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## Tax laws affect 1987 students' returns

By Brooke Rose  
Staff Writer

Parents and students are beginning to feel the changes caused by the 1986 tax reform as the due date for tax returns gets closer.

Two changes affecting students the most are the new exemption law and new taxes on scholarships and grants.

The new exemption law states that a student may not claim exempt if he will earn more than \$2,540 during a year. This reform was put into effect in October 1986, and TCU began informing students of the change in June 1987, said Patricia Henry, payroll supervisor.

"It took a while for people to under-

stand the change," Henry said. "There are still quite a few who claim exempt."

Payroll is required to turn in all W-4s of students who earn more than \$200 biweekly directly to the IRS.

"We try to let students know," Henry said. "So far no student has been called in."

Henry said the percentage of students who did change their withholding status was high.

Leo Munson, director of scholarships and financial aid, said the new exemption law will also have an impact on employee dependency.

The employee dependency program allows students whose parents are TCU employees to receive free

tuition.

The parents and student must decide who is going to claim the student, Munson said.

"One or the other can claim the student, not both," Munson said.

This forces many students who are the children of employees not to declare themselves a dependent and pay taxes so that their parents are able to claim them.

Prior to this change, students were able to claim themselves and still be declared dependents on their parents' forms.

This change has caused confusion for both students and parents.

Zettie Cannon, public information coordinator of H & R Block, said they

have received numerous calls from parents concerning their children in college.

"I think a lot of people thought the changes were not going to bother them," Cannon said, "and now they are realizing that is not the case."

Cannon said if everyone is doing everything he can, the IRS will alleviate penalties for improper withholding.

Henry and Munson said all students filing their W-4 forms for employment at TCU were notified of the changes, but many don't understand them.

"I think everyone doesn't really understand how it works," Henry said.

"People are starting to understand more now," Munson said, "since they're doing their taxes."

The other major change that will affect student athletes is the change in taxable scholarships and grants.

Before the change was made, all scholarships and grants were tax deductible. Now, however, only money set aside for books, tuition, lab fees and supplies is tax deductible, Cannon said. That means any money set aside for room and board is taxable.

It will be up to the students to file the scholarships and grants on their tax forms, Munson said.

The change will not affect a large number of TCU students, but it will affect all full-scholarship athletes,

Munson said.

"TCU does not let academic scholarships go beyond tuition," Munson said.

The only way a student scholarship can exceed tuition is if it is joined with a Pell grant, Munson said.

Carolyn Dixon, associate athletic director, said the athletic department sent letters to the parents of scholarship athletes indicating the 1986 change in taxes.

"We advised them to seek independent consultation," Dixon said.

Dixon said it is difficult to tell whether the parents fully understand the change.

"We haven't had much feedback," Dixon said.



Frog feat - Super Frog, TCU's mascot, pulls ballboy Keith Cooper during a timeout in Wednesday night's basketball game. TCU beat Texas Tech, 55-52.

TCU Daily Skiff / Bob Robbins

## Hazing causes Fiji probation

By Lisa Touye  
and Brenda Welchlin

Staff Writers

TCU fraternity Phi Gamma Delta members said Wednesday they have agreed not to appeal a one-year probation for "endangering the mental health and safety of a pledge" last semester.

Susan Batchelor, director of Student Activities, said the fraternity violated the state anti-hazing statute last semester by placing a pledge in an intimidating situation.

"We are not going into any specifics, because it (the case) was adjudicated by the Student Organizations Committee (which imposed the sanctions against the fraternity)," Batchelor said.

Bart Brookins, one of the two greek residential advisers who reported the incident, said during a small group meeting, "we saw that the lights were out. They were shining flashlights in pledges faces," and asking them questions.

"It would be like being at a police station where they're shining a light in their face and asking them, 'Where were you on December 22,'" Brookins said.

"It gives the appearance of a line-up," he said. "A line-up is ... where you create an atmosphere of intimidation."

However, fraternity president Robert Foushee denied anyone was actually hazed. The SOC ruled the fraternity placed a pledge in a "situation that could have led to a hazing incident."

Foushee would not explain why the fraternity chose not to appeal the probation.

During a small group discussion of various aspects of pledgship, fraternity members dimmed lights to add a sense of secrecy and seriousness, and one member stood too close to a pledge in the committee's opinion, Foushee said.

"There is more to it than standing too close to someone," said Kathleen Martin, chairperson of the SOC's subcommittee.

Martin said she did not want to give more specific details of the incident because "I haven't had a chance to check with the organization (SOC)."

A greek residential adviser reported the violation to the committee, said Chris Sorensen, recording secretary of the fraternity. The adviser saw an incident in which he thought a fraternity member was standing too close to a pledge and reported it to the Student Organization Committee, Sorensen said.

The residential adviser could not be reached for comment Wednesday.

"There was no screaming or physical threats," Sorensen said.

"It was a situation that could have led to intimidation and that is why we were put on probation," Foushee said.

"What the SOC said happened is what the SOC thinks happened. We were here," Foushee said.

However, Foushee refused to discuss the incident further. He would not answer specific questions about who was involved in the incident, ex-

actly when it happened, or exactly what happened.

"The individuals involved have been reprimanded and have been removed from certain pledge activities," said Bob Frazier, pledge educator.

As part of the terms of their probation, the fraternity is required to place an ad once at the beginning of each semester for three years stating Phi Gamma Delta was found guilty of hazing and is under probation, Batchelor said.

As another term of the probation, Foushee said, a judiciary board was formed to deal with incidents like the one that led to the hazing ruling. The board would discipline members who intimidated pledges by deactivating those members or taking away their social privileges.

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Foushee said the fraternity would have to turn in a pledge program for approval by Student Activities.

"Now all members meet in the chapter room with the lights on, and every meeting is monitored," Foushee said.

"I feel we were made an example of, but it's better to be made the example than to be the one they come down really hard on," Sorensen said.

"I believe in the right to know, but I also believe in the right to privacy," Batchelor said.

"People have a right to know what happened but maybe not all the details."

The ad Batchelor referred to is an ad explaining that the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity was found guilty of hazing and is under probation. The ad must be run in the student newspaper for one day at the beginning of the semester every semester for the next three years, Batchelor said.

"Individuals and groups must be held responsible for their actions."

"This university does not tolerate hazing in the greek system," Batchelor said.

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Good things have come out of this though, Foushee said.

"The new Texas hazing laws have taken away all the gray areas."

"They draw the line at what can and cannot be done," Foushee said.

Vice president and treasurer Corey McLeod said, "Pledges afraid of being hazed may consider our fraternity, because the problem has already been resolved here."

## Week focuses on minority problems

By Kristie Aylett  
Staff Writer

At least some TCU students' views on minority issues should be forever changed after attending a variety of activities celebrating the birthday of Martin Luther King Jr.

Throughout last weekend, a variety of services and activities commemorated King's birthday. Black Student Caucus sponsored b.f. maiz's visit to campus and interdenominational services were held at noon and in the evening on Monday.

What should be done, in the spirit of Martin Luther King Jr., is changing the system, said the Rev. Jesse Truvillion, university minister to minority students.

The noon service was held at Love Sanctuary, a predominantly black church, and a sermon was given by a Jewish rabbi.

In both services Brite Divinity School students read the Bible's account of the exodus from Egypt.

An offering was taken up to support a black chaplain for the Tarrant County jail system. Drawings by Clarence

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University Minister to minority students

Davis depicting Martin Luther King Jr. were exhibited in the church.

Truvillion delivered the sermon for the evening service held at Ridglea Presbyterian Church, a predominantly white church.

His message, "Beyond the Mountain," focused on surpassing the peak reached by Martin Luther King Jr., he said. It looked toward the future of the civil rights movement.

"If we could all unite and march together, we should be able to live together," Truvillion said.

Campus activities centered on philosopher b.f. maiz's two-day visit. In the week preceding the holiday, segments of the Public Broadcasting Service mini-series "Eyes on the Prize" were shown each day at noon in the Student Center lounge.

BSC sponsor Logan Hampton said

about 300 people attended an inter-cultural party held Friday night at the Rickel Building.

"The entire program had as positive effect on campus as anything we've done," he said.

b.f. maiz spoke Monday at noon in the Student Center lounge about Martin Luther and Martin Luther King Jr.

Monday evening, he addressed BSC and the American Minority Groups class. Tuesday maiz spoke to the Contemporary Social Issues class and the first meeting of the Student House of Representatives.

maiz presented a workshop "Racial Awareness Change Experience" Tuesday night.

"No one has been able to explain the outpouring of good-will that occurred in cities around America,"

maiz said. "People came out to honor a great human being."

"We were very encouraged and heartened by the outpouring at the workshop- the reaching across barriers," maiz said.

TCU does not offer enough black studies for both blacks and whites, Truvillion said.

"There are not enough black role models on this campus. The first black professor, Allene Jones, is still teaching here," Truvillion said.

Hampton said maiz was as delightful as he was insightful.

"He turned our attention toward humanity away from emphasis on material things," Hampton said. "He told us to be human and to love each other."

Truvillion would like to see a greater emphasis on black history and other black leaders.

"Martin Luther King Jr. is not the only black person to affect this country," Truvillion said.

maiz said, "We have moved away from the dream of Martin Luther King Jr. to strategies of how to make it real."

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## NEWLINES

### Ancestor of all life discovered

A bacteria that made the hot springs it lived in reek of rotten eggs was the last ancestor shared by all of today's life forms, researcher James Lake said.

The bacteria, which lived 3.5 million years ago, is not the origin of life but dates as far back as researchers have been able to get, according to Lake, of the University of California, Los Angeles.

The bacteria probably resembled eocytes, one-celled organisms that live in hot springs today. The bacteria, like eocytes, probably got energy by converting sulfur to hydrogen sulfide gas, which gives off a rotten egg smell, he said.

Lake's conclusions came from analyzing evolutionary changes of cell structures called ribosomes, which make proteins from instructions in the cell's genes. All ribosomes come from the same ancestor but as organisms evolved, their genetic material differed and their ribosomes made different proteins.

Lake's research produced a new evolutionary family tree which gives a new picture of how different life forms are related.—New York Times, Jan. 14, 1988

### AIDS vaccine tests causes difficulties

The first United States AIDS vaccine trial run by the National Institutes of Health is having trouble finding suitable volunteers to test the vaccine made by MicroGeneSys.

Trials began in October, but only 26 out of the required 81 volunteers have been found for testing. Hundreds of male homosexuals volunteered for the trial but many were dropped because of hypertension. Others dropped out because of the time commitment.

Frank Volovitz, president of MicroGeneSys, said that volunteers are afraid to participate in the trial because their blood will test positive for the Human Immunodeficiency Virus after vaccination even though the test designed to screen out false positives would prove the person had not been infected with the virus.

The NIH would issue certificates to prevent discrimination against participants on the basis of a positive blood test for the HIV virus. The present trial will test safety and whether the vaccine is specific for the virus. Later tests will examine the efficiency of the vaccine against the disease.

### Astronomers find distant object

Astronomers at the University of Arizona's Steward Observatory told the Jan. 14 meeting of the American Astronomical Society that they have found what they believe to be the most distant objects in the universe.

The discovery of bright infrared radiation from these distant objects known as primeval galaxy candidates makes researchers believe that these objects may have been some of the universe's first galaxies.

The astronomers found the objects using an array of powerful infrared detectors that were developed for military heat-sensing purposes.

Richard Elston, leader of the research team, said that the infrared brightness of the objects, estimates of their distance and other properties were strong evidence that they were galaxies.

"If these infrared sources are galaxies we're probably seeing them as they were forming," Elston said. New York Times, Jan. 14, 1988

### Head causes furor lab officials say

Michael Darwin, president of Alcor Life Extension Foundation, a cryonics lab, said he and six others were arrested last month without reason when the coroner's office began its investigation of the death of Dora Kent.

Kent's death certificate said she died at her residence without a doctor present. The certificate was sent to the county health department from a Buena Park mortuary. Kent's residence was later determined to be Alcor.

In such cases in Riverside County, the coroner must determine the cause of death.

Kent's head was removed Dec. 11 at Alcor's lab, two days after her son checked her out of a convalescent home. The Riverside County Coroner, Ray Carrillo, is still looking for her head.

Carrillo is confident that Kent was dead when her head was removed and frozen, but he hasn't ruled out homicide.

Dr. Steven Harris, an Alcor member who signed Kent's death certificate, indicated the cause of death as pneumonia, said the coroner's office Supervising Deputy Dan Cupido.

Alcor is said to be the largest cryonics laboratory in the nation with 233 members. It charges \$100,000 to suspend a body or \$35,000 for a head. Suspended remains are stored in hopes that scientific advancement will make transplantation and reanimation possible. Other scientists dismiss the procedure as useless. Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Jan. 18, 1988.

## Examiner finds job fascinating

By Sheri Ross  
Staff Writer

The bodies of three teenage boys were thrown clear of the car they were riding in, and it was up to Dr. Marc Krouse of the Tarrant County Medical Examiner's office to determine which teen had driven the car before the crash.

"Parts of the job are unpleasant, but reconstructing incidents is fascinating," Krouse told a group of 30 people at a meeting of Alpha Epsilon Delta, the pre-medical and pre-dental honor society, at 5:15 p.m. Tuesday in Sid Richardson Lecture Hall 2.

Krouse said he was able to decide which teen had been driving by using the structure of the car, crash dynamics and impact points on the bodies. The driver was identified by prints from both the brake and the clutch on one victim's right shoe, Krouse said. He determined that the driver's foot had slipped from the brake to the clutch by combining the prints on the shoe and on the floorboard of the car.

In 1987, the medical examiner's office had 4,157 cases, Krouse said. Two thousand of these were taken to

the morgue and autopsies were conducted on half of them, he said.

Doctors must report deaths to the medical examiner if a person dies from trauma ranging from injuries caused by a fall to gunshot wounds, if a person dies within 24 hours after admission to a hospital or jail or if a victim is found dead, Krouse said.

Medical examiners look for all factors contributing to the cause of a person's death and need to determine the specific cause of death. For example, Krouse said, the cause of death may have been blood loss from a gunshot wound which might not have been fatal if the victim had not had heart disease as well.

Several methods are used to identify unknown bodies. Historical data and clothing descriptions matching that of the body may be found in a missing person's report from police, Krouse said. Dental records and fingerprints are also helpful.

Skull structure can be used to determine the victim's race and age, Krouse said.

"We can tell from a skull whether the person was black, Asian, Caucasian or Hispanic, but we can't tell the difference between a person from

Iraq, Poland or New York City," he said.

X-rays are an important tool for an examiner, Krouse said. Healed fractures and metal pins can be seen in x-rays.

Also, anthropologists can determine whether a person was right- or left-handed from the patterns in a body's soft spongy bone, he said.

"The mechanical stress placed on the bone can be seen in patterns in the bone and in the bone's shape," Krouse said.

"This helps in determining what kind of work the person did," he said.

"Bone patterns along lines of stress, like the joints, are as individual as fingerprints," Krouse said.

"These patterns can show whether the person was a runner or if their work involved lifting heavy objects," he said.

Another method to determine the identity of a body is to superimpose a photo of the person in question onto the skull of the body, Krouse said.

This can be done at a specially equipped television studio at Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine, Camp Bowie at Montgomery. This method resolves 85 percent of the

cases that come into the medical examiner's office with unknown identity.

Skull-photo imposition successfully eliminates many identity possibilities, and takes only 15 to 30 minutes to rule out a possible identity, Krouse said.

"Identical twins can be distinguished from differences in their bone structure," he said.

If a body is not identified, the medical examiner's office takes full-body x-rays, dental x-rays and photographs before it releases the body to be buried, Krouse said.

"Out of the 50 unidentified bodies we got last year, only six were still unidentified after research had been done," Krouse said.

"Some of those bodies are of transients," he said.

"Only about 15 to 20 deaths a year result from actual illicit drug overdose, because most drug-related deaths result from prescription drug overdoses," Krouse said.

"Deaths from illicit drug abuse alone are rare, because most of the deaths result from homicide, car crashes or suicide," he said.

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# COMMENTARY

## Living life after Newton

By John Pascal  
Columnist



An old inquisitive dude, Sir Isaac Newton by name, was approximately the first old inquisitive dude to extrapolate the reasons why an apple—and assorted fruits, vegetables and tasty legumes—sticks to the ground when dispatched from above.

"Gravity," opined Sir Isaac upon viewing the dormant, ground-ridden red apple.

"This thing called gravity makes apples—and assorted fruits, vegetables and tasty legumes—(Sir Isaac most always had good, square meals) stick and stay stuck. And it is this thing called gravity, I believe, that keeps our feet firmly on the ground."

Soon after Newton's rural ruminating, people stood up (feet still on ground) and took notice. They jumped up and down, up and down, pointing in the area of their footwear and shouting, "Look, it works!"

Others simply lay prostrate on grassy countryside knolls, shunning work in favor of further testing Newton's principles of gravity and motion and differential calculus.

Meanwhile, to the south, in a far away place called Italy, where, coincidentally, far away people called Italians lived, another inquisitive dude, Galileo by name, living in Pisa, assumed the dubious habit of dropping objects from high places.

Fellow Italians looked at him funny, even the chubby little vendors who sold expensive Kodacolor film. All this got Galileo's formidable dander up, and he set out to kill a chubby little vendor.

He took the bowling ball he had given his wife for Christmas, climbed atop the tower and dropped the nine-pounder at his chubby little target down below. At the same time his Ace Unbreakable comb fell from his Ace Unbreakable pocket. Oddly, the comb and the ball fell at the same rate of speed. The ball smashed to the ground, while the comb plopped onto the vendor's table—and was promptly sold to a tourist from Rotterdam for 1000 lire.

And gravity was here to stay. And, because of it, so were we.

Later proponents of gravity took to employing it for various recreational purposes. One idea was to shoot an arrow in the air, letting it fall, they knew not where.

Neighbors soon complained, however.

Seemed their kinfolk were dropping like flies while tending the garden or milking the cow or taking out the rubbish. A consequent federal mandate required people to shoot at targets, like innocent fish and cute deer. This was better, they said.

In and around New York City, enquiring minds wanted to know: does gravity work in water. Dead men bound inextricably to concrete blocks provided the answer. This, too, was sporting. This, too, was fun.

Fun, it seems, knows no bounds. Except gravity.

Today it has come to pass that all sports are an attempt to either 1) de-

feat gravity or 2) control gravity—or a combination thereof. Golfers, for example, first try to defeat gravity (as much as possible, anyway) by teeing off with a with a big club called a driver.

300 yards down the course, gravity wins. Then the golfer tries to control gravity with club selection: will an eight iron or a nine iron work with gravity to bring this ball closer to that hole?

All sports employ similar reckoning. Basketball's three-point shot is an excellent example of man working with gravity toward a common goal.

There is one sport in particular, however, in which gravity is not necessarily defeated or controlled as much as it is used and abused. Skiing.

Skiers use gravity like a schoolboy uses a mild fever—to its utmost potential. World-class downhill skiers approach speeds of 85 miles per hour, which is about 40 mph more than crazy.

In fact Steve McKinney of Squaw Valley, Calif., recently established a world-record by travelling 139 mph on a pair of skis. There's no motor on these things, no dilithium crystals to pump in power. Only gravity.

Back in the lodge, where life is warm and toasty, people test the theory of gravity once more by "tossing down" beers and similar refreshments. The theory, among other things, is sometimes upset when that one too many is "tossed down," resulting in a radical change of direction.

Newton would be amazed if he could see what his theory hath wrought upon the earth, especially in mountain resorts.



## Athletes receive acclaim but others toil unknown

By Steve Rubick  
Columnist



Tony Jeffery.  
F a l a n d a  
Newton.  
David  
Rascoe.

Most people will recognize those names and associate them

with TCU football. All three are good athletes and have gained a measure of fame playing for our school. Likewise, Carven Holcomb, Carl Lott and many other athletes throughout the school's history have become familiar names.

Now, how about these names: Randy Berger? Matt Guidry? Lindy Heath?

Unfortunately, few people will recognize those three names. They belong to three of the best actors in the TCU theater department, but they do not receive the publicity and fame that our school's athletes do.

This is not meant to be a slam to TCU athletics. It is just a shame that athletics at any level gets more atten-

tion than the arts (except, perhaps, in third grade, where the annual Christmas pageant is the big draw).

There are times when it seems this country revolves around college athletics. Every autumn Saturday, television sets around the country are tuned in to whatever football game is being broadcast.

College bowl games are always big in the Nielsen's, as is the NCAA basketball tournament.

I must confess that I watched and cheered when Indiana beat Syracuse in the NCAA tournament. And I was happy when Miami beat Oklahoma in the Orange Bowl.

I enjoy sports as much as the next guy. But I still think there is too much emphasis put on athletics.

When was the last time you turned on your television set to watch a play? And when was the last time you saw a school recognized on national television for having an outstanding English department?

Very few schools have been put on probation for illegally recruiting National Merit Scholars.

Children imitate Michael Jordan and Eric Dickerson on school play-

grounds. Very few can be seen imitating John Gielgud or Patrick Stewart.

The root of this problem is that society has decided that athletics are more important than anything else.

How else can you explain the death of a university professor being given a single story in the paper, while a running back being ruled ineligible gets a front page story and three weeks of editorials and letters.

Athletics do have a place in society, but not the place they currently hold. Outstanding athletes should be recognized for their accomplishments. If a person dedicates his or her life to a sport and becomes one of the best, that person should be recognized.

But so should a person who dedicates his or her life to the theater, or dance, or research.

It is a shame that society has made the choice it has. Regardless of what is said here, sports will continue to dominate the headlines and the arts will continue to be relatively unnoticed.

At least, for now. It should be pointed out that history favors the arts.

## '88 slogans sound familiar

By Nancy Andersen  
Columnist



A funny thing happened on the way to the Democratic presidential nomination.

John F. Kennedy offered "Leadership for the '60s" and a "New Frontier." Twenty-eight years later, Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis offers "Leadership for the '90s" and a "Next Frontier."

In 1984 Sen. John Glenn tried "It's time to believe in the future again." This time out, Sen. Paul Simon turned it into a question: "Isn't time to believe in the future again?"

In 1988, more than ever, a catchy campaign slogan—perhaps formed from rehashing unforgettable old ones—is a major part of the task of being elected president.

For this is the living-room presidential race, where satellite hookups and cable TV furnish flooding coverage of the campaigns. Turn to one of the three national news networks at 5:30 p.m. and, except in rare cases, you'll spot one of the 13 contenders, Republican or Democrat, on the campaign trail.

Thus the search for the perfect slogan to be repeated again and again on radio and television has become a near obsession.

None of this sloganizing is new—back in 1824 when Andrew Jackson ran against John Quincy Adams, a Jackson supporter penned, "John Adams can write, but Andy Jackson can fight," a slogan forgotten today.

Defeated that year, Jackson won in 1828 with "Let the people rule," a slogan sounding very familiar in Gary Hart's "Let the people decide."

Because of the fragility of campaign slogans, campaigns spend—and sometimes waste—thousands of dollars finding the right package for them.

Recall JFK's campaign: "Jack is on the right track (refrain)/ Cause he's got/Hiiiiigh hopes!/He's got/Hiiiiigh hopes!/He's got/High apple-pie-in-the-skyyyy hopes."

A little ditty on everyone's lips in 1960.

As for television, who could forget the little girl, the flower and the mushroom cloud in Lyndon B. Johnson's 1964 political ads?

And for a recent combination of a tune and the tube, go back to Ronald Reagan's 1984 campaign spots. Watch the president and the First Lady place bouquets on the white crosses on the beaches of Normandy while country singer Lee Greenwood trills his touching "God Bless the USA" in the background.

It was enough to make a World War II veteran shed a tear—and get a president reelected.

It's obvious campaign strategists spend more time worrying about imagery than issues. But political slo-

gans are only effective when they summarize real substance.

Until William Henry Harrison took office in 1841, how many of his constituents understood what he meant by "log cabin and hard cider"? Then along came William McKinley in 1900 with his "full dinner pail."

The most successful lines of the past—back to Abraham Lincoln's "A house divided against itself cannot stand" and Teddy Roosevelt's "Speak softly and carry a big stick"—were not just catchy. They were also connected to the great issues of the day, in these cases, the Civil War and American imperialism.

It's still early in the 1988 slogan race, but for now Simon is the leader. Dipping into the Jacksonian rhyming dictionary, the senator promises his cabinet will include "champions of the needy rather than cronies of the greedy," a fitting comment on the age of Yuppiedom.

Whatever the substantive differences, however, the style of the 1988 campaign has become an echo. No one in either party has come forward with a fresh theme.

Whatever happened to the gutsy originality shown by Calvin Coolidge while the nation whispered of his illegitimate child: "Ma, ma, where's my pa?/Gone to the White House, ha, ha, ha!"

Maybe Gary Hart could use it.

## Letters to the Editor

This letter is in response to Jerry Madden's Jan. 19 Skiff article regarding Jimmy "The Greek" Snyder and his freedom of speech. In answer to your question, people do apparently have the right to voice their opinions, but there has to be a point where journalists and broadcasters have to draw the line.

Jimmy the Greek is not mentally retarded, and I find it hard to believe that he would say such ridiculous things to a fellow broadcaster and expect no one to take offense to his remarks!

It was said by one television station that Jimmy didn't know the

cameras were on while he was speaking. If not, that raises another point. For all these years, he has sat across from Irv Cross predicting the odds and complimenting players of every shape, race and description—with no stupid remarks. But the first time someone catches him off the air, he cuts loose with that kind of crap and repeatedly excused himself while doing so!

He referred to blacks as taking over positions from whites and whites having nothing left to control. What I find most offensive is

his off-the-wall biological theories of BREEDING blacks like we were racehorses or something. Pardon me if I don't just blow that off.

Instead of feeling sorry for poor, unemployed Jimmy, you should pity poor, warped Jimmy for shooting his mouth off when he thought no one was listening. I'm sure he's got more money saved up than any of us could hope to make in wages and retirement checks combined!

Francesca Taylor  
Senior/Broadcast journalism

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# SPORTS

## Horned Frogs beat Texas Tech, 55-52

By John Paschal and Jerry Madden

Sports Writers

The TCU Horned Frogs finally turned into princes as they defeated the Texas Tech Red Raiders 55-52 Wednesday night at Daniel Meyer Coliseum.

The victory marked TCU's first Southwest Conference win this year. They are 1-3 in conference play and 7-9 overall.

The Horned Frogs' victory was made possible by the play of guards John Lewis, Danny Hughes and Rod Jacques who all scored in double figures.

Lewis lead all scorers with 22 points. Jacques contributed 11 points while Hughes added 10.

TCU once again had low-scoring nights from centers Ed Fromayan and Todd Willis. Willis scored 2 points while Fromayan added 3.

The game was close early on with neither side able to muster a sizeable lead. Tech's biggest lead in the first half was seven points.

Tech looked like they would blow the game open at any minute, but the Horned Frogs stayed with them throughout the first half.

Texas Tech jumped out to a 25-21 halftime lead, largely off the shooting of Sean Gay and Wes Lowe who combined for 18 points in the first half.

Gay finished the game with 15 points. Lowe finished with eight.

But the Horned Frogs were able to hold Tech scoreless in the final 4:38 of the first half while scoring three points to cut the Tech lead to 21-25.

Lewis helped keep the Horned Frogs close, scoring 10 points in the first half. He ended the game as the leading scorer.

Lewis was active defensively, too, helping to create turnovers and disrupting Tech's offense at every turn.

TCU rallied at the beginning of the second half, tying the game at 25 early on.

TCU took the lead on a three pointer by Danny Hughes which made the score 28-27.

Tech never came closer than two points from then on.

Tech pulled the score to 52-50 with 2:21 left to play but was held scoreless after that.

The Horned Frogs hope to continue their winning ways as they travel to Austin this Saturday to take on the Texas Longhorns.



Grabbing the rebound - Center Edwin Fromayan tries to get the rebound while guard Tim Chase looks on.

## Defensive coach Johnson resigns

By Randy Hargrove  
Sports Writer

In a major coaching move Wednesday, head football coach Jim Wacker announced defensive coordinator Rick Johnson had resigned to accept a similar position at Duke and had been replaced by Mark Dove, defensive coordinator from the University of North Carolina.

Wacker said he had been aware the change might take place.

"I knew it was in the wind," Wacker said. "We had been discussing it."

The move ended a short stay at TCU for Johnson, who came to TCU last year after serving as Baylor's secondary coach.

Johnson said no deciding factor influenced his decision.

"The opportunity arose not a long time ago, but some time ago," Johnson said, "and became a real factor less than a week ago. This is a very difficult decision."

Wacker said Dove, a San Angelo native and former standout Texas Tech defensive back, will handle TCU's linebacking corps in addition to his duties as defensive coordinator.

Dove's coaching background in-

cludes participation in seven post-season bowls and coaching stints at Texas Tech (1972-73), South Carolina (1975-77), Mississippi State (1979-83) as well as North Carolina where he served as linebacker coach for three seasons before becoming the Tarheels' defensive coordinator in 1987.

Dove expressed excitement about coming to TCU and said several factors influenced his decision to accept the job.

"The most significant factor of me becoming a part of TCU was Jim Wacker and his football program," Dove said. "The opportunity to come home and be around family and friends and the chance to renew rivalries makes it a big plus."

The move marks the second coaching change Wacker has made the past week.

Rocky Long joined Wacker's staff last week from the British Columbia Lions of the Canadian Football League and is scheduled to coach defensive backs for the Horned Frogs.

"I interviewed some other really outstanding candidates," Wacker said. "But those two really jumped out to me for what our needs were."

## Women lose to T. Tech

By Randy Hargrove  
Sports Writer

TCU women's basketball team had hoped the hot play it enjoyed in last Saturday's 96-79 defeat of Houston would continue for Tuesday evening's matchup against Texas Tech.

But it was cold, not hot, play which plagued the Lady Frogs Tuesday as they lost to the Lady Red Raiders 58-54 at TCU's Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

The cold translated into a shooting percentage of 30.6 percent for the game.

"You can't shoot 29 percent and win a ball game," said women's head coach Fran Garmon.

"They (Tech) did a great job on defense, and we played poorly on defense," Garmon said. "We had our chances, and on defense we got to play our game, and we didn't do it."

Texas Tech raced to a 9-0 lead to open the game and went into halftime with a 33-26 advantage. In the second half, Texas Tech added to a lead which grew to as many as 15 points.

TCU fought back late in the game with the help of Janice Dziuk (17 points and 11 rebounds), and guards Karen Davis (14 points) and Teresia Hudson (10 points). The trio helped TCU cut the Texas Tech lead to 57-54 with 11 seconds remaining.

But TCU could get no closer as Tech's Vicky McKenzie iced the game with a free throw in the final two seconds.

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