Huang, "he stated in his lecture to a vision of peace and the Gaza Strip. He feels Israel should turn the area over to the Palestinians in the interest of human rights.

By GRETCHEN GUSICH

Palestinians need more self rule

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To help ensure the human rights of the Palestinians in the Gaza Strip and to educate the Israelis as to the abuses of human rights—this is the purpose of the Gaza Team, according to Professor Haim Gordan.

"We have to change all of the concepts and all of the approaches we have been using from a vision of aggression and war to a vision of peace and sharing," he stated in his lecture, "The Peace Process in the Middle East: Prospects and Problems."

"Jerusalem is a city that is holy to three faiths. It is holy to Muslims, it is holy to Christians and it is holy to Jews. We have to give one section to the Muslims; it is theirs. We have to give one section to the Christians; it is theirs."

Specifically, Gordan voiced support for the conversion of the primarily Palestinian-occupied Gaza Strip from an Israeli state to a Palestinian autonomy.

"This conversion will result in problems in the immediate future, yet will secure peaceful relations between the nations in the future, according to Gordan.

One possible concern is the continued rule of the Palestinians occupying camps in the Gaza Strip.

"We have some responsibility to change that situation for the better. We have a responsibility to those people," said Gordan.

The Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO), according to Gordan, could negotiate for the land and, in the process, neglect the welfare of those Palestinians inhabiting the Gaza Strip.

"They (the PLO) will create a small, rich elite and all of the rest of the Palestinians will be poor. The Palestinians in the camps deserve a more social-oriented economy than is being negotiated now." Ismail Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin has also been reluctant in handing over the Gaza Strip.

"Forty percent of the land in the Gaza Strip has been confiscated by the Israelis," he said. "We have no responsibility to those people."

By MARIAM SAMI

Arafat, Peres attempting to renege peace negotiations

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A "non-partisan, grassroots" campaign that wishes to open a channel of communication at a very early stage of the negotiations is under way at last night's Student Senate meeting.

By KATIE MURPHY

Senate asks questions about group

The group "LEAD . . . OR LEAVE" proposes to "get younger Americans back into politics, educate them about the economic crisis facing our nation and build a political force to fight for a progressive platform for economic change."

"It the group" tries to mobilize our generation," said student senator Karen Dubay.

The Washington D.C. based group is a government accountability program represented by students at Notre Dame, Dubay said.

Student senators expressed concern about the group's political affiliation and the issues.
CAPE CANAVERAL
America’s mightiest unmanned rocket blasted into space Monday on a $1.3 billion military mission that critics say is no longer needed because of the demise of the Cold War.

The twin engines of the Air Force Titan III rocket roared to life at 4:47 p.m. from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station to carry a new military communications satellite named Milstar.

The satellite, designed to provide instant, extra-secure communications for the U.S. armed forces, cost $1 billion. The rocket and associated launch costs were another $300 million.

"Milstar provides unprecedented security," said Air Force Brig. Gen. Leonard Kwiatkowski, program director of the military satellite communications joint program office. "We can’t provide that security today, and what that translates to is jamming threats and the ability of the enemy to intercept and listen to what we’re doing."

Some members of Congress and others have questioned the need for such an expensive satellite in the post-Cold War era. Even as the Air Force counted down toward Monday’s lift-off, NASA’s Discovery flew over the heart of the country, to fly on a U.S. shuttle.

Kwiatkowski said the Milstar program already has been scaled back and restructured at Congress’ request.

A classified electronics payload aboard this Milstar, for instance, was disconnected because it’s no longer needed, Kwiatkowski said. The payload was removed from the next Milstar, to be launched in 1995, and replaced with 678 pounds of aluminum for balance. And it will be replaced in the second-generation Milstars with higher data-rate systems.

"The $40 billion program has been cut to cut at least $17 billion, or less," Kwiatkowski said. "That includes $8.8 billion for building six Milstars, including the one launched Monday.

But even then, it’s still too much, said Sen. Jake White, director of the Federation of American Scientists’ space policy and arms control project.

“It’s an extremely expensive satellite with astonishingly modest capabilities, an obsolete relic of the Cold War that would be better placed in the Air and Space Museum and save the rocket for a useful payload,” White said.

The Milstar was ready for launch last summer, but was grounded by rocket and other problems, most notably the August explosion of a Titan IV. The Titan and its secret military payload blew up less than two minutes after lift-off from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California, the problem was traced to a faulty booster engine.

This was the second launch attempt for Milstar. The first, on July 18, was ruined by last-minute trouble with ground equipment.

The United States has begun a new diplomatic offensive to revive stalled negotiations on restoring democracy in Haiti, but key lawmakers on Monday gave it little chance at success. U.S. Ambassador William Swing, the leader of Haiti’s parliament and several other Haitian politicians traveled to Washington for talks with executives Jean-Bertrand Aristide and American and U.N. officials. The politicians included two frequently mentioned candidates to be Haiti’s next president — Victor Benoit, a leader of a pro-Aristide socialist party; and Sen. Sam Nunn, a liberal Democrat.

The trip was part of a U.S.-sponsored Center for Democracy and represents an effort to re-start stalled talks. But even one of those on the trip, Rep. Mel Watt, a Democrat from North Carolina, said Monday he went to Washington only to demand an end to the international fuel embargo on Haiti — to talk about a new premier.

Gary fights ‘murder capital’ tag

When your decaying hometown is known as the deadliest place in an increasingly dangerous nation, what do you say in its defense? You can point to the past, to the nostalgic “Gary, Indiana, my home, sweet home” from "The Music Man." You can point to the future, and hopes that riverboat gambling will end two decades of socio-economic decline. But even that’s too much, said John Pike, director of the Washington-based NGO GlobalSecurity.org.

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Officials urge landlords to accept rent vouchers

By SONYA ROSS
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Federal housing officials plan to meet this week with Los Angeles landlords to encourage them to accept federal rent vouchers from earthquake victims — and remind them of the penalties if they don't.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development has received more than 200 complaints from quake victims who say landlords are asking for extra deposits or rejecting the vouchers, which provide rent subsidy through the Section 8 program.

HUD officials will meet with landlords Saturday in the San Fernando Valley, to quell any apprehension they may have over signing on to a federal housing program, Housing Secretary Henry Cisneros said Monday.

Cisneros said he sensed that landlords are more concerned about the consequences of accepting federal vouchers than they are with discrimination.

Still, he said, "we're beefing up our anti-discrimination efforts beyond words" to discourage mistreatment of minorities or poor people left homeless by the Jan. 17 earthquake.

"We have some anecdotal evidence of people coming back and saying their voucher, or their certificate, was not accepted," Cisneros said. "Perhaps it's the fact that they have a number of children or perhaps because they are Hispanic and poor in appearance."

HUD officials have distributed 12,804 certificates for 18 months of subsidized housing, but only 2,372 families have leases and only 618 have moved into their new homes.

Cisneros said HUD would work with landlords to be flexible with some federal requirements, such as applying aid to individual apartments, rather than whole buildings, or waiving a rule that requires landlords to give subsidized tenants 90 days' notice before eviction.

Officials urge landlords to encourage tenants to meet this week with Los Angeles landlords to accept federal rent vouchers, which provide rent subsidy through the Section 8 program.

CLC tries for more 24-hour areas

By KARASPAK
News Writer

Increased student need for both study and social 24-hour space fueled discussion at last night's meeting of the Campus Life Council.

Student Body Vice President Nikki Wellman presented findings by a special committee comprised of students, faculty and other staff formed specifically for a council report on 24-hour space.

Wellman's committee cited numbers concerning a drop in student need for 24-hour space after 3 a.m. Based on these figures, the committee attempted to find an area that would facilitate the students for an extra hour past 2 a.m. when LaFortune closes and weekend parties begin.

Originally Wellman and Student Body President Frank Flynn wanted the LaFortune Ballroom to be open later into the night, but the ballroom is booked solid every weekday and weekend night until the end of the year, and cannot facilitate the request.

The committee decided to try keeping the entire first floor of LaFortune open, including the Fast Break section of the bistro.

"We think it's a good start," said Wellman, "and hope next year to see the ballroom open." Wellman encourages anyone with input with regards to the 24-hour space to call her at 1-4554 or 4-3477.

The Hall President's Council Resolution regarding increased need for security on campus was postponed till the next meeting of the council when security officers will meet with the council to discuss feasibility of the HPC proposals.

The Campus Life Council meets again on Monday, Feb. 21.
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they would address. “Before I vote for this I would want to know which issues they would address,” said student senator Jennifer Halbach. “If (the group) is definitely here,” said student senator Erin King.

Senators voiced concerns that the group might endorse issues like shutting down or ideas going against DuLaC. Student senators voted unanimously not to decide on the issue until more information had been gathered.

Another concern brought to Student Senate involved the difficulties of empowering students through Campus Life Council and the lack of communication between students and the administration.

“The is a major lack of communication, said student senator Ellen Zahren. “The students deserve an answer.” Issues addressed to Student Senate, HPC and Campus Life Council are still not getting to the administration, according to Student Body President Frank Flynn.

“In this case, it has to pass through three endorsements to be considered important enough to be heard by the administration,” Flynn said. “The administration likes to see CLC as the one communication channel.”

School trustees have asked to discuss these issues.

In other Senate news, Adworks, Irish Gardens and NI Video are doing well, according to Business Manager Kristie Shafter.

“The last day to order flowers for Valentine’s Day is Friday and this weekend is a big dance weekend,” Shafter said. As a reminder, the Foreign Film Festival, Winter Fest and the Sophomore Literary Festival all begin this week.

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Kellie Abbott, a Pasquerilla East junior from Freeport, Pa., is one of 128 students nationwide selected to the 1994 All-USA College Academic Team. Sponsored by USA Today, the academic all-star team honors the accomplishments—in and out of the classroom—of America’s best and brightest college students. Twenty each were named to the first, second and third teams, and 68 received honorable mention.

Abbott, an English/education major with a 3.23 grade point average, earned honorable mention on the All-USA team.

“I am very happy about the award,” she said. “But the work that I have done to nominate me is more important than the award itself.”

In addition to her academic achievements, Abbott serves on the student advisory board of the Center for Social Concerns (CSC), is a volunteer intern at South Bend’s Center for the Homeless, and is social concerns commissioner for student government.

Currently, with Father Don McNell, C.S.C., director of the CSC, Abbott co-chairs a joint University/community steering committee for nation and community service. The committee is involved in planning implementation of specific aspects of the National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993.

Abbott also has worked with English professor Thomas Werge to develop an innovative student-run course that focuses on the issues of homelessness as found, is funded by a grant from the Campus Opportunity outreach league.

Nearly 1,300 students nationwide were nominated for the all-academic team. Judge Pamela Early from the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education said, “They have chosen to use their talent in a way that helps people who aren’t as disadvantaged as they.”

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Jury outlines procedure for Packwood diary transfer

By LARRY MARGASAK
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
A federal judge set in motion the transfer of Sen. Bob Packwood's diaries to the Senate Ethics Committee, but allowed 15 days for the senator to challenge the order.

U.S. District Judge Thomas Jackson, in addition to the 15-day delay, ordered Monday that Packwood receive at least 24 hours notice before the audio tapes and transcripts are delivered to the committee.

The panel is investigating allegations of sexual misconduct, witness intimidation and obstruction of the inquiry by the Oregon Republican.

The committee subpoenaed the diaries last Oct. 29, after entries showed lobbyists and businessmen offered the senator's wife a job while the Packwoods were going through a divorce.

Packwood, who had provided diary entries until the discovery, then cut off access to materials from 1949 to the present.

The committee responded with the subpoena, saying the diaries were necessary to determine whether the probe should be expanded.

On Jan. 24, Jackson ordered Packwood to turn over the subpoena.

The senator's lawyer, Jacob Stain, said he would appeal on grounds that the subpoena violated Packwood's constitutional right to privacy and his right against self-incrimination.

The Jan. 24 order didn't immediately transfer the diaries to the committee. Monday's order outlined the procedures for the transfer, while allowing the 15-day delay so Packwood can take his case to the U.S. Court of Appeals.

Packwood could face criminal charges, since the Justice Department is conducting a criminal probe of the job offers.

Jackson established a procedure that would transfer the diaries to the FBI for copying, and place the materials under supervision of a special master, former U.S. Solicitor General and federal appellate judge Kenneth Starr.

Starr will have authority to delete attorney-client, family and medical entries and review materials placed in those categories by Packwood. He also will supervise tests to determine whether the tapes and transcripts were altered.

The committee last year informed the court of the possible alteration, after interviewing the woman who transcribed the diary tapes for Packwood.

The committee said it believed Packwood altered the materials because he expected they would be subpoenaed.

"No subpoenaed material, nor any admissible report... shall be delivered to the committee before the 15th day following the filing of this order..." Jackson wrote.

He also ordered Starr to give Packwood at least 24 hours notice in writing before any materials go to the committee.

Clinton hopeful for programs

By NANCY BENAC
Associated Press

HOUSTON
President Clinton pitched his budget request to America on Monday by dangling hopes of better crime, education and job training programs in return for spending cuts elsewhere.

"If we do it, we can't keep the economy going in the right direction, and we won't have any money to spend on the things that 90 percent of you think we should spend more money on," he said.

Unveiling his new $1.5 trillion spending plan during a three-day Southern swing, Clinton avoided most specific programs that would be eliminated or pared down, focusing instead on the sweeter side of the equation.

"If we do it, we can keep the recovery going," he told the Greater Houston Partnership, a business group.

"We can also find the money we need to invest in some things that I think are important."

On Tuesday, Feb. 8, 1994
Clinton endorses threat to air strike Bosnia

By NABES SCHREIBER

WASHINGTON

The Clinton administration is planning to extend a protective shield to civilians in Sarajevo by threatening air strikes if Bosnian Serbs continue their attacks. No more empty threats, the president said.

The aim is to end the sieges of the Bosnian capital, where 68 civilians were killed and some 200 injured in a mortar attack on a Muslim marketplace on Saturday.

It would require a change of heart by many of the European governments to whom the Clinton administration has assigned the primary responsibility for ending the fighting in the Balkans.

In Houston, Clinton was asked why the Serbs should take this latest threat of air strikes seriously, given the West's previous name-calling. "I think you know what happens in the next couple of days," the president said.

"You know what I feel about that. I don't think we should have any more empty threats."

The NATO allies last year blocked a U.S. appeal to both sides to sign a non-aggression pact and to bomb Bosnian Serb artillery and mortar sites if attacks continued.

Partly out of concern U.S. peacekeepers might get caught in the cross-fire, the allies shelved proposals from previous interventions.

But continued blood-letting in what Secretary of State Warren Christopher called "a dangerous situation," the Serbs were expected this time to react in allied unity.

"We expect the North Atlantic Council to decide on a course of action, on an overall strategy, within the next few days," Christopher said after President Clinton's senior advisers met for a second day at the White House.

The NATO meeting will be held on Wednesday in Brussels, Belgium. The ambassadors to NATO from the 16 allied countries are expected to attend.

In Brussels, European Union foreign ministers on Monday urged the NATO nations to use all means to lift the siege of Sarajevo, including the use of air power.

U.S. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali on Sunday asked the NATO allies to authorize use of air power in response to the shelling of Sarajevo.

Clinton, in a speech in Houston, said he had long hoped the U.N. official would take the lead.

The president said, though, that until those folks got tired of killing each other over there, bad things would continue to happen.

Some 200,000 people have died in Bosnia-Herzegovina in 22 months of ethnic conflict.

"I think that instead of hurting, it will in fact enhance our process," President Clinton said.

"And in no evidence, we find that each time we have a large joint field activity and we reach to the lifting of the embargo contingent on Hanoi's cooperation and progress in the fullest possible accounting of those missing since the Vietnam War," the president said.

U.S. veterans groups and families of MIAs opposed the end of the embargo, saying the United States would lose its leverage in forcing Vietnam to cooperate in accounting for the 2,238 American MIAs.

They charged that Hanoi was holding back remains to advance its political agenda. Vietnam also seeks a resumption of diplomatic relations.

"We have no evidence that they're holding any warehouse full of remains as occurred in the past," said Gray. "Are there some Vietnamese villagers scattered throughout the provinces that may have individual sets or have knowledge of where American remains might be. Yes, I believe that.

"And in no evidence, we find that each time we have a large joint field activity and we reach to the outer edges of some of the provinces, the people come forward and either turn over remains or guide us to where they think they recall many years ago a burial site. That's part of how we came to recovering these remains."

Addressing concerns by the families of the MIAs and the veterans groups, Gray said the U.S. pressure has not let up.

"We're going to continue to work as hard as we can. . . . to make greater progress and continue to provide answers to the families that have waited so long," he said.

Gray said that since the end of the embargo, the Vietnamese have shown their commitment to the fullest possible accounting, and over the weekend made plans to join more than 100 Americans on another search operation beginning Feb. 26.

CORRECTION

WASHINGTON

HANOI, Vietnam

Villagers may hold U.S. remains

By GEORGE ESPER

Associated Press

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French officials block import of fish from U.S.

By CHRISTOPHER BURNS
Associated Press

PARIS

Customs officers blocked about 50 tons of fish imports—half from the United States—from entering France on Monday in what exporters say is an attempt to appease fishermen angered over cheap imports.

Lengthy tests were ordered on the fish, destroying any chance it will be sold before rotting, said David Lenarrz, European export manager for the U.S.-based International Seafood Distributors.

"It's clearly in retaliation against foreign imports to show a little support for the fishermen," said Lenarrz.

Over the past week, French fishermen have staged a nationwide strike to protest cheap imports they say are driving them out of business. They have sacked the main Paris fish market, blocked ports, destroyed several dozen tons of foreign fish and battled with riot police in a half-dozen towns.

The protests forced the conservative government of Prime Minister Edouard Balladur to boost aid to the fishing industry. But the $50 million bailout promised last week failed to end the unrest.

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French officials block import of fish from U.S.

By LAM MCDOWALL
Associated Press

TIBILISI, Georgia

A court convicted a 21-year-old former soldier and sentenced him Monday to 15 years of hard labor for shooting to death Fred Woodruff, reportedly the CIA's station chief in Georgia.

The case has focused international attention on a quiet U.S. effort to train guards for embattled Georgian leader Eduard Shevardnadze, who has faced a series of armed rebellions and lawlessness.

Anzor Sharmaldze initially admitted he shot Woodruff on a crime-plagued stretch of road outside Tbilisi last Aug. 8. But he later retracted the confession, saying it was made under torture.

Chief Judge Jamal Leonidze said Monday that the three-judge criminal court found Sharmaldze's testimony "unreliable" and gave him 15 years in hard labor, the maximum prison term under Georgian law.

He could have received the death penalty.

Investigators believe Woodruff's murder was random and politically motivated.

Sharmaldze, wearing a large black anorak that partially covered his face, stood impassively while Leonidze read the 20-minute verdict and sentence. Six soldiers with Kalashnikovs stood guard.

Sharmaldze was also convicted of illegal possession of a weapon and an unrelated charge of house burglary.

U.S. Vice Consul Lynn Whitelock, who attended Monday's session, declined to comment.

The U.S. government provided forensic assistance in the murder investigation, but kept a low profile at the trial, which began Dec. 30.

Woodruff, 45, of Herndon, Va., officially was identified as the U.S. newspaper reporter who was killed by a single shot fired at his car on Jan. 5, 1994.

Two witnesses, both women, had been sitting nearby in the Caucasus Mountains when the shooting took place.

They were returning to Tbilisi when the car came under fire near the village of Natakhari, about 15 miles northwest of the capital.

Within 90 minutes of the shooting, Sharmaldze was seized when he asked for gasoline at a road block about 500 yards from the spot where the gun was fired.

Sharmaldze initially testified he had fired wildly at Woodruff's car because it failed to stop when he tried to flag it down to request gasoline, in chronic short supply in Georgia.

Later in the trial, Sharmaldze denied firing at the car, and said he had confessed under pressure.

French customs officials put three tons of international seafood's dogfish, worth $15,000, on hold at a refrigerated warehouse, Lenarrz said. The firm canceled a shipment of six more tons.

Lenarrz said about 50 tons total of fish imports was being held at airports. The figure could not be immediately verified, and French officials were unavailable for comment.

About 25 tons of the fish, including monkfish and lobster, was from the United States, Lenarrz said. Fish from Asia and South Africa were also held.

Lenarrz estimated that U.S. exporters ship 10 to 20 tons of fresh fish to France a day.

The blockage follows the government's orders last week for customs officers to closely inspect all imported fish for quality, packaging and transport norms, which can delay bringing the fish to market. The measures are imports without introducing specific quotas.

"We've stopped all shipments today to Charles de Gaulle" airport, said Mary Donahue of Wanchese International, in New Bedford, Mass. "We had to. It's creating a mess for all of us."

Wanchese has about five tons of dogfish backs worth $16,500 shipped Saturday to the Paris airport waiting to be tested.

At least 100 fishermen in La Rochelle threw open the doors to three frozen distributors, destroying the fish or handing it out free.

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Frank Deford has been rescheduled for 4/13/94
Japan and Russia talking peace

By ERIC TALMADGE
Associated Press

TOKYO

Northern Territories Day traditionally has been an occasion for the Japanese to shake their fists and demand Russia return several tiny islands captured at the end of World War II.

But this year, the message to Moscow was decidedly polite.

"Let's Be Friends," read one banner in both Russian and Japanese at a rally Monday.

"Let's Talk," said another.

The lighter tone reflects a gradual shift in Tokyo's policy toward the dispute, which has kept relations between Japan and Russia chilly and blocked the signing of a peace treaty to formally end their World War II hostilities.

"We can't just keep repeating our demand the islands be returned anymore," said Fumio Kiyama, a labor leader who visited three of the islands last fall. "Stubbornness won't get us anywhere.

"The disputed islands at the southern end of the Kuril chain between Russia's Far East and Japan's Hokkaido island, were seized by the Soviet Red Army after Japan's surrender to the Allies in 1945.

"Thousands of Japanese who lived on the islands - Kushiro, Etorofu, Shikotan and the Iturup Islands - were forced to leave. Today about 50,000 Russians, including several thousand military troops, call the southern Kuriles home.

"The Japanese claim the islands are theirs, noting a treaty signed with Russia on Feb. 7, 1855, that placed them within Japan's border. The Soviet rulers refused to recognize that treaty.

"In the icier years of the Cold War, Japan forbid private visits to the islands out of fear that such contact might be seen as recognition of Soviet control.

"That policy began to ease with the rise of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. Ties have continued to expand under Russian President Boris Yeltsin.

"But, like Gorbachev, Yeltsin faces considerable opposition at home to the idea of giving up territory and has shown little interest in turning over the islands.

"Instead, Yeltsin has urged closer cultural and business exchanges.

"It is truly regrettable that the islands - our territory - have yet to be returned," Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa said at Monday's rally of about 1,500 politicians and citizens.

Japanese barriers add 40 percent to imports

WASHINGTON

An auto industry study jointly commissioned by the U.S. and Japanese governments says barriers to the Japanese market added up to 40 percent to the price of imports sold there.

The Japanese distribution system, especially close ties between manufacturers and dealerships in Japan, was the focus of the report, expected to be released by the Commerce Department either Tuesday or Wednesday. It also cited the high price of land in Japan and recruiting difficulty.

"The two-year study was meant as an objective third-party analysis of foreign vehicle sales in Japan, was conducted by Booz-Allen & Hamilton Inc. of Bethesda, Md., and the Nomura Research Institute of Tokyo. A summary of the report was obtained by The Associated Press on Monday.

Andrew Card, president of the American Automobile Manufacturers Association, said the study confirms that the Japanese market is "in fact closed."" "There is no free trade in Japan," he said Monday. The Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association said it would formally respond after the report was released by the U.S. government.

"From what we have seen there is nothing in the distribution study which would support the position that there are restrictions of any kind in selling vehicles in the Japanese market," said William Duncan, Washington director of the group.

The report said Japanese manufacturers own about 25 percent of the auto dealerships there, compared with 1 percent of U.S. dealerships owned 100 percent by Ford Motor Co., Chrysler Corp. or General Motors Corp.

And just 40 percent of dealerships in Japan handle imports, compared with 94 percent in the United States, it said.

Japan stopped restricting dealers from handling other manufacturers' cars in 1980 and dropped a clause that said they at least had to be consulted in 1990, the report said.

But 16 percent of Japanese dealers surveyed said they believed they were prohibited from doing so and about 34 percent have executives on their governing boards that were assigned by the Japanese manufacturers.

Israel and Lebanon

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B U S I N E S S

The journey to the future continues

By JOHN ZACH
Business Writer

The Notre Dame and Saint Mary's 23rd annual Tax Assistance Program launched a sweeping many programs in the South Bend area over the next two months.

The volunteers for the program consist of 70 Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students along with 40 to 60 parishioners from both the College of Business Administration, Tax Law School, and local C.P.A.s.

The work is all donated and the goal of the program is to provide low-income tax payers free assistance on their tax returns, said Professor Ken Milani, the program's coordinator.

Last year, the Tax Assistance Program filed more than 1,700 tax returns for around 1,000 Michiana residents. There are currently 11 sites in the South Bend area where residents can come to receive help with their Indiana and federal income tax returns.

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The Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students in the program must have taken an Introductory Tax course along with a 3 week training course put together by Milani in order to participate.

The Notre Dame and Saint Mary's Tax Assistance Program was founded in 1972 by two law students. When they left, Professor Ken Milani decided to take the program over.

After the two students left, I meant to take the program over for one more year, but it has turned into something bigger," said Milani of his leadership role in the program.

"What struck me this year is that during the three weeks of training for the volunteers, students staged a scattered walkout when the people working in it this year was paid $8 an hour when it was founded," he continued.

Two of the eleven locations are now on the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's campuses. The other is the Hagar Center for Social Concerns at Notre Dame and the other is at the Hagar Center at Saint Mary's.

"Each year the program has grown. I'm sure it will keep on doing so," said Milani, reflecting on the tax season that awaits.

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BUSINESS

Tax assistance program helps needy

By ALAN FRAM
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

President Clinton presented a $51.52 trillion budget for 1995 today that would pare hundreds of programs to drive federal spending in their lowest level in six years. As promised, he would raise tobacco taxes $2.50 a pack to help revamp the nation's health-care system.

"It's the toughest budget on spending cuts that Congress has yet seen," said Clinton to a business group in Houston. He said the budget must pass without major change to further economic growth.

Unlike his first budget a year ago, Clinton unveiled no sweeping new policy overhaul for the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1.

Instead, the president proposed savings required by the near $300 billion budget deficit-ridden deficit of last year, the annual budget for the fiscal year that ends Sept. 30, 1994.

He would use some of the savings for highway construction, the Head Start program for poor pre-school children, and dozens of other programs he says will help the country's economy grow.

But because of the snag in spending ceilings imposed by last year's deficit-reduction package, Clinton would pay for those increases by eliminating a weather office in Samoa and 114 other small programs, and by holding hundreds of other programs at or below last year's spending level.

"We have ended drift and broken the gridlock of the past," Clinton wrote in a message accompanying the four-volume spending plan. "A Congress and a president are finally working together to confront our country's problems."

Republicans welcomed the cuts and Clinton's proposed, but chastised him for using some of the savings to beef up other programs.

"We aren't really reducing the deficit because the savings don't get applied to the deficit," said Sen. Pete Domenici of New Mexico, ranking Republican on the Senate's Budget Committee.

The president promised a robust economy and last summer's deficit-cutting package, the president projects next year's $176.1 billion in debt, the best showing since the $152.2 billion gap of 1989. That is also $126 billion less than Clinton had expected for 1995 just one year ago. The government would spend $1,518.3 trillion next year while collecting $1,342.2 trillion in revenues.

"Keeping deficits on a downward track we think is essential for the economic recovery," White House budget director Leon Panetta said at a briefing.

But the red ink swings upward again at decade's end, hitting $201.2 billion in 1999, $181.1 billion, and the goal of the program is to provide low-income tax payers free assistance on their tax returns, said Professor Ken Milani, the program's coordinator.

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In some areas, people are allowed to pay taxes just for the sake of it and you shouldn't...

By PETE YOST
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Despite a court order banning a strike, Teamsters stages a scattered walkout against United Parcel Service and several other employers in a decision to raise the weight limit on packages to 150 pounds.

UPS, meanwhile, asked a federal judge to hold Teamster President James Hoffa in contempt of court and to fine the company $5 million for today's work stoppage.

The walk was ordered to begin at 8 a.m., but many local union leaders called the call from Teamster headquarters in Washington and their members reported to work as usual.

Both sides gave widely divergent estimates of the extent of the walkout. UPS said that the value of the 165,000 UPS employees it represents participating in the walkout was $5 million for today's work stoppage.

The company, meanwhile, said 80 percent of the Teamster-represented employees had reported to work without the strike, despite the order. But it said U.S. District Judge Joyce Hens Green agreed to hold the Teamsters at additional $10 each if the strike continued Tuesday and to double the levy for each day thereafter.

The judge had set a 5 p.m. hearing on the company's request to hold the union in contempt of law and temporarily restraining order against the strike.

By cereal spokesman Matt Witt described the walkout as "pretty much just a strike..." reported to be the picketing at UPS in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Georgia and most of Florida.

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I would like to offer a few thoughts in response to Ms. Treven Santicola’s letter ("Observer shows poor taste with cartoon." The Observer, February 2, 1994). I found Ms. Santicola’s arguments to be overreaching and somewhat flawed, leading me to the conclusion that the only genuine explanation of her sentiments is what I term the "feminist bias." The immediate defense of the woman in any dispute is a male and female, regardless of the pertinent facts of the case.

We must remember first of all that, in the American system of justice, crimes must be proven beyond a reasonable doubt. In rape cases, proof is often harder to establish than in other situations. When a person has been murdered, there is usually a body; when someone has stolen, there is often physical evidence of the theft. In contrast, when a woman claims she has been raped, the evidence often comes down to the alleged perpetrator’s word against that of the victim. That is the nature of rape cases, and we cannot change that.

By requiring proof beyond a reasonable doubt, our court system has found it preferable, and justly so, to risk setting a guilty person free than to punish one who might be innocent. Our system of justice rests on the axiom that an accusation considered innocent until proven guilty. Significantly, if John Wayne Bobbitt was acquitted of the charges brought against him for assaulting his wife, perhaps I am biased because I do not believe that any abuse occurred, hence I see this outcome as eminently correct. However, even if I did not, I could not justify the broad assertion that "(there is) no fragment of Lorena Bobbitt that has not been raped now." For the jury found, and I believe it found correctly, that John Wayne Bobbitt did not abuse his wife, and this means that he is entitled to the presumption of his innocence.

I am also disturbed by the fact that Ms. Santicola, an opponent of the death penalty, makes the far-reaching statement that "(when someone commits a crime, the first step on the path to justice is to take away their (sic) weapon." She considers Lorena Bobbitt’s act to fall within the ambit of this statement. If indeed it does, where do we draw the line? The implications of this pattern of reasoning truly frighten me. As Mr. Christopher Coppula pointed out on Friday, this would mean that logically, a thief could have his hands cut off, and a verbally suggestive employer could have his tongue removed. But why stop even there? As someone who is deeply concerned about justice for all people, I have discovered that sometimes the most powerful weapon of injustice that one human being can vent against another is one’s mind, one’s heart, in essence, one’s whole being.

Imaginably this could lead to the complete brainwashing, or even the killing, of certain individuals in our society. And because I, too, deplore the death penalty—I do not believe it is a logical, constitutional mandate—I simply cannot accept this woman’s line of reasoning.

Ms. Santicola also contends that "there is only one situation in which a wife would cut off her husband’s penis." I cannot agree. I will admit that there is only one person of whom I am aware who has ever reported to this barbaric tactic, that being Lorena Bobbitt, but I think that there is more than one explanation for her act. Perhaps the woman is a bit insane. Perhaps she is an over- militant feminist who was out to make a point. And of course, it is possible (although I don’t believe it) that she wounded her husband both physically and emotionally because he abused her. But this is not the only plausible explanation, to state that it is overlooks other possibilities.

Finally, Ms. Santicola notes that rape can occur within marriage. I agree. But I don’t see what this has to do with whether indeed John Bobbitt, in particular, raped his wife, or whether her manner of taking the law into her own hands was appropriate. Whether rape can occur within marriage simply was not an issue in this case. I am therefore left with the conclusion that Ms. Santicola’s one-sided position is the result of a feminist bias, and I am growing weary of people who take the woman’s side in each and every man-woman dispute, simply because of her gender, and regardless of extenuating circumstances.

I am prone to fight discrimination of all types, and I do feel that women and men should be treated equally. I repeat: EQUALLY. Rushing to a woman’s protection without due regard for the relevant facts of a particular case is highly discriminatory and unfair.

Discrimination against men simply because of their gender is no less invalid than discrimination against any other group which is based solely on some homogeneity characteristic, and I cannot support it.

The evidence presented in the trial against John Wayne Bobbitt was insufficient to show that he committed any crime. It did not convince me, the jury, or anyone who has the ability to view this case with an impartial eye. In contrast, I don’t think we could have asked for more concrete evidence of Lorena Bobbitt’s wrong.

Even if her husband did abuse her, her act still offends the legal principle that no one should generally be her own judge; nemo jus sius ducere potest. It was also improper, cruel, and unnecessary. "If you can’t understand you do not deserve a (man’s) love."

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Two Notre Dame seniors experience
British job force

By MARA DIVIS
Assistant Accent Editor

If studying through Notre Dame's London programs isn't enough, how about interning in one of Britain's own electric power systems? Kevin Harris, a junior, and Morella Morrelli, a senior, both found internships in power plants or even pricing forms. R. E. M. opened the CD with a rocking rendition of "Drive," which was recorded at their very first show in 1981, held especially for Greenpeace. The 40-Watt Club in Athens, Georgia (the band's hangout) was the site selected for the venue in which only family, friends, and fan club members were invited. The strongest track and best translation of the performance on the CD is U2's "Until the End of the World" which captures the essence of their monstrous Zoo TV Tour. Climbing above the microphone and with the band decided to do something a bit more dynamic with the last two minutes of the song. Dave Waking's dream of a brilliant first showing from Greenpeace Records has come true. The offering is a magical tribute to the sun and well worth the massive amounts of waiting and legwork put into it.
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ROCKETS REJECT DEAL FOR PISTONS' ELIOT
amidst doubts of physical condition

Associated Press

AURORIN Hills, Mich. Houston Rockets doctors were unable to confirm to their satisfaction that Mario Eliot was suffering a kidney infection, so they relayed a trade with Detroit, Pittsburgh and others.

A trade that sent Eliot from the Pistons to the Rockets was voided Friday, as doctors had failed his physical. Robert Horry and Matt Bullard, who had been traded to Houston, returned to Detroit.

Eliot went to help seek out a kidney donor for Bullard, who is battling multiple sclerosis.

Eliot's kidney was discovered in June with a kidney infection while still with San Antonio, and he was traded to Detroit for Rodriguez with the Pistons' full knowledge of his kidney trouble, Kliness said.

"Seans passed the physical necessary for the trade to fall through," Kliness said.

"He has followed the course of treatment recommended to him by his doctors and specialists suggested by us," Kliness said.

This condition has responded to treatment, and it is much better now than when he was with the Spurs.

SMALLER: When he is told about Sean this time, he will not threaten him from playing in the NBA anytime soon.

Houston doctors were unable to confirm that Elliot's condition will not affect him within the 48-hour time limit for finalizing the trade, Kliness said.

"If it doesn't work out this year, I think about retiring this summer," he said.

This is the first time Elites has discussed leaving hockey.

Last fall, he discussed taking a Michael Jordan-styled premature retirement to avoid the bad things to come.

After batting the storm title last sea.

Two operations and three months of treatment have not alleviated the back pain he has been in.

He has appeared in just four of the Pistons' 52 games this season.

He has played a regular shift in just two games this season and been in the lineup since Nov. 7.

Some mornings, Elites wakes up and feels fine. Other days he needs help to tie his shoe, and he is still on no way to predict how his back will feel.

Lemieux said he will discuss his future with those close to him, but the final decision ultimately will be his.

He will suit his agents, Tom and Steve Reich, Penguins chairman Howard J. Rocklin, his parents and his wife.

"But I'm the one who feels the pain," he said.

Since signing a seven-year, $42 million contract on Oct. 5, 1992, Lemieux missed 73 of Pittsburgh's 148 games. That doesn't include games he's left early or games he's been limited to spot duty.

"I am still day-to-day on his return," Tom Reich said Monday.

"He is in very good shape after this chronic problem," he said.

As far as long-term decisions are concerned, they aren't even on the menu at this time.

That is only something that will be addressed in the summer. But that's not on the table right now. He's committed to returning.

The Penguins have spent most of this season in first place in the Northeast Division.

They are 24-4-5 this season and have missed. Last year, the Penguins were 11-12-2 in 24 regular-season games without Lemieux.

Before this season, the team was 35-17 before he was eventually.

The players seem to have a different attitude. They rarely talk about having Lemieux in the lineup. In the past, the players would be watched closely by him, tracked by anticipating Lemieux's return and disappearance when he didn't come back.

The Penguins' financial picture is shaped greatly by Lemieux. Ticket prices have risen dramatically during his absence.

The Penguins' third-tier C-level now sells for $47.

They were $11 in his rookie season, 1984-85.

His groundbreaking contract assigns assignments to the Penguins, and the team takes full advantage. The team makes money selling merchandise bearing Lemieux's likeness or name.

His back problems first flared during the 1989-90 season.

Back pain forced him to abandon a streak of 46 consecutive games with points and he then missed 21 games.

He suffered his second disce disc re moved on July 11, 1990.

The recovery and a subsequent injury cost him the first 50 games of the next season.

Lemieux return to led help to the Penguins to their first Stanly Cup title and made several team of Playable in the playoffs.
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Ina, Dungjen ready for the dance

By BARRY WILNER
Associated Press

LILLEHAMMER, Norway

Kyoko Ina and Jason Dungjen don't expect to be found on any medals podium at this Olympics. That's just fine with them — for now.

Ina and Dungjen quickly have risen through the ranks of pairs figure skating in the United States, an impressive feat considering that Ina was a novice when they were teamed 2 1/2 years ago. They finished second at the national championships last month, earning their first Olympic berth.

That doesn't mean they're contenders at Lillehammer, and they know it.

"We're closing the gap on the Russians," Dungjen said Monday after the couple's first workout at the Olympic Amphitheater. "But they're still the best.

"We're here to skate our best and have a good time as Olympians. This is all about being at the Olympics."

Dungjen has been skating pairs for more than a decade, first with sister Susan, then with Karen Courland. Internationally, Courland also is on the Olympic team after finishing third at nationals with partner Todd Reynolds. The U.S. champions are Todd Sand and Jenni Meno, ranked fifth in the world.

Ina, however, didn't turn to pairs until 1992.

Born in Tokyo, she moved to Englewood Cliffs, N.J., when she was 6 months old and began skating when she was 4.

To get her some international experience, coach Peter Burrows urged Ina to return to Japan to compete in the junior championships, which she won in 1987. She took the U.S. junior crown in 1989, but then she moved up to seniors, where she couldn't rise above the Jill Trenarys, Kristi Yamaguchi and Nancy Kerrigans.

So she agreed to try pairs and was partnered with Dungjen, who had taken off two years to attend Michigan State, then returned to work with Courland.

"The transition from singles to pairs wasn't scary, but it wasn't easy," Ina said. "Having competed as a singles skater did make it easier because there was not as much pressure on me in pairs."

"The pairs is also easier for me because I don't have to do so many jumps and I'm not worried about falling so much."

"I also realized I could go to the Olympics in pairs."

That was a lofty ambition for a new team. But the jumbled status of pairs in the United States helped Ina-Dungjen. At nationals, of the top five couples, only Courland-Reynolds were together longer, and by just a few months.

Ina and Dungjen were seventh at the 1992 nationals, their first major event together.

They moved up to fifth in the next year and had a pair of runner-up showings at smaller events before this season.

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Winter Olympics earn praise for being "environmentally correct"

By DAVE CARPENTER
Associated Press

Pass the potato plates, please. Or just eat them. From edible dishwasher to the "hidden" bobbins run to recyclable biodegradable cushions, the organizers of the Lillehammer Winter Games have done their best to make them environmentally correct.

These Olympics will be "IC" from the moment the giant torch is lighted for the opening ceremonies, burning bio-gas produced by rotting vegetation.

"In Lillehammer we will experience the first truly ecological Games — white and green Games," pronounced Juan Antonio Samaranch, president of the International Olympic Committee, on Monday.

Even environmentalists, while less laudatory than the organizers, generally approve of the sensitivity shown in planning for the Games. But some suspect the government wanted to distract attention from its widely condemned defiance of the international ban on commercial whaling.

"It's admirable that they're making an attempt in terms of including environmental impact in the planning," Blair Palese, chief press officer for the environmental group Greenpeace, said Monday from London.

"But there's no doubt that the "greening" of the Olympics had a lot to do with the negative publicity generated by their whaling practices," she said. "It's kind of a double-edged sword."

The organizing committee held a press conference Monday to tout its environmental steps, offering remarks by government, Olympic and other officials.

Environment Minister Thorbjorn Bernstene declared that "Nature is the winner," and afterward media were taken to the biathlon course for a demonstration of how the military will retrieve the half-ton of lead bullets that will be used.

By STEPHEN WILSON
Associated Press

Pass the potato plates, please.

"Three days ago, horror struck again the Olympic city Sarajevo," Samaranch said. "Our message is stronger than ever. We shall not give up our efforts to contribute as it is stipulated in our charter to building a more peaceful and better world."

"Nevertheless, we shall commit to the observance of this truce, as well as to the release of prisoners, hoping that these actions will meet their aims."

Norwegian Prime Minister Gro Harlem Brundtland condemned the "atrocity attack" on the Sarajevo marketplace and asked for the truce to be respected by all sides.

"The moment of Sarajevo is an affront to the world community and an insult to the Olympic ideals," she said in a speech at the IOC ceremony.

At the same time, the prime minister acknowledged that the Lillehammer Games "cannot force peace upon the troubled regions of the world. They cannot force the Olympic ideal on aggressors or oppressors."

"Looking back to 1994, Sarma­nch recalled that the Sarajevo organizing committee was composed of Bosnians from different religious and ethnic groups and the Games were held "in a spirit of friendship, solidarity, fair play and commitment of peace."

Samaranch has expressed the desire to visit Sarajevo during the Games but made no mention of that during his speech.

Samaranch made no mention of the issue that has dominated attention heading into the Feb. 12-27 Lillehammer Games — whether Harding should be barred from the Games because of the attack on rival figure skater Nancy Kerrigan.

On another topic, Samaranch reiterated "so there is no more doubt" that the Winter Olympics will continue to be limited to sports practiced on snow and ice. Some have suggested that sports such as boxing, basketball and volleyball could be switched from the Summer to Winter Games.

Samaranch said the Olympic movement was stronger than ever, having overcome the era of political boycotts and the time when only one city — Los Angeles — was interested in hosting the 1984 Games. Ten cities are bidding for the 2002 Winter Games.

The IOC had taken a major step in the fight against drugs with a vote in Jan. 13 agreement for Olympic sports federations to harmonize their anti-doping rules, procedures and sanctions.
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Associated Press

CHICAGO

Michael Jordan made it official Monday. Now it's on to green grass of spring training.

Jordan was in a gym, a familiar setting for the world's most famous basketball player. The baskets, however, were raised to the ceiling and Jordan's tongue-wagging concentration was focused on another sport.

At the end of a baseball workout covered live on local cable television, Jordan signed a minor league contract with the Chicago White Sox and was invited to spring training as a non-roster player.

Thirty years old and just four months retired from the NBA, Jordan went through a workout at the Illinois Institute of Technology that included batting, fielding and tossing. He said he'll report to spring training next week in Sarasota, Fla.

"I've never been afraid to fail," said Jordan, who led the Chicago Bulls to three straight NBA titles before leaving the game last October. "That's something you have to deal with in reality. You're not always going to be successful. I think I'm strong enough as a person to accept failure. But I can't accept not trying."

Not that Jordan expects to fall at his newest venture.

"I think I've improved tremendously," said Jordan, who's been working out underneatth Comiskey Park for the last two months with some White Sox players and personnel. "My motto has been, 'It's no gimmick.'"

Jordan said he would consider going to the minor leagues if the White Sox thought he had the potential to make it to the majors.

His contract is with the Nashville Sounds of the Class AAA American Association, and it wasn't immediately known if he signed a letter agreement for a major league contract in the event he makes the majors. He is still being paid by the Bulls this season, a salary reported to be $4 million.

"I chose to try to play baseball just to see if I could," said Jordan, whose father was slain last summer. "I'm not doing it as a distraction and I'm not doing it as a media hog or looking for the media exposure from it. It's one of the wishes my father had and I had as a kid."

Word of Jordan's signing set off a ticker craze at the Des Moines office of the Iowa Cubs, who play the Nashville Sounds.

"In my mind, when he signed a minor league contract or went to spring training, I knew we'd have some calls," said Todd Guske, assistant general manager for the Iowa Cubs.

Jordan White Sox general manager Ron Schueler, who decided to invite Jordan to spring training last Saturday during a meeting with manager Gene Lamont, said he likes Jordan's quickness from basketball, his hands and his arm strength.

But Schueler admits Jordan's chances of making the roster is slim.

"As much improvement as he has made, it's still a million-to-one shot," Schueler said. "If I don't give him the opportunity, 27 other general managers would. In a second."

Why? Jordan hasn't played baseball since he was in high school.

"Because of who he is and his athletic ability," Schueler said. "We're talking about the top athlete in the world."

The White Sox know distractions. They had to deal with Bo Jackson's comeback from hip replacement surgery last spring. Jordan, like Jackson, will not be given any special treatment.

"He'll have to earn it, nothing's going to be given to him," Schueler said. "We're going to go north with the best 25."

Jordan will get the attention of pitchers, who could see his appearance as an intrusion. Jordan can expect message pitches, high and tight.

"The pitchers will make it awful tough on him," Schueler said. "I don't think anybody will say, 'I'm going to throw it down the middle and let Michael get a hit.' He's going to get worked over and they are going to come after him."

Jordan expects to be tested by major league pitchers. He's familiar with one of his hitting off Schueler, a former major league, some college pitchers, some college, White Sox third baseman Bill Melton and Mike Mazzarik, who's a computer scouting analyst.

"I expect them to come inside quite a bit around the chin. I'm willing to take a couple of his before I approach the mound," Jordan said, drawing laughter from a news conference of about 200 reporters and photographers.

The media gathering actually was smaller than the one in October, when Jordan announced his retirement from basketball.

Joining the outift Monday was different — short sleeve black warmup and pinstripe pants with high top black shoes — but the familiar tongue that wagged through his best baseball moves was sticking out much of the time. He took more than 50 cuts in the batting cage and hit only several line drives.

By RICK GANO
Associated Press

Michael Jordan demonstrated the athletic ability that led the White Sox to offer him a minor league contract and a spot during spring training.

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Jessen Peterson claimed the comfortable outing."

Poor shooting day from Ryan from the free throw line to offset a from the field and 6-for-8 from the field. It was a good chance to swim against some of the fastest swimmers in the nation," said Kelley. "There were a lot of great efforts shown by our squad." In diving, the women were dominated by the Jayhawks, but Sean Hyer placed second in the one-meter, and third in the three-meter events for the men. By the time both meets were

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but I'm starting to feel more comfortable out there." That was clear in the best game of his career, a 19-point effort in Saturday's upset of No. 4 UCLA.

Kurowski connected on 6-for-8 from the field and 6-for-8 from the free throw line to offset a poor shooting day from Ryan Hoover.

"He has a flair," MacLeod said. "He's not afraid to score 19 and he's not afraid to score 30. He doesn't feel uncomfortable putting up big numbers. And his defense against UCLA was much better." Defense is where Kurowski's injuries hit him the hardest.

With a bad foot on one leg and a bad knee on the other, he simply doesn't have the speed he once had. But desire isn't measured in miles per hour. If it was, Kurowski would be better suited to the Indianapolis 500. He has played through the lingering pain to become one of Notre Dame's most effective offensive weapons.

That he has done it all with a still-recovering knee makes it even more remarkable. His future is much brighter than that dark day at the Joyce Center. "My knee is still a little sore, I don't think it will be 100 percent until next year, if everything goes as planned," Kurowski said. "I just want to play through it and stay healthy for the next three years."

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**Political Institutions and Democratic Failure in Brazil** will be the subject of a lecture by Scott Mainwaring of the Kellogg Institute, department of government and international studies today at 12:30 p.m. in room C-103 of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

**"Democratic Intervention: U.N. Efforts to Influence Post-Conflict Institutions in El Salvador and Cambodia"**, by Stephen Marks, visiting fellow from Princeton University will be at 4:15 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center for International Studies Auditorium. The lecture is sponsored by Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies.

**A Van Driver Training Course** will be offered for all those who have not previously attended and are planning to request use of Center for Social Concern's vans. The 60 min. course will be held today at 5 p.m. at the CSC. No registration required to attend. This course is mandatory for all who plan to drive CSC vans. The next opportunity will be early March.

**SMC Annual Summer Program** Information Meeting: Find out more information on the London and Rome Summer Programs with travel to Ireland, Scotland, France, Germany and Switzerland. The meeting is at 6:30 p.m., Carroll Hall at Saint Mary's College. Free pizza, past students and faculty participants will be present.

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Fencing teams dominate weekend tournaments on East Coast

By JOE VILLINSKI
Sports Writer

Neither composition, nor travel schedule, nor even decisions in meets have improved for the Notre Dame men's and women's fencing teams lately.

The only thing that seems to keep on improving is their record as the Irish dominated the competition last Saturday and Sunday at Harvard and Brandeis when both the men's team and women's team posted perfect records intact.

"This team has responded to a lot of questions with very satisfying answers," said men's head coach Mike DeCicco.

Most of those questions have been answered by both the women's foil and epee teams, which mauled their competition last weekend. The foil team not only did not lose more than four hours in any single match, hammering such teams as North Carolina (19-3) and NYU (11-2) in victory.

Sophomore Mari Panyi highlighted the wins by going 20-1 in Boston, improving to 38-1 on the season. Women's foil is now an amazing 295-58 for the season.

"It's obvious that adding a world-class fencer like Maria has raised our team to another level," said women's head coach Yves Auriol. "It's just as obvious as Mindi Kalegora (19-3), Claudia de Bruin (20-3), Kim Arndt (18-3), Didi Garcia (12-6) and the others are following her lead and becoming an outstanding foil squad."

In women's epee, the Irish plastered MIT and Brandeis 9-0 before defeating the Tar Heels 5-4 as captain Marit Fischer proved the victory with a 2-1 win in the last bout. However, the Irish were shut out in the first match when the Irish suffered a heartbreaking 5-4 loss to NYU. Losing the first match, we were very pleased with the teams results today," said Auriol. "Marit Fischer, Maura Gallagher, and Ashley Shannon are really setting an example for all future Notre Dame teams to follow."

"Our experience is making the difference for us this year," added Fischer. "All the hard work that was put in last year is translating into a total team effort.

The men's team continued the Irish's winning for the year by raising their record to 20-0 with victories over Harvard, Air Force, Brown, Brandeis, MIT, and North Carolina. Since the Irish could not fence Princeton due to time constraints, Air Force provided the toughest challenge. The Irish prevailed 15-12."

"God forbid we ever have to go to war," said DeCicco, "but if we do, I'm glad we have those Air Force men fighting on our side for a real accomplishment for us to be proud of." Along with an 8-1 victory against Harvard by the sabre team, freshman fencer Jerena Sisk posted a key victory over the Crimson's All-American-Candidate Van Leeuwen on the way to 14-2 on the season. The meet against MIT saw the foil team lead the way with an 8-1 victory, a team effort was required to defeat the Tar Heels, 16-11.

"Once again, our victories were total team efforts," noted DeCicco. "This team is developing a personality all its own. Total team efforts and contributions have taken over from individual performances."

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Kuwoski, Irish ready for Butler

By JASON KELLY
Associated Sport Editor

The Joyce Center arena was dark. Only a bouncing ball and squeaking sneaker broke the silence.

One sneaker. The one on Keith Kurowski's good foot.

The noise puzzled Notre Dame coach John MacLeod. He walked down to the court to discover Kurowski, still nursing a stress fracture in his left foot, dribbling a ball behind his back.

"He's 'Action Central,'" MacLeod said. "When he was hurt he just was too antsy to stay off the court."

So the Matawan, New Jersey gym rat spent a season treading in darkness. With one good foot. His freshman season erased with one hard landing.

It was a season full of promise. Kurowski came to Notre Dame as the top point shooting freshman and the 15th best freshman overall, according to The Observer/Macy Hueckel.

But pedestrian play preceded over potential.

As hard as 9-1 season was for the Irish players, it was even harder for Kurowski, who had to watch from the sidelines with no hope of ever playing. His connection to the game he lovess broken for an entire season. That's a stress fracture.

The only remedy was basketball in his hands, which he found on that afternoon in the Joyce Center darkness.

But the suspended Kurowski can be on him again. Hopeful fans pointed to Kurowski as the missing link, the one final ingredient to bring Notre Dame back to the NCAA Tournament.

Then fate struck again, this time tearing ligaments in his right knee, shaving five more games from his career and aggravating the itch.

He couldn't scratch it until the 35th game of his college career.

Seven minutes into the first half against Arizona in the Maui Classic, Kurowski made his debut.

It was an auspicious start. 10 points in just 20 minutes.

But it has been tough at times for Kurowski, who had to play himself into shape and adjust to the college game as if he was a freshman.

Guard Keith Kurowski pictured here in Saturday's victory over UCLA has proven himself an important factor for the Irish basketball team.

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