Students abroad experience pope's funeral

Pilgrims flood Roman streets to pay tribute

By RICKY McROSKEY
News Writer

HOME — During the past several weeks, Notre Dame students studying in Rome have had the unique opportunity to witness the events surrounding Pope John Paul II's final days, folowed by the tremendous outburst of love and respect when he was laid to rest.

The week's events concluded with the pope's funeral Friday, an event watched around the globe by tens of millions — the largest funeral in history. Presidents, prime ministers and dignitaries packed in from all over the world to attend.

However, the size of the crowd made it nearly impossible for Notre Dame students to be inside St. Peter's Square for the Mass, and even some Vatican priests weren't able to obtain tickets. Some students stood in

Above, Pope John Paul II lies in state. At right,mourners gather at the Vatican in Rome for funeral services.

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SMC announces '72 graduate as commencement speaker

By NICOLE ZOOK
Assistant News Editor

It won't be the first time the women in a Saint Mary's graduating class will hear words of wisdom from a distinguished former Belle at commencement.

Janet Endress Squires, M.D., director of the division of child advocacy for the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, professor of pediatric medicine at the Pittsburgh School of Medicine and 1972 graduate, will deliver the 2003 commencement address May 14.

Squires joins a list of notable Saint Mary's women who have returned to their alma mater to give such a speech, including author and 2003 speaker Adriana Trigiani and last year's speaker, vice president of Xerox Diane Daly McGarry.

Marketing Communications director Nick Farmer said he believes Squires is an excellent choice for graduation speaker and will greatly add to the ceremony.

"Saint Mary's is proud to welcome Dr. Squires back to campus," he said. "She's a prominent physician, an educator and a strong voice for children, and I think she'll offer an inspiring message to the class of 2003."

Squires has been recognized nationally for her work with abused children and children with HIV after serving as director of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center's pediatric HIV clinic, program for Referral and Evaluation of Abused Children (REACH) and division chief of the University's General Academic Pediatrics. Squires received awards from the Texas Pediatric Society, Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Dallas Business Journal and Children's Miracle Network. She will receive an honorary degree from Saint Mary's in May.

Also receiving degrees are Sister Marian Teresa Gomes, CSC, and Heifer Project International.

Gomes is the former area VII coordinator for the Holy Cross Sisters and the president of Holy Cross College in Dhaka, Bangladesh. Under Gomes' direction, Holy Cross was recognized as the best university in Bangladesh in 2003.

First campus-wide food drive succeeds

By KATIE WAGNER
News Writer

Notre Dame students implemented the University's first ever campus-wide canned food drive Saturday, donating all goods to the Northern Indiana Food Bank.

More than 100 students collected approximately 4,000 lbs of food during the food drive, which took place between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Saturday.

Saturday's activities concluded with University President Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh blessing the donated food items at the Hesburgh Center at 4:15 p.m.

Co-coordinators Patrick Corrigan and Matthew Hughes said a "lofty" goal of collecting 10 tons of food was set. But "the output was hard to predict for the first year," Corrigan said.

"I wish we would have reached our goal, but I was not disappointed with the effort," he said. "It was thrilled with the amount of people that came out and the enthusiasm."

SAGA faces limited backlash

By MEGAN O'NEILL
Saint Mary's Editor

Speculation that the Saint Mary's administration and possibly President Carol Mooney herself would intervene in the March 21 Board of Governors (BOG) approval of the Straight and Gay Alliance (SAGA) has dwindled in the weeks following the vote.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Business majors do work

Breaking news for Notre Dame students:

Business majors do work. Seriously. Sometimes they even do a lot of work. Maybe more even than you.

We all know that Notre Dame is a campus of stereotypes. I've taken it upon myself to defend the oppressed townies, Zahn guys and SMG chicks, although apparently the Belles still don't like me very much. Really, just was just making a joke about husband-hunting, although if you're this defensive... I'm not even going to go there.

But even people who tolerate Zahn, respect those at all-women's MIAA conference schools and look past the code of Penn High administration.

Maybe types. I've taken it upon myself to think twice. Maybe that kid's have experienced firsthand the discrimination that comes along with a degree (pending graduation) in business administration.

Some of the most stressed-out people I know are business students. I know marketing majors who get up early every weekend to do work. I know accounting majors who don't go out on Fridays because they have too much to do.

I know finance majors who don't do any work at all, ever, unless lying on a couch and watching Family Guy is work. But people like that tend to be exceptions to the rule. Mostly, we business majors are heroes of projects, exam studying and homework — I know for a fact I take more exams and do more projects than my pro-professional roommate.

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I'm just throwing an idea out there: maybe you need to rethink your views on business majors. Let's face it, the vast majority of engineers, architects and doctors are going to end up working for a business major. It's business majors who can keep a company running properly, despite all your skills in the applied life sciences. Who runs the hospital?

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CORRECTIONS

Due to a reporting error, an article in the April 8 issue of The Observer noted winners will be bifurcated according to the gender of the winners. They will resume work May 16. The Observer regrets the error.

Students dance at the Hawaii Club's "A Day in the Sun" luau on Saturday.

OFFBEAT

Teacher forces girl to unclog toilet

BONITA SPRINGS, Fla. — After a girl got sick in the bathroom of her kindergarten class, the teacher made her don rubber gloves and manually remove a clog from the toilet, according to a lawsuit filed by the girl's mother.

Lori Januska sued Bonita Springs Charter School this week after she said her 5-year-old daughter, Heather, clogged the toilet Sept. 22 and her teacher made her remove the clog as the entire class watched.

The suit said "a vulnerable 5-year-old was subjected to cruel, unusual and traumatic disciplinary actions which directly resulted in severe emotional, distress, pain and suffering and mental distress."

The girl suffers from an incurable gastrointestinal condition.

The suit seeks unspecified damages, claims the school staff was negligent in hiring an unqualified teacher.

A woman who bit into finger has lawsuit history

LAS VEGAS — The woman who claims she bit into a human finger while eating chili at a Wendy's restaurant has a history of filing lawsuits — including a claim against another fast-food restaurant.

Anya Ayala, 39, who hired a San Jose, Calif., attorney to represent her in the Wendy's case, has been involved in at least half a dozen legal battles in the San Francisco Bay area, according to court records.

She brought a suit against an ex-boss in 1998 for sexual harassment and sued an auto dealership in 2000, alleging the wheel fell off her car. That suit was dismissed after Ayala fired her lawyer, who said she had threatened him.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE CHANGES TO CLASS REGISTRATION THIS YEAR?

Emelina Choi sophomore Breen-Phillips "I miss my friend, DART!"

Mike Lee junior Dillon "Changes? What changes?"

Zhan-Wei Khaw freshman Keenan "I don't care 'cause I don't know my DART time."

Katy McCoy sophomore Breen-Phillips "I think it's confusing and there will be a lot of problems."

Clare Halloran sophomore PE "I actually think it will be helpful."

Tatianne Hsu freshman Cavanagh "I'm lost, I don't know what's happening."

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IN BRIEF

Welsh Family Hall will host a presentation entitled "Balancing Career and Family" in the Family Room at 7:30 p.m. tonight. Speakers include women's basketball coach Muffet McGraw, dean of the Mendoza College of Business Carolyn Woo and law professor Michelle Shakkour. Food will be provided.

Jack Welch, retired chairman of the board and chief executive officer of General Electric Co., will lead a question-and-answer session and sign copies of his new book "Winning" at a presentation Wednesday April 13 at 4:30 p.m. in the Jordan Auditorium of the Mendoza College of Business. The event is free and open to the public.

Author and scholar Adela Cortina will speak on the ethics of development and recognize the career achievements of Notre Dame economist Denis Goulet at 5 p.m. Thursday in the Hesburgh Center auditorium. Cortina will put forward a model of development ethics in a talk titled "Development Ethics: A Road to Peace."

The Keough Institute for Irish Studies will host the annual meeting of the American Conference for Irish Studies from Wednesday to Sunday. The five-day meeting, entitled "Ireland Beyond Borders," will include lectures by Seamus Deane, Keough Professor of Irish Studies at Notre Dame, and numerous other Irish writers.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to observer@nd.edu.
Graduate says his time at the University prepared him for medical school and future endeavors in the world of science

By STEVE KERINS

Tim Cordes graduated from Notre Dame in 1998 at the top of his class, an enormous achievement under any circumstances. For Cordes, however, the accomplishment was even more noteworthy—he is blind.

Now, after earning his M.D. from the University of Wisconsin and graduating in the top sixth of his class, he is working toward his Ph.D. studying how a bacterium that causes pneumonia and other infections regulates its toxins.

"In general, I view my time at Notre Dame as a series of glimpses of how things could or should be," Cordes said. "Possibly it seemed to be lurking around every corner."

Cordes said his condition did not limit him during his years at Notre Dame.

"Giant projects could be undertaken and delivered at a moment's notice, guys like me could get dates to SYRs—you name it. This sense of hope and promise has kept me going on those long days since," he said.

Cordes said his Notre Dame experience prepared him for medical school and his future plans.

"More practically, my biochemistry major was a great foundation for both medical school and my graduate work," he added. "The theology and philosophy I received also have helped me deal with the more human issues of medicine and life."

Cordes also considered the sources of inspiration that helped him along the way.

"One of the most inspiring things about my time at Notre Dame was the tremendous people I met," he said. "I was surrounded by generous, talented individuals."

He told the story of a student he met during freshman orientation who volunteered to read for him.

"He repeatedly refused to be paid for his work," Cordes said, "One day, he fell asleep on me in mid-sentence. He was pushing himself so hard, but yet, still tried to stop and give of his time for others."

He continued, "Likewise, there were rectors and faculty who really took time to mentor and teach. With people like that around, it was easy to be inspired."

This inspiration carried over to Cordes' medical school experience.

"What inspires me about medical school is that when I'm treating a patient, I'm bringing all I know of the science and all I know as a human being and focusing it in that one instant on helping another," he said.

After completing medical school in December, Cordes joined the ranks of the small but elite group of blind doctors in the United States. Since he has finished his Ph.D. in biomolecular chemistry, he plans to pursue a residency in psychiatry or internal medicine as well as continuing to research.

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Other goals were to generate excitement for next year's food drive and to improve Notre Dame's relationship with the South Bend community.

"When you have this kind of thing, you're looking to improve it each time and go into it knowing you can improve it each time you do it," co-coordinator Christine McGlinchey said. "I think this is more than anything a trial run."

Co-coordinator John Corrigan agreed with McGlinchey and said he was not disappointed by reaching the drive's initial goal.

"This year we're going for participation and enthusiasm," Cordes said. "We're trying to work out all the kinks in it and get some excitement about this event."

Cordes said he thought the participation of Notre Dame students could greatly influence the actions of those in South Bend.

"This is something we're really going to push hard to continue providing for ND and the South Bend community," Cordes said. "We figure that if we get enough of a response, then we're going to get enough of a South Bend response, just because of our presence there.

Five "squads" were responsible for collecting food from a designated South Bend or Mishawaka neighborhood that ranged from 600 to 1,000 houses.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, the squads distributed flyers to their respective neighborhoods letting residents know of the food drive's location, explaining they were looking for non-perishable food items and informing them they could leave items outside of their doors to be collected.

Badin, Keenan, Lewis, Zahn and the CSC donated money for the event's posters, boxes, neighborhood flyers, CSC van rental and other expenses.

Approximately $1,000 was given and there was no fund-raising involved," McGlinchey said.

Cordes, Hughes, McGlinchey and Corrigan are all sophomores who have demonstrated dedication to service prior to their involvement with the food drive. Center for Social Concerns (CSC) staff member Bob McDowell was the faculty overseer of the event.

McGlinchey said Corrigan presented the idea of having a campus-wide food drive at one of the monthly social concerns commissioners' meetings.

The success of the Keenan Canned Food Drive this December coupled with Corrigan and Cordes' experiences with working for their high school's food drives inspired the student leaders to start working with the Center for Social Concerns to plan the campus-wide canned food drive.

"It's been a lot of fun pulling all the different dorms together," Hughes said. "The squad leaders and individual dorm representatives have absolutely wonderful in raising the call to participate in the dorms across campus."

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Social work program hosts forum on families, children

Saint Mary's students organized annual event as part of Human Behavior and Social Environment II class

By KIMBERLY ABEEL

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A network of students from across the school gathered in the St. Peter’s Square, many students studied in Rome.

“As for future efforts, the department will continue working in this area and communicate progress made by the forum with the use of an e-mail list and various community update procedures.”

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**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

**Earthquake hits near Sumatra**

JAKARTA, Indonesia — An undersea earthquake that toppled hundreds of traveler's homes last week centered about 70 miles southwest of Padang, a city in western Sumatra, at a depth of nearly 19 miles, the U.S. Geological Survey said.

"Many people in Padang are panicking," said Dr. Djolanda Santoso, head of Sumatra's Geophysics and Meteorology Agency who said 80 to 100 houses were damaged, "especially those living on the coast."

Tremors from the earthquake were felt in several areas surrounding the Malaysian city of Kuala Lumpur, national meteorological chief How Kook Koo told TV 3 news.

**Cardinals stick to silence vow**

VATICAN CITY — Pilgrims gazed forbid­derly at the third-floor window where Pope John Paul II traditionally appeared on Sunday and cardinals held to their vow of public silence ahead of next week’s secret vote on a new pope.

The cardinals who celebrated Masses around Rome confined their remarks to tightly scripted homilies after pledging Saturday to make no more public statements by going to their meetings for selecting the new leader for the world’s 1.1 billion Roman Catholics.

Mounting pilgrims and curious tourists lined up in a pelting rain to visit St. Peter's Basilica, where John Paul was laid to rest.

**NATIONAL NEWS**

**DeLay advised to answer questions**

WASHINGTON — The No. 3 Republican in the House said that embattled House Majority Leader Tom DeLay advised to answer questions about his ethics are in the spotlight.

Sen. Ike Skelton’s comments seem to reflect growing concerns among congressional Republicans about the fallout from the increased scrutiny into DeLay’s way of doing business, one of DeLay’s GOP colleagues in the House called him an “absolute embarrassment” and doubled DeLay would last as majority leader.

DeLay, R-Texas, has been dug in recent months by reports of possible ethics viola­tions. There have been questions about his overseas travel, campaign payments to family members and his connections to lobbyists who are under investigation.

**Rudolph plea may reveal assistants**

MURFREESBORO, N.C. — Jenny Kate Wade understands the anti-government sentiment that may have led some people here to help feed and shelter serial bomber Eric Rudolph during his years on the lam.

Wade, who owns a cabin near where some of Rudolph’s stash of explosives was found, said this mistrust has been part of mountain culture since the days of the so-called "federal men," federal agents who arrested people for making moonshine during Prohibition.

**LOCAL NEWS**

**Council to decide on layoffs**

ANDERSON — The Madison County Council will meet Tuesday to decide whether to lay off some county employees — possibly $3 million in a $28 million budget shortfall.

Tax collections in 2004 fell short by $9.5 mil­lion, or approximately one third of the county’s $28 million budget.

Emergency agencies account for $22.3 million of the annual audit.

Austerity moves such as cutting department budgets by 5 percent and leaving unfilled jobs vacant has eliminated much of the shortfall, but a $1.3 million deficit remains.

**ISRAEL**

Israelis keep protesters out of holy site

31 Jewish extremists arrested for planned march into the al-Aqsa compound

Associated Press

JERUSALEM

Thousands of Israeli police mobilized at Jerusalem’s most sensitive holy site Sunday but confronted only a handful of Jewish extremists intent on scuttling a Gaza pullout by tying up security forces. In Gaza, militants fired dozens of rockets after Israeli forces killed three teenagers.

Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, speaking on a phone taking him to Monday’s meeting with President Bush, said the mortar fire “is a flagrant violation of the understandings” reached at the February truce summit with Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas.

“And this will be a central issue raised in my talks with President Bush,” Sharon said.

Police arrested 31 extremist Jews who planned to demonstrate Sunday in the Old City of Jerusalem, along with a West Bank Hamas leader who spoke at the holy site. But the 10,000 demonstrators pledged by organizers never materialized. Only a few dozen showed up.

Despite the low turnout, Israeli officials acknowledged that protesters appeared to have accom­plished the goal of showing how easy it will be to divert large numbers of troops from their main mission this summer — the planned Gaza pullout.

At the center of the drama is the most sensitive and hotly disputed holy site in the Holy Land — a hilltop known as the Temple Mount by Muslims and Noble Sanctuary to Jews. It is where both a Muslim compound, including the shrine marking the spot where Muslims believe Mohammed ascended to heaven, is built over the ruins of the biblical Jewish Temples.

Clashes at the site could ignite violence across the region, explaining the presence of 3,000 riot-ready Israeli police around the walled Old City, preparing to confront a handful of demonstrators.

Extremist Jews who make up a new group called "Rehava," a biblical word that means 10,000, entered the mosque compound despite tough police restrictions, including a ban on non-Muslim worshipers younger than 40 and those from the West Bank.

"Al Aqsa is in danger," Yousef said. "The attempts to desecrate Al Aqsa have not ended."

Associated Press

Blizzard disrupts travel in Colorado

DENVER — Hundreds of strangers were stranded at the Denver airport and along highways Sunday as a blizzard forced cross-country travelers to spend the night with wet, heavy snow.

Forecasters said 10 inches of snow was forecast in Denver and up to 30 inches was possible in the foothills west of Denver, including Littleton and Boulder, the National Weather Service said.

"We can see just across the street that there’s no visibility," said National Weather Service forecaster Gene Smith.

Fat, moisture-laden snowflakes were blown sideways by wind gusting to 30 mph. Xcel Energy reported that 10,000 customers were without power in the heavily populated Front Range region.

All airlines canceled departing flights from Denver International Airport during the morning, airport spokeswoman Jennifer Jackson said. United Airlines, the largest carrier at the airport, canceled all of its flights for the whole day, she said.

Planes on the ground were icing up faster than they could be cleared, said Joe Hodos of Frontier Airlines, which had planes landing but not taking off. Hundreds of people were stranded at the airport, many stretching out on couches and floors, using coats for pillows, or waiting in slow-moving lines at fast-food restaurants in the terminal.

"I need a drink and the lines are an hour-long to get one," passenger Tina Lamb told the Associated Press.

She and her husband, Jim, were on their honeymoon ski trip, but their flight was canceled and all nearby hotels were filled. "We can’t get a flight until Tuesday afternoon," Jim Hinga said.

Alicesa Candel and his family were stuck at the airport on their way home to Durham, England. After a week at the Beaver Creek ski resort. "We liked the snow there, but there’s too much here," he said.

"We’re just glad to get home," said Robert Anderson, a retirement home resident from Iowa, who was waiting to get his flight home to Des Moines. "It was just a miracle that I was able to get back here."

"I think it’s a miracle that we’re still here," said Steven Bickford, a Denver airport employee who has been snowed in for three days. "This storm is unprecedented. It’s the worst I’ve ever seen."
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the surrounding plazas while others simply huddled around televisions to see the Mass. For all of them, the meaning of the funeral was significant.

"For me, it was moving just witnessing the sheer amount of people who came," junior Caitlin Dahl said. "It really attests to the influence the pope had on the entire world."

For the duration of the two- and-a-half-hour Mass, thousands mourned the death of the pope but also celebrated his life as one that brought great joy and inspiration to the hearts of his followers. Leaders from different faiths came to pay their respects and in doing so testified to how Pope John Paul II's charity and humility transcended differences in faith and religion.

"Seeing cultures from every­where be there for the funeral made it a world event," junior Anna Scott said. "It was especially moving seeing the Eastern Churches' involvement in the funeral."

Towards the end of Mass, the crowd in St. Peter's Square ergoted with a chant to honor the late pope.

"Hearing the crowd continually say 'Santo santo santo' was very powerful," junior Brittany Cross said. "You could feel the love and respect all these people had for one man."

Many of the students in Rome, the news of the 84-year old pontiff's death came at the end of their spring break on a Saturday when many were traveling throughout Europe.

"It was very difficult watching all the people mourning in St. Peter's Square on TV when we were away," junior Claire Chiappetta said. "I really wanted to be there and could not wait to get back."

The following day most returned to Rome and went immediately to St. Peter's Square to pay their respects to the pope. In the Square, people of different nationalities prayed holding candles to commemorate the life of Pope John Paul II. Scattered around the plaza were notes written in different languages with different inscriptions: "I love you. Papa.

"We miss you.

"Thank you, Holy Father.

"In the next few days, those living in Rome witnessed an unprecedented influx of pilgrims to Rome as an estimated four million people — Rome's population is three million — arrived to say one last goodbye to the Church's first Polish pope. Lines to see Pope John Paul II's body stretched for miles, and Notre Dame students waited anywhere from three to 14 hours to get an opportunity to see the body.

The 45-minute walk to school three times a day became an hour and a half due to the influx of people. Camera crews were ubiquitous, and Notre Dame students waited anywhere from three to 14 hours to get an opportunity to see the body.

"It was amazing seeing the number of people outside, the pilgrims, who were willing to sleep without a roof over their heads just to get the opportunity to be here," he said. "It was incredible being a part of the whole event."

And though Pope John Paul II's funeral represented the culmination of his life and received an unprecedented degree of global attention, several key moments toward the end of his papacy also touched those in Rome. Many Notre Dame students, not only from Rome but also from Toledo, Spain; London, England; and Dublin, Ireland were present for Easter Mass in St. Peter's Square, the first Mass in the pope's pontificate he was too sick to preside over.

Many of the students waited for more than three hours — much of it through rain — to secure a seat in St. Peter's Square before the 10 a.m. Mass began. Students stood in the middle of the 100,000-person crowd at St. Peter's Square to see people from diverse countries and cultures stood together to celebrate Easter Sunday.

"It was very meaningful seeing how people from all over Europe and the world came together," junior Rebecca Weilman said. "We could really experience the 'Catholic' aspect of Easter."

Perhaps the most memorable moment of the Mass came when the pope made an unexpected appearance from his bedroom window to bless the faithful. The crowd grew silent as the pontiff struggled to produce words, shaking as he whispered a bless­ing over the people. Seeing the pope's unrelenting courage and dedication to his flock inspired many in the crowd.

"Being able to see someone like that, who suffers with dignity and feels such unselfish responsibility to the Church, was really incredible," junior Matt Stefanik said. "I felt privileged to be there."

Before Easter, the Stations of the Cross took place on Good Friday at the Roman Colosseum. During the service, thousands of pilgrims prayed with the ailing pontiff, who was not at the Colosseum, but in his private chapel, too weak to attend the service in person. The crowds could see Pope John Paul II, visibly shaking, via video monitors placed around the Colosseum, but could not see his face. Instead, the cameras showed the back of the pope as he prayed in front of an image of the crucifix. This solemn moment resonated with the crowd.

"Being able to be there and feel the atmosphere with so many people gathered around the Colosseum was incredible," junior Elyse Martin said. "It was an amazing experience that I will never forget."
Market Recap

**Stocks**

| Dow Jones | 10,461.34 | -8.49 |

**Commodities**

| 3-Year Bond | 0.03 | 16.77 |
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| 10-Year Treasuries | 0.00 | 15.00 |

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**England**

MG Rover on brink of collapse

Car manufacturer files for bankruptcy as a result of mounting financial problems

Associated Press

LONDON — MG Rover Group Ltd., the British-owned car manufacturer, surmounted to its mounting financial problems Friday when it filed for a form of bankruptcy after a deal with a Chinese automaker fell through and a government loan was not secured.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, the appointed administrator of MG Rover after the Shanghai Automotive Industrial Corp., concerned about the extent of the financial problems it had recently discovered in the British company, pulled out of emergency talks in China about its planned takeover.

However, Prime Minister Tony Blair said that the political pitfalls of the collapse of Rover just four weeks ahead of a general election — he said and Treasury Chief Gordon Brown talked with their Chinese counterparts Friday and believe a deal could still be arranged with SAIC.

"It is possible that there may be the opportunity to do something with the Chinese company, although the original prospects," Blair said.

Glover was pushed to the brink by his staff and shareholders of MG Rover at Rover's Longbridge plant in central England. "We will do everything we can to keep car production and as many jobs as possible at Longbridge," he said.

Returning to London on Friday after the SAIC talks in Shanghai, Rover's Chairman John Towers, said: "This has been a tough week back... But we've found other options... I'm not giving up... Rover was pushed to the brink... the company's cold feet was leaked, and the company shut down production at its Longbridge factory after asked suppliers stopped providing parts.

About 6,000 workers at Rover's factory in central England will now have a tense wait over the weekend while PWC examines Rover's books, including reports of a 400 million pound ($750 million) "black hole" in the pension plan, to discover whether the iconic company can be salvaged or whether it will be broken up and sold off to repay creditors.

The government has been heavily involved in the posed takeover, attending emergency talks between SAIC and Rover officials and the Chinese government — which needs to approve any deal — that fell apart in Shanghai on Thursday.

Blair also talked by telephone with Chinese Prime Minister Wen Jiabao on Wednesday night and government officials had offered Rover a 100 million pound ($158 million) bridge loan to keep the company solvent to assist the deal. However, the government said that loan was always dependent on the deal going ahead.

"Once there was no prospect of a deal then there is course no possibility of a bridge loan," Trade and Industry Secretary Patricia Hewitt said.

SAIC said it had put significant time, effort and resources into discussing the partnership, but considered it "imprudent to enter into a transaction in which the insolvency risks of its joint venture partner could have transferred significant financial liabilities on to the proposed U.K. joint venture."

In spite of the possibility of the British government making available short-term bridging finances, SAIC's fundamental concern relating to the ongoing financial state of MG Rover were not resolved," SAC said.

PWC joint administrator Ian Powell said the accounting firm would look at ways to continue operations.

Buffett found only to be a witness

Buffett has been named a director of Morgan Stanley and the three Morgan Stanley business units that are being sold to Citigroup.

Morgan Stanley said Buffett will become a director of Morgan Stanley, its investment banking unit, and of its two main asset management units, Goldman Sachs and Merrill Lynch.

Buffett is a long-time partner of Goldman Sachs Group and a major investor in the company.

He is a witness in our view, and the focus of this investigation is AIG, and the much broader reach of the offshore entities that AIG has created that we believe were, in many respects, fraudulent," Spitzer said.

"Buffett was subpoenaed in January 2005, and has said he would cooperate," The New York Times reported Friday that documents from a 2000 reinsurance transaction at the center of the probes had been docketed several months after the deal was struck.

"We believe (Buffett) can shed light on a series of transactions that... Bank Greenberg participated in."

Spitzer stressed that Buffett was "not a subject or a target of our investigation," but said, "There are some ambiguities that will be hopefully addressed (Monday) in our discussion with Mr. Buffett."

"As we have been saying repeatedly, the bottom line is that we have a group of eight individuals who are not subject to the allegations, and the company has been fully cooperative."
Senators refuse to support John Bolton

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Ahead of a contentious confirmation hearing, Senate Democrats sharpened their criticism of President Bush's nominee to be U.N. ambassador to the United Nations, John Bolton, and suggested they also visit an agency regarded for its pristine science.

President Bush's nominee to be ambassador to the United Nations, John Bolton, has a "temperament of a sometimes raunchy, blunt, lobbying director," a former top diplomat said, and his bluntness should not disqualify him from serving.

Bolton is a West Point graduate. He said he was "open to a West Coast trip — but she said no such thing.

Bolton testified she served Jackson wine in a Diet Coke bottle, but did not see him drink from it.

Jackson, 46, is on trial on charges of molesting a 13-year-old boy at his Neverland ranch in 2003, and one of the county's two forensic pathologists, Johnathan Levenson, will have a lot of support here in Congress, particularly the Senate.

Jackson’s lawyer, J. Michael Flaster, said Kagan once hugged her inappropriately on an airplane and brought "bongs," or drug paraphernalia, to a court.

"I think the culture was certain strong for a period of time that the ends could justify the means," she testified.

Smith said that Levenson was a strong lawyer and that the defense had argued that his behavior was "inappropriate in the context of his duties as a public employee."
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Congratulations, Class of 2005!
American Catholics seek reform

Followers are after changes in celibacy rules, women in the priesthood

Associated Press

The majority of America's Roman Catholics tell pollsters they want a greater voice for the laity in the church, that priests should be allowed to marry and that there should even be women in the clergy.

The winner seems certain to be electing a pope for the world church, "a pope for our time," as one without the charisma or public presence of John Paul II. He hopes for a moderate pope who would speak both from the left and right agree with Shaw, though they see do possibilities for flexibility at the margins.

A moderate pope might speak less about sex control than John Paul did, for instance, or tolerate theologians' discussion of issues like women priests. A pope might stop using such issues as litmus tests in picking bishops. Or he could subtly allow local dioceses to decide whether to allow Communion for some remarried Catholics, even if they lack annulments.

However, it's also conceivable the next pope will be more conservative than John Paul — which in some ways would please Catholics in developing countries, where the faith is growing.

The Rev. Joseph Fessio, provost of Florida's Ave Maria University, says John Paul proudly proclaimed Catholic tradition but "he really hasn't put a lot of cases, backed up that teaching with disciplinary action or enforcement. That's something Fessio would like to see more of.

Paul Ramsey, editor of the liberal lay magazine Commonweal, acknowledges an ultraconservative is a definite possibility — one he sees as unwise.

"The likelihood of there being a progressive pope is slight," Faun said. "I think it's much more likely that we'd get a very conservative pope, but one without the charisma or public presence of John Paul." Ramsey hopes for a moderate conservative who'll emphasize church unity. And as far as women priests go there's no change, said Kathleen Cummings, who teaches women's history at the University of Notre Dame.

"The Catholic Church is a patriarchal institution," she said. "It's a structure run by men and women would be appropriate for a pope in the future." The Rev. James Martin of America magazine says four Vatican sources told him that, under John Paul, the Vatican was about to issue a decree lifting severe restrictions or an outright ban on seminarians who acknowledge they're gay — even if they are celibate.

Martin thinks that would be "ruinous for the church," but notes that, with the pope's death, the heads of all Vatican agencies step down. Lower-ranking staffers who prepared the policy remain in place. The next pope would decide whether to shelve or affirm the policy.

Is there anything left for the majority of Catholics surveyed in an Associated Press-Ipsos poll released last week who said they wanted reform in the church? There's no hope they may lie in celibacy rules for priests, Catholics across the spectrum say, though quick or sweeping change is unlikely.

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The church already ordains married Protestant clergy who convert, and Eastern Rite priests — who share liturgies and other traditions with Eastern Orthodoxy but are loyal to the pope — can marry.

Shaw, however, doesn't see any pope allowing marriage for men who are already ordained, or readmitting priests who quit to marry.

Whatever type of leader the cardinals choose, it won't just be important for American Catholics or even Catholics around the globe, says papal biographer George Weigel. "In an important sense, they will be electing a pope for the world as well as for the church. The papacy now matters to virtually everyone."
Anti-Japanese protesters take to the streets

Rowdy demonstrators gather in Beijing to voice concerns over a controversial new textbook

Associated Press

BEIJING — Anti-Japanese protesters over a controversial new Japanese textbook trudged in southern China on Sunday, a day after a violent rally in Tokyo. Demonstrations against Japan have spread since Tokyo last week approved new textbooks that critics say fail to address the Japanese military's brutal wartime invasion and occupation of Asian nations in the first half of the 20th century, including forcing Asian women into sexual slavery for troops.

On Saturday, about 1,000 demonstrators threw rocks and broke windows at the Japanese Embassy in Beijing after a noisy rally in the university district in the capital's northwest, where some burned a Japanese flag.

The protest was the biggest in the tightly controlled Chinese capital since 1999, when the U.S. Embassy was besieged after NATO warplanes bombed Beijing's Embassy in Belgrade during the war over Kosovo.

Most protests in the Chinese capital are banned, but the government occasionally allows brief rallies by a few dozen people outside the Japanese Embassy on key war anniversaries. Anti-Japanese sentiment runs deep among Chinese, with many resenting what they see as Japan's failure to atone for its wartime aggression.

China said Sunday it had ordered anti-Japanese protesters in Beijing to say "calm and reasonable" and mobilized extra police to maintain public order, but Japanese officials complained that not enough was done.

When the protesters arrived at the Japanese Embassy, security forces let them throw stones, embassy spokesman Keiji said.

They let them do that. They didn't stop, they didn't arrest, he said.

Japan's ambassador to China, Anami Koreshige, called the violent rally in Beijing "gravely regrettable" and called on Chinese authorities to protect the Japanese embassy and businesses, as well as the embassy and other consulates in China, Keiji said.

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Charles and Camilla wed in simple service

Associated Press

GERMANY

Survivors celebrate liberation

Associated Press

WILMERS — Survivors of the concentration camp joined leaders Sunday in marking its liberation 64 years ago and to warn that the suffering of its hundreds of thousands of inmates must never be forgotten.

Some 240,000 prisoners passed through the camp just outside the city of Weimar between 1933 and 1945 — Jews, Soviet prisoners of war, as well as the embassy and other consulates in China, Keiji said.

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2005 Concession Stand Training
When I entered this university as a freshman, I initially enrolled as a joint theology and philosophy major. My rationale, which was to pursue and assimilate my perplexed parents’ wish that I be a senior in high school, had already begun to unravel the deep and profound mysteries of their lives, and I was confident that these disciplines would allow me to finish that task in my four years away at college.

Well, four years later, I sit here “knowing” a lot less than when I first sat in a classroom beneath the Golden Dome. As a freshman, I found Kant’s assertion of a categorical imperative—that moral law derived from human reason that obligates certain acts—to be compelling. As a senior, after thousands of classes, debates, protests and papers, I’m much closer to arguing for a dialogical imperative. That is, all I know is that I have a lot more to learn, and the best way to learn it is through dialogue with others. While this may seem like a weak conclusion to my Notre Dame academic experience, I believe it actually has much to offer our realsite-oriented society.

This became clearer to me on Saturday, when an experiment in dialogue took place at the Common Ground Forum. Leaders from student organizations and publications with perspectives that span the political spectrum came together for an afternoon of discussing the roots and intersections of their values. Participants heard numerous diverse faculty perspectives on personal and political values, and then spent time discussing amongst themselves. Right to Life students engaged gay rights activists, and Irish Rover editors met Common Sense writers.

What emerged from these conversations were several consensuses. First, we gain much more through discussing with individuals who see things differently than we do than through discussing with those who already agree. Our biases are pointed out and the weaknesses in our positions brought to light. Furthermore, as a psychology professor briefly presented, it is cognitive dissonance that catalyzes moral development. That means that it is precisely disagreement and conflict that bring growth.

Second, dialogue is both means and ends. In our society, the importance in political processes is placed on the end result. Do we go to war or not? Should wealthy people pay more taxes or less? The centrality of questions such as these plays on adherence to ideology instead of into a dialogical process. These polarizing debates pull us into extremes and push us to invalidate each other rather than calling us to work together.

As a theology professor expounded at the forum, we are interdependent entities whose well-being is necessarily mutually. We bring to the table our own thoughts and experiences, our assumptions and implications, a dangerous and subtle form of complicity striking at even our most active individuals. Monikers of “liberal” and “conservative” especially are often ascribed to without any understanding of a philosophical foundation for either. If such even exists in the political arena, and all labels are misleading in that they render a complex individual with layers of experiences and thoughts into the sum of a single category. And wherever we tend to fal in these categories, each of us can find areas of both agreement and disagreement.

While the implications of dialogue-oriented political and social processes could be immense, perhaps the most striking element of the Common Ground Forum was found just in the people present. Abstract categories and labels have prevented me from forming friendships with many others who share a strong desire to improve the world around them and to seek truth with their lives, people who because of their differences perhaps have the most to offer. Hopefully in the future we may become better at bridging those perceived gaps and at working together to find ways to build healthier communities and selves.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Appreciating the basics

One of my fondest memories of Notre Dame is of the campus lit up on a wintry night and the reflections of the snow and the buildings around the Dome on a walk back from the Hesburgh Library at 1 a.m.

It is a memory that I treasure in these days of darkness here in Jinja, Uganda, as we wait for a blown transformer to be replaced, and knowing that after two weeks of no power, it could be a while yet before light returns.

So while Sean Ryan humorously cites in his April 7 letter to the editor that the collapse of power in Northern Indiana, Minnesota and a power failure at Notre Dame lasting for the rest of the semester as one of the worst possible things to happen at Notre Dame, for some people in the developing world, this kind of event is not an event at all.

Rather than writing end term papers with typewriters, the 29 Holy Cross candidates here in Jinja have to "hand write" their final papers and prepare for their exams by torchlight and paraffin candles.

It is an amazing experience to know that something as basic as electricity isn't always available.

Rev. David Kashangaki
Sajjia
April 9

U-WIRE

Supreme Court could alter drug cases

As I write this column the United States Supreme Court is deliberating on the fate of over 32 individuals directly and many more indirectly, who have introduced a few facts.

The case before the court is stemming from a 2002 lawsuit filed by two medical cannabis patients, Angel McClary, Robert Woodson, and two caregivers, John Doe Number One and John Doe Number Two, who filed a complaint and motion for preliminary injunction against Attorney General John Ashcroft and former DEA administrator Asa Hutchinson.

They asked Judge Martin Jenkins to issue a preliminary injunction during the pendency of this action and a permanent injunction enjoining defendants from arresting or prosecuting plaintiffs, seizing their medical cannabis, forfeiting their property, or seeking civil or administrative sanctions against them for their activities.

A decision in Ashcroft v. Raich is expected before the end of June 2005.

The following lives hang in the balance of this case:

The Men's Alliance for Medical Marijuana (WAMM) has a high stakes interest in the outcome of the Raich case. On Sept. 5, 2002, 30 armed DEA agents raided WAMM's Davenport marijuana garden and seized 300 plants. Among its founders, Valerie Pellicci and Michael Corral. Agents sawsawed 167 marijuana plants while holding the California grower at gunpoint.

The DEA's exit was blocked by patients who suppressed the California's requests for the Californian release. No charges were ever filed.

Ed Rosenthal says that if the Raich outcome is similar to the California case against him for possession and maintaining a place for cultivation would not be crimes because he was never charged with sales.

If "we lose Raich and our own personal acts are interstate commerce and the states don't have equivalent medical practice then states don't have much validity for these laws. The feds have taken over," Mc Williams said.

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Celtic music mastered

Natalie MacMaster fiddles with expertise and ease in an entertaining show

By MARIA SMITH
Assistant Scene Editor

Maybe Celtic music doesn't remind everyone of home. Maybe it shouldn't remind me of home either. My family lives in Idaho and my ancestors were mostly English. The other assorted countries that my family originated from certainly don't give me a claim to the music of Scotland and Ireland.

But I did grow up listening to Coleenon — a traditional Irish band who often played around Boulder — and also a lot of bluegrass, which is a close cousin of Celtic music. I lived in Scotland for six months, which was a long enough time to pick up a little bit of Scottish loyalty and a taste for Scottish folk tunes. My sister played her share of fiddle tunes growing up, and as a harpist, I performed more than a few renditions of "Danny Boy" and other Irish favorites.

So maybe it makes sense that, for me, really good Celtic music feels homey. Maybe for other people. Celtic music is just another miscellaneous genre with which they feel only a small connection.

But for Natalie MacMaster the magic of Celtic music — and specifically Cape Breton music — obviously lies in its connection to her background, her family and the place where she was raised. MacMaster probably owns a good deal of her success to that connection—audiences can feel the heritage of a long line of musicians, first from Scotland and then from Nova Scotia, throughout her music.

MacMaster's home in Cape Breton is obviously an amazing place and it is a place of which she is proud. The ease with which the fiddler talks about her home and her music easily puts an audience at ease as well.

This is not to say that MacMaster and her backing band are not amazingly talented in their own right. MacMaster is a dynamic performer with unbelievable energy. Her fiddling is impeccable and she may not step dance on the level of a professional dancer, but she's certainly no slouch. Her band plays together beautifully; some musicians just don't have chemistry, but these five guys come together exactly like a good Celtic band should.

However, there's something about the window into the culture of Cape Breton Island that this music provides that makes these musicians especially powerful. There are probably relatively few people in the world who think to connect the name Nova Scotia with the words New Scotland and probably fewer who realize how direct the link between the first Scottish settlers and the music of Cape Breton today is — this is certainly not something that had ever occurred to me. But if Cape Breton music truly is a purer Celtic form than the music of Scotland today, then the island is evidence that there are always people who know, love and live by their traditions.

MacMaster is refreshing partly because she is so obviously proud of her home and its music. "There are more fiddlers per capita in Cape Breton than in any other part of the world," MacMaster said. "Look how we've blossomed."

It's true that the music has evolved a bit. Modernizing Celtic music is not an uncommon pastime and is not always a pleasant one, but Natalie MacMaster and her musicians introduced some different musical elements to the equation quite successfully. The second half of the show was certainly less traditional than the first, and featured more electric guitars, jazz notes and other sounds foreign to Celtic music. Guitarist Brad Davidge obviously has a penchant for blues, rock and other less than Celtic genres, as he demonstrated in a rendition of "Danny Boy" that fell somewhere between Ireland and North American pop radio. Bassist John Chaisson took the vocal on a number that might have been heard from a combo in a jazz and blues bar.

But there can be no mistake about the identity of this band — these are Cape Breton musicians playing Cape Breton music. Whether their music reminds us of our own homes or just gives us a window into the amazing place that these people call home, we can all hope that Natalie MacMaster and all of Cape Breton's fiddlers continue to make music for a long time to come.

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**SCENE**

**NOTRE DAME OPERA SHOWS VERSATILITY**

By MARY KINGSBURY
Senior Staff Writer

This past weekend the Notre Dame Opera and the Notre Dame Music Department teamed up to offer a dynamically contrasting combination of drama. Encompassing both aspects of the Greek theatre masks, the Notre Dame Opera moved its audience from tears to mischievous laughter. Everything about the performance, from its charming scene design to its superb vocal depth, was at a level nothing short of professional.

The opening Purcell opera "Suor Angelica," is the only all-female opera composed to date. It includes a chorus and in the final scene, Notre Dame students even performed in Italian. The English translation was provided in supertitles. Rebecca Paul brilliantly mastered the role of Sister Angelica, a 17th-century nun who has been forced into a convent by her relatives for having a baby out of wedlock. As the plot develops, Sister Angelica blossoms into a saintly, selfless woman and a favorite among her fellow nuns. With characters varying from the demented old abbess (Katly Nichols) to a chubdy social butterfly (Mary Willoughby), the atmosphere of the convent provided comic relief to an intense plot.

The cheerful environment of the convent is shattered midway through the act, when Suor Angelica's scheming aunt appears with news of the death of Angelica's son. Holding a striking resemblance to Ezma from Disney's "The Emperor's New Grove," Mary Waltzer's villainous performance led to the climax of the opera. Distraught by the news of her son's death, Angelica poisons herself. Immediately regrets her sinful action, Sister Angelica and the nun Mary to intercede for her forgiveness. Rebecca Paul's moving interpretation of Sister Angelica leaves the audience in tears.

The high point of the show comes with the Virgin (Jamie Pilcon) and son (Giovanni Stroop) appearing in the role of God's forgiveness. Sister Angelica lies peacefully, envisioning herself in heaven holding her beloved child. As the orchestra faded, everyone in the house held their breath in a moment of awe, followed by thunderous applause and standing ovations.

"Suor Angelica" hit the more serious, note of the plays, focusing largely on sin and grief.

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**PLAY REVIEW**

**SHAKESPEARE WITH A TWIST**

By MARIA SMITH
Senior Staff Writer

What do you get when you take "Twelfth Night" out of the 16th century and into the 1980s? An Illyria built on rock and roll.

In the Not So Royal Shakespeare Company's performance of Shakespeare's comedy, Viola, Orsino and Olivia get down to U2, Huey Lewis and the News and other icons of '80s rock.

Senior Elizabeth Grams, who played Feste the fool, had a chance to give some musical renditions of Shaksperean lines that hailed even further back to the 1970s.

It is not uncommon to use gimmicks like this to give the plays the most beloved playwright of the English language a little bit of a distinctive flair. The '80s twist was aptly chosen for the audience — Notre Dame party people are almost always glad to hear some good '80s tunes.

And in NSE's performance, it was indeed the party people who benefited the most from the '80s spin. In this particular performance of "Twelfth Night," Shakespeare's closest reigned victorious. Sir Toby Belch, played by Brandon McGarr; Andrew Aguecheek, played by Emmanuel Zeroukais; Fabian, played by Marty Schroeder and Maria, played by Meghann Tabor, stole the show from their straight-man counterparts.

Joe Garlock gave one of the best performances with his tongue-in-cheek portrayal of the dour Malvolio. The shirk between these five actors was undoubtedly the high light of the show. The drunken, guitar-loving clowns brought to mind the unmotivated beer-loving high school graduates of "Dazed and Confused" or "Say Anything." Belch and his friends were appropriately annoyed when "the man" Malvolio tried to get them down.

Unfortunately, the focus also obscured some themes — several lines were lost to loud music and as amusing as the dance numbers could be, they didn't always gel with the more serious scenes. Some of Feste's lines, although well set to their music, were difficult to understand.

Virginia Woolf once called Shakespeare one of the few "androgynous" writers, that is, one whose writing is neither overtly masculine nor overtly feminine. Shakespeare not only had a talent for dynamically portraying both male and female characters, but a fondness for working with both simultaneously. Some of Shakespeare's most memorable characters appear in his "transvestite comedies," dressed in the guise of the opposite gender and often wooling characters of their own sex more or less accidentally.

NSE has shown a fondness for these transvestite comedies this year. "As You Like It," the play chosen for first semester, centers around Rosalind, a beautiful heroine who charms all sorts of people in the guise of a young man named Ganymede. The famous love triangle between Viola, Orsino and Olivia in "Twelfth Night" is another case of misgendering. In this play, the woman is a man, and a man is a woman. This is 16th-century slang for calling himself Gussie in order to find employment in a man's world. A young boy in love with a man's house calling in love with him, Orsino sends her as a messenger to woo Olivia, who develops a passion for the youth she believes to be Gussie. Therefore, for the majority of the play each is unhappy in unrequited love.

The gender-bending theme was perhaps more effectively developed in the full performance with Grams in the role of Rosalind — so many characters fall for the so-called Ganymede that the issue of gender identity is hard to ignore. But the awkward chemistry between Viola, played by Liz Clouse, and Olivia, played by Molly Kealy, was certainly palpable. The union between Viola and Orsino at the end, when Viola's true identity is revealed, emphasizes the importance of a good character which reaches above and beyond the true differences between genders. Both of these plays, and all of these characters, certainly highlight a question about the degree to which gender roles are merely a construction.

Some of the fine points of the Shakespearean language are almost inevitably lost in college productions, and "Twelfth Night" was no exception. The plot was a little bit difficult to follow at the beginning and the details of how Viola ended up dressed as a man in Orsino's household were certainly not clear. But the difficulty of reading Shakespearean English, let alone performing it, creates a charitable audience and as the play progressed the plot became easy to follow. Grams and Garlock stepped up to the Shakespearean challenge most successfully, but other actors were not far behind.

The actors' big-shoulder power suits and jean jackets were as effective as most costumes seen on the college stage — the reminder that Shakespeare's plays transcend time and place is always welcome. In the spectrum of the Shakespearean world, "Twelfth Night" is neither Shakespeare's best play nor NSE's best performance, but both have more than a few virtues.

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Gotay leads Royals past Rangers for 7-6 win

Associated Press

Pittsburgh Pirates catcher David Ross congratulates closer Jose Mesa after the Pirates 6-3 win over the San Diego Padres. With the loss, the Padres dropped to 3-3 on the season, one game behind the Los Angeles Dodgers and San Francisco Giants in the NL West.

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Sweetney's 20 points help Knicks knock off Pacers in OT
Kings stop hapless Lakers in battle of California teams; Pistons cool the Heat

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The rebound came right into Michael Sweetney's hands, and before the Indiana Pacers could react, the ball was back up and into the basket.

"That's the first time in my life that I ever made a shot like that," said Sweetney, who scored the game-winning shot in the final second of New York's 113-112 overtime victory on Sunday. "It's the first time I ever won a game at the buzzer."

The winning basket followed a miss by Stephen Marbury, and Sweetney finished with a career-high 20 points as the Knicks ended a nine-game losing streak, their longest in 20 years.

"Stephon went to the hole and they tried to block it, but it fell right into my hands and I just tipped it in," Sweetney said.

The Knicks blew a 12-point lead in the fourth quarter before a 3-pointer by Kurt Thomas, his second of the season, sent the game to overtime tied at 104.

The Pacers, who had their season-best six-game winning streak end, were ahead 112-106 with a minute left after a driving layup by Hoggle Miller, who led Indiana with 34 points.

But Sweetney, whose previous high was 19 points three times this season, made a basket and a free throw to pull the Knicks within three points. Jerome Williams then stole the ball from Stephen Jackson, and Marbury hit a layup to cut the lead to one with 31 seconds to go.

**Kings 124, Lakers 105**

This rivalry isn't what it was, mostly because the depleted Lakers and the revamped Kings don't really know who they are.

With the playoffs in sight, however, Sacramento is getting a good idea.

Kenny Thomas had a career-high 32 points and 14 rebounds, and the Kings beat the Lakers for their fourth high-scoring victory in five games.

Mike Bibby had 24 points and eight assists for the Kings, who blew out their biggest rivals with 68 points in the second half. Sacramento outscored the Lakers 62-32 and made 51 percent of its shots while scoring at least 118 points for the fifth time in seven games.

Coach Rick Adelman opened Sacramento's offense after Chris Webber's departure, and the Kings began their four-game winning streak.

Webber's 34 points and 14 assists have helped the Kings take the lead in their series against the Lakers, who have lost two straight for just the fourth time all season.

"They never gave up," Adelman said. "I hope we are fortunate to play them in another series. It would be a great matchup."

The Kings have won six of their last seven games and are 2-0 at home with the victory over the Lakers.

The Kings will be seeded No. 2 behind Miami in the Eastern Conference playoffs.

The win moved Detroit within one game of clinching the Central Division title. Barring a total collapse, the Pistons will be seeded No. 2 behind Miami in the Eastern Conference playoffs.

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## AROUND THE NATION

### GOLF

Tiger Woods wins the Masters again

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Tiger Woods is the Masters champion once again, turning back a surprising challenge Sunday with a shot of sheer magic and a birdie putt to win a playoff he never expected.

A spectacular finish of birdies and bogeys finally ended when Woods produced the most important shot of all — a 15-foot birdie putt on the first extra hole to capture his fourth green jacket and finally put away the gritty Chris DiMarco.

Woods knew it was over when the ball was a foot from the hole, taking two steps to the left as a smile broke out on his face and his right fist punched the air with fury.

Everything else about this Masters was up in the air to the very end.

First came the most improbable birdie on the 16th, when Woods skipped his chip shot up the slope and watched it crawl 23 feet down to the cup, where it paused for 2 full seconds before dropping.

"I would rank that as one of the best ones I've ever hit," Woods said. "It turned things around. It was pretty huge."

Then came an even bigger surprise. The greatest closer in golf looked like a first-timer at Augusta National, making a mess out of the last two holes to finish with two bogeys and allow DiMarco one more chance.

Woods made sure that was all he got.

DiMarco again came up short of the green, and chipped up for a tap in-par.

He took his hat off and ran his hand through his hair, crouched and kept looking up at Woods and down at his feet, afraid to watch, perhaps knowing what was about to happen.

When the ball disappeared, DiMarco walked slowly to Woods to congratulate him.

Woods closed with a 1-under 71 and won for the second time in a playoff at a major, wrapping up a long and bizarre week at Augusta National that included two rain delays, an eagle put that Woods rolled off the green and into the creek, a record run of birdies to get back into the contention and, finally, the flight of his life.

He now has nine majors for his career, halfway home to the standard set by Jack Nicklaus.

But this didn't look like the same guy who won his first eight majors.

### BRIEF

**Arena Football player dies of spinal cord injury**

LOS ANGELES — Former NFL defensive lineman Al Lucas died Sunday from a presumed spinal cord injury sustained while trying to make a tackle for the Los Angeles Avengers during an Arena Football League game, the team said.

Lucas was taken to California Hospital and all attempts to revive him were unsuccessful, team physician Dr. Luis Podestia said in a statement.

"It is with great sadness that we confirm the passing of Al Lucas. At this time, the thoughts and prayers of the entire Avenger organization are with his wife and family, team owner and chief executive officer Casey Wasserman said in a statement.

Television replays showed Lucas bending over to make a tackle. The Dragons' ball carrier and a blocker tumbled over his head and back, with the blocker's leg appearing to hit Lucas in the head. Lucas did not move after falling to the ground.

Lucas was injured during kickoff.

Davenport wins second

BAUCH & LOMB TIE

AMELIA ISLAND, Fla. — Maybe Lindsay Davenport's clay-court success at Amelia Island will finally carry over to the French Open.

Davenport's powerful serve helped her offset 36 unforced errors and beat Silvia Farina Elia 7-5, 7-5 Sunday to win the Bauch & Lomb Championships for the second consecutive year.

"This is a huge win for me," Davenport said. "Whenever I can win on clay, just in a really tough tournament, it gives me a lot of excitement."

It also could give her more confidence heading into the French Open next month. Davenport hasn't reached the quarterfinals at Roland Garros since 1999. The French also is the only Grand Slam that eludes the 28-year-old Californian, who won the U.S. Open in 1998, Wimbledon in 1999 and the Australian Open in 2000.

**Red Sox to raise hanger, return for celebration**

BOSTON — The Boston Red Sox made their fans wait 86 years for another World Series title and only gave them five months to celebrate.

The champions return to Boston on Monday for a combined celebration to mark their first title since 1918, their home opener and a game against the rival New York Yankees — any one of which would be enough for a sellout at Fenway Park. It's also the first game back for manager Terry Francona, who left the team after complaining of chest pains before the third game of the season.

"We're excited to get back to Fenway," first baseman Kevin Millar said Sunday after a 4-3 loss to the Toronto Blue Jays dropped the Red Sox to 2-4 — last in the AL East. "It feels like we've been on the road since October."
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NCAA Hockey

**Pioneers knock off Sioux for title**

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Denver defeated North Dakota 3-2 to win the NCAA championship on Saturday. The Pioneers scored two goals in the third period to secure the title.

Denver's goalie, Mannino, was selected as the most outstanding player of the Frozen Four, as he had a career-high 44 saves in two games, after stopping 41 shots in a 6-2 win over Colorado College in the semifinals.

"I just wanted to keep the puck away," Mannino said. "I wasn't going to let them clean them right away. I just wanted to keep the puck in the net and we worked it out."

With the score tied 1-1 midway through the second period, Denver scored on a power play. The Pioneers had six power-play goals in their win in the semifinals after scoring on three of their four power-play chances leading into the Frozen Four.

"It hit me right in the butt," said with a laugh. Snatzy added his 17th goal in the third period to give Mannino and the Pioneers a cushion.

**Tiger hits shot for the ages**

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — The shot was a long one, but it worked when Woods' 170-yard par 3 shot banked against the edge of the cup. The PGA Championsh...
**ND Women's Golf**

Two-tournament winning streak snapped at Purdue

Irish finish eighth in 13-team field at Lady Boilermaker Invite

By KEVIN BRENNAN
Sports Writer

Notre Dame fell short of extending its two-tournament winning streak this weekend at the Lady Boilermaker Invitational in West Lafayette, Ind. The Irish finished eighth in the 13-team field with a three-day, 57-over total of 927.

Katie Brophy led the Irish with a 13-over par 229, tying for 18th place in the tournament. The junior co-captain was the low scorer for the team for the sixth time this season. Brophy was still not satisfied with her performance, however.

"I was disappointed. I couldn't get anything going really," Brophy said. "I had some good shots out there, but I also had some shots that I was not so pumped about."

Sophomore Stacey Brown finished two strokes behind Brophy with a 231, while senior Karen Lottia recorded a 233. Noriko Nakazaki followed up her first-place finish at last week's Indiana Invitational with a 21-over par 237.

Freshmen Jane Lee and Aleksandra Diaz-Calderon rounded out the Irish lineup, shooting 239 and 247, respectively.

While the team was disappointed with its play, Brophy sees definite reasons for optimism.

"We're not in a real close to breaking through and playing really well, but

**Women's Lacrosse**

Irish fall to Blue Devils, Cardinal

By ERIC RETTER
Sports Writer

It was a weekend of almosts and could-have-beens for the Irish, as missed opportunities and strong goalkeeping sank Notre Dame this weekend. The Irish fell 3-0 on the season after dropping a pair of games, losing to No. 2-ranked Duke 11-8 on Friday before falling 6-5 in a closely-contested game against Stanford on Saturday afternoon.

In both contests, the Notre Dame defense had to try and pick up for the struggles the team had in the net.

"The defense played awesome; the defense kept us in the game," head coach Tracy Coyne said after Sunday's game against Stanford.

On Friday, the defense proved itself by containing Blue Devil junior star Katie Crees, who has been practicing with the US Women's National Team, holding her to two goals, the latter of which came with just 45 seconds left to play in the second half.

"Megan Fitzpatrick was the match up on her, but I think other defenders collapsing and taking her out of the game, I think that really made a difference," Coyne said.

Regardless, Duke still jumped out to an early lead, getting goals from Kristen Vaago and Caroline Coyer to take a 2-0 lead at just 5:33 into the game. It was a lead they would never lose, as Notre Dame never got closer than a two-point deficit in the game. Behind four goals from freshman Rachel Sanford, the Blue Devils led 5-2 at halftime and built up to a 10:5 lead with 5:20 to go in the game before the Irish closed the game on a 3-1 run to make the last minutes interesting.

The last minute effort was initiated by freshman Caitlin McKinney, who scored with 4:20 left to cut the lead to 10-6. McKinney was very busy all afternoon, scoring goals and adding two assists to lead the team with five goals. Despite the loss, Coyne was pleased with the way her team played.

"I think if we always played like this, we'd be in the top five," Coyne said.

Unfortunately for her team, they did not play the same on Sunday, falling to Stanford in the second half of the 18th, seven-year history of Notre Dame's lacrosse program. The Irish played as a focused pace, with both offenses ineffective despite operating at near full speed throughout the first half.

Notre Dame jumped out to a 2-1 lead when junior Chryl Foster, who finished with two goals and two assists, and was already offensive player of the week twice this year, scored one of each to give her team the lead 13:39 into the first half. However, Stanford quickly rallied and went into halftime with a 4-3 lead.

In the second half, the pace slowed down, and Notre Dame had opportunities to score. However, the Irish were without scoring during the second half, as she ejected with 2:09 left in the first period for checking a penalty.

"Obviously, she's a huge part of the attacking unit and she generates a lot, but I still felt confident in the other players we had out there," Coyne said.

Ultimately, the game came down to the wire, as it was tied at five for most of the final seven minutes. The Irish had an opportunity to score and tie the game with a minute to go in the game, but Stanford goalie Laura Shoue got the biggest of her 14 saves to shut down Notre Dame's chances. Moments later, Nina Pardanani's shot was denied by Carol Btton for the game-winner for the Cardinal with just 14 seconds remaining.

"We got some good looks, but I was definitely satisfied with having executed at the very end on attack," Coyne said.

Notre Dame is in action again next Saturday at 1 p.m. against Georgetown at Moose Krause Stadium.

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**Women's Crew**

Team nearly sweeps state finals

By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

The Irish returned with a near clean sweep from the Indiana State Championships this weekend in Indianapolis. The Irish blow opponents Purdue, Indiana and Louisville out of the water in a full day of competition.

The first varsity eight shell finished first in the morning races, before pulling in a second place finish, while taking the last position in the afternoon races.

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The first varsity eight shell won its second race of the season, winning the first by over six seconds with Indiana and 24 seconds in front of Pennsylvania. The Irish won the afternoon race by a similar margin, but were over one second behind Louisville, with Indiana coming in third.

Rookie Notre Dame rowers left Indianapolis in similar company with their powerhouse teammates, as the Novice eight won both races. The first race saw Notre Dame emerge on top of Indiana and Purdue by a comfortable margin.

The second race provided the Irish with its toughest opponent of the day, each other. Notre Dame fielded two shells in the second race that finished in the top two, with Notre Dame winning by 5:37 seconds.

The varsity four boats in the morning finished one-two, ahead of Purdue and Indiana. The afternoon was a similar story, with Notre Dame winning by 4:55 seconds.

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**WOMEN'S CREW**

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**MEN'S TENNIS**

Notre Dame clobbers Ball State 6-1

By KATE GALES

Notre Dame defeated Ball State 6-1 on Saturday, improving the team's record to 16-6 with one match to play heading into the postseason.

"It has been a fun four years," senior co-captain Brent D'Amico said. "There have been great people on our teams — it's been a really enjoyable four years and this was a good way to go out, with everyone showing up today and having fun playing.

The hard work was noticeable to coach Bobby Bayliss.

"I'm really proud of the level of effort and focus that we kept through the match," he said. "I'm proud of the way we performed with the doubles point because they had won the doubles point before us and we got clobbered by Illinois."

The Irish dropped just one set in doubles to rally the first point of the match, providing a boost to an up-and-down doubles season.

"I was disappointed we suffered the two early breaks at number one and two, and got down so far, but I'm very proud of the way we stayed in the match," Bayliss said.

"I'm particularly proud of the way everybody stayed on track," Bayliss said. "We got on pretty quick in a number of the matches and that happens a lot ... today we really got on top and we kept them down. So that's a good sign, this is one of our best matches of the year, for sure." 

Freshman Sheeva Parbhu was first off the courts at No. 2, racking up a 6-2, 6-2 victory. In his rookie season, Parbhu has led the Irish with four singles victories, including a solo shutout in his first match.

"Katie's really stepped up a lot this year," Gumpf said. "She's been a great asset to the lineup. She's small, but she adds some pop. She came in and has been great for the team."

After getting off to a slow start this season, the Notre Dame offense has heated up faster than the South Bend weather in recent weeks, and continues to pound opposing pitching and out runs on the scoreboard.

"A lot of the improvement on offense is most likely due to getting into a good rhythm," Gumpf said. "We're starting to figure out what's working for us. When we're hitting the ball like we did against Pitt, it makes everything easier. And when they're hitting the ball, this team is a lot of fun to watch play."

While Notre Dame's offense has been firing on all cylinders, and was in total control until the bottom of the seventh, when she allowed a two-run homer to spoil her chance at a shutout. She pitched a double-double strikeout game for the fifth time in her career.

"Stevelin' was just untouchable up until the seventh, and she left two on when she decided to come back to the mound," Gumpf said. "With the exception of that one pitch, she did an absolutely amazing job."

Booth turned in a similar performance in the third game, giving up only two hits on her way to a complete game shutout. Her 12-strikeout performance tied a career high, and she recorded 23 hits on its way to a win.
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Offensive players grasping Weis’ playbook

Coach uses hands-on teaching techniques to install new system

by PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

Charlie Weis has ditched his head in baseball entirely into Notre Dame’s offense.

“It’s a good thing that I have a dependable, veteran group of offensive coaches,” Weis said, “because I’m not down there as much as I’d like to be with as much time as I’m spending on offense.”

Though Weis made special teams the main focus of Saturday’s practice in Notre Dame Stadium, the head coach and former Patriots offensive coordinator constantly sprinkled in aspects of the offensive system he is trying to implement.

So far, running back Darius Walker says it’s working.

“Individually, I feel I have a great grasp on what the playbook is like and what coach Weis is looking for when I’m out there,” Walker said.

Walker, quarterback Brady Quinn and several receivers spent much of the practice standing straight and still at their positions as Weis explained side adjustments, multiple exchanges and various sets. The coach walked back and forth between the hash marks, pinching his players to specify spots in explaining how to handle blitz packages, and other scenarios.

“I think Brady’s gotten plenty of attention, and I think the other guys have gotten more mental reps than physical reps,” Weis said. “That’s definitely been some progress.”

When you’re getting physical reps, wide receiver Jeff Samardzija said groups like the receivers have to perform at a high level to attract Weis’ attention and gain favor in the coach’s ever-evolving playbook.

“(Coach Bob) Diaco made the point that when we get three or four (receivers) out there at a time, we’ve got to take advantage of it,” Samardzija said.

“We go show (Weis) when we’re out there that he wants us there and that he can work with the whole game or however long he needs it.”

In his offensive system, Weis traditionally identifies a defense’s weak points and then pincers those weaknesses against the strengths of his offense. For that to happen with Notre Dame, Weis must understand the strengths of the Irish offensive line.

That is why he is experimenting with a variety of formations, including trips, four-wide and the three-three tight-end set.

On Saturday, the offense did its first couple repetitions of the three-tight-end set. Tight ends John Carlson and Anthony Fasano lined up on the left and right ends of the line, respectively. Marcus Freeman then went in motion from left to right and back there, according to Quinn, for a field goal.

“I think it was the best we’ve ever gotten,” Weis said.

Weis also reiterated on punt returns.

“Rutheon McKnight, Zolkowski and Maurice Stovall, Weis said, is a reliable returner.

The one thing is that he’s dependable, catcher of the ball,” Weis said of Stovall. “I think the one thing you’ve always got to stress is that someone can catch the ball.”

Weis said it wasn’t necessarily the returners he was most concerned with.

“I wasn’t worried about those guys back there,” he said. “I was more concerned with the coverage right now. I’ll worry about those returners coached by Jeff Monken and myself. I was more concerned with, can we protect and can we protect and can we protect.”

Defensive back T凯rrell Lambert, who saw action as a guitarist, along with fellow defensive backs Lou Ferrine and Trogg Duerson, said the team’s speed will help on special teams, something he sees as an important part of the game.

“I think it works to our advantage just ‘cause we have players like Lou that are athletic so it’s gonna help us on special teams, an important part of the game,” Lambert said. “And if you’re not proactive in his decision making as a returner,” Weis said. “I think one of the easiest decisions is whether to kick or not by poor decision-making by the returners.”

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John’s 17-11, Boston College (7-3), Rutgers (6-3) and Villanova (6-4).

Tom Thornton, who grew up in Middleton, Mass., improved to 3-4 on the season by outdueling Notre Dame’s big left-hander in a 7-0 victory. Thornton has typically been Notre Dame’s big left-hander stuck out five, walked zero and allowed just two earned runs.

Thornton matched with seven innings and struck out 10. However, he was charged with 4 runs. of which were earned.

Catching was a two-run game, thanks to RBI singles from Ross Brezovsky and Ken Barlow.

Boston College tied the game with a run in the fourth before Matt Edwards provided Notre Dame with the go-ahead run on an RBI groundout.

In Saturday’s game, Jeff Mansfield scored two solo innings and Jeff Samardzija finished the job by logging the final six to push Notre Dame to victory. Mansfield, who is still recovering from elbow surgery and was on a pitch count, struck out one and gave up just three hits. Samardzija followed by holding Boston College to three hits during the final two innings.

Thornton didn’t allow a hit over six innings, striking out seven.

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**Tennis**

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have struggled to remain poised under pressure, as they have won just once in their last 10 competitions decided by only one match in the last two seasons (0-5 this spring). Notre Dame claimed the all-important doubles point and three singles points on route to its win over Indiana on Sunday. Freshman Brook Buck and junior Lauren Vastag continued from page 24

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THE OBSERVER
FOOTBALL

Making his point

Weis has Irish focus on special teams at full speed for half of practice

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN Sports Writer

After a 2004 season that saw the Irish continually struggle on special teams, new head coach Charlie Weis is ready to turn that around, and it started Saturday afternoon.

"He keeps telling us the fastest way to rebuild a team is special teams, and we're trying to rebuild this team as fast as we can," safety Tom Zbikowski said.

"Spending a whole hour on special teams is going to hit home," Weis said the only way to get better was to go full-speed, which is what the Irish did Saturday, practicing punt coverage and returns, punt protection and field goal kicking at Notre Dame Stadium.

"I don't think you could have done many more

MEN'S LACROSSE

Last home game sweet with win over Falcons

By MIKE GILLOON Sports Editor

Brian Giordano was not planning on losing the last home game of his career. So the senior Irish midfielder took matters into his own hands by scoring five goals, including the game winner, to lead No. 11 Notre Dame (6-3) over Air Force (3-5) 14-13 in overtime Sunday at Moose Krause Stadium.

"I thought that even though we had limited possessions because we didn't clear the ball very well, our offense played well," Irish coach Kevin Corrigan said.

"When our offense plays well (Giordano) is going to be the benefactor of that. He's a great finisher and when we're playing good offense we're creating

BASEBALL

Team takes two from Eagles

By JOE HETTLER Senior Staff Writer

Notre Dame finally got what it needed to win — good pitching.

After dropping the opening game against Boston College Saturday, the Irish (16-14, 5-4) used two impressive pitching performances to take the series, winning the second game Saturday 3-2 and the only contest on Sunday 3-0. The wins put Notre Dame in fifth place in the Big East standings behind St.

Irish kicker D.J. Fitzpatrick attempts a field goal during practice Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium. Head coach Charlie Weis focused on special teams, which Irish weakness is going to demand the ball when his team needed him most.

With 1.8 seconds remaining in front of 18,345 fans at Canseco Fieldhouse, Zeller asked his coach for the ball during a timeout. Seconds later, he sank the running, half court shot that so many Indiana basketball fans are now familiar with, a moment that would run later in the night as the Top Play on ESPNU's Sportscenter.

"I'm happy for Luke," Brey said. "I think it's well-deserved with the way he finished his senior year. It's almost storybook. I was hoping that's the way they would vote when you win a state championship in the fashion he did.

Zeller's fashion was to demand the ball when his team needed him most.

Irish Women's Basketball

2005 Indiana Mr. Basketball

Irish recruit won state championship with buzzer-beater

By PAT LEONARD Sports Writer

Irish recruit won state championship with buzzer-beater

Zeller is honored as Indiana Mr. Basketball

After averaging a near double-double for the second straight season and hitting a buzzer-beater Irish recruit won state championship with a Baby-Step.

MEN'S TENNIS

Irish win two over weekend

By ANN LOUGHERY Sports Writer

The Irish aren't ones to take baby steps when recovering from their heartbreaking losses earlier this season.

In fact, No. 31 Notre Dame (11-8) took a giant leap forward this weekend with an upset of No. 16 William and Mary on Saturday and No. 35 Indiana on Sunday, extending its three-match winning streak.

More heartening, both victories were decided in the final matches of the meet. The Irish