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Japanese students' homes hit by quake

By NEELIMA ATLURU and GINGER RICHARDSON
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Tuesday's devastating earthquake in western Japan hit home for a university student when her entire house was reduced to rubble in a few short seconds.

Kayo Okuno, a sophomore advertising/public relations major and native of Awaji Island, learned Tuesday that her home was destroyed in the quake. Although Awaji is mostly rural, the damages to the island and surrounding areas of Kobe and Osaka were still great.

Okuno's family managed to climb to safety through a bedroom window.

"They escaped from their second story window, onto the roof, onto the storage building and into the rice field," Okuno said. "And by the time they reached the field most of the house had already fallen," she said.

It is hard to believe the house she grew up in has been destroyed, Okuno said.

"I was just there, sleeping and watching TV, and now everything is gone," she said.

Okuno first heard about the quake Monday night through a friend. She has been trying unsuccessfully to

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TCU Daily Skiff/ Natalie Gardner
Governor George W. Bush and Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock celebrate the inauguration.

Bush assumes governor seat

Gov. promises to limit D.C. control of Lone Star politics

By R. BRIAN SASSER AND NATALIE GARDNER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

AUSTIN — Gov. George W. Bush promised during his Tuesday inauguration speech to limit Washington's control over Texas government and to encourage individuals to accept personal responsibility for their actions.

Bush officially took the oath of office at 12:13 p.m. in Austin before a crowd of approximately 5,000, which was gathered on the south lawn of the state capitol. Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock was sworn into a second four-year term as lieutenant governor minutes earlier.

Both Bush and Bullock promised bipartisan cooperation to improve the future of Texas.

"Goals can be accomplished by leadership and a legislature that works in a bipartisan effort with a Texas agenda, with what's best for Texas," Bullock said.

Bush, standing beside his wife, Laura; two daughters; and parents, former President George Bush and first lady Barbara Bush;

focused on his campaign promises of keeping federal and state government roles separate. Bush pledged to uphold the Bill of Rights' 10th Amendment, which gives states all powers not specifically granted to the federal government.

"As governor, I will use every resource at my disposal to make the federal government in Washington heed this simple truth: Texans can run Texas," he said. "My guiding principle will be government if necessary, but not necessarily government."

Bush said by giving government back to Texans, the state is more free to focus on principle responsibilities, such as safe streets, better schools, help for the disabled and respect for private property.

Bush also said families should help guide children away from criminal misconduct by disciplining when needed.

"Our laws must be written to strengthen our families, not diminish them," Bush said.

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Alumni pledges narrow the gap towards campaign goal

By RICK WATERS
TCU DAILY SKIFF

TCU's "Next Frontier" campaign, a 5-year, \$100 million fund-raising effort, received two pledges totalling \$600,000 from three former students in September 1994, before the campaign was made public.

The two pledges are among the over \$65 million which has already been raised for the campaign.

Clarence Scharbauer III, a TCU trustee and 1973 business management graduate, and his wife, Kerry, pledged \$500,000 to support a variety of projects in the campaign. The Scharbauers' pledge will provide

\$150,000 for the university's annual fund, including an athletic scholarship, \$100,000 to endow a middle-income scholarship and \$250,000 to create a library in the alumni center, said Bronson Davis, vice chancellor for university advancement.

"Overall, it (the pledge) affects a lot of areas," said Scharbauer, a businessman from Midland, Texas. "Some people like to give to specific areas, but I see a lot of areas in this campaign that are important and need contributing to."

A library in the planned Dee J. Kelly Alumni Center will bear the Scharbauer name. The new alumni center will be built east of Amon Carter Stadium.

The Scharbauers' gift will also provide an endowment for the university's middle income scholarship program, which will provide monies for large families who are unable to send their children to a private institution.

The pledge will increase TCU's annual fund, which supports the university's operating expenses and underwrites scholarships, research and athletics.

Scharbauer, who manages the oil and real estate operations of his family's business in Midland, is also a co-chair for "The Next Frontier" campaign in charge of regional campaigns. His leadership position in "The Next Frontier" was another motivation for him to support the cam-

campaign, Scharbauer said.

"I'm a strong believer that if you are going to ask for contributions to a campaign," he said, "you have to be willing to step up. That's important to me."

Fred Whitaker, a retired lawyer, said his pledge of \$100,000 would be used to support the university's middle income scholarship program.



Clarence Scharbauer III

Whitaker, who attended TCU in the 1930s, said he was not always able to make his tuition payments promptly, but the university made provisions for him to stay.

"It was a good school then and a wonderful school now," he said.

"That's why I made the pledge. I just wanted



Fred Whitaker

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Bad weather stalls cable again

By NATALIE GARDNER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Bad weather and wiring complications have stalled the university's attempt to install cable television service in dormitory lounges, said Roger Fisher, director of residential services.

The Worth Hills and main campus areas have been wired for cable, but have not been connected. Sammons



Cable Co. was unable to connect the wires across Stadium Drive, Fisher said.

TCU administration has given more money to Sammons so that the company can dig a trench underneath Stadium Drive and lay the wire.

A rain forecast delayed Sammons' original intent to begin work on the trench Jan. 11, Fisher said.

"We hope to have cable in the lounges sometime this week," he said. "It really depends on how many problems come up with the street and the rain."

When the cable is completely

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Kappa Sigmas file new appeal in dispute

By GINGER D. RICHARDSON
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The Kappa Sigma fraternity has filed another appeal in an ongoing battle to overturn a probation ruling leveled against them by the Sorority and Fraternity Judicial Board last May.

The fraternity decided to appeal to

the Presidents' Council again after the Judicial Board voted on Dec. 1 to uphold its original ruling against the fraternity, said Ed Lange, president of Kappa Sigma.

The Board upheld its ruling despite a Nov. 17 recommendation by the Presidents' Council that it overturn the probation against Kappa Sigma.

Under the terms of the probation, the Judicial Board will recommend the removal of the chapter from campus if any member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity further violates any university policy, according to a Board letter.

The fraternity appealed the

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Sullivan receives 'substantial' raise

By RICHMOND WILLIAMS
TCU DAILY SKIFF

TCU head football coach Pat Sullivan has received a contract extension through the year 1999, the university announced Dec. 20.

Three years were added to Sullivan's current contract, which expires in 1996. A "substantial" raise was also included in the new contract, according to a university press release.

Sullivan, head coach of the Horned Frogs since his arrival from Auburn University in 1992, guided TCU to a 7-5 record in 1994 and led them to their first postseason bowl game since 1984. TCU lost to Virginia Dec. 28 in the Independence Bowl in Shreveport, La.

"The length (of the contract) is what's important," Sullivan said. "Five years shows the stability of our program, and the cooperation between administration and athletics."

According to the Internal Revenue

Complete Independence Bowl coverage with analysis and photo essay

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Koehler said there are very few athletic programs that do not run a deficit, and that TCU's is no exception. Athletics is not unlike advertising — it's a way of "enhancing the overall image" of the university, he said.

Glen Stone, director of TCU Sports Information, said Sullivan receives outside compensation for things such as television shows, as with many other high-profile coaches.

Sullivan actually pays Claiborne Productions to produce his weekly show, and then he receives a percentage of the profits, Stone said.

"He's his own general manager, so to speak," Stone said.

The *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* reported in December that Sullivan's "total package" was worth in excess of \$300,000 before his contract was extended. No estimates were given as to the current agreement.

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NEWS DIGEST

Students charged in mutilation

AUSTIN (AP) — Two Round Rock High School graduates attempted to cover up the murder of a former classmate by sawing the hands off the dead body and setting it on fire, Travis County authorities say.

Stephanie Lynn Martin and her boyfriend, William Michael Busenburg, both 22, were charged with murder Tuesday in the shooting death of Christopher Michael Hatton, said Travis County Sheriff's Department spokesman Andy Saenz.

"This is one of the most brutal murders we have seen in the county in recent years," Saenz said.

Man wins lottery prize twice

AUSTIN (AP) — His friends know him as "Mr. Lucky," and rightfully so.

Aurbie Johnson, 74, of Waco, is the first Texas Lottery player to win two top prizes since the game began in May 1992.

On Tuesday, Johnson was presented with \$1 million he won last Friday in the lottery's Instant Million scratch-off game.

He adds that to the \$100,000 he won in September in another scratch-off game.

"I play the scratch-offs just about every day, especially Bluebonnet Bucks and the Instant Million game," Johnson said.

Dog saves pups from grave

OAKLAND PARK, Fla. (AP) — A dog owner who didn't want a litter of nine puppies allegedly buried them alive, but their mother rescued them the next day, digging them out of a 2-foot-deep grave.

All nine survived, and the veterinarian caring for the mother and the squirming, sightless puppies has received 25 adoption offers.

Prosecutors will decide whether to file charges. The owner could be charged with aggravated animal abuse.

The puppies are a Rottweiler-chow-Labrador mix, and most are black and tan.

Victims remember quake

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Clutching candles, 1,000 people gathered at dawn Tuesday to commemorate last year's earthquake with prayers for the 61 killed here and in Japan's devastating quake.

"People of Kobe, we sympathize with you," read signs attached to the fence of the Northridge Meadows apartment complex, where 16 people died in the magnitude 6.7 earthquake that struck on Jan. 17, 1994.

Besides killing 61 people, the Los Angeles quake injured at least 9,000 and caused \$20 billion in damage in the most expensive natural disaster in U.S. history.

Chicken platters don't add up

GOLDEN, Colo. (AP) — As a math teacher, Bob Swain was suspicious when he saw a Boston Chicken television ad proclaiming the fast-food restaurant offers 3,360 dinner combinations.

He and his students at Souderton Area High School did some figuring and came up with the number 816 instead. Then Boston Chicken Inc. did some figuring.

"We checked, and sure enough, there was a mistake in our combination," said Gary Gerdemann, a spokesman for the fast-food chain. The ad, which stars quarterback Joe Montana, will be corrected this week.

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TCU PRESS APPRECIATION DAY. Fourteen area writers will sign and discuss their works Sunday at 3 p.m. at

the Bookstop at 4801 S. Hulen. The event is free.

SAFETY/CRIME AWARENESS FAIR. TCU Campus Police will conduct the fair Monday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Student Center. The Fort Worth Police Department, Texas Department of Health and the Fort Worth Fire Department will have exhibit tables.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP will meet from 7 p.m. to 8:30

p.m. Tuesdays beginning Jan 31 to March 21. Sign up in Student Center Room 139 or call 921-7830.

THE STUDENTS FOR ASIAN INDIAN CULTURAL AWARENESS ORGANIZATION is looking for donations and volunteers for "Experience India," a fund-raising event Feb. 11 in the Student Center Ballroom. Call Aashish Patel at 921-3216 for more information.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

Today
Noon: University Chapel, Robert Carr Chapel.

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Thursday will be mostly sunny with a high in the mid 60s.

The Beaten Path



by P.D. Magnus

Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



Appeal

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Board's final ruling on the basis that the board violated rules of "fair play" enumerated in the Student Bill of Rights under Article IV, Judicial Pro-

cedures, in the 1994-95 student handbook.

Lange, a senior political science major, said the fraternity is continuing the appeals process because its due process rights have been violated.

"Obviously, we want to clear the

fraternity's name," Lange said, "but more importantly, we have to follow the rules and so should the Judicial Board — and in this case they didn't. "They made them up as they went along," he said.

Members of the Judicial Board could not be reached for comment.

A hearing date for this latest appeal has not been set at this time, and no consensus has been reached as to which judicial body will hear the fraternity's case.

The Kappa Sigmas have appealed to the Presidents' Council, citing the "Appeals" bylaws of the *Panhellenic and Interfraternity Council Joint Judicial Board*, which states "An organization wishing to appeal a Judicial Board decision and/or sanction may appeal to the joint chapter Presidents' Council."

However, Don Mills, vice chancellor for student affairs, said the appeal will most likely be heard by the fraternity and sorority subcommittee of the Student Organizations Committee.

"I am going to be talking to all parties involved to try to find the most beneficial way to resolve this problem," Mills said. "I don't know if that will be through the SOC or the Presidents' Council yet."

The TCU chapter of Kappa Sigma has been on probation since May 9, after a fight erupted between the members of the Kappa Sigma and Phi Gamma Delta fraternities on May 6. This appeal is the latest step in an ongoing process to contest the probation, which ends June 1, 1995.

Kappa Sig Appeals Process

- May 9 - Board puts Kappa Sigma on probation
- Sept. 22 - First hearing disbanded
- No decision made
- Nov. 17 - President's Council recommends board overturn May 9 ruling
- Dec. 1 - Board upholds original ruling
- Dec. 8 - Kappa Sigma files another appeal

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Cable

wired to each building, all dormitory lounges and fraternity and sorority chapter rooms will have basic cable service, Fisher said.

TCU administration decided over the break to also install cable services for the big screen-television in the Pit, he said.

Sammons is only providing a temporary cable service for the campus, Fisher said. TCU administration has asked four companies to present their ideas on providing each dormitory room with cable, phone and computer network service.

The university plans to install a state-of-the-art fiber optic cable for each dormitory room that would provide not only cable and long distance phone service, but also capabilities to

connect computers to TCU's computer network, Fisher said.

Four companies, representing phone, cable and construction companies, have been asked to conduct engineering surveys on campus and predict budget costs by March 1.

"We want a company that will wire the entire campus free of charge and in turn be the provider of cable or long distance phone service to all the students," Fisher said.

Although the company would be wiring the campus for free, it would make its money by offering its phone or cable service to students for a reasonable rate, he said.

Sammons has agreed to only provide temporary cable TV service because the company is selling to a bigger corporation and does not want to provide cable service to individual rooms.

The goal of the university is to offer students high technology in phone, cable and computer services, said Don Mills, vice chancellor for student affairs.

TCU administration is currently studying cable TV services at the University of Maryland, the Univer-

sity of Missouri and Tulane University to gather ideas on how other universities are providing their students with these same services.

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■ MICHAEL ROWETT

Republican attacks on Great Society programs misleading

In 1964, President Lyndon Johnson declared war on poverty with his Great Society social programs. Thirty years later, House Speaker Newt Gingrich has declared war on the Great Society.

Following the Republican landslide last November, Gingrich blasted the "failed welfare policies of the past" and argued that many Great Society programs "have to be thoroughly replaced from the ground up."

The GOP's "Contract With America," signed by 367 Republican candidates for the U.S. House in September, promises to cut at least \$45 billion from various social and child nutrition programs over the next five years. Specifically targeted are Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), Head Start, the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) nutrition program, free lunch and breakfast programs for school



children and the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program for disabled Americans. More recent House Republican proposals want to cut even more — at least \$60 billion over the next five years. Gingrich blames the Great Society and its "counterculture values system" for contributing to the rampant crime, illegitimacy and moral decay in today's society. The war on poverty, the Contract declares, "has been an unqualified failure."

The Great Society wasn't just about eradicating poverty — it included pioneer-

ing programs which helped students afford college for the first time, as well as health care for elderly Americans. But the fact remains that under the Great Society, millions of Americans moved out of poverty during the late 1960s.

In 1964, 19 percent of the nation lived below the poverty level. By the time Johnson left office in 1969, the figure was down to 12.6 percent. During the Johnson administration, child poverty decreased by 45 percent, and the number of people living below the poverty level dropped from 36 million to 25 million.

In the 1970s and 1980s, however, Johnson's programs were cut and scaled back, and poverty began to rise again. The poor were hit especially hard by the Reagan administration's assault on social programs. During the 1980s, child poverty actually increased by 26 percent amid all the

"Morning in America" rhetoric. The Reagan administration, together with a compliant Congress, slashed billions of dollars from food stamp and child nutrition programs.

In the early 1980s, one editorial writer wondered whether Republicans were conducting a war against the poor instead of a war against poverty. Indeed, eight million more Americans fell into poverty during the Reagan and Bush administrations, and the percentage of working Americans who earned too little to lift a family out of poverty shot up from 12 percent to 18 percent.

Contrary to Gingrich's rhetoric, social spending isn't an exorbitant giveaway to poor Americans. Spending on AFDC and the major nutrition programs encompasses about 2 percent of federal spending each year.

If Gingrich bothered to read actual statistics, he'd know that over half of all food stamp recipients are children in poverty. If Gingrich ever decided to examine actual AFDC records, he'd find that 35 of the 50 states have maximum welfare benefits that are half the amount a family of three needs for subsistence each month.

Social programs should be reformed when necessary, and only those truly deserving aid should receive it. But slash-and-burn attacks on programs that cost a relatively small amount while helping a great number of Americans are ill-founded. Amid all of Gingrich's acidic rhetoric is missing one crucial, completely ignored concept: the truth.

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■ KRISTI WRIGHT

Materialism undermines democracy

When Thomas Jefferson wrote the Declaration of Independence, he borrowed a few thoughts from the Englishman John Locke.

Locke, almost 100 years before Jefferson, wrote about man's inalienable right to life, liberty and the pursuit of property.

Jefferson substituted property with happiness, and then listed the self-evident inalienable rights of all men to be "Life, Liberty and the pursuit of happiness." In today's society, the pursuit of happiness is the pursuit of property. That modern American ideology may use the words of Locke and Jefferson, but it does not understand them.

Locke understood property as the right to obtain something. Property was not a material good in itself. People had property not only in land and goods; they had property in their lives and liberties. Property was the tangible way for Americans to express their liberty.

Expressing that liberty, to Jefferson, included having the right to an education, self-determination and religious freedom. The ability to seek and eventually realize those accomplishments was Jefferson's pursuit of happiness.



Thus, given the right to pursue property, mixed with democratic principles of equality and a capitalist economy, Americans worked to gain land, improve their education and build a nation. For a while that pursuit served the United States well.

"Americans once lived in a society where the ideals that sustained the American people embodied the values of thrift, productive labor, the ownership of land, republican government, Christian poverty and plain speech," wrote Lewis H. Lapham in *Harper's Magazine*.

But the achievements of the industrial and technological revolutions changed the concept of property to include the tangible thing itself. The revolutions offered Americans the financial and technical ability to obtain material goods in excess. Whereas Americans once acquired the items necessary for survival, they now acquire items for entertainment and luxury.

"Within the span of two generations," Lapham wrote, "America has become synonymous with the culture of acquisition and consumption, with the cult of the new and the belief that money is the alpha and omega of all human existence."

As Americans spend more of their time and money on an insatiable quest for possessions, they end up psychologically unsettled, and society ends up morally bankrupt. The problems of society mount, and Americans turn away from finding solutions. Instead, they seek new ways to get money from the system or shop for the latest gadget of distraction.

But society's problems remain. The national debt escalates, children carry guns to school for protection and less than half the citizenry bother to vote in most civic elections.

Americans should come to understand that "good is not in the goods but that goodness adheres in men, not things," wrote Lapham. "The goal in life cannot be a continuous improvement of material conditions because as conditions become better, the people become worse."

Fortunately, materialism has not consumed all of America yet.

Both Locke and Jefferson placed great stock in the power of the individual. Accordingly, individuals should assume the responsibility to change. One by one, each person should replace the quest for mammon with the desire to expand minds, enrich souls and develop character.

Only then will Americans learn to thrive emotionally, intellectually and spiritually while discovering the rights Locke and Jefferson revealed for them hundreds of years ago. Only then will Americans secure and preserve those rights for others to experience hundreds of years in the future.

Kristi Wright is editor of the Skiff.



■ JOHN J. LUMPKIN

Concealed gun law would cause more bloodshed

Just imagine: In a few months, after Gov. George W. Bush approves a concealed weapon law, we can roam the streets of Fort Worth just like the good old days — packing heat.

We can roam the streets with our six-shooters, or nine-shooters, or 18-shooters with extended clips, and protect ourselves from a scourge that the police apparently can't.

Of course, nearly everybody else on the street will have one also. Make sure you don't accidentally bump into the volatile ones.

The bill, proposed (for a second time this decade) by Houston Democratic Rep. Ron Wilson, is one of 200 that Texas lawmakers have pre-filed for the 74th Legislature, which convened Jan. 10.

Make no mistake about it: The bill will pass. Bush's pledge to not veto it — as Gov. Ann Richards did last year — has virtually ensured its approval, according to Texas lawmakers.

Wilson's bill would allow the licensed carrying of concealed firearms if bearers complete a gun education and safety class.

Right now, the minimum age in Wilson's proposal for carrying weapons is 21. That's good; we wouldn't want anybody but seniors at Texas and Texas A&M carrying weapons to class (As a private university, TCU can legally keep students from doing so).

Perhaps wearing holstered firearms will become fashionable in the future. Suits will be designed with the owner packing a 9mm semiautomatic in mind.

Envision the possibilities: daily shootouts along I-30 (bringing a whole new meaning to the phrase "defensive driving"), gunfights at Hulen Mall over the last Sega Genesis game cartridge, or perhaps a volley of shots between the fans at a Cowboys-Oilers game over a bad call by a referee.

Already in Arizona, you can carry a loaded gun while shopping in a grocery store. You can bet they don't squeeze the Charmin in Tucson.

Back at home, maybe our wonderful state legislators will be allowed to carry guns into the halls of the Capitol in Austin. Wouldn't that be grand? The debate gets a little hot, so somebody pops Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock.

In reality, this law would satisfy only good old boys who don't want to leave their guns in the truck and criminals who haven't yet been caught.

In Florida, where such a law already exists, proponents have said that the homicide rate in the state has dropped 21 percent.

That proves nothing. For in Florida, violent crime — including reports of murder, rape and aggravated assault — has risen nearly 18 percent, making it the nation's most violent state.

Texas police should be protesting such a law wholeheartedly, and some are. Making concealed firearms legal would also take a valuable tool away from police officers: They can often arrest a crime suspect on that charge when they know the suspect did something worse (say, murder), but they need time to gather evidence to take a charge to the district attorney.

Guns are for killing. People carried them on the frontier because they were belligerent, scared, or just simply ready to kill. We don't belong to a frontier society anymore, but guns remain a sad reality in the modern world.

Allowing most people to carry concealed guns around in such a world is a bad idea. It can only lead to more killing.

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■ EDITORIAL

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Our coverage should reflect students' feelings, ideas and needs. Stories should focus on decisions, issues and opinions that influence students' lives.

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accused the media of concentrating on the negative and thriving on reporting so-called "bad news." Negative news often seems to outweigh positive news in many newspapers.

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This semester you'll see institutions examined, policies evaluated and personalities profiled. The first Perspective page will look at the university's student government.

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The series "Inside Politics" will address national and state issues; "TCU News Makers" will profile famous graduates — what and where they are now; and "Technology at TCU" will show how the university plans to advance into the 21st century. Those are only some of the special news stories we plan to deliver.

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We are looking forward to the spring semester. If you have a news tip, story idea or opinion, please call us or write us. Remember, it's your newspaper.

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"Every piece of legislation that crosses my desk will be judged by whether it keeps families together, safe and strong. If we want our young Texans to make correct choices, the consequences of bad behavior must be certain and clear."

One way to cut down on big government is to change the state's welfare system, Bush said. The present system often diminishes personal responsibility among individuals and rewards illegitimacy, he said.

Bush repeated campaign promises of giving local citizens control over education.

"We must empower teachers, administrators, school boards and parents to design the schools to best fit their communities' needs."

Bush also pledged to help increase small business job opportunities by ending frivolous lawsuits that he said often cause these businesses to fail.

"Texas must end the junk lawsuits that clog our courts and threaten our producers," he said. "Doing so will expand our job base so anyone who wants a job can find one."

"What Texans can dream, Texans can do" was the theme repeated not only in Bush's speech but also on T-shirts, buttons and banners seen throughout the day. Bush asked Texans for their commitment and prayers to reach his campaign goals.

"Texas is ready for government that works," he said. "Texans know the more government tries to do, the less it accomplishes. Texans want government to concentrate on a few critical areas and do them well."



TCU Daily Skiff/ Natalie Gardner
The Bush family gathered together for a Texas-style inauguration. Pictured are former first lady Barbara Bush, brother Jeb Bush, former President George Bush and George W.'s family members, daughters Barbara and Jenna and wife Laura.

Texans chew on ribs, politics at Inaugural barbecue

By R. BRIAN SASSER
AND NATALIE GARDNER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

At the Capitol's Texas Barbecue, the smell of brisket and ribs filled the air, but politics was the main dish.

And as Araceli Perez Davis finished her post inauguration lunch, more than smoked sausage was on her mind.

"I think the people of Texas are waking up," Mrs. Davis said. "We feel like the Republicans are in control again."

Mrs. Davis, who is a member of a Hispanic Republican organization, said she was an eighth-generation "Texian" who came to the inauguration to see what her family before her could not — a Republican governor take the oath of office.

"My grandfather was the chairman of

the Republican party in the Rio Grande in 1921," she said. "There's not a lot of Republicans down there, you know."

Bush is going to improve education and welfare and decrease crime, said Walter Davis, Araceli's husband. But Mrs. Davis has much bigger plans for the new governor.

"I know George pretty well," Mrs. Davis said. "When he autographed a picture for me in November he just smiled and I knew he would win. In eight years, George W., I hope, he'll be president."

After the San Antonio couple finished talking about their new governor, they did take a little time to rave about the barbecue.

"We've been to a lot of Texas barbecues," Mr. Davis said. "But this is the biggest one we've seen."

Mrs. Davis added, "The jalapeno sure does add a lot of spice to it."

State District Judge Richard Johnson of Dallas was another happy Republican who was eating his share of the good food. Dressed in a Texas tie with a Texas pin, boots and starched jeans, Johnson was enjoying the inauguration... and the sausage.

"What's Texas without a Barbecue?" Johnson said. "I recommend the Earl Campbell sausage."

Johnson recommended Bush's ideas, too. Bush has promised to get the federal government out of Texas government, and is going to make a positive change for the state, Johnson said.

"He's for a better life for many people who haven't had one before," Johnson said. "This is a big day for Texas." However, not all at the barbecue

were as happy with the new governor. A group of young protesters weaved through the crowd holding signs that read, "Bush is a murderer," and "Texans face the saddest days since the Alamo." They were then escorted out of the barbecue by police.

"This barbecue is a sign of a regime," one protester said. "We were expressing our opinions, causing them displeasure, and we lost our constitutional rights when we were kicked off the lawn of the state capitol."

The protesters said Bush and his father were influenced by big oil businesses and the Central Intelligence Agency. They can't make decisions on their own, one said.

Shelah Cisneros wore a big sticker on her shirt that read, "I voted Pro-Choice." She said it was too soon to

decide whether she will be happy with Bush as governor.

"We're not here to protest, we're just here to enjoy the inauguration," Cisneros said. "But we're wearing our pro-choice stickers to get the message across."

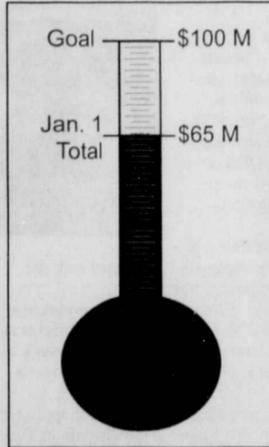
Cisneros, a student at the University of Texas in Austin, said she is a member of "Students for Choice" and is president of the "National Organization for Women" chapter on campus. Her group does not want abortion to be restricted in Texas, Cisneros said.

"We are here to keep an eye on George Bush," she said.

And as these Texans made their way to the Inauguration Parade, the ribs were as heavy on their stomachs as the new governors' promises were on their mind.

\$100 million campaign gains momentum through video

CAMPAIGN PROGRESS



By KRISTI L. WRIGHT
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The university's \$100 million fundraising effort will reach Texas-wide exposure when its regional campaigns begin this spring, said Bronson Davis, vice chancellor for university advancement.

TCU will launch regional campaigns in Midland and Dallas this April, in the Houston and Amarillo-areas in the fall and in Austin and San Antonio in 1996.

Members from the Office of University Advancement are currently recruiting leadership committee members to organize and promote the regional campaigns, Davis said.

The university is also using the "Next Frontier" video to encourage support for the campaign, said Larry Lauer, associate vice chancellor for communications and public affairs. The video

narrates the university's history and highlights individuals who contributed to its success, he said.

"The video challenges its audience with essentially this question: 'Are you willing to make the sacrifice necessary so that TCU can be all that it can tomorrow?'"

It has been well received by donors and alumni, Lauer said.

"The response has been overwhelming," he said.

Donors and alumni react to the video because it personalizes the stories and names behind the buildings and memorials on campus, Lauer said. The video explains the "extraordinary sacrifices" certain individuals made to promote TCU, he said.

"Watching the video can turn into a rather emotional and motivating experience," Lauer said.

The video will be used in each of the

regional campaigns, he said. The university introduced the video in November when it kicked-off the Fort Worth and campus campaigns.

By the end of 1994, the campaign had generated \$65 million in pledges.

In addition, funding for two building projects, the Dee J. Kelly Alumni Center and the Walsh Center for Performing Arts is almost complete, Davis said.

"We need about \$200,000 toward the alumni center and \$1.5 million toward the Walsh Center for Performing Arts," he said. "We feel good about that."

Though the university officials are excited about the campaign's progress, reaching the \$100 million mark will be a challenge, Davis said.

"A lot of time was spent into making sure that goal was reasonable," Davis said. "The university didn't want to set an unreachable goal. Basically what we're doing is asking the friends and

ESTIMATED SPENDING BREAKDOWN

Academic/Student Programs	\$21 million
Scholarships	\$8 million
Physical Campus	\$36 million
Annual Fund	\$19 million
General Endowment	\$16 million
Total	\$100 million

alumni, who are already giving, to give even more." The campaign's success is essential in moving TCU forward and making it a better university, Davis said. Staff writer Rick Waters contributed to this report.

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to reimburse the school for the generosity they showed to me."

Whitaker said he never received a degree from TCU, but the education he gained while at the university helped him to enroll in law school, he said.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Campus Police reported the following offenses and violations from Dec. 17 to Jan. 17:

CRIMINAL TRESPASS

Jan. 15: A Campus Police officer reported observing two boys climbing over the fence surrounding Amon Carter Stadium, the Campus Police report said. The officer apprehended both suspects and confiscated the backpacks they wore. One suspect had two kitchen knives, a pair of large scissors, and three backpacks full of clothing and toilet items. The two boys were determined to be runaways and Fort Worth Police contacted their parents.

SUSPICIOUS PERSONS

Jan. 15: Two female students reported seeing a man trying to break into Carson elementary school. According to the Campus Police report Campus Police apprehended the suspect, who

then said he had left his car keys inside the building. The man was determined to be intoxicated and a danger to himself, and was taken to jail.

PUBLIC INTOXICATION

Jan. 16: A student was found passed out on a bench in front of Moody Hall according to a Campus Police report. When the student awoke, his speech was slurred, and when asked where he lived he said "I have no idea." The student was taken to the Kappa Sigma House and left in the custody of his hall director.

DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED

Jan. 13: Campus Police reported observing a vehicle driving at a high rate of speed on Pond Drive. When an officer pulled alongside the suspect's vehicle he determined the driver, Robert Niedert, was intoxicated.

Niedert failed a sobriety test and was arrested.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

Jan. 12: Two 'military style' smoke bombs were detonated in Martin Moore Hall, according to Campus Police reports. The smoke disrupted living conditions and made breathing difficult. The smoke dissipated in 30 minutes and the police have no suspects at this time.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Dec. 17: A man was reported to be challenging students to fight in front of Tom Brown hall. When Campus Police arrived they found two students and the suspect rolling around on the lawn, the campus police report said. The suspect was armed with a small baton. He was escorted off campus and given a criminal trespass warning.

Compiled by Chris Newton.

TCU police increase security

By CHRIS NEWTON
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Campus Police and the Office of Student Affairs have placed the TCU campus on a continuing alert status and are still supplementing campus security personnel with Pinkerton Security employees, said Campus Police Chief Oscar Stewart.

"Right now the campus is as safe as it can be, given the resources we have," Stewart said. "We could always use more resources, but I'm sure that would be the cry of every police chief." Stewart said the break between semesters was mostly quiet.

"Very little happened," he said. "But there were some incidents that encouraged us to keep our alert status." Campus Police began to increase security following an incident near the end of last semester during which several men with a semiautomatic weapon in their vehicle attempted to enter a

female dormitory.

In a similar incident over the break, four males were thwarted in an attempt to rob two TCU students in the Tomlinson Hall parking lot on Dec. 14 by the timely call of another student from a nearby dorm, according to a Campus Police report.

The victims stated that they were securing their vehicle when three males approached them and asked for their money and purses. One of the students was grabbed and restrained by an assailant, the report said.

A student eyewitness called Campus Police from her dorm. The suspects fled upon hearing sirens approaching, according to the report.

The women reported the suspects ran to a car parked on Berry Street, according to the report. Fort Worth Police were notified by a member of Citizens on Patrol who saw the suspects drive off in a Ford Taurus.

The Fort Worth Police found the car

abandoned near Westcreek apartments later that night, according to the Fort Worth Police report. A shotgun was recovered from the vehicle.

Fort Worth Police later found subjects who matched the description given by the victims walking in the area.

According to the Fort Worth Police report, the men falsely identified themselves and were then arrested. One of the men had three yellow 20-gauge Remington shotgun shells matching the shell found in the shotgun that had been abandoned.

In an unrelated incident, wanted felon Juan R. Gonzales was apprehended on the TCU campus Dec. 18. Gonzales has several warrants out for his arrest, including two for armed robbery, and was pulled over by Campus Police for driving while intoxicated, according to a Campus Police report.

After failing a sobriety test, Fort Worth Police took the man to jail.

Negotiators take steps to end war

By BARRY RENFREW
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GROZNY, Russia — Russian and Chechen negotiators took a step Tuesday toward a cease-fire in breakaway Chechnya, where the bloody 5-week-old war raged on. But many on both sides were skeptical any agreement would hold.

In the streets of Grozny, Chechen fighters scornfully dismissed Russian overtures toward peace, saying they were merely a ruse to fool world opinion while Moscow prepares new offensives.

A cease-fire last week broke down after only several hours.

Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin met Tuesday with two envoys from Chechen President Dzhokhar Dudayev in Moscow, a day after making a televised appeal for peace. The Chechens said both sides

agreed to stop using heavy artillery by Wednesday evening as a first step toward a full cease-fire.

"We think there's an agreement in principle from both sides," said Usman Imaev, Dudayev's prosecutor general.

But the Russian government continued its tough rhetoric against Dudayev, saying the meeting was brief, at the Chechen side's request, and was a "last chance" for cooperation, according to a statement carried by Russian news agencies.

"Only a step has been made toward cease-fire," Russian government spokesman Valentin Rumyantsev said.

Russian fighter jets kept up attacks Tuesday on targets throughout Grozny, and Russian forces destroyed a bridge between Chechnya and its eastern neighbor, Dagestan, cutting off a main rail and road link. Rebel forces appeared to have

recaptured the railway station in a machine-gun battle.

Russian news reports Tuesday said the army's losses in the battle for Grozny were much higher than had been admitted, with up to 1,200 dead.

Imaev, the Chechen envoy, said he would head immediately to Grozny to brief Dudayev. He said dates and exact terms of a cease-fire still had to be agreed on.

It was not clear whether Dudayev, who has been in hiding, could agree on terms with the Kremlin.

Many rebel fighters in Grozny, the Chechen capital, reacted to Chernomyrdin's peace overtures with obscene oaths, spitting on the ground.

"Chernomyrdin is saying this just to impress the international community, but at the same time the Russian army has been ordered to seize the city," said Vakha Aigumov, a Chechen officer.

Marketing director resigns

By DAVID JIMENEZ
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Lois Kolkhorst, TCU athletic marketing and promotions director, has resigned to take a position in Brenham, Texas.

Kolkhorst, who is a native of Brenham, is taking a job as the executive vice president of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce and Brenham Industrial Foundation.

Kolkhorst, a TCU graduate, said she had not been planning to leave TCU and has mixed emotions about leaving the school.

"It is hard to leave," she said, "but it was too good of an opportunity to pass up. I am leaving a place I have great passion for."

She said her new duties include marketing the city of Brenham and Washington County.

Kolkhorst said the new job presents some new challenges.

"The new job will put me on the fringe of politics," she said. "It is something I am curious about."

Kolkhorst is most proud of her contributions to the Committee of 100 and the 1994 football season.

She said she also enjoyed working with and learning from TCU Board of Trustees Chairman John V. Roach on the Committee of 100. The campaign and the football team's success pleased her, Kolkhorst said.

"The response from Fort Worth was great," Kolkhorst said. "The hometown adopted the home team." In 1994, the attendance at TCU home football games increased by 43 percent. The Horned Frogs had an average home attendance of over 37,000 in 1994.

"Lois is a tireless worker," said TCU head football coach Pat Sullivan.

"She's done a lot for the program."

Kolkhorst was promoted in the spring of 1993 to marketing and promotions director. Kolkhorst's responsibilities included the marketing, promotion and advertising of TCU athletics.

She joined the TCU athletic staff in 1989 as a sports information assistant, and held the position until 1993. Her ties to the university go back to her days as a student.

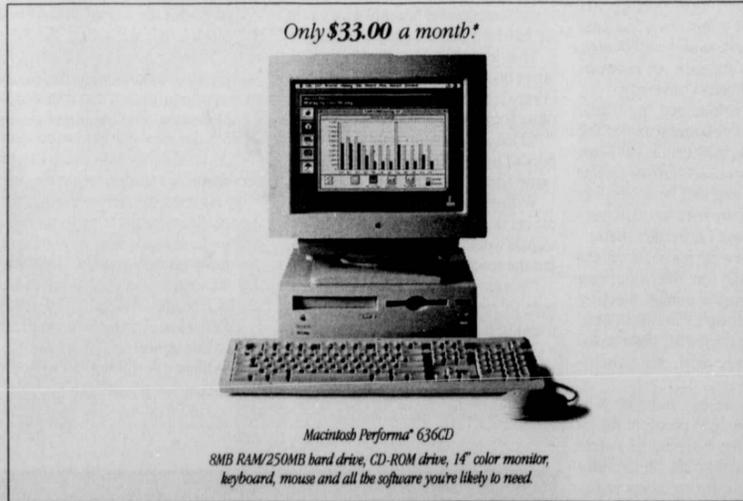
Kolkhorst graduated from TCU in 1988 with a bachelor's of science degree in journalism, and was a four-year letter winner in golf. During her senior year at TCU, Kolkhorst was an Academic All-Southwest Conference member.

"I will miss the people the most," Kolkhorst said. "I have worked with some outstanding and bright people. I consider it a family."

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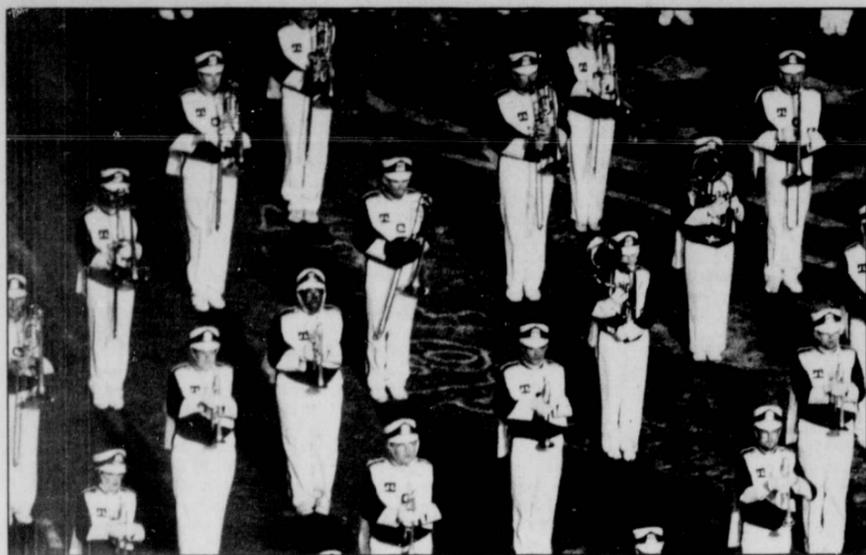
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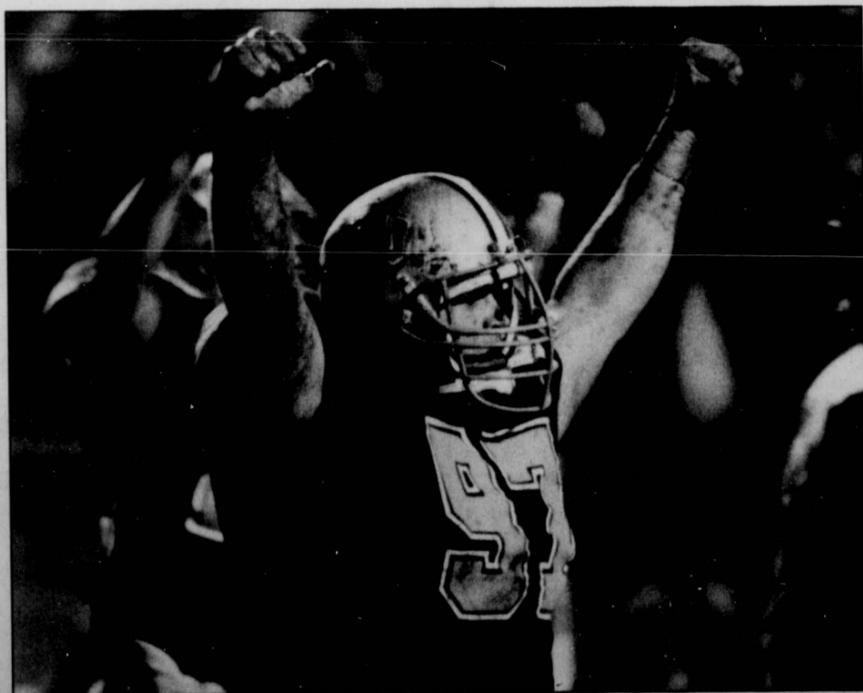
The Pride of TCU Band prepares to play their routine with precision at halftime.

On a cold and rainy night in northern Louisiana, two teams squared off for post-season glory. Though the Frogs weren't victorious this time around, their feelings were best expressed by their coach when he said, **"Don't worry, We'll be back next year."**



TCU Daily Skiff/ Layne Smith

A referee smiles as he realizes his efforts to keep a ball dry are futile. Rains and wind gusts dominated the game.



TCU Daily Skiff/ Blake Sims

Senior defensive guard Royal West celebrates a TCU stand against the Cavaliers.



TCU Daily Skiff/ Blake Sims

Superfrog gets tossed at a pep rally for both teams.

TCU drenched by weather, Cavs

By RICHMOND WILLIAMS
TCU DAILY SKIFF

On Dec. 28 in Shreveport, La., the TCU Horned Frog football team found out the odds makers in Las Vegas are truly experts at their profession.

FOOTBALL

The Frogs, 10 and a half point underdogs to the Virginia Cavaliers of the Atlantic Coast Conference in the Poulan/Weed Eater Independence Bowl, were defeated, 20-10, despite a fourth quarter rally.

Playing in front of just over 27,000 fans in a cold rain, muddy field and brisk winds, TCU looked rusty from the start. Virginia kicker Rafael Garcia shanked the opening kick off out of bounds to give the Frogs the ball at the 35 yard line, but Head Coach Pat Sullivan's team couldn't produce, going three-and-out.

After Virginia took control of the ball, it looked like it might be TCU's night after all. UVa quarterback Mike Groh's pass from the shotgun was tipped at the line and intercepted by junior linebacker Chris Piland at midfield.

"We had a couple of chances to win this thing," Sullivan said. "I tip my hat to (Virginia) coach (George) Welsh and his players for taking away those chances."

With the muddy field hampering timing routes from junior quarterback Max Knake to his receivers all night, junior tailback Andre Davis got the call 24 times. Although his string of five consecutive 100-yard games was broken in Shreveport, the 97-yard performance came against a Cavalier defense that led the nation against the run, allowing only 63.6 yards per game on the ground.

The Virginia defense was anchored by safety Percy Ellsworth and defensive end Mike Frederick,

who earned defensive MVP honors for his efforts.

The game continued to be a defensive struggle throughout the first quarter, with Garcia sending a 36-yard field goal attempt wide left. Both teams were 0-4 on third down conversions in the first quarter.

"We got terrible field position all game," said senior defensive guard Royal West. "We were close, but close doesn't count in football."

When the second quarter opened,



the Cavaliers drove methodically down to the TCU 6, where they had a first down. The purple defense was determined not to let their opponent in the end zone, however, and Virginia was stopped at the 2 before settling for three points with 10:20 left in the half.

Senior flanker Jimmy Oliver took the ensuing kickoff 31 yards to give the Frogs the ball at the UVa 47, exciting the many TCU fans who had made the trip to Louisiana. The same fans were disappointed when, after three downs, junior punter Beau Stephens was called on once again.

With five minutes left in the first half, the Virginia offense showed why they put up 32 points a game in the regular season. Driving 80 yards in just 2:18, running back Kevin Brooks set an Independence Bowl record for the longest non-scoring run for his 52-yard scamper up the middle. Fullback Charles Way

slammed it in from 6 yards out for the UVa touchdown.

Freshman kicker Michael Reeder put the ball through the uprights on the last play of the first half, and the teams entered the locker rooms at halftime with Virginia leading 10-3.

In the third quarter, the Hoos looked like they might run away with the contest. Virginia, behind the arm of offensive MVP Groh, drove 69 yards in 2:36, finishing the job with a 37-yard strike to Tyrone Davis.

The Frogs continued to struggle, with Knake's pass being picked off by Virginia linebacker Randy Neal on the next possession. Knake admitted he may not have prepared as much as he should for the bowl game.

"I may have been lackadaisical in my approach," Knake said. "There's something wrong with me when Dre (Davis) is 10 yards away and I can't hit him in the numbers."

TCU took possession on their own 37 and, by a combination of Virginia penalties and Andre Davis runs, drove down to the UVa 1. Knake threw to junior tight end Brian Collins in the corner of the end zone to cut the lead to 20-10.

With 13:28 left to play, it looked as if the Frogs might rally. Freshman linebacker Scott Taft intercepted a pass from Groh, but fumbled the ball as he tried to run up field.

"In a football game, there's always four or five plays you'd like to have back," Sullivan said. "We were a hair away from breaking some."

Although his team lost the game, Sullivan tried to focus on the fact that the Frogs had earned their first postseason trip in a decade.

"It makes you feel sick to lose," he said, "but it gives you an inner peace when you see what these kids stood for. It's all a growing process."

Cavaliers prevail as superior team

The TCU football players and fans watched a soap opera unfold in the month of December that was comparable to "As the World Turns."

The saga began when TCU Horned Frogs accepted an invitation to the Independence Bowl to play the Virginia Cavaliers. It was the Frogs' first bowl invitation since 1984.



DAVID JIMENEZ
SPORTS COLUMNIST

Then came the Pat Sullivan-LSU saga. First, he was going to Louisiana. Then, he decided to stay in Fort Worth.

A week before the Dec. 28 bowl game in Shreveport, Sullivan signed an extension to stay with TCU until 1999.

TCU fans were focused so much on the Sullivan situation, people almost forgot about the bowl game.

After all was said and done, the Cavaliers beat the Horned Frogs 20-10.

Many reasons were given to why TCU was not able to win its first bowl game in 35 years.

The continuous downpour and windy conditions before and during the game did create some poor field conditions. However, it was not only an obstacle for the Horned Frogs, it was also one for the Cavaliers.

Another reason given was the off-field distractions the players faced concerning the Sullivan fiasco.

Granted, there were some distractions. But none of them were related to Sullivan.

Junior quarterback Max Knake, like many TCU fans, said after the game he spent more time at the casinos than he should have.

No off-field distraction could conceivably take any TCU player's focus away. For most of them, it was the biggest game of their lives.

However, there can only be one reason given to why Virginia prevailed. The Cavaliers were simply the better football team.

The Horned Frogs were

deserving of being in the bowl game. They were co-Southwest Conference champions and brought an offense which was one of the best, statistically, in the NCAA.

However, Virginia came in with the best rushing defense in the nation and they also led the nation in interceptions.

The Cavaliers came into the game ranked No. 19 in the nation. They played five bowl teams in 1994, including the Florida State Seminoles.

On paper, Virginia was the better team, and they proved it on the field.

Knake, who threw for 2,624 yards on the season and was the highest-rated passer in the SWC, was contained by the Virginia secondary.

Granted, the ball was difficult to handle due to the conditions. But the Cavaliers were the main culprit to TCU's passing problems. Knake completed only seven passes for 62 yards in the game against Virginia.

Junior running back Andre Davis did provide TCU a spark offensively with 97 yards rushing on 24 carries. However, it was the first time in five games Davis did not rush for more than 100 yards.

Offensively, the Cavaliers also had their success. TCU's defense did not break — it only gave up 20 points. Unfortunately it sure did bend.

Virginia rushed 52 times for 245 yards. Virginia quarterback Mike Groh, who was the Independence Bowl offensive MVP, was 14-23 for 199 yards and one touchdown pass.

However, TCU has no reason to be ashamed. If Knake had a game even resembling one he had in the regular season, the results could have been different. Knake said so himself.

The main advantage Virginia had over TCU was experience. While the Horned Frogs last bowl appearance was in 1984, the Cavaliers were in their sixth bowl game since 1984, all under seasoned coach George Welsh.

The Horned Frogs were not distracted by Sullivan's contact with LSU and that was not the reason for the loss to Virginia.

On this day, the Cavaliers were the better team and it was their day to bask in the glory.

But TCU will have its day in the future.

Rain, mud slow down, stop Horned Frogs

By BRAD HORN
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Although excuses are rarely accepted in the sports world, the Horned Frogs had more than one opportunity to blame the poor weather conditions for the team's 20-10 defeat to the Virginia Cavaliers at the Independence Bowl in Shreveport, La., on Dec. 28.

ANALYSIS

With a game-time temperature hovering around 48 degrees and a strong north wind packing torrential rain storms, the Frogs were overpowered by a larger and faster Cavalier football team on a playing surface that turned to mud midway through the first quarter.

"I thought the conditions took away our quickness," head coach Pat

Sullivan said. "It was tough for both teams, but you have to give Virginia credit. They're a super football team."

The Frogs' offense sputtered for most of the first half on the slippery field. Junior quarterback Max Knake completed only two of his 13 first-half attempts, including an 0-for-8 passing drought to start the game.

"It may have been raining, but there were plays when the ball was dry in my hands and I didn't make the play," Knake said. "If I would have played better, there may have been a different outcome in the game."

After picking up only one first down in the first quarter, the Frogs surrendered 10 points in the second before a 43-yard field goal pulled the Frogs within seven, 10-3, as time expired in the first half.

Field conditions only worsened by

the start of the second half, however, as each sideline began to resemble a mud pit. Plywood set out on the sidelines by the Independence Bowl groundskeeping crew helped, but couldn't fully solve the weather woes.

Costly defensive lapses in the third quarter led to big plays and 10 unanswered points from the Cavalier offense, including a 52-yard run by Virginia running back Kevin Brooks, that helped set up the Cavalier's second-half touchdown.

"I thought both teams executed very well," Sullivan said. "They (Virginia) just made the plays when they had to."

The Frogs mounted a comeback attempt early in the fourth quarter when Knake hit junior tight end Brian Collins on a one-yard touchdown pass to pull the score to 20-10 with just over 13 minutes left in the

game.

On the next possession, Virginia quarterback Mike Groh was intercepted by the Frogs' freshman linebacker Scott Taft at the TCU 17-yard line, providing a glimmer of hope for the TCU fans in attendance.

Taft, however, fumbled the interception return at the Frogs' 35-yard line and Virginia regained possession. Although an attempted field goal was blocked by the Frogs, the Frogs offense again struggled as any hopes of winning ended on an incomplete on UVa's 38-yard line.

"We just wanted to give the best effort we could, and I think we did for the most part, but Virginia was still able to hit us with two or three big plays that were pretty much the difference," junior linebacker Lenoy Jones said. "I thought we did a good job of keeping our composure clear until the end."

BOWL DIGEST

Offense reaches lows

College football has been called a game of inches — inches the Frogs could not get.

TCU converted only two of their 13 third down attempts, and were 0-for-11 at one point during the second half.

The Frogs' 191 total net yards was also its worst offensive performance of the 1994 season, eclipsing its previous low of 279 yards against North Carolina on Sept. 3.

Frogs named all-SWC

Several TCU players received individual honors after the 1994 season.

Brian Collins, Andre Davis, Max Knake, Barret Robbins, and Royal West were named all-Southwest Conference. Brandon Hickman, Reggie Anderson, and Beau Stephens were second team all-SWC.

Knake and Davis also shared SWC Offensive Player of the Year honors, while Pat Sullivan was named SWC Coach of the Year.

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Tubbs has team on roll, leading SWC

By MARK MOURER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The TCU men's basketball team won seven of 10 games over the holiday break, giving the Frogs a 10-4 record.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Under the powerful play of senior post Kurt Thomas and the guidance of head coach Billy Tubbs, the Frogs share the lead of the Southwest Conference.

Thomas is currently leading the nation in rebounds and is second in the nation in scoring. He climbed into 11th place on TCU's all-time career scoring chart after his 23-point performance against Texas on Jan. 10.

Tubbs increased his overall coaching record to 449-204 after Saturday's win over the University of Houston. His much-publicized run-and-gun style of play has brought more wins at the halfway point of this season than the Frogs have seen at the end of the past two campaigns.

Going into play over the break, the Frogs traveled to Ruston, La. to take on the Louisiana Tech Bulldogs. The Frogs toppled Tech at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum on Dec. 7, 92-82, but fell to the Bulldogs the second time around, 73-79.

Sophomore guard Jeff Jacobs posted a career high 31 points in the game, hitting seven of 11 three-pointers. That tied TCU's all-time third highest single game total for three-pointers.

Thomas scored 20 points in only 26 minutes of play and nailed down one of his 12 double-doubles on the season, earning high praise from Tubbs.

"Kurt had a good game, considering that he missed 14 minutes in the first half," Tubbs said. "He was taking a lot of punishment, getting held and pushed around."

TCU returned home to play Sam Houston State two days later and rebounded with a 111-94 victory. Thomas had 41 points and pulled down a career-high 21 rebounds.

Freshman guard Juan Bragg continued to score in double digits, netting 27 points while dishing out eight assists.

The Frogs won its first win on the road Dec. 21 against Middle Tennessee State, 100-78.

Thomas had 39 points and 16 rebounds while Bragg contributed with 20 points and nine assists. The developing Frog defense held MTSU to just 38.2% from the field.

After Christmas, the Frogs traveled to Berkeley, Calif. to compete in the Otis Spunkmeyer Basketball Classic. The team played the University of

Alabama on Dec. 28, falling 83-64 in the tournament's first round.

TCU bounced back in the consolation round, narrowly escaping Columbia University 66-64.

The Frogs opened the new year back home on Jan. 4 against Fairfield University. TCU continued to win at home, sending the Stags back to Connecticut with a 91-82 loss.

Senior forward Michael Thoele nailed 3 of 5 three-pointers en route to a 17 point performance. Bragg continued to exhibit veteran form, dishing out eight assists.

The men's team traveled to Oklahoma City to compete in the All-College tournament Jan. 6-7. The Frogs faced the University of Tulsa, one of last season's "Sweet 16" teams.

The Frogs lost the opener to its future WAC opponent 95-107, but came back to beat Alabama State 115-88.

TCU opened SWC play Jan. 10 against the University of Texas. The series between the two rivals went back 158 games, with the Longhorns holding a 97-61 advantage. UT had won the last four meetings, and were picked to win this one by 10.

They didn't.

The Frogs, playing before the first sold-out crowd at Daniel Meyer in two years, pulled off an exciting upset by

beating Texas 102-98.

The Frogs 102 points were the most points ever scored by a TCU team against UT. The Frogs shot a season-best 59.7% from the field while outrebounding the Horns 44-29.

Junior forward Byron Waits posted his first double-double of the season. He scored 16 points while pulling down 13 rebounds.

Jacobs was the high scorer for the Frogs, netting 26 points. Thomas sank 23, with 13 rebounds.

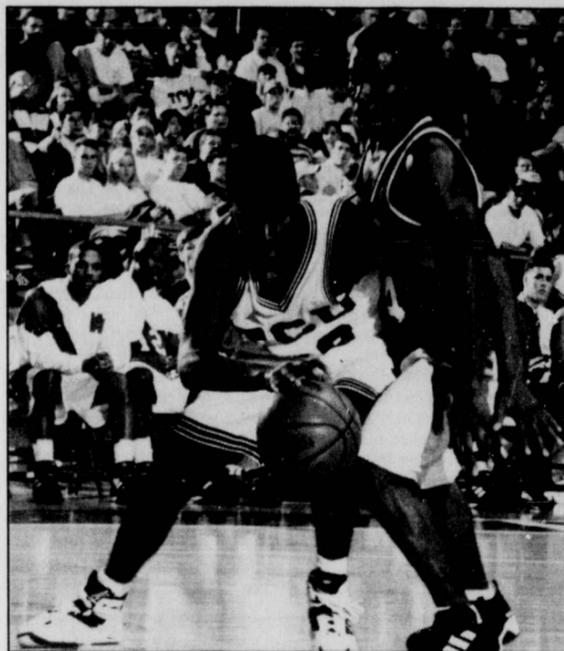
Texas coach Tom Penders was impressed with the play of Jacobs.

"The key was Jacobs," Penders said. "I thought he dominated us, offensively, unlike any point guard we've played this year. The kid was on fire."

Penders also said the electricity inside Daniel Meyer was intense. He said if Frog fans continue to support the men's team like that, TCU might never lose at home.

The Frogs closed out play over the holiday break with their second SWC win over the University of Houston 106-92.

The Frogs (2-0 SWC) take a share of the conference lead into tonight's game against Baylor in Waco. Rice is also 2-0 in early conference play, and will host the Frogs on Sunday afternoon.



TCU Daily Skiff/Blake Sims
Freshman guard Juan Bragg drives against Tommy Davis of Houston Saturday. TCU won the game 106-92.

Lady Frogs lose another player, continue road woes

By BRAD HORN
TCU DAILY SKIFF

When the Lady Frogs basketball team meets the Baylor Bears tonight at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum, the team will have to battle more than just the opposing bench.

For a sixth consecutive game, the Lady Frogs will be without the services of sophomore point guard Nicole Perdue, who left the team for

personal reasons before the Oklahoma-TCU game Dec. 21.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

At press time, Perdue was unavailable for comment on her departure.

"She just decided that this wasn't what she wanted to do," head coach Shell Robinson said. "I don't think it

(Perdue's absence) has affected us too much. We had a lot of guards and where we need help is on the inside."

Perdue's absence marks another road block in a 1-11 season of disasters for the Frogs.

Before the season started, the Lady Frogs lost senior guard Stephani Gray for the remainder of the year with a knee injury.

The Frogs have lost ten straight after picking up its lone victory

against Central Florida for a third-place finish in the Dial Classic at Auburn University on Nov. 26.

As a team, the Lady Frogs have shot only 35 percent from the field this season, compared to their opponents' 45 percent accuracy mark.

That shooting difference has led to an average defeat of more than 29 points per game for the Frogs in the first 12 games of the season.

The Frogs have lost all nine road games it has played thus far.

Among the bright spots for the Lady Frogs this season are the play of freshman guard Leah Garcia and sophomore forward Stacy Price. Garcia leads the team in scoring with 13 points per game, while Price has 89 rebounds so far this year.

As the second week of Southwest Conference play begins, the Frogs find themselves at the bottom of the SWC, as well.

Consecutive losses to Texas, 89-49, and Houston, 80-58, have dropped the Frogs to 0-2 in the conference and extended a road losing streak to eight games.

Tonight against Baylor, however, the Frogs will try to change the direction of its current downward spiral in only its third home game of the season.

With a record of 9-5, the Bears are coming off two consecutive losses against SMU, 74-62, and Texas Tech, 82-62 to open conference play.

Junior post Amber Seaton leads the Bears with 15.4 points and 9.5 rebounds per game.

"We've got to cut down on our turnovers and rebound inside," Robinson said.

One of the biggest additions to the Bears this season, however, arrives in the form of new head coach Sonja Hogg, who led Louisiana Tech to two national championships in the early 1980s.

Hogg also led the Lady Techsters to six consecutive NCAA Final Four appearances between 1978-1984, although she has not coached at the collegiate level since the 1985 season.

"She (Hogg) has experience," Robinson said. "She's got some kids to work with and she's been there."

The Frogs will play the Rice Owls Saturday night in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum before traveling to SMU and Texas A&M late next week.

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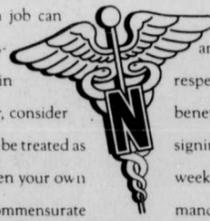
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"We've tried to play some top 25 teams on the road to prepare us for conference play."

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TCU tennis ranked, ready for regionals

By ERNESTO MORAN
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The TCU men's tennis team figures to be among the elite in the country this spring, as it enters the season boasting the nation's top-ranked doubles pair.

MEN'S TENNIS

The Horned Frogs, tied for the No. 8 overall ranking in the latest Intercollegiate Tennis Association rankings, are led by juniors Paul Robinson and David Roditi.

The duo, previously ranked No. 4 nationally, twice defeated NCAA defending champion and then-No. 1 Laurent Miquelard and Joc Simmons of Mississippi State.

In doing so, they captured the first two legs of the ITA Grand Slam, the SkyTel National Clay Court Champi-

onships and the ITA All-American in the fall.

Roditi and Robinson have a chance to be the first doubles team ever to win three consecutive Grand Slam events when the team heads to Dallas for the Rolex National Indoor Championships Feb. 2-5.

The duo wasn't the only Frog tennis players to be recognized for their strong fall showing. Also cracking the ITA Top 35 doubles rankings were sophomores Ashley Fisher and Jason Weir-Smith (No. 16), and sophomore Andres Urencio and freshman Matthew Walsh (tied at No. 35).

Individually, Robinson tied for the No. 13 singles ranking after winning the Rolex Regionals and America West Cup titles last fall. Weir-Smith, previously unranked, broke in at No. 32. Roditi fell from No. 33 to No. 90.

TCU must now prove itself worthy of the high rankings, as the Frogs open with dual matches this weekend against North Texas, Texas-Pan American and Texas-Arlington. All three matches will be played at the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center on the TCU campus.

But players say that while the No. 8 ranking puts some pressure on the team, it also puts the Frogs in a position to gain an automatic bid to the NCAA Championships, given to the top eight teams, and a chance at an NCAA crown.

"For us, this is a big chance," Robinson said of the possibility of a national title. "But it's important to get a good start."

The Frogs will be at less than full strength this weekend. Robinson must sit the team's first four dual matches after a minor NCAA rules violation last summer. At a tourna-

ment in Turkey, Robinson had all his expenses paid for by the tournament organizers.

Senior Stefan Figley is out with a torn thigh muscle. He hopes to be back for the team's first match against a nationally ranked opponent, No. 11 Pepperdine, on Feb. 11.

Roditi said the team is ready to get back to work after the holidays.

"Today was the best I've hit the ball (all season)," Roditi said of the team's first practice of 1995 on Tuesday. "Everybody's relaxed, but we're a little anxious to get back (to playing)."

Roditi said large crowds for the home openers would help.

"It would be nice to get a lot of people out here (for the first three matches)," he said.

Weekend action begins Friday at 1 p.m., when the team plays North Texas at TCU.

St. Louis gets Rams

By R. B. FALLSTROM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Seven years ago, St. Louis lost a bad NFL team. On Tuesday, the city got one back.

The Los Angeles Rams, 4-12 in 1994, made it official: They're leaving Southern California for St. Louis.

"I'm overwhelmed," Rams owner Georgia Frontiere said at a news conference to announce the move and the addition of Columbia, Mo., businessman Stan Kroenke as minority owner. "I don't think I've been this happy since the last game we won."

St. Louis is certainly hoping for better things this time. After enduring the pratfalls of Bill Bidwill's Cardinals for 28 seasons and zero playoff victories, they get a team that historically has been a contender but that hasn't fielded a winner in five seasons. In 1993, they were 5-11. The year before they were 6-10.

The cost for this also-ran was steep. St. Louis beat out Baltimore and a group from Anaheim, Calif., called "Save the Rams" because of a deal that could yield \$20 million in annual profits for the Rams.

For starters, the Rams will get a new \$260 million domed stadium, deemed the "most spectacular stadium on the planet Earth" by St. Louis County Executive Buzz Westfall.

They'll get to choose from among three sites for a \$15 million practice facility and their annual lease is only \$250,000.

St. Louis also is retiring the Rams' \$30 million debt to Anaheim and paying \$15 million in assorted relocation fees.

"They always say money is a means to an end," Frontiere said. "This time, money is a means to a beginning."

The Rams had been projected to lose \$6 million this past season. Now there's so much money, the arrangement may have the appearance of a modern-day holdup.

Former Missouri Sen. Thomas Eagleton, who led the negotiations for the St. Louis civic group FANS Inc., thinks not.

"It's expensive to get a team," Eagleton said. "No team is going to say, 'Here we are,' for free."

As a cost analysis, Eagleton said Chicago is spending \$32 million to hold the Democratic National Convention in 1996 for one week, but St. Louis will be getting the Rams for at least 30 years — the length of the lease.

"I think a football team is the better bargain," Eagleton said.

Of course, the spending frenzy isn't over yet. For the caper, on Wednesday FANS Inc. will unveil details of its permanent seat license program with which it hopes to raise \$60-\$70 million.

Those seats will go from \$250-\$4,500, depending on location, and must be purchased before buying season tickets that will sell for an average of \$25-\$45 a game. If St. Louis doesn't sell 40,000 permanent seats by March 10, two days before NFL owners meet in Phoenix to vote on the switch, the Rams can call the whole thing off.

Kroenke paid Frontiere about \$60 million for about 40 percent of the team. He said he's confident the fans will come through.

"I'd like to show the owners and the national media that this is a football town," Kroenke said.

Baseball commissioner accused of lying

By RONALD BLUM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK (AP) — Union head Donald Fehr on Tuesday accused acting commissioner Bud Selig of lying to Congress about baseball's broken-off bargaining.

"I have been advised that in your lobbying efforts on and off of Capitol Hill, you have been telling people, particularly members of Congress, that the players' association is refusing to return to the bargaining table in an attempt to negotiate a resolution of our dispute," Fehr wrote Selig in a two-page letter that was made public.

With spring training to start in less than a month, Oil Can Boyd identified himself as the first prominent

replacement player. The 35-year-old agreed to a contract with the Chicago White Sox.

"I felt that I didn't want to cross the picket line. I've been through a couple of strikes and I know what those are about," he said. "But I wanted another chance to play ball."

"As well you know, that (players refusing to return) is false. The owners walked out, not the players."

DONALD FEHR
Union head

Boyd, 78-77 with a 4.04 ERA in a flamboyant, 10-year career with Boston, Montreal and Texas, has not pitched in the majors since 1991. He spent 1994 with the independent Sioux City Explorers before his season was cut short by a blood clot in his shoulder.

George Kalafatis said he was resigning as Boyd's agent. The union has threatened agents for replacements with penalties up to decertification.

Owners broke off talks Dec. 22 and implemented a salary cap the following day. On Dec. 23, both sides filed unfair labor practice charges against each other with the National Labor Relations Board.

Despite the declaration of impasse, Harrington said the sides

had been making progress before the breakdown.

"Your actions speak much louder than your words," Fehr wrote. "If your position has changed and the clubs are ready to resume talks, please advise."

Players have been lobbying Congress to revoke baseball's antitrust exemption; owners last week urged Congress to preserve the exemption. "Twenty-six days have passed since the owners broke off negotiations," Fehr wrote. "Neither you nor any other bargaining representative of the clubs has advised me that the owners' position has changed..."

"It does considerable damage to any hope of meaningful collective bargaining for our negotiations to be mischaracterized."

SPORTS DIGEST

TCU Sports Calendar

This is the TCU Sports Calendar for the remainder of the week:

Wed.: **W. Basketball**, Baylor (H), 7 p.m., **M. Basketball**, Baylor (A), 7:35 p.m.

Fri.: **Swimming & Diving**, Texas A&M (A), 6 p.m., **M. Tennis**, UNT (H), 1 p.m.

Sat.: **W. Basketball**, Rice (H), 7 p.m., **M. Tennis**, Texas-Pan Am (H), 1 p.m., **M. Swimming & Diving**, Tennessee (H), 1 p.m.

Firm to design track

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — The primary design consultant to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway has been hired to work on a proposed speedway for Dallas' west side.

The firm of Fink, Roberts & Petrie has already begun design work for the 1.5-mile track, said William Beuck, president of Morning Park Inc.

The company owns the proposed site and has joined Meyer Motorsports in developing the multimillion-dollar racetrack.

Pardee coaching CFL

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — Former Houston Oilers coach Jack Pardee will be head coach of Birmingham's new Canadian Football League franchise.

John Jenkins told WBRC-TV he will be offensive coordinator under Pardee for the team announced last week.

Pardee told *The Birmingham News* in a story published Tuesday that he and franchise owner Art Williams are working out details that would make him coach.

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THERAPY OR ABUSE?

Hospital chain exec pleads guilty in bribe scheme

By STEVEN M. BIRD
Houston Chronicle Staff Writer

DALLAS — A former vice president of the Psychiatric Institute of America pleaded guilty Monday to taking part in a nationwide bribery and Medicare fraud scheme and pledging to cooperate with federal investigators.

Peter Alexis, 44, is the highest-ranking official in the chain of psychiatric hospitals to be charged in the alleged scheme and is the first company executive to say that wrongdoing was part of a "company-wide plan."

Alexis pleaded guilty to conspiracy and

making a false statement to the government.

Investigators claim PIA, then a subsidiary of National Medical Enterprises-paid kickbacks to doctors and therapists for referring patients to PIA hospitals and for inflating bills for patients covered by Medicare.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Christopher Curtis said the "amount of loss and value of the bribe paid" in Texas alone was as high as \$60 million. He did not offer a national estimate.

National Medical Enterprises said in April that it may pay \$75 million to settle federal and state fraud investigations. The settlement would not protect current or former employees from prosecution for

their individual roles in illegal schemes.

NME has also paid millions of dollars to settle civil lawsuits brought by insurance companies and former patients and their families.

U.S. District Judge Joe Kendall postponed sentencing indefinitely while Alexis cooperates with the FBI and federal prosecutors. The investigation will focus on other PIA executives as well as recipients of the bribes, according to a source close to the case.

Kendall said during Monday's arraignment that some physicians may be sleeping poorly now that Alexis has entered into a plea bargain with the Justice Department.

Curtis said that if Alexis cooperates, the

government will consider asking Kendall for a reduced sentence.

The two charges to which Alexis pleaded guilty carry sentences of as much as 10 years in prison and a \$100,000 fine.

PIA was a subsidiary of NME from 1982 until 1992 when it became a division of the company Alexis worked for PIA in Fort Worth and Dallas from November 1988 until December 1990. He was regional vice president for Texas from June 1988 until December 1990, overseeing 13 hospitals.

In January, a federal grand jury in Topeka, Kan., indicted the former chief executive of an NME psychiatric hospital and one

See SKIFF on Page 20A.

—Houston Chronicle
June 28, 1994

If you were treated at one of the hospitals listed below between 1986 and 1991, please take note.

The company that operated these hospitals, National Medical Enterprises (NME), has been prosecuted for improper treatment of patients and insurance fraud. Federal and state authorities have investigated or prosecuted NME, and a number of insurance companies have successfully sued NME and recovered losses.

According to NME documents and court records:

- company hospitals admitted patients without clinical evaluations by licensed professionals
- NME owned hospitals billed insurance companies for treatments that never occurred
- a Vice President of an NME company pled guilty to paying bribes and illegal kickbacks to secure insured patients for their psychiatric hospitals

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- Bedford Meadows Hospital (Bedford)
- Brookhaven Psychiatric Pavilion (Dallas)
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Groups protest local radioactive shipments

By MICHELLE MITTELSTADT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Tons of high-level radioactive waste would be shipped through Texas if the federal government pursues its plan to open a nuclear storage dump in Nevada, according to a report prepared by Nevada officials fighting the proposal.

Opponents of the proposed Yucca Mountain repository released Tuesday a Nevada state agency's report detailing state-by-state rail and highway routes likely to be used in the shipment of spent nuclear fuel to Nevada.

The study's authors suggest that use of the Nevada repository would require more than 15,600 truck or rail shipments through 43 states over a 30-year period.

In Texas, which has two nuclear power plants, radioactive waste would travel by rail on three corridors, the report said.

One route would stretch from the South Texas Nuclear Project near Bay City north through Houston and Fort Worth and onto Oklahoma. A second route would start at Comanche Peak near Glen Rose, and would head west near Abilene and Lubbock and onto New Mexico. The third route, with nuclear cargo originating in Oklahoma, would cut through the Panhandle before heading west to New Mexico.

News conferences were held across the nation Tuesday by anti-nuclear and environmental organizations seeking to drum up opposition to the Yucca Mountain site.

The Yucca Mountain repository, located almost 100 miles northwest

of Las Vegas, would be designed to hold as much as 70,000 tons of high-level nuclear fuel. The federal government wants the storage site in operation by 2010.

The anti-nuclear groups want Congress to reject an effort to designate Yucca Mountain as the nation's nuclear storage dump and convene a commission to decide what to do next.

"The new Congress should realize that a hasty decision to transport these highly irradiated fuel rods will affect the health and safety of millions of Americans, not just Nevadans," said Michael Mariotte, executive director of the Nuclear Information and Resource Service.

Public Citizen, the U.S. Public Interest Research Group, Safe Energy Communication Council and Military Production Network joined Mariotte's group in releasing the study.

Nevada officials have long fought against housing the nation's most radioactive wastes and have raised concerns about the risks of shipping high-level nuclear waste across the country.

The nuclear industry accused Nevada officials of "fear-mongering." The industry's trade association noted that the Energy Department has yet to identify which routes would be used to transport nuclear waste.

In a statement Tuesday, the Nuclear Energy Institute defended the industry's 30-year track record as one of virtually unblemished safety in transporting nuclear waste. More than 2,000 shipments have been made in the United States without incident, the institute said.

Witness released in border patrol case

By JOSH LEMIEUX
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BROWNSVILLE, Texas — Jose Lopez Hernandez was jailed not for committing a crime, but for witnessing one.

The 18-year-old undocumented immigrant from Mexico is considered a key witness in two U.S. Border Patrol agents' defense against charges of beating up a one-footed Mexican man.

But Lopez's attorney says it's wrong to jail a witness simply out of fear that he may not show up to testify at trial — regardless of his immigration status.

On Tuesday, lawyers worked out a deal to end Lopez's two-month detention.

"All he wants to do is go home," said John Wescoat Sandlin, a Harlingen immigration attorney who took Lopez's case for free.

The legal controversy involves patrol agents David R. Gonzalez and Manny Figueroa. They are charged in state court in Brownsville with beating an illegal immigrant named David Bergman, throwing away his crutches, and then telling him to swim back across the Rio Grande to Mexico on March 16, 1994.

Figueroa's defense attorney, Ernesto Gamez Jr., said Lopez's testimony can damage the credibility of Bergman's claims.

Gamez, who portrays Bergman as a "border bandit" who robs illegal immigrants as they cross the river, said that Lopez will testify that he was one of Bergman's victims in January 1994.

Bergman denies taking part in robberies.

The Border Patrol picked up Lopez as an illegal immigrant in November and detained him at the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization

Service's detention center near Bayview. Sandlin said the normal procedure for an illegal border crosser from Mexico would have been a quick deportation, not a prolonged detention.

Last month, Gamez obtained an order from state District Judge Robert Garza that Lopez remain under detention to secure his testimony.

Lopez was transferred to the Cameron County Jail last week to await Figueroa's trial, scheduled for Jan. 30, and Gonzalez's trial, expected next month.

Gamez said the detention was necessary because he has no power to subpoena a witness in Mexico.

But when attorney Sandlin asked for a hearing to explore the issue Monday, Gamez agreed to take a videotaped deposition from the witness. Gamez withdrew his request for detention after the three-hour deposi-

tion Tuesday, and Lopez was released from jail.

"This whole thing could have been avoided if they had deposed him in the first place," Sandlin said. "I think it's a regrettable approach, and I think that if they had thought about it, they wouldn't have done it."

In June 1993, Bergman's foot was caught and severed between a train and railroad tracks as he fled immigration authorities, according to news accounts.

Agents Gonzalez and Figueroa are charged with injuring an invalid. Figueroa faces an additional count of failing to stop Gonzalez from striking Bergman. The agents have pleaded innocent.

Gamez said he wants Lopez's testimony in an attempt to throw out the indictment. He argues that Bergman does not fit the state's legal definition for an invalid because he can support himself by robbing people.

Alcoholism drug to cure liquor craving

By STEVE SAKSON
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NEW YORK — A drug already used to help heroin addicts kick the habit will also be given to alcoholics, its manufacturer said Tuesday, making it the first new drug used in the fight against alcoholism in nearly 50 years.

Researchers, who concluded that the drug naltrexone has some benefit in blocking the craving for alcohol, cautioned, however, that it does not represent a "magic bullet" in the battle against alcoholism.

The drug's manufacturer, DuPont Merck Pharmaceutical Co., said it would sell the drug as a supplement to traditional alcoholism therapy.

Available since 1984, naltrexone blocks the euphoria from heroin and other narcotics.

The Food and Drug Administration gave DuPont Merck authorization on Dec. 30 to market the drug for use against alcoholism after two studies involving 167 people showed it also appears to curb alcoholics' craving for drink.

The only other drug now sold for alcoholism is Antabuse, introduced in 1948, which makes a person nauseous when they drink. Researchers said Tuesday this drug hasn't been very successful because 80 percent of patients fail to take it properly.

They were cautious in the expectations for naltrexone.

"None of these studies indicate this is a substitute for good psychosocial treatment — 12-step programs like alcoholics anonymous,"

said Dr. Charles O'Brien, a professor of psychiatry at the University of Pennsylvania.

Drugs like naltrexone "address some unmet needs in alcoholism treatment, but no single medication is a magic bullet," O'Brien said, using the term once applied to penicillin.

The drug has been sold under the brand name Trexan, but in the future will be called Revia.

Doctors are permitted to prescribe any approved drug for any reason they see fit, and some have already been using naltrexone for alcoholism, the researchers said.

DuPont Merck — a partnership of the nation's biggest chemical company and the biggest prescription drugmaker — plans to sell the once-a-day pill for a wholesale price of \$3.80 per day in a treatment program lasting three to six months.

Patients who can't afford it will receive it for free, said DuPont Merck's president and chief executive, Kurt Landgraf.

Alcohol is the most widely abused drug in the United States, and there are about 15 million Americans who are alcoholics, the researchers said. They estimated the annual cost of the disease at \$100 billion in premature deaths and illnesses, lost productivity, treatment costs and other expenses.

In the two studies, both done in 1992 in conjunction with counseling, scientists said the drug reduced euphoria, cut the craving alcoholics feel for drinking and also reduced the resulting relapses into drinking that many people suffer after quitting.

Supreme Court rejects appeal; inmate's death sentence stands

By RICHARD CARELLI
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WASHINGTON — A Texas death row inmate convicted of murder by a jury that included a man distantly related to the victim has been refused a hearing by the nation's top tribunal.

The Supreme Court on Tuesday let stand, without comment, the conviction and death sentence given Maurice Andrews for the April 8, 1982, shooting death of Beaumont jewelry store owner Joe Granado.

Police said Andrews and another man, Malcolm Davis, robbed Granado's store and fatally shot Granado and his employee, Arturo Melindez.

Just before Andrews' trial was to begin, his lawyer told the presiding judge that juror Curtis Tomplait was related by marriage to Granado.

The juror's daughter was the

widow of Granado's grandson.

Andrew's lawyer sought to have a mistrial declared, or to reopen the jury-selection part of the trial so Tomplait could be questioned about his relationship to Granado. The trial judge turned down that request.

Texas appellate courts, a federal trial judge and the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals all rejected Andrews' argument that such a relationship should automatically give rise to "implied bias."

In rejecting Andrews' appeal last May, the 5th Circuit court noted that the doctrine of implied bias never has been adopted or rejected by the Supreme Court.

"Based on the record before us, we do not believe that Tomplait's presence on the jury deprived Andrews of his right to present his case to an impartial jury," the appeals court said.

Gingrich, Hurd trade jokes

WASHINGTON (AP)—Britain's foreign secretary met House Speaker Newt Gingrich on Tuesday and quickly pronounced him "a character whose renown is now spreading far beyond the shores of the United States."

Asked by a reporter to define "renown," Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said, "Renown is a complimentary term."

"At least he didn't try to make me define 'character,'" Gingrich chimed in.

Both Hurd and Gingrich brushed off serious questions from reporters but said they discussed Bosnia, as well as other matters affecting the

two longtime allies. During his visit, Hurd met with Secretary of State Warren Christopher and was host to Secretary of Defense William Perry for breakfast at the British Embassy.

In Gingrich's Capitol Hill office, Hurd drank from a black coffee mug decorated with a green, newt-like dinosaur.

Gingrich also pointed out that Hurd was sitting under a painting of George Washington crossing the Delaware River during the Revolutionary War against Britain.

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