TCU DAILY SKIFF

Tri Delta placed on probation

By LEANORA MINAI

The TCU Delta Delta Delta sorority has been placed on social probation by its national office until the end of the semester for damages done to a hotel during its winter formal held

Gusti Ratliff, public relations manager for the Radisson Suite Hotel in Arlington, said the disorderly conduct and \$477 in damages done on Dec. 5, 1988 included:

- Broken glass in the water foun-
- Destroyed ice machines
- Fire evacuation signs torn off the wall
- Elevator emergency phone pulled out of its compartment • Urine on the floor of a food stor-
- A male date tried to hit a security
- officer after the officer tried to help a woman who had passed out • A male, who was found cooking in the hotel kitchen at 3 a.m., threw a

seafood cooler at a police officer. Ratliff said the incidents reflected poorly on TCU and its Greek system.

Although the TCU Chi Omega sorority chapter co-hosted the winter formal with the Tri Deltas, it was not put on social probation by its national office, said Jill Klein, Chi Omega national director of business opera-

She would not comment further on why the chapter was not put on social probation.

'If our chapter was on probation, it's confidential, and the reasons why or why not are confidential," Klein said. "We discuss them with the chapters and their advisers only.

'I just want to make it clear that it was by our outstanding record and service to this university and that we met all TCU requirements internally that we did not have national or TCU action taken against us," said Lou Thompson, TCU Chi Omega presi-

Carol Ann Lane, TCU Panhellenic adviser, said that when a chapter is placed on social probation, it cannot have any social functions, including mixers and formals.

The Tri Deltas and Chi Omegas were dealt with administratively last Monday and not by the Student Organizations Committee because "the SOC deals with incidents involving hazing and breaking the law," Lane

The university required the two sororities to submit a report to Peggy Barr, vice chancellor for student affairs, as their disciplinary action,

The report had to include what preventative measures had been taken. See Party, Page 2

ISA serves up culture, cuisine

By JADA THADANI Staff Writer

International Student Week ended Saturday night with the International Student Banquet and Cultural Program in the Student Center Ballroom.

The banquet was a nice way to top off the week because it allowed everyone to gather in one place and really experience other cultures firsthand through eating traditional foods and seeing traditional dress and entertainment," said Barbara Leu, sophomore business pre-major.

"I had heard a lot about the banquet from people who went last year, Leu said. "I was excited to go and I really enjoyed it."

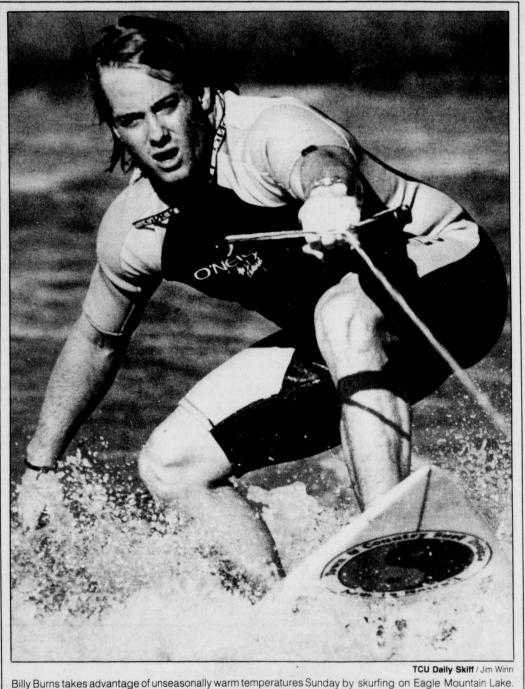
The banquet began with a dinner consisting of foods from about 20

different countries. Marriott Food Service prepared the meal from recipes provided by

international students. The recipes were given to us at least a week in advance, so we had the entire week to prepare," said Mark Washburn, manager of the Student Center Cafeteria, Eden's Greens and the athletic hall cafeteria.

There was a huge variety of food,' Washburn said. "There were 11 different entrees, eight different appetizers and six different desserts. I think it all turned out really well.'

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Detective relates dangers of drugs

By JOHN MOORE Staff Writer

A narcotics officer with the Fort Worth Police Department brought drugs to campus Sunday night.

Larry Ansley, a detective in the narcotics intelligence section of the special operations division of the Fort Worth Police Department, presented a program of drug education to about 20 students at a meeting of the Criminal Justice Student Association at 8 p.m. in the Woodson Room of the Student Center.

Ansley discussed the manufacture, distribution, use and effects of mari-juana, speed, and designer drugs such as ecstasy.

"These drugs affect all of us, users and non-users alike," he said. "It sometimes scares the hell out of me how little most people know about them (drugs) and their effects.

The marijuana sold in the United States today is much stronger than the marijuana of the 70s, said Ansley, who has worked for the Fort Worth Police Department for 20 years and in the narcotics division for 18 years.

The pot sold on the streets today is a hybrid form of marijuana," he said. "It is a more diluted form of marijuana in that it contains less pot, but it is stronger in that it contains more che-

Ansley explained why marijuana has changed during the past 10 years. Marijuana growers in Mexico are

diluting their crops to remain competive with Columbian growers,"

Eighty percent of the marijuana sold in the United States comes from Mexico, where hurricanes, drought and the price war in the marijuana community have made it difficult for growers in Mexico to make a profit, he

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Man removed from campus for drug use

By TY WALKER Staff Writer

Fort Worth police officers removed a man from campus early Monday morning after respond-ing to a 911 call from Sherley Hall concerning a man having a bad reaction to drugs.

"He (the man) complained of physical problems, and there was a reference to the possibility that he had taken some acid," said Thomas McGaha, assistant campus police chief.

"It was the Fort Worth Police Department's responsibility because it was a 911 call." he said. They notified us as a courtesy.

McGaha would not release any more information about the incident and refused to provide a police report.

Fort Worth police said they didn't have an arrest report on

The unidentified non-student was visiting a resident after visiting hours ended Sunday night, when he started complaining of being hot and having a rapid heart rate and difficulty breathing, said Leigh Gosney, Sherley Hall director.

"Campus Police called me and said Medstar was on their way to Sherley Hall," Gosney said. "They said there had been a call in on an overdose of

She said three or four campus police officers, four Fort Worth See Acid, Page 2

Students left in dark after power line failure

By JACQUIE MAUPIN

Most of main campus and part of east campus experienced a complete power loss for about 20 minutes Sunday night.

Texas Utilities (Electric Service) had a feeder cable (to the university) that went down," said Harry Goodman, director of Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning. "The university lost a portion of the electrical services to the said of the cable. This vice due to the loss of this feeder. This was the reason why there were inconsistencies in the dorms.'

Inconsistencies that occurred were dim lights in some rooms, bright lights in others, and some power sockets that worked while others would not, Goodman said.

The actual blackout happened after TU workers had spent about 90 minutes trying to figure out how to fix the feeder without turning off the

power, Goodman said. 'About 10:30 (p.m. Sunday) a problem arose where Texas Utilities was forced to turn the power off," Goodman said. "They made some changes that enabled them to isolate the problem and turn the power back on.

'There wasn't any other solution,' he said. "Turning the power off was not planned. It was just a necessity.

Partial repair, which included total lighting, room utilities and the campus phone line services, was completed at about 10:45 p.m., Goodman

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'It was a definite attention-

grabber," said Chuck James, senior

political science/religion major.
"A Taste of the World" was an In-

ternational Student Week event that

offered foods from various areas of the

Reena Daniel, president of the In-

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Roberto Trevizo, Vinod Daniel and Phillipe Quintard sample Indian

food at the table sponsored by Panhellenic during ISA's "Taste of the

the World."

Students offered taste

World" celebration Friday in the Student Center Lounge.

of the world Friday

By JADA THADANI

As students passed by the Student

Center Lounge at noon Friday, their

senses were overwhelmed by a varie-

ty of brightly colored flags, long lines

and an assortment of unfamiliar

Those who stopped got "A Taste of

Staff Writer

He said about six or eight TU employees completed repairs about 3:45 a.m. Monday, and all utilities were restored by 7 a.m.

20 minute power failure disrupts studies, plans

Goodman also said HVAC brought in extra people who worked all night going through the affected buildings checking for problems and looking at the mechanical systems in each

Goodman said the following areas experienced the power failure: part of east campus including the old section of the library and all of main campus except the Rickel Building, Moncrief Hall, the Bailey Building and Ranch Management. The unaffected areas

are on a different feeder, he said. In the residence halls, hall directors and residents dealt with the situa-

tion in different ways. "We never lost power here," said Jerry Hofmeister, hall director for Moncrief. "Campus police had called and said the power would go off at 11 (p.m. Sunday). Everybody had the idea the power was going to go off at 11, and all of a sudden, boom, it went

Hofmeister said he knew the power had gone out elsewhere because the rest of the campus was pitch dark when he looked outside. Moncrief residents were looking

off 15 minutes early.

out their windows, turning up their

Both maintain the nostalgic atmos-

phere of the 40s, equipped with a

large auditorium reminiscent of the

'Gone With the Wind' but on a large

screen? We (the Ridglea Theatre)

have the largest auditorium and

screen in Fort Worth," Patterson

favorable, he said.

The response to the film has been

There have been more older peo-

The popularity of "Gone With the

Wind" - which earned eight Academy

ful story. It's got vibrant characters

with whom we get involved," she

said. "It's told on such a grand scale

The full impact of most classics,

whether they are paintings, writings

or films, is not realized until years

But in 1939, the people were fully

aware of the magnitude of "Gone

with a colorful background.

after their premier, Lee said.

ple, but all ages have come to the

movie, including the very young,

high school, college-age and on up,

'Where else would you want to see

radios and taunting residents of halls without power, said Scott Sticksel, a sophomore resident of Moncrief.

'A lot of football players were in the parking lot chanting 'Horned Frog Pride,'" Sticksel said. "Some other Sticksel said. "Some other football players were chanting 'Free James Brown.

Hofmeister said some residents started the old cheer "We have power, yes, we do. We have power, how 'bout you?'

In Tom Brown a couple seconds after the power went out cheering and yelling could be heard, said Ward Ferguson, a junior Tom Brown resi-

"Bottle rockets were coming out of Pete Wright, and someone in Clark

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Inside

Is TCU hiding behind its image by not admitting the seriousness of the drug problem among stu-

Research defined

William Koehler, vice chancellor for academic affairs, will speak tonight on the importance of research for the university and in faculty tenure and promotion

End of season

Frogs end the basketball season with a 93-89 loss to the University

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Outside



Today's weather is sunny and warm with low temperatures in the upper 50s and high temperatures in the mid-80s. Winds will be out of the south at 15-20 mph

Wednesday's weather will be sunny with low temperatures in the upper 50s and high temperatures

"The novel itself was a sensation,"

Classic movie blows back to big screen By ANGIE COX plex showing "Gone With the Wind.

Staff Writer

Half a century after Rhett Butler left Scarlet O'Hara at the threshold, 'Gone With the Wind" is still drawing audiences in droves, said Carolyn Lee, lecture in speech communication and instructor of the Survey of Restored to its original vivid

appearance, "Gone With the Wind" has been re-released to theaters for exclusive showings around the country. Since its premiere in 1939, the

movie has been colored and recolored, causing the photographic quality to become grainy. But this year's version is the first to show the film as its makers intended it to be seen, Lee

'There have been simply bastardized versions in the past," she said. 'It's shown now the way it was de-

which owns the rights to the film, has spent \$250,000 to restore the film. The effort has not gone unnoticed by movie-goers, said Charles Patterson,

1939," he said. The Ridglea Theatre in Fort Worth

the only two theaters in the Metro-

Awards, more than any other film before 1939 - cannot be attributed to any one particular factor, Lee said. 'It (the movie) just tells a wonder-

he said.

signed to be shown. Turner Entertainment Company,

manager of the Plitt Ridglea Theatre. "I think the people want to see it in its original form, the way it was in

and The Inwood Theatre in Dallas are

With the Wind," Lee said.

in the upper 60s.

CAMPUSlines

To do or not to do? Agape is hosting an ecumenical exchange with the topic of pre-maritial sex. Today at 5:30 p.m. at the Wesley Foundation.

Honors Fireside - William Koehler, vice chancellor for academic affairs, will speak on "Why Research?" at an Honors Fireside at 7 p.m. today in the Bass Building Living Room. The discussion is open to the

1989-90 Cheerleading Tryouts are April 4-12. Applications available at the Student Center Information Desk through April

Women's History Month - For information call the YWCA at 332-6191 and ask for Ann Cook.

TCU Student Foundation applications for membership are now at the Information Desk in the Student Center or at the Alumni House. Applications due Friday

le cercle français reunion pour voir les publicites de la tele française. Thursday 4 p.m. Reed Hall 203. For more information call 924-4462.

Intramural Softball Deadline is Friday. Individuals may play on one men's or women's team and one coed team. Individuals may register at Recreational Sports-Rickel 229. Games will begin after spring break.

INTERLOCK needs a logo. Must be submitted today to Janet Trepka in the Student Activities Office, or bring to next INTERLOCK meeting at 10 p.m. Wednesday.

Easter Sunrise Service - will be sponsored by Campus Chrin Community at 6:30 a.m. on March 26, in front of Sadler Hall. All denominations are invited. For information call 921-

Graphics Contest \$75 award for the best logo design for the upcoming Battle of the Bands. Submit entry to PC Concerts Committee in the Student Activities Office by March 29. Any questions call 927-5873.

Volunteer Center needs volunteers for a senior center to answer the phone and greet visitors. Available Monday-Friday 1—3 p.m. Call 860— 1613 for more information.

Charles E. Hanna Literary Award open to Tarrant County residents and to persons who work or attend school in Tarrant County. Entry must be a poem in sonnet form only. Entries by mail accepted through March 25. For information call Lenore Clark at 739-0519.

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The dishes included tabbouli from Lebanon, calderetta from the Philippines and arroz con leche from El

Elena Hicks, senior French major, said, "The food was great and it was a good experience to taste all the foods from different nations.

After dinner, some of the international students presented a program with traditional dances, songs and other cultural events from their native countries.

The entertainment ranged from a Syrian belly dance to a German folk

Guests at the banquet were taken around the world from Australia to Turkey to the Netherlands and back to Fort Worth by a slide show presented by Shawn Hameed, a student from Sri Lanka.

Shu-Gi Tung also entertained the audience with a traditional ribbon dance from Taiwan.

Following the entertainment, there was a "Parade of Nations" in which Reena Daniel, a student from India, presented an international style show in which students wore traditional clothing from their native

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ternational Student Association, said her goal during the week was to bring other organizations together to promote group unity.

"This was accomplished through 'A Taste of the World," Daniel said.

The 11 groups sponsoring the event decided to represent different countries because of the international theme of the week, Daniel said.

A native food was offered at each of the 11 tables. The countries represented included India, Sudan, Panama, Japan, Lebanon, West Germany, Venezuela, France, the Philippines and Mexico.

"The food was neat," said Lisa Johns, a sophomore business pre-"You always hear of stereotypical (foreign) foods, but they had interesting snack foods that were different from what you might expect."

In order to sample the food, students had to answer questions concerning the different cultures.

Several students felt that, though they were not able to answer all of the questions, the idea was a good learning experience

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how the sororities reacted to the incident when it occurred and steps taken to prevent a reoccurrence, Lane said.

'If we were not satisfied with the contents of the reports, it would have gone to the SOC," Lane said.

Barr said she would not comment on the incident because it occurred before the change in the university confidentiality policy.

The SOC and Barr agreed last week to revise its policy to allow information to be released by the SOC chairman on disciplinary cases of groups.

Lane said the men and women who participated in tearing up property have been disciplined individually by their chapters.

"I don't want TCU's name connected with people who are tearing up private property," Lane said.

Each individual sorority deals with each member. They are responsible for their members," she said. "But they (the sororities) have to realize that the individual member reflects on the whole sorority.

Felix Mira, coordinator for Greek residential life/fraternity adviser said, 'At this time, I'm looking into it (the incident) from the fraternity aspect and have no comment."

Lane said the hotel was not blameless for what happened because it had happy hour for the students, was not careful about checking ID's and offered rooms at a discount rate.

'When they (the hotel personnel) say 'come have happy hour and you can rent rooms for a discount,' what are they encouraging?" Lane said.

Ratliff said the Radisson Suite Hotel will not allow the Tri Deltas or Chi Omegas to host functions there in the future.

A Tri Delta officer, who wished to remain anonymous because she was instructed not to discuss the incident by her president, said the male dates did all the damage to the hotel.

The dates included a mix from all the fraternity chapters at TCU, she said

Beth Miller, TCU Tri Delta president, said any sort of information must come from the local chapter adviser, Lynn Dunlap.

"We know the information, but we're not allowed to say it," Miller said.

Dunlap refused to comment. As a group, I don't think the Tri Deltas should be punished," said the Tri Delta who wished to remain anonymous. "I don't think that we should take the rap for somebody else's actions.

Drugs/from Page 1

One kilogram of marijuana costs \$50 in Mexico, while in Columbia, where there have been no hurricanes or droughts, the cost of one kilogram of marijuana is \$1.29, Ansley said.

Marijuana growers in Mexico dilute their crops with strychnine, a plant that is used in the manufacture of rat poison in the United States, because it resembles marijuana and can be used to fool buyers, he said.

Most marijuana coming to the United States today contains strychnine," Ansley said. "Marijuana that contains strychnine has a very strong effect because both marijuana and strychnine produce hallucinations in the user. The combination of the two can produce an incredible high.

"The sad facts are, use of the two (marijuana and strychnine) causes extremely painful stomach ulcers because strychnine is difficult to digest. Used in large amounts or over a long period of time, the two will kill you, Ansley said.

Paraquat poisoning is another danger that plagues marijuana users, he

Paraguat is a defoliant much like Agent Orange, which was used to defoliate large sections of jungle during the Vietnam War, Ansley said.

The CIA sells paraguat to the Mexican government to destroy marijuana crops before they can be harvested,

"Unfortunately, the paraquat doesn't always stop the marijuana growers," Ansley said. "When they first realize their fields have been sprayed, many growers go ahead and harvest their crops, and both the marijuana and paraquat make it to the streets of the United States.'

Paraquat poisoning causes the user's blood vessels to burst, beginning with the small blood vessels in the corners of the eyes and in the ears, and eventually results in the death of the user, he said.

Another danger confronting marijuana users is DDT, Ansley said. DDT is a insecticide that can cause cancer, he said.

police officers, four Fort Worth police

officers and two Medstar paramedics

were in Sherley Hall around mid-

"The paramedics said they would

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drugs such as ecstasy.

small nuclear explosion.'

sides of the face, he said.

take him to the hospital if he felt it was necessary, but they recommended drinking fluids and rest," Gosney

hands, wrists and arms and on the

Gosney said the resident who was involved broke a visitation rule, but that was the only residence hall violation known as of 1 a.m. Monday.

Unlike the United States govern-Contrary to popular belief, desigment, which has outlawed the use of ner drugs have never been legal. "It's DDT, the government of Mexico just that they haven't always been does not discourage use of the insectiillegal," he said.

cide, Ansley said.

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as "crank" or "crystal."

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grower who uses DDT makes cancer

patients out of the people who con-

Another drug Ansley discussed was

Speed labs have sprung up in large

numbers in most major cities in the

United States during the past 10

Ansley held up a brief case contain-

"This is a speed lab," he said. "This

ing what looked like a high school

case contains everything you need to

go into the speed manufacturing busi-

The speed lab Ansley held was con-

Mall cooks are speed manufactures

fiscated from a "mall cook" who was

cars and sell their product in places

such as the parking lots of shopping

The mall cook who owned the case

operated a speed lab out of a car with

heavily tinted windows in the parking

lots of about five area malls, Ansley

The mall cook removed the back

"He was one brave son of a gun,"

arrested in 1988, Ansley said.

The thing you have to keep in mind when you talk about designer 'Marijuana growers in Mexico have problems with bugs just like farmers drugs is that you're not talking about a in the United States," he said. "The Jordache capsule or a Pierre Cardin tablet," Ansley said. "Designer drugs get their name from the fact that they are drugs that have been designed to circumvent the law.

"Their (the drugs') molecular strucspeed, which is known on the street as ture has been altered so that their sale is no longer regulated by state and federal food and drug laws. It's illegal to sell designer drugs, but it's only a misdemeanor if you're caught - many drug dealers are willing to take the chance if they see a chance to turn a

During the lecture, Ansley allowed each member of the audience to hold a bag containing a kilogram of pure, pharmasudical cocaine and a bag containing two viles of liquid LSD.

This (the liquid LSD) is something you'll hardly ever see even on the street," he said. "It's too expensive for most street dealers to get their hands who set up mobile speed labs in their

'Aside from being very interesting, this (the lecture) really helped me learn a lot about the effects of using drugs," said Yvonne Torres, a junior criminal justice major. "I wish everyone had the opportunity to be this well-educated about the dangers of using drugs by someone who's seen the effects and knows what he's talking about."

seat from his car and cooked his speed Ansley was invited to speak at the with a Bunsen burner mounted on a meeting of the Criminal Justice Student Association by Todd Smith, president of the organization.
"I think the shock value (of the lec-Ansley said. "Ether, one of the main

ingredients of speed, is very unstable - it boils at room temperature. You ture) was a definite plus," said Smith, cook that stuff in an enclosed space a senior criminal justice major. "Delike a car at just the wrong temperatective Ansley's knowledge of drug ture, and you end up with a crater and culture and his first-hand experience what looks like the aftermath of a made him more than qualified to educate students about drugs and their Speed can be snorted, injected or smoked and leads to "speed sores," which appear on the backs of the

"The visual aids were effective as well. People talk about the drug problem at TCU, but I noticed how surprised everyone in the room was Ansley also discussed designer when he held up a bag of cocaine and asked, 'anyone know what this is?"

> Pamela Encke, a sophomore nursing major, said she was awakened by the commotion in the hallway about midnight and made the call to 911.

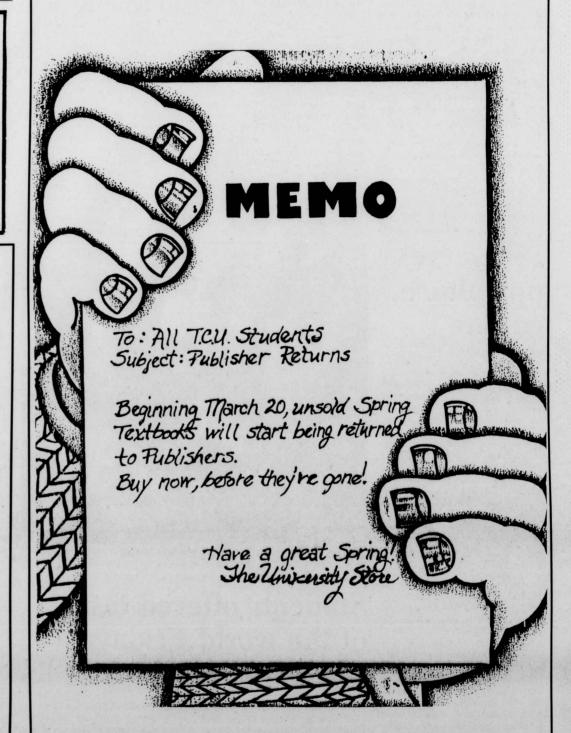
"I was scared because I felt kind of helpless, but I tried to keep him relaxed and calm," she said.

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Commentary

Our View Options abound for drug abusers

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It may not have the largest drug problem in the Southwest, but it does have a drug problem.

Don Mills, assistant vice chancellor for student affairs, is conducting a survey on drug use among TCU students. Mills said TCU is no different from other schools when it comes to its drug problem

A series of articles in the *Skiff* last week showed this less-public side of TCU. Among other things, those articles provided a view of TCU's drug scene from a number of students who have been involved in it since they were freshmen.

One article featured a student drug dealer who has been supplying many TCU users with drugs since he came to the university.

He said TCU's drug problem is bigger than the administration realizes, and that TCU likes to hide behind its image.

That may be true, but attempts to enhance its image haven't stopped a growing awareness that society's drug problems do not stop on University Drive.

That awareness inevitably brings with it cries for more drug programs and education to combat the problem.

The answer must go beyond that.

TCU already has several valuable programs designed to deal with chemical abuse. The Alcohol and Drug Education program, the Counseling Center and the University Ministries Office are some of the places available to students with alcohol- and drug-related problems. Many other off-campus programs are also available.

There are ample opportunities for help at TCU, and individuals should recognize their own problems and take personal responsibility for them.

One of the symptoms of substance abuse is denial of a problem. Therefore, students and others should be aware of those around them who may have problems and should take action to help them.

While friends and families cannot singlehandedly eliminate the often deep-rooted causes of substance abuse, they can and should help abusers become aware of and seek assistance for their problem.

The answer to the drug problem at TCU rests somewhat on the friends and family members of abusers, but, ultimately, the answer must be determined by the individuals themselves.



Letter to the Editor

Srike justified

I have taken great offense to Steven Rubick's column about the Eastern Airlines strike. In evaluating the demands of the union, he completely ignored the historical situation these demands have been set in.

He presented an argument claiming "Eastern's workers do not deserve a pay raise" based on poor safety and service records. He failed to identify a multiplicity of other forces leading to those records and the strike.

Those forces include deregulation, the accompanying mismanagement of the airline afterward, the continual wage concessions made by the unions over the last decade to make up for losses resulting from the poor management and the "greed and laziness" of Frank Lorenzo, who now owns the parent corporation of Eastern, Texas Air, Inc.

Eastern, Texas Air, Inc.

In the late '70s, Congress "deregualted" the airline industry. Simply put, that meant the airlines were no longer assured their routes, and thus, their incomes.

This led to an almost instantaneous spawning of many smaller airlines that could operate at a cheaper fare and take away buiness from the major airlines. Because of

Eastern's concentration on the east coast, they were particularly hard hit. Thus, fares across the board had to be lowered, and "price wars" began

The incompetency of Eastern's upper-level management soon became apparent. They could find no way to counteract the adverse financial effects. Thus began a spiral of financial losses which has not subsided.

They repeatedly asked the unions to take wage concessions to keep the airline afloat. The unions did so, sometimes up to 20 percent at a time, to pick up the slack.

The unions took cuts in light of management's promises to turn the airline around, but management never has. This spawned a new spiral where Eastern's best employees were leaving the company. Thus, less-than-excellent employees had to be hired to take their place., creating a corresponding decrease in the quality of service found at the airline.

This was the situation when Frank Lorenzo took control of Eastern several years ago. To most employees, Lorenzo is a crook.

When he acquired Continental Airlines a decade ago (which was in much the same financial shape as Eastern is) he allowed it to go bankrupt, reorganized it and reopened it, paying employees half their former wages while making a fortune at their personal expense.

Most people think he is doing the same at Eastern. He has done nothing over the past several years to end the spiral of mismanagement and losses, knowing full well the cycle could not continue without the airline eventually having to fold or having the employees rightfully become sick of things and go on strike.

These, then, are the reasons for the strike. For the last decade or more, the men and women who have dedicated their whole lives to Eastern have been watching it being pulled out from underneath them, even though they have done all they could (remember the repeated wage concessions) to keep it going strong.

If the service record at Eastern has suffered, it is because the mismanagement at Eastern caused a decrease in the quality of employees the company can hire because of their management practices. No one likes the strike, but if the company Rubick worked for was being pulled out from underneath him, would he sit passively and watch, or would he go out fighting?

The employees at Eastern have a legitimate reason to strike, whether or not any of us like it.

Russ Strader Junior Religion-studies

'New' ethics catching up with Wright

By MICHAEL HAYWORTH



Jim Wright is sounding a lot like John Tower these days. It may not be long before he's in the same position as Tower – out.

Wright continues to deny there is substance to the charges against him being considered by the House ethics committee. He claims they are entirely politically motivated.

He had better hope the ethics committee thinks so, too.

If it does not – if even one of the six charges against Wright has substance – Wright stands to lose in a big way. If even a hint of guilt can be established, the odds against Wright retaining leadership are immense.

Wright has a reputation as a skilled and formidable politician. He has benefited his district and his city immensely through skilled politics, but along with his reputation as a man deserving of respect has gone another reputation – an undercurrent best decribed by the word "shifty."

He has opened himself to criticism for his rather free-wheeling dealings in Central American foreign policy – a branch of the government that is supposed to originate with the president.

He has opened himself to criticism by stridently refusing to bring the congressional pay raise measure to the floor for a vote. He finally cracked under the weight of political pressure from voters and other politicians, but the incident badly hurt his alreadyfailing prestige.

Now the Senate has rejected John Tower's nomination as defense secretary. Though Wright was not personally involved in this struggle, the ripple effect from it will hurt him.

The debate over Tower's nomination, combined with George Bush's campaign emphasis on ethics in government, makes ethics a prime concern in government. Senators held Tower to a higher ethical standard for his private life than any other nominee in recent memory. That cannot help but spill over into the Wright investigation, especially with Republicans stinging from the Tower defeat.

Now Bush has nominated Dick Cheney, House minority whip, to the defense secretary position. This leaves a very real possibility that Newt Gingrich of Georgia, Wright's number-one critic and the man who brought the charges against him, will become minority whip.

The last thing Wright needs is to have his most vocal critic, a conservative intellectual who sometimes evokes comparisons to Robert Bork, elevated to a position of significant House leadership.

The 1,000-page report on Wright's background and alleged violations is being studied by the ethics committee. None of the members of the committee has leaked any information. They are not allowed to take the report from committee chambers, and it is under guard by capitol police when committee members are at lunch.

The committee is reported to be wrapping up its investigation, so a floor fight can be expected soon. Gingrich and some of his supporters are reportedly so sure of the charges they have brought that they are prepared to label any statement that does not find Wright guilty of wrongdoing as a whitewash by the committee.

The House can do anything from reprimanding Wright to expelling him from the House. If there is any taint, calls for his removal as speaker—at the very least—can be expected from both Republicans and Democrats.

One of the arguments many Democrats voiced against Tower was that his reputation had been so shaken by the charges that he could not be an effective leader. Those same arguments could be applied to Wright and would still amount to declaring someone guilty even if he is innocent.

But the slightest amount of guilt is enough to merit measures against Wright. The speaker sets the tone for the House. If he is not held to a high ethical standard, we have no right to expect adherence to such standards from others.

Lack of discipline causing education problems

By STEVEN J. RUBICK Columnist



The decline of public school education mirrors the decline of American society. Once the backbone of society, the key to American

success worldwide, public schools have become little more than day-care centers coddling American youth and striving to promote a feel-good attitude among students.

In Indianapolis, the public schools (the system of which I am a product) have all but done away with both accelerated and remedial learning programs. Students are lumped together in the same classes and given no incentive to excel and every reason to strive for mediocrity: thanks to so-

cial promotions, only the slightest minority of unqualified students are held back to repeat a grade.

Similar situations can be found in school systems around the country, openly reflecting the sad state of American public schools.

The reason most often put forth for the low quality of public education is the low pay given teachers. The idea of paying more for quality is an idea that has slipped past many school administrators and upper-level government officials.

American teachers are not paid enough. The average salary of \$27,000 is not a strong enough enticement for the teaching profession, and university graduates who might otherwise go on to become teachers turn their backs on education in order to find higher-paying jobs elsewhere.

Many graduates who become teachers do so for the love of teaching and should be commended for that,

but many school systems hire unqualified teachers (those hired in an emergency situation without their teaching degree and those hired to teach classes outside of their majors) who in turn produce low-quality students.

Classroom discipline, or the lack thereof, is another key to education's decline.

With the shift in child psychology in the 1960s from raising children with strict discipline and strong authoritarian figures to respecting each child's individualism, came a corresponding shift in the manner classrooms are run.

Corporal punishment was softened, and the number of students a teacher could fail was limited. The theory behind these moves was that punishing a student was demeaning and could negatively affect the student's progress.

Social promotions have increased

during the last 20 years because of an advancing theory that holding a student back hinders the student's development and, by promoting the student and keeping them with their peers, the student will eventually find the desire to work hard enough to catch up.

If this were the case, then the nation's illiteracy rate would not have grown to the proportions that it has; if the theory were true, many of society's illiterates would have caught up with their peers by now.

Recent studies by International Telephone and Telegraph indicate more than 50 percent of today's high school graduates are functionally illiterate. Other studies show the first four 'years of school are the critical developmental years in education, and 90 percent of students who cannot read or write by that time never learn how.

education, but affecting it nonetheless, is the nation's growing divorce rate. There is an old argument stating "schools are the product of the homes." While this cannot be held solely responsible for the lack of discipline in classrooms, it is a contributing factor.

However, even in public school-

Somewhere outside the realm of

However, even in public schooling's heyday, there were children from single-parent homes and the homes of alcoholics who turned out to be solid citizens and leaders in their communities largely because of the discipline they received in school.

School systems cannot do anything to change the homelife of their students, but by increasing teacher salaries and restoring the authority of teachers and principals in the schools, the school systems can improve education and provide a better formative atmosphere.

Students need to hear 'same old message' about drinking About a week ago, I attended a The messages we've heard must be Please strive for handling alcohol betOthers were impressed most

By LEIF ANDERSON Columnist

I would like to bring up a subject not mentioned for a while, except during the Tower confirmation hearings. This idea may have been talked about too much in the past, but mentioning it here will not make anything

As students, we're reminded to be responsible drinkers. We're encouraged not to drink in excess, and sometimes we're encouraged not to drink

To some, the words fall on deaf ears. They're sick and tired of hearing about drinking.

It's not my place to lecture on the subject. Instead, I'd like to mention some accomplishments.

While these accomplishments aren't backed by statistics, they show things can work here at home.

About a week ago, I attended a large party held by a campus organization to which I belong. The party was like many others.

Dancing, fun and picture-taking for "Flash" seemed to go on all night. The surprise was the number of people intoxicated.

There were few.

Before the party, I remember one person stressing the importance of leaving drinking out of the party. He encouraged people not to drink before the party so they wouldn't drink and drive.

While I know he felt bad for having to "preach the old message" to a large group, I know his efforts served the right purpose.

After seeing parties in the past where drinking played a major role, it was a welcome change to see a party that left it behind. It made me think we're becoming more mature in handling alcohol.

The messages we've heard must be having some effect. While this party doesn't reflect everyone on campus, I know it's affecting some of us.

Since responsible drinking is an issue, I would like to encourage everyone to use the "same old lines."

before it. You might be surprised with the difference it makes.

During the days after the party,

ter. If you drive to a party, don't drink

During the days after the party, many friends said they had a better time because they didn't drink.

Others were impressed most people didn't drink.

The people who made this party what it was deserve all the thanks in the world. Those who showed the concern, the care and the understanding, I thank you.

by Berke Breathed

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News

SuperFrog enjoys putting on show

By RANDY HARGROVE

Reckless, but never out of control. Junior advertising/public relations major Billy Burns admits that statement fits him like a glove.

He has been reckless in front of everyone attending TCU athletic events for the past three-and-a-half years. But if he walked up in front of you on the street, chances are you might not know him.

Burns' appearance is normal enough. This half-Italian and half-Irish lad of 22 stands 5-feet-8-inches and weighs a stocky 160 pounds.

Burns' flowing blond hair and blue eyes and the long, white surfboard leaning against his bedroom wall might give some the notion that he hails from the beaches of California, but in actuality, Dallas is his home.

These features and details aside, the real Burns emerges on game day at TCU. Home football and basketball games would not be the same without the character he portrays. On those occasions, the blond hair is replaced with horns and big, bulging eyes. The stocky features are hidden by a mass of purple and gray fur and oversized high-top sneakers as SuperFrog comes to life.

"I initially wanted to play baseball (at TCU)," Burns said. "Since baseball didn't pan out for me, I stuck with that (mascoting). I was wanting to stay involved somehow. I knew I didn't want to be a cheerleader because I didn't want to be visible. I've never wanted to be visible in my life."

"I got behind something that would bring my personality out on a wider scale without me having to worry about what I was doing," he said.

Reckless, but never out of control. Created in 1979 by then-athletic promotions director John Grace, SuperFrog's popularity has grown to gigantic proportions. In competition, TCU's mascot has annually received recognition as one of the top 20 mascots in the nation. Other universities have often sent letters of appreciation for the job SuperFrog has done.

"Everywhere I've gone, I've tried to put on a show," Burns said. "A reputation has been established by the mascot as putting on a good show wherever we went. Anywhere we've gone, we've had a reputation for the crowd loving us."

But being a mascot takes more than just throwing on a suit the day of the event and parading around.

"You've got to be in good shape," Burns said. "I work out six days a week. I either run or work out with weights. For football, 30 minutes before the game, I pound a lot of water.

"You've got to have controlled breathing," he said. "I've gotten smarter to know how to push my body. It (being in he suit) is like being inside a gas oven. When you get saturated it's like being in a lead suit."

And while being Burns is getting hot in the suit, he must remember that he is at the sporting events to entertain. Staying out of the way of the action is priority No. 1.

"One of the mess ups I had was the first or second game I did," Burns said. "I was laying in the end zone trying to catch my breath. We were driving on the 20-yard line. The next play the ref stopped and said he was going to throw a flag on me. I could hear Coach Wacker screaming. I haven't had a screw up like that in a long time. I was paying attention to the game, but I thought they were on the 50 (yard line)."

During football season, Burns would alternate halves with fellow SuperFrog Kyle Harwood. But Harwood did not return for the spring semester, leaving Burns as the lone Horned Frog during basketball season. The added work was a chore, but the lack of alternating had on benefit.

"The worst thing is when you have to jump into it (the suit) when it's already been sweat in," Burns said. "We would do rock, paper and scissors to see who did the first half. You jump into the suit and the smell can be putrid to say the least."

Fans may not be aware of he unpleasant odor or the fatigue factor involved with mascoting. All they see is



Superfrog Billy Burns takes TCU's loss to the Texas Longhorns hard, nearly vacant Reunion Arena in Dallas.

the performance on the field or basketball court. Burns said some popular crowd pleasers have included being passed throughout the stands and running into the goalpost, and then acting as if he had been knocked

Various props are also used, but for the most part Burns said SuperFrog's routine is not pre-planned and he reacts to the crowd. This can sometimes make for an interesting show on the field. Take, for instance, a situation involving Texas A&M canine mascot Reveille V.

"The whole game, from the time I

stepped on the field he (Reveille V) was barking at me," Burns said. "There were two corps members who had him on a leash. They were giving him slack and he was getting closer to me. The dog got so close it was going to do something, so I decided to initiate it.

"I stuck my head down and tried to stick him with one of my horns," he said. "I was goring him and he was hating life. I think he shed a few years off his coat."

True-to-life mascots are not the only problems SuperFrog has had to deal with.

season have been in progress, the demand for SuperFrog has not been confined to just the sports arenas.

"All the fund-raisers and stuff I love to hit" Burns said. "We've always

While the school year and sports

"All the fund-raisers and stuff I love to hit," Burns said. "We've always gone to hospitals. We've always done Mayfest. Any elementary school that calls up, we try to do.

"Anybody that's willing to ask me to do something for a good cause — I'll more than likely do it," he said. "It's always fun to shed a little light on somebody's dark world."

As for the kids, Burns said the sight of SuperFrog is enough to make them go crazy – a bit too crazy at times.

"They (kids) do just about anything," Burns said. "There is a certain aged-group of kids that are a little ornery. They'll pull your horn or kick you or tie your shoelaces together.

"I was at this elementary school with fifth-graders," he said. "They were in recess. A couple of them jumped on my back and they dogpiled me. The teachers had to come out there and pull them off. There were about 20 kids on me trying to tear my suit apart. I was laughing. They have to realize SuperFrog is indestructible."

With the school season winding down and mascot tryouts coming up April 25, one can only wonder if Burns will spend his last year in Frogland dressed up as SuperFrog.

"It's tough," he said. "I can't really say (if he'll try out again). I'd like to say the position is open for review. I'm going to be out of here next year. We need to find someone who can follow after me. We need to have a lot of participation in this."

Once his tenure as TCU's Super-Frog is over, Burns said he would like to travel to Europe and South Africa. But the possibility of a professional career in mascoting is not totally out of the question.

"I could do pro so easily," he said. "I'm still in college, but I still think it's professional. It's so weird to say that about mascoting, but there is a market for it. If I could develop my own suit and do it, I'd be the next chicken (former San Diego mascot who performs at professional baseball games). I'd give that guy a run for his money. What I plan on doing in life is going to have to be fun to me because I can get bored real easily doing something I don't want to do."



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"During the second half (of last sea-

son's football contest at Houston), I

was facing the crowd throwing a football in the stands," Burns said. "He

(Houston's Cougar mascot) came up

behind me and walloped me in the

back of the head. He ran off and got up

sneak up on him," he said. "I got be-

hind him and pulled him down by the

back of his shirt. I pinned him down

and started head-butting him. I head-

butted him and left. If somebody does

something to us in the suit, it's cause

"It took me about 10 minutes to

on the Houston bench.

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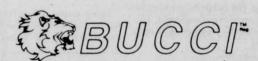
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had a jambox playing," he said. "People were blowing bubbles, going wild and in front of Tom Brown they were playing football in car lights.

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In Clark, hall director Michael Cappo said he had been notified by both HVAC and campus police of the impending blackout. He said he told the resident assistants and residents.

Some guys were working on papers and assignments on their computers when I told them," Cappo said.

Cappo said some people saved their papers in time, and others who had planned to work up until a few minutes before the blackout lost their papers when it occurred early.

Other students were also inconvenienced.

"I called my dad and asked him to wake me up at 8:30 (a.m.) in case the electricity went out again, because

everyone was saying it was going out at 11 and not coming on for a while," said Laura Chance, a resident of

At the library some students were unable to do research and homework.

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"I couldn't get the books I needed to start my paper, so it was a wasted evening," said Lynn Poindexter, junior English major.

The power outage was recognized at 7:36 p.m. Sunday by an HVAC employee who was manning the 24-hour monitoring system, Goodman said. Goodman said the employee followed a written procedure used when responding to power outages.

TU was notified of the outage, he said. Then university supervisors and campus police were called, he said.

Goodman said TU workers checked out the equipment and confirmed that the problem was a failure in the feeder. He said the feeder wire had to be changed.

"It (the feeder wire) was old, I guess," Goodman said. "Texas Utilities didn't know why it had to be replaced either. It's very difficult to determine the reason.

There was no way of knowing the feeder would go down, he said.

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"Texas Utilities is very good about checking the system. I think this was

just an occurrence that couldn't have been predicted," he said.

Goodman said in the area affected there was no emergency generation available to provide an alternate

The goal of HVAC and TU was to get the power back up as quickly and as safely as possible, he said.

"Texas Utilities responded as quickly as they could," he said. "Considering the type of failure it was, it was fixed pretty quickly."

Goodman said the hall directors

and housing officials were contacted and informed of what was going on.

HVAC told campus police of the situation, and the dispatcher contacted hall directors about the power failure, said Tom McGaha, assistant

chief of Campus Police. The main thing was to keep patrols moving, he said.

Additionally, there was a fire alarm in Sherley residence hall.

Goodman said there was no fire in Sherley, and the alarm wasn't necessarily connected to the power failure.

McGaha said an electrical motor burned out in the west basement, and caused the smell of smoke, prompting the hall director to pull the fire alarm.

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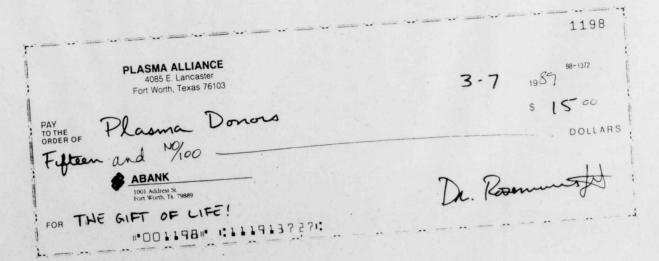
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Sports

Frogs end season with loss at SWC

By JOHN CLEMENTI Sports Writer

At 11:56 p.m. Saturday, Jupiter aligned with Mars while the moon was in the seventh house. The Age of Aquarius dawned, spreading an age of love and peace across the earth.

Unfortunately for TCU, it didn't arrive in time to prevent an 93-89 overtime loss to the Texas Longhorns in the semifinal round of the SWC Post-Season Classic.

Five TCU players, including four of the five starters, fouled out of the game. The Frogs were also called for two technical fouls.

Senior forward Jeff Boutelle had four fouls in 10 minutes as the officials whistled an overwhelming 34 fouls against the Frogs

TCU controlled the game in the early going, as junior forward Craig Sibley and freshman center Reggie Smith combined for 11 of the Frog's first 15 points.

At one point, TCU owned a 13point lead (24-11), but then the foul difficulties began.

Smith and point-guard. Tony Edmond each picked up their third foul and spent most of the first half on the bench

Junior guard Jay Lomas had an upand-down performance in relief of Edmond. Lomas scored 17 points but had six turnovers, including two costly ones in the final minute of regula-

TCU coach Moe Iba said he was happy with Lomas' play under the circumstances.

"He played a great game for us," Iba said. "He made some mistakes, but that is because he hasn't had much playing time.

Texas scored the last 10 points of the first half to close the TCU lead to one point, 36-35.

The second half began much the same way as the first, with Sibley dominating on the inside and scoring the first six TCU points.

Sibley had his finest overall game as a Frog, scoring 25 points and pulling down 10 rebounds (both season highs) in 34 minutes.

number two seed in the tournament looked good until senior guard Danny Hughes fouled out with 1:01 left and TCU ahead by four, 76-72.

ballclub," Longhorn coach Tom Pen-

"When he went out, I told the players we not only were going to win, but I thought we could win by 10 in OT because he wasn't on the floor," Penders said.

Penders' assessment held true as Texas scored the final four points of regulation and the first five of the ex-

'Anytime you have great players like Craig Sibley and Danny Hughes out of the game, it's going to hurt," senior guard John Lewis said. "It was a great factor because those are key

TCU fought back with a patchwork squad in which Lewis was the only

'We had a makeshift lineup in there, and we did the best we could," Iba said. "We played a great game.

Twice they cut the Longhorn lead to one, but Texas' guards proved to be too much in the end. "You have to give TCU credit," Penders said. They played great 'D' on us. They have quick players in key positions, and they are a big, strong team up

"They played very well." But the Frogs didn't play well

enough to earn a spot in the 32-team National Invitational tounament. The NIT snubbed the Horned

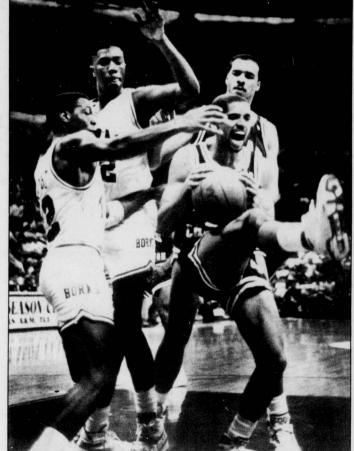
Frogs (17-13) and the rest of the Southwest Conference, choosing instead big-name teams with lesser re-St. John's (15-13), Nebraska (16-

15), Michigan State (15-13) and Mississippi (15-14) were among the teams with lower winning percentages than

"I think we deserve a bid," Lewis "We proved a lot of experts wrong this year. We gave a great

"I think this team deserved a bid," Iba said. "I'm disappointed. I thought they'd take someone from our league, but you have no control over that.

Iba said he talked to selection committee officials Monday morning, and was told that the Frogs were still under consideration.



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TCU guard Jay Lomas goes after a rebound as Texas' defenders watch



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TCU forward Craig Sibley reaches over defenders during the semifinals of the SWC Classic

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