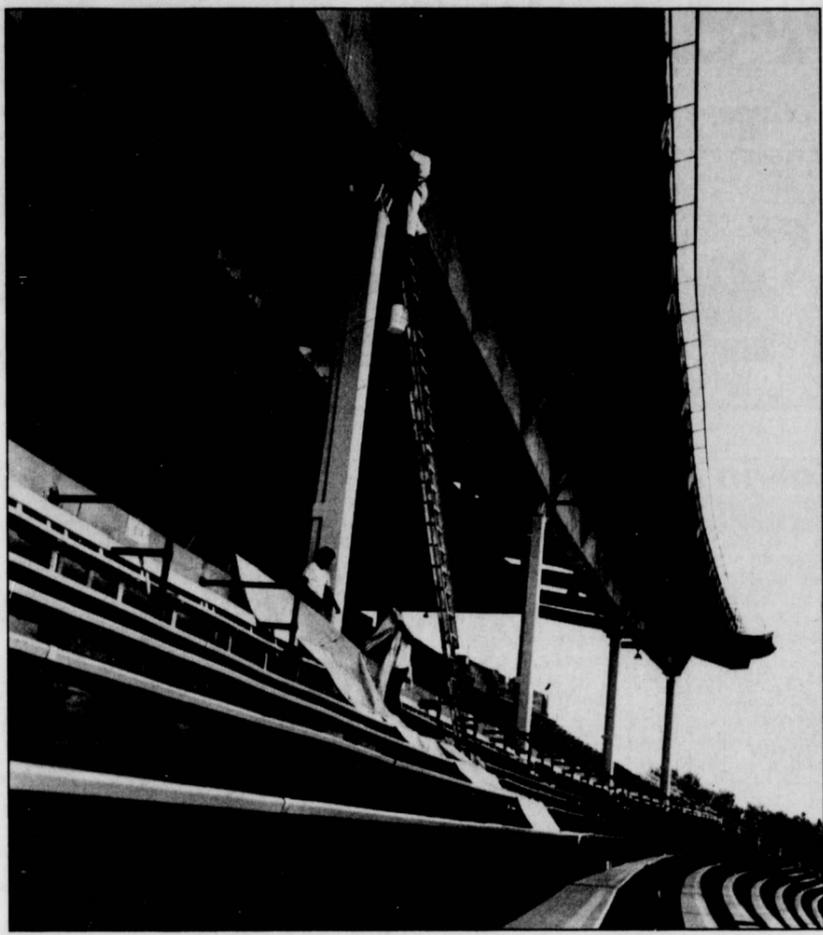


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Painters work on Amon Carter Stadium on Wednesday in preparation for Saturday's game against OU. The painters have been working on the stadium for three weeks.

8 departments to play host to Green Honors Professors

By VANESSA SALAZAR
TCU Daily Skiff

This year's Green Honors Professors lecture series will feature 10 scholars who have been recognized in their fields for their prestigious achievements.

The university's first 1993-94 Green Honors Professor will be Jeremy Black, a professor of history at England's University of Durham and the author of 23 books.

"He is the most published historian in British literature," said Spencer Tucker, chairman of the history department. "He's also someone we had met before and was here last year on campus to speak. We really liked him so we asked him back."

In addition to being a specialist on the 18th century, Black is a reader at the University of Durham, the university's highest position.

Eduardo Schwartz will be the finance department's guest professor. Schwartz is a professor of real estate and finance at the University of California at Los Angeles and is known for his research in contingent claims.

"He's just phenomenal in his work," said Finance Department Chairman Joe Lipscomb.

The physics and political science departments will each host two guests. In physics, John D. Mackenzie and Per-Olov Lowdin will appear for two days each. Mackenzie is a professor and associate dean of the School of Engineering and Applied

Science at the University of California at Los Angeles. He is the author of more than 300 papers.

Lowdin, considered to be a founder of modern quantum chemistry, is a professor at Uppsala University in Sweden. Lowdin is also a graduate research professor of chemistry and physics at the University of Florida.

The political science department will host Kevin Boyle and Roderick P. Hart. Boyle, a professor of law at England's University of Essex, is also the director of Essex's Human Rights Center and is known as an expert on the conditions in Northern Ireland.

Following Boyle will be Hart, the F.A. Liddell Professor of Communication and professor of government at the University Texas at Austin. Hart is also a former member of the Purdue University staff, and a winner of Speech Communication Association awards.

Visiting the English department will be Cecelia Tichi, who is scheduled to arrive at the end of this month and will speak the first two days of October. Tichi is a professor of English and an American Studies specialist at Vanderbilt University.

Following the Oct. 1 lecture, Tichi will be the keynote speaker in a symposium on the teaching of literature on October 2.

"She'll also be visiting some classes and talking with the faculty," said Neil Daniel, chairman of the English department. "She will be a

resource as well as a visiting celebrity."

In February, Alan Fletcher, a British graphic, packaging, book and typographic designer will speak as the guest of the art history department. Fletcher has created designs for the Container Corporation of America, Fortune Magazine and Time-Life.

Everett E. Dennis, the executive director of The Freedom Forum Media Studies Center at Columbia University, will be the guest of the journalism department.

The geology department will play host to Gordon Craig, an emeritus professor at Scotland's University of Edinburgh, is recognized for his work in paleontology and in the history of geology.

While concrete dates have not yet been set for all the visiting Green Honors Professors, their host departments will have more details as the dates approach.

The School of Education's scheduled guest, Kenneth Strike, will not appear.

The Green Honors Professor appointments were started in 1969 through a gift given by Cecil H. Green and his late wife, Ida Green. Since its commencement, the appointments have brought a number of scholars from different parts of the world to meet with students and faculty as well as to make public presentations and seminars.

Group of Texas parents calls for ban on certain books

By MICHELLE MITTELSTADT
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Horror novels, books with profanity and a hit Broadway play that deals with homosexuality are among the classroom materials some Texas parents find objectionable.

People for the American Way said Wednesday that Texas ranked third nationally in frequency of attempts to remove educational materials from public schools.

Only California and Pennsylvania surpassed Texas, said the liberal advocacy group, which each year releases a study tracking what it considers classroom censorship.

People for the American Way counted 21 censorship attempts in Texas classrooms in the 1992-93 school year. California was first with

29, and Pennsylvania second with 27. Oregon and Washington were tied with Texas.

Nationwide, the group cited 395 cases in 44 states — but cautioned that the majority of challenges go unreported.

"Increasingly, the schools are the battleground for struggles mirroring broader societal debates collectively known as the 'culture war,'" the report said.

The organization attributed much of the rise to increased oversight of public education by conservative organizations.

"While the network of far right and religious right leaders and groups has worked to 'Christianize' American society by targeting various social sectors... it has found the public schools its most fertile battleground and its best opportunity to

influence the minds of society's next generation and, in turn, society itself," the report said.

Phyllis Schlafly, head of one of the conservative groups most actively involved in attempts to remove some classroom materials, defended her organization's efforts.

"I think the parents have the absolute right to veto anything that's given to their child," said Schlafly, whose Eagle Forum has organized parents nationwide.

Among the Texas incidents cited in the report:

"The school board in Mount Pleasant voted not to renew the contract of a teacher who had assigned her drama class the reading of Neil Simon's play, 'Brighton Beach Memoirs.' Parents and school administrators objected to the play for its profanity and discussion of

homosexuality.

"Parents and religious activists in Georgetown objected to the district's sex education and high school health classes where sex and homosexuality were addressed. The school board agreed to remove condom demonstrations, prohibit discussion of homosexuality and separate the classes by gender up to the 9th grade.

"A group of parents and community members affiliated with Eagle Forum objected to materials used in a fourth-grade class in Grand Saline. Among the materials in question was an African folk tale challenged as Satanic for its picture of an African mask. The teacher, called a 'devil worshipper' by an objector, was directed to remove all challenged materials, dismissed from teaching the gifted program and barred from using any reading materials except

the school's basal reader. The teacher, who has filed a slander lawsuit, resigned upon hearing the school board was planning to fire her.

"The Cleburne school board removed from the junior high school required curriculum Katherine Paterson's book, 'The Bridge to Terabithia,' after a grandparent and 10 community members complained that the book's creation of a secret, magical world by children was too suggestive of the occult. The book remains an optional selection on the recommended reading lists and is available in the school library.

"A Saint Jo school librarian removed all books by Stephen King from the high school section of the central school library, in part for being gory and lacking scholarly content. In Timpson, the school board removed King's books from

the high school library after the board's president objected to them, citing profanity.

Brad Duggan, executive director of the 4,000-member Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association, said classroom censorship attempts are on the rise. And that's not a negative, he said.

"I guess it would be easier if no one challenged what we do, but education from its inception has always been challenged and that usually strengthens education in a community... because it gets the debate public, it gets people talking about issues."

And, Duggan added: "What that means is educators are going to have to be pivotal in bringing together consensus from everyone."

Nigerian lecturer has hope for homeland's new government

By SARAH YOEST
TCU Daily Skiff

When, half a world away, a military dictator who controlled Africa's most populous country stepped down, the story got little coverage in the Western media.

But in the heart of Yushau Sodiq, a religion-studies lecturer and Nigerian national, the news brought a sense of pride for the homeland he left nearly 10 years ago.

"I was so pleased there was no war because of the transition," he said.

"Nigerians are more aware now of their responsibilities," he said. "There's no need to fight and kill one another to have a good transition of government."

Gen. Ibrahim Babangida controlled Nigeria from 1985 until Aug. 25 of this year. Babangida had promised to resign in October 1992 and also promised to hold a general

election.

Once that election was held, Babangida declared the election corrupt and canceled its results. Outside observers said the election was one of the most legitimate ever conducted in Nigeria.

Moshood Abiola, the winner of that election, is expected to lead the interim government, but as of Monday his location was unknown, Sodiq said. Rumors have placed Abiola in the United States and on his way back to Nigeria.

Nigeria is the most populous country in Africa; its citizens follow Christianity, Islam and traditional African religions.

Abiola is a Muslim, but Sodiq cautioned against talk of Nigeria becoming an Islamic republic.

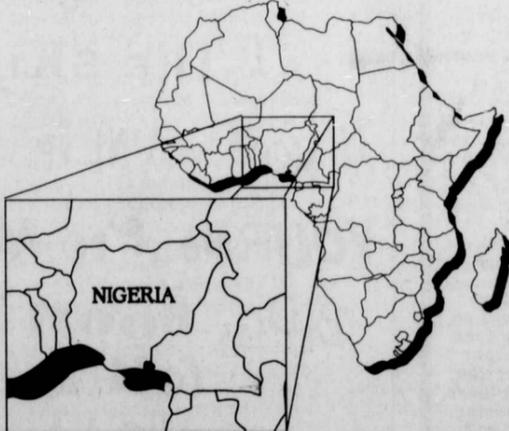
"That's irrelevant," he said. "To just label anything because it is related to Islam is sad."

Babangida was also a Muslim, he pointed out, as were the previous four rulers of Nigeria, and the country has always maintained its religious plurality.

Abiola has been declared "Are Ona Kakanfo," or "The Spiritual Military Leader of all the Yorubas," Sodiq said, which would make it politically impossible to enact an Islamic republic. The Yorubas are one of the largest tribes in Nigeria, Sodiq said. They are not traditionally Muslims.

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METROPLEX

Today's weather will be partly cloudy, windy and warm with a high of 95 degrees.
Friday's weather will be clear and breezy, high of 86 degrees.



New piano lab added to music department

By CHRISTINA BARNES
TCU Daily Skiff

The university's music department installed a new piano lab Aug. 17 to replace the old out-of-date system, said Janet Pummill, coordinator of piano class program and accompaniment program.

The new lab has 12 digital pianos that inter-connect as well as connect with the lab instructor, according to a press release. The new lab is a Korg C36 Concert Piano System, and the second one to be used in Texas. Other schools with similar systems are Texas A & I, University of California at Los Angeles and Berklee College of Music in Boston.

The music department funded the new lab, and the pianos are the finest system available, Pummill said.

"It is a stereophonic system, which means it has Compact disc quality," she said. "It's the closest sound to a real piano as in what's out there right now. Korg is the finest."

Each piano has a headset and students can play without interrupting each other, Pummill said. The lab instructor can also converse and listen to each student individually or as a whole through the headsets, she said. The computer memory bank also can record the students playing, she said.

"I can listen and record the stu-

dents and they won't be able to tell," she said.

Pummill said she can give students recordings of their music and tell them how they did and what they need to improve upon.

"It really has a lot of benefits," she said.

The pianos have six sound options: piano, harpsichord, organ, vibraphone, electric piano and strings, she said. Students can also choose an affect they want the piano to have, she said. For example, there is the "hall" option that makes the piano sound as if it is in a large concert hall, she said.

The piano system allows for more creativity, Pummill said. The students can record themselves playing, play along with themselves and practice different melodies.

The headsets can also be unplugged to allow music to fill the room, Pummill said.

Piano students can use lab hours to practice, which frees up the practice rooms, she said.

The lab was not supposed to be installed until the new building was built, Pummill said, but the cost of fixing the old equipment was too great. Now students on campus have the benefit to use it before the building is built, she said.

Female university student attacked Saturday in the Hulén Mall area



By CHRIS NEWTON
TCU Daily Skiff

A TCU student was attacked by an unknown assailant at 1:16 a.m. Saturday in the vicinity of Hulén Mall. According to the Campus Police report, the victim was hit in the face by a female whom she said she did not know.

Campus Police Officer James Cooper reported sighting the two girls carrying the victim near the Miller Speech and Hearing building towards Sherley Dorm.

"The complainant had blood on her face, was unsteady on her feet and complained of a headache," Cooper said.

The police report also indicated that the victim had consumed 1.5 tall beers.

"Chief of Campus Police Stewart said that he wants 'students to know that things like this happen so that they will take more precautions,'" Cooper said.

"We live in a city with a high crime rate," Stewart said. "Unfortunately, things like this happen. It's important to report things like this to us. An assault of any type is serious."

Upon arriving at Sherley residence hall, the hall director would not accept the victim unless she received medical care.

The complainant was examined and required no emergency treatment.

Campus Police Sgt. Connie Villela said there are a few ways to help keep students out of danger.

"A lot of these types of assaults tend to happen at night or in the early morning," Villela said. "It's just not safe to be out on the streets at night."

Witness testifies man was involved in trucker's beating during L.A. riot



LOS ANGELES (AP) — One of the black men accused of beating white trucker Reginald Denny had threatened to "hit and kill people" because of Rodney King, and later hit Denny with a brick, a witness testified Tuesday.

Gabriel Quintana also testified that defendant Damian Williams attacked him during the riots that broke out after four white policemen were acquitted of most charges in the beating of King, who is black.

Williams, 20, and Henry Keith Watson, 28, are being tried on charges of attempted murder, assault and robbery for attacks on Denny and seven others at the South Central Los Angeles intersection where the riots began on April 29, 1992.

Quintana was the first witness to identify Williams as one of the attackers. He said Williams threw a brick at Denny's head and then "he started to dance."

Quintana testified he was working at a gas station near the intersection where trouble started and

that he recognized Williams as someone who had come by before to ask for cigarettes or take gas without paying for it.

On the day of the riots, "He said, 'Today I'm going to hit and kill people,'" Quintana said.

"He just said something about Rodney King," Quintana said when asked why Williams wanted to attack people.

Quintana, 22, delivered most of his testimony through a Spanish interpreter, although he quoted the remark about hitting and killing people in both Spanish and in Williams' language, English.

After the riot started, Quintana said, he left his cashier's booth and locked himself in a gas station restroom. But he said Williams and others unscrewed the hinges to the restroom door, dragged him out, beat him and pushed his head through the glass cashier's window. No one was charged in his attack.

Williams' lawyer, Edi Faal, pointed out that Quintana didn't initially mention Williams' alleged threats to police.

Asked why he waited so long, Quintana said, "I don't know."

Faal accused him of changing his testimony to help prosecutors prove the attempted murder charge.

CAMPUSlines

Parabola, the math honor society, presents speaker Ken Clarke at 3:30 p.m. today in Winton-Scott Hall Room 145. Clarke will speak about "Tennis Anyone?: A Scheduling Problem." Refreshments will be served from 3 to 3:30 p.m.

The International Students Association will hold its first meeting at 5 p.m. today. The location is available at the Student Center Information Desk. Call Ingrid Roa at 926-4038.

Circle K International will hold its first meeting of the year Sept. 7 in Student Center Room 203. All are welcome. Call Chandra Wisniewski at 927-0446.

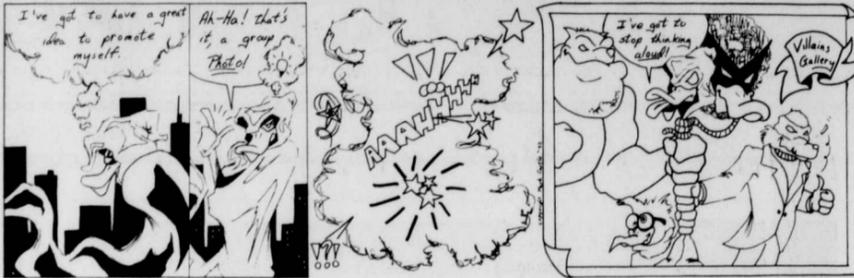
The Registrar's Office needs students to notify it of address changes before Sept. 10. The changes will be made in the new issue of Frog Calls, the campus telephone book.

Explore, a nonprofit women's organization, is currently holding registration for classes. The TCU class will be held from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Mondays starting Sept. 22. Call 861-4454.

The 1993 Golf Spectacular benefiting the Circle T Girl Scouts begins at 8 a.m. Sept. 13 at Iron Horse Golf Course in North Richland Hills. For information, call Ken Hardisty, tournament chairman, at 737-7272.

Wicca's Guild

by Mark Castle



College

by Dan Killeen



Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



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from many problems, religious strife is not among them, Sodiq said.

"The problems of Nigeria are economic and political problems, not religious problems," he said. "As far as this (interim) government is concerned, there is not a religious problem at all."

Although Abiola has faced allegations of corruption for his role in installing a sub-standard telephone system, Sodiq said that he has a strong point: Most of Abiola's wealth has been invested in Nigeria, where it provides for jobs and development.

Sodiq, a member of the Yoruba clan, said that Abiola's investments follow a Yoruba expression: "If you want to live peacefully, you eat and let others eat."

Sodiq said that Americans may have some problems with Abiola. In years past, Abiola has called for the United States to pay retribution for enslaving thousands of Nigerians in the 17th century.

If, Abiola reasoned, the United States could pay to rebuild Germany and Japan after the wars, it could recompensate for enslaving generations of Nigerians.

Although he hopes to return to Nigeria some day, Sodiq said he will not return until his country can solve some of its problems.

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Opinion

Modern black comic book heroes mistaken for innovation



P.D. MAGNUS

I saw a comedian on the Tonight Show a few weeks ago who told a joke about becoming the first black superhero, explaining all the things he'd do that Superman never did. The guy was very funny, but he was also dangerously ignorant.

The Arts and Entertainment section of the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* had a lead story about "Meteor Man," the new action-comedy film directed by and starring Robert Townsend. The reporter outlined Townsend's motives in making the film and concluded, "Thus, there's Meteor Man, the first black superhero — with a few twists." The twist I suppose is that he's not the first black superhero.

Finally came the event that motivated me to write this column. The

local news ran a story about Dallas-based Big City Comics and the Toys 'R' Us chain of stores. The two were involved in negotiations after explicit covers had led the toy store to remove Big City's "Brother Man" comic from its shelves. It attracted attention not because of the explicit covers, which were inoffensive (although violent enough that they're hardly fare for 5-year-olds), but because it's a concept that rates high on the offensiveness meter. In a report written months ago, when "Brother Man" was going to press for the first time, the local news told of the artist's attempts at making the first black superhero.

Their ignorance of black superheroes doesn't rank high on the lists of threats to society. It is, however,

a single point in a bigger picture. Last week a march on Washington was held to commemorate the anniversary of the first march of Martin Luther King Jr. when gave his now-famous "I have a dream" speech. It was all about savoring victories and hardening up for the fight ahead. It was about having gained political equality and now working to gain economic equality. It's important if you want to move forward that you know what battles you've already won. There are many black superheroes; every one need not be the first.

DC Comic's Black Lightning premiered the first issue of his own series back in 1977. Black Lightning, the crime-fighting alter ego of high school teacher Jefferson Pierce,

can bounce bullets and throw cars with the best of 'em, as well as absorbing electricity and generating lightning bolts. Nonetheless, after comedian Sinbad portrayed the hero in a Saturday Night Live sketch about Superman's funeral, most people I talked to just laughed at what a great character the SNL writers had made up.

Although Hal Jordan is DC's Green Lantern, when he decided to quit heroics he handed his power ring over to a black Chicagoan named John Stewart. Although Jordan has returned, Stewart acquired another ring, allowing them to fight alongside as intergalactic lawmen. Stewart starred solo in the series "Green Lantern: Mosaic," a powerful experimental series that was one

of my personal favorites until its recent cancellation. The failure of his own series will not close the books on John Stewart, however. He will continue to fly through the other Green Lantern titles.

I can list others, like Todd McFarlane's brilliant "Spawn" (Image Comics), who was a black man before his transformation. I shouldn't fail to mention DC's Cyborg. This half man-half machine is a member of the Titans and dates back to 1980, when the group was still the Teen Titans. Next time you hear about the newest first black superhero, you can just laugh. You're in on the joke.

P.D. Magnus is a sophomore pre-major from Burleson, Texas.

Letters to the Editor

Watson returns

I am glad to see my friend Dennis Watson's caustic columns back on the pages of the *Daily Skiff*.

Nevertheless, in his article about religious fanaticism (Aug. 31) Watson made a statement that in my opinion, needed not be there.

To associate the NRA (National Rifle Association) to the weirdos of the Davidian compound in Waco is unnecessary and false. The NRA, in fact, is a legitimate organization that promotes shooting sports, (even at the Olympic level), that is concerned with safety and protects the Second Amendment rights for those Americans who in such rights believe. Furthermore, the NRA has always prided itself in trying to avoid the abuse of firearms and, therefore, has always harshly condemned and taken the distance from such cases as the one that happened in Waco.

You are perfectly entitled to disagree with the agenda of the NRA or any other organization. But to gratuitously slander it without the slightest evidence is more worthy of a low-key tabloid than of a respectable newspaper; besides, it does not speak in favor of your otherwise excellent style.

Good luck for the semester, and keep up the good articles.

Tom Leoni is a first year MBA student from Milan, Italy.

The Skiff welcomes letters to the editor. Letters must be typed, double-spaced, signed and limited to 500 words. Letters should be turned in two days before publication. They must include the author's classification, major and phone number. The Skiff reserves the right to edit or reject letters.

EDITORIAL

Don't drink and drive

Before you finish off your third or fourth beer at a pre-party, jump into your car with a few friends and drive off to a party this weekend, stop and think.

Even though you have had only "a couple of drinks" and you "feel fine," you might still be legally intoxicated according to Texas' tougher drunken driving laws.

Under the new laws, which take effect this weekend, drivers under the age of 21 whose blood registers an alcohol concentration of .07 percent or greater, and those over 21 whose test indicates a level of .10 or greater, are exceeding the legal limit and driving while intoxicated.

An under-21-year-old driver who refuses to take a breathalyzer test may have his or her license suspended for up to one year.

And it doesn't take many drinks before the average student reaches the limit. The average person's blood-alcohol content level can reach .05 percent after one to two drinks and .10 percent after three to five drinks. A drink is equivalent to one 12-oz. beer, 4 to 5 ounces of wine or an ounce of 80 to 100 proof hard liquor, according to statistics from the Tarrant County's DWI Task Force.

If you are caught driving while intoxicated, the punishment has also gotten tougher.

Texas Department of Public Safety's traffic law enforcement officials said the new laws were not passed to see how many people could be arrested or given tickets. They want people to drink responsibly.

And if you think you're old enough to drink, then you should be old enough to act responsibly when you drink.

The only way to avoid receiving a DWI is to not drink and drive — it's as simple as that. If alcohol is involved when you go out and party with friends, make sure one of them stays absolutely sober and drives. Only then will you avoid causing a car accident that could end someone's life.



Flood victims band together against river

ROB EILERMANN

We are in the midst of a social revolution. This movement is not so revolutionary in its premise: when there is a problem, throw lots of money at it and it will go away. We are relying on the government to spend away the problems.

This summer, I witnessed something that dispels this theory. It was called the 100-year flood, then the 500-year flood and finally labeled the largest flood in recorded history.

I saw homes ripped from their foundations. Businesses destroyed. Fires on the floodwater. Highways turned upside-down. Chaos.

I am sure "y'all" saw some of these tragedies on the national news. These stories however, showed only part of the big picture. You may have seen a segment about a farmer who lost his livelihood or seen a debate on government flood relief funds. The media missed the boat.

The real story in the Midwest this summer was not the power of nature, but the strength of the human spirit.

People from all walks of life turned up to sandbag. Companies donated food and beverages to volunteers. People volunteered to house flood victims. There were fishbowl in every office filled with money to be given to flood relief and corporate donations. People helping people. All this while, Washington dragged its feet. We were given to make it regardless of government help.

I was given days off from my internship early in the summer to sandbag. We were helping the people on the river plains. I saw the desperation, but what truly affected me was the determination. I met people from other states who had driven in to help out. I felt for the people being flooded out of their homes, but it had no direct bearing on me.

But the waters kept rising. I arrived at work on a Friday morning

and was told there was a call for the immediate evacuation of the area. Panic. Every employee loosened up his business suit and dug in. We carried files to the second floor. We carried computers. We sealed and sandbagged the building. No time for lunch. We had a job to do. We left that evening exhausted, but we were satisfied.

The levee broke around 11 p.m. that night. By 3 a.m., there was nine feet of water. Buildings were gone. The airport was gone. Nature had won Round 1. Our efforts were for naught.

By Monday, we received our permit to take a boat out to the building. Upon arrival to the complex I felt the awesome power of nature. Walls were gone. Windows were shattered. Nature had also brought with its destruction an array of creatures and "stuff." Snakes. Frogs. Insects. Coffins. Raw sewage (and I mean raw).

We were determined to win Round 2. We waded through it all with a flashlight and a trusty snake-stick in hand. We spent three full days retrieving all that was put on the second floor. No time for lunch. No time to explore. We had a job to do. We did it. Round 2 was ours.

By Wednesday evening, the company was relocated and fully operational. We had defied nature. We had won without government spending and with no outside help.

There will be a need for government assistance in the months to come, but it is refreshing to know we are not at the mercy of the government. It is invigorating to experience strangers working side by side to get the job done. The spirit this country was founded on is alive and well. I learned more this summer than in all my years of schooling. Don't wait for Big Brother to come to your rescue. You will find an able hand at the end of each of your arms. Thanks, McBride.

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Government bureaucracy downscaling with task force

'Mr. Gore's gilded initiative seems doomed to failure'

Fall has arrived, and with it a deadline. Vice President Al Gore and his "Streamlining Government" task force must announce the results of their 6-month investigation of governmental efficiency. I suspect their answer, entombed in 1000 pages and a clear plastic binder, will be "What efficiency?"

MATT FLAHERTY

The proposed goal of Mr. Gore's inquiry is to reinvent government, throwing out the stale and inflexible aspects of bureaucracy, while substituting a fresh entrepreneurial mindset. I'm not quite sure if this venture is exceedingly brave and foolish, or suavely clever and disingenuous. Al Gore looks honest, after all, and I want to believe that his task force is more than a political smoke bomb. Still, the only connection I can find between governmental bureaucracy and entrepreneurship is spelling. The terms are otherwise so antagonistic that I must hesitate.

Optimists will respond that this discrepancy accounts for Mr. Gore's venture, and that President Clinton's active administration will make something positive of the gesture. Again, I am dubious. Placing a politician in charge of a federal efficiency project has never proven historically viable. Ten years ago, Ronald Reagan set up the Grace Commission to investigate the same problems, and it did a fine job ferreting out waste and bloated expenditures, for which reason Reagan and a liberal Congress vigorously ignored it. This shouldn't surprise anyone who considers the political function of rhetoric. Committees are designed to study, not to act.

Nevertheless, the proponents of Mr. Gore's project have high aspirations. I suspect they picture a scene from the old "Andy Griffith Show." On that program, several times a week, Otis the town drunk would stumble into the sheriff's office and voluntarily lock himself in a jail cell. Gore's reformers are expecting our government, the national drunk, to voluntarily abstain from inefficient

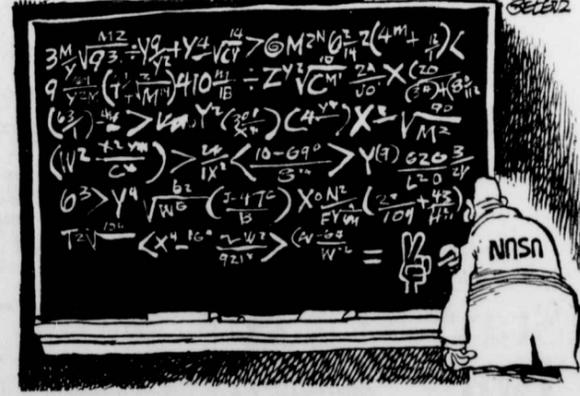
and wasteful spending. This notion produces a reflexive guffaw in most Americans. And what is worse, the politicians currently in charge are Democrats. Now we're not just asking Otis to lock himself up, we're asking him to run the Betty Ford Clinic for sloppy drunk superpowers; during the day perhaps he'll succeed, but by nightfall he'll be on another bender.

It is unfortunate that Mr. Gore's gilded initiative seems doomed to failure. The federal government has developed by means of imperfect evolution into a labyrinth of regulation and patronage. It has ensnared millions of formerly independent citizens in the nets of entitlements, and its roots are deep. Any shallow changes Mr. Gore may suggest, so long as they streamline the colossus which bestrides us, will be welcomed. But it will take far more substantial cuts to actually tame Uncle Sam. And here, concerning the role which government should play in American life, Mr. Gore and fiscal conservatives will part company.

In anticipation of this divergence, I will preempt Mr. Gore and briefly offer my proposals for reinventing government. A radical, brilliant step might be to shut the fiasco down entirely. Assuming this referendum fails, we might at least dispatch the Rural Electrification Administration, cut the U.S. Department of Agriculture by half along with farm subsidies, and can 50 percent of the remaining government employees. All the money saved should be kept as far away from politicians and lawyers as possible.

Most importantly, as the *creme de la creme* of my project, we should ratify NAFTA, and ship the White House and Congress to Mexico where labor is cheaper. The old buildings could be converted into a home for wayward boys, which might lead to some real reform in Washington.

Matt Flaherty is a junior neuroscience major from Des Moines, Iowa.



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News

Committee will aid students with learning problems

By RACHEL LAMONICA
TCU Daily Skiff

With the number of students on the campus who look just as ordinary as the next, it is easy to miss the increasing population of students with learning disabilities enrolling in universities nationwide.

An *ad hoc* academic committee has created a service for students with disabilities and has named Jennifer Sweeney as its coordinator. Sweeney holds a bachelor's degree in reading from Southern Methodist University and a master's degree in education from TCU.

"My goal for the students is academic success regardless of their disability," Sweeney said. "Especially since they have already made it through the admissions process."

Sweeney said the new service

does not have any specific requirements to receive help and does not follow a set curriculum. Its services are available for students with learning, physical or psychological disabilities, she said.

Sweeney said she has set a standard of equal educational opportunities for all who come to see her. She said she will serve as the middle woman between students, faculty and parents.

"My major focus in helping the students is to keep them here, and not lose them because they can't get help," she said.

After meeting with Sweeney, a student will undergo some assessment tests in reading, writing and arithmetic; verbal and performance areas and other studies to determine what kind of disability the student might have, she said.

Sweeney said anyone who feels they have a problem or just wants to be tested to be sure can meet with Sweeney and receive some answers to his or her questions. There are 11 aspects of the intelligence test and three of the achievement tests, she said.

Sweeney said she gets a variety of students visiting her such as athletes, pre-majors and students from her career explorations class.

Disabilities can be visible or hidden, Sweeney said. The term disability does not refer to a disease or handicap, but describes a condition a person might have, she said. For instance, a physical disability might be needing crutches or having asthma; a learning disability might be an attention deficit disorder or dyslexia; a psychological problem might include becoming easily

depressed or fearful, she said.

"The tests are used to determine a student's strengths and how we can use those strengths to work on the weaknesses," Sweeney said.

Obviously every student on campus is of average intelligence because they had to be proficient in many areas just to make it through the admissions process, Sweeney said.

For example, some students may find that they excel in only a specific area, like math or art, and they don't know how they are going to make it through their history class with all those dates, years and names to remember, she said.

"Once we get a comprehensive, accurate assessment, a student can look at specific small areas and realize, 'I'm really good at this, but I'm slow at that,'" she said.

Larry Adams, the *ad hoc* committee's chairman and associate vice chancellor for academic affairs, said faculty members are not to lower their standards, but rather, "Accommodations are to be made in an effort to equalize the requirements, allowing students to compete equally with their non disabled peers," as the committee's report stated.

"Ms. Sweeney is a nice lady and knows what she is doing," said Chad Cantella, a junior advertising-public relations major. "I have dealt with these kind of programs all my life and have seen many who put symbolism over substance . . . appealing certain powers. I'm glad someone is giving the students some power to do things for themselves."

Sweeney said a student's ability

and courage to speak out are important to the process of determining a disability. Although students must sign a confidentiality statement, they are encouraged to go to their professors and communicate the situation, she said.

They are also encouraged to tell others who may only see the healthy and beautiful impression on the outside and not the battered and frustrated problem on the inside, Sweeney said.

"Visual impressions can be inaccurate and lower self-esteem," she said. "Especially when the student is fighting so hard to compensate for so much."

Sweeney's office is located in the Center for Academic Services, Rickel Room 106. Her phone number is 921-7486.

Peace talks continue in Mideast

Negotiators closer to establishing self-rule for Palestinians

By BARRY SCHWEID
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Emotion-charged Mideast peace talks reopened Tuesday with confident Palestinian and Israeli predictions that a historic agreement to establish Palestinian self-rule would be concluded within days.

"That's a done deal," said a senior Israeli official. He told reporters the only remaining question was whether the accord would be signed by the heads of the Israeli and Palestinian delegations that opened an 11th round of talks here or other Israeli and PLO officials.

"It's an agreement that stands on its own two feet," the official said. Morevoer, Nabil Shaath, chief political adviser to PLO chairman Yasser Arafat, said "we hope to hear very soon — tomorrow or the day after" statements of "full mutual recognition" by Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

Israeli sources confirmed Arafat and Rabin would move toward an accommodation but said the announcement may be several days off.

But the official said Israel "will not settle for anything that is less than 110 percent explicit" recognition of its nationhood and renunciation of terrorism by the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The PLO has agreed, meanwhile, that 3,300 Jewish settlers would remain in Gaza with Israel responsible for their security.

The timetable for mutual recognition was one of the subjects under discussion in Europe, where Israeli and PLO negotiators on Tuesday continued the talks they had begun secretly earlier this year in Oslo.

Negotiators here awaited the results.

Norwegian officials, who have played a key role in forging the accord, said the new location was a secret and three other meetings had been held in three in another European country, which they would not name.

A senior Israeli negotiator said after a 90-minute meeting with the Palestinians that Israel, whose government had already approved the agreement Monday, was now awaiting approval of the pact by the central committee of the PLO.

"Now it's up to the PLO to respond in kind and to approve the agreement so that we may soon formalize it and sign it here in Washington," said Eytan Ben-Tsur.

Secretary of State Warren Christopher, praising the accord that will put the PLO in charge of day-to-day life in Gaza and in the West Bank city of Jericho as "a conceptual breakthrough," said the United States was prepared to provide financial assistance.

But in the Arab world beyond, and in Israel, there was anxiety and some bitter opposition forming to the agreement.

Many Israelis worried about giving Arafat a foothold on the West Bank, some 20 miles from Jerusalem, while militant Arabs questioned the Palestinians settling for less than a state at this stage.

Jewish demonstrators in Jerusalem called for rejection of the plan. Opposition leader Binyamin Netanyahu led a delegation of parliament members through Jericho, and police arrested two protesters while breaking up a rally outside Rabin's house.

Most of the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip was closed down by a strike called by Islamic fundamentalists and dissident PLO factions to protest the peace talks. Merchants in Jericho defied the strike.

Jordan's King Hussein flew unexpectedly to Damascus for emergency talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad, and Arafat was under death threats from hard-line Palestinian rivals.

After a two-hour meeting in Cairo

with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, Arafat told reporters confidently: "We will reach a just and comprehensive peace that will account for the Palestinian people's political rights."

Shaath, the PLO coordinator for the talks, said the basic outline of the declaration had already been worked out and that the negotiations, which resumed Tuesday after a two-month recess, were in a "holding pattern" awaiting approval of the PLO executive committee and the Israeli parliament.

The negotiators would then sign the declaration — probably in Washington — and move on to the fine print, he said. By way of example, Israeli sources said this would include how Israeli forces would have access to Jewish residents of Gaza.

Israeli Ambassador Itamar Rabinovich, also upbeat, said "there are no technical or substantive problems" remaining. He said the accord would be concluded by the end of the round next Thursday.

Rabinovich, who is in charge of parallel negotiations with Syria, said an accord on that front could take longer. "I would be grateful for just some tangible progress," he said.

Israel is discussing with Syria a withdrawal from the Golan Heights in exchange for a peace treaty. However, Israel has not said how much territory it was willing to yield, while Syria has not provided details of peace terms.

Chief Syrian negotiator Muwaffiq

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Theater department adds staff from East, West Coast stages

By CRYSTAL DECKER
TCU Daily Skiff

The theater department has its stage set for a whole new cast of characters this year.

Four key faculty and staff positions have been filled this summer, to the excitement of students and teachers alike.

"I'm thrilled," said Jenny Garland, a representative of the student advisory board that evaluated the applicants last spring. "The new structure is dedicated to building the department and utilizing all their strengths into the theater program."

According to Forrest Newlin, the new theater department chairman, this new structure involves a revitalization of teaching methods and

"They're the best of both worlds. Breese is our West Coast connection, and Brown is our East Coast."

FORREST NEWLIN,
Theater department chairman

the school's curriculum itself.

"This is a department that needs to grow," he said. "I think the new faculty aids that . . . We're revising the class concepts to suit the talents and the needs of the students. I don't think that's been done in years."

In order to implement this new program, Newlin commended the

talent and teaching ability of the department's two newest faculty members, Steven Breese and George Brown.

"They're the best of both worlds," Newlin said. "Breese is our West Coast connection, and Brown is our East Coast."

Breese has experience in both stage and television. He said his plans for the theater program include a nationwide recruiting program.

"I want to offer the experience of a professional who has chosen to come back to the education system," he said. "I want to get involved with the basics again, but always with an eye toward the professional world."

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Sports

Men's soccer team hopes for improvement in '93

By JOE CONNOR
TCU Daily Skiff

If there's one thing that the 1993 TCU men's soccer team is searching for, it's consistency.

Off the heels of a shaky 1992 rebuilding year which saw the Horned Frogs post a 7-13 mark, 13 year head coach David Rubinson is hoping his club will stay focused mentally for 90 minutes each game and into overtime if necessary throughout 1993.

"We have to play physical and aggressive for 90 minutes and if we do that we will be OK," said Rubinson.

Overtime was not the Frogs' forte a year ago, as they struggled to an 0-4 record in the pivotal extra session.

"We lost some overtime games, and mentally there was a lack of heart," Rubinson said.

As an example, Rubinson cites a heartbreaking loss to Bradley, in which the Frogs dominated, but fell just short in overtime, 3-1. The very next day the Frogs didn't show up to play and proceeded to get pounded by Illinois State, 6-0.

"We made some mistakes in games that we clearly dominated," Rubinson said. "It (the season) could have been much better."

If the Frogs are to have any suc-

cess this year they must set the tempo of each game in the first half. "It has to happen early," Rubinson said. "We have a tough schedule."

Winless on the road in '92, the Frogs won't have it any easier this year, as they will hit the road to take on such powers as UT—Pan American, San Jose State, Cal-Berkeley and Midwest divisional foe Tulsa.

Locally, the Frogs will battle an always tough North Texas club and traditional powerhouse and arch rival SMU.

Rubinson will look to his senior tri-captains to lead the Frogs. Midfielder Blake Amos, defenseman David Sues and goalkeeper Darrell Frauenheim will be expected to step forward and shoulder the leadership role.

The Frogs are solid in the nets with Frauenheim, who recorded a respectable 3.12 goals against average last year.

Sues and senior Matt Thornburg will anchor an improved and experienced defense that features speedy newcomer Pat Mohr, a Maryland community college transfer.

"He's versatile," Rubinson said. "He's the fastest on the team and he can play forward."

At midfield, the Frogs must cope with the loss of leading scorer Joe Malachino to graduation.



TCU Daily Skiff/ Aimee Herring

TCU soccer players practice in preparation for their opening game this Sunday.

Malachino netted 10 goals along with 4 assists in '92.

"Technically, he was the best player we've ever had," Rubinson said. "He was the playmaker."

Unfortunately, the Frogs relied too much on Malachino, who didn't get the accolades he deserved,

according to Rubinson.

To compensate with the loss of Malachino, the Frogs have added two transfers to help steady the midfield. Temple transfer Josh Moore and Arlington native Remy Gilani will see a lot of action, along with veterans Amos and senior Jason

Ellison.

Moore plays with a good pace and has terrific on the field intelligence, Rubinson said. Gilani is a solid all-around player who has been shuffling between the midfield position and defense throughout the preseason.

If there's one area of the field the Frogs need to improve on drastically, it's at forward, where Rubinson is looking for practically any player who can find the goal.

Outscored by a margin of two to one a year ago, sophomores Chris Wixson, Peter Vail and Jeff Sommer will be counted on to put the biscuit in the basket.

"We're decent up front, but the big thing is we have got to find the goal," Rubinson said.

The Frogs do not possess a deep roster, but with an added intensity they can certainly make some noise, and may even surprise a few people.

"We've got to fight with a lot of heart for 90 minutes," Rubinson said. "We've got to play to our strength, which is size, not speed."

The Frogs would love to make the NCAA playoffs, but realistically they would simply like to do better than .500 and be ranked higher in the competitive Midwest region, where they last stood at #8 in the final 1990 poll.

"We just have to continue to improve and fight harder than we did last year," Rubinson said.

The Frogs kick-off the season Sunday at 4 p.m. against Southwestern at the TCU Soccer Field.

Sullivan, Frogs deserve more support

by Tom Manning



Sports Columnist

Ever notice how when a national powerhouse college football team like Miami or Notre Dame plays home games, the stands are packed with screaming fans out to support their team?

Now, have you ever noticed how many empty seats there are at Amon Carter Stadium when the Frogs play home games?

Obviously, there is a reason for this. That reason is that the Frogs are not in the caliber of the teams mentioned above. Yet.

I realize that after watching the 1992 Horned Frog football team, it

would seem ridiculous to put that last word in at the end of the previous paragraph. And, admittedly, right now it seems as though the Frogs will never be good. But they will. Just ask anyone remotely associated with the program.

From head coach Pat Sullivan down through all of the current Horned Frogs, the mood is extremely positive. Sullivan knows that he can lead the Frogs to the next level, and he has his players and everyone else associated with TCU football believing in him.

So why is it that Sullivan and his team do not seem to get any support from the campus? Two reasons:

Last season, Sullivan did not start off on the right foot. I'm referring to the Alma Mater fiasco. By not continuing the Alma Mater tradition, Sullivan ruffled some feathers.

The question is, was the Alma Mater mix-up really that big of a

deal, or was it just a way to take out frustration on a coach whose team wasn't playing well to begin with? I think it was the latter.

I've been here for three years and I couldn't recite the Alma Mater to save my life. And to have a large group of football players stand up and sing with two fingers in the air is a tradition bordering on ridiculous. Sullivan simply took too much heat for a situation that was just not a big deal.

Coupled with the Alma Mater joke was the Frogs' poor on-field performance. Last season was simply a nightmare—and a boring one at that. But was it Sullivan's fault? No.

Sullivan was not blessed with the greatest talent in the world his first year. As a matter of fact, he probably had one of the least talented teams in the country to work with. 1991's 7-4 mark was a mirage. The Frogs beat teams that would have lost to some of

Texas' better high school teams. But by going 7-4, the 1991 season set Sullivan up for a huge fall. And a huge fall is what came last year.

Last year stunk. Period. It was boring, losing football. But it wasn't Sullivan's fault.

Nothing changes overnight. You can't bring in a new coach and expect him to build a winning program in his first year. Sullivan is slowly building a strong program at TCU. But he needs support. And he deserves it.

A big part of the college experience is athletics, be it participating in them or supporting them. Since most of us don't participate in them, it is almost our duty to support them.

The Horned Frogs have worked extremely hard throughout the summer to put the best possible product on the field this fall. The least the rest of the TCU community can do is show them that it is appreciated by supporting them.

Robinson/ from page 5

games, but when you see Johnny from English class in the crowd, it gets you excited."

The team will be encouraged to visit dorms and campus activities to generate excitement and support for the upcoming season.

With new blood, a renewed com-

mitment to excellence, and a one-two punch reminiscent of the J-'s in Dallas guiding this team, it's not a matter of "if" the Lady Frogs will reach the top but a matter of "when."

"It's a whole new team, a whole new year, and when we get into the NCAA's, it will be that much better."

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News

Newsman compiles Kennedy chronicles

By MIKE COCHRAN
Associated Press

DALLAS — He's no conspiracy buff trying to solve the "crime of the century," but Bob Porter is fast becoming an expert on the Kennedy assassination.

He knows who loaned Lee and Marina Oswald a high chair and why Jack Ruby reluctantly shuttered his strip joint the weekend after the shooting.

He can tell you who assisted Abraham Zapruder when he accidentally filmed the murder of an American president and how a nightclub columnist was perhaps the first newsman to know Kennedy was dead.

And he'll reveal how a tough, cigar-chomping district attorney spurned an invitation to appear in Oliver Stone's film fantasy, "JFK."

An ex-newsman himself, Porter is compiling an oral history, with a visual twist, of the slaying in Dallas 30 years ago of President John F. Kennedy.

And if you have a personal JFK story to tell, Porter wants to hear it.

"We're not out to solve the crime or find the smoking gun," says Porter, director of public programs for the Dallas County Historical Foundation and its museum, The Sixth Floor.

"We're trying to get the people involved to tell their stories as they remember them, not only to provide factual information but also a social history of that period in the city of Dallas."

For instance, some conspiracy hunters suggest the luncheon where Kennedy was to speak that Friday was set in the Trade Mart for some sinister purpose.

Not so, Porter learned. "I wanted to have it there because I owned the damn building," said Dallas business czar John Stemmons.

Tony Zoppi, who once chronicled the night scene for *The Dallas Morning News*, showed up at the office after the shooting and was dispatched to Parkland Hospital.

He told Porter he arrived to find a hearse parked outside the emergency room entrance, theorized Kennedy was dead and telephoned the paper.

There was a long pause, Zoppi told Porter, while his editor wondered how it was a nightclub scribe was scooping White House reporters and others.

"They were inside at a news conference," Zoppi said.

Henry Wade, the legendary Dallas D.A., recalled for Porter how film director Oliver Stone spent an hour asking him questions about his inquiry into the Kennedy affair.

"Then he said something to the effect that he couldn't use anything I told him because it didn't fit his theory," Wade laughed.

Stone did offer him a role in the movie, Wade said, but he declined.

A longtime amusements writer and critic, Porter joined the non-profit historical foundation two months after the *Dallas Times Herald* folded in December 1991.

"They didn't have the staff to pursue the oral history until I went to work for them, but it's been in the long-range planning since the exhibit opened in 1989," he said.

As the name implies, the award-winning exhibit is housed on the sixth floor of the old Texas School Book Depository.

It was from a sixth-floor window, the Warren Commission concluded, that Lee Harvey Oswald fired three shots into the presidential motorcade, killing Kennedy and seriously wounding Texas Gov. John Connally.

Two days later, on Nov. 24, 1963, nightclub owner Jack Ruby rushed into the basement of the Dallas police headquarters and gunned down Oswald.

More than 25 years would pass before the historical foundation and others overrode the city's collective sense of shame and opened "The Sixth Floor."

The millionth visitor toured the exhibit in June 1992.

Porter says plans call for work to begin in December on a new archives and research center where future historians, conspiracy theorists and others can come to hear, and see, the JFK interviews.

"I felt we should do these on videotape, which was kind of a new wrinkle in oral history projects," Porter said.

It enabled him and a colleague, ex-TV newsman and former mayor Wes Wise, to capture not only words but the subject's facial and body expressions and movements.

Porter and Wise have conducted about 30 of the 200 interviews planned.

"We kind of worked our way into the project with some media people, with whom we felt comfortable, and then we talked with community leaders, law enforcement officials and eyewitnesses."

Unfortunately, they failed to interview Connally, who died recently.

"He was high on our list," Porter said. "We didn't anticipate he wouldn't be around for a few more years."

His list includes such high-profile journalists as Walter Cronkite, Dan Rather, Bill Moyers and Jim Lehrer. Connally's widow, Nellie, who was riding in the presidential limousine, is another prime target.

So is Lady Bird Johnson, who was with Vice President Lyndon Johnson that day and at his side when he was sworn in as president aboard Air Force 1.

"There are a lot of interesting personal stories," Porter said. "Nothing really startling yet, but they do fill in some blanks in the overall picture."

Marilyn Sitzman, an office worker, told how she steadied Zapruder as he filmed the assassination and how she heard three shots from the direction of the book depository.

But she said she had come to believe a second gunman, using a silencer, was firing on the motorcade from behind a picket fence.

Former Arlington Mayor Tom Vandergriff recalled contacting a nursing agency in the early 1960s to care for one of his children, and it sent a vocational nurse named Marguerite Oswald.

Pushy and outspoken even then, Marguerite spun a tale of woe about her needy son Lee and daughter-in-law Marina, and their two small daughters.

Vandergriff offered them a high chair, and Lee and Marina picked it up.

For the wrong reasons, the most memorable interview to date was with Jim Leavelle, the former Dallas cop who was escorting Oswald through the basement when Oswald was shot by Ruby.

As Leavelle demonstrated how he grabbed Ruby's .38 pistol, the weapon he was using discharged, striking Porter in the arm and breaking several bones.

"He didn't think it was loaded," Porter smiled ruefully.

Porter figured in an earlier, less violent bit of assassination lore.

After the slaying, the *Times Herald* contacted entertainment venues around town to check on closings and cancellations. Jack Ruby, owner of the Carousel Club, was among them.

Ruby asked what other clubs were doing. Porter told him most were closing.

"What do you think I ought to do?" Ruby wondered.

"I don't know, Jack, it's your club," Porter replied. "You'll have to make that decision." There was a long pause.

"Well, I guess I'll close, too," Ruby grumbled.

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Breese will be directing "The Skin of our Teeth," the first of the department's plays this fall.

Brown has experience in teaching acting and directing as well as stage combat. He is the head of a campaign to rebuild and promote the audience. Brown is also director of "Servant of Two Masters," a Renaissance play

that will debut at the end of the semester.

Michael Skinner, a new staff member, will also be on hand in the department as the new technical director. He will instruct students in lighting design and will run the computer lab.

"Our faculty is in tune with today's theater and actor training, while still being dedicated to a liberal

arts education," Newlin said. "We are here to serve all students with the best curriculum you can find in either the East or the West."

"What we wanted most of all was a faculty who was committed to the department and to its students," Garland said. "The new teachers' focuses are all different and complement the faculty we already have. That's exciting."

TSU's 'Ocean of Soul' can keep name following shoplifting scandal

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Texas Southern University officials have agreed to students' request that the Ocean of Soul marching band, disgraced in a shoplifting scandal overseas last year, be allowed to keep its name.

The reversal came less than a week after former President William Har-

ris, who had taken a hard line against the band and ordered a name change, left the school for a faculty position at Indiana University.

TSU Provost Bobby Wilson announced Tuesday that regents and administrators had decided to let students decide whether the Ocean of Soul should be renamed. That decision was an overwhelming no.

The announcement was cheered by band members, alumni, and supporters of the band.

"The history of the band has been good," said Barbara Gilliam, student government association president. "Why should we change the name because of one mistake? People don't go around changing their names when they make a mistake."

The mistake brought the Houston school international attention. It involved some band members stealing \$22,000 worth of electronics equipment during a trip to Tokyo to play in the Coca-Cola Bowl. One-fourth of the members on the trip weren't even enrolled at Texas Southern.

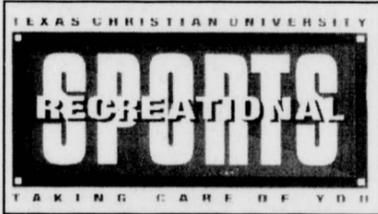
Shortly after the incident was made public, the school suspended 12 students determined to have stolen items. Harris later allowed them to be readmitted if they took an ethics class. No criminal charges were filed.

Harris removed band director Benjamin Butler and originally said the group would be dissolved, but in January he announced that a new band would be formed under a different name.

However, the Ocean of Soul will play on as it is, said Richard Lee, a former trumpet player in the 24-year-old band who took over as director this summer.

It will have the same uniforms, many of the same members who were in it last year, and will perform much the same music and lively dance steps, Lee said, adding that membership is down to about 85 from 125 last year.

The Ocean of Soul is scheduled to perform at Saturday's Texas Southern-Prairie View football game in Houston, although a lack of instruments could cause it to cancel.



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News

Amarillo residents can now order beer by delivery service

Associated Press

AMARILLO — Couch potatoes can order ice-cold beer, cigarettes and even pizza delivered to their front door.

"We're basically a convenience store on wheels," said Charles Morgan, one of three bachelors who started Beer Run Express last month.

Morgan came up with the idea during a pizza binge in front of his TV set. He contends the business has a social mission, too.

"I thought, there's gotta be a way to cut down on those (drunken drivers) and make a nickel at it at the same time."

For the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, the sticky start-up issue was figuring out where the point-of-sale occurs. When Morgan contacted the state agency, he said, officials had never heard of a business that focused on beer delivery.

Customers who live in Amarillo's "wet" parts of town can access Beer Run Express by calling 372-FAST. Officials debated whether that call is the point of sale, or if the transaction is made when the customer pays.

TABC finally decided the point-of-sale occurs when the cash changes hands and customers show identification proving they meet the legal drinking age of 21.

Beer Run Express keeps its stock at a Central Amarillo storefront that remains unmarked because the owners don't want to make beer sales from their office.

The three owners use their own vehicles, marked by paper signs, to deliver the product. The company promises beer chilled to 32 degrees Fahrenheit at the customer's front door.

The convenience costs a little extra.

Beer Run Express delivers only 12-packs priced from \$6.99 to \$9.99. That's about a 50 percent markup, Morgan said, but it pays for most delivery costs. Another dollar is charged for delivery, Morgan said.

Co-owner Tom Redding said the extra cost could prevent a lot of trouble later if it stops a drunk from getting behind the wheel.

"The \$3.50 you may save by driving to the convenience store is gone in a flash," Redding said.

Hutchison: NAFTA means jobs for Texas

By SUSAN HIGHTOWER
Associated Press

DALLAS — The proposed North American Free Trade Agreement is a vital step on the road toward an economic powerhouse that someday could stretch throughout the Americas, federal officials said Wednesday.

U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, and Alexander Watson, Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs, were among the speakers at an environmental conference for companies wanting to do business in Mexico.

Hutchison said the free trade agreement was far from guaranteed congressional approval.

"I cannot stand here and tell you I think we're in good shape," she

said. "We're not. I think NAFTA is very much in trouble, but it is a bipartisan effort."

But if it passes, Hutchison said, the trade agreement could lead toward a bigger trading alliance.

"NAFTA is the beginning of the increasingly largest economic alliance in the history of the world, because we're going to be able to start at Canada and we're going to be able to go all the way down to the tip of South America," she said. "And having strong border countries neighboring the United States will be a good deal for both of us."

Watson said the agreement, or similar ones, eventually could be extended to nations south of Mexico. He said the political climate will define the speed and circumstances of future negotiations.

"We don't know what the taste in people's mouths is going to be once the NAFTA debate is completed in the Congress," he said.

Watson said he believed it was crucial to move quickly to increase trade benefiting American producers with other Latin American countries that have reformed their economies.

"If we can't pull this off, then these countries may start looking elsewhere," he said. "And all of a sudden we find ourselves outside rather than inside and with the Japanese or Europeans with special arrangements with dynamic economies like Argentina and Chile, Columbia, Venezuela and eventually, of course, Brazil, the biggest potential market of all."

"We don't want to be outside, we

want to be inside," he said. "We have a whole lot of natural advantages working in our favor, and we should avail ourselves of those as quickly as we possibly can."

Wednesday's conference was held in conjunction with Dallas Tradefest, a meeting through Friday and is intended to strengthen trade among the Americas.

Hutchison urged those attending to help build grassroots support for the free trade agreement.

"This is a very crucial time for Texas," she said, pointing out that Mexico is Texas' largest trading partner and the United States' third largest.

Some 61,000 new jobs already have been created in Texas since 1987 due to trade with Mexico, Hutchison said.

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al-Allaf said he hoped that progress on the Palestinian front would spread throughout the talks. "We hope the Israeli delegation will be following a more serious approach," he said.

With Israel on the verge of an accord with the Palestine Liberation Organization, the Clinton administration indicated Tuesday it may

resume its dialogue with Yasser Arafat's group.

At the same time, though, Christopher reaffirmed U.S. opposition to establishment of a Palestinian state. He said statehood was not part of the accord Israel and the PLO have worked out.

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