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55 mph increase in doubt

WASHINGTON (AP)—The House on Wednesday approved and sent to the Senate legislation that would let states raise speed limits to 65 mph on stretches of rural interstate highway.

The 217-206 vote came shortly after the lawmakers approved a long-awaited \$88.6 billion highway and mass transit aid package that states have said they need for delayed construction projects.

The vote on the highway bill, to which the speed limit question was a separate amendment, was 407-17. But the entire measure is in doubt because administration officials have said they will recommend that President Reagan veto the bill because of excessive spending.

The proposal to let states abandon the 55 mph speed limit, which was instituted in 1974 at the height of the energy shortage, was the most controversial issue in the highway bill. It caused such a deep dispute that its opponents agreed to a separate vote on the 65 mph question so the rest of the highway measure would not be delayed.

Lawmakers who rose to debate the question Wednesday used the full gamut of arguments. Supporters of the faster speed said states should be able to choose their own driving speeds and argued the current limit is obsolete and forces police to spend time enforcing an unenforceable law. Opponents have insisted that 55 mph driving saves lives and fuel.

Rep. James Howard, D-N.J., chief supporter of the 55 mph limit, said the faster speed would let the average motorist save one minute daily.

"That one minute, if you want to take that back, you're going to have to say by your vote . . . I'm willing to have during the life of this bill, five years, 3,500 people killed. I'm willing to have tens of thousands paralyzed, brain damaged," he said.

Countered Rep. Kenneth Gray, D-Ill., an advocate of the faster speed, "The American people are rebelling in the rural areas of this country on 55 . . . what we're trying to do is make people legitimate. What we're trying to do is bring some sanity to the laws of America."

The speed limit provision, sponsored by Sen. Steven Symms, R-Idaho, would let states raise maximum speeds to 65 mph on interstate highways outside urban areas with populations of at least 50,000 people.

The Senate is to vote separately on the highway measure and the speed limit provision, perhaps as early as Thursday.



Double talk for the sake of convenience - Phil Wilcoxen of Fort Worth takes care of some important business by phones recently at an Arlington convenience store.

Dating games

Students say campus organizations are best way to fight dating blues

Editor's Note: This is the second of a five-part series on dating and attitudes toward sex among TCU students.

Although Skiff policy is to avoid the use of unnamed sources, an exception has been made in this case because of the sensitivity of some questions.

The articles represent a sampling of opinion at TCU and are not meant to reflect a scientific study. Toledo interviewed 15 students and 8 faculty, staff and administrators for the series.

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By Cathy Toledo
Staff Writer

For college students, dating is more than just a way to spend a Friday or Saturday evening—it's a key element in developing emotional maturity.

"Everyone has a need to give and receive love," said Jack C. Scott, director of the Counseling Center. "It's a sense of emotional experiential and intellectual sharing with one another. When people find they are not experiencing that, they start to feel kind of empty."

Love is an essential need, he said. "It becomes more apparent around 14 to 15 years of age and is more dominant as we get older."

And dating is one of the first steps toward love and long-term relationships.

"The problem is where to meet partners," said Professor Betty Bennis, who teaches a course on human sexuality. "Bars are not good places," she explained, basing her observation on her experience in counseling and drug education.

"We (counselors) have concluded that there are many lonely people

with lots of problems in singles bars," she said.

But when one coed was asked how students meet other students, she said they met in bars.

Now that the drinking age is 21, younger students cannot legally frequent bars. But the bar scene has only "changed for freshmen and sophomores without fake IDs," a freshman resident assistant said.

Mixers are organized for the purpose of meeting partners.

"All mixers used to be at bars," one female resident assistant who is also a sorority member said. "Now we have ice skating mixers or go to restaurants. We're trying not to emphasize alcohol."

"It's hard to find fun things that don't involve drinking," another female student said. "There's a more relaxed atmosphere at a bar."

The general consensus of the students interviewed was that the Greek students had a slight advantage when it came to meeting dates.

"We have mixers almost every week at the sorority," one Greek female said. "Dorms have fewer mixers, and they aren't well attended."

"My dorm isn't doing enough, but when we do do something it doesn't ever get off the ground," a male resident assistant said.

"Guys will usually go to mixers, but the girls don't show up," a male living in a residence hall said.

Mixers given by ranch management and the business fraternity were recommended by several coeds as good parties for meeting men.

Fraternities and sororities also have

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Experimental AIDS vaccine tested on humans

NEW YORK (AP)—A French researcher has given himself an experimental AIDS vaccine, and some volunteers also have received it in the first reported test of an AIDS vaccine in humans.

Daniel Zagury of the Pierre and Marie Curie University in Paris reported in a letter in Thursday's issue of the British journal *Nature* that the vaccine spurred his immune system to create defenses against two varieties of the AIDS virus.

American scientists said Wednesday the results are interesting but do not prove that the vaccine works.

The letter gives no indication that Zagury or the volunteers were later exposed to the AIDS virus to see if the vaccine prevented infection.

Zagury declined Wednesday to dis-

uss the letter, which was co-signed by 11 other scientists.

The letter says he suffered no significant side effects from the vaccine. Initial human tests of vaccines and medicines are generally designed to look for side effects rather than effectiveness.

The new work is "an important first step," said Dr. Robert Gallo, noted AIDS researcher at the National Cancer Institute.

Gallo said the major question now is whether the overall immune response from the vaccine is strong enough to prevent infection by the AIDS virus, and whether it can work against all variants.

Bernard Moss, chief of the laboratory of viral diseases at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious

Diseases, said Zagury's finding of immune defenses against two varieties of the virus was significant.

The varieties differ in their surface proteins, which are crucial to recognition by the immune system, he said. That poses a challenge to find a vaccine that works against more than just one variety, he said.

The results are "preliminary work, but it's interesting," Moss said.

In the letter, the researchers wrote that the experiment was prompted by concern that a vaccine that spurs the body only to produce antibodies, proteins in blood that recognize foreign invaders, may not be able to fight off more than one variety of the virus.

The experimental vaccine was designed to stimulate a second kind of immune system defense, called cell-

mediated response, in which special blood cells also fight invading microorganisms.

The hope is that this defense would protect against more than one virus strain and kill cells already infected by the virus, researchers wrote.

The experiment used a genetically altered "vaccinia" virus. Unaltered vaccinia is used as a smallpox vaccine.

Researchers inserted a gene from the AIDS virus so that the vaccinia virus surface would display protein characteristic of the AIDS virus. That display would provoke the immune system into mounting a defense against the virus that causes acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

The vaccine was administered to Zagury through a series of superficial scratches or punctures on the skin,

and then his immune response was studied weekly for nine weeks.

The vaccine activated antibodies and the cell-mediated response, the *Nature* letter reports. When blood cells were tested in the laboratory, they were found to be activated against two varieties of the AIDS virus.

Neither Zagury nor the "small group" of Zairian volunteers who received the vaccine had been exposed to the AIDS virus before the tests, the letter said.

It also said researchers have given a group of AIDS patients a preparation designed to induce a cell-mediated response against the virus. The preparation consists of the patients' own blood cells with surface proteins that mimic those of the AIDS virus.

Smokers may have less colitis risk

BOSTON (AP)—Although the benefits of giving up smoking are well known, doctors believe they have identified the first apparent health hazard of kicking the habit—an increased risk of a rare but serious intestinal disease called ulcerative colitis.

Their research also confirms that people who continue to smoke have a somewhat lower risk of the disease than do those who never smoked.

However, they cautioned their research does not mean smokers should keep smoking, because the pluses of quitting still far outweigh this single minus.

"I thought about this, and the co-authors also put their heads together and tried to think of (another) illness associated with quitting smoking, and we couldn't come up with anything," said Dr. Edward J. Boyko, director of the study.

The study found that people who give up smoking are twice as likely as those who never smoked to get ulcerative colitis. For those who continue smoking, the risk is 40 percent lower than that faced by people who never smoked.

About one in 1,000 Americans has ulcerative colitis. So despite the added risk among reformed smok-

ers, their odds of getting the ailment are still low.

The cause of ulcerative colitis, a chronic inflammation of the lining of the large intestine, is not known. The disease usually strikes people between ages 20 and 40, causing diarrhea, cramps and bloody stools.

Sometimes the illness goes away by itself. But if it lingers for years, the only effective therapy is removal of the diseased part of the large intestine.

"The main value of this study is that it opens up new areas for research into a disease that is a complete enigma in medicine," Boyko said.

Clerk charged with tax return theft

AUSTIN (AP)—An Internal Revenue Service mail clerk has been charged with stealing tax returns mailed in by taxpayers from Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas.

Investigators said Mark Anthony Hancock, 20, of San Marcos, apparently planned to steal checks sent in with the returns.

Hancock was charged Wednesday with theft of public property and was held in lieu of \$20,000 bond at the Federal Correctional Institution in Bastrop.

Hancock was arrested Tuesday by police who were searching for a man who robbed a Pizza Hut. Police later determined Hancock was not in-

involved in the robbery, but discovered he was carrying a gym bag that contained 32 individual tax returns in opened envelopes addressed to the IRS center.

IRS investigators later searched Hancock's residence and found 134 tax returns, according to federal court documents. Hancock admitted to taking the tax returns from the Austin IRS Service Center with the intent to steal checks, court documents said.

"As far as I know, he actually didn't get any checks or money," said U.S. Magistrate Phil Sanders. Jack Crum, an IRS public affairs officer, said no checks were taken.

According to court documents,

Hancock stole 300 IRS returns March 16, but returned some of them to the center when he didn't find any checks.

Crum would not say how long Hancock had been working as a mail clerk at the IRS, but police said the man told investigators he had been hired recently.

Crum said this is the first time such a theft has occurred at the Austin center and that measures are being taken to prevent a recurrence.

He said employees working in the receipt and control department may be required to store all personal belongings in a locker room outside the mail room.

Fewer checks bouncing at TCU

By Aisha Saleem
Staff Writer

Although the increased fee for returned checks has been in effect for only a few weeks, Controller Larry Calloway said he has already noticed a decline in the number of bounced checks at TCU.

Effective March 1, the fee for returned checks increased from \$10 to \$25.

Calloway said on an average day, he usually receives eight to 10 returned checks in the mail.

One semester, during the month of registration, an excess of \$100,000 in checks was returned because of insufficient funds, he said.

Not all returned checks are for a large sum. Checks to pay for football tickets, phone bills or to get cash from personal and two-party checks come in also, said Katie Hill, accountant clerk in the Business Office.

Many students do not know how to balance their checkbooks, Hill said, because they never had accounts until college.

Some students do not keep track of their checking account's balance; others think they can "beat the banking system," Hill said.

Many times students do not intentionally bounce a check, Calloway said. There are times when parents have not sent enough money to the student's account.

When the Controller's Office receives a returned check, an accountant clerk sends a letter to the person who cashed the check.

Violators are given approximately 10 days to pay off the check and the attached fine, usually by cash or money order. They also are not allowed to write checks at the university for the duration of that semester. Flagrant violators who knowingly pass bad checks will be brought up on criminal charges.

Sometimes, students fined for cashing a two-party check that has been returned complain because they feel the responsibility lies with the person who wrote the check, Calloway said.

"If you bring a check in and cash it, then it's your responsibility," Calloway said. "You look back to whoever wrote the check for reimbursement."

The \$25 in itself is not enough to cover handling costs, Calloway said. "I'm not in it to make money. I try to recover my costs in handling them."

Cashing personal checks up to \$100 is a free service the university provides, Calloway said.

"Many students refuse to establish banking relationships in the city," he said. "They'd rather take advantage of the free service. Then they expect us to accommodate them."

Many other universities and banks charge for the service of cashing checks, he said.

TCU's policy for returned checks is relatively mild in comparison with other universities and local establishments, Calloway said.

Carolyn Evans, bursar, said returned checks have always been a problem at UT-Arlington.

If students have not taken care of returned checks within five to 10 days, the university puts a hold on their transcripts and will drop students from their classes, Evans said.

"When students clear their checks, the hold is removed, and they can reregister and get their transcripts," she said. "Most everyone comes in and takes care of their checks."

UTA limits check-cashing to \$25. Any returned checks have a \$10 fine added, said Mary Mosely, head cashier at the university.

Mosely also said the undergraduate studies catalog says students who write two or more bad checks cannot write another check on campus again.

Rick Vorase, owner-operator of Primos Pizza on Park Hill Drive, said he takes in about \$300 a week in returned checks.

Vorase said he first notifies the person who wrote the bad check and asks him or her to pay it off within a week.

If the person cannot be contacted or if a problem arises, he talks to Libby Proffer, dean of students, who he said will send out a notice to the student.

"I would like not to take checks," Vorase said. "It gets to be such a pain in the neck."

Vorase said he will continue to accept them, however, because competitive pizza deliverers accept checks.

"More than half of what I take in (at TCU) is checks," he said.

Many people get irritated when he calls to tell them their checks

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ENTERTAINMENT/ARTS



"Evil Dead II" worthy of another chill and even a chuckle

"II" more a remake than just a sequel

By Todd Camp
Staff Writer

Veteran horror writer Stephen King called "The Evil Dead" "the most ferociously original horror film of 1984." And after the gore fans and filmgoers flocked to see it, many found it hard to disagree with this tag.

Then, in 1987, Sam Raimi, the warped mind behind the original, released "Evil Dead II: Dead by Dawn." And if any film this year deserves the title "ferociously original," it would be this semi-sequel.

The phrase "semi-sequel" is used for lack of a better term. "Evil Dead II" is not a sequel in the traditional meaning of the word, because it does not pick up where "Evil Dead" left off.

Okay, first a little history. In Raimi's original "The Evil Dead," we find a group of five teenagers headed for a tiny cabin in the middle of the woods.

The teens stumble upon an old book and a tape recording of professor Raymond Knoby. After listening to



Photo Courtesy of Rosebud Releasing Corp.

Who's next? - After destroying the first of the Evil Dead, Ash (Bruce Campbell) and the others wonder who will become possessed next by the undead spirits from the

tape, they discover that the tome is the ancient "Book of the Dead," and before they shut off the recorder, the professor recites the magic words that awake the evil dead.

What follows is the gradual possession of everyone except our hero, Ash

(Bruce Campbell) who later learns the only true way to kill the evil dead is by total dismemberment. Tasty, huh?

The gory melee that follows earned the film its "ferociously original" title from King, but horror critic Joe Bob Briggs from Grapevine, Texas, came

closer to the truth with his summary of the film, "four stupid teens become spam-in-a-cabin."

After surviving the night, Ash stumbles into the daylight, gashed, torn and barely alive, only to be overtaken by some unseen force that

leaves us with his terror-stricken face, a scream and then credits.

Enter "Evil Dead II." We think we're going to see Ash, (the role once again resurrected by Bruce Campbell) attacked by the unseen creature, right? Wrong.

"Evil Dead II" may use the same character, the same setting, and the same god-awful, nasty monsters, but "II" is a different story, and a good one. In fact, by its beginning, it's more of a remake than a sequel.

The film starts out with a short history of the "Book of the Dead" with some interesting special effects and then moves on to Ash and Linda (his girlfriend in the original as well) on their way to the cabin.

What he doesn't know is that he's up against some of the nastiest looking monsters ever put on film.

"Evil Dead II" has plenty of shocks (I won't reveal too much, but there's a scene with a flying eyeball that would cause even the most callous of gore-hounds to utter, "Oh, my!"), but the film's biggest shock is its ability to inspire laughs in one second and revulsion in the next.

Several of the scenes are absolutely hilarious, the best example of which is a scene where Ash is fighting his hand, which has become possessed.

In one sense we have humorous slapstick as Ash proceeds to beat himself up and smash plates over his head, and on another sense we are chilled by this possibility.

The scene is very similar to a short

story by Clive Barker called "The Body Politic," in which the hands of the world unite and begin cutting themselves free from bodies everywhere.

The film is also laced with a number of bizarre camera tricks and never-before-seen special effects that provide both chills and chuckles.

The most clever special effect was achieved by make-up artist Doug Bes-worth. Ash's girlfriend's headless body rises from the ground and does a ghoulish ballet while tossing her head about like a ball. The sequence is hard to watch without at least a nervous titter.

Ash's partners have been replaced with new victims. The professor's daughter and her boyfriend show up along with a redneck couple who lead them to the cabin, only to get caught up in Ash's unending nightmare. And when I say unending, I mean we're talking potential sequel material here, folks.

Additional stars Sarah Berry, Dan Hicks, Kassie Wesley, Richard Domeier and Denise Bixler provide decent frightened looks, but little more, with the exception of former Fort Worth stage artist and TCU graduate Lou Hancock, who gives a very gripping performance as the undead wife of the professor.

Though the bucket o' blood effects and manner of "Evil Dead II" may not be for all audiences, its breakthroughs and effects at least merit a look from the open-minded. But don't take the kids, and beware of flying eyeballs.

New Hughes film too predictable

By Shuri Thweatt
Staff Writer

"Some Kind Of Wonderful" is not a wonderful movie. It's predictable. It's dull. It's pretentious. It's yet another John Hughes film on teen-age life in America.

Hughes, who wrote and directed "Sixteen Candles," "The Breakfast Club" and "Pretty In Pink," has an annoying way of oversimplifying life to the point that it's patronizing to his audience.

Hughes portrays teen-age life as the continuous struggle between non-conformists and conformists. And in the usual Hughes tradition, the non-conformists dress wild, have spiked hair, pierce their noses and battle the conformists, who are well-dressed, rich snobs who abuse and shun the non-conformists. Very original.

"Some Kind Of Wonderful" is a carbon copy of Hughes' "Pretty In Pink," only the sexes have been switched. Eric Stoltz (Keith) takes on Molly Ringwald's role as the high school outcast. Mary Stuart Masterson (Drummer Girl) inherits John Cry's role as the sidekick who watches in horror as her secret love, Keith, chases down the high school beauty Amanda Jones, played by Lea Thompson.

Hughes' characters are bland and uninspiring. Watching these people in action is about as interesting as shucking peas.

Stoltz's Keith is supposed to be the hero, but he is a wimp.

Throughout the entire film, he is unable to realize that his sidekick is the cutest girl in town, that she is in love with him and that he is in love with her. Stoltz spends most of the film looking like he's about to cry.



Photo Courtesy of Paramount Pictures

Don't you get it - Drummer Girl (Mary Stuart Masterson) tries to convince longtime bestfriend (Eric Stoltz) that she has fallen in love with him.

Masterson's character Drummer Girl has a bit more spunk, but she's annoying. She comes across as a blond Joan Jett. It's too bad she isn't more like Jett, because it would give the film some energy.

Hughes even succeeds in botching this film's ending. Keith and Drummer Girl reach the predictable climax of the film and finally smooch. It's supposed to be romantic. But for some strange reason synthesized pipe music starts up, and the audience is forced to listen to what sounds like a troupe of bow-

legged leprechauns doing their rendition of Elvis Presley's "I Can't Help Falling In Love With You." The romantic moment is simply lost.

There's something weird about this movie, and there's something weird about a man pushing 30 being so involved in the superficial lives of teen-agers. It's sad when someone with as much power in film as Hughes has uses it to create cheap entertainment that fails to communicate anything of value to his audience.

The Campus Underground



BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed



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Delta Gamma

Drug tests proposed

WASHINGTON (AP)—Attorney General Edwin Meese III said Thursday local school boards should be free to institute drug-testing programs for probationary teachers who seek tenure.

"We in the Department of Justice view freedom from drugs as a valid condition of employment for schoolteachers," he said.

"Drug testing has been upheld when applied to transportation workers and others whose jobs have a direct effect on public safety," Meese said. "And it seems to me

almost an insult to teachers to maintain that their jobs are any less important."

His comments came in connection with a court brief the Justice Department filed two weeks ago supporting a proposed teacher drug-testing program on Long Island. There, the Patchogue-Medford School District notified all probationary teachers who were eligible for tenure they would be required to submit urine samples to their school nurses for drug testing. The teachers' union won an in-

junction against the program, and the appellate division of state Supreme Court in Brooklyn ruled last August that to undergo the tests without reasonable suspicion they were drug users was an invasion of privacy and thus unconstitutional.

The court also concluded that while drug use can have an adverse impact on a teacher's ability to safeguard and supervise pupils, the governmental interest in preventing this is not as crucial as for police officers, firefighters, bus drivers or train engineers.

Bad check writers face fines

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bounced, Vorase said. But when the \$8 or \$9 checks pile up, it gets to be an expensive loss.

"I don't want to make money (off of returned checks)," he said. "I just want my money back."

Vorase said approximately 90 percent of the students pay off the returned checks within two or three days.

Linda Cunningham of Eckerd Drugs' main office in Garland said the Fort Worth/Tarrant County stores' policies for returned checks depend on the amount of money involved. A manager with a Dallas branch of Eckerd Drugs said charges begin at \$15 per returned check.

Cunningham said college students rank second in bouncing checks; females ranging in age from the mid-20s to the 50s have more returned checks because they do the most shopping.

Cunningham said she thinks the store policy is "pretty effective as it is."

"If they don't get you this year, they will get you down the road sometime," she said.

Jim Foster, a collector at the Southland Corp., which handles 7-Eleven chain stores, said if employees cannot get in touch with the person who wrote a bad check, then they will have it filed with the district attorney's office.

A fine of \$15 is added to the returned check amount.

An assistant manager in training at the local 7-Eleven said the store does get a lot of bad checks, but only about 20 percent of them are written by college students.

The assistant manager also said the store gets back 90 percent of the money from returned checks.

Calloway said he has received calls from stores trying to locate individuals who passed insufficient checks.

Some students don't mind cashing a check for \$100, fully knowing their accounts lack sufficient funds, he said.

"If you don't pass a bad check, then the fee means nothing to you," Calloway said.

Clubs, classes help get dates

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a better network for meeting people through the big brother and little sister programs, one fraternity member said.

"It's really easy as a freshman pledge," another fraternity member said. "Arranging dates for freshmen and sophomores is common."

"Independents don't have networks for fixing up dates," said a male student who had once pledged a fraternity.

Classes and extracurricular activities offer other options for meeting dates.

"They (students) can meet individuals through classes, especially if it's an informal class like conditioning or jogging," Bennis said.

One sophomore male said he met many girls through classes. "In larger classes where the teacher is more laid back, you can get to know people," he said.

"You go to class, have one hour to meet someone and figure out plans, and then you go back to an all-male dorm," a resident of Tom Brown Hall said. "It isn't easy."

For women who would like to meet more men in class, university statistics show that more males enroll as freshman in business than any other course of study.

Alternatively for men, the highest ratio of females to males is in the AddRan College of Arts and Sciences. And one woman complained that most of her classes in design and fashion are all women.

One student who went out often said that her best advice for others

who want to meet people is to "get involved in the various organizations on campus."

"Go to the Student Activities fair in the beginning of the year and sign up for a house committee or Circle K," another female said. "There are so many outlets to meet people."

Those who don't want a commitment for the whole year might consider signing up for a committee on homecoming, another student suggested. Other organizations mentioned were Student Foundation, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Young Life, the pre-law association and the business school fraternity. Intramurals are also available for both sports-minded and not-so-sports-minded students alike.

What exactly constitutes a date at TCU?

A formal date is "when I would take out someone, exclusively, either alone or with a couple of other couples," one male student said. The most frequently described date was dinner and a movie.

"I would take her out to eat and to a movie," said another male student. "It's usually pretty formal, at a fixed time-opening doors for her and everything."

As far as innovative dates such as picnics or going to a museum, another coed said, "Stud guys would be too scared that it wouldn't go over."

"Once you date seriously, the guy doesn't have to break his pocketbook to spend time with you," one coed said.

One male student said he would not take a girl on a picnic for their initial

date, but only after he knew her better.

"She might think I'm weird, or I'm taking her out in the middle of nowhere to rape her or something," he said.

Despite the influence of women's movements, some women hesitate to initiate dates.

"I wouldn't feel comfortable initiating a date," a female transfer student said. "On this campus, they (men) would take it wrong. A guy would think I'm after him and want sex."

Another coed said, "If I asked a guy out, he would think I'm pushy."

However, all of the men interviewed said they wouldn't mind being asked out by a woman.

"I wouldn't be opposed to being asked out by a girl," a male resident assistant said. "It would take some of the pressure off of always coming up with a plan for a date."

"Guys say they wouldn't mind going out with a girl who initiated a date, but they would only like it if it were the girl of their dreams," one female said, however. "If it was someone they didn't like, they would think, 'what a pushy girl.'"

"Sorority functions give you the opportunity to ask guys out," a Greek female said. "Otherwise I would probably never ask a guy out."

And what about Jane, the woman mentioned in the first article, who didn't have a date until her junior year at TCU? How did she finally get a date?

"I got up the nerve to ask a guy in my class out," she said. "And we've been dating for several months now."

CAMPUS NOTES

Cheerleader tryouts

Students planning to try out for TCU's cheerleading squad can sign up at the Student Center Information Desk through March 31.

All students who sign up must attend an orientation session at 5 p.m. March 31 in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

Anchor splash

Join the fun as eight TCU fraternities compete in the 13th annual Delta Gamma Sorority Anchor Splash today at 4 p.m. in the Rickel Building. All benefits will go to the visually impaired. Donations will be accepted at the door, but admission is free.

Christian Science lecture

"The Triumph of God's Law" is the title of a lecture by representatives of the Christian Science Monitor on Tuesday at 6 p.m. in Student Center Room 218. All students and faculty are welcome.

GSP test

Dates for the journalism department's GSP test are Monday at 6 p.m., Tuesday at 2 p.m., Wednesday at 1 p.m. and Thursday at 2 p.m.

For information on registration, contact Tommy Thomason in the journalism department at 921-7425.

Day care program

Anyone wishing to support a day care program at TCU can fill out a questionnaire at the Student Center Information Desk, Mary Couts Burnett Library or the Sociology Building. For more information, call Nancy Keary at 292-8596.

Weinberger speech

U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger will speak Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium. Tickets are free with a TCU ID while they last at the Student Center Information Desk.

Weinberger is sponsored by Forums Committee.

Fulbright grants

Application forms for Fulbright grants for graduate study or research abroad are available in Ed Landreth Hall Room 114. Applicants must be U.S. citizens who will have a bachelor's degree before the beginning date of the grant and are proficient in the language of the country in which they choose to study.

For more information, contact Fulbright program adviser Emmet G. Smith.

Social Work Career Day

Social Work Career Day is Tuesday, March 24. Representatives from human service agencies will answer questions in the Student Center Lounge from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

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Smack - TCU's Neil Broad returns a shot from LSU's Felix Barrientos during Wednesday's match. TCU upset No. 5 ranked LSU, 5-4.

Frogs strive for improvement

By Troy Phillips
Sports Writer

Horned Frog baseball team's 14-12 record isn't as good as last year's 18-8 mark at the same point in the season—but don't be deceived.

Coach Lance Brown says this year's team has come a long way from last year.

The difference in records, he said, is due to the upgrading of the team's preseason schedule.

This year TCU has included 11 nationally ranked teams as preseason opponents in order to better prepare for Southwest Conference play, which begins this weekend in Austin.

"If our players get to the point where they believe they're as good as anyone else, then we'll have a chance to make the top 40," Brown said.

This week the Frogs returned from a five-game road trip, which included Fresno State and Fullerton State, both of which are in the top 20.

Even though TCU came away with a 1-4 record during the trip, Coach Brown said he was pleased with the way his team performed.

"We faced five pitchers last week that are better than anybody we'll see in the conference," he said. "But we outthrew them in all five games."

"Our starters pitched well in all five games, but we ran into some trouble with our relief pitching," he said. "In

every game we were ahead going into the seventh inning."

Brown said he wants to get more speed into the lineup in order to produce more runs.

"We're not quick enough to take the extra base at this point," he said.

On defense, Brown said some changes were made in the lineup before the trip, and some of those people made mistakes.

"I think we've finally settled on a lineup, and it will continue to improve," he said. "The main problem right now is that the team really doesn't believe they can win yet."

Brown said his team is as good as any of the nationally ranked teams they have played, but mental errors seem to be holding them back.

"Physically, we can win but if we don't believe it, we'll lose the close games," Brown said. "We have to look for ways to win."

The Frogs' first conference game is against Texas Friday. In order to beat the Longhorns, Brown said his players must feel confident playing with their own style of baseball, without thinking they have to pull off any miracles.

"Texas won't have any pitchers like we faced out west, so we should be able to hit well against them."

Brown said this year's goal is to finish in the top four of the conference

and qualify for the NCAA tournament for the first time in school history.

He said Texas and Texas A&M are obviously the best teams in the conference, but Baylor, Arkansas and Rice will not make it any easier to finish in the top four.

Along with tougher preseason opponents, Brown said one of the biggest changes from last year is in the style of defense the team plays.

"We don't need to do anything fancy to beat anybody," he said. "We try to prepare ourselves to play against good teams with only the basics."

"Our philosophy on defense is not give up a big inning to the other team," he said. "Make them get one run at a time."

"It's been a big transition for the players because the style of baseball we play now is so different," he said.

Brown said TCU's pitching, which has come a long way in one year, is another reason why his team will be in the thick of the conference race.

Pitchers John Briscoe, Kerry Knox, and Tim Mauser are Brown's best ammunition on the mound.

Briscoe, who holds a 2-3 record with an ERA of 2.79, had 16 strike outs against Kansas State, and 12 against Fullerton State.

Knox, who has a 3-2 record with an ERA of 3.21, has given up one run in his last 13 innings.

Mauser, who is even at 2-2 with an ERA of 3.77, was the winning pitcher against Fresno State in the Frogs' only victory last week. He also defeated UTA in extra innings.

"Coach Brown's knowledge of the game has really helped us to be successful," Briscoe said. "He always knows exactly what we're doing wrong."

Brown said the team's pitching will improve more throughout the season, and he hopes to fix some of the problems with his relievers.

Brown has high hopes for future Horned Frog baseball.

"We've got to bring in less players with better abilities and give out larger scholarships," he said.

"Next year the roster will probably go down from 35 to 25."

Brown said he wants to see recruiting geared mainly toward the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex.

"With SMU not competing, we can make this area TCU territory for recruiting," Brown said. "We need to get good quality players from this area that we haven't gotten in the past."

"When I came here we decided to do three things to build a successful program," he said. "We needed to improve our field, upgrade our schedule and bring in better players. I think in the next few years we will see a championship baseball team at TCU because of all the changes we've made."

Killer leaves Frogs for Wyoming



John Paschal

As textbooks tell it, the evolution of amphibians from water to land began millions of years ago until, finally, there were the Killers.

Frogs. Now, millions of years later, a debilitating de-evolution has happened.

So sad to say it had to happen here, and happen now.

TCU Head Basketball Coach Jim Killingsworth—the Killer Frog himself, the man who led the Frogs up from the muck to the top of the mountain in just eight years—is going back to the water. Can't keep him here, on TCU soil, any longer.

After 38 years of successful coaching and 44 years of a successful marriage, the Killer is killing the coaching part of his 63-year-old life so he can spend more time with his passions—golfing, fishing and Margaret, his wife. It was during World War II, while young Army cadet Jim Killingsworth was stationed in a small town in Colorado, when he and Margaret were each invited on a boat outing by some mutual friends.

"Jim and I just happened to get on the same boat," Margaret said Tuesday, after her husband announced his retirement. "And that's where we met."

Four decades and 748 coaching wins later, the head coach has a new sign on his door—"Gone fishin'." Gladly for him, sadly for TCU, it's back to where it started for Killer.

"All these years I've been coaching," Killingsworth said during Tuesday's press conference. "I'm going to retire and go to the border of Idaho and Wyoming. We've got a log house on a golf course, and it's near a river. If I'm not on one of those, I'm going to be chasing Margaret. I hope I don't catch her, because I don't know what I would do with her."

Well, last time he caught her, he married her. Presumably, it was the biggest catch of his life.

TCU basketball, likewise, caught its biggest prize eight years ago in Killingsworth. The Frogs were using wimpy bait—they had won three conference games in three years—but the 55-year-old Killingsworth bit anyway. As it turned out, TCU wouldn't let him off the hook for eight years. The coach turned Frogs into princes, leading the once-trodden TCU team to the NIT quarterfinals in 1983 and culminating his tenure with back-to-back SWC titles the last two years. He was named SWC coach of the year three times and, in the end, established TCU as the premier team in the SWC.

And then came the sad part—Tuesday. When Jim Killingsworth told us he's heading to the stream, leaving TCU dry but, certainly, not at all high.

Jim Killingsworth thus became the big one that got away. He said he would like to retire to "live a life of leisure," and TCU Athletic Director Frank Windeger, somewhat reluctantly, agreed to let his good friend go.

"I had hoped as late as Sunday that he'd come back for a year or two," said Windeger. "It will be difficult for us to find a replacement. It's like a family here, and Killer fit in so well. He and

(head football coach Jim) Wacker were like coffee and cream. We don't want somebody in here with an ego so big that basketball has to be king. I can't fight all that mess."

With Killingsworth, there wasn't much mess—except some occasional goeyness for the players.

"The thing I'm most going to remember about him," said TCU senior guard Jamie Dixon, "is how hard he pushed us in practice."

That he did. So much red-faced firepower coming from such a smallish, comical man was something—a sight to behold. But it was effective. Killingsworth—the coach—was very effective. Witness a 38-year record of 748-292.

More than that, however, Killingsworth—the man—was and is effective. The man made the coach. And when people remember the coach, they too are remembering the man.

"He's not only an important coach in our department; he's a true friend," Windeger said. "The Killer has always been something extra special to me."

In post-game interviews, Killingsworth was one funny guy. Always jittery, always red-faced and wiping sweat from his face, Killingsworth answered all the goony questions reporters could ask, usually with slightly off-the-wall insight. You could hear all the reporters' pens flurry when Killingsworth spoke a true pearl, a Killersim.

And now, suddenly, that's all gone. No matter who the next coach is, he can't be the character Killer was, and is. And it'll be just as difficult to duplicate his coaching wits. It was a thrill to watch his players work so hard on defense and on the boards—credit that mainly to Killer.

"He worked us so hard in practice," said senior forward Larry Richard, "because he wanted us to be the best."

But now Killer is leaving. We're happy he's happy, but we are humans. Selfish humans. We don't want the man to leave.

Perhaps nobody expressed his sadness more than Larry Richard.

"I can't believe he wants to retire. I just can't believe it. Why exactly does he want to? He loves the game so much. He just got the program on top and now he's leaving. I feel like he could coach forever."

"I knew there was something different about him when I met him. He's a coach and friend. He's so emotionally involved in the game and with us. If we lost, he'd hurt just like we hurt. He took the blame himself. And he got me to do things I never thought I could do. He did that with everybody. He took a team that nobody wanted and made us winners. It takes a special person to do that."

"He fits so well here, doesn't he? He's just great with everybody. It's going to be so hard to replace him. As far as fitting in with TCU, that may be the toughest of all (for a new coach). Killer had people from all over coming out to watch us practice; he had friends everywhere. I had thought of coaches as mean guys, but he was different. He came to my house (when he was recruiting Richard in California) and made me laugh; he just joked around with me. Everybody loved him to death out there."

Here, too. Now he's heading back toward the water in Wyoming to golf, fish and be with Margaret. But hey, he's the Killer. He'll love those to death out there.

Frogs net victory over Wildcats 9-0

By Brenda Welchlin
Sports Writer

TCU women's tennis team had hoped for a good workout before meeting conference power SMU, but the players barely broke a sweat as they defeated Kansas State 9-0 Wednesday in Fort Worth.

"Kansas State is a weak team," said Roland Ingram, head coach of the TCU women's tennis team. "Their No. 1 player is hurt."

TCU women gave up only two sets while improving their season record to 8-4. The No. 1 doubles team of Rene Simpson and Teresa Dobson notched its 12 consecutive win.

"We needed a stronger opponent to get ready for SMU tomorrow," said Melanie Breed, TCU freshman singles player.

With a win over the Mustangs, TCU could move closer to a top 20 national ranking. In the last polls, the Lady Frogs were No. 24, and they have since beaten No. 20 Pepperdine.

"We'll probably move to No. 21 or 22. If we win tomorrow, we'll definitely be ranked up there," Ingram said.

TCU's losses thus far have all been to teams ranked in the top 20. The only big loss was to Florida. The Lady Frogs fell 8-1 to the No. 1 ranked Gators, but other than Florida, TCU's defeats have been close.

"We can't play with Florida yet," Ingram said. "But our losses have been good losses."

Ingram picked TCU as one of the top three teams in the Southwest conference, along with SMU and Texas. Dobson included Houston as a possible contender.

"They're pretty good, but we could beat them," Dobson said. "We hope to win the conference."

To earn the SWC conference championship and an invitation to the NCAA post-season tournament, TCU needs to improve its doubles play.

Timing is the other key to success, Ingram said.

"We are always working on doubles," Ingram said. "You do not have to play well against the teams that you should beat anyway. We just need to play well at the right times. That is the name of the game."

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