Six students robbed at off-campus apartment

By HEATHER COCKS
Assistant News Writer

Six University of Notre Dame students were robbed at gunpoint Saturday night at an off-campus apartment, according to St. John Williams of the South Bend Police Department.

The group was socializing in a Notre Dame Avenue apartment when "an unknown person entered through the unlocked door, wielding a small black handgun," Williams reported.

He said the suspect locked the door behind him, pointed it at the students, and demanded that they hand over their money.

"The suspect threatened to shoot all of them," Williams said. "He said that if any of them tried to leave, he'd kill them." Following that, the suspect allegedly left the apartment, having exacted a total of $80 from the students.

The owner of the apartment attempted to contact the police five minutes after the robbery, only to discover that the phone lines had been severed. "He was forced to leave the apartment and run to a neighbor to call from their telephone," stated Williams.

In the police report, the suspect was described as a black male, 5'10", of medium build, with a scar under his eye that was vaguely L-shaped. "Ironically," he was allegedly wearing a stocking cap with an ND emblem on the front, added Williams.

Williams warned students that, although such occurrences are rare, doors should be locked, especially at night.

"I live in Turtle Creek, and when I am on duty there and choose to knock on a door, people just yell out, 'Come on in' without knowing who it is. "That's dangerous. Please be careful. Lock your doors," he advised.

Amendment to detail Senate representative

By BRIDGET O'CONNOR
News Writer

An amendment to the Student Government constitution regarding the student representative to the Faculty Senate was introduced at last night's meeting of the Hall Presidents Council.

According to Deborah Hellmuth, co-president of HPC, there has been a student representative on the Faculty Senate for a number of years and the amendment only formalizes the position with respect to the constitution.

The amendment specifically outlines the duties of the representative, detailing which meetings he or she is required to attend and the procedure for selection of the representative. The Student Senate approved the amendment last week and HPC will vote on it next week.

Among the suggestions for implementation groups hope to represent all races within the Notre Dame community and in society.

Keenan uneartns 'Underground'

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Assistant News Editor

Keenan Hall will host a disco party on Friday as part of an effort to provide campus-wide entertainment every weekend. This program began with The Great Pumpkin Contest on Halloween and will run for the rest of the semester.

Organizers have labeled the program, which includes events on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, the "Keenan Underground." All of the events take place in the basement's television and game area, known as the Commons.

"Our original plan was to provide more entertainment for students," said Brother Bonaventure Scully, rector of Keenan Hall. He went on to stress that the events are open to all students from both campuses.

The planned events come at a time when student alcohol consumption has become a hot topic for discussion at Notre Dame. "We wanted to create something to do on weekends in addition to going to dorm parties and drinking," said Kevin Hutchinson, a resident assistant in Keenan. "We gave the event toward people who were looking for something to do on Friday and Saturday nights," he added. The events begin at 8-30 p.m., which, Hutchinson says, "gives students a chance to go to them and still see HPC / page 4

The Keenan "Underground"

Fri, Nov 15 - 70's Night
Sat, Nov 16 - Polka Night - 10:00 PM
Fri, Nov 22 - 50's and 60's Rock Hop
Sat, Nov 23 - Notre Dame Tuesday Night Jazz Band
Fri, Dec 6 - Piano Night - 10:00 PM
Fri, Dec 13 - Study Day Films - 10:00 PM
Sun, Dec 15 - Christmas Mass - 4:30 PM
Dec 16-19 - EXAMS, Movies - 10:00 PM

Forum dissects race issues

By MARISA HIGGINS
News Writer

In a continuation of the forums that are being held around campus concerning race relations, last night's presentation at the CSC is the type that many hope will become a permanent fixture.

Professor James Bellis, associate professor, anthropology, and Chandra Johnson, assistant director, Retreats and Special Projects for Campus Ministry, argued that these meetings are not crisis-driven, but rather a way of keeping the public involved in important issues at the forefront of campus concerns.

These meetings, entitled "Race and Racism Under the Dome: Where Do We Go from Here?" are attempting to address racial problems at both the student body and administrative levels. They are a convenient way for a diverse group to meet and collaborate on current issues and concerns.

Race relations have become an especially important topic here at Notre Dame after the University was rated the 13th worst school in the nation in dealings with these problems.

Some felt that many students fear the unknown, which in this case may be a race different from their own.

The forum ended with proposed steps for the administration. One idea was that an ethnic studies class be added to the Freshman Year of Studies curriculum. An alternative to the ethnic studies class could be mandatory readings added to enhance courses already being taught.

Other suggestions included a diversified faculty, more time devoted to racism awareness during resident assistant and Freshman Orientation training and a more "truthful" representation to prospective students during campus visits, and personal invitations to the administration to attend the forum series.

Students desiring to keep involved between the monthly meetings signed up to join smaller groups to discuss issues on a more personal and intimate level.

These implementation groups hope to represent all races within the Notre Dame community and will try to ease tensions through discussion and support.

The next of these forums will be held in December, with the date and time to be announced in the coming weeks.
**World at a Glance**

351 believed dead as Saudi jumbo jetcollides withairliner

**In-flight collision**

A Saudi jumbo jetliner collided with a Kazak airliner at 17,000 feet above Sri Lanka, killing 351 people.

**New elective after elections**

Washington: Borrowing a phrase from Ronald Reagan, House Speaker Newt Gingrich declared: "It is morning in America again." Now that Reagan is out, the American people are determined, he added, to hold their government accountable, and the House will have a clear choice among a number of candidates that will be presented to the people.

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More women serving in military

By AMY SCHMIDT
News Writer

"We have slid into a situation where the protected exclusion of women from military obligation has eroded," says Professor Linda Kerber who spoke about gender and the obligations of citizenship as part of the Provost's Distinguished Visiting Lecture Series last night.

Kerber, a professor of liberal arts and history at the University of Iowa, and a renowned American historian, traced the history of women and military service in her lecture entitled "The Constitutional Right to be Ladies.

Kerber said that American women's relationship to the state has been substantially different compared to their male contemporaries.

"The idea of military obligation turns out to have construct­ferent compared to their male counterparts..." Kerber noted that different types of conscientious objection have emerged over the years, ranging from religious objection to the secularized conscientious objection raised by African American draftees before World War II.

In the latter part of the 20th century, however, the question of gender and the draft came to the forefront of political and feminist discussion. During the Vietnam War, for example, some court cases argued that the exclusion of women from the draft was unconstitutional.

"...Kerber said that historically, the association between bearing arms and being a citizen held true for men, but women were responsible for "keeping the home fires burning." However, developments in the late 20th century have proven that "women form an increasing portion of military strength," Kerber said.

She also said that the current influx of women into the military and the prevalence of violence outside of the home (namely in domestic situations) has proven that it is possible to revise systems of gender difference.

"The promise that women can rely on men for physical protec­tion looks like an empty one," Kerber said. "We have come to understand that women can be used as agents of state violence just as men can."

Louix relates Cameroon experience

By TATUM MENGYAN
News Writer

Yesterday, members of the Saint Mary's community gathered in Stapleton Lounge to set out on a voyage to Cameroon. That is, with the help of stories presented by Associate Professor of English, Dr. Ann Loux.

Saint Mary's senior Debbie Justice commented, "It is so vital to have forums like this to get the ball rolling. We are culturally lazy and tend to rest in the protection of our dominant society, often forgetting to entertain new ideas."

Dr. Loux, with assistance from the Fulbright Association, spent the 1995–96 school year in Cameroon teaching literature and women's studies at the University of Buea, a new

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Jenny Jones' guest debuts with a bang

By GRETA GUEST

Associated Press Writer

PONTIAC, Mich

A one-time "Jenny Jones Show" guest was convicted yesterday of a lesser charge of second-degree murder for fatally shooting a gay admirer who revealed his crush during a taping of the TV talk show.

Juryors opted against the more serious charge of first-degree murder against Jonathan Schmitz, which would have carried an automatic life sentence without possibility of parole. Second-degree murder carries a sentence of up to life in prison.

Sentencing was set for Dec. 4.

An Oakland County Circuit jury of seven men and five women deliberated all day Friday and about 2 1/2 hours today before reaching its decision.

Schmitz, 26, was charged with fatally shooting Scott Amedure three days in March 1995 after the two were taped for a "Jenny Jones Show" segment on same-sex crushes.

His lawyers said the show misled him into believing he was going to meet the woman of his dreams, and said he was publicly ambushed and humiliated when his secret admirer turned out to be Amedure.

"It's OK," Schmitz said to his mother in the gallery as he was being led from court after the annoucement. "I'm ready."

Schmitz appeared upsett and near tears.

"I think they (jurors) knew it couldn't be first degree because of his capacity being so obviously diminished," defense attorney James Burdick told WHB television after the verdict. But Burdick said he would appeal the second-degree murder conviction.

Amedure's brother, Frank Amedure Jr., said defense lawyers threw confusion into a clear case of murder and he felt "utter disappointment." But "I suppose it could have been a lot worse," he said.

The case focused attention on "ambush" television and titilating daytime talk shows.

But Prosecutor Roman Kalytiak said in closing arguments that the defense was trying to blame everyone but Schmitz.

"This isn't the Jenny Jones case," Kalytiak said. "Somehow, Scott Amedure got lost in the shuffle of this particular case."

Prosecutors contended that Schmitz planned and carried out the slaying Amedure, 32, of Brian Township on March 9, 1995, three days after the never-aired show was taped.

Defense attorneys never denied that Schmitz shot Amedure. But they contended that he had been misled by producers before appearing on the show.

And they said the humiliation of learning that his secret admirer was a man, coupled with his history of depression, a thyroid ailment and other problems, left him mentally incapable of forming the intent to commit first-degree murder.

Schmitz's parents testified that their son battled severely as early as 3 years old, when he would bang his head against the wall in anger. They said by the time he was 16, he was battling weeks-long periods of depression.

The monthlong trial also included testimony from show host Jenny Jones, show producers, psychologists, and a friend who introduced Amedure and Schmitz.

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Bishops push youth outreach

By DAVE SKIDMORE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON

The nation’s Catholic bishops today called for using every available means—from the Internet to health clubs—to monitor programs—to reach young adults.

Following up on Pope John Paul II’s challenge in 1993 at World Youth Day in Denver, the bishops by voice vote approved a pastoral plan for ministering with young adults.

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WASHINGTON

While a majority of Americans supports allowing states to prohibit same-sex marriages, there is significant support for letting gay couples inherit, parental and other rights associated with spouses, according to a poll conducted for a gay rights organization.

The Human Rights Campaign poll found that gay rights issues were not a major factor for most voters in deciding whom to support in last week’s presidential and congressional elections. Yet gay and lesbian groups ranked low when respondents were asked to rate various subjects on a scale of one to 100.

President Clinton scored 52, for example, while the Democratic and Republican Parties each got a 54 mean ranking in the survey of 1,007 voters conducted Nov. 5-8. House Speaker Newt Gingrich scored a 25, gay and lesbian groups a 31. Religious and conservative groups that often are at odds with the gay rights community in policy battles scored higher, with a 48 ranking.

Clinton last year signed Republican legislation called the Defense of Marriage Act. It allows states to refuse to recognize gay marriages performed in other states and to deny spousal benefits such as pensions to gay partners.

Army files sexual misconduct charges

By KAREN TESTA
Associated Press Writer

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. Three Army noncommissioned officers have been accused of sexual misconduct involving basic trainees, the second such charges announced in a week.

A court-martial trial for one of those charged was to start today, the Army said.

In a separate investigation, five men were charged at a base in Maryland.

The charges announced here today range from consensual affairs to rape, aggravated assault, or touching. None of the cases are considered to arise from indecent assault, or fondling, the Army said in a statement.

Other allegations were being investigated.

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But Malloy must also exercise caution when exerting his will. Although he may feel the hiring of the priest is in the best interests of the University and the theology department, the long-term effects of this action may not be beneficial to the University or its students. If the Faculty Senate decides in their Dec. 3 meeting to pass a resolution voting to override Malloy’s decision, the professor in question should be given the opportunity to make his case and be informed of Malloy’s decision. Such communication lapses are dangerous.

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Why God allows illness and suffering

Some people see it as “the road to salvation,” our own personal means of purification. Since it is so very difficult to “grin and bear it” — no matter what kind of illness “it” is — I really can’t hold with this viewpoint. After all, wasn’t the purpose of Jesus’ suffering, death and resurrection to guarantee our salvation?

Of course, there are passages in the New Testament that indicate that suffering is a sharing in Christ’s — a sort of “payback.” Some good Sisters of decades past taught that our illnesses could be used to save souls. I’ve heard a few people in my life state that “suffering is good for the soul.”

But faced with the growing number of assisted-suicides, can this be true? Is it more right to suffer illness patiently and put self, family and friends through years of anguish, or should an individual “end it all” before the worst happens?

At this point, it might be advisable to call upon the ethics experts or theologians, because this kind of issue can get pretty deep. What does it mean, though, for the everyday man or woman walking the Notre Dame campus? Haven’t all our lives been touched by illness — terminal or temporary — at one time or another? Should we simply write it off as the “human condition?”

For one thing, the viruses, bacteria and other germs that cause illness are a part of nature, and we must accept that. It is interesting that what causes illness in a dog may not bother a human — this is so for a wide variety of species. It is a “one man’s trash is another man’s treasure” kind of thing.

By keeping ourselves healthy — I don’t mean taking all the fun out of eating or recreating — we are less likely to become seriously ill. A little bit of exercise, some fruits and vegetables can do wonders. It is also important to keep the mind exercised, through reading and lively conversations. Maintaining this healthy “balance” also includes the soul. A few prayers now and then, or a bit of meditation, never hurt anyone.

Such a balance may be “thrown off” by a sudden illness, but having the balance in the first place will make enduring and recovering somewhat easier. Having friends and family to help out is important, too. Even with a case of the flu, having someone to heat up the chicken soup — instead of doing it oneself — is a source of relief.

While we may never be entirely free of illness, what we do suffer doesn’t have to drag us down. There is always — in some form or another — hope. We just have to look for it.
My apologies to you readers looking for a rebuttal to my dear S.E. Oross — I refuse to waste another entire column addressing his attacks. Oross — if you have something to say, write me a letter, give me your views. If you want to be in The Observer every week, get your own column. You claim that I’m “offering you worthless advice — we are bombarded with the Notre Dame of fame, yet you have no problem with riding my coattails to get in. The
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What is the most absurd play you've seen?

By NORA MEANY
Saint Mary's Accent Editor

This weekend, Saint Mary's College is having a visit with the "Lady From Dubuque," an absurd play written by Pulitzer Prize winning author Edward Albee. It takes place in the Little Theatre of Moreau Center for the Arts on November 14-16 at 8 p.m., and November 17 at 7:30 p.m.

How is absurdism used in "The Lady From Dubuque"? Andrew Crow, an actor in the play, gave a wonderful definition when he described "Lady From Dubuque" as the following, "In the first act, the characters are surreal people dealing with life in a realistic situation. By Act Two, the mood changes, and the surreal people are thrown into a surreal situation." It is the job of the audience to identify and interpret what they see.

The play deals with the acceptance of death and the reality of living. The play opens with six friends playing party games together in the house of Sam and Jo. Through their dialogue, we learn that Jo is dying of cancer, and the others are struggling to accept and deal with the situation.

Their husband, Sam, is the most vocal in trying to alleviate, or at least calm over, the tension in the room. Lucinda and Edgar, a perfectly-paired suburban married couple, and their cohorts Fred and Carol, the dating set of the group, contribute to the fun. By the end of the first act, we realize that real Jo's physical pain is, as well as Sam's emotional torment. The audience is taken through fights and humor, and given glimpses of the personalities at hand. Lucinda the blonde housewife, Edgar her loyal husband, Fred the domineering one of the group, and Carol the new girlfriend "outsider," are primary people on the stage. We are also introduced to Elizabeth and Oscar before the lights fall, but their purpose is left up to the imagination of the audience. But, let's meet the actors themselves.

Melissa Dunne, who plays the lady herself, is proud of the ambiguity she helps to create with her character. "The play" makes the audience think who she really is. Whether the universal mother or the Angel of Death, the audience is left to decide what her purpose is in this story." However, she did admit finding a challenge in playing a character many years older than herself. In her years at Saint Mary's, Melissa has been a familiar face on the stages of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's, starring in last years' production of "Steel Magnolias" as well as "The Raache" and "Our Country's Good." Aside from her acting, Dunne has many other unique accomplishments, such as heading the Midwest Chapter of the Bon Jovi Fan Club. She bubbles, "I just love it. It is really rewarding work, and helps to prepare me for my future in the entertainment business.

Elizabeth's sidekick is Oscar, played by Mark Smith. This is Mark's first play with Saint Mary's College, though he has some acting experience in South Bend. He was seen last year in the Civic's production of "The Miracle Worker." He said that acting with Saint Mary's was "an experience," and genuinely liked the character he played. "My job is basically to make fun of everything that went on in the play," Collin says, "like to think about, and Jo is a character that has to accept and feel death." Jo, in fact, goes through a metamorphosis in the play, from dying to death. She has to say goodbye to those she loves, and cuts off her ties with life. Jo is also the first in the play to acknowledge her dying and speak about it. "It shows us that we are nothing behind our titles." Perry Cotter, who plays Sam, is no stranger to the acting business either. He has previously worked in Indianapolis, New Orleans, and Los Angeles, but counts this production as one of the most supportive in which he has been. "The character analysis and warm-ups are like a refresher course in acting," he states. "They really bring the actor back to basics." In dealing with the character, Cotter admitted that Sam was quite difficult to portray because he is so multi-dimensional. "Sam has to change roles quite often, from being dominant to grasp and needy. However, Cotter confides that the audience can relate to Sam quite easily by the end of the play. "Sam is like all of us. He has a mask, and rarely reveals his inner self and passions. However, when the mask is pulled off, the center of comfort is pulled away as well."

Playing his wife, Jo, is senior Collin Shaughnessy. She rose to the challenge of her first Saint Mary's play, being cast in one of the most emotionally draining roles. "It was hard because I'm so far removed from death," she said. "Death is not something we like to think about, and Jo is a character that has to accept and feel death." Jo, in fact, goes through a metamorphosis in the play, from dying to death. She has to say goodbye to those she loves, and cuts off her ties with life. Jo is also the first in the play to acknowledge her dying and speak about it. "It shows us that we are nothing behind our titles." Perry Cotter, who plays Sam, is no stranger to the acting business either. He has previously worked in Indianapolis, New Orleans, and Los Angeles, but counts this production as one of the most supportive in which he has been. "The character analysis and warm-ups are like a refresher course in acting," he states. "They really bring the actor back to basics." In dealing with the character, Cotter admitted that Sam was quite difficult to portray because he is so multi-dimensional.
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ed that in many cases there is no room for death in the 4th society. A believable play is the cold shoul-

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ful not to play her character as a stereotype by giving her a softer, more vulnerable side when dealing

With working with her character, Carol, con-

tributes to the play. "I like that she's different from the rest of the characters," Crow explains. "She has more sensitivity and insight at times, and people can often relate to her by the other characters." She believes that the audience can really identify with Carol for this reason.

Hanrahan liked working on this play for many reasons, most hav-
ing to do with the exceptional talent of the other actors. "It is a fun ensemble play with excitement and variation. The actors are fun as well. It's interesting to see how Katie managed us all." "Katie" refers to Kathleen Sullivan, the director. When asked why she worked with a difficult play to direct, Sullivan praises the work of Albee. "Edward Albee is a prophet...and is far from being cynical. He gives a message of hope to society, as well as optimism." She chose "The Lady From Dubuque" because it was a "true ensemble piece with no small parts.

However, this is not Sullivan's first working with the play. It was cast as Elizabeth while in graduate school, where she noticed Albee's humor in the play. Working with Sullivan was Thomas Golonka, a junior from Keenan.

He described the all-storming session he had with Kathleen Sullivan as "perking," where the director and the actors would work together to project their characters into the reality of the stage. After the building of the set, he has a total of 100 people and set the stage, use it in the play, and go home.

Also, Jen Peterson kept the cast from nakedness in the play. She is the first student in Saint Mary's history to completely design the costume for a mainstage play. Although she was not paid for this, she did earn credit towards Projects for The Majors. This, she described, is simply not possible.

"How I perceive people has to come through in the costumes," she says. "The complexity in my job is finding clothes that fit the body types, giving the sense of the personality of the characters, and blend with the sets, lights and stage." She was out in the stores shopping for the daily cast, and described the job as "challenging, time consuming, and a lot of work.

However, as I go through and try to keep the show running, I'm not saying that's the only thing, but it's definitely not my focus. I'm not saying that's it. I'm just saying that's the job, and we need to do the job.

One final question remains. Who exactly is the Lady from Dubuque?

By RACHEL TORRES
Assistant Editor

A sat in my English class this morning. I was shocked with the realization that there is something FUN to do here on campus. Believe it, it's true. Read on, I'll tell you all about how this unfolded. Collin O'Shaughnessey told me all about the play she was starring in this weekend: "The Lady From Dubuque." What an ideal script! It hit me like a bolt of lightning. I don't know what it is about, but it doesn't matter. I just know it's something different, something fun, something inexpensive, and I know people who are participating in it. I'll be there, and you should! Edward Albee's "The Lady From Dubuque." It has a nice ring to it, don't you think? I will use the space in "Accent Speaks" this week to dis-
cuss student-produced events on campus. I'll make it sim-
ple: GET OUT THERE AND SEE THEM! Because the whole theme of this week's Accent section centers around "The Lady From Dubuque." I will first suggest that everybody try to go see it. Not just because I say it, but also because it will be the coolest, most talked about event of the century, and believe me — you won't want to miss it! It is playing at the Little Theatre in the Moulton Center for the Arts this Thursday through Sunday, and it will be a very rewarding experience, I guarantee you.

WHA? Well, first of all, the performers are your peers. They are students just like you and I, and they have worked very hard to produce it. Also, how often do we get a chance, while we're on campus, to experience much of anything? Some of our only forms of entertainment are movies, parties, bars, football, and well, people of the opposite sex. Big deal. When do we get to do something different? We all know that South Bend is a thriving hotbed of alternative anything.

For example, movies can be seen anytime. Parties and bars...just how long does their entertainment last? "Monotonous" is a word I could use to describe weeks of seeing the same drunken faces at the same crowded places gets plain tiring after a while. Football season only lasts so long. As for parties, the opposite of what you could bring one along with you to the production. See? It's too simple to expand your list of entertaining things to do: See a student production.

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Paterno addresses current state of college football

Associated Press Writer

STATE COLLEGE, PA.—Instead of discussing X's and Y's, Joe Paterno spent his weekly press conference Tuesday on the issues of on-campus changes and the security among Big Ten coaches.

In recent years, coaches have lost their jobs this season. Illinois fired Lou Tepper and Indiana fired Bob Knight. Purdue's Jim Colletto and Michigan's Jim Wacker chose to resign.

"I am saddened that the people at Wisconsin and Ohio State and Michigan State and Nebraska and Penn State and all real quality people—people I like very much," said Paterno, who has been at Penn State for 47 seasons, including 31 as head coach.

"It's a crying shame when you think about people like that can't be kept in our profession," he said.

Paterno's 11th-ranked Nittany Lions (6-2, 2-1) have games remaining this season with two Big Ten schools with second-year coaches. Penn State plays at No. 16 Michigan (7-2, 4-2) Saturday and hosts Michigan State Saturday.

Paterno, whose team has won two national championships, said the coaching carousel makes his job more difficult.

"You've got to get used to new people," he said. "New schemes on both offense and defense. Different people handle things in different ways. It makes it tougher.

"Our nation's winningest coach, who has a tough advantage of the off week to rest and heal.

"We can win every way. There are some years where I would not want to win a week off," said Paterno. "But I think we needed this week off. Many of the young kids were getting tired and worn down. Now, we're fresh. I think it's a big advantage for us."

Paterno also asked his opinion on the Boston College coaching job. "I have heard that vacancies were suspended last week for violating an NCAA probation rule."

During preseason practice, Penn State announced they would have FBI and other law enforcement representation.

"They can listen to him or not, you don't now," said Paterno. "I can't do much with a tough job—so as to definitely be positively certain he doesn't have kids out there gambling."

Paterno also asked his opinion on the NCAA's rules in principle, and said that a coach who had thought his players weren't betting.

"The rules we have are tough because they don't apply to so many people," the coach said, referring to the popularity of lotteries, legal gambling and office betting pools.

"You can just take a bunch of people and say, OK, we're going to take you out of all that and be fairer to the public because of our players."
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Indian's may make Belle highest paid in MLB history

Associated Press Writer

CLEVELAND

The Cleveland Indians have made a rich offer to free agent slugger Albert Belle. If they want to keep him, it looks like they will have to make an even richer one.

"We're in the game. I guess that's the safest way to put it," Cleveland General Manager John Hart said. "We're not close, but I think we've sent the right message to Albert that we want him."

The Indians have reportedly offered Belle $8.5 a year for four or five years, whichever the slugger prefers. That's more than the five-year, $38 million offer that Belle rejected in spring training. Negotiations stalled during the season, and Belle became a free agent on Oct. 28.

Rose unhappy with playing time

Indianapolis

Jalen Rose is disappointed with his meager playing time, and the Indiana Pacers are disappointed with Rose's meager defense.

The two are related.

"He has to work harder on defense," coach Larry Brown said. "That's what we're trying to accomplish. It's just a matter of teaching him and working with him. He understands that."

Rose, who came to the Pacers in an offseason trade, played only four minutes in the second quarter and scored two points in an overtime victory over Washington Saturday night. In four games, he has 26 points and nine rebounds.

He met with Brown after practice on Monday and cleared the air before the team left for tonight's game at Dallas.

"Hopefully it's all behind us now," Brown said. "It's important that I understand where he's coming from and that he understands me."

Rose likely will get more playing time because of a probable season-ending knee injury to Haywoode Workman. That left Travis Best as the starter, with Rose and Jerome Allen the only point guards off the bench.

Hart said he is working on a contingency plan in case Belle doesn't re-sign with the Indians.

"We might have to build a club without Albert," Hart said.

Tellem, who represented NBA star Reggie Miller in lengthy contract negotiations with the Indiana Pacers, predicted Belle would be signed by Thanksgiving.

"I don't think it's to anyone's benefit to drag this out," Tellem said.

Belle was the top player in baseball the last two seasons, according to statistical rankings by the Elias Sports Bureau. In 1995, he became the first player to hit 50 home runs and 50 doubles in a season. Last year, Belle hit 311 with 48 homers and 148 RBIs.

From 1991-96, Belle led the majors with 234 homers. Barry Bonds was second with 217.

Belle's production has never been a problem. His behavior has. Belle has been suspended five times in his six-year big league career for various infractions, including berating a TV reporter at the 1995 World Series and using excessive force in knocking over Milwaukee Brewers second baseman Fernando Vina in a game marred by brawls.

The Indians have some other potentially big bills coming due soon. All-Star center fielder Kenny Lofton is playing out his option in 1997, and third baseman Jim Thome is signed through '97 with a club option for '98.

Free agent reliever Eric Plunk has reportedly rejected a two-year, $2 million offer.

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Hentgen edges Pettitte for AL Cy Young Award

By RONALD BLUM
Associated Press

NEW YORK
Pat Hentgen and Andy Pettitte both were surprised Tuesday when the Toronto right-hander won the AL Cy Young Award.

"I feel honored that my name's next to that award for sure," Hentgen said after his win.

Hentgen went 20-10 with a 3.22 ERA, winning his 20th on the final day of the season. In matching the second-closest vote in the history of the AL Cy Young, he received 16 first-place votes and three thirds for 104 points.

"All the talk was that I would definitely win," Pettitte said.

"I'm like, these people know something I don't... I was a little surprised." Pettitte, who turns 28 Wednesday, led the majors in complete games (10) and innings (263 2-3) and was second in ERA in the AL behind teammate Juan Guzman (2.93). Pettitte pitched three shutouts, tying Ken Hill of Texas, Rich Robertson of Minnesota and Kevin Brown of Florida for the major league lead.

"When the season ended and I was talking to my wife, I told her Pat deserved it," Pettitte said.

"He was totally dominating. I didn't go out and dominate games. Of course, I didn't get complete games with the set-up we had." Pettitte said.

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Hentgen, who became the third to win the award for a Canadian team, was 8-6 with a 3.86 ERA before the All-Star game, then went 12-4 with a 2.58 ERA after the break.

"Things just snowballed for me in the second half," Hentgen said.

"I think when I look back at it, I feel honored that my name's next to that award for sure," Hentgen said.

"We were tied for sixth with one point along with Ken Hill of Texas," Pettitte said.

Hentgen, who made $2.25 million, gets a $50,000 bonus for winning the award.

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Goalie recovers from fan pelting

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really a good leader. I mean their football team has just gotten better and better since they have gone to him.”

Irish Notes:

SPEED KILLED? Rumors have circulated recently concerning the statures of receivers Raki Nelson and Shannon Stephens as neither player made the trip to Boston College. Lou Holtz acknowledged that it was his decision to leave the players at home, but did not comment on any reason why they did not travel.

“We made a decision and I believe we made the right decision,” Holtz offered.

Nelson admitted that the reason for his weekend at home was simply due to lack of concentration.

“I need to grow up,” the freshman allowed. “I haven’t put in enough effort at practices and haven’t paid attention in team meetings. We have three games left and I’m going to concentrate on them.”

Nelson said that Stephens was left behind for the same reasons.

As for other speculation that the receiver was considering a transfer, Nelson declined to comment, stating that he would prefer to concentrate on this season and answer questions of that nature after the end of the year.

Holtz denied that either receiver had spoken to him about the possibility of a transfer.

“No, no, not at all. (Nelson and Spencer) may be (considering a transfer). But none whatsoever.”

INJURY UPDATES: Jason Ching, one of Notre Dame’s two top freshman prospects on the defensive line, is out indefinitely with a major back injury, according to Holtz.

“Jason Ching has a back problem at the present time. I believe he is going to have surgery. It is a serious back injury. It could possibly jeopardize his future. And that is and for all of us because you get a young man with his talent, his abilities, et cetera, but we are just going to wait and see and say a prayer.”

Kicker Scott Cengia, forced to leave the University due to medical problems, is at home and positive about his condition.

“The reports on Scott Cengia are very, very positive. There is a difference of opinions with the doctors down there. (But) talking to Scotty he is very upbeat and very, very positive,” Holtz assessed.

Offensive guard Mike Rosenthal has returned to the practice field and could possibly be back as early as Rutgers. Safety A’Jani Sanders’ mother’s funeral is being held today, and he is expected to rejoin the team this week if he can practice by Thursday.

Holtz considers him available for action against the Panthers.

ANY VOLUNTEERS: Coach Holtz is open to suggestions on how to better prepare for home games, a problem as of late for the Irish and their defensive line.

“Time is a problem at home (on Football weekends) and I don’t know, but I can assure you we are looking at it and if anybody has any suggestions... show me a schedule for a weekend at home.”

THE IRONMAN: Tight end Kevin Caretta played on all 31 special teams plays against Boston College, grading out positively on every one. He also lined up at end on 22 occasions in the game...

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the defensive player on the
team and she is also good offen­sively.
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court.

Teammate, Carey May also
expressed the importance of
Briggs and Ervin to the squad.
"They give so much depth and
experience to our team, and I
know what to expect when they
come into the game. They bring
in a great attitude, desire, and
work ethic to the game. They
bring in exactly what we need
both on and off the court.
Having seniors come off the
bench is very key because they
are either starting or filling in
for someone. I expect just as
much from them, maybe even
more because they are seniors,
and I think they have fulfilled
their role."

Sophomore middle blocker
Lindsay Treadwell explained
Briggs and Ervin’s games and
attitudes, "They are injured
themselves so it takes a lot for
them to get our there and do
what they do. They have so
many skills and have both
played for so long it brings a lot
to the team."

"I just go out there and play,"
JB explained of how she comes
down. "I'm with people I've been playing with since I
was a kid and I get a lot of support from them, and we’re
all one so I don't think it really matters who is out there."
The super-subs have accepted
their roles on the team and have
thrived.

"I'm not playing for myself,
I'm playing for my team," ex­
plained Briggs. "So wherever
I'm needed is what I'm doing,
and that's not always easy. My
job is to go in and hit the ball
hard when I go in."

"My role is pretty much as a
mental support. I think I am a
stabilizing role on the team,"
Ervin described. "I am excited,
but under control, come in and
play different positions. I get a
lot of reps at practice at those
positions which helps me to be
ready."

"Both are quiet but they get
the job done," Treadwell re­
marked. "They go out there and
do what they are suppose to."

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not only limited to the court,
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important pressures to excel in
the athletics and academics.
When asked to comment on
their years as a Dome'er they
answered in similar fashion.

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“T here have been times I’ve wondered if I was good enough to be a real player at Division I. Then this summer it happened. I had an awesome game and all my doubts went away. I came to believe that if I worked hard enough, I could be the player I want to be on the next level.”

“Rasmussen is a big kid with good perimeter skills, but he’s not on anyone’s top 100,” Gibbons said. “He’s a guy that had five Pat Garrity clones on the floor would they finally be competitive? Once it was said as a joke, but it looks like the basketball department is taking the question seriously. Hans Rasmussen (6’9 265-pounds) joins the current Garrity trend that the Irish started last year with the signing of present freshman forward Todd Palmer.

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“He has the potential to be a big-time player for us next season,” Gibbons said.

But here’s the kicker. Some of you may have recognized that last name, “Bieg.” He is the younger brother of Notre Dame senior Greg Bieg and the son of a Notre Dame alumnus. Todd Palmer.

Rasmussen also had offers from Santa Clara, Navy and St. Joe (PA).

Leviticus Williams: Leviticus Williams may eventually be the jewel of the class, but right now he is definitely the unknown prospect.

“I’ve never heard of him,” Gibbons responded when asked about Williams.

“His basketball is absolutely ahead of him.” William’s coach Chris Bailes proclaimed.

Williams is the only recruit with the athletic potential to be a star in the Big East for the Irish. The 6-7 190-pound forward from Spring, Texas averaged 14 points and 11 rebounds a game in Houston’s Class 5-A. He was second team all-league and led his district in rebounding.

“Be a natural rebounder and an excellent leader,” coach Bailes explained. “I can reach 31-46 one step and has a 33-inch vertical jump.”

According to one report, Williams recently went ballistic during a fall scrimmage, scoring 37 points, grabbing 15 rebounds and blocking four shots. While this is impressive, it should be remembered that this was only a scrimmage.

“Bice and SMU were also in the race for Williams. One to go. The success of the Irish’s recruiting campaign depends on the final scholar­ship. After 6’9 Mark Vershaw of Peoria, IL committed to Wisconsin over the weekend, only one top 60 player, 6-6 Ron Artest of Manhattan, NY, is still showing interest in Notre Dame.”

“Now Ronnie Artest is just what the Irish need,” Gibbons said. “He’s that 6-6 explosive athlete they haven’t had.”

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Holtz pleased with offensive performance

By DAVE TREACY
Associate Sports Editor

Despite numerous fumbles, penalties, inconsistencies at wide receiver, and injuries this season, Lou Holtz finally had something completely positive to say about his offense at Tuesday’s press conference.

They’ve found a rhythm.

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“Our backs our playing well,” he said. “Other than the fumbles and the penalties, and our inability to throw the ball on a consistent basis against man-coverage... I feel very comfortable with the rhythm the football team is in at the present time.”

Holtz is predictably concerned, however, with the 16 days of preparation afforded to Johnny Majors and the University of Pittsburgh Panthers.

“They changed their offense and defense (since an open date before Virginia Tech and Boston College),” Holtz reported. “They have 16 days to prepare for the University of Notre Dame. I have never had a team have that long to prepare for an unprepared team. It was interesting. We seem to be in one now.”

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The revamped offensive features quarterback Matt Lytle, a big sophomore who likes to roam. Lytle also has quick receivers to use, and a decent offensive line in front of him. Since they changed quarterbacks and went to Matt Lytle, their offense has really had a spark. He is a good scrambler. He runs the ball well, runs a lot of play-action passing. He is a big young man, six-foot-four. Throws the ball with a strong arm. He is something completely positive that has indeed returned to Notre Dame football, with a flourish and a cloud of dust.

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