Breaking up Britain?

Archie Brown (right), Distinguished Visiting Fellow at the Kellogg Institute, lectured on the topic "The Breakup of Britain? The Scottish Question in Comparative Perspective." A professor of politics at Oxford University, Brown has served as the author, editor or coauthor of 12 books. His most recent book, "The Gorbachev Father," has received awards including the Alec Nove Prize from the British Association for Slavonic and Eastern European Studies for best book on Russia, communism or postcommunism.

Eldred makes first appearance at group's meeting

President fields questions about Performa group

By EMILY MCCORMICK

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Researchers uncover information about HIV reproduction

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.

A team of Harvard researchers has developed a new portrait of how HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, reproduces itself in a development that may provide clues for future drug treatments.

Through a collaboration between the Department of Chemistry and Chemical Biology and the Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology, researchers were able to take a snapshot of a stage of the mechanism by which the enzyme reverse transcriptase (RT) works on a strand of viral DNA to make new viral RNA.

Understanding this mechanism may help researchers make new drugs that will serve as options in the drug cocktails — mixtures of three or four drugs — that have resulted in far more effective treatment of AIDS.

RT, one of several major proteins in the AIDS virus, is one of the most important enzymes in the replication of HIV, performing various functions at different stages of viral life cycles.

Currently, one major class of drugs that fights AIDS, called RT inhibitors, tries to interfere with RT. These drugs range from AZT to DDI to DDC.

"Here's one more small step in the direction of trying to make this process faster, better, more rational, more effective," Harrison said. "And it's a contribution I'm very proud of, incidentally," he added.

**UNIVERSITY OF OHIO**

House passes bill for $112.8 million

Ohio State is expected to receive $112.8 million as part of a two-year capital construction bill that the Ohio House is likely to vote on Tuesday. On Nov. 19, the Ohio House Finance Committee passed legislation that funds a $1.72 billion appropriation proposed by Gov. George Voinovich on Nov. 17. According to review by the Ohio Senate, the bill earmarks most of the money for education. The funds include: $205 million for construction of public school buildings and $247 million for projects at colleges and universities. After the bill clears the House, the Senate is expected to vote on it Dec. 8 or 9. OSU officials appear content with the proposals.

"We've very pleased," said Jill Morelli, university spokeswoman. "It's a meaningful increase, from what came out of the Board of Trustees, to this point. We should see everything we asked for."

**UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA**

University dismisses riot charges

Penn State dismissed six students charged in connection with the July 12 riot yesterday, suspended two others and placed two others on academic discipline probation. An independent inquiry by the Office of Judicial Affairs resulted in the disciplinary action. Many of the students dismissed or suspended are facing charges related to the riot. Vice president for student affairs William Ashby said that disciplinary action such as this is unusual and these students clearly violated university policy by having a "substantial adverse effect on the university."

The disciplinary actions were taken after deliberations by the Office of Judicial Affairs. The students involved in this action were dismissed or suspended for their participation in the riot.

On Dec. 2, 1998, 46 students were arrested on campus, approximately 40 were charged with criminal offenses, and approximately 12 were charged with university disciplinary offenses. These disciplinary actions were taken after the cases had been reviewed by the Office of Judicial Affairs.

"Penn State recognizes that these are young people who take responsibility for their себе," Ashby said.

Penn State is the second of the public universities in the state to receive charges related to the riot.

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**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-BERKELEY**

Undergraduates support strike

BERKELEY, Calif.

UC Berkeley's graduate student union yesterday showed its strength for the recognition and money they deserve, as long as they do not interrupt the learning process at the university, according to a sampling of student opinion. "I think it is a good thing as long as it does not hurt the students," said junior Anna Vraka, a psychology and molecular biology major. "It if becomes detrimental to student learning, it would become a bad thing." Other students supported the ideas behind the strike, but wished it could have been handled differently. "I absolutely agree with the reasons behind the strike," said freshman Jacob Sazey. "But this is an institution for the students and I came to college to learn and to receive my grades. I wish people here were in tune to me rather than other political things." Freshman Jacqueline Toltkin said she believed there were options other than striking that she wished the GSI's had considered.

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Male stripper pleads innocent

Associated Press

PLEASANTON, Calif. - A male dancer who allegedly stripped nude at a Halloween party pleaded innocent to four felony counts of sexual contact with underage girls.

William Schmitt, 39, was arraigned Tuesday in Alameda County Superior Court on one count of exposing minors to lewd entertainment. She was scheduled to enter a plea Wednesday.

Schmitt was charged with three counts of lewd and lascivious conduct with minors 14 or 15 years old and one count of oral copulation with a minor under 16.

If convicted, Schmitt could face up to 12 years in prison. McGrath told investigators that Schmitt was hired to help her daughter.

Washington

WASHINGTON

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"Irish Fighting For Life"

AYA program brings Brazilians to families

By BRAD UNTIETF

News Writer

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MUSKEGON, Mich.  An 18-year-old man confessed to fatally shooting his parents, grandfather, brother and his brother’s girlfriend on the day his father had threatened to kick him out of the house, a prosecutor said.

Seth Privacky was arraigned Tuesday on five counts of open murder. Privacky said he would have had to move out Sunday — the day of the shootings, prosecutor Tony Tague said.

The teen said he shot the five in their heads at close range, execution-style, Tague said.

Privacky’s classmate, 18-year-old Steven Wallace, was arraigned on the same charges. Both were jailed on $5 million bail.

Killed were Privacky’s parents, Stephen Privacky, 50, and Linda A. Privacky, 49; his grandfather John J. Privacky, 74; his brother, Jedediah, 19, and Jedediah’s girlfriend, April A. Ross, 19. Their bodies were discovered early Monday morning.

Court records released Tuesday indicated that Privacky’s parents became concerned with his psychological well-being last year after he was twice picked up for shoplifting, The Muskegon Chronicle reported Tuesday.

In a letter to Muskegon’s Juvenile Court on May 22, 1997, Linda Privacky said a family doctor prescribed an antidepressant medication for Privacky and referred the family to a psychologist for therapy.

After the arraignment, Tague told reporters that Privacky made his confession about an hour before the arraignment.

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Space station still nameless

CAPE CANAVERAL

If it were up to kids, NASA would be blasting off Thursday to build the Dudeship. Or the Milky Way Bar Stop. Or the Totally Bad Space Place. With hours remaining before the latest space-station voyage is due to lift off, the international space station still lacks an official name. 

"It's not for lack of suggestions. More than 2,000 youngsters took part recently in an Internet name-the-space-station sweepstakes, and the most popular suggestions, reflecting the influence of TV and the movies, were Enterprise and Apollo. Other choices, all of which were forwarded to NASA: Dudeship. Way Out, Man. Totally Rad Out of this World. Milky Way Bar Stop. Or the Totally Bad Space Place."

Christmas returns to Cuba

HAVANA

Christmas is coming to Cuba this holiday season, officially, that is. The Communist Party used the front page of its daily newspaper, Granma, to recommend Tuesday that "from this year on" Dec. 25 be a permanent holiday in Cuba. 

"Adopting the custom of the communist government is assured. Ordinary Cubans — whether religious or not — welcomed the news, which re-establishes a custom the communist government abolished in 1960."

"In many cases, every January 1, Fidel Castro, a secretary who came to the Our Lady of Carmen church to buy novena necessities. NASA "another day to rest — You can share it with your family," said Judith Arango Rodriguez, 26, Cuba's "hottest, sexiest, classiest, most popular" starlet."

Impeachment hearing focuses on the effect of perjury

WASHINGTON

From judges and military officers to two women prosecuted for lying in sex cases, the House Judiciary Committee heard Tuesday from witnesses who said perjury undermines the court system and, if committed by a president, could weaken the nation.

"We're exploring whether there's one rule of law for the powerful and the rules and another for the ruled," chairman Henry Hyde, (R-I1L), told the 37-member panel. "I just think it's important to understand that there are consequences for perjury." Democrats said Republicans had staged the perjury session to rally support this month.

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Exxon buys out Mobil for $77.2 billion

NEW YORK

Pulling off the richest corporate takeover in history, Exxon will buy Mobil for $77.2 billion to create the world's largest company and reunite two of the biggest pieces left by the breakup of John Rockefeller's Standard Oil empire.

The deal, announced Tuesday, joins the nation's two largest oil and gas companies. It's the latest example of rapid consolidation in an industry whose profits have been slashed by worldwide overproduction and weak demand.

However, despite the massive size of the new Exxon Mobil Corp., the global trends that prompted the deal are expected to keep pump prices at rock-bottom levels for now.

Exxon Mobil will surpass Royal Dutch Shell Group as the No. 1 energy company and vault past General Motors Corp. as the largest corporation in the world, with $203 billion in annual revenues.

Experts say Exxon Mobil will face challenges in 1999. The world's largest company and reunite two of the biggest pieces left by the breakup of John Rockefeller's Standard Oil empire.

The companies' well-known gas stations around the world, with roughly a third in the United States, plus exploration and production operations worldwide. On a daily basis, the companies together produce 2.5 billion barrels of oil and equivalent amounts of natural gas more than Kuwait.

The companies' well-known gas station brand names — along with the Exxon tiger and Mobil's red Pegasus — will be retained. But analysts expect the companies will have to sell off numerous gas stations and refineries to satisfy government antitrust regulators.

Paisley demands prisoner release

JERUSALEM

Palestinians stepped up their demands Tuesday for the release of prisoners jailed for anti-Israel acts. As Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said he would not budge on the issue.

"The leadership that threw stones is prepared once again to throw stones in order to free the people and to free the land," Ahmed Qurei, speaker of the Palestinian legislature, said at a rally for prisoner releases in the West Bank city of Ramallah.

The comments drew a sharp response from Israel. 

"The prime minister will not tolerate threats of violence," read a statement issued by Netanyahu's office.

Palestinians claim Israeli promised at the Wye River summit last month to free 750 prisoners from political factions. Israel released 250 prisoners last month, but most were car thieves and petty crooks.

Netanyahu said he could not release prisoners who had been involved in attacks on Israelis. "I will not back down on this," he vowed.

Ahmed Tibi, an adviser to Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, appealed to President Clinton to resolve growing tensions over Israel's refusal to release so-called security prisoners.

Tibi said only about 300 of the Palestinians in jail had been involved in attacks that killed Israelis. The rest he described as "political prisoners."

The issue, which has prompted clashes between stone-throwing Palestinian youths and Israeli soldiers, is raising concerns about violence in advance of Clinton's Dec. 12-15 visit to Israel and the Palestinian-led lands.

The Israeli daily Haaretz reported that Israeli security officials had urged Netanyahu to agree to free more Palestinian activists to prevent rioting.

Demonstrations have been held almost daily in support of Palestinian prisoners, with some of the anger directed toward Arafat and his government.
Within the darkly wood-paneled chapel at St. Gregory's Abbey, Three Rivers, Michigan, the sun shines through deep-amber stained glass, reminiscent of how sunbeams break through the clouds after a spring rain. Of 22 choir stalls, only eight are occupied with robed Benedictines chanting the Psalms. This is a blessed peace here, but the question arises for those witnessing these prayers from the guest chapel: where are the young men?

The religious vocation crisis has touched almost every Christian church in modern times—times when materialistic success is stressed in both the family environment and by society in general. God's call to serve is "put on hold" when college majors of law, architecture or accounting merit no special "notoriety." This is a true shame, since serving God merits eternal life. Becoming a slave to the "almighty dollar" leaves a soul nothing to show for it in the end. The young men who might fill the 14 vacant stalls at St. Gregory's Abbey have been urged to go. And, after years of being urged toward attendance and success, it takes a special kind of faith to sit through the "clutter" and hear the Divine Voice that still whispers, "Come, follow me." Young men who participate in St. Gregory's Summer Vocation Program are offered an opportunity to get in touch with that Voice. They may not find the monks in "sanc­timonious" individuals. Each one has a sense of humor, unique talents, and personal trials. While reading a humorous book during meals in the refectory (dining room), they can be heard breaking out in hearty laughter. Together, they form a family not unlike most families in cities around the world. The care for each other through illness, and rejoice in times of good fortune. They live simply, serving those in need as best they can. Their focus on God has led them away from ideas of worldly success, yet many of the world's concerns remain. Bills must be paid, buildings maintained and the unforeseen handled. Decisions are made after discussion and consultation with the entire community, though, instead of leaving the Abbot to do it all himself. This "more democratic" way of running a religious congregation was originated by St. Benedict in the late 500s, and its wisdom has survived. And there is a wisdom in men serving God as monks. Even nestled among farms and trees well away from the bustling city — as St. Gregory's Abbey is — these men are a sign to the wider world that there is More to life. For young men who seek More than the weekly paycheck and hectic routine, this is where to look.

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**DOONESBURY**

"What Monica should have Tapped..."

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

"The Shirt Much More Than a Shirt"

Wednesday night the Student Senate voted on the new executive coordinator of "The Shirt" Project. John Maus, executive coordinator for the past two years, turned over the largest student fundraiser to the most qualified person, Garett Skiba. The Observer has followed this process, but how many Notre Dame students know exactly what Maus turned over? In the past two years, he and his staff have sold almost 90,000 shirts. Student Activities has received two hundred thousand dollars ($200,000) for their budget making "The Shirt" Project student union's biggest fundraiser. Last year, the Justin Brambaugh Scholarship and Adam Sargent received a good amount of what remained. This year it will be given to Koman Hall's Breast Mazar.

My freshman year I bought the green shirt in the bookstore because my roommates and the women in my dorm told me "everyone" wore it to the first football game. That was all that was said about "The Shirt." Everyone knows about the beer cans and trash left outside the ticket booths, the flying squid at the Baylor football game, and even a little bit of attention was given a few weeks ago to the scandal behind Skiba's nomination. How many times, however, have we read about John Maus writing a check to a colleague of Justin Brambaugh on behalf of the student body? If we heard about it at all, it was not enough. John Maus was correct when he said that the Student Senate's dispute a few weeks ago about the nomination process was the first time, good or bad, that "The Shirt" has received much attention. To me, that is a leg problem. As students, "The Shirt" is our project and our time and our money. It is a student organization and unlike much of the money exchanged on this campus, university does not get the entirety of it. It comes directly back to us either through Student Activities or in the form of a donation to a student and his or her family.

If I had a picture of John Maus I would attach it to this letter and ask you to thank him for serving the Notre Dame community for the past two years. Maus and "The Shirt" are not money makers for the book store. "The Shirt" is not just another project with a committee made up of students who need to fill a résumé. It is a huge part of Notre Dame football and the student body that cherishes it. It has meaning and a purpose and there is no reason that something this big and this benevo­lent has received such little recognition in the past.

Next fall if the new color does not match your favorite pants, don't complain. Buy "The Shirt," wear it proudly, and take time to find out more about the money goes. With Garett Skiba, the new executive coordin­ator, and his committee good luck. Finally, when the freshmen arrive in August, don't just tell them it's the tee shirt everyone wears to the first football game because now you know better.
Is ND Cheap?

Tell me so I can not Listen

I am but a lowly freshman at this fine institution and as such have been on campus for only three short months. In this time, I have become a relatively conscientious reader of the Observer and have noticed, as was documented in an "Iron Curtain" from earlier in the week, that the issues which most raise the ire of our student body are, if nothing else, repetitive. In addition, the article noted, some students remain romantically attached to the Observer with such frequency and tenacity that the "Letters" department has become little more than a compilation of platitudes from a select group which speaks out. In short, some people complain, while others merely complain about the complaining.

I must admit that I have yet to feel so strongly about any issue that I wish to actually sit and compose my thoughts. Call it apathy or what, but I see the controversy surrounding student life on this campus so much as a propriety. To admit that I have run smack into an issue which I can not get past while, I believe, the controversy is at least potentially each and every student on this campus regardless of their age, race, gender and yes, even sexual orientation.

I am not sure that Notre Dame will ever be accused of being insensitive. In fact I'm sure it won't. Cheap on the other hand, well that's a different story. This morning the conclusion of my gym class, I was informed that in order to save money and improve basketball skills during my free time, I'd better bring a dollar. To rent a racket. Yes, I'm serious. If I want to keep both of my own eyeballs, woops, sorry, gotta' buy a pair of ping pong balls, I'm wondering why I am having around to find out how much ... if you're interested, call The Rock. When I got back to my room and vented this frustration on my dormmates who, incidentally, enjoy the occasional late night which ping pong available at our state of the art Bulls Fitness Center, they laughed at me. Oh you didn't know? Ping pong balls are a dollar too.

For some, I imagine legitimate complainant would have researched such a game and found it reasonably why money goes, (probably the same place the mandatory ten dollar ticket to PE does) but I decided I didn't have to. No matter what answer I received it would be in adequate. Whether it is twenty bucks or two bits, I'm wondering why I have to pay (AGAIN) to use the on-campus facilities? Don't my parents, really don't all of our parents, already pay enough? Could they possibly try and tell me that the dollar is insurance of my bodily health while I play ping pong, or is something else, say, a hidden snoop fund to commission new and exciting modern art sculptures for the quad, in the worst case, I'm wondering.

Maybe I'm being a little overzealous here, but I am looking at the career of another giddy freshmen who has come to college and is dying for a cause of my own ... to the giddy freshmen who has come to college and is dying for a cause of my own ... to the many who have ever sampled the giddy freshmen on your campus. Could they possibly try and tell me that the dollar is insurance of my bodily health while I play ping pong, or is something else, say, a hidden snoop fund to commission new and exciting modern art sculptures for the quad, in the worst case, I'm wondering.

There is really no reason why any of us should give a damn about Johannes Kraashoek. He is a tiny speck on this global landscape, tillier still in the mastebst of South Africa's history and truth, to the select group which speaks out. I'm wondering why I am having around to find out how much ...

We've learned more from a three-minute record, baby...
After reading the heading to this review, you are probably wondering who heard his music before. Yes, the gaunt, wiry guy dancing on the top of school desks and drawing on chalkboards with The J Geils Band, was responsible for the timeless 80s anthem, "Centerfold." Of course, about the shenanigans that occurred at that concert are regurgitated on this CD. Only this time the pain is not as severe because I am able to stop the CD player whenever I want.

Live is high on energy and low on musicianship. The album starts out with the explosive track "Down." The expert drumming of Chad Sexton, probably the only good musician in the group, anchors the song. Even the rapping of vocalist SA Martinez is fairly tolerable, ignoring the fact that he is from Omaha, NE and not Compton.

Other tracks offer rays of hope, such as the party song "Freak Out" and the adrenaline-filled "Homeward." It's too bad that the band only shows glimpses of being decent as they plow through their short songs. Guitarist Tim Mahoney could be decent if his guitar wasn't so heavily distorted on every single song. Although his work on "Beautiful Disaster" is acceptable, his solo on "Nin Hex" is so cheesy and distorted that it sounds like a stereo shorting out. Bassist P'Nutt (yeah, that's what they call him) is a mediocre bassist that tries to be like Flea on every track, including "Feels So Good."

Co-lead vocalist SA Martinez could be somewhat entertaining, that is if his darned voice wasn't higher than my eight year old sister's. His rapping on "Galaxy" is simply ridiculous. And that brings us to the leader of the band: Nick Hexum. This man has the most annoying voice on this planet. He tries to rap, it doesn't work. He tries to sing; it doesn't work. He tries to sing reggae; that definitely doesn't work. His songs, designed to accommodate the attention span of a chimpanzee, are very short and very pointless.

Some bands should just not be putting out live albums. Ok, if I had it my way some bands wouldn't be putting out any albums at all. 311 has shown with this album that they are an annoying group with bad songs and bad musicians. They should regroup before their next studio album, and probably never release another live album again. Do not be fooled by the funky cover art: 311's Live is a dead effort.

Peter Wolf
Fool's Parade
Polygram Records

For years, Peter Wolf sang in the J. Geils Band. Who, in case you're not familiar with The J Geils Band, was responsible for the timeless 80s anthem, "Centerfold." Yes, the guest, wavy guy dancing on the top of school desks and drawing on chalkboards in the video is Peter Wolf. So, now you at least get a picture of who I'm talking about.

Since The J. Geils Band broke up in 1983, Wolf has gone on to pursue a solo career. He has released four, barely noteworthy, albums before this current release of Fool's Parade. All of his previous albums just seemed to be missing something. But Fool's Parade is different. Wolf, himself, calls this his "most intimate and personal work." The album is dedicated to his mother who passed away just before he went into the studio to record this album.

The music on Fool's Parade is good. Wolf begins the CD with the soulful and reminiscent "Long Way Back Again," which really summarizes his attempts after his success with The J Geils Band, to climb back to the top. His soulful sounds invoke images of the great soul singers. His songs remind you of Al Green, Wilson Pickett and Otis Redding. This album also sounds a little like Wolf's friend and former roommate, Van Morrison.

His songs are personal and true. They are pretty easy to relate to your own life. He sings about struggling, hard lessons finally learned and the cost of a lost love. My favorite track on the album is "The Cold Heart of the Stone." It's a look back into the crazy days of his youth.

On this album, Wolf tugs the heartstrings and forces you to relate the songs to your own life. Fool's Parade is a powerful album that provokes philosophical thought on life and hardship. Which isn't too bad for a white guy that used to sing about his angels, the centerfold and something called a freeze frame.

Although this album is reminiscent of those great artists, I don't think Peter Wolf will be mentioned in the same breath. On the whole, Fool's Parade is a good album. Wolf provides the slow jams and the rock 'n' roll. The only problem is Wolf doesn't do anything that hasn't been done before. Those songs of heartache and remembrance have been sung by many and will be sung by many more. Wolf can definitely sing them, but because he wasn't one of the first, he won't be recognized as one of the great soul singers. That doesn't mean you people can't listen to him though.

How many more times can you stand listening to "Brown-Eyed Girl" and "Moonshine" anyway? How many more 311 or Bush albums can you listen to? Who can take all that aggression all the time? If you're sick of hearing distorted, post-grunge and old classics all the time, give Peter Wolf a listen. Take a class in good old rock 'n' roll-soon he was making records before the guys in 311 and Bush were born anyway.
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Fun Lovin’ Criminals Dec. 4 Double Door
John Hiatt Dec. 5 Riviera
Buffalo Tom Dec. 9 Metro
John Spencer Blues Ex. Dec. 12 Metro
Big Bad Voodoo Daddy Dec. 16 House of Blues
Kool & The Gang Dec. 18 House of Blues
Dave Matthews Band Dec. 19 United Center
Blues Traveler Dec. 30-31 Aragon Ballroom
Cheap Trick Dec. 31 Double Door
Chris Isaak Dec. 31 House of Blues
Local H Dec. 31 Metro
Greg Allman Jan. 3 House of Blues

INDIANAPOLIS

N’Sync Dec. 3 Murat Theatre
Koko Taylor Dec. 3 Patio Lounge
Neil Diamond Dec. 7 Roberts Stadium
Bruce Hornsby Dec. 7 Vogue Theatre
KISS Dec. 13 Market Sq. Arena
Better Than Ezra Dec. 17 Vogue Theatre
Rusted Root Dec. 28 Murat Theatre
The Why Store Dec. 31 World Mardi Gras

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Candlebox Dec. 11 Mich. Theatre (Ann Arbor)
Beck Dec. 20 Joe Louis Arena (Detroit)
Garbage Dec. 20 Joe Louis Arena (Detroit)
Barenaked Ladies Dec. 27 Van Andel Arena (G. Rapids)
Edwin McCain Jan. 1 St. Andrews Hall (Detroit)
Ekoostik Hookah Jan. 15 Magic Bag (Ferndale, MI)

South Bend

Goo Goo Dolls Dec. 14 Heartland
"It’s quite a loss for us," said Mariucci, who peeled off at times as he spoke of Young. "It’s a similar situa-
tion to when we lost Jerry Rice, which also was devast-
ating and we needed to regroup and rally and pick up
the slack.

Added defensive tackle Junior Bryant: "There is not
one person that is going to come
for compensation for him. It is
hard to have to be all of us." 

San Francisco’s first-round pick out of Notre
Dame in 1994, had back problems and was on his way to anoth-
er Pro Bowl season when he went down in a fast, frighten-
ing sequence during the fourth quarter of Monday
night’s 31-7 win over the
New York Giants.

New York’s Kent Graham scrambled out of the pocket
and fumbled. Mariucci ran
the ball into the fray and his helmet struck Young squarely on the
leg.

With Young’s cleat firmly
planted in the soggy turf, his
leg buckled, bending at a
grotesque angle. Young fell to
the ground, his anguish
evident to anyone who saw his
face or heard his screams.

"I could tell Bryant was
running pretty fast," said
equipment manager Joe
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Thiefs-type injury. It’s
something you just have to
see.

Thiebaut was playing for
Washington when he suffered
a broken leg in a 1985
Monday night game after getting hit by the New
York Giants’ Lawrence Taylor. It was Taylor who
literally walloped him after the tackle began frac-
tionally waving for a
doctor.

Thiebaut never played again.

With the exception of
Young, perhaps no one took his injury harder than Norton,
who played the rest of Monday’s night’s game in a
foam cast, then left for the hospital,
where he stayed at Young’s bedside until the early morn-
ing.

It must have seemed like a
recurring nightmare for Young,
who was also involved in the hit during a
1994 Monday night game that
left Los Angeles Raiders running
back Napoleon McCallum with a career-ending knee
injury.

"This game is so strange," Norton
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The NFL's performance leaves much to be desired

By JOHN COPPOLELLA
Sports Columnist

Whatever happened to the National Football League? Only a short time ago, the NFL was a league of power and pamache, blessed with proud teams like the Washington Redskins, Chicago Bears, Kansas City Chiefs and Cleveland Browns. Today, the latter team will repair the league under expansion auspices. Meanwhile, the former three teams have become disgraces to the league. When did the NFL turn into the predictable and disappointing entity that it has become this season?

The answer does not lie so much in "when" as much as in "why." The five following reasons allude to "why" this might possibly be the worst NFL season in recent memory:

The NFL has more crybabies than the NBA. Latrell Sprewell, possibly be the worst NFL season in recent memory: the Dallas Cowboys are leading a division that seemingly nobody wants to win. Like the AL Central, a division crown does not guarantee you a division crown. The Denver Broncos have won the most Super Bowls since 1987. The two other members of the league are the Philadelphia Eagles and the Arizona Cardinals. Ugh. The Eagles were once respectable, but so was Mary Albright. The Cardinals may be the future of the division, but that alone should concern you.

The Atlanta Falcons are in first place. I have nothing against the Falcons and applaud their resurgence, even if it is in a division that is perennially the worst not only in football, but in all sports. It is the NFC West, with members such as the Panthers, Saints, and St. Louis Rams. However, the Falcons base their success on three factors: control the clock, run the ball, and play good defense. Watching a Falcons game is about as exciting as going to The Boat Club if you're the designated driver. If the Falcons do make it to the playoffs, their style of play will turn fans off and further hurt NFL ratings.

Is there hope for the NFL? Of course. Young stars like Moss, Peyton Manning, and Charlie Batch have given us a charge, and eventually powerhouses like the Broncos and the Green Bay Packers will fade. In the meantime, however, I'll dream of the late 80's and early 90's rather than reminisce about last week's Falcons-Rams game.

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program in the last several years than a coach might expect to lose in a 10- or 15-year tenure. Far too many players feel like they are better off elsewhere.

Some coaches at the premier programs in the nation have the same problem, but their players are blinded by the dollar signs swatting them in the NBA rather than galvanized by a desire to play for and earn degrees from schools like Pepperdine, Virginia or Oklahoma State.

There were more reasons for Gottlieb’s departure than playing time, coaching style or homesickness. Gottlieb had his infatuation with running up the bill at Spiece with his roommate’s credit card, which led to his transfer to Oklahoma State and its team.

But the others leave too many questions to be deemed normal and there have been too many to be acceptable.

You simply can’t return a program to where it should be when you can’t keep your players. It’s not quantum physics we’re talking about.

MacLeod recruited some talent, but it certainly wasn’t the right talent. For one reason or another, they didn’t find their home under the Dome.

Potentially more dangerous than losing current players is losing future ones.

How does coach MacLeod respond to blue-chippers who are considering donning the blue-and-gold of the Irish when they ask why there have been five transfers in three-and-a-half years?

If those kids are just thinking about all the playing time they’ll see their freshman year, their parents, who still hold quite a bit of influence over the decision, certainly will ask those questions.

MacLeod certainly isn’t making kids miserable with severe tongue-lashings like those seen at the Indiana University bench Tuesday night.

None of the transfers have bad-mouthed MacLeod, his program or the University. They just didn’t fit.

It’s MacLeod’s responsibility to make sure the seniors in high school who sign letters of intent to play for Notre Dame fit.

MacLeod needs every one of the four years out of his recruits. Freshman David Graves and Troy Murphy are the team’s leading scorers and Harold Swango shows promise.

When their senior year rolls around, or if their senior year rolls around, their experience, talent and some help from other classes could bring the Irish back to prominence.

But that’s another couple of years away.

The Class of 2000

Wolverine football team this week, deciding the program wasn’t a perfect fit for him.

Sophomore forward Hans Rasmussen left the Notre Dame basketball team this week, deciding the program wasn’t a perfect fit for him.

Saint Mary’s College Junior Beth Beatty

The Class of 2000 Golf Outing
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- Beth Beatty

Saint Mary’s College Junior

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**Boxing**

**Tyson in court to face assault charges**

Associated Press

ROCKVILLE, Md. Mike Tyson pleaded no contest Tuesday to misdemeanor assault, a decision that could return the former heavyweight champion to prison.

Although the plea to the two counts is not an admission of guilt, Tyson faces up to 20 years in prison — 10 years on each count — when he is sentenced next year by a Maryland judge. He also could be fined up to $2,500 on each count.

The charges stem from an Aug. 31 traffic accident in Montgomery County, Md., involving Tyson's wife, Monica. Tyson was accused of kicking and punching two motorists after the accident.

"You understand that this plea could affect your parole," Judge Steven Johnson told Tyson before accepting his plea. "I'm truly aware of that," said Tyson, who was released from prison in 1995 after serving three years of a six-year sentence for a 1992 rape conviction in Indiana.

Tyson told Johnson he did not expect leniency or a lighter sentence in return for entering the no-contest plea.

The prosecutor urged that jail time be included in the punishment.

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The prosecutor has told authorities to decide whether the no-contest pleas violated his probation.

By late Tuesday afternoon, Marion County (Ind.) Superior Court Judge Patricia Gifford had not heard from probation officials about Tyson, her clerk, Becky Wagner, said. She said probation officials would decide whether to request a violation hearing for Tyson.

George Walker, chief probation officer for Marion County, was out of the office until Wednesday.

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Following the August accident, Abmielec Saucedo and Richard Hardick said Tyson attacked them. They have reached a settlement with Tyson to avoid a civil suit.

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**Women's Basketball**

**Hills earns Big East basketball honors**

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame freshman Sherisha Hills (Tampa, Fla.) has been named the co-Big East Rookie of the Week, after averaging 12.5 points and 3.5 rebounds in two wins last week as the Irish beat 25th-ranked Illinois (101-92) and San Francisco (74-43). The Irish rookie shares the honor with freshman forward Tamika Williams of Connecticut.

Hills becomes the third Irish player in as many weeks to claim a Big East honor. Junior Niele Ivey and senior Danielle Green garnered player-of-the-week honors in the first two weeks of the season.

In the win against the Illini, hills came off the bench to score nine points, while adding four rebounds and three assists. She scored a career-best and game-high 16 points in 29 minutes of action, grabbed three rebounds and made four steals. In the two games, she shot 10-for-20 from the field.
Rallying Hoosiers need extra period to defeat Irish

Domers rally but fall short in overtime, 76-72

By JOEY CAVATO
Assistant Sports Editor

The men’s basketball team almost gave Irish fans an early Christmas present Tuesday night.

But the Joyce Center isn’t on 34th street. A win over Bobby Knight’s 16th-ranked Hoosiers probably would have been too much to expect even from Santa, so Irish fans will have to be content with a 76-72 loss that provides a moral victory and a lot of hope after a dismal 2-4 start to the season.

Senior guard Antonio Wyche drained three free throws with 1:25 left on the clock to tie the game at 64 and Jimmy Dillon sent the free throws with 1:25 left on the clock to tie the game at 64 and Jimmy Dillon sent the game at 64 and Jimmy Dillon sent the free throws with 1:25 left on the clock to tie the game at 64 and Jimmy Dillon sent the

By BRIAN KESSLER
Assistant Sports Editor

The Notre Dame women’s basketball team, which has climbed to a No. 6 ranking in the Associated Press Poll, will look to continue its winning ways when it takes on non-conference opponent Toledo tonight at the Joyce Center.

The sixth ranking is the highest ever in school history and the team’s 5-0 record also matches a program best. Notre Dame averages nearly 10 rebounds-per-game more than its opponent tonight at the Joyce Center.

The Irish have started out the season 5-0 and are looking to improve on that record. They have already defeated Xavier and Youngstown State in the preseason.

In the second game of the season, the Irish will face off against Toledo at 5:30 p.m. at the Joyce Center.

Notre Dame is coming off a 84-78 victory over St. Joseph’s. The two other opponents the Irish have faced so far this season are Villanova and top-ranked Connecticut.

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The Rocket’s 2-1 edge in the series with the Irish is no surprise, as they have met since 1990.

Toledo defeated Notre Dame 70-69.

Toledo brings a 3-2 record into the Joyce Center, after splitting two games at the Boston College Tournament last weekend. The Rockets dropped a close game to BC, 72-69, but followed it up with a 84-78 victory over St. Joseph’s. The two other Toledo victories came over Xavier and Youngstown State.

Kim Knuth leads the team, averaging 28.4 points per game. She was named the Mid-American Conference offensive player of the week.

They are going to be a tough team,” Ivey said. “Knuth is a great player. She’s a senior and they have a veteran team. They have a lot of weapons besides her and have a lot of confidence heading into the game. They have nothing to lose.”

Notre Dame’s Sherida Hills also earned all-conference honors, as she was named co-Rig East freshman of the week. Hills averaged 12.5 points in Notre Dame’s wins over Illinois and San Francisco last week.

“She’s playing great,” Ivey said. “She’s not nervous and is gaining more and more confidence. She working hard and is getting better every game.”

Ivey finished with 22 points in the victory over the Illini. Center Ruth Riley added a double-double with 10 rebounds and 16 boards. Captain Sheila McMillen had 20 points, en route to becoming the 14th Irish player to score her 1,000th career point.

The Irish have won 14-straight home games, a streak dating back to the 1997-98 regular season, and are averaging 94.7 points in their first three home games of this season. Notre Dame averages nearly 10 rebounds-per-game more than its opponents, with Riley leading the way, averaging 9.2 per game.

“Early on we weren’t doing a good job rebounding and the coaches have been pounding defense and rebounding into our heads,” Ivey said. “Our game is the transition game, so we have to crash the boards and get quick outlets.”

This will be the last warmup for the Irish before they start conference play with No. 1 UConn.

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