the Longhorns' Major Applewhite, who threw for 2,453 yards and 18 TDs even with Heisman Trophy-winning teammate Ricky Williams running for 2,124 yards.

Want versatility? Then Notre Dame's Jerious Jackson is the choice. Jackson, who threw for 1,420 yards and ran for another 441 yards in '99, leads the 18th-ranked Irish against visiting Kansas on Saturday.

Bob Davey opens his third season in South Bend, Ind., knowing four of his predeces­ sors won national titles in their third season. That streak will probably end, but the Irish were happy to add a 12th game to avoid opening on the road, against Michigan on Sept. 4.

"There's no suspense to why we did it," Davey said of schedulings. "We wanted to open up at home."

Tony Driver, a strong safety last season for the Irish, has been returned to tailback. Two years ago, as a freshman, Driver ran for 125 yards and three TDs.

How about two against one?

Check out State College, Pa., where No. 4 Arizona and its co­ quartersbacks Keith Smith and Orege Jenkins take on No. 3 Penn State and its starter, the much-maligned Kevin Thompson.

"Having two quarterbacks is amazing," Arizona running back Trang CaniCate said. "You think it would be a dis­ traction, but the bottom line is you have two phenomenoc, guys, and you just don't think about it."

Coach Dick Tomey said Smith, a senior, will start. Smith threw for 1,732 yards and 13 TDs, and ran for another 199 yards, while Jenkins passed for 1,011 yards and five TDs and ran for 156 yards.

If the Nittany Lions have a weak link, it's the passing game. Thompson threw just six TD passes and had eight inter­ ceptions in '98.

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MEN’S BASKETBALL

Carson leaves Illinois to complete ND staff

Special to the Observer

David Carson, an assistant basketball coach at Eastern Illinois University for the past three seasons, has been named the Coordinator of Basketball Operations at Notre Dame. The hiring of Carson completes head coach Matt Doherty’s staff, which also includes assistants Doug Wojcik, Fred Quartelbaum and Bob MacKinnon.

Carson helped lead the 1997-98 Eastern Illinois team to an overall record of 16-11 and a second place finish in the Ohio Valley Conference. Carson spent the 1995-96 season as a student assistant basketball coach at Illinois State as the team posted a 22-15 record and finished second in the Missouri Valley Conference, advancing to the quarterfinals of the National Invitation Tournament.

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will give the Irish a stronger defensive presence in the middle without sacrificing any offense.

"That’s been the focus of our preseason — changing to a defensive posture," Waldrom said but he also said that the new defensive posture will not hold back an offense that averaged 3.96 goals-per-game to lead the NCAA in scoring.

"We still have players like Anne, Jen Streiffer and Jen Grubb along with three forwards so I don’t think that it will slow us down at all," he said.

While the midfield is filled with experienced players, the new defense has a mix of young and veteran players.

HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY?
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Back injury jeopardizes Jones’ season

By STEPHEN WILSON

SEVILLE, Spain

The beat, the hard track and the daily grind took their toll on Marion Jones.

The world’s top female track and field athlete came to the World Championships seeking a record four gold medals.

She leaves with one gold, one bronze and a hard back.

Jones was carried off the track on a gurney Wednesday night after crumbling under the weight of her own success. An official statement from USA Track and Field said Jones suffered spasms and cramping in her lower back. Further treatment and tests were needed to determine the full extent of her condition.

It’s virtually certain that Jones won’t be competing any more at these championships, and the rest of her season could be in jeopardy, too.

Australian sprinter Nova Peris-Kneebone said Jones’ absence, no matter how long, would have a severe impact on the sport. “It’s tragic,” she said. “In my eyes, she’s the Wonder Woman of track and field. She’s gained so much respect.”

Primo Nebiolo, president of the International Amateur Athletic Federation, also was shaken by Jones’ injury.

“I was deeply affected by the injury sustained by Marion Jones, and I am sure that millions of fans around the world share this sentiment,” Nebiolo said. “Marion Jones has become a symbol of all that is best in athletics: enthusiasm and the simple joy of competition.”

The championships started with much promise for Jones as she retained her 100-meter title Sunday in a year’s best time of 10.79 seconds. But they had to settle for bronze in the long jump, dashing her hopes for four golds.

Jones was the heavy favorite in the 200 and was going to run in a relay later in the week.

In Wednesday’s race, she went down about 50 meters from the finish, clutching her lower back with her left hand and in extreme pain, her face contorted.

Jones was put onto a gurney and rolled into the medical area with her husband, shot put champion C.J. Hunter, at her side.

Doctors worked on Jones at the stadium for about 2 1/2 hours, before she walked out slowly under her own power without speaking to the media.

Plans to take her to a hospital were scrapped and she returned to her hotel room, asking not to be disturbed.

Competing so often on the hard Mondo track, the physical strains of long jumping and the extreme heat and humidity all may have played a role.

“It’s a track built for one race,” said Emmanuel Hudson, manager of men’s 100-meter champion Maurice Greene. “It’s not a practice track. Marion hadn’t had a day off since the championships began last Saturday. That’s a lot of work.

“She’s been taking a beating on the track. It’s too much for a long jump injury. Everyone forgets she’s been training for the long jump all week.”

Jones’ injury overshadowed Wednesday’s competition, highlighted by six finals.

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By STEPHEN WINE

Miami

Even among strikeout pitchers, Randy Johnson is the fastest ever.

Johnson reached 300 strikeouts in record time, notchting nine in seven innings Thursday to help the Arizona Diamondbacks beat the Florida Marlins 12-2.

Johnson (14-4) reached the milestone in his 29th start. The previous best was Pedro Martinez, who reached 300 in 31 starts in 1997.

“It’s a special achievement,” Johnson said. “I think if you’re going to top one in your position you’ve got to win, but anything that comes with that is great.

Danniel Miller hit a grand slam to cap Arizona’s team-record eight-run ninth. Matt Williams drove in four runs with two singles, a double and a sacrifice fly. Tony Womack had two hits and a walk, two stolen bases and three runs scored.

The NL West-leading Diamondbacks extended their winning streak to six games and completed a three-game sweep of Florida, which has lost six in a row.

Johnson reached 300 strikeouts with his eighth of the game against Kevin Millar to end the fifth inning.

“I had to face Randy Johnson every single night, I probably wouldn’t be here,” said Millar, who struck out in all three of his at-bats. “You can have your 4-A game, and he can make it a 4-B game quick. You feel real good at the plate, and you look up and you’ve struck out three times.”

Johnson, who also achieved the strikeout milestone in 1993 and 1998, John Nolasco Ryan and Sandy Koufax as the only pitchers to reach the 300 mark three times. Ryan had a record six 300 innings.

“I don’t know if everybody grasps the type of achievement this is,” Diamondbacks manager Buck Showalter said. “We’re all lucky to be here to see it. Randy is having as good a year as he’s ever had, and he’s had a lot of good ones.”

On a sunny, 84-degree afternoon, Johnson left the game with a 4-1 lead and 301 strikeouts after throwing 103 pitches. He allowed six hits.

“He was a little lightheaded early, but I think everybody was at some time today,” Showalter said. “His stamina impresses me as much as anything. On a day like today, a lot of guys would have trouble staying out there for five innings.”

Johnson, who has lost several low-scoring games, said this has been his best year. The 35-year-old lefty, who likely has started his last season remaining, and he needs 83 strikeouts to break Ryan’s one-season record of 383 set in 1973.

“If something like that happens, it’s similar to today — as long as we win the game, it’s great,” he said.

With his fastball reaching 99 mph, Johnson struck out six of the first nine Marlins, but Florida bunched three consecutive hits to score in the third. After Low Camilli singled to extend his hitting streak to 14 games, Dave Berg singled and Bruce Aven doubled off the wall.

“I think people thought Randy Johnson was going to come out and strike out 27 and throw a no-hitter,” Marlins manager John Boles said. “But they were out there fighting with him. They hung in there.

“But he is pretty good.”

Johnson was asymptomatic he was on the verge of the milestone when he went right batters without a strikeout before notchung No. 300.

“The first three or four innings I was crossing, and I didn’t realize how hard it was going to be to get that last strikeout,” he said.

Brian Meadows (10-12) allowed 10 hits and four runs in 6 2-3 innings against the Diamondbacks, who improved to 27-7 since July 20, best in the major leagues. Florida is 6-0 this year against Florida.

Womack led off Johnson’s game with a walk, stole his 56th base and scored on Williams’ two-out single.

In the third inning, Womack doubled, Jay Bell walked and Luis Gonzalez singled home a run. Williams followed with a sacrifice fly to make the score 3-0.
**Umpire union gains support in opposition of Phillips**

By RONALD BLUM

NY1K

The next fight for baseball umpires might be among themselves.

As umpires filed a new unfair labor practice charge against owners, there were indications the group opposed to union head Richie Phillips will try to topple him next month.

The anti-Phillips faction has been organizing, a person with knowledge of the group’s activities said Wednesday on the condition he not be identified.

Fourteen umpires, mostly in the AL, issued a statement last month criticizing Phillips and they have been seeking more umpires to join them.

They could try to force him out in a union vote, but it’s more likely they will file a decertification petition with the National Labor Relations Board.

“That’s to be determined,” said Dave Phillips, a senior umpire in the opposition group. “We haven’t discussed that yet. But we want our union to be based on democracy, with a non-dictatorial leadership.”

The opposition group is headed by three AL umps: Dave Phillips, not related to the union head, Joe Brinkman and John Hirschbeck. They voted last spring against giving Richie Phillips a new contract and were among the 27 umpires who refused to go along with the union’s strategy of mass resignations, causing the plan to collapse.

The union had hoped to force the start of negotiations for a new labor deal. Instead, 22 umpires’ resignations were accepted, effective Sept. 2.

Umpires now claim the resignations were merely symbolic and want the NLRA to seek an injunction to keep owners from terminating the 22. It’s unclear when the agency will act, and it may defer action to an arbitrator. NLRA regional director Tom Silverman said last week the agency would try to let the parties know its thinking before Sept. 2.

“The leadership we have at present is a leadership that has led these guys to absolute slaughter,” Dave Phillips said. “Less than one month and a half ago, we didn’t have 22 guys out of work. We, the Major League Umpires Association, don’t want to see Richie Phillips lead them the way of the Professional Air Traffic Controllers.”

In 1981, President Reagan fired more than 11,000 PATCO members when they defied a back-to-work order.

“I think that whatever they do, they’ll be unsuccessful,” Richie Phillips said. “I believe they do what they can to try to cover up their own dishonor.”

The latest unfair labor practice charge deals with the 25 new umpires baseball has hired from the minor leagues. While many of them have been vacation callups this summer, some have been working in the minor leagues since they were formally hired last month.

“That’s a clear contract violation,” Richie Phillips said. “It’s a clear unilateral change in the contract. It’s purposeful undermining of the union. It shows there was no need for the hiring of these umpires in July for potential duty in September.”

In papers filed with the NLRA, umpires claim baseball jumped at the disunity among umpires in an attempt to break the union.

Phillips said the newly hired umpires will be pressured by baseball to side against him in the umpires’ internal struggle.

“I believe all these umpires will be shortly receiving serious threats from major league baseball, and I expect that to happen in the next 24 hours,” Phillips said. “They will be told that if they support the union, they essentially will have the shortest careers in history. That message will come in letter form and phone calls.”

While most AL umps are angry, the dissenting group, the NL umps are near unanimous in their support of Phillips. There have been rumors that many NL umps will walk out next week, and baseball has told teams to have replacements available.

“We’ve discussed several options,” said NL ump Jerry Crawford, the union president. “Have we decided on any? No. I wouldn’t rule out anything.”

Owners do not think the latest charge has merit but didn’t want to respond publicly, one management lawyer said on the condition of anonymity.

Dave Phillips also accused Richie Phillips of creating a conflict of interest by having Pilot Air Freight Inc., a company controlled by the union head, pay some umpires.

“I think that any response by me would only lend a measure of dignity to those comments,” Richie Phillips said.

“There are some umpires out there that do specific work for Richie Phillips, yes there are,” Crawford said. “Ask Davey Phillips who he gets paid by. Whatever guys do for Pilot Air Freight, it’s got nothing to do with baseball. There’s other guys that have other jobs out there. What’s the big deal?”

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Tigers edge out Mariners in eighth

Associated Press

SEATTLE

Ken Griffey Jr. hit a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the eighth inning and John Halama pitched eight strong innings to give the Seattle Mariners a 3-2 victory over the Detroit Tigers on Wednesday night.

Halama (10-5) gave up two runs and eight hits, with no walks and four strikeouts, to snap a personal three-game losing streak.

In the eighth, Brian Hunter got aboard with a one-out single and Rafael Bournigal singled him to third before Griffey delivered the sacrificial fly to deep center.

The Tigers had a runner on second with one out in the ninth, but Jose Mesa struck out the final two batters for his 29th save in 33 chances as the Mariners won their third straight.

Brian Melder (8-4) gave up three runs and seven hits in 7 1-3 innings. The Mariners took a 2-0 lead in the fourth on Alex Rodriguez's RBI double and Edgar Martinez's RBI single.

In the Detroit fifth, Tony Clark hit his 33rd home run and Bobby Higginson, Damion Easley and Gabe Kapler had consecutive two-run home runs to tie the game 6-1 in the fifth, but the Mariners went on to win 7-2.

Masahiro Yamada (0-2) gave up six runs in 1 2-3 innings, to snap a three-game losing streak with a 6-3 victory over the Boston Red Sox.

Brad Hadke is reluctant to give up on the season.

"It's not that bad," Hadke said. "I'm just a guy who just wants to play, as much as anything else.

"We can't worry about the standings, we just have to take care of business each game."

Radke ropes in win to snap Twins' streak

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS

Brad Radke is reluctant to call himself an ace, but he pitched like one Wednesday night.

Radke, coming back from his worst start of the season, pitched 7-3 strong innings to help the Minnesota Twins snap a three-game losing streak with a 6-3 victory over the Boston Red Sox.

"Radke pitched the game that we needed to be pitched," manager Tom Kelly said.

"It's always nice to stop a losing streak," said Radke, who tied his shortest career outing Friday night, allowing six runs in 1 2-3 innings, to the Yankees.

This time, Radke (10-12) gave up four hits and two runs, one earned.

He pitched six-plus innings and allowed three earned runs or less for the 17th time in 26 starts this season.

He also walked less than three batters for the 130th time in 157 career starts.

But, when asked if he considered himself an ace, Radke shook his head.

"Any time you get a hit like that that loaded the bases, you just have to take care of business," Radke said. "I'm just a guy who just wants to play, as much as anything else.

"(We need to) just have to take care of business."
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Rocky start ends in 8-4 Colorado loss

BY ALAN ROBINSON
AP Sports Writer

PITTSBURGH - For Brian Giles, it was another rough outing in a satisfying season. For Pedro Astacio, it was a day straight out of Coors Field, even though he was in Three Rivers Stadium.

Giles drove in two runs and the Pittsburgh Pirates roughed up Astacio for six in the first two innings of an 8-4 victory over the Colorado Rockies on Thursday.

Astacio (4-10) had won four consecutive decisions and lasted at least seven innings in his last eight starts, only to yield six runs and seven hits in two innings.

It was an unwanted turn-around for Astacio, who had pitched nine innings in three of his four starts this month and had 4-1 in his last six starts against Pittsburgh.

"I knew he wasn't right before the game," Rockies manager Jim Leyland said. "He was out of the game warm-up and I could see it from the bench once he got in there. He said he was OK, but his velocity was down some." That wasn't Pedro, I don't know what the problem is, I just hope it's not his should-er." Astacio's ERA jumped from 4.73 — good by Coors Field standards — to 4.96 with a quick, ineffective outing than seemed more likely in Colorado than in pitcher-friendly Pittsburgh.

Astacio blamed bad pitching, not a bad arm.

"I just didn't have a good day," he said. "It's just one of those days that happens, I felt good. Sometimes you're just going to have a bad day." Giles had a sacrifice fly in a two-run Pirates first inning and a three-run triple in the second that made it 6-0. Giles needs six RBIs to drive in 100 runs for the first time in his career.

"I didn't really set any number goals," said Giles, who had 66 RBIs as a part-timer in Cleveland last season. "I had never played a full season before. But I always knew I could play if I got the chance. They didn't look over me there, and I thought I could do this if I got to play.

Martin added run-scoring singles in the third and the fifth, when he stopped an 0-2-3 start against left-handers with a hit off Rigo Beltran. That followed the second hit by Anderson, who earlier crossed up a drawn-in Rockies infield by slapping the ball into right field to drive in the first run of the four-run second inning.

Pirates pitchers are 7-0 for 11 with two RBIs in their last four games. Terry Shumpert's seventh homer, in the fourth, was the first hit off Anderson, who led off following singles, a walk and a run-scoring error by third baseman Ed Sprague, in his two-run sixth. Todd Holland hit his 250th home, in the seventh off Greg Haggan.

"Jimmy's going to be a good pitcher if he gets more consistent with his control," Pirates manager Gene Lamont said. "He can handle the bat and can field his position, and a pitcher can help himself out if he does that." Astacio is 0-5 against left-handed starters this month, losing to Chris Peters and Anderson in the last two days.

"If I'm an opposing manag- er, I would pitch soft-throwing, left-handers against us," Helton said.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Bubba Trammell hit a two-run homer and Jose Guillen had a two-run shot as the Tampa Bay Devil Rays beat the Chicago White Sox 9-7 Thursday.

Trammell homered during a four-run, fifth-inning that put the Devil Rays ahead 8-1. Guillen, acquired from the Pirates in a four-player trade on July 23, hit his first Tampa Bay home run in the fourth.

Wade Boggs went 2-for-4, raising his hits total to 3.010 with an an RBI double in the fifth and an infield single in the eighth. He also had a sacrifice fly in the sixth.

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Roberto Hernandez pitched the ninth to convert his 14th consecutive save opportunity since June 30. He has 35 saves in 38 chances this season.

Eiland's injury is not consid- ered serious and that he should be ready for his next scheduled start.

Chicago's John Snyder (9-9) was chased after giving up eight runs and eight hits in 4 1-3 innings. He has allowed five home runs in 10 innings during his past two starts.

Paul Sorrento snapped an 0- for-15 slump with a first-inning RBI single that put the Devil Rays up 1-0.

Jose Canseco made it 2-0 with a run-scoring single in the third.

Tampa Bay returns home to host the Los Angeles Dodgers. The Devil Rays return home to host the New York Yankees.

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Irish hope four backs are key to '99 Final Four

Top-finishing Yarello returns to lead Saint Mary's pack

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Associate Sports Editor

An old adage says “If it ain’t broke, don’t fix it.” If not following conventional wisdom, a defense that finished second in the Big East in goals against-average and first in shutouts would remain unchanged. Women’s soccer coach Randy Waldrum, however, hopes that straying from conventional wisdom will result in an even better defense in 1999.

After playing with three defensive backs in 1998, Waldrum has instituted a four back system and moved star players around to accommodate the new defensive system. Waldrum said that the new four-back system will make Notre Dame stronger on defense.

“We felt more comfortable that it (the four-back system) was able to cover more ground defensively,” he said.

“It’s a give us a little bit more safety defensively.”

In order to accommodate the defensive switch, the Irish had to move one of the midfielders to the backline. Despite having fewer players in the midfield, Waldrum said he does not think the offense will suffer.

“We felt like the kind of players we put in the back four were also offensively-minded players and this system allows us some safety defensively,” he said.

“But also enables those players to get involved in the进攻.”

Cross Country

Top-finishing Yarello returns to lead Saint Mary’s pack

By KATIE MCVY
Sports Writer

On the field and off, junior Genevieve Yarello is looked to for leadership, experience, strength, and support.

Yarello, one of seven returning runners from the 1998 Saint Mary’s cross country team, is one of the Belles' top finishers.

Last season she ran a consistent 20 minutes, 30 seconds and was regularly Saint Mary’s second place runner.

During the MIAA cross country championship, she finished with a strong 33rd place finish. Her 20:24 time was right behind fellow team leader Melissa Goss.

“I’m very, very excited about our team this year,” said Yarello.

“There’s a lot of talent so everything is up for grabs. But I hope to help lead the team. I hope to improve my time from last year, but I realize that it is most important to do my best and have fun.”

Yarello started running her freshman year in high school, making this her seventh season as a runner.

She did not start running for glory or health but instead to be with her sister.

“I started, honestly,” said Yarello. “Because my sister was on the team and she loved it. I thought it would be a great experience with my sister.”

Yarello has found that running at a women’s college is a very rewarding experience. Most athletes find support from teammates.

At Saint Mary’s, Yarello finds support from students and faculty as well.

“The professors really take pride in women’s athletics,” she said.

“Off the field, Yarello is counted on as a friend and supporter.

She is currently a resident advisor at McCandless. Her teammates say they can count on her for anything.

“She’s the kind of person anyone likes to see coming at them,” said Miller, "because she always has a kind word. You have to love her.”

The freshmen on the team know they can count on Yarello.

“She’s really personable,” said freshman Nicole Prezioso.

“‘She made me feel like I was really a part of the team. She’s very supportive and positive as a teammate and as a person.”

Yarello, an education major, wants to continue to help others.

Her future plans include running as a part of a whole. “I hope running is always a big part of my life,” said Yarello.

“My life goals are to be the best teacher I can be, to raise a good family and to be happy.”

Yarello has proven herself as an impressive runner and an important leader.

On the field and off, Yarello leads the pack.
After a senior season marred by injury, fifth-year split end Bobby Brown returns to the field to take matters into his own hands. Brown looks to return to his outstanding 1997 form in hopes of leading the Irish to their first bowl victory since the 1993 season. See the cover story on page 3.
Notre Dame is your team.

"I think Kansas is treating this game like a bowl game."

Terry Allen
Jayhawks coach

At this point, we just want to be 1-0.

Grant Irons
defensive end

"When you play against Notre Dame, you are going to step up your level of competition."

Tony Fisher
Tailback

Anxiety sets in for season opener

By BRIAN KESSLER
Sports Editor

The Eddie Robinson Classic will offer head coach Bob Davie a chance Saturday to see just where his 18th-ranked Irish team stands.

"I think all of us, obviously, are anxious," Davie said. "You really don't know. You think you know what you have, you hope that you've made some progress. You hope that you're a better football team. The bottom line is that you really don't know until Saturday."

The same goes for Terry Allen’s Jayhawks, who are coming off a disappointing 4-7 season in which they won only one conference game. Allen’s team is still searching for its identity, especially on defense.

The Jayhawks surrendered over 230 yards per game in the run-dominated Big 12 Conference. Kansas, however, is taking a positive outlook into Saturday’s showdown.

"The anxiety we feel for the Notre Dame game is more a sense of excitement and opportunity," Kansas head coach Terry Allen said.

"I know Kansas is excited to play in this game," Davie said. "I realize this is a great opportunity for Kansas, pretty much a bowl game."

Davie is taking a Lou Holtz-like stance and downplaying the lop-sided matchup where the Irish are heavy favorites.

"This is the first game of the year. First games are always concerns. They (Kansas) are explosive. Both their tailbacks are quick and can make big plays anytime during the game. They're a great team."

"This is the biggest game of the season and that's the approach we're taking," added junior defensive end Grant Irons. "We're looking forward to Kansas. Our focus right now is them. As athletes, we know the importance of taking one game at a time."

After three weeks of intense drills and conditioning, Irons and the rest of the squad hope their hard work pays off when the Jayhawks come to town.

"I think this week was critical to get everything fine-tuned," Irons said. "We've worked hard this summer on working out and we're excited about Kansas."

Preparing for the Jayhawks has been a difficult task for Davie and his staff.

"I see a lot of schemes on both sides of the ball and in the kicking game," Davie said. "They're multiple on defense, they do a lot of offense, they change the things in the kicking game. They're a tough team to prepare for." Davie's main concern, however, is how his team has progressed in the offseason.

"I'd like to think we're better. I'm not sure," he said. "You look at our offense, I do think we're more explosive than we've been. I'm anxious to see if we can get some big plays. You look at our wide receivers, the one thing we've done consistently throughout this camp is we've been able to throw and catch the football. And I hope we can continue that because I do think we're better there.
Brown changes setbacks into success

By TIM CASEY

It didn’t take long for Bobby Brown to make his college decision. Less than 24 hours after his visit to Notre Dame on Jan. 20, 1995, Brown was convinced of his choice after spending time with future teammates Shawn Wooden, Laフォン Moore, Ivory Covington and Allen Rossum.

"The whole time I came up here, the only thing that I could think about was how cold it was," Brown recalled. "But then Saturday night, I was out in the cold and I couldn’t feel it anymore because all the guys accepted me like I was a brother."

"That night I called my mother at five in the morning and told her I made my decision. She respected my choice," he added. "I forgot about the climate and thought about everything that was going on around me. I knew then that Notre Dame was the place for me."

And so began Brown’s Notre Dame career. At times, it’s been outstanding. In other cases, he has struggled. But through it all, Brown has continued to battle.

The fifth-year junior from Lauderhill, Fla., came into his own in 1997. The Irish leader in catches and touchdown receptions, Brown was the key member of the passing attack.

A year later, the adulation turned into frustration. An early-season wrist injury slowed his progress. Brown responded late in the season, including a crucial 15-yard catch on third-and-long in the third period against Arizona State to put the Irish up 23-3, but he was never 100 percent in the game.

At the time, head coach Bob Davie affirmed that Brown was the receiver who most consistently blocked. Brown, however, didn’t want to be known as just a blocker.

"As a receiver, you never want to hear that you’re a great blocker," Brown said. "Due to my injury, they didn’t have the confidence that I could do the same things I did the year before."

"But I wanted the people, when they look at me, to see someone who didn’t feel sorry for himself."

"Last year was pretty rough," Brown continued. "In athletics, things don’t always go your way, but it’s something that makes a man out of you. The ones who can survive are usually the ones who end up on top and the ones who can’t, usually fall by the wayside. Hopefully, I’ll end up on top."

To climb to the top, Brown, along with the majority of players, stayed on campus this summer to practice. Besides taking one summer school course, Brown worked out five days a week with quarterback Jarious Jackson.

"Workouts this summer were really intense," Brown said. "Guys were willing to give up their summers, which is kind of foreign for us. Usually we have a week or so to go home after summer school."

"This year, we knew with the early start that we had to give up the summer. We made sure we did it right."

When summer camp started, Brown was eager to prove last year’s skeptics wrong.

"I started off camp on a rampage, feeling that I had a lot to prove and I still feel that way," Brown said. "I’ve got to prove to myself that I can bounce back."

"In proving it to myself, hopefully I will show the people who doubted me last year," he added. "But I didn’t go anywhere. I just put it on pause for a second."

Working under new offensive coordinator Kevin Rogers also excites Brown. In his tenure at Syracuse, Rogers’ teams always ranked among the nation’s top offenses.

"He’s great; his numbers don’t lie," Brown said of his new offensive coordinator. "What he did at Syracuse was proof. I ask him everyday to throw more than they did last year. He probably gets sick of me asking him, but I think we’ll throw more to keep the defense a little off guard and keep them on their heels."

Brown is unsure where he will be after college.

He has already met his graduation requirements, but decided to defer a year to earn a minor in African-American studies. Once the season is over, however, he plans to relax — in a warm climate.

"Maybe I’ll fly out to Jamaica and sit back with a few of my teammates — Raki [Nelson], Jarious Jackson, Lamont [Bryant] and others," said Brown. "Just kick back and look at the future. Of course, I want to play in the NFL, but I’m not one of those guys that has to do it."

"I’m ready to move on whenever that book closes. If I don’t play in NFL, I may take the LSAT and go to law school."

As long as he’s on the beach, wearing a ring inscribed “2000 National Champions,” Brown will be satisfied.

Bobby Brown, shown here in last year’s game against Baylor, exploded onto the scene in 1997 when he caught 45 passes for 543 yards and six touchdowns. Brown hopes to lead the Irish to a national title this year.

With Bobby Brown

up close & personal

With Bobby Brown

birthdate: March 26, 1977
hometown: Lauderdale, Fla.
major: government
that: African-American studies
dimensions: 6-foot-2, 219 pounds
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best moment at Notre Dame off the field: community service in South Bend
Future plans: NFL or law school
Chose Notre Dame over: Boston College, Northwestern, Florida State, Ohio State
Favorite Bobby Brown song: My Prerogative
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**EYE ON THE ENEMY**

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**Irish secondary faces stiff test in home opener against Big 12’s finest receivers**

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Associate Sports Editor

In a Big 12 Conference dominated by power running games and option attacks, the Kansas Jayhawks feature an aerial attack and a pair of talented receivers.

Kansas coach Terry Allen has implemented a high-powered passing game that he said is finally fully implemented.

"We've got a better grasp of the system," he told the Topeka Capital-Journal. "Maybe we've just gotten more people to believe. The installation is complete. Now we've just got to line-tune and that comes from getting your head right."

Harrison Hill and Termaine Fulton are the best in a talented bunch of Jayhawks' receivers.

They are speedy wide-outs with good hands and big play potential who will test the Irish secondary that has had previous trouble covering big play receivers.

"That's probably my biggest concern right now: How good are our guys?" Irish coach Bob Davie said. "We played a lot of man-to-man in camp. I want to see how these guys can cover."

The Kansas running game will be relying on an inexperienced offensive line to open holes in a deep and talented Irish defensive line.

If the Jayhawks are unsuccessful on the ground, they will turn to the air and throw the ball even more than usual.

Notre Dame secondary coach Lou West said the Irish don't need to make special adjustments for the Jayhawk receivers.

"We are going to play what we know best," he said.

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Terry Allen is the all-time winningest coach in Division 1-AA history with Northern Iowa.

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the Jayhawks 1899 undefeated season.
August means hot college football action

Miami fans show their support for the Hurricanes and boldly predict a national championship. A win over ninth-ranked Ohio State could put Miami on track for its first national title in the 1990s.

Associated Press

Get ready for a classic weekend of college football.

Three of the nation's top four teams help kick off the season on Saturday, with top-ranked Florida State opening at home against Louisville Tech, and No. 4 Arizona at No. 3 Penn State in the Pigskin Classic.

While the Seminoles are five-touchdown favorites over the Bulldogs, Arizona-Penn State shapes up as one of the biggest season-openers in years.

Why jeopardize national title aspirations by playing such a big game so early?

"Really, there are very few negatives," Penn State coach Joe Paterno insisted. "When you have a chance to prepare for a team as good as Arizona, you probably get a little more out of summer conditioning and preseason practice."

"Win or lose, you are probably a better football team when you start the next week."

Sounds reasonable, but the loser may find it a bit tougher to get back in the chase for the national championship.

"We plan to go in there and play well," said Keith Smith, who alternates at quarterback with Ortege Jenkins.

"All the talk about Penn State's defense is definitely true," Candiate said. "They're frightening."

Arizona, winners of 16 of its last 17 games, boasts an offense that averaged 445 yards and 34.7 points last season. In addition to their topnotch quarterbacks, the Wildcats have Trung Canidate, the nation's leading rusher last season, ready.

"Really, they have no weaknesses," Louisiana Tech's coach Mike Kugler said. "We're not playing Hawaii, this is what could be the best defense in the country."

The Wildcats' lightning-fast tailback, Warrick, who is one of the preseason Heisman Trophy candidates, is definitely early?

"When the fourth-ranked Wildcats and No. 4 Arizona bring one of college football's top-ranked teams to Beaver Stadium, where Penn State hasn't lost a home game since 1990," Paterno said.

"Arrington and Short bring "Linebacker U" back to Penn State in defensive coordinator Jerry Sandusky's final year in Happy Valley."

Standing on the opposite side of the ball, the Wildcat quarterback tandem of Smith and Jenkins look to improve on the school record 444.9 yards per game set last year.

ESPN/USA Today poll

1 Florida St. (2) 11-2 1,447
2 Tennessee (13) 11-2 1,346
3 Arizona (2) 11-2 1,301
4 Penn State (6) 10-2 1,287
5 Florida 10-2 1,113
6 Nebraska 9-4 1,005
7 Michigan 10-3 964
8 Texas A&M 11-3 1,001
9 Ohio St. 11-1 1,024
10 Wisconsin 11-1 997
11 Georgia Tech 10-2 748
12 Miami Fl. 9-3 704
13 North Carolina 10-2 671
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The inside edge

records: 0-0
A.P. rank: No. 18
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Quarterbacks: Jarious Jackson’s mobility and accuracy give him the advantage over Kansas’ Zac Wegner, who threw for 1,638 yards last season.

running backs: Kansas’ Mitch Holmoe and David Winkelsh power the Kansas running game that gained 1,638 yards last season.

receivers: The Jayhawks return one of the best receiving corps in the Big 12 with Termaine Fulton and Harrison Hill. The Irish feature veteran leadership in Bobby Brown and Joey Getherrall and young, talented playmaker Javin Hunter.

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IRISH EXCHANGE

Irish must learn to play like champions

'96, '77, '88. With a $30,000 education, Notre Dame students prove they can count by 11.

Unfortunately, the Irish need a little more than a kindergarten degree to win a national championship this year. Before Notre Dame can even consider a 1999 title, Irish head coach Bob Davie’s squad needs to learn to play like a team worthy of a top spot in the polls.

So, it’s a good thing the school of hard knocks is in session for Davie and company. In this classroom, the professor will look to the students for answers.

The only real test to gauge Notre Dame’s caliber will come on the gridiron. The first part will come this Saturday against the Jayhawks. Irish fans can be sure that Davie will be ready with pen and paper in hand.

The biggest topic the Irish need to cover will be protecting the running game. Only center John Merandil and guard Mike Gandy have started previously for the Irish on the line. Merandil is the only veteran — with 12 starts in 1998 — among the front five.

"Wait till next year" can easily replace the thoughts of a title for Notre Dame if tackle Jordan Black and John Teasdale and guard Jim Jones don’t land their first significant dive into the trenches.

The running game plan also is unclear. With Tony Fisher and Tony Driver running neck-and-neck for the starting tailback spot, Davie’s plan is to run them both and let them in the spotlight.

Even as Fisher seemed to emerge as the favorite this week, the best bet is to give the duo a 50-50 shot against Kansas to see who will carry the Irish for the rest of the season.

Defensively, the Irish will take a more stable starting set on the field, but look for players lower on the depth chart to make their move.

The biggest area of concern here will come from the cornerbacks, thinned by the season-long suspension of Brock Williams.

With these questions unanswered, Davie’s 1999 squad will square off against a Kansas team that debuted Colorados and lost to Texas A&M by three points last season. But the Jayhawks will take backseat to the more pressing position questions that the Irish face.

Only with these questions settled and a winning arrow on hand can Notre Dame tackle its biggest opponent to date: the demands for a 1999 National Championship.

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KANSAS SHOULD FORGET NOTRE DAME HISTORY

Saturday, Kansas’ football team should denounce Catholicism, forget about Touchdown Jesus, and for heaven’s sake, not rent a video at Blockbuster.

This is not time for "Rudy."

Most Jayhawks have seen the feel-good, inspirational movie and many of them can relate to the story. Some are walk-ons, a handful are overachievers, and Kansas is slated as such a longshot Saturday that landing someone on Mars by kickoff is looking more plausible in comparison.

Kansas should forget Rudy and the past.

This is not the same program Roone ran. Bob Davie, Notre Dame’s third-year coach, is far from legendary, and Notre Dame simply isn’t that good. Kansas can win this game, but only if it can forget history.

Notre Dame loves to divulge itself as a program. Its heinrich-diuring media guide has hundreds of pages devoted to the Notre Dame mystique. There are wonderful biographies of Joe Montana, Raghib Ismail and Ross Brower. The old names sound terrific, but how do Jarious Jackson, Tony Driver and Bobby Brown sound?

About as threatening as California’s Northridge or a bad 1980s rap group, take your pick.

Notre Dame hates to talk about the present and the future. Currently, the Irish are very regular. They are average at most positions.

Jackson, the team’s quarterback and biggest threat to the Jayhawks, threw six interceptions last year.

Its running back, Driver played defense mostly in 1998, and no cajoling from Davie about the Glipper will turn their receivers into threats.

Notre Dame loves to talk about ‘66, ‘77 and ‘88, past national championship years. Not much is being said about 1999 because Irish eyes can see the Pope might have better moves than most returning Irish.

There is no pressure laid on Kansas.

The Jayhawks are expected to be thumped, but happily so because the school is making a large profit from playing in the Eddie Robinson Classic. Notre Dame’s fans can thus carry the arrogance that their stadium is a shrine nobody can resist visiting.

Terry Allen won’t be watching "Rudy."

The only video Allen’s team will be watching is of the current Irish, who are nothing like the past.

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JOHN DAILY/The Observer

Head coach Bob Davie, who recently signed a contract extension, will look to lead the Irish to a victory over Kansas in Saturday’s Eddie Robinson Classic.
Senior defensive tackle Brad Williams, shown here against Purdue, will anchor a defensive line that returns every letter winner from 1998. A strong, experienced defensive line made a defensive scheme switch easy.

Redefining Irish Tradition

photos by JOHN DAILY

A new 4-3 defensive alignment and a new offensive coordinator will give the Irish a different look in 1999. Yet, even with all the changes, Notre Dame hopes the winning tradition of Irish football will continue into the next century. The Kansas Jayhawks will provide Notre Dame with its first test of the new schemes in the Eddie Robinson Classic on Saturday in Notre Dame Stadium.

Jarious Jackson will unleash offensive coordinator Kevin Rogers’ explosive offense Saturday when he takes the field for his last year under the Golden Dome.

Deveron Harper is one of three seniors in the Irish secondary.

Sophomore David Givens should get more opportunities to score in 1999 with extended playing time in a five-receiver rotation.