Global leaders remind Clinton of superpower responsibilities

LONDON (AP) — Global leaders today reminded Bill Clinton of his country's responsibilities as the sole superpower and said revitalizing the U.S. economy is important to the entire world.

Iraqis danced in the streets to celebrate President Bush's loss, but Kuwaitis were heartbroken.

Across the continents, reaction was generally subdued, although several leaders expressed concern that Clinton might lead the United States on a more protectionist path in trade.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany, in a somber message, said "close solidarity" with the United States "is even more important as we face new challenges after the end of the East-West conflict."

"Our hopes for a more peaceful world and for the carrying out of human rights, democracy and a market economy everywhere in Europe and in the world still have not been fulfilled," he said.

Bush vetoes $27 billion urban aid and tax bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush on Wednesday made a last-ditch plea for fiscal discipline and would have killed the measure because of its failure to pass a back-to-work package that the president said would destroy jobs and undermine numerous tax increases, violate several leaders' pledges to pay more tax in order to preserve peace and enhance democracy and a market economy all over the world, and undermine the unity of the United States on a more global scale.

"I believe the leadership of the United States is as necessary as ever to preserve peace and enhance democracy and a market economy all over the world," President Bush said in his congratulatory message.

Prime Minister Michio Watanabe said a revitalized American economy "is important not only for the United States alone but also for Japan and the Pacific world."

He had been quoted Tuesday by the national Asahi newspaper as fretting that the tax bill might be "disappointed but not surprised" by the veto, said Bush.

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"The national popular votes don't really concern the politicians," he said. "More significant to me is which candidate is winning what state. Public opinion polls don't necessarily project that."

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"Saint Mary's Coverage is Improving"

Recent criticism regarding Saint Mary's coverage in The Observer has been taken to heart. A valid concern was expressed is several letters to the editor is that unequal consideration was given to Notre Dame and Saint Mary's regarding headline size, photos, page placement of articles and exposure of important events.

While neither the Notre Dame nor the Saint Mary's staffs are completely blameless, the inadequacies in coverage are not the result of maliciousness, but rather human error and unfortunate omissions. SMC sports coverage in soccer and volleyball was lacking due to complications with a new computer system and miscommunication between the SMC sports staff and The Observer's sportswriters.

Today, Saint Mary's lack of a sports information department multiplies the problems and discourages interest in sports reporting.

Two years ago, Saint Mary's coverage was not very thorough. Today there is a complete staff of news, sports and accent editors that recruit staffs and assign and write stories of their own. The Notre Dame and Saint Mary's offices are once again linked by computer. Now SMC reporters are able to send stories over the net and are able to send stories over the network to produce a newspaper that does not do anything to remedy them, although more coverage has exploded, the size of the reporting pool has not. A few people do not do all the work when coverage is increasing. The human element will always be present in any organization—"we're different," they say. But mistakes such as Senior Dad's Weekend absence in the paper, apologies.

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TODAY AT A GLANCE

-basketball coach for fifth and sixth grade boys is needed for Our Lady of Hungary School in South Bend. If interested, please call 289-3279 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

-ND alum elected to Supreme Court

-St. Paul, Minn.—Alan Page, a 1967 graduate of Notre Dame, was elected as a justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court Tuesday. Page, a ND football standout who also played defensive end for the Minnesota Vikings and the Chicago Bears, received this honor in recognition of his work, which has been underway for nearly 15 years. Page is also the founder of the Page Education Foundation, which provides academic opportunities for minority children and gives financial aid to college students.

OF INTEREST

-National

-A recent study showed that the amount of money spent on education is increasing. This is good news for students and those who work in education. However, there is still much work to be done to ensure that everyone has access to a quality education.

-According to a recent report, the cost of college tuition has increased by 5% in the past year. This is a significant increase and it is causing concern for many families.

-A new study has shown that exercise can improve cognitive function in older adults. This is important news for people who want to maintain their mental health as they age.

-Ongoing research is being conducted on the potential benefits of using stem cells in the treatment of various diseases. Initial results are promising, and this area of research is expected to continue to grow.

-Recent advances in technology have allowed for more efficient methods of communication, leading to increased productivity and reduced costs for many businesses.

-Many organizations are now implementing sustainable practices to reduce their environmental impact. This is an important step in addressing the challenges posed by climate change.

-Jobs available for Our Lady of Hungary School in South Bend.

-Career and volunteer options with nonprofit organizations will be presented tonight from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Center for Social Concerns (CSC). The discussion will include information about making the decision, the jobs available, the rewards and the drawbacks. Sponsored by the Center for Social Concerns and Career and Placement Services.

-Anthropology department will host a Visiting Scholar Series: "Health and Civilization," presented by Mark Oehing. Dept. of Anthropology SUNY-Plattsburgh, today at 4:15 p.m. in 140 DeBartolo.

-Becker CPA review course will have a presentation on "How to prepare for the CPA Exam," today at 5 p.m. in the Montgomery Theatre of LaFortune.

-Daniel Burns, Personnel Director for Baker and McKenzie, will lecture on employment opportunities in the law field today from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Stapleton Lounge. Students seeking internships, summer jobs, and full-time employment are encouraged to attend. This program is co-sponsored by the Saint Mary's Pre-Law Society and the Counseling and Career Development Center.

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ON THIS DAY IN HISTORY

-Since 1914: Britain, France, and Russia declared war on Turkey, and Britain annexed Cyprus.

-Since 1921: Outer Mongolia signed and accord with Russian to protect against a Japanese or Chinese invasion.

-Since 1940: President Franklin Roosevelt became the first man in history to be re-elected for a third term, over the Republican candidate Wendell Willkie.

-Since 1958: Richard Nixon was elected President, defeating Democratic opponent Hubert Humphrey.

-Since 1978: Caspar Weinberger resigned as secretary of defense.

-Since 1991: The U.S. Senate confirmed the nomination of Robert Gates as head of the Central Intelligence Agency.
Russian legislature ratifies START

Hardliners protest that approval a gift to Clinton

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia's legislature on Wednesday ratified the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty with the United States despite protests by hardliners that approval represented an unwarranted gift to President-elect Bill Clinton.

Lawmakers voted 157-1, with 26 abstentions, to ratify the START treaty, which would cut by about one-third the U.S. and former Soviet arsenals of long-range missiles and bombers over the next seven years.

The U.S. Senate adjourned in October without passing the treaty, which was signed in July 1991 by President Bush and former Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

Ukraine, Belarus and Kazakhstan still have strategic nuclear weapons from the Soviet arsenal, and they must also ratify the treaty before it can come into effect. Kazakhstan has ratified the treaty. "It is the first treaty which will imply real cuts and it has a great importance not only for Russia and the U.S.A. but for the whole world," said Deputy Russian Defense Minister Boris Gromov.

Richard Boucher, the State Department spokesman, said "we see this as a very important positive development towards bringing the treaty into force." He said the U.S. was urging Ukraine and Belarus to complete their own ratification of START. "The governments of both countries have assured us that they strongly support ratification," he said.

The Supreme Soviet lawmakers debated the issue heatedly for more than an hour. "Some people want to present it on a silver platter to the U.S. president-elect," said Vitaly Sevastyanov, a former cosmonaut and a member of the hard-liners' faction in the legislature.

"We shouldn't make presents. We must make normal, reasonable decisions. I am for this treaty, but we should take a reasonable attitude," Sevastyanov said.

"We said Russia did not have enough money to solve the many technical problems connected to the dismantling of the missiles."

Legislator Nikolai Pavlov, a leader of the opposition National Salvation Front that was disbanded by President Boris last week, said the treaty is based on a system of counting warheads that is unfavorable for Russia.

"As a result, the U.S.A. succeeded in getting privileges in counting warheads. We will have to eliminate our best missiles, while the U.S.A. will be able to keep their best weapons," Pavlov said.

Reformers stressed Russia's image as a reliable partner would be damaged if the legislature failed to ratify the treaty.

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Ore. rejects gay stigmatizing; Colo. blocks their protection

(AP) Oregon voters rejected an attempt to stigmatize homosexuals, but gay rights groups were able to place a similar repeal effort on the November ballot in Colorado, while voters in Portland, Maine, turned back a similar repeal effort.

Two local votes in Tuesday's elections also gave conflicting signals on public feelings about extending protections to homosexuals as a minority group. Voters in Tampa, Fla., overwhelmingly turned a city ordinance protecting homosexuals, while voters in Portland, Maine, turned back a similar repeal effort.

All four measures were put on the ballot by petition and all received more than 40 percent of the vote. Opponents of gay-rights legislation argued that gays should not receive special treatment and warned about condoning homosexuality and the dangers of gays "recruiting" young people.

"It's discouraging," said Ruth Harlow, a lawyer with the Lesbian and Gay Rights Project at the national offices of the American Civil Liberties Union.

"In Florida, the latest polls have different definitions from existing gay-rights legislation and residency laws already passed in Denver, Aspen and Portland, Maine."

About 300 gays who had been expecting to hold a victory party late Tuesday instead met instead at a hotel in downtown Denver, chanting "No more hate!" A gay group in California urged a tourism boycott of Colorado.

Gov. Roy Romer, an opponent of the measure, met with angry gay leaders at a church Wednesday and promised to challenge the measure in court. "It is not you who are gay and lesbian who have lost the fight. It is all of Colorado," he said earlier.

Harlow said the measure violates the equal protection clause of the U.S. Constitution. "The majority is simply not allowed to say, "We dislike this group," and to take away their protections," she said.

Will Perkins, who founded Colorado for Family Values, the group that got the amendment on the ballots, said the measure does not discriminate against homosexuals.

"Our objectives have never been to discriminate. Our position is that sexual orientation is not an acceptable criteria for special rights," he said.

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Democrats would "apply the brakes to Japan's selling products cheaply."

Japanese Prime Minister Kaizo Kato expressed hope that Clinton would "resist the protectionist winds."

In the Middle East and Africa, Arabs and Israelis said they could work with Clinton.

"Syria and the Arabs are committed to the peace process, but they expect President Clinton to be an honest broker between the Arabs and Israel, taking no one side against the other," said Syria's foreign minister, Fares al-Sharara.

Peace negotiations "will continue, and I'm convinced that also the new administration will show deep and serious interest in the talks," said Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres.

Lithuanian leader Miroslav Gadaffi, a Bush enemy, said a Democratic administration was "a natural and historic ally" of the Arabs.

South African political analyst Sampe Terbracke said Clinton was "open to having little patience" with any government attempts to slow the transition from apartheid.

In Baghdad, groups of Iraqi men celebrated Bush's defeat by dancing in the streets and chanting "Bush out, but Saddam lives forever."

Zaurie Hallam, a soldier in the Iraqi army that U.S.-led troops forced from Kuwait in the Persian Gulf War, said: "Our wounds have finally healed."

An Iranian radio report monitored in London said thousands gathered outside the U.S. Embassy in Tehran with banners proclaiming "Death to America" to mark "a national day against global arrogance."

But Bush was not forgotten. "This is a sad day for Kuwait," said journalist Khadi Thalib." We own this man the death of our country and our democracy." Foreign Minister Ghaqir-Jensensky of Hungary praised Bush as "an active player in the fall of communism."

In Mexico, President Carlos Salinas de Gortari thanked the defeated incumbent for "the important successes" he achieved, notably the North American Free Trade Agreement.

"We shouldn't just let George Bush sink into history, he's been a good friend to this country and of the alliance," said British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd.
The USS Topeka sails safely through strategic waters

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — The USS Topeka, the first submarine known to enter the Persian Gulf, sailed safely through the strategic waterway on Wednesday, proving its shallow waters are no deterrent to such craft.

The nuclear-powered attack submarine's arrival was clearly spurred by Iran's purchase of two subs from Russia, the first time a country in the region has bought such a vessel. One of those subs is en route to the gulf.

The deployment of the Topeka, which is armed with torpedos and Tomahawk cruise missiles, and Iran's purchase could spur a regional race to acquire submarines. The oil-rich gulf states are among the highest spenders on arms.

Iranian authorities arrest American travel agent on various spy charges

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Iranian authorities said Wednesday they arrested an American businessman and accused him of spying.

The official Islamic Republic News agency identified the American as Bill Mayar, 58, who was providing travel information from Iran to several international companies. It said he also had links with foreign intelligence agents.

Sources in Tehran said Mayar owned a travel agency in Iran and was trying to promote tourism in the country. They spoke on condition of anonymity.

Neither the sources nor the Iranian news reports gave a hometown for Mayar.

His arrest was announced in a statement by the Ministry of Information, the news reports said. It did not say when Mayar was arrested, but the announcement came on the 13th anniversary of the takeover of the U.S. Embassy in Tehran by Iranian militants.

Tehran radio said thousands of Iranians gathered in front of the building for a rally commemorating the takeover, during which Iranian militants held 52 Americans hostage for 44 days.

Testors chanted "Death to America!" and carried placards with anti-American slogans, the Iranian news agency said.

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Arkansas smiling on Election Day

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — This state has long been the butt of jokes, a place President Bush said was so polluted and poor that it was "the lowest of the low" in America. But on Wednesday, it was Arkansas that was smiling.

"In a way, we got the last laugh," said George Wright, one of Bill Clinton's boyhood friends. "We were called the lowest but we produced the president of the United States. What do you think about us now?"

Clinton's election, some say, not only will help dispel the caricatures of Arkansas as a real-life Dogpatch with slack-jawed hillbillies and chicken pluckers, but will give people here reason to be proud of their state.

"Most folks in Arkansas feel vindicated," said John Brummett, a columnist for the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette. "The president blasted us. Ross Perot bashed us. The man they harmed with the bashing was overwhelmingly elected. People here think this was their victory."

Clinton's win, he added, also offers Little Rock a chance to redeem itself from one of the ugliest moments in history — the 1957 crisis in which then-Gov. Orval Faubus blocked the doors of Central High School to prevent nine black students from integrating it.

"The last time the eyes of the world were on Little Rock were in '57... which gave us an inferiority complex," Brumett said. "People see this as a cleansing, a redemption. It's going to be real good for the psyche of the state."

That's not even necessary, said John Robert Sturr, another columnist at the Democrat-Gazette. "I don't detect Arkansas' spirit needs much lifting," he said. "I don't think the attacks have hurt us at all.

But not everyone is willing to forgive Bush's depictions of Arkansas during the campaign as a state with so much poverty and so many problems that it seemed like a Third World nation.

"For the people of Arkansas, it will be a long time before they forget what was said," said La Nelle Stagg, an assistant director of medical records at a Texarkana Hospital. "It think it's just awful."

"George Bush was my president," said George Frazier, county chairman in Hempstead County, which includes Hope, Clinton's hometown. "I thought that meant president of all the states... We're a proud people. We can fuss among ourselves but we don't like outsiders criticizing us."

Truth is, though, this was far from the first swipe taken at Arkansas.
The 1992 elections draw record voters

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pat yourself on the back America. The 1992 elections drew more than 106 million people—an all-time record—to the polls to exercise their right to vote.

But experts cautioned that the break in an otherwise three-decade downward spiral of voter participation may be short-lived and may not have much to do with President-elect Clinton's landslide win either.

Democratic turnout posted only minimal gains and Republican turnout was sharply down, making the 19 percent independent vote for Ross Perot the single biggest gain, explained Curtis Gans, a voter turnout expert who founded the Committee for the Study of the American Electorate.

About 55 percent of eligible Americans voted this time around, up 5 percentage points from the all-time low 50.2 percent mark set in 1988. Gans said this year's was the highest percentage turnout since 55.4 percent cast ballots in 1972, he said.

In terms of raw numbers, an estimated 104 million Americans emerged from the elections with only marginal gains in the House. A top GOP official called it "a missed historic opportunity."

Democrats will continue their domination of the chamber, a streak that extends back to 1954. And most incumbents who sought re-election—some 95 percent—will be back as well, defying predictions of a political bloodletting.

But the new House that is sworn in Jan. 5 will have a new look. Because of record retirements and large numbers of defeats in primary elections, there will be at least 110 new faces in the chamber, the highest number in more than four decades.

More will be black, Hispanic and female than ever before.

"It's going to be more representative of the country," said Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash. "The numbers of Hispanics, African-Americans and women have not reflected their numbers in society. This is a healthy result."

Women won 47 seats, a quantum jump from their current strength of 28. Blacks captured 38 districts, also a dramatic increase from the current level of 25. And Hispanics increased their representation from 11 to 17.

Minority success was made possible by redistricting under the Voting Rights Act, which designed new districts specifically to elect minority lawmakers.

Judging by the tone of the fall campaign, the new House will feel a double mandate. To re-vive the U.S. economy, probably along the lines suggested by the Clinton administration, and to reform the House itself.

For Republicans, the outcome was disappointing. In a year that saw the House plagued by scandals in its internal bank and post office, vigorous recruiting of GOP candidates and a favorable redrawing of congressional districts, many had hoped for a pickup of several dozen seats.

But as the final numbers shaped up Wednesday, it appeared Republicans had picked up about nine seats, paring the Democratic majority to 249-175, with one independent, Bernard Sanders of Vermont.

The old margin had been 268-166.

Religious right vows 'hand-to-hand combat' (AP) Disappointed by Bill Clinton's win at the top of the ticket, conservative Christians promised Wednesday to wage hardball combat from the grass-roots level for their pro-family, anti-abortion and anti-gay agenda.

"There's some good news out there for conservatives and pro-family citizens, but it's occurring in the midst of a funeral parlor with the defeat of George Bush," said Ralph Reed, head of the Georgia-based Christian Coalition.

There were other setbacks to the religious right, which showed its political strength at August's Republican National Convention.

Several favored conservative candidates were defeated, and the movement's highest-profile ballot measure—an Oregon proposal to label homosexuality "abnormal and perverse"—was voted down 57 percent to 43 percent.

With Clinton in office, "it's going to be hand-to-hand combat for at least four years," Reed said. "We're going to be dealing with a radically pro-abortion, high-tax administration for the first time ever."

Large voter turnout hurt the religious right, said Skipper Porous, co-author of a book called "Challenging the Christian Right."

"Mainstream voters just said no to the religious right," Porous said. "They don't represent the will of the American people, and I think this election proves it."

But Reed said Americans were voting their pocketbook, not their conscience. In exit polls, voters overwhelmingly cited economic concerns in choosing Clinton over Bush.

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Dear Editor:

Today, I engaged in a conversation with a friend about the Catholic Church and our discussion continued. We talked about a situation involving a student at Saint Mary's College, which led to me realizing that several people on campus did not believe I was Catholic simply because... blacks are not Catholic.

In my discussion with my friend, the fact that I partake in Holy Communion and inquired how would it be possible for me to do this if I were not Catholic. The answer those people gave my friend was, "Oh, he just does it." Well, for me, this was the straw that broke the camel's back. I can no longer sit quietly, only to ignore the ignorance of others. For these people who believe I take the body of Christ and the blood of Christ just to do it, you're wrong. My parents are Catholics, I am Catholic, and I understand the meaning behind being Catholic; this is why I receive Holy Communion.

So, many of you right now must be thinking, 'What's your problem, Patrick?' My point is, God created one race, the human race, but humankind seems to have created many races.

As a result, we have created stereotypes for these races which leads to ignorance. Do not be ignorant, Notre Dame. Learn about people as individuals, not as a race. After all, "We are ND."

Patrick Mison
Flanner Hall
Oct. 29, 1992

Only God, not bishops, can judge

Dear Editor:

I would like to respond to a letter (The Observer, Oct. 30, 1992) in which Joseph Valley questioned the "strange silence" maintained by bishops because its purpose is greater than a clock or a lock. Her laugh is (in photographs) like ripples of ether, delicious like the breath angels kiss with. Grass even.

Perhaps she laughs because the extent of its purpose is beyond the classification of milestone men, or even because its purpose is greater than a clock or a lock. Her laugh is (in photographs) like ripples of ether, delicious like the breath angels kiss with. Grass even.

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Individuals are the real people

Dear Editor:

I believe that the reason for this "silence" is that the bishops realize that a mass (or any) excommunication of pro-choice Catholics would be on of the largest most disgraceful acts of bigotry of all time.

Unlike Valley, these bishops obviously realize that it is God's place to judge and no one else's. God does not hate and God is not a bigot.

I hope that all Catholics were offended as I by this pro-hate, pro-intolerance, pro-bigotry, anti-Christian letter. The fact that its author is a Third Order Franciscan is absolutely contemptible.

The Catholic Church and these "silent" bishops are not bigots, nor is God. Mr. Valley, you and your kind are finished.

Seth Grieshaber
Zahm Hall
Oct. 30, 1992

Thursday's Verse

On the back of a book jacket
I saw a picture of the poet Mary
laughing like a young girl delighted with the wind.
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Send your unpublished poem to:
Thursday's Verse
P.O. Box Q
ND, IN 46556

GARRY TRUDEAU

QUOTE OF THE DAY

'I'd rather have my country die for me.'

Grace Slick
**Viewpoint**

**Sex also has consequences...**

**Dear Editor:**

I am writing in response to Tony Anderson's editorial, which was entitled "Reader says "Slaves, your honor, must be abolished before it destroys the American Civil War failed to abolish Jewish Slave Law") was pushed through Congress by the Jews not to be questioned") was pushed through Congress by the Jews to ensure that debt/tax slavery system, which the Jews successfully persuaded Congress to pass the Federal Reserve Act, which triggered the financial depression that followed.

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**By 1913, with sufficient political backing in the Congress to overthrow our existing debt/tax slavery money system, the Jews successfully persuaded Congress to pass the Federal Reserve Act, which triggered the financial depression that followed.**

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As if all this exposure wasn't

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Assistant Accent Editor

By LAURIE SESSA

the committee by members who knew of

text of "Achy B reaky H e a rt."

During the Spring 1993 semester.

features a collection of 16 acts, and was released during the fall of 1993. The disc


doing it themselves." 

"This is very punk rock," said

would bring in," said Eric Kuehner,
director of publicity for the department

York Chamber Orchestra and Delaware Valley Philharmonic and was a member of the Philadelphia Orchestra, the Carnegie

and Oberlin String Quartet.

Marsh has performed as a soloist with the Musica Aeterna Orchestra, Julliard Symphony and at the Festival of the Rockies in Colorado.

So what, you say? Country music has been around in this country almost as long as Jack

s u c h  p la c e s  as  A u s tralia ,

H eart" is hitting the charts in

detached from the Billboard charts. It's come with fame, Billy Ray Cyrus says, but not

Cyrus' debut album Some Gave All has spent 17 weeks on top of the Billboard charts.

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was a faculty member of the

Carnegie Hall in New York and the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., and they perform regularly at Harvard University.

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Quartet also has 12 separate recordings of music that are available for purchase.

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who perform on campus and tour other campuses over the summer and during school breaks. They will be giving a concert in Washington Hall next spring, according to Kuehner.

The New World String Quartet's recital is this Sunday, November 8 at 2 p.m. in Washington Hall. Tickets are $5 for general admission and $2 for students and senior citizens.

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Billy Ray Cyrus wasn't always the

my own car," he recalls.

Cyrus' problems haven't disappeared now that he's famous. In fact, he told USA Today that his new fame has brought a painfully nosy press into the lives of his mother and his co­ex­wi­li.

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**Accent**

**Live from Notre Dame...**

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The crowd is then asked to offer their ideas to the players and watch as they improvise a comedic routine around what has been said.

The improvisational aspect of the show is perhaps its most appealing facet because of the spontaneity and originality of each show. Unlike many other comedians, it is a guarantee that fresh, new material will be presented at every performance.

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Uzbeki Soloists perform classics at Saint Mary's

By ALISON DASSO

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"Individually, they're the premier soloists from Russia combined into one orchestra."

Performers in the orchestra have won regional and all-soviet competitions and are graduates of the Moscow and Tashkent Conservatories. All members are trained in the traditional style.

In the past six years, the ensemble has achieved success and won critical praise for their understanding of style and for their unified string sound.

The orchestra has performed in Estonia, Kazakhstan, Siberia, and Ukraine. The group has also been invited to participate in international music festivals at Minsk and Lvov and have made numerous appearances in Moscow.

Members of the group have devoted themselves to performances of classical chamber orchestra repertoire, and to works by Uzbeki composers writing in both European and Central Asian style.

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CAMPUS MINISTRY...

...CONSIDERATIONS

Je me souviens

If you point your car in a northeasterly direction and start driving, you'll come across two World Series towns — Detroit, and now Toronto, probably still in an uproar after the events of a couple of weeks ago. Keep driving on Quebec. The plates are stamped: "Je me souviens", which means, "I recall."

There is a legacy for us, too, and the month of November brings with it an awareness of our relationship with God. And it was told — repeatedly — in times of crisis, "spirits" that have brought us to this day. They are the Jesuses, the heroines, the martyrs, the prophets, the ones we venerate. We view: parents, grandparents, friends, teachers, lovers. By naming them in our prayers, we set our compass on the Source of Love.

"Je me souviens." — May we remember well.

Steven C. Warner, Director of Liturgical Resources

We do this too, as part of the eucharistic prayer. We celebrate the mystery of giving and receiving the Body and Blood of Christ. We acknowledge that there may be times when the powers of the world buckle under the hope and vision of a single person; Proof abounds — for all the Lech Walesas, Dorothy Days, and Oscar Romero of the world, there are many others, unsung, working the streets of the depressed and the poor. Some of them were martyred last weekend. And they call us to join them.

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Chicago at Quebec, 8:10 p.m.

National Hockey League
Chicago at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.

National Hockey League
Chicago at Arizona, 7:30 p.m.

Winnipeg at Vancouver, 10:10 p.m.

Pittsburgh at Buffalo, 4 p.m.

New York Jets at Denver, 4 p.m.

Los Angeles Raiders at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.

Miami at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.

Dallas at Detroit, 1 p.m.

Denver at Washington, 4:30 p.m.

Cleveland at Minnesota, 4:15 p.m.

Philadelphia at New York, 7:30 p.m.

San Antonio at Denver, 9 p.m.

LA Clippers at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.

Orlando at Washington, 7:30 p.m.

Cleveland at Washington, 7:15 p.m.

Dallas at Detroit, 1 p.m.

Atlanta at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

St. Louis at Minnesota, 8:45 p.m.

Golden State at Denver, 8:30 p.m.

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San Antonio at Denver, 8:30 p.m.

St. Louis at Minnesota, 8:30 p.m.

Golden State at Portland, 9:30 p.m.

Houston at Seattle at Seattle, 11 p.m.

SUNDAY
National Basketball League
Philadelphia vs. Cleveland at 4 p.m.

Grand Slam at New York, 4 p.m.

Green Bay at New York, 4 p.m.

Los Angeles at Portland, 1:15 p.m.

Minnesota at Boston, 1 p.m.

St. Louis at Detroit, 7 p.m.

Los Angeles at Denver, 10 p.m.

San Diego at Kansas City, 4 p.m.

Cincinnati at Chicago, 8:45 p.m.

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Barry begins his coaching career with Sharpshooters

GEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa (AP) — It's appropriate that Rick Barry, one of pro basketball's best shooters, is starting his coaching career with a team called the Sharpshooters.

Barry, 48, retired as a player in 1980 after scoring 25,259 points in the NBA and Na. He won scoring titles in both leagues and played on champi-

on teams in both.

Barry knows that despite his accomplishments as a player, people are skeptical of his abili-
y to coach. He is eager to prove them wrong.

"People don't think Rick Barry can be a basketball coach," he said. "People always said people who are, quote, 'great players' don't make great coaches. I think that's a crock."

"I'm also realistic enough to think I'm not going to find out if I like coaching," he said. "And I get to do it without being in a big fish bowl like you would have in the NBA and without as many expectations on me as there would be in the NBA."

Barry's only link with basket-
ball since retiring has been as a television analyst. He is confident of succeeding in his new venture.

"I've had a great deal of ex-
perience seeing how coaches do things," he said. "Over the years when I was broadcasting, I talked with every coach who participated in the NBA. I knew their offensive and defensive philosophies and strategies against teams, and I had a chance to watch their philo-

sophies."

"The only thing I haven't done is sit on the bench and make the decisions myself."

Barry will receive $150,000 for the 1992-93 season, which begins Nov. 16 against the SouthGA Blues. The first game he will coach is an exhibition Nov. 12 against the Mississippi Coast Sharks at Lake Charles, La.

Cedar Rapids owner Rich Wolf reached a verbal agreement with Barry in September to coach the Sharpshooters. They completed the deal last Thursday.

Barry said when he first re-
tired, he never thought about coaching. But developments in the pro game in recent years encouraged him to look into the profession.

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INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Indiana Pacers coach Bob Hill has been happy with McCloud's play as a starter.

"I never thought he'd re-bound," said Hill, "but he's really been very, very, very good so far. He was a tough guy to guard him from the 3-point point. He may be the key to that whole thing, along with Pooh.

"Then when you can come with Sam behind him ... Sam is probably as good a defender as George, but he's going to get over much better shots for other guys, and he doesn't have to take bad shots. So we're not getting a bad shot out of that position, and we're getting the right looks, and we're probably getting overall better defense.

Fry Fleischner, who has logged more games as a Pacer (631) than any player in history, is in the third guard, although McCloud and rookie Malik Sealy can expect to log some minutes at big guard in certain situations.

Co-captain LaSalle Thompson and Greg Drelling back up the positions, and Kenny Williams should see more action at small forward this year.

The only other change is the retirement of Indianapolis na-

Fry won't write off Iowa's season.

"At the time that it happened, I'm saying to myself, 'How in the world could that happen?' It's like it hasn't happened to good programs. But it does," Fry said.

This year, with a brutal non-conference schedule, injuries and the loss of key all-Big Ten performers to graduation, the Hawkeyes are struggling as they head into Saturday's game at Indiana (5-3 overall, 3-2 Big Ten). Iowa, 2-3 in the conference, needs to win its final three games to avoid finishing below .500 for only the second time in 12 years.

"It's something we don't experience around here, but we're experiencing it now," Fry said. "I can't explain it. I'm not that smart.

The early schedule of North Carolina State, Miami and Colorado and then opening the Big Ten season at defending champion Michigan prevented the Hawkeyes from building momentum and confidence, Fry said.

"If we had some schedules like a lot of the people in the top 20, there's a good chance we'd be in the top 20 right now and probably only lost one or two games like we normally do," he said

"But this is a different year. Last year, that was a picnic compared to this."
NBA's balance of power shifting as season opens

Magie Johnson's surprise second retirement again will shuffle the balance of power in the NBA when its 47th season opens with 11 games Friday night.

With Johnson back, some believed the Los Angeles Lakers would return to title contention, a position they enjoyed for the entire decade of the 1980s. Others thought they at least would have a say in who would play in the Western Conference finals.

Without Johnson last season, the Lakers faced tight competition in their own territory for the first time, when the Los Angeles Clippers made the playoffs for the first time and the Lakers barely made it on the final day of the regular season.

That competition begins anew Friday night when the Lakers face the Clippers at the LA Sports Arena.

"We're unsure; we don't know what we have," general manager Jerry West said. "We're unsure; we don't know what we have."

"I don't think this makes us totally a rebuilding team, but some things are obvious," rookie coach Randy Pfund said. "When you lose a superstar and a player that's your leader, that creates a little different expectation than we started with this year."

In other openers Friday night, it will be Minnesota at Boston, New Jersey at Philadelphia, Miami at Orlando, New York at Atlanta, Washington at Charlotte, Chicago at Cleveland, Milwaukee at Detroit, Golden State at Utah, San Antonio at Denver, and Seattle vs. Houston at Tokyo.

Four teams will be at home when they play their first games Saturday night, with Utah at Dallas, San Antonio at Denver, Detroit at Indiana and the Clippers at Phoenix. Portland will be the last team to make its debut, when it entertains Denver on Sunday night.

The Lakers, who in 1991-92 had their worst season (43-39) in 16 years, again will have to start Sedale Threatt at point guard instead of Johnson. Tony Smith is expected to be Threatt's backup, with Pfund also high on rookies Duane Cooper and Anthony Peeler.

"I want to see Peeler and Cooper very soon backing up Sedale," Pfund said. "They've been looking good at practice."

The Lakers' older players include Byron Scott, James Worthy and Sam Perkins, all 31. James Edwards, 36. Other veterans include center Vlade Divac and A.C. Green.

Another team likely to open its season without a key player is the Charlotte Hornets, who are still hoping holdout Alonzo Mourning, the No. 2 pick in the 1992 draft, will lead them to their first playoff berth.

"I don't have a good feel about how much he has missed or how much that will hurt us," coach Allan Bristow said. "Once we get him adjusted to playing with the guys, maybe it will be a week or so before I can have a gauge on that."

Until Mourning is signed — agent David Falk said Mourning is prepared to sit out the season until his salary demands are met — Charlotte will start veteran Mike Gminski at center.

But even without Mourning and his expected impact on rebounding and shot-blocking, the Hornets nearly made their playoffs last season behind their top draft picks of the past two years, Kendall Gill and Larry Johnson.

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Duke hopes media blitz is over


Krzyzewski said Wednesday he was sensitive to people always writing about Duke winning.

"That's part of sport," he said. "When any team in any sport wins at a high level for an extended period of time, people who are in that sport want to see someone else. I don't necessarily go to a game with that, but I don't mind people thinking that and saying that because it's natural."

Krzyzewski, whose teams have won two straight NCAA championships and been to six Final Fours in the past seven seasons, hopes some of the media blitz that last year's team endured subsides.

"I'm not saying that's bad, I'm saying that's something that's been in the organization by a thread for a long time and it's finally done. It should be handled properly," he said.

"It's a problem," Krzyzewski said. "It's a problem for us, it's a problem for the team."
Men's soccer begins quest for conference title against Loyola

By JASON KELLY
Sports Writer

It has been a season full of peaks and valleys, but the toughest climb lies ahead for the Notre Dame men's soccer team.

The Irish travel to Indianapolis today to begin their quest for a Midwestern Collegiate Conference championship.

"It has been a bizarre season," Irish coach Mike Berticelli said. "We're not looking for excuses, but we've had some bad calls that cost us some games. The only three games we truly felt we lost were to UCLA, Duke and Indiana."

Despite those losses, they proved that they could play with the nation's best teams, but in losses to Vanderbilt and Loyola they also proved that they could be vulnerable against lesser competition.

They have also been vulnerable to some questionable calls. In the MCC finals last weekend at Butler, senior Brendan Dillmann launched a shot from 30 yards out in the final seconds of overtime. On film, the shot appears to cross the goal line before time expires, but the referee didn't see it that way and the Irish had to settle for a 1-1 tie.

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Notre Dame's lethal look-alikes

Women's soccer armed with explosive trio of freshmen

By GEORGE DOHRMANN
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