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Weather complicates student registration

By MariCarmen Eroles
Staff Writer

Last week's winter wonderland turned into an avalanche of problems for TCU administrators and students.

Registration was planned for Wednesday and Thursday afternoon and all day Friday last week, but Wednesday and Thursday's had to be canceled because of the weather, said Pat Miller, acting registrar.

"We felt like it wasn't safe for people to come in, so we postponed registration until Friday from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.," he said.

Announcements were made over the radio and television stations, and only a few people showed up for registration on Thursday afternoon, he said.

"People who wanted to go ahead and register would have anyway, and

there were some people who wanted to add/drop and go back home Thursday afternoon, but besides that there were no problems," he said.

Robert Sulak, superintendent of landscaping and grounds, said they had to cover the whole campus with only 26 employees, and the process of clearing the ice had been slow.

The maintenance crews were out there from 5 a.m. from Tuesday to

Friday," he said. "We cleared up the ice from the sidewalks but people would still walk on the parts where there was ice."

Salt and sand were used to melt and treat the ice. A blade on a tractor was used to scrape the ice off of the sidewalks, he said.

First they cleared the steps from the buildings and hazardous areas, roads and major areas like the Student

Center, he said.

Karn Oleson, a junior pre-major, said she had complained to Dean of Students Libby Proffer about not being able to get around with the ice, and she later saw some men pounding the ice with shovels on the sides of Jarvis and Foster Halls.

Proffer said she had received "worlds of calls" from Texarkana, Chicago and other places from people who were stranded.

"I told them to talk to their professors," she said.

"But if someone called me from Miami and told me they were snowed in I would tell them to get on their horse and ride over here," she said.

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Peggy Barr said she had a couple of complaints from students on campus about the ice on the sidewalks because TCU was not prepared for the weather conditions.

Death claims student

A TCU senior died Dec. 20 after having a heart attack while driving in a parking lot near the Ridgmar mall in Fort Worth, his father said.

Jeff Bullock, 21, had entered the car and was next seen slumped over the steering wheel, his father said. Although his car did hit another car, he had evidently either passed out or died by that time, he said.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. James D. Bullock of Amarillo, and his friends said Jeff was a dreamer and a caring with a strong interest in the arts.

"He loved music," his mother said. "He was very talented in piano and voice and theater."

"His first interest was in the arts," his father said. "He wanted to go to New York and become involved in the financial world involving theater."

Noe Vera, Bullock's roommate in Fort Worth, said he had sent several resumes to firms in New York.

"Jeff was successful in almost everything he did," said Melinda Spencer, a friend of Bullock's. "He achieved his goals because of his strong will and persistence."

"He had big dreams, but to Jeff they were more than just dreams — they were his future, because he not only hoped for, but he knew his dreams would someday come true," she said.

"That's what was so exciting and special about Jeff to me," Spencer said. "He never gave up on the things



Getting prepared - Students wait in line at the University Store to buy books for their spring classes.

TCU Daily Skiff / Rob Robbins

History teacher arrested

By Yvonne Webb
and Brenda Welchlin

Staff Writers

A TCU history professor was charged this week with two counts of indecent exposure.

Kenneth R. Stevens, an assistant professor since 1983, was accompanied by his attorney about 4 p.m. Wednesday when he turned himself in at the Fort Worth police station. He was charged with the class B misdemeanor and released about 8 p.m. after posting a \$700 bail bond, said police officer E. N. Bradford.

Bradford said police had notified Stevens' attorney, Lonnie Obeidin, earlier in the day that Stevens was a suspect in a Dec. 27, 1987, incident near Overton Park by TCU.

Stevens also was charged with indecent exposure Monday in connection with a Jan. 4 incident in Overton Park, Bradford said. He turned himself in to police and was released on \$500 bond.

Stevens could not be reached for comment Wednesday night and Obeidin refused to comment.

But Stevens' wife, Nancy, said, "He is innocent, and his attorney has asked us not to discuss the case."

According to a police report, Stevens was questioned and released Jan. 4 in Overton Park after a woman walking in the park told police she saw

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Student's organs help others see

By Brenda Welchlin
Staff Writer

Two people can see today from an organ donation by the efforts of Leslie Ann Soussi, a TCU student who died after a car accident Dec. 3.

Both of her corneas were transplanted through the efforts of the Fort Worth Lions Eye Bank, and bone was recovered which may help as many as 20 people for as long as 10 years from now, according to the Tarrant County Organ Donor Program.

"The beautiful thing about it is that two people have already recovered sight," said Robert Soussi, Leslie Ann's father.

He said organ donation had been discussed in the family in November. He had received a driver's license renewal form which contained information about organ donation.

"I mentioned that this was what I wanted to do when it was my time," Soussi said.

He said Leslie Ann had thought it was a good gesture because other people would benefit.

Soussi said his family in Europe thought the donation was a beautiful way to commemorate his daughter because it is perpetual.

The bone recovered can be used to help children needing scoliosis surgery or other types of reconstructive back surgery because of birth defects. Adults may use the

bone for back or neck surgery or to help heal fractures that might not heal otherwise, according to the Tarrant County Organ Donor Program.

Generally, organs and tissues that may be donated if suitable include kidneys, livers, hearts or heart/lung combinations, pancreases, corneas, skin and bone.

"The need is so great and the shortage is so great," said Anne Wagner, public relations coordinator for Southwest Organ Bank, Inc., in Dallas.

She said 10,000 people nationwide are waiting for kidney transplants.

In 1986, transplants included 10,560 kidney transplants, which cost \$30,000 to 40,000 each and 925 liver transplants, which cost about \$72,000 each, according to the American Council on Transplantation. There were also 1,430 heart transplants which cost \$57,000 to 110,000 each, 42 heart/lung transplants and 130 pancreas transplants, which cost \$30,000 to \$40,000 each. In 1986, there were also 28,000 cornea transplants, which cost \$4,000 to 7,000 each and 1,160 bone marrow transplants, which cost \$80,000 to 110,000 each.

Figures for 1987 have not been compiled yet.

Donor families do not pay for the donations. The cost may be covered by the recipient's insurance or federal funds.

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Communication Behar's goal

By MariCarmen Eroles
Staff Writer

Lee Behar, newly elected House of Representatives president said communication is his main priority.

He said the House was trying to get money allocated for buttons the representatives would wear on Tuesdays to improve communication between the House of Representatives and the student body.

"The buttons would say 'If you have a gripe, gripe and then tell us about it,'" he said.

Behar said he wanted to emphasize communication between representatives and their constituency because some of the representatives do not attend their Hall Council meetings.

A positive reinforcement system where he would call Hall Council presidents to ask which representatives are attending meetings and re-

warding the ones who are, has been considered, Behar said.

"It is their responsibility to attend meetings but it is better to have them do it with an incentive than not do it at all," he said.

A workshop for the House members will be conducted on Jan. 31, to teach them about constituency communication, documents, parliamentary procedure and bill writing, he said.

"It is not a privilege to be in the House, it is a responsibility," he said.

Tom Brown Hall and Jarvis Hall have good representatives that stand up for themselves, he said.

Race relations is also a main item on his agenda for this term, he said.

House of Representatives Secretary Jacquie Maupin said she was not aware of a large number of minority representatives in the House.

Behar said he was working on set-

ting a line item for Black Student Caucus to help promote their workshops and programs.

The House allocated \$900 to BSC for this semester's Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday programs, he said.

"It might be a good idea to start by integrating the House but we can't tell people whom to vote for," he said. "We can only encourage them to run."

He said he had not considered facilities for the handicapped yet but he would look into it.

He said the new position has shown him how much power student government has and how much potential for power it still has.

"We have yet to tap the things we can do," he said.

Behar said the job has taught him communication skills with both subordinates and people above him.

He said he agreed with former



Lee Behar

President Joe Jordan when he said the House is a lab for things he was learning in his classes.

Brite begins semester with convocation

By Chuck Hendley
Staff Writer

Brite Divinity School officially opened the spring semester Tuesday night in Robert Carr Chapel with the annual spring convocation.

"Spring convocation marks the beginning of the semester for seminary students and faculty," said Jack Suggs, dean of Brite Divinity School.

According to Suggs, the convocation is held at the beginning of every fall and spring semester, and follows a dinner held in Weatherly Hall.

The dinner provides the students and faculty with the opportunity to come together before the service, and features a few introductions and a brief address from Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs William H. Koehler," Suggs said.

Following the dinner, faculty and students convened in the chapel where a worship service was held. The service was arranged and led by divinity students and the Brite Chapel Choir.

This year's speaker Dr. Ben Feemster, district superintendent of Fort Worth's west district of the Uni-

ted Methodist Church, gave the sermon for the service.

"Feemster is also a member of the Brite Board of Trustees," Suggs said, "so he was selected to give this year's convocation address." Nancy Sumner, a second-year Brite Divinity student, said Feemster spoke on what it takes to be a good minister.

"Most of the people attending the convocation were Brite students and their families, so his speech was aimed at the students and their future in the ministry," Sumner said.

Mary Kay Totty, a third-year Brite Divinity student and member of the

Brite Task Force, was part of a cooperative effort between students in planning the convocation.

"I was very pleased with this year's convocation," Totty said, "and because it had a covenant of rededication I thought it was very appropriate for an opening convocation."

Totty said last spring the convocation was different in that communion was served, but said the format usually differs from year to year.

"In the fall Dean Suggs speaks at convocation, but in the spring we like to try and get a speaker from outside the Brite community," Totty said.

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TODAY discovery

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Telescopes measure stars

A pair of telescopes atop Mount Wilson is giving astronomers the most detailed maps of the infrared sky. The telescopes form an interferometer, which combines the observations of both telescope stations into one map of higher resolution than the maps generated by either station's observations alone.

The system was developed by Charles Townes and his colleagues at the University of California, Berkeley. The telescopes are moved around on truck trailers so the interferometer can be shipped by Townes group anywhere in the world to seasonal or fast-breaking observing opportunities.

By adjusting the space between the two trailers by up to 1 kilometer the researchers can make the telescopes resolve angles as small as 1 arc millisecond.

The interferometer will be used by Townes and his colleagues to measure the shapes and sizes of newly formed stars inside interstellar gas and dust clouds. They also hope to learn more about compact infrared sources in the center of the Milky Way.—Sky and Telescope, December 1987

Sex gene discovered

Last week a research team led by David Page at the Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research in Cambridge, Mass., said an infant's sex seems to be fixed by a single gene called testis determining factor.

The presence of TDF in the seventh week of embryonic growth seems to start a process of male sexual development, Page said. Without it the fetus will develop as a female.

TDF may help explain why some fetuses who have both a Y and an X chromosome develop as

females rather than males. Normal females have two X chromosomes. The gene can also help explain why abnormal males who have two X chromosomes rather than an X and a Y chromosome develop as males.

Scientists say the discovery, which took 18 months of analysis, is circumstantial and the evidence will have no immediate application. However, the information may eventually aid in predicting and programming sex ratios in livestock and provide a good model for cellular development, said Peter Goodfellow of London's Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

Page and the research team decided in 1981 to study the sex chromosomes of genetically abnormal men and women. Studies showed one of the X chromosomes in abnormal men had a tiny amount of Y attached, while the abnormal women's Y chromosome lacked that same tiny amount.

TDF is thought to start the production of a protein that signals other genes to induce male sexual development.—Time, Jan. 4, 1988

Antibiotic defense found

Two closely related chemicals that are found on the skin of frogs act as an antibiotic defense against infection. Two peptides that kill a variety of bacteria, fungi and protozoa were taken from frogs and placed in test tubes by Michael Zasloff of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development.

The peptides, called magainins, seem to disrupt the water regulation of the membranes of such microorganisms as protozoa. Magainins, which Zasloff discovered while investigating why frogs given surgical incisions do not develop infections, are the only chemical defense system separate from the cellular and humoral immune system found in vertebrates.—Science, December 1987

Weather delays oil spill clean-up

By Lisa Touye
Staff Writer

An oil spill causes environmental difficulties, but the process of cleaning up an oil spill may be further complicated by weather conditions, location and amount of the spill.

The Monongahela River in Pennsylvania itself and the type of fuel that leaked from Ashland Oil Company's 4-million-gallon aboveground storage tank Jan. 2 made the spill even more troublesome, said Leo Newland, professor of biology and geology and director of the environmental studies program at TCU.

"When river water flows, it mixes oil with the water," Newland said. "When water is mixed with oil, it helps break down the oil and makes it harder to retrieve."

"If the oil spill is out in the ocean and the area is calm, it is easier to clean up because the oil and water don't mix as much," he said.

When the spill occurs in a relatively calm area of water, the oil can stay mostly on the surface, Newland said. Oil that stays mostly on the water sur-

face normally can be retrieved by blocking the flow of oil with plastic booms and then by vacuuming the oil off the water with special tanker trucks.

But when the water is turbulent, the oil mixes into the water column, making the oil harder to retrieve because it is diluted.

Dams and bridges in the river tend to stir up river bed sediments which can bond to the oil and pull it down through the water column.

The cold weather has made cleanup of the oil slick hard on the people doing the physical work, but it has also provided large ice chunks which have been used to block the flow of oil down the Ohio river near Steubenville. The oil slick was also trapped over the water intakes for the water treatment plant, which reduced the pumping rate to 30 percent of the usual rate.

The cleanup has been funded mostly by Ashland with some support from the EPA.

The 1 million gallons of diesel fuel that spilled from the storage tank in West Elizabeth mixed better with the

water than an equal amount of crude oil would have because diesel fuel is lighter and dissolves more easily, Newland said.

Diesel fuel is more toxic because it mixes better than crude oil, Newland said. Crude oil is heavy enough to float on the water's surface and not mix readily. Crude oil takes years to be mixed in before it is broken down by the water.

The spill poses a threat to river wildlife and contaminates the drinking water in a river once considered a sterling example of a polluted river reclaimed through cleanup efforts.

When oil stays mainly on the surface, only birds and animals near the surface are affected, but when oil travels through the water column, all river life, including plants, is affected.

"Because oil mixes more in the water column it will probably tend to reach more organisms," Newland said.

Drinking water supplies have been drastically lowered as the spill spread past Pittsburgh, and traces of oil have been found in West Virginia also.

People have bought all the bottled water from the shelves in stores. Water has been brought in on trucks with spigots so people can carry water home in jugs and buckets.

People are being served in restaurants on paper and plastic, and large manufacturers like the local Pepsi-Cola plant, which uses about 300,000 gallons of water a day, have been shut down.

"The oil can be fairly easily removed by charcoal filtering," Newland said.

"Water treatment could be done through Water Pik type charcoal purifiers for the faucet if the water was on through the city," he said.

"It's hopeless, really, to try to increase the surface area for oil to bond to when you're talking about millions of gallons of water in a river," Newland said.

Cleaning up the river may take up to a year.

"That's not that long when dealing with a spill of that magnitude," Newland said.

Yo-yo dieting decreases metabolism

By Lisa Touye
Staff Writer

Yo-yo dieting. Including in home cooking over holiday break and coming back to school needing to lose a few extra pounds is normal, said Nell Robinson, professor of nutrition and dietetics and chair of the department.

"People who go up and down 4 or 5 pounds are not yo-yo dieters, they're normal," Robinson said.

"Yo-yo dieters lose 30 to 40 pounds, a drastic weight loss, and in every case always gain back more than they lost," she said.

This yo-yo effect of losing and gaining weight is unhealthy, Robinson said.

"It's the worst thing they can do," she said.

"When people are dieting they need to take into consideration how they feel and what they are accomplishing," she said.

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Nell Robinson,
professor of nutrition and dietetics

"They need to adjust eating habits and make that adjustment for a lifetime," she said.

The problem with some diets like the liquid diet, the grapefruit diet, Optifast, Medifast and products like Herbalife is that they help the person lose weight fast when they are on the program, but once they leave the program the weight returns, she said.

"I recommend a real modified diet with less calories of about 1,200 calories daily," Robinson said.

"I also recommend pushing away from the table," she added.

The weight returns because the dieter's metabolic rate is lowered because of dieting. The dieter's body learns to function with less calories

per day while on the diet, and when the dieter goes off the diet the body is still burning calories at that lower rate, Robinson said.

"Anytime the body doesn't burn 3,500 calories a person gains a pound," she said.

People who diet a great deal gain the weight back in part by simply lowering their metabolic rate each time they diet.

For this reason, people who are considering dieting should wait until they feel they are ready to really adjust their lifestyle to add extra exercise and lower caloric intake, she said.

Robinson said the exercise she recommends most is walking two to six

miles daily, because it is low impact and almost everyone can do it. The important thing is to go at a fast clip and increase the speed gradually.

"It's healthy for people to lose up to 2 pounds a week on a diet, but I usually try to limit it to a half pound per week, because if you go after it in that way it stays off," she said.

Yo-yo dieters may end up with a lower body weight than people who do not diet, but that is because yo-yo dieting tends to alter the body's composition. Yo-yo dieters tend to have a higher percentage of body fat. And body fat is lighter than muscle.

Yo-yo dieting is dangerous because that increased body fat level may contribute to cardiovascular disease.

Yo-yo dieting is a sign of people who have been dieting for years, Robinson said. College students basically have small weight fluctuations, which are from stress, holiday eating and other factors.

Rheumatic fever in U.S. cities increases

Doctors in Ohio, western Pennsylvania, Dallas, Denver, Boston and Salt Lake City have been treating a miniepidemic of rheumatic fever, which crippled and killed about one hundred children per year in the early 1900s. An unknown strain of bacteria or lowered resistance is thought to have caused the disease's reappearance.

Rheumatic fever can scar cardiac tissue and increase the risk of developing cardiac disease.

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COMMENTARY

Bid good riddance to this dying habit

By David Andriesen
Columnist

Score one for human nature. Society has finally wised up.

Twenty years ago, smoking was considered a sexy and sophisticated habit. It was part of everything glamorous and elegant, though even then we knew many of the dangers smoking posed.

It has taken a long time, but I think it is safe to say that smoking is now officially "out."

There is a public trend away from smoking, and the reason is safety.

Recently, we have learned a lot about the dangers of second-hand smoke. As a result, most major cities have adopted, or are in the

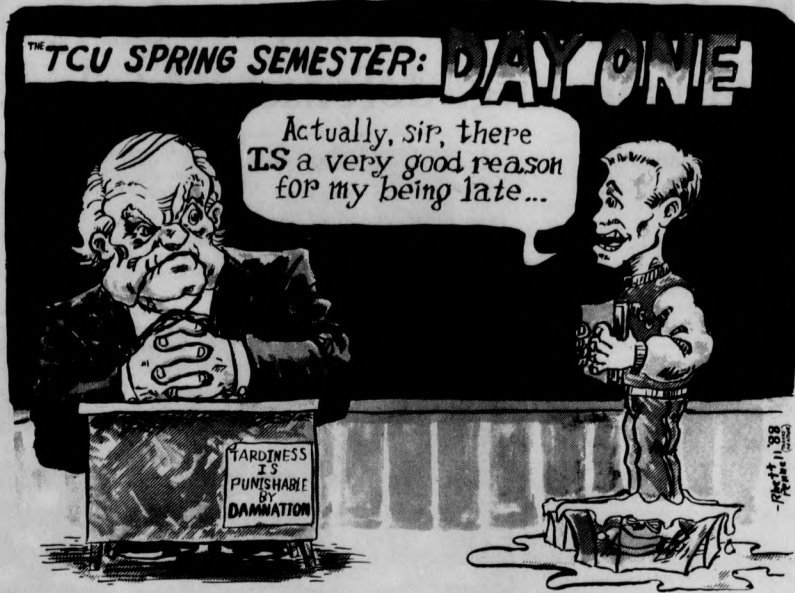
process of adopting, tough new ordinances which prohibit smoking in virtually all public places.

A similar federal law will soon follow. Kudos to our nation's lawmakers for their protection of public safety, and the same to the American people for putting pressure on them to do so.

Basically, the non-smokers, growing in number, have finally stood up and declared that they are not going to allow themselves to be victimized by other people's disregard for their own health.

I believe we will see this trend continue. Eventually, our grandchildren will only hear about cigarette smoking and wonder why in the world we did it in the first place.

Good question.



TCU looks like a break

By Lucy Calvert
Columnist



Well, we're all back. Ain't it grand? And with our return comes that familiar question: "How was your break?"

The usual answer is, of course, "Fine, and yours?"

No one really wants to know about the stomach flu that kept you hugging the john for six days, about the root canal you had, or about the fact that your dog got run over.

So everyone just says, "Fine." Some people came back tan from a trip to the Bahamas.

Some people came back with that funny-looking raccoon tan you get when you go snow skiing.

Some people came back as white as they left because they darkened the doorways of their hometown haunts for their whole vacation.

I came back exhausted.

My Christmas "vacation" wasn't. As soon as I got home my parents said, "Oh good! Now that Lucy's home she can help us with the moving (my parents are moving into a new place), the grandparents (they are getting pretty old and need tending), with the wedding (my brother is getting married), and other joyous things."

Does this kind of thing happen to you? You go back home thinking you can sleep late, stay out with your friends until the wee hours, have your mom do your laundry and (for us apartment dwellers) let someone else clean the kitchen for a change.

But no-o-o-o-o-o-o. Not for me, anyway.

Don't get me wrong. I'm not looking for sympathy, especially because I probably wouldn't get any! I just find it ironic that I was given three weeks for a little rest and relaxation, and what I really got was run ragged.

Or maybe you had a different, but equally frazzling sabbatical.

For example, there were some of you who had the Around-the-Country-in-28-Days travel package. You lived out of a suitcase for three weeks as your parents dragged you from one relative's house to another.

And during each visit you answered the same questions.

How was your semester? Did you make good grades? What is your major? Do you like your roommate? For those who know what rush is like, your vacation became a series of deja vu.

Let me guess, by the time you reached your last relative's rest stop you were telling people you had dropped out of school, were going to shave your head and join a kibbutz in Israel.

Of course there were the lucky ones whose 28-day travel plans took them skiing in Aspen, then scuba diving in Grand Cayman, then a quick stop in New York for the after-Christmas sale at Tiffany's and a Broadway show.

Gee, travel fatigue is such a bummer.

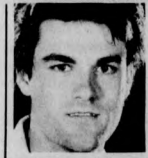
But whether you spent your break sunning your buns or running them off, we all need to face the grim reality that we are back to the books.

All I can say is that I am glad to be back.

Maybe now I can get some rest!

Brown-skinned nomad greeted with rejection

By Michael Hayworth
Columnist



I had just come through Terre Haute, Ind., when I saw him.

He was trudging along beside Interstate 70, shoulders hunched, hands stuffed deep in his pockets.

He wasn't thumping, but there was nothing but Illinois farmland in the direction he was headed and the wind chill was 2 below. I pulled to the side of the road and backed up when traffic was clear.

I asked if he needed a ride, and he nodded. He got in the car and began to thaw.

We made the usual introductory in-

quiries, and he told me his name was Pedro. Pedro was brown-skinned and spoke with a slight accent. He was obviously of Hispanic descent, but told me he had been born in San Antonio.

Pedro reminded me of a dog that has been beaten again and again. His speech was so soft I could hardly hear him over the road noise.

Pedro's eyes carried no sign of hope. His manners were deferential, like those of one accustomed to being treated in a lowly manner.

Pedro was the picture of a defeated man.

He answered my questions as briefly as possible, but as the trip went on, I was able to draw out his story.

He had lived with his family in San Antonio and had worked repairing freezers and air conditioners. Near

the end of 1986, he lost that job and was unable to find another one.

With the Texas economy at rock bottom, Pedro decided to head north looking for work. His first stop was Oklahoma City, where potential employers were less than receptive.

"They thought it was a joke," Pedro said bitterly.

He moved on to Tulsa; Springfield, Mo.; St. Louis and, finally, Terre Haute. In every city, the situation was the same.

Employers saw his brown skin, heard his accent and dismissed him immediately. He wasn't even given a chance to tell what he could do.

One woman derisively asked to see his green card (work permit for immigrants). He offered to show her his social security card and driver's

license, but she made it plain he would be wasting his time.

We stopped for lunch at the McDonald's in Effingham, Ill. Pedro reluctantly went in, then stood well back from the counter without ordering anything.

I realized he had no money, so I bought him a Big Mac and some fries, which he ate slowly, savoring every taste.

When we got back in the car, he told me he had not eaten in quite some time.

Pedro said he had planned to work his way to New Jersey, hoping to build a good life there. He had never been to New Jersey, but had decided he liked it through pictures and things he had heard about it.

But Terre Haute proved to be his last stop. Living in a mission there,

finding only more rejection in his job search, Pedro gave up.

Feeling ashamed because of his "failure" and angry because he was never given a chance, he started walking south. He told me he planned to walk all the way to San Antonio if necessary, finding food and shelter wherever he could.

He said he hoped his family never learned the whole story of his defeat.

He asked if I thought he would have made it in New Jersey. All I could tell him was that I didn't know.

Springfield, Mo., was the point where I turned back north on my way to a friend's house. I dropped Pedro off there, about 400 miles closer to his destination and his family.

I pray he receives a better reception there than he did on his journey northward.

Demos sure to lose without a few good cigars

By Jerry Madden
Columnist



Most political analysis of the race for the Democratic presidential nomination has focused on the lack of issues and the lack of a single dominant contender.

But the biggest problem for the Democrats this year is the same one that has haunted them since Ronald Reagan defeated Jimmy Carter in 1980. They have weak national leadership and little party unity.

I'm not saying they have a poor slate of candidates who can't win the election. However, they'll need more than just good presidential nominees if they wish to take the White House.

What they need are a few good cigar smokers.

Let me explain. A few days ago I was reading an article in "Time" magazine which detailed the death of the boss-politics system in 1968 at the Democrat's Chicago convention.

The boss-politics system was one where the recognized heads of the party would get together, stereotypically in a room filled with cigar smoke, and decide who would be their candidates.

Until 1968, the Democrats had certain recognized party leaders like Richard Daley and the Rockefeller family, among others, who would get together and lend their support to certain candidates, ensuring their nomination.

But in 1968 the party began to come apart. The party became more "democratized." The old party bosses yielded their power to the will of the

voter, meaning they decided not to vote anymore.

That left a power vacuum for the Democrats. With no power structure left, the Democrats were never able to find one national candidate to rally behind.

The "democratization" of the party continued in 1976. Jimmy Carter won the nomination and the presidency partly because he claimed to be the voters he was an outsider to the party establishment and Washington insiders.

For the time, when people were sick of the Washington elite due to Vietnam and Watergate, it was a great strategy, but it backfired in 1980.

Carter himself could not muster the total support of his own party and he did not have enough strong party insiders who could either. Thus, he

narrowly escaped Edward Kennedy's challenge and eventually lost to Ronald Reagan.

After Carter's defeat, the party was completely leaderless. The people who should have taken charge like Edward Kennedy and Thomas (Tip) O'Neil were Eastern liberals, unable to muster the support of the Southern and average Democrats who wanted a shift from many of the left-wing stands left over from the Kennedy and Johnson eras.

Had they been able to, they might have been able to groom someone during the Reagan years to win the presidency in either 1984 or 1988.

But they couldn't and didn't, and so the Democratic party was stuck with Walter Mondale in 1984. Now it has the seven dwarfs running in 1988. So far, no one has broken from the pack to change things.

The Democrats seem bound for failure this year unless someone, anyone, in their party can forge a new

coalition and take charge of their party.

This will take the work of many people, most of whom will never make the headlines, to get together and pull the Democratic party behind one candidate early on in the race.

If they wait until after the convention to rally around the eventual winner, it will be too late. George Bush is likely to sew up the Republican nomination early, and will have a giant head start on the national campaigning.

It may not be too late for the Democrats. If their current leaders—Jim Wright, Kennedy, and Mario Cuomo to name some—can get together and find out who they should help, it will save them a great deal of headaches come convention time.

If they lend their support to one candidacy, that candidate should be able to win the nomination.

But if they don't, their chance of winning in '88 are pretty slim.

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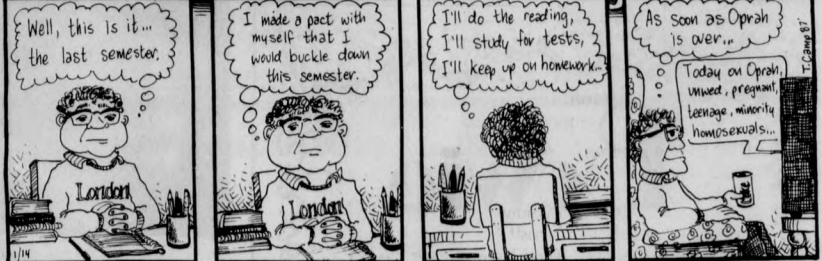
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SPORTS

Sports page needs coverage of every group

By Robin Shermer
Sports Columnist



As a sports enthusiast and a reader of the sports page of a local newspaper, I have noticed certain things the sports page in the "TCU Daily Skiff" has overlooked in past semesters.

Of course, football, basketball and baseball are the most attended sports, but they are not the only sports that exist.

I won't argue; some students would like to hear about football and basketball before any other school sport, but "some" do not constitute what the majority of the students like to read.

We cannot know what the absolute majority of "TCU Daily Skiff" readers want to read, so we must try to cover everything.

In the past the sports page has not tried to cover the wide range of TCU sports life.

I'm not just talking about printing a chart on the standings of the tennis team or the soccer team—I'm talking about writing an actual story about a meet or game.

And I'm not talking about just covering each sport. I'm talking about covering both men's and women's teams in each sport.

The paper has forgotten that both males and females play varsity sports at TCU.

I won't argue; football and basketball bring in a large percentage of revenue for the university, but equal time in a school paper should be given to the not-so-recognized sports.

Maybe those not-so-recognized sports will become more popular and gain more student support if the "TCU Daily Skiff" gave equal time to all sports.

Students make a point to find out when a football or basketball game is being played, but how many students know when the swim team is competing? If students knew when the swim team was swimming, maybe more students would go.

Now don't tell me football or men's basketball is any more exciting to watch than a soccer match or the 440 relay in track. Both are just as fast-paced and both take the same amount of skill as football or basketball.

So why don't we hear about the TCU track team who won the 440 relay by .6 of a second—a deciding factor in TCU winning the entire meet?

TCU sports is more than getting a Cotton Bowl bid or getting to NCAA playoffs in basketball.

Although both are important, TCU sports is about a men and women's tennis team that is ranked in the top 30 in the nation. It is also about a men's track team that was third in the NCAA outdoor championships last year.

And it is about golf, cross country, soccer, tennis, and rifle teams trying to reach national level in their respected sports.

So what does all this mean?

It means we support the football and basketball teams, and you are going to keep reading the stories about them. But more space should be given to the other sports so that students will know that their school is talented and recognized in other athletic arenas besides the most popular.

Defensive woes strike Lady Frogs in loss to Rice

Poor shooting, defense contribute to poor performance

By Randy Hargrove
Sports Writer

TCU women's basketball team found out just how important defense is to winning basketball games Tuesday evening.

Unfortunately for the Lady Frogs, this revelation came after they had dropped an 86-79 decision to the Lady Owls of Rice at Rice's Atry Court in Houston.

"The lack of defense was the key factor in that game," said women's Head Coach Fran Garmon. "We just didn't move on defense. That's what disappoints me."

"We knew exactly what they were going to do," she said.

Despite what Garmon said was disappointing defensive play, the Lady Frogs were never out of striking range and went into halftime down two points, 41-39.

"We took too many three-pointers in the end that tore up the percentage," Garmon said. "I wish we could have shot better, but I don't think that's what lost it for us."

TCU connected on 44 percent of its

first-half shots on 15 of 34 shooting while Rice hit 45 percent of its first-half shots (17 of 37).

In the second half the Lady Frogs cooled to 25 percent (13 of 52 shots) while the Lady Owls heated up to 55 percent (11 of 20). For the game, TCU shot 32 percent from the field while

Rice shot 49 percent.

Garmon said the Lady Frogs' second-half shooting percentage was misleading.

Garmon said the game was kept as close as it was because of the number of Rice turnovers (28) compared to TCU's 13.

"The difference in the ball game was the 28 turnovers," Garmon said.

"The fact we only had 13 turnovers made a difference. It kept the game closer."

Garmon said junior forward Kathleen Olson performed well for TCU.

The Iowa native contributed 19 points and nine rebounds for the Lady Frogs.

"At the end when we needed some baskets, she took it to the basket," Garmon said.

Rice, which entered the game shooting 44 percent from the three-point line, instead relied on the inside game of center Edith Adams and forward Amelia Cooper.

Adams scored 24 points and hauled down 14 rebounds while Cooper connected for 16 points and 14 rebounds.

The lack of movement by TCU helped pave the way for the big night by the Owl big people.

"We didn't front the post," Garmon said. "Some of those shots they made inside my grandmother could have made."

The Lady Frogs, who saw their record slip to 8-5 and 1-2 in Southwest Conference play, hope to turn their fortunes around this Saturday against the Lady Cougars of Houston.

Garmon said defeating Houston will be no easy task.

"Houston is the team everybody is saying can beat Texas," Garmon said. "Unless we get our legs under us and play some defense, we're in trouble. Just to stay alive against Houston we're going to have to play defense."

Lady Frog NotesThe game against Houston is set for Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

The 19 points by Olson against Rice were a season high.

The Lady Frogs had 19 steals against Rice surpassing their season best of 18 against the University of Texas at Arlington Dec. 18 and Central Florida Jan. 9.



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Just waiting - The TCU Lady Frogs wait to see if Valerie Bennet's shot goes in.

Sports Shorts

Intramurals

Men's, women's and coed basketball games begin Jan. 25. Intramural director Christine Brinkhoff said late entries are being accepted in all categories. Signups should be turned into the Intramural office in the Rickle building.

Signups for men's and women's intertube water polo are due on Friday, Jan. 22. Coed entries are due Friday, Jan. 29. Competition will begin in February.

Bowling entries are due by Wednesday, Jan. 20 in the Rickle Intramural office. Bowling competitions will be held Friday, Jan. 22 at 4 p.m. at Forest Park Lanes on University Dr.

Bad Grades

The "Fort Worth Star Telegram" reported three TCU football players were placed on academic probation for the spring semester.

The three, all sophomores, had failed to meet the academic requirements of the NCAA and the university, according to Dale Pitts, TCU's director for academic services.

Linebacker Antonio Guillory, tight end Al Smith and defensive tackle James Kennedy either did not take 24 hours of classes during the year, a violation of NCAA rules, or fell below a 2.0 TCU grade point average.

Two of them, Guillory and Kennedy, are eligible to reenroll in the fall semester. Smith must stay out of TCU for a full year because of a previous academic suspension.

Smith and Kennedy played sparingly. Guillory started for the Horned Frogs this season.

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SPORTS

Small break for men's, women's basketball Minnesota has winners only with the Magic

TCU teams busy opening SWC season against Baylor, Arkansas during holiday

By Jerry Madden
Sports Editor



Do you believe in magic? If you don't, then you'd better start. Minnesota Magic is taking over the whole wide world of sports.

Maybe the ghost of the Metrodome's namesake, Hubert H. Humphrey, is spooking the other teams. Maybe the law of averages is leaving the places like Dallas and Los Angeles and moving to the pick-on cities like Minneapolis and Indianapolis.

Maybe God just likes to add variety to life.

Whatever it is, something strange is happening in the northern hinterlands. Just when you thought you knew everything about sports...

Abacadabra! Poof! Minnesota Magic!

It all started with the Twins. You remember them. You used to see them at the bottom of the baseball standings right next to our favorite team, the Texas Rangers.

Who knows what really happened. All I can remember is watching those same Twins, who were totally demolished by the Rangers earlier in the year, making plays the New York Yankees couldn't make in their heyday.

And how about that crowd. They had the Twins so pumped that Minnesota knew they would win every game at the Metrodome. The Twins couldn't wait for Game Seven. The Magic was on their side.

And opposing teams feared walking into the HomerDome. It became a graveyard for them, full of little spooks called Homer Hankies and lots of magic from Minnesota.

And the magic is still at work. Now though, it comes from football's Minnesota Vikings.

Just when you thought the Vikings were dead and gone...

The Minnesota Magic raises them from the grave.

The Vikings have no business in the NFC Championship. They folded up their tents for the season after losing their last three games. They just begged to be knocked out.

But then they entered the Twilight Zone. Suddenly, thanks to the inept football St. Louis Cardinals, and either God or the devil, they found themselves playing the fabulous Saints in New Orleans.

They should have been blown out. But the Magic, which had stayed at home during the baseball season, decided to take a vacation and went to New Orleans. Result: Minnesota 45, New Orleans 10.

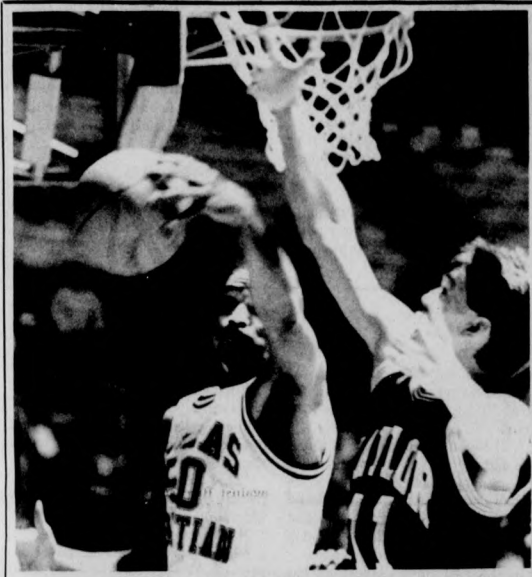
But magic has its limitations, right? Surely the Team With The Best Record in the NFL, the San Francisco 49ers, would take care of these flukes. But the Magic liked the Bay Area as much as the Mississippi River. Result: Vikings 36, 49ers 24.

So now the Vikings go to Washington. The Redskins have the playoff experience. They are one of the best teams of the 1980s.

But they're also playing at home. If you bet, don't bet against the Magic. Hundreds of thousands of believers in Minnesota will be waving their magic hankies in front of their TVs.

Washington is in trouble. Maybe the governor of Minnesota made a deal with the devil. Maybe God has a lot of friends in Minnesota.

All I know is I'm glad Minnesota doesn't have its NBA team together yet. That means the Dallas Mavericks still have a shot at the NBA crown.



Christmas Holiday Highlights - Right: Guard Carol Glover drives past Baylor defender.

Upper left: Guard John Lewis looks for the open in a losing effort to Baylor.

Lower left: Forward Todd Willis grabs a rebound against Baylor. The loss to Baylor dropped TCU to 0-1 in the SWC.

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Court upholds school censorship

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court on Wednesday gave public school officials broad, new authority to censor student newspapers and other forms of student expression.

The court, by a 5-3 vote, ruled that a Hazelwood, Mo., high school principal did not violate students' free-speech rights by ordering two pages deleted from an issue of a student-produced, school-sponsored newspaper.

"A school need not tolerate student speech that is inconsistent with its basic educational mission even though the government could not censor similar speech outside the school," Justice Byron R. White wrote for the court.

He said judicial intervention to protect students' free-speech rights is

warranted "only when the decision to censor a school-sponsored publication, theatrical production or other vehicle of student expression has no valid educational purpose."

The dissenting justices accused the court of condoning "thought control," adding, "Such unthinking contempt for individual rights is intolerable."

The Missouri controversy arose in spring 1983 when Robert Reynolds, principal of Hazelwood East High School, refused to permit publication of two articles in the Spectrum, a school-sponsored newspaper produced by students in a journalism class.

One of the articles dealt with teenage pregnancy and consisted of personal accounts by three Hazelwood East students who became pregnant.

Their names were changed in an attempt to keep their identities secret.

Each of the three accounts discussed the girl's reaction to her pregnancy, the reaction of her parents, her future plans and details of her sex life.

The second article dealt with the effect of divorce on children and quoted from interviews with students.

School policy required that the principal review each issue of the Spectrum before publication. Reynolds objected to the two articles, and the pages on which they appeared were deleted.

Journalism students Kathy Kuhlmeier, Lee Ann Tippett-West and Leslie Smart sued Reynolds and other

school officials, contending their freedom of speech had been violated.

A federal trial judge ruled against the students but the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that the Spectrum is a "public forum" because it was intended to be and operated as a conduit for student viewpoints.

The Supreme Court, however, ruled that the Spectrum is not, and never was, a public forum.

John Paul Stevens, Sandra Day O'Connor and Antonin Scalia joined White's opinion, while William J. Brennan, Thurgood Marshall and Harry A. Blackmun dissented.

Writing for the three, Brennan said the court was giving too much deference to school officials.

NEWSLINES

Judge cleared on criminal charges

HUMBLE, Texas (AP)—State District Judge Marsha Anthony, a candidate for the Texas Supreme Court, was acquitted of threatening her neighbor with a toy gun during an argument over a broken water pistol.

Anthony testified Tuesday the gun she pulled was a toy gun belonging to her son and that she took it from her pants' pocket without thinking about what she was doing. She said she had no intention of threatening Anita Metcalf, 28, a Kingwood homemaker, and her children.

Prosecutor Lisa Zummo tried to convince jurors that Anthony had no other reason to pull the gun but to threaten Metcalf. The judge was arguing with Metcalf because her son, Cody, had deliberately broken a \$25 water gun belonging to Anthony's son.

Metcalf, who filed the complaint, and her neighbor, Leta Barksdale, who witnessed the encounter, testified against the judge.

Jurors said they believed the two women's story, but doubted the judge intended real harm.

"It was a unanimous verdict," said the foreman, Mack Alexander. "It all came down to intent. The bottom line was we didn't feel she intended any bodily injury."

Anthony was charged with assault by threat, a misdemeanor offense that carries a fine of up to \$200.

"I believed in the system, and dad gum it works," Anthony said after she was found innocent Tuesday.

U.S. reopens arms talks on Star Wars

WASHINGTON (AP) — American negotiators are under instruction to take a firm stand on the U.S. Star Wars program when a new round of nuclear arms talks opens today with the Soviet Union.

The negotiators will tell their Soviet counterparts in Geneva that President Reagan is determined to proceed with development and testing of a space-based shield against nuclear ballistic missiles and aim for eventual deployment, a U.S. official said Wednesday.

The negotiators received their instructions last week in a meeting with Secretary of State George P. Shultz.

The main goal in the new round is to work out a 50 percent cutback in U.S. and Soviet long-range bombers, land-based missiles and nuclear submarines.

The idea is to have a treaty ready for signing when Reagan and Soviet Communist Party General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev hold their next summit meeting in Moscow, probably in June.

The two leaders reaffirmed their commitment to cut their arsenals. A number of conservative Republicans have indicated they will try to block ratification.

On his arrival in Geneva, Max M. Kampelman, the chief U.S. negotiator, said there had been significant movement toward a treaty but serious differences remained.

NAACP demands black troopers

AUSTIN (AP)—Gov. Bill Clements' office will look into allegations of racial discrimination involving the Texas Department of Public Safety, a spokesman said.

"We are aware of the situation and sensitive to the issue," said Reggie Bashur, Clements' press secretary.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and

a grievance committee of black state troopers has presented demands that the DPS increase the number of black officers and supervisors.

Gary Bledsoe, president of the NAACP Austin chapter, said the national organization was prepared to sue the DPS if the department refused to negotiate in good faith. Only six of the department's 440 supervising

officers—or 1.3 percent—are black, Bledsoe said.

"In the criminal law enforcement division, there is only one black above the rank of investigator, and he has been trying to get a promotion to captain for 14 years," he said.

Gossett said the DPS "had trouble" if there was either real or perceived discrimination. But troopers should

have used the existing grievance system rather than going outside the department, he said.

"I can't tell you why there has never been a black Texas Ranger," Gossett said. "I can only answer that there has never been this person identified as being the best qualified person for the job."

Koehler said. "We thought some reassignment of duties was necessary."

Stevens will remain in the history department doing research and "various departmental duties," said Don Coerver, associate professor and chairman of the history department.

History

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a man sitting naked on a concrete slab.

Stevens was clothed when he was questioned, the report by officer J.M. Dunham said, but Stevens was stopped because he fit the basic description given by the woman in the park.

After police investigated a similar report of a naked man in the park, a

warrant was issued for Stevens' arrest in connection with the Jan. 4 incident, Bradford said. After Stevens was arrested and released on bond Monday, a judge signed a probable cause warrant for his arrest Wednesday in connection with the Dec. 27 incident.

TCU officials relieved Stevens of

his teaching duties for the semester after he was arrested Monday. He was scheduled to teach two sections of 1613 survey of American history and a course in U.S. constitutional history, William Koehler, vice chancellor of Academic Affairs, said Wednesday.

"That's a serious accusation. He needs some time to deal with it,"

Organ

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"It doesn't serve the larger cause (to use organs against the family's wishes), because it really needs to be a gift," Wagner said. "It's a personal decision. There's not a right and a wrong."

A federal law effective Oct. 1, 1987 and a Texas law effective Jan. 1 require any hospital engaged in acute care with the potential for donations to present the option to the family, she said.

Hospitals without established guidelines for potential donations will not be reimbursed through plans such as Medicare and Medicaid, Wagner said.

Student

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he hoped for and the people he cared about.

Vera described his roommate as personable and one who always tried to do things for other people.

"He was sort of shy," he said, "but very outgoing once you got to know him."

Bullock had attended Amarillo College for three semesters before transferring to TCU, where he was a senior business major.

His sister, Kelly, is a sophomore nursing major at West Texas State University.

Bullock's parents said they had expected him to go to Baylor because of

the family's Baptist background, but he had chosen TCU. At TCU, he was elected vice-president of the Baptist Student Union.

He was also a member of the College Republicans and worked in the commercial deposits section of Texas American Bank in Fort Worth.

Bullock had remained in Fort Worth after classes ended for the fall semester because he was scheduled to work, his father said. He was finishing his Christmas shopping and had just purchased gifts for each of his parents before he had the heart attack.

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