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Employment opportunities low for May graduates

By LEANNA STALEY
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May graduates are facing a job market like the one of 1983, when the United States was in its last recession.

Starting salaries are lower than in previous years and competition for jobs is tough. Employers are hiring less this year.

According to a 1991 employer survey by the *College Placement Annual*, a nonprofit publication, 33 percent of employers said hiring was down. In 1989, only 17.8 percent said employment opportunities were decreasing.

Despite the lower number of available jobs, a high number of college graduates are competing for open jobs.

The Department of Education's Center for Education Statistics predicts that more than one million college students will graduate with bachelor's degrees in 1992. Twenty-

four percent of those students will receive business and management degrees. They make up the largest portion of the total number of 1992 graduates.

Business majors will find a favorable demand for their skills, according to the Collegiate Employment Institute.

The institute used supply and demand ratios to determine an estimated job demand for 28 fields of study.

Students majoring in communications face a very competitive job search, according to Department of Education statistics.

Kristen Koch, a senior advertising/public relations major, said she's afraid she won't be able to find a job related to her major.

"I think everyone's first choice is to get a job in his or her major," Koch said. "Out of necessity you may have to settle for something that might not be what you expected."

Students aren't alone in seeing

their expectations change.

National employment analysts predicted a gain of more than 30,000 jobs between the months of July and October 1991. But a recent national employment report showed a loss of 1,000 jobs in October.

Manufacturing, construction and retail accounted for the majority of lost jobs.

"Unemployment in the Dallas-Fort Worth area and in Texas is the highest it's been in four years," said Carolyn Ulrickson, director of the Career Planning and Placement Center.

"Companies are being more conservative (in hiring practices) because (people are) saying that we're coming out of this recession but companies aren't sure," Ulrickson said. "The way this fall recruiting season fell is a really good indication of that."

Normally, the university hosts between 65 and 70 corporate recruiters in the fall. This year, only

45 companies interviewed students on campus during the fall semester.

However, the number of job listings is up, Ulrickson said.

Instead of going through the expense of sending recruiters to the university, employers are sending job descriptions and letting students contact them, she said.

Some students will find it easier than others when they do look for a job.

Education majors face a tough market and communications graduates will enter a very competitive market, according to the Collegiate Employment Research Institute.

According to *Career Futures* magazine, accounting is a recession-proof field, but banking and financing are not as stable.

Education is somewhat recession-proof and competition for jobs is low at the elementary school level, said *Career Futures*.

The magazine also said health care majors will enter a stable field and

nurses will face little competition in their job search.

Starting salaries for most of these fields are not very large.

The only profession that had a significant raise in starting salary in 1991 was health care, said a College Placement Council survey.

According to results from campus recruitment in 1991, the starting salary in health sciences is \$25,901. That number is up 27 percent from 1990.

Business majors can look forward to a starting salary of about \$30,000 and communications majors start out at about \$20,000. Education majors have the lowest starting salary, at under \$20,000.

There is some good news for people who start at these salaries.

"Those people in the disciplines that (start) at lower initial starting salaries, will usually in a very few years catch and surpass those people who go in at higher starting salaries," Ulrickson said.

Some students may choose not to enter the work force right after graduation and instead go to graduate school.

In 1988-89, more than 300,000 people received master's degrees, more than 35,000 received doctorate degrees and more than 75,000 received legal, medical and theological professional degrees, according to figures from the Department of Education.

However, dropout rates in graduate programs are high.

According to *The American Scholar*, almost 70 percent of Ph.D. candidates do not complete their degrees.

Students who work in a field related to their major may be better off than their peers in graduate school, Ulrickson said. Usually it is more beneficial if students get experience in their field instead of going to graduate school, she said.

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License plate thefts increase 10 percent

By JOE LATTANZI
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The license plates of four cars belonging to university students have been stolen since the beginning of the spring semester and license plates of four other students' cars were damaged by someone attempting to remove them, according to Campus Police reports.

"There's been a 10 percent increase in license plate thefts since this time last year," said Don Edwards, associate chief deputy Tarrant County tax assessor-collector.

Edwards heads the motor vehicle department in the office of the tax assessor-collector.

Current figures about license plate and registration tag thefts in Tarrant County were not immediately available, Edwards said.

"It's a problem," he said. "Local automobile dealers are taking the plates off their cars at the close of business and storing them overnight."

A new insurance law enacted in September may contribute to the increase in license plate thefts, Edwards said.

The law requires all motorists to show proof of liability insurance before they can register their cars.

The law also requires motorists to show proof of insurance when

renewing drivers licenses and during automobile safety inspections.

Texas law previously required motorists to show proof of insurance only when stopped by a police officer.

An increase in the Tarrant County bridge and road tax may also contribute to the increase in license plate and registration sticker thefts, Edwards said.

The motor vehicle license registration fee includes the bridge and road tax. The fee has been raised from \$6 to \$10, Edwards said.

People may be stealing license plates or registration tags to avoid paying the cost of automobile insurance and the increased cost of the tags, he said.

The frequency of license plate and vehicle registration tag theft has increased throughout Fort Worth, said James Dunnam, a Fort Worth police crime prevention officer.

Dunnam also attributed the thefts to passage of the new state insurance law.

Current figures about the frequency and number of license plate and registration tag thefts in Fort Worth were not immediately available, he said.

The police crime analysis unit does not list thefts by category in its

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TCU Daily Skiff/ Aimee Herring
With shovels in hand, Chancellor William Tucker, Fort Worth Mayor Kay Granger, Ranch Management Director John Merrill and philanthropist William Rockefeller lay the foundation for the future ranch management building. The new structure will double the existing space of the old ranch management building.

Degrees in political science offer variable career opportunities

By KRISTIN CORBETT
TCU Daily Skiff

People looking at a political science degree have many career choices staring back at them.

"If you're a political science major it qualifies you to do anything — plumber and up," said James Riddlesperger, chairman of the political science department.

About one-third of political science graduates go on to get other degrees, one-third get jobs in the public sector and the last third go into some other kind of career.

The students seeking further education can go into a master's degree political science program or to law school.

"We've had good success in placement for graduate school," Riddlesperger said.

The master's degree is essential to train for an elected office, he said.

"One of the things that is becoming increasingly clear is that if you want a professional job, you need a professional degree," he said.

Although a degree in political science is not required for law school, politics and law often go hand in hand, Riddlesperger said.

The university program has sent students to the best law schools in the country, including Harvard, Yale and the University of Virginia.

"We have been blessed with a large

number of talented and ambitious students," Riddlesperger said. "Through their work, they have been able to get into law school with absolute regularity. Virtually all of our students who we advise to apply to law school get accepted."

Another group of political science

majors get jobs working for the government.

They are qualified to work full time for political parties, local and state governments, research and consulting businesses and interest groups and

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Workers in environmental services will be needed in future, Council says

By LEANNA STALEY
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Environmental engineering is a good bet for the future, according to the Career Placement Council.

Opportunities in hazardous waste cleanup are widely available, and the Clean Air Act will mean utility companies, oil companies and automobile manufacturers will need environmental engineers.

The government has jobs for environmental scientists at all levels: federal, state, county and city, said Leo Newland, professor of environmental science.

Right now, there are a few more openings in government jobs than in private industry, Newland said.

Private industries hire environmental scientists for environmental consulting. Companies such as

Arco, Exxon and Shell will hire environmental science graduates, Newland said.

"Energy company salaries are very good," he said.

Generally, graduates should expect moderate salaries in the field. The extremely good jobs, such as those at national parks, don't pay as much as others because the competition for those jobs is very intense, he said.

Opportunities are available in many areas including forestry, parks and recreation, environmental planning, air and water conservation, fishery and wildlife management and solid waste management.

Those jobs will grow and new ones will be created in the future.

"Compared to other sciences, it (environmental science) is a growing field," Newland said.

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Today's weather will be partly cloudy with a high temperature of 51 degrees.
Wednesday's weather will be partly sunny with a high temperature of 58 degrees.



Self-study program evaluates university operations, services

By MEREDITH CAWTHON
TCU Daily Skiff

The university is conducting a study that asks students, faculty, administrators and alumni to evaluate all aspects of university operations and services.

The University Self-Study, which began in June 1991, will be reviewed for the university's accreditation purposes. The university is evaluated every 10 years by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) for university certification.

The study examines all aspects of the university through five different surveys. The surveys contain specific questions from SACS, as well as standard questions from other university surveys that are relevant to the university.

"We want to take a snapshot in time of what the students, in particular, feel about the university, and to do it in a scientific way to draw some generalizations from the conclusions," said Gene Alpert, study coordinator.

Alpert said the purpose of the surveys is to get an assessment of peo-

ple's opinions and perceptions about the university and most of its operations.

Five committees made up of 135 students, faculty and administration will analyze the results of the surveys to determine attitudes about the university. The committees will then make changes to enhance the reputation of the university and the value of its degrees, Alpert said.

All students who received the surveys, which were distributed in a variety of classes, should fill them out and return them by Friday to the TCU Bookstore, the post office interoffice mailbox or to instructor who handed them out.

The surveys are an opportunity for undergraduates to make recommendations for improvements to the university. Many of these recommendations will directly affect resources and programs that are available to students, Alpert said.

"I hope people will take the time to fill them out, especially the students, because they will be taken seriously and will have an impact on programs that go into effect next spring or Fall 1993, as we attempt to respond to the needs of the students," Alpert said.

CAMPUSlines

CAMPUSlines is provided as a service to the TCU community. Announcements of events, meetings and other general campus information should be brought by the Skiff office, Moudy 291S or sent to TCU Box 32929. The Skiff reserves the right to edit for style and taste.

Chuck Davis and the African American Dance Ensemble will be demonstrating the art of storytelling today at 11 a.m. in the Student Center Ballroom.

The Speech Honor Society and WICI present Careers in Communication Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Room 320S. Free admission.

Tau Chi Upsilon, a local social fraternity, begins spring rush Friday. For more information come by the rush table in the Student Center Wednesday through Friday or contact John Gaetz at 926-5718.

\$1,500 Scholarship available for an English graduate or undergraduate student who plans formal study in Great Britain in the summer of 1992. For application information call Keith Odom or Neil Daniel at ext. 7240.

Graphics Contest offers a \$100 award for the best logo design for the 1992 Battle of the Bands. Entries are due Feb. 17. Contact the PC Concerts chair at 921-7926.

Mortar Board information sheets are available in Room 101 of Sadler Hall. Application are due Feb. 21. For more information contact Jennifer Burgess at 926-2548.

The University Christian Church holds a weekly college fellowship at 7 p.m. every Sunday. Call 926-6631.

Adult Survivors of Incest is a newly formed group at the TCU Counseling Center. Students interested in a pre-group interview call Barbara Moore at ext. 7863.

Peace and Social Justice Committee meets at 3 p.m. every Monday in room 204 of the Student Center. For more information call Carol Lattimore at 921-7240.

Chi Delta Mu meets at noon every Monday at the Wesley Foundation on Loudon Street. For more information call David Nolan at 921-0393 or 332-4197.

HELPlines

The Volunteer Center, a service of the United Way, needs volunteers. The Center can be reached at 860-1613 for information about the following or other opportunities.

Volunteers are needed to serve in a court-appointed capacity to be advocates for abused or neglected children. Training will be held on October.

Volunteers are needed to demonstrate pioneer craft skills at a historic log cabin village in Fort Worth. Training is provided.

Volunteers are needed to coordinate and help organize a historical library for a Fort Worth agency. Available from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays or on weekends.

Volunteers are needed to call people who have requested assistance through a local agency. Social work skills helpful.

Volunteer drivers are needed to deliver library materials to homebound people and return previously delivered materials to the library. Available from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Must use own vehicle.

Volunteers are needed at a Fort Worth museum to assist with a special hands-on children's "discovery area." Must be available on weekdays and weekends. Training begins in September.

Volunteers are needed to assist with a recycling program on the East Side. Help is needed on Saturday mornings to sort the recyclables and help carry them from cars to the recycling area.

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Experience is often a requirement for many professions.

"Some college graduates are surprised to learn that 15 states require a year of experience beyond a bachelor's degree to qualify to sit for the CPA (Certified Public Accountant) exam," said Michael Kennedy, a recruiter for Price Waterhouse.

Despite uncertainty about the job market, low starting salaries and whether or not to go to graduate school, May graduates don't necessarily have to be certain about their long term futures. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, every college graduate will change jobs five times before he or she reaches age 30.

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studies of crime patterns and crime statistics, he said.

Dunnam gave a simple solution to prevent removal of registration tags.

"I suggest that motorists take a razor blade and make slight cuts in the sticker," he said. "If someone tries to peel the sticker off the license plate, they'll only get a piece."

Dunnam recommended that all the old registration tags be removed before the new one is affixed to the license plate.

The state legislature may permanently solve the problem of registration tag thefts in October, said June Garrison, Tarrant County tax assessor-collector.

The state legislature will introduce a bill in 1995 changing the size of the registration tag, Garrison said.

The bill will require that the tag be mounted inside the windshield next to the vehicle inspection sticker, she said.

Replacement license plates and registration tags cost \$5.30 each to replace, Edwards said.

No one pays the full initial cost of the license plate or tag, he said.

The initial cost for a registration tag varies from \$60 to \$70 depending on the age of the vehicle, he said.

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associations. There are also corporate public affairs jobs that are open to political science majors.

Another group of students take jobs that don't directly relate to a political science degree.

The political science degree can be used for other occupations because it gives a broad background in critical thinking, Riddlesperger said.

"I would like to think that when people finish a degree in political science, they've earned something that they can be proud of," he said.

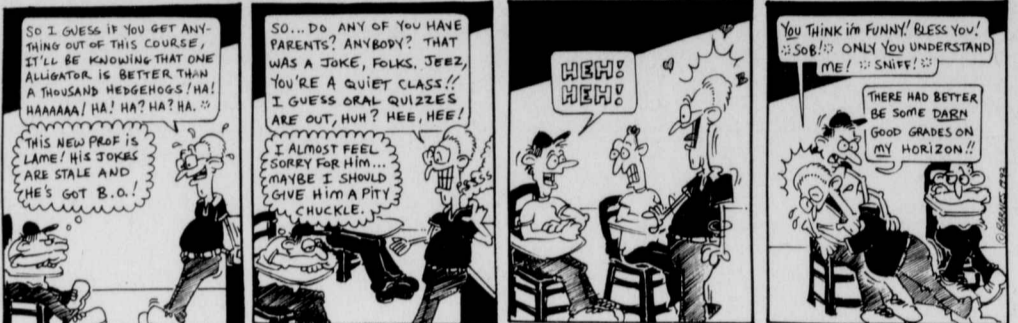
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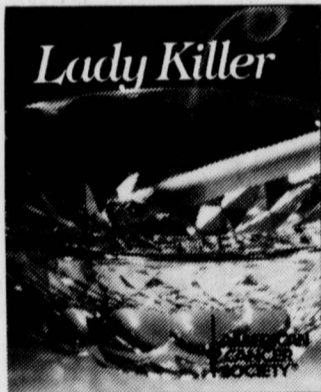


Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



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Groundbreaking Improvements aid ranch management

The university's groundbreaking for the new ranch management building should propel the program into the 21st century.

Thanks to donations by the Winthrop Rockefeller Charitable Trust, the university's ranch management department can study the latest techniques in a new facility that includes large rear-projection screens and computer capabilities.

In addition to equipment, the new structure will more than double the existing space of the current building.

The academic department will also receive a substantial shot-in-the-arm because financial donations will provide monetary support for four teaching positions, student scholarships and building maintenance.

The learning experience of present and future students should be greatly enhanced thanks to the many gifts of caring individuals and organizations.

We commend the generous donations of Fort Worth citizens and others who responded to the challenge to raise funds.

We also commend the leadership in the ranch management department whose efforts have been rewarded. Their efforts to acquire matching funds succeeded.

The future does look bright for ranch management students. The teamwork on behalf of ranch management has ensured that university students will have state-of-the-art facilities to learn.

And ultimately everyone benefits from that.

Promises

New House leadership must begin today

When the House of Student Representatives meets for the first time this semester today, a new administration will be sworn into office. Throughout last semester's campaign, the student body heard many promises and numerous plans for the campus this year. Now is the time for these new leaders to act upon them.

President Ben Walters, Vice President Matt McClendon, Vice President for Programming Jay Warren, Secretary Holli Harry, and Treasurer Tiffany Swayzee have before them a long list of projects and issues that must be addressed in the coming months.

Campus recycling was an issue that many of the candidates, most notably Walters, promised to promote. The House must expand on earlier initiatives forged in several campus buildings to produce an exhaustive and broad-reaching plan for recycling aluminum cans and paper products.

Campus unity was another issue dealt with by virtually all of the candidates. Precious little will be accomplished if this campus remains splintered into Greeks, independents, athletes, etc. All of the candidates vowed to increase campus unity and this should begin now.

Another area that the House must address in greater detail is in the area of campus renovations and improvements. This year began on the right note with the addition of several new pieces of exercise equipment in the Rickel building, but the campus is still in dire need of greater permanent improvements. As always, safety and lighting are areas that demand attention, as evidenced by last semester's assault of a female student in close proximity of several residence halls.

Finally, campus leaders should remember the promises they made to broaden the lines of communication with the administration. The student body as a whole is still largely left in the dark concerning the University's master plan. And once again, questions about tuition increases lurk in the back of all of our minds. It is up to these student leaders to increase contact with Sadler Hall and help inform the students of the many happenings that will affect them. As representatives of the students, it is incumbent upon them to make the student's voices heard.

So often in the past have leaders in the House of Student Representatives contracted a severe case of amnesia when it came time to make good on the promises that placed them in office. For three weeks, the campus community heard pledges and promises of change and continued growth. The students voted accordingly. The student body has entrusted these campus leaders with making university life better for all of us. Now it is the time to make good on all of the promises.

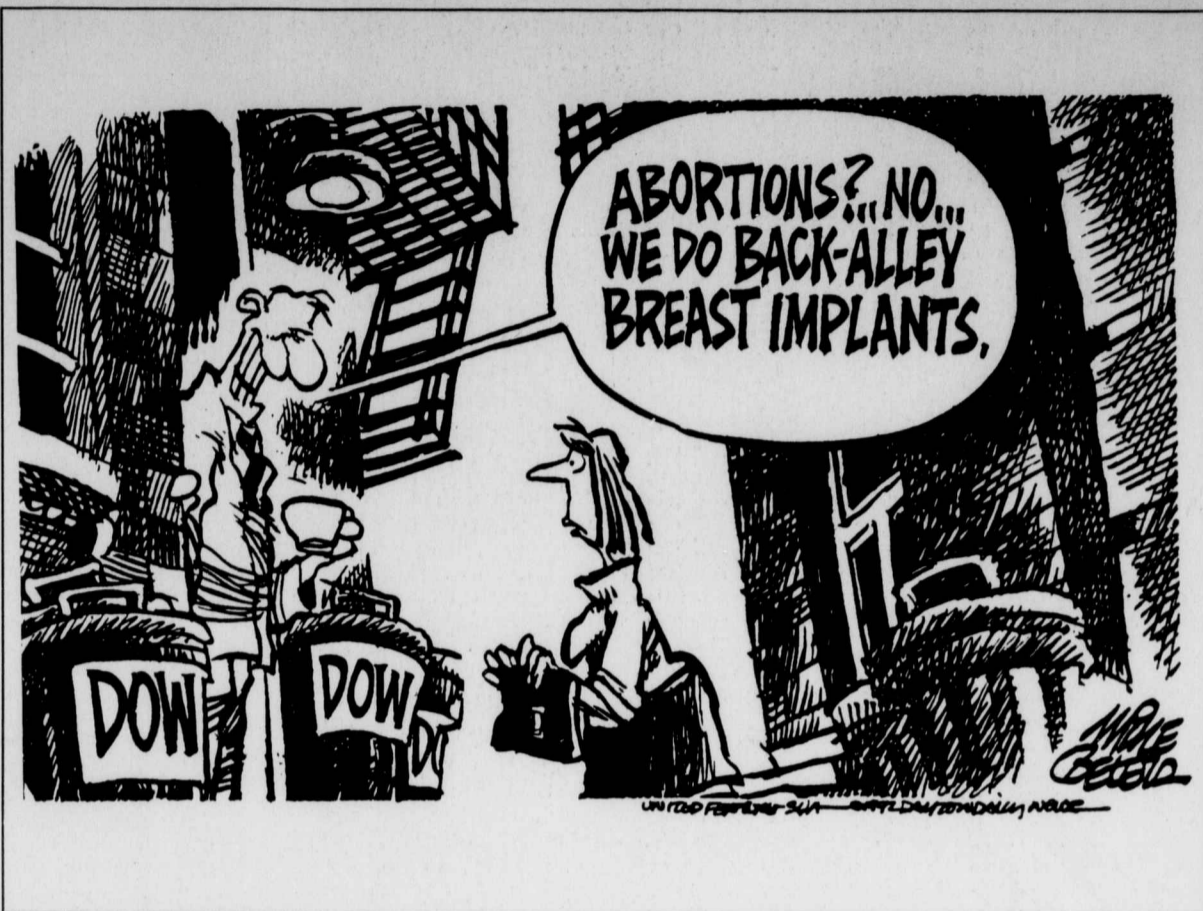
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Planning for future begins now

by
**JENNIFER
CLOUGH**



Guest Columnist

Career Week, a campus-wide effort, has been Carolyn Ulrickson's vision since she took over as director of the Career Center more than two years ago, after an eleven year stint at the University of Houston-Clear Lake. The week is designed to give students in all disciplines information about employers and career options.

Under Carolyn's leadership, the Career Center staff has worked to increase services to all students at TCU, and Career Week 1992: "It's A Whole New World Out There" is one result of that goal. Other impacts have also been made.

According to information from the TCU Career Center's Self Study Report, numbers of people who use the services in 1990-91 were way up from 1989-90 figures. Overall counseling appointments increased 86.2%, while appointments specifically with Liberal Arts majors increased 110%. The Career Connection (the full-time job listing bulletin) recorded a 158% increase in vacancies

posted by employers. Clearly, the Career Center is making its presence felt both on and off campus.

Career Week evolved from similar programs that Ulrickson coordinated at the University of Houston-Clear Lake. Carolyn describes Career Week at UH-Clear Lake as the biggest programming event of the year, generating great attendance and response from students. Let's hope that TCU's Career Week 1992 will have a similar impact on this campus.

Last year, the Career Center sponsored a Career Week with a single Career Fair and a handful of workshops. One of the students who attended many events, Julie Parker, liked what the Center was trying to do, and offered to help with a future Career Week. Julie has had primary responsibility for organizing Career Week, and as a result, has significantly improved the event. Thanks to Julie and her publicity assistant, Katherine Thompson, Career Week 1992 has an increased scope, with four Career Fairs and over 40 workshops.

The four career fairs taking place Monday through Thursday are not designed to be "job fairs" with employers wanting to talk only to graduating seniors. Instead, these employers are interested in sharing information about what they do with all class levels, and showing how students might fit into their organi-

zation.

The increased number of workshops this year is due to the involvement of all faculty and student organizations. Every academic dean and many department chairs have personally been approached and all faculty have been encouraged to provide in-class seminars discussing career-related issues. In addition, all student organizations were contacted to sponsor workshops during the week. The result is the wide variety of workshops you see advertised in the Career Week Bulletin.

The Career Center applauds all Career Week sponsors and participants for recognizing the importance of this week. Thinking early about careers is more crucial than ever in this competitive marketplace.

If you still aren't sure about the value of Career Week, look at it this way: even though most of the people you encounter during Career Week will have jobs, be wearing suits, and have official-looking name badges, they are just people (some of whom graduated from TCU) who want to help you figure out your future. How can you lose?

● Jennifer Clough is a Career Counselor with the University's Career Planning & Placement Center. Career Week continues through Friday. If you have any questions about any of the week's activities, contact the Career Center.

Bush goes east, economy goes south

by
**JEFF
JETER**



Columnist

These are the voyages of the Starship Bush — a four-year mission throughout the universe to chart unknown diplomatic and political galaxies. The objective is to boldly go where no man has gone before: prostrate at the feet of the Japanese Prime Minister.

At the helm of this political starship is President George Herbert Walker Bush. Yes, the President of the United States denotes a grand sense of tradition and leadership. President Bush, the statesman, stands tall as he presides over monumental changes in world history. President Bush, the commander-in-chief, stands proud as he leads the most spectacular demonstration of military power in history. Oh, and lest we forget, there is President Bush, the sickly beggar, as he falls at the feet of the Japanese leader begging for trading scraps from the Japanese table.

With the strains of domestic discontent raring its ugly head earlier this year, Starship Commander Bush headed abroad at warp factor eight. And as the public opinion polls continued to drop, Bush's longstanding diplomatic mission to Japan and the Pacific Rim suddenly exploded into an honest-to-goodness business trip — a trip in which the victorious Gulf War leader would boldly and defiantly lay down the law to the Japanese people. But just as Bush prepared to lower the boom on the Japanese, he fell victim to the strains of travel and his hectic schedule. Few Americans will soon forget the televised images of a sickly and pale American leader falling under the table at an official Japanese state dinner.

But under the table seems to be an appropriate place for President Bush to spend the

most memorable portion of his journey. It rings with irony that Bush collapsed at the feet of the Japanese Prime Minister since, after all, he was there to beg and plead for American products, American jobs, and Japanese sympathy. Bush's illness, however, is symbolic of a disease more serious than the flu: the state of U.S. competitiveness in the international community. U.S. products fare no better overseas than the President did. American products are largely held to be inferior and when this is coupled with ridiculously unfair trading practices by many of our competitors like the Japanese, we can easily diagnose the epidemic ailing our economy.

The President degraded both himself and the American people by going abroad to press the flesh like some vacuum cleaner salesman going door-to-door in the international community soliciting promises for greater imports on everything from American automobiles to American computer chips.

Bush's actions were indeed noble, however they should have come four years ago before the economy hit critical condition. As it stands now, the President is trying to perform emergency surgery on an economy by placing a tiny bandage across its gaping wounds.

But rejoice, for the Japanese have promised to import more of our cars! Oh happy day, the Japanese are prepared to make a sizeable dent in our trade imbalance — minuscule, that is. The number of new American cars the Japanese have agreed to import will knock a whopping 1 percent off the trade imbalance. Japanese promises *should* make us optimistic, but these are nothing new. Promises, promises, promises — all the Japanese have ever given us are empty promises. For years the Japanese have "promised" to open their markets for more U.S. products. Despite all of these "promises," the Japanese never make good on any of them. Make no mistake about it, Japan is an economic tease.

As renewed cries for protectionism ring out across the U.S., the American people hear Japan's leaders slandering our workers and our industries, claiming that we are too stupid and too lazy to compete in the international market. The Japanese may have made a critical mistake by waking a slumbering giant with their insults. This type of moronic diatribe has been going on for years and may have finally struck the nerve in the American people that will drive us to recapture the lost economic crown. In just one short week, the Japanese have lost a valuable California transportation contract and an opportunity to own the Seattle Mariners baseball organization.

On the home front, things are looking more and more bleak for Commander Bush. Polls show the economy as the major campaign issue for '92, and the President's approval ratings continue to drop. In addition, the President has placed an inordinate amount of importance on tonight's State of the Union address. President Bush has maintained that tonight's speech will be the ideal forum in which to unveil his strategy. But by waiting so long, the President has set himself up for endless scrutiny and probably more criticism than his substantive message will warrant.

The fact of the matter is that President Bush's State of the Union speech had better rival the Gettysburg Address or the Bushes will have to change their address back to Kinneunkport, permanently.

No one doubts that the nation is in dire need of a plan of action coupled with decisive steps to improve our economic situation. The sad reality, however, is that all President Bush is likely to offer us is exactly what he received from Japan: promises, promises, promises. Someone beam the President up.

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Sports

Lady Frogs fall to Oral Roberts

By TY BENZ
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In the end, the Lady Titans wouldn't be denied.

Using a furious second half rally, Oral Roberts, 3-14, overtook the TCU women's basketball team to hand the injury plagued Lady Frogs their eighth loss in a row, 72-69, and lower their record to 4-12 last Saturday afternoon in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

Despite missing three starters to injuries, guards April Ham, Rachel Hesse, and star forward Liz Zeller, the Lady Frogs raced out to a 21-9 early first half lead on the strength of the outside shooting of guards Andrea Boris, who scored a career high 26 points, and Kristi Haigood, who hit three three-pointers.

"We were hitting from the outside in the first half," said TCU head coach Fran Garmon. "Andrea was incredible in the first half, scoring 20

points, while Kristi Haigood also made some three point shots. Those two were a big reason for our great first half."

Another big reason for TCU's big first half was the defensive pressure exerted by the Lady Frogs. They used a zone defense that harassed and frustrated Oral Roberts. The Lady Titans threw bad passes and couldn't get the ball inside, which resulted in wild outside shots. This led to poor shooting, ORU shot only 32 percent in the first half, and 13 turnovers as TCU jumped out to a 38-24 halftime lead on the strength of 48 percent shooting.

"All week we've stressed reading defenses," said junior guard Andrea Boris. "They played a two-three zone that left the outside open so we took and made them."

The second half was a different story as ORU wore down the Lady Frogs using a full court press and person-to-person defense that stole

TCU's momentum and lead. The Lady Titans went on a 12-1 scoring run that cut TCU's lead to five, 53-48.

"In the second half, we just got tired," Garmon said. "Our girls aren't used to playing all game and it showed, especially in our shooting."

The Lady Titans would use red hot shooting (57 percent) and an aggressive defense to tie the game at 67 all. But TCU's Traci McKinley hit a running jumper to give the Lady Frogs the lead back with 37 seconds left.

TCU's hopes were dashed when ORU's Tina Gardner hit a three-pointer with 22 seconds to give the Lady Titans the lead they would never relinquish as they held on to win 72-69.

"That shot just absolutely devastated us," Garmon said. "I'm just crushed that we lost this game because we played with so much heart."



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TCU point guard Brent Atwater calls an offensive play during the Frogs 77-49 win against South Florida last Saturday night.

Frogs pay back South Florida 77-49

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When South Florida and TCU met earlier this month in Tampa, the Bulls' Radenko Dobras scored 26 points while TCU's Michael Strickland was held scoreless.

South Florida won 78-67. In Saturday night's rematch in Fort Worth, Strickland scored 10 points, one of five Frogs to score in double figures, while Dobras was injured and unable to play.

Not surprisingly, TCU came away with a win.

What was surprising was the ease of the victory. Using what head coach Moe Iba called "the best defense we've played in a long time" and a balanced scoring attack, the Frogs avenged one of their four losses this season with a 77-49 trouncing of the Bulls.

A Daniel-Meyer Coliseum crowd of 4,614 watched as TCU used all nine players suited and never trailed in the game. Forward Allen Tolley scored eight of the Frogs first 12 points as TCU erased the memory of

last Wednesday's first half collapse against Baylor by charging to an early 19-10 lead.

"I've been playing through injuries lately and working harder to get back in preseason shape and it paid off tonight," Tolley said. "I'm still trying to get my jump shot back. But it's good to get a game like this after Baylor."

When South Florida did make a small run at the Frogs, cutting the lead to 30-24, TCU responded with 10-3 spurt at the end of the half to take a 40-27 lead into the locker room.

The Frogs shot over 51 percent in the first 20 minutes. All five starters tallied five or more points in the first half.

TCU went on a 16-0 run early in the second half to erase any doubt on the outcome of the game. The Frogs led by as many as 32 in the waning moments of the contest.

The Frogs forced 19 South Florida turnovers and held the Bulls to 35 percent shooting for the game, 27 percent in the decisive second half.

The Bulls' inside duo of Fred

Lewis and Gary Alexander, who combined for 40 points in South Florida's win, were held to 10 points and 14 rebounds. TCU center Reggie Smith scored a game high 16 points and grabbed 15 boards, tying a season high.

"We did a good job of collapsing in on their post people," Iba said. "They wanted to go inside with the basketball. That's how they beat us the first time."

Along with Smith and Strickland, TCU got good offensive production from Mark Moton (13 points), Tolley (12 points), and Albert Thomas (11 points).

Both coaches agreed that Dobras' absence played a factor in the outcome of the game.

"It's hard to measure how much we missed him (Dobras)," South Florida coach Bobby Paschal said. "The last time he scored 26 points against TCU. You just can't replace that."

"Obviously they are a little different team when they have Dobras out, but that doesn't take away from our effort tonight," Iba said.

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