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## World

## Homemade bomb found in French church

LA ROCHE-SUR-YON, France (AP) — A parish priest found what experts said Tuesday was a homemade bomb in the basilica of a church that Pope John Paul II will visit this month.

The bomb was discovered Monday in a crypt of the St. Laurent-sur-Sevre church in La Roche-sur-Yon in France's western Brittany region.

Beneath the bomb was an inscription in a garbled mixture of Latin and French — "in nomine pape poum," or "in the name of the pope, boom."

Experts described the bomb as a "crude pyrotechnical device" and said it had been planted sometime over the weekend. Bomb disposal experts defused it, and no one was injured.

## National

## Number experts find largest prime number

EAGAN, Minn. (AP) — Computer scientists crunching numbers at the outer limits of numeration say they've stumbled on the largest-known prime number.

This one, at 378,632 digits, would fill up 12 newspaper pages in standard type.

To work it out for yourself, take 2, multiply it by itself 1,257,787 times, and subtract one.

A Cray Research team discovered this latest, largest prime number while testing a CRAY T94 system, one of the company's latest supercomputers.

"Finding these special numbers is a true 'needle-in-a-haystack' exercise, but we improve our odds by using tremendously fast computers and a clever program," said David Slowinski, a Cray Research scientist.

## State

## Moncrief tapped to head committee

AUSTIN (AP) — Lt. Governor Bob Bullock has selected Sen. Mike Moncrief as chairman of the Senate General Investigating Committee.

Moncrief, D-Fort Worth, replaces Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock, who resigned last month to become chancellor of the Texas Tech University System.

Moncrief was elected to the Texas Senate in 1991. His appointment as General Investigation Committee chairman was announced Tuesday.

"His leadership will be of great value to the committee," Bullock said.

Moncrief will hold the position until January, when Bullock announces committee selections for the new session.

## Former union head indicted Tuesday

HOUSTON (AP) — The former president of Houston's largest Teamsters union was indicted Tuesday on embezzlement charges.

Hammond, 49, took over the Teamsters Local Union 988 in 1989. He was removed as president last November by a trustee after federal allegations surfaced regarding the missing money.

The 13-count indictment said Hammond charged \$101,700 worth of personal items on the union's credit card.

Hammond also was charged with embezzling more than \$37,000 from the union's Democratic Republican Independent Voter Education Fund that is used to inform members about local and national politics.

## U.S. bombards Iraq with missiles

By Terence Hunt  
AP WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENT

WASHINGTON — The United States fired a hailstorm of cruise missiles at Iraqi air-defense sites for the second time in 24 hours to destroy targets that survived Tuesday's initial attack.

The strike came 12 hours after President Clinton warned that a defiant Saddam Hussein must "pay a price" for his boldest aggression since the Persian Gulf War.

Acknowledging that the first effort had fallen short, Pentagon spokesman Ken Bacon said, "This is what we would call a mop-up operation."

He said two of the four Iraqi air defense targets had to be struck

again. He did not elaborate.

Another official put it this way: "We have to go back and get what we missed."

"Like the initial strike, tonight's attack is necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and crews operating in the expanded no-fly zone," White House spokesman Mike McCurry said in a statement.

He said U.S. military forces "carried out additional strikes against Iraq air defense sites located below the 33rd parallel," beginning at 8 p.m. EDT, which was Wednesday morning local time.

A total of 17 cruise missiles were fired from three U.S. Navy ships and one submarine located in the Persian Gulf, Pentagon sources said.

Twenty-seven had been fired during the initial operation.

"If it is successful, there will be no way he can get to Jordan, he could mount another attack against Kuwait," an administration official said. "It is to ensure that we can rule the skies over Iraq."

The sea-launched cruise missiles were fired from the destroyer USS Russell, the destroyer USS Hewitt, the guided missile destroyer USS Laboon and the submarine USS Jefferson City, all in the Persian Gulf.

In a speech before an evening meeting of the National Guard Association, Clinton restated his case against Saddam, saying that it was important for the United States

to make clear that "reckless acts have consequences."

The president said that the attack and the extension of the "no-fly" zone in southern Iraq have "reduced Saddam's ability to strike out again at his neighbors."

To do less, he said, would encourage Saddam in the sort of aggression former President Bush was forced to curb in 1991 during the Persian Gulf War.

"We do not want that to happen again," Clinton said. "Therefore I had to do what I did today."

As American missiles roared into Iraq earlier in a daylight strike, U.S. allies watched from the sidelines, some of them voicing sharp criticism.

France, Spain and Russia objected, as did China. Saudi Arabia refused to allow Saudi-based U.S. planes to take part in the assault. Britain, Germany and Japan applauded Clinton's action.

The attack — the second against Iraq during the Clinton administration — was intended to punish Saddam for his bloody siege of the Kurdish-controlled city of Irbil.

"Our objectives are limited but clear: to make Saddam pay a price for the latest act of brutality, reducing his ability to threaten his neighbors and America's interests," the president said in a nationally broadcast statement from the Oval Office.

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## Viruses pose threat to healthy systems

By Kelly Melhart  
SKIFF STAFF

It's not flu season yet, but viruses are being caught and spread all over campus.

Computer viruses are similar to biological viruses, said James Mayne, an employee in the technical services department of TCU Information Services.

Computer viruses are computer programs that are written to attach themselves to computer software, reproduce and spread themselves onto other computer systems.

"Computer viruses can be harmful or irritating," Mayne said. "It depends on the intent of the author."

Dick Rinewalt, an associate professor of computer science, said many viruses are written for different reasons.

"Most viruses that get written are written because it's a challenge," he said.

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## Recruiters aim high

By Bobbie Stroud  
and Anne Drabicky  
SKIFF STAFF

The Army ROTC and the Air Force ROTC are gearing up to teach new members about military life and TCU's varied ROTC programs.

The Air Force ROTC is busy trying to inform more students about available scholarship opportunities.

"There are scholarships for both technical and non-technical fields," said Capt. Johnny D. Summers, Air Force ROTC public affairs officer.

"We want to target freshmen and sophomores because the scholarships for juniors and seniors are limited," he said.

Summers said students need an understanding of military life before committing to the ROTC programs.

One way to create this increased awareness of TCU's military programs is through visits to different military bases.

"We have a visit to Sheppard Air Force Base in Wichita Falls, which will give students an opportunity to see what military life is all about," Summers said. "We need to give them a fair assessment of what being in the military is like because we don't want students in the ROTC who don't want to be in the military."

The Army ROTC has not yet finalized its plans for recruiting new students into the program, said Capt. Arthur Powell, recruiting operations officer for Army ROTC.

However, the Army ROTC is

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Christie Arisman, a sophomore business major, and Rebecca Hall, a sophomore education major, search for posters during the annual poster sale Tuesday evening in the Student Center lounge.

## TCU brochure gets new look

By Candace McAdams  
SKIFF STAFF

A collage of smiling, happy TCU faces will hopefully catch the eyes of prospective students when they receive this year's new admissions viewbook.

Upon arriving at TCU nearly a year ago, Allison Holt, admissions marketing director, made it her main goal to improve the literature being sent out to prospective students.

She said the brochures in the past focused mainly on the school itself rather than the people.

"My goal was to evaluate the message, theme, content and design in the past brochures," Holt said.

She said the scholastic part of TCU has become her central idea. "TCU has academics like every other school," she said. "What makes TCU different from the other schools is the people."

"A high school student with a 3.2 GPA and a 1100 SAT score will receive about 23 pounds of information from colleges and universities, so we have to do something that makes our brochures stand out," Holt said.

She said most incoming students are interested in what the people have to say about the school.

In the new viewbook, Holt focused on TCU students who had everyday stories to tell.

The viewbook is a brochure that features TCU students, faculty and alumni. The students in the book explain what brought them to TCU or what they like most about the people and opportunities at TCU, she said.

The book also features two recent graduates who explain how beneficial their TCU degrees were in obtaining their careers.

"We focused on the two alumni because parents want to know if their child is going to succeed," she said.

Holt said the goal of the book is to show prospective students and parents an overview of the campus.

Gorland Mar, associate art director of university publications, assisted Holt in the production of the viewbook.

Mar said the new viewbook is radically different from the viewbooks in the past.

"It is less traditional than books from years before," Mar said. "We gave it a younger approach."

Holt said the book contains simple material, but it is presented in a fun and easy-to-read way.

In past viewbooks, purple, black and white were the only colors used in order to express TCU's colors clearly. The new viewbook has many bright colors, but there is still a lot of purple, Holt said.

Holt also went to such detail as mailing the viewbook in an envelope with a 9 inches by 12 inches window which allows the cover of the viewbook to be seen.

The brochure is also an inch and a half longer in both width and length, so it will stick out in a stack of mail.

"The first thing the prospective students see are these smiling faces staring at them instead of just a plain white envelope," she said.

Holt has also made changes in the admission's brochure and video, both of which have received awards. "We are constantly striving to make changes," she said.

## Elections to decide new reps

By Rob Sherwin  
SKIFF STAFF

The endless trail of colorful campaign posters on dormitory walls will come to an end this week as new member elections for the House of Student Representatives conclude.

TCU residence halls held elections Tuesday for representatives to serve in the House, said Theresa Hill, a senior advertising/public relations major and House of Student Representatives Elections and Regulations chairwoman.

Hill said she has given each residence hall broad instructions concerning the elections but that it was the responsibility of the individual residence hall to administer its own election. Each hall is allowed to elect a number of representatives that is proportional to the population of the hall.

Hill said the elections are important for two reasons.

"First, it's important for the individual," she said. "Running for House is an easy way for people to get involved and make a difference."

"The elections are also important to the House because we need to represent the diverse group of people we have on campus."

Stoney White, a junior political science major and House Permanent Improvements Committee chairman, said the elections are important because new members will help lay the House's foundation.

"Being a representative is the most exciting and important position in the House," he said. "The representatives are the core of student government."

The House will hold its new member retreat this Saturday, where new representatives will receive a crash course on topics such as bill writing and the committee system.

Becca Gardner, a sophomore pre-major and House Student Concerns Committee chairwoman, said the retreat is important, but representatives really learn from experience.

"When I was a new rep, it really didn't click until you get in there and start doing it," she said. "It takes time. You have to watch everyone else and catch on."

Hill said she is excited about working with the new representatives.

"Every semester it's great to have new people," she said. "A lot of times new members will bring with them new, off-the-wall ideas that spark great things."

White also said he is looking forward to the new class of representatives.

"Each class brings something new," he said. "One might have a tendency to engage in spirited debate, while another might have strong committee involvement."

# Pulse

CAMPUS LINES

**INSTRUCTOR TRYOUTS** for the Frog Fit Aerobics Program will be held today at the Rickel building. The pay rate is \$10 per hour. For more information, contact Mary Ellen Milam at 921-7945.

**PHI THETA KAPPA** will hold its first meeting noon to 1 p.m. today in the Student Center Ballroom lounge. For more information, contact Joael McMullen at ext. 7490.

**STUDY ABROAD** will hold a welcome back reception from 4 to 5:30 p.m. today in the Student Center Woodson Room.

**UNDERGRADUATES INTERESTED IN STUDENT TEACHING** need to fill out an application. Applications are located in the Bailey Building room 102 or 304. Ask for the student teaching diskette and pick up a checklist to see if you are eligible to student teach. Applications are due Sept. 25.

**TCU CHAPEL SERVICE** will be held at noon today in the Robert Carr Chapel. All students are welcome.

## Correction

An inaccuracy was inadvertently placed in Chris Smith's Thursday column. Smith referred to Northern Ireland as "the six occupied counties of Ulster," a phrase sometimes used by those who support a unified Ireland. The sentence that said Smith is a supporter of the Irish Republican Army was not written by Smith, but was inserted for clarification by an editor without substantiation.

Annie Gant is a member of the volleyball team. Her name was misspelled in Wednesday's edition. The Skiff regrets these errors.

## ROTC

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working toward making the current freshman class feel more comfortable about enrolling in the ROTC program.

Army ROTC held an orientation lab Thursday to introduce freshmen to staff members and seniors, said Cadet Capt. Misty McFarland, a senior math major.

Also planned is Orientation Weekend, a weekend dedicated to bringing corps members closer together, she said. The event will be held this weekend at Camp Wolters in Mineral Wells.

Camp activities include classes on military life for freshmen, pistol training, repelling and physical training tests, McFarland said.

"(The weekend is designed to) get freshmen oriented to military customs, traditions and military life," she said.

Battalion Cmdr. John Williams, a senior biology and chemistry major, said another purpose of the Orientation Weekend is "to strengthen unit cohesion and develop esprit de corps within the battalion."

"Recruiting has really paid off this year. This is the largest freshman class since I've been here."

"The additional numbers enhance training by providing 'bodies' for the MSIII's to lead, since the major focus is on preparing the juniors for Advanced Camp," he said.

McFarland said MSIII's are those students in their third year with the corps. Advanced Camp is designed to evaluate juniors on their knowledge of basic army skills and leadership ability.

Williams said, "Giving them (the MSIII's) freshmen to train, mentor and lead helps polish their leadership skills."

This is the first year Army ROTC has held Orientation Weekend.

The Air Force ROTC and the Army ROTC programs incorporate different universities in the Dallas/Fort Worth area to take ROTC classes on the TCU campus.

The same schools, except for UTA, are also involved in the Army ROTC program.

"It shows a good working relationship between the schools in the area," Summers said. "It's a great learning experience."

## VIRUS

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For instance, viruses like Michelangelo and Natas (Satan spelled backwards) are destructive viruses that can completely erase the hard drive of the infected computer.

Other viruses, like Stealth and B1, are considered benign or harmless viruses.

Josh Harmon, a computer support specialist for TCU Information Services, said viruses are hard to detect.

"They don't destroy data," he said. "Most people don't even know they have it. With destructive ones you know."

Mayne said all viruses alter computer software.

"A lot of kids write viruses that are intended to be benign but in fact destroy data," he said.

Rinewalt said, "People write viruses for PC's (personal computers) mainly."

He said PC's are made to be easy to use but they are also easy to infect.

Computer viruses are spread between computers through the use of floppy disks and by downloading material from the Internet. Once a disk is infected with the virus it can infect any system it comes in contact with until the disk is cleaned.

Harmon said viruses are not

transmitted through e-mail or downloading images and text from the Internet. They are caught by downloading games or anything else that can be executed on a computer.

"You have to be able to run it on your computer to have it affect your computer," he said.

Virus protection software packages are available to help protect computers.

Mayne said, "Everyone should have an anti-virus package on their PC or Mac system. It's easy to do. There's no reason not to."

Virus protection software checks the computer's hard drive to see if it is currently infected. It will clean the system by killing the existing viruses.

Once clean, the hard drive will install a terminate and stay resident program. This will check every floppy disk used on the computer for incoming viruses. If one is found, the TSR will shut down the computer so the least possible damage will be done.

Mayne said the virus market fluctuates. New viruses could be discovered daily or the market could experience a period of quiet.

Harmon said to keep up with the many new viruses, the anti-virus packages are updated every 45

days to two months.

TCU uses the F-prot anti-virus software.

Harmon said there is a freeware variation of this software package students can get free from Information Services or by entering the departmental menu in the DOS labs and downloading the program.

Information Services uses the professional version on its computers, he said.

Mayne said if a computer virus hits TCU, it can cause extensive damage.

"The problem is serious in terms of the number of systems involved," he said.

Any computer on a system is at risk. For instance, if one computer in the library was infected, all other computers also run the risk of being infected. The same is true with all the systems on campus.

Mayne said TCU does not put the administrative systems on personal computers where they would be easier to infect.

"I am not aware of any administrative data being lost at TCU," he said. "Personal data is another matter."

Harmon said that although the Internet makes infection easier, TCU is not in a high risk area.

## IRAQ

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Clinton said Saddam's army still controlled Irbil and remained deployed for further attacks, despite claims it was withdrawing. Later, however, McCurry said, "There have been movements in and around Irbil and in the corridor extending to the southeast, along the lines toward Chamchamal and Sulaymaniyah" — two other Kurdish areas.

"We have given him a strong message," Defense Secretary William Perry said. "We expect to see changes in behavior, we will be watching very carefully. We reserve the right to take future military actions."

Clinton gave the "go" order for the initial attack at 8:11 p.m. EDT Monday in a telephone call from Air Force One as he

returned from nine days of campaigning. "We have to go forward. This is the right thing to do. This is a measured, very disciplined and firm approach," the president told chief of staff Leon Panetta and National Security Adviser Anthony Lake, McCurry said. Clinton authorized the military to make the second attack Tuesday.

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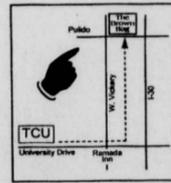
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## EDITORIAL

# NOT JUST BLOWING SMOKE

### Kids will benefit from new regulations

President Clinton recently announced federal regulations that would, among other things, treat cigarettes as addictive drugs, ban tobacco vending machines from locations children under 18 have access to and crack down on advertising near schools.

These regulations are past due in a society where underage smoking and drug use have become increasingly commonplace.

But regulations alone won't snuff out the problem of teens lighting up. Society and law enforcement must crack down on how we think about and punish underage smoking.

If smoking by children under 18 had the stigma and punishments similar to those of underage drinking, tobacco companies would not have to be regulated as heavily.

So what connection does underage drinking have with underage smoking? They both kill, but in different ways. The government has set a limit on how old you must be to buy liquor,

to make sure people are responsible when they drink (assuming, of course, that responsibility comes with age). If you want to kill brain cells by getting drunk or kill someone else by drinking and driving, you should at least be old enough to know what you're doing.

The same reasoning fits for the limits that are placed on who can buy cigarettes. You should be old enough to understand that cigarettes will kill also — just in a longer period of time.

Underage smoking may also have links to drug use. It is no coincidence that as underage smoking has increased, drug use among teens has risen dramatically. Children are moving from one drug to a harder one.

Restricting the under-18 population's access to cigarettes and the advertising influence on them may seem like a hardship for the tobacco industry. It may look like an election year ploy, but in the end, kids are the real winners.

# Students learn a lesson: Volunteer one measly hour, get a 'special friend'

Imagine being in elementary school and having one parent in jail and the other dying of cancer.

Imagine being a shy kid who gets ignored in class because the teacher doesn't have to single you out for discipline problems.

Now imagine your week, minus one measly hour.

Last year, about 80 TCU students participated in the Growth Center Project in the Fort Worth Independent School District as "special friends." They were paired with elementary school students from 13 area schools.

Several of my friends have given an hour of their time to spend with kids who need a little boost of self-esteem or attention they don't get at home.

And they have loved their commitment to these kids.

The bottom line here is education. Few would dispute that public school employees spend too much time disciplining students and too little time teaching.

In addition, most would agree that if kids feel good about themselves,

they will have confidence in their abilities and will perform better in school.

Schools in the United States need all the help they can get, even from regular folks like college students.

Students' needs must be met by someone other than a teacher. Time must be taken out of every student's school day for interaction with other positive role models.

The kids who are referred to the Growth Center Project are shy, act out in class or have learning problems due to low self-esteem, said Martha Darwin, who works for the Growth Center.

The volunteers don't work with the major problem children, she said. But that doesn't mean they don't make significant differences in many children's lives.

A friend told me her third-grader would wait impatiently for her to arrive each week. As my friend peeked in the door, the girl would proudly smile and tell her peers her friend was there, so she had to go.

The elementary students get out of regularly scheduled class to meet with their special friends. They come back to class "considerably calmer," Darwin said.

Another TCU student visited with two elementary students, one who was dealing with her parents' divorce, and another who had one parent in jail and another with terminal cancer.

The girl whose mother was dying told my friend about the angels watching over her. The "precious" little girl learned to deal with her mother's death in a mature way, my friend said.

The other child's teacher noticed how much more polite and respectful the girl was becoming.

Several TCU students who participated in the program said they thought their commitment was fun. I lived with one, and she never uttered even a tiny complaint about having to go week after week. In fact, she could hardly wait to visit with her "buddy," as she called her elementary student.

Darwin said the kids get a lot out of the program, and she appreciates the TCU volunteers.

The best part is when these friendships lead to lunch in an elementary school cafeteria or to the creation of an artistic work.

Darwin said the project needs more male role models, especially minorities, because many of the children do not have male role models.

The benefits of meeting with a child every week are not just for that elementary student. Every child has something to teach others.

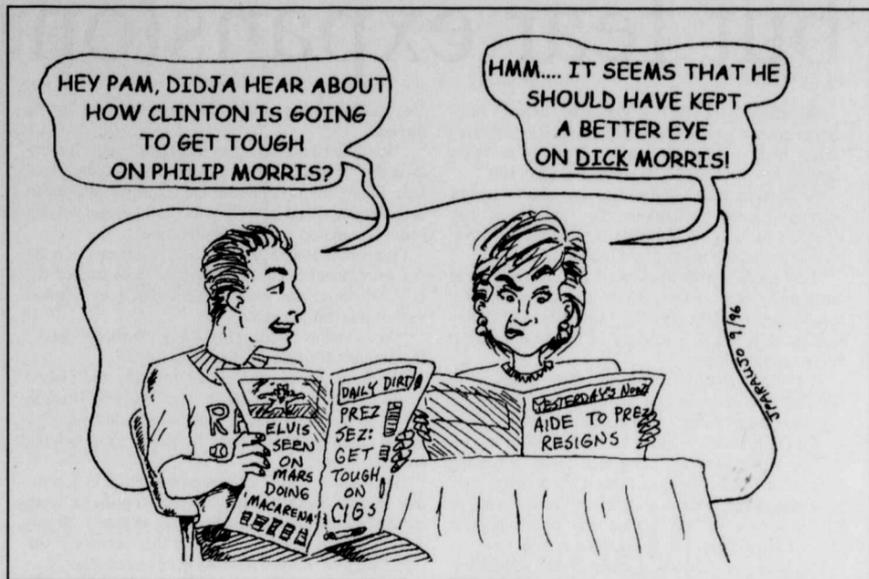
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# Dole ducks vital issues with talk of Tinseltown

"This nation is so cynical," moaned a random Republican and Bob Dole supporter on CNN. "If the voters only gave Bob Dole a chance, the American Dream would be restored."

Well, if her definition of cynicism is not believing in Bob Dole to restore the American "Dream," then stamp "guilty" on my forehead, dip me in vinegar and hang me by my toes with an electrical cord.

I've always been a dysfunctional optimist, but I know what processed cow food looks like. And that's exactly what the rhetoric of Bob and friends resembles.

Here we go again with the Hollywood-is-bad non-issue. I think there is a place where all non-issues go, and just when it's time to talk about what we're going to do about violent crime or millions of impoverished single mothers, Mr. Non-issue becomes a hot item. I suppose it's one of those checks and balances. We don't want politicians talking about real issues — we might be subjected to high-minded solutions that don't paint the house, clean the car and raise the kids.

Bob Dole says we have too much violence and sex in movies. If only that godless Hollywood and its band of evil movie producers would stop insisting movies portray such devility, our society will turn into that shining city on the hill. Kids would stop using drugs, marriages would stay together, young impoverished girls would stop having out-of-wedlock births... the list continues.

After all, Dole proclaims, this is what America wants. And on the surface, Ol' Bob might be right. But there's more to life than just what's on the surface.

Lots of people bemoan violence and sex in movies; the only thing is, they're the same people who are

first in line at the box office to see "Deranged Man Goes Raging Mad and Kills Everyone in Sight Amid Cool Special Effects VII." I witnessed the best example of this phenomenon during the summer.

At a place I once worked, I interacted with a group of fine upstanding citizens. They were all about 30 years old (some a little more), believed Jesus died for their sins, loved America and apple pie. They tended to be on the conservative side of the political equation, and they bought into the decaying-society theory to which people like Bob Dole subscribe.

One day, we were sitting around a television. Bill was outraged by the stuff you see in movies these days. Sex, violence, more sex, more violence — did I mention sex? The whole room was in agreement. Jane just deplored such depictions of uncivilized conduct. This was a Bob Dole focus-group dream.

Then, moments later, a commercial advertizing a new action movie (with plenty of violence and, yes, sex, depicted in the preview alone) appeared. Bill was ecstatic. He couldn't wait until this movie came out. It reminded him of a similar movie.

Everyone agreed. Weren't movies great today? I mean, the special effects of present blow away any movie made 20 years ago. No really, folks, this happened. It's a wonderful feeling to be touched by other people's hypocrisy.

We all like grandiose movies that help us escape from our boring lives. Ratings and age restrictions are more than enough. If people don't like violence or sex and they don't want their children to see it, all they have to do is look at the rating and simply not go.

Truth be told, Hollywood is not as evil as Bob would like to portray it. If Americans truly wanted good, "wholesome" movies with birds

and flowers and cute animals saving cute children, such movies would be produced. Americans pay for action, violence and sex, not cute animals.

Remember, we live in a land where the dollar is the best gauge of consensus. Hollywood makes what sells, and people buy what they want.

Don't expect Bob and friends to catch onto this. They're too busy living in a made-up dream world that is reminiscent of yesteryear.

Their answer to gaining more female voters and tightening the gender gap is to lower taxes and do away with affirmative action. Hmmm... let's cut spending, which funds a plethora of programs that help women, and take away policy that helps them get their foot in the door of that great male-dominated world. Damn good political strategy. And Bob wonders why he's 20 points behind Clinton in an ABC News poll conducted Saturday.

The Republicans' answer to cutting down crime is letting more people have access to more guns. Another doozy of a logic-deficient idea.

So it should be no surprise that their answer to inner-city social ills is to make Hollywood produce clean movies. Pay no attention to decaying, poorly funded public education in impoverished areas, the paucity of hope and opportunity residents face each day or the driving psychological and social forces that are at the root of illegitimacy, crime and drug use.

The American Dream is about opportunity for all, not clean movies, family values or even tax cuts, contrary to what Bob Dole and Co. think. The idiocy and madness of it is enough to make even Pollyanna cynical.

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## COLUMN



KEVIN ARCENEAUX

## Postal Service adopts efficiency, lacks personality

Every day this summer, I found myself walking two blocks for the mail. I couldn't help but ponder the evolution of mail. In fact, sometimes it seems that the Postal Service is a metaphor for life.

In the beginning, the Postal Service had individual carriers who delivered by horse. They would brave the elements to bring mail to private homes. You know the saying, "neither rain, sleet nor snow..."

As cities cropped up, the Postal Service began to localize within each

populated area. It would send carriers to walk the neighborhoods and deliver the mail straight to each front door. Homeowners could often stop and have a pleasant conversation with the carriers as they went through their routes. Those days are gone.

In efforts to become more efficient, the Postal Service started delivering mail in motorized vehicles. Carriers would put the mail in a curb side mailbox and drive on their merry ways. Access to the mail was still fairly convenient, but the personal touch had disappeared. Now, even those days are gone.

Today there are neighborhood mailboxes. The carriers make one quick stop, and the mail is delivered. Homeowners must then walk to get their mail. Some must walk incredible distances, all in the interest of

efficiency. One shudders to think what the future might bring.

The evolution of mail will finally be complete when the Postal Service has one major office (probably in Washington) where all the mail will be dropped onto the floor for citizens to thumb through. Everyone will fly out on the Red Eye to pick up their bills and letters from family. All in the name of efficiency.

This drive for efficiency isn't isolated within the Postal Service. Long gone are the days when milk and cheese were delivered door to door. The full-service gas station is nearly extinct, and even Sears has been split into several parts.

Walking several blocks to get the mail is enough to demonstrate that faster isn't always better. In all this search for efficiency, it seems that

something very important is missing: something personal.

For example, in my hometown, someone is calling the local school district just to get a voice mail message. The problem has become so comical that it leads one to wonder if there are any people in the building.

Unfortunately, voice mail isn't limited to that office. This epidemic can be found in almost every business office in the country, in some capacity anyway. This always causes frustration for the caller (press one if you would like to destroy your phone, press two if you would like to maim and pillage...).

Community mailboxes, voice mail, answering machines, e-mail, fax machines, self-service gas stations, lunch buffets and fast-food restaurants are increasing with alarm-

ing frequency. All in the name of efficiency.

Gone are the days when the call of a customer or taxpayer actually meant something to us. As long as they vote for us, or give us their money, we don't need to give them time. Time's too precious to waste on people.

So let's make a call for hand-delivered mail and individual mailboxes. Let's make a call for more full-service gas stations and sit-down restaurants. And more importantly, whenever someone calls a major business or governmental agency, he or she should hear a human voice on the other end of the line. Life's too short to be worrying about saving time.

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## COLUMN



SCOTT BARZILLA

## LETTERS POLICY

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# Student says he's innocent

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — A theology student charged with trying to carry explosives, ammunition and weapons onto an airplane insists the material was harmless.

However, a police officer said the arsenal still could have been used for a hijacking.

Roman Regman was arrested Saturday at a security checkpoint at Tampa International Airport.

His carry-on luggage contained five homemade explosive devices, bomb-making materials, two hand grenades, a 9mm pistol, about 180 rounds of ammunition and six military-knives, police said.

Regman, 21, held a round-trip ticket to Wilkes Barre-Scranton, Pa., where he was to start his third year of study for the priesthood at St. Tikhon's Seminary in South Canaan, near Scranton.

Regman told WTVT-TV that he was innocent.

"The things I had were not real. They're used weapons. They were no good. The grenades are dead," Regman said from jail, where he was being held without bail.

However, the police bomb squad director, Sgt. Jim Diamond, said Regman still could have used his arsenal to hijack the plane or commit some other crime when he reached his destination.

And WTVT quoted an unidentified airport official as saying the gun and grenades were usable.

On Sunday, state and federal agents searched the home Regman shared with his mother in Brooksville, about 50 miles north of Tampa.

"They did confiscate some items but I can't discuss that," airport police Lt. Steve Marlovits said Monday.

His mother, Cornelia Regman, told *The Times* of Scranton that her son bought a gun three weeks ago but could never hurt anyone.

"I know for sure, because I am Christian, this is the work of the devil," Cornelia Regman said by telephone.



The Outbreak Ministry Band, comprised of TCU students and alumni, played Tuesday evening at Frog Fountain at their kick-off meeting. Outbreak is a new Christian organization on campus and will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays in the Student Center ballroom.

# Difficult process simplified by staff

By Erik McKenzie  
SKIFF STAFF

Along with the typical first-day of school rush to the bookstore, the registrar's office and the I.D. Center, the financial aid office gets its fair share of students bombarding the office.

But, rest assured, there are smiling, helpful faces waiting for each student's concerns.

Sherry Fowler and Gail Arlington are the two women who work to keep the office running smoothly while personally trying to help students with their financial aid.

Fowler said the two try to answer questions students have as quickly and thoroughly as possible so students can be satisfied immediately.

Even though Fowler and Arlington are usually busy, they know how important it is to try to please the student.

"Our goal is to put a smile on their face," Arlington said.

Fowler and Arlington began working in the financial aid office about a year ago and both of them say the job is very rewarding.

They serve as a screening process for most student questions, cutting down on the bureaucratic runaround.

However, if the problem involves something beyond their control, they make sure the student receives the proper attention from someone else in the department.

They said most students are usually very appreciative of their help. Both said they have received letters of thanks and flowers for their efforts. One student even sent them a cookie bouquet.

Kim Jones, a junior speech and communications major, visited the financial office for the first time this semester and said she had a great experience.

"They were wonderful," Jones said. "They were very busy but made sure to help me."

Even though it is always a chaotic time in the financial aid office during the summer months

and into the start of fall classes, this year has been especially busy for Fowler and Arlington.

As a result of the federal government shutdown earlier this year, students had to wait as much as two extra months for their financial aid forms to be processed.

In addition, Fowler and Arlington said many of the TCU financial aid forms had the incorrect school codes printed on them. This resulted in even further delays for financial award letters to students.

Both of them said many students called this summer and asked about the delays. However, Fowler and Arlington said most callers were understanding about the problems.

Despite staying busy this summer, both Fowler and Arlington said the office does get boring when there are not as many students around.

"The students are like our kids," Fowler said. "We like taking care of them and helping them if we can."

Fowler and Arlington understand what TCU students with financial aid must go through to receive their financial packages.

Fowler has a son and Arlington has a daughter attending TCU. Both of the children receive aid, but that doesn't mean the financial aid process is any easier on them.

"We have to fill out the same forms that you do," Arlington said.

Although the job can be stressful at times, neither of the women have any feeling of burn out from their jobs. They said it can get difficult when they're answering phones, looking up information and trying to help a student all at the same time.

However, they seem to manage to get everything done and still do so in a pleasant matter, said Byron Wilson, a senior nutrition major.

"They're always swamped but they're pretty nice and helpful," Wilson said.

Neither Fowler nor Arlington would have it any other way. Both said they hope they can continue to help TCU students in any way they can.

# Commission dispute resolved

By Mary R. Sandok  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MINNEAPOLIS — The nation's major air carriers and travel agents on Tuesday resolved a dispute over limits airlines had placed on ticket commissions.

Details were not immediately available.

The case was resolved as jury selection was about to begin in federal court for a trial on a class-action lawsuit by agents who accused the airlines of conspiring to cap ticket commissions.

The agreement is to be the subject of a hearing at 2 p.m. Thursday before U.S. District Judge James Rosenbaum.

"We are pleased with the result," said Sam Heins, the lead attorney for the travel agents. "We think it's a good settlement and look forward to

presenting it in court for the judge's approval."

John French, an attorney representing American Airlines, said the case was resolved but no settlement document had been agreed upon as of late Tuesday afternoon. Representatives of both sides were preparing a joint news release.

The settlement involved American, Delta, Northwest and United Airlines, attorneys said. TWA settled shortly after the antitrust lawsuit was filed last year on behalf of about 33,000 travel agents. USAir settled separately earlier Tuesday. Also on Tuesday, Continental Airlines Inc. formally announced a settlement it had reached several days ago with the agents.

Continental said in a news release that it denied all claims in the lawsuit but decided to settle to avoid risks and expenses of further litigation.

The suit was filed after the airlines

capped commissions at \$50 for any domestic ticket exceeding \$500. Agents typically had received 10 percent of the ticket price.

The lawsuit accused the airlines of conspiring to set commissions at artificially low levels, then announcing the limits at different times to give the impression that they were acting independently.

Airline officials have said commissions are their third-largest operating expense, and they said the limit was a necessary cost-cutting measure.

The agents were seeking compensation for lost commissions and an order prohibiting the airlines from acting in concert on commissions.

Continental's \$5 million settlement includes the airline's attorney fees. Dave Messing, a spokesman for the airline, said Continental was keeping in place the \$50 limit on commissions for domestic tickets exceeding \$500.

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# Cancer therapy may add more survivors

By Paul Reecer  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — Treating lung cancer with both chemotherapy and radiation almost triples the number of patients who live at least five years, says a new study.

But researchers cautioned that even with combination therapy's improvement, the future remains bleak for lung cancer patients, as those who survive even five years remain a minority.

"It still isn't great," said Dr. Robert O. Dillman, lead author of the study, which will be published Wednesday in the Journal of the National Cancer Institute.

"But when you look at how common this type of cancer is, the difference could amount to an addition of several thousand people still alive."

The study found that 17 percent of patients with non-small cell lung cancer who received chemotherapy and radiation together were alive five years later. For patients treated only with radiation, the five-year survival rate was just 6 percent.

Dillman, who is with the Hoag Cancer Center, Newport Beach, Calif., said the research shows that after years of virtually no improvement in survival rates, "we are really starting to make progress in lung cancer."

One reason for the progress, he

said, may be that today's lung cancer patients are more likely to have quit smoking before they were diagnosed, or to be more willing to quit once they are diagnosed. Kicking the smoking habit, he said, boosts survival chances.

Lung cancer is the nation's most common malignancy. The American Cancer Society says it will strike 177,000 Americans this year, and kill 158,000.

Non-small cell lung cancer is the most common type, and it particularly strikes smokers, causing 75 to 80 percent of the lung cancers found in smokers, Dillman said.

It is a difficult type of cancer to detect early, before it has moved beyond the lungs, and it can

involve a variety of cells that have been genetically mutated by tobacco smoke, he said.

In the study, Dillman and his co-authors conducted comparative treatment techniques on 155 patients with late-stage non-small cell lung cancer. Seventy-eight patients received both chemotherapy and radiation therapy, and 77 receiving only radiation. All of the patients were then reexamined periodically for seven years.

At the end of a year, 54 percent of those receiving the combination therapy were still alive, while 40 percent of those getting radiation only were still living. After two years, the survival rates were 26 percent for the combination group,

vs. 13 percent for the radiation group. At five years, 17 percent who received combination therapy were alive, compared with 6 percent of the radiation treatment group.

The study, along with a similar finding reported last year, adds support to the idea of treating lung cancer with combined therapy, said Dr. David H. Johnson of the Vanderbilt Clinic, Nashville.

"It seems clear that this strategy is appropriate for at least a few select patients," Johnson said.

But Dillman's patients were in better shape than many lung cancer patients and, as a result, applying the combined therapy to all patients with advanced non-small

cell lung cancer "is potentially risky," he added.

Dillman agreed that not every patient should get combined therapy, because its side effects can be too severe for the very sick to tolerate. Chemotherapy can cause severe nausea and blood changes, although recently approved drugs can help control some of those effects.

Patients in the study were treated with cisplatin and vinblastine, standard chemotherapeutic agents when the study began in 1984. Improved drugs, such as Taxol, now are available, but it is too early to tell those new therapies will improve the survival rate even more, Dillman said.

## Edouard gone, not forgotten

By Glen Johnson  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON — Lisa Matsko was one of the lucky ones Tuesday.

Stranded on Cape Cod by Hurricane Edouard, she and two friends snagged scarce seats on one of the few small planes that fly to the outermost tip of Massachusetts.

Her husband was not so lucky. With no room on the plane, he had to remain in Provincetown with scores of frustrated travelers, two cars and no friends for more of the vacation that never was.

As Matsko was leaving to board her plane, angry vacationers were yelling at Cape Air ticket agents, trying vainly to wrangle spots on one of its nine-seat planes.

"We just heard the gift shop owner tell us she was hiding behind the counter," Matsko said, hurrying off to work. "People wanted out badly."

Edouard has long since said au revoir to New England, but its legacy was one of missed connections, blown vacation plans, pesky power outages, messy yards and lost profits by businesses that need Labor Day receipts to carry them through the winter.

By Tuesday, Edouard was nothing more than a huge low pressure system off Nova Scotia. Meanwhile, Hurricane Fran was more than 300 miles east of the Bahamas, moving

toward the west-northwest. If it continues on that path, it could reach the United States late this week.

Although gone, Edouard was not forgotten by the thousands of vacationers caught on Cape Cod or the two islands of Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket, the biggest summer getaways in Massachusetts.

Getting off the islands meant waiting for slow-going ferries or trying to get seats on planes already booked months in advance.

A line of 1,000 cars waited on Nantucket for non-reserved spots to open up on one of the slow-going ferries that plod between the island and the Cape. The backup began when service was suspended from Sunday afternoon until Tuesday morning because of the hurricane.

To get aboard after service was restored, people had to sleep in their cars overnight and then sit in them during a beautiful, sunny day — for some perhaps the first of their vacation.

Motorist Al Livingston, said he and his family tried to get off Sunday and Monday, to no avail.

"Now we are sitting here today, who knows how long," he said.

Bridget Tobin, the Steamship Authority employee in charge of loading the ferries, said most of the customers were understanding.

"There were a few people who were very angry. We had to explain to

them that we were lucky it was a one-day storm. It could have been a three-day nor'easter."

The Authority planned to keep running to 4 a.m., well beyond its 10:30 p.m. last call.

On the Cape itself people were trying to take ferries and planes to Boston rather than drive on the peninsula's jammed two-lane highway.

On Sunday the newspapers were filled with stories of the 20-mile backup that resulted as some vacationers fled the Cape.

"We are sold out all day," said Charles Ferrara, station manager for Cape Air.

About 840 people were still waiting Tuesday for flights from the islands and Cape to Boston, he said.

The storm caused little damage, but was devastating to businesses counting on the biggest sales weekend of summer. The Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce estimated losses as high as \$30 million.

Bruce Elliott, owner of Holmes Hole Car Rental on Martha's Vineyard, said he was hurt badly by having to refund car rental deposits he had held since January and February.

Chris Diego, general manager of the Chatham Bars Inn on Cape Cod, was luckier than some. His rooms were quickly emptied of fleeing vacationers, but quickly filled by reporters sent to cover the hurricane.

## Comptroller takes treasury helm amid GOP criticism

By Peggy Fikac  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — State Comptroller John Sharp took up the work of the now-dead state treasurer's office Tuesday, then hired a private management consultant to help with the load.

Sharp said he has budgeted \$200,000 for the private contract, a move he said is necessary to obtain the needed expertise in financial matters and computer systems.

Work begins Oct. 1, with a report due April 17.

When the company is hired, Sharp said it will work with his staff to ensure all possible savings are made and customer service is topnotch. That includes a look at having the private sector take over some functions.

The agency merger came after voters approved a state constitutional amendment last year to abolish the Treasury. Sharp had advocated the move, and former Treasurer Martha Whitehead campaigned to abolish her own office.

Her last day was Friday. "The state's money is still safe, another bureaucracy has gone

away, and most Texans won't see any difference at all, except it's going to operate a lot cheaper," said Sharp.

The Treasury's job included being the state's banker and investing public funds.

Sharp's office estimated the merger will save about \$20 million by the turn of the century as computer systems are merged and duplicated services and personnel are eliminated.

He said his performance review will aim at finding more savings when possible.

"You will get the same service or better... before we would consider another way of doing business," he added.

Sharp said private investment companies, for example, have made preliminary inquiries about taking over administration of TexPool, a state-run investment pool for local governments.

The investment pool drew attention when it suffered a "run" by investors in 1994.

The state auditor has said the fund was operated outside normal investment standards and that the run cost the state at least \$97 mil-

lion. Whitehead has called the audit misleading and disagrees with the loss figure.

State Republican Chairman Tom Pauken marked the merger Tuesday by renewing criticism of Whitehead, a Democrat, over TexPool.

"It will take over 12 years of savings at \$8 million, not including interest, for the state to recoup what Martha Whitehead lost the state of Texas and the taxpayers during her reign as state treasurer," he said.

Whitehead suggested criticism from Republicans contributed to the 1994 panic and that Pauken "does not understand, obviously, the world of investments and the changing market conditions."

She said the Treasury averted potential bankruptcies and preserved financial stability by ensuring local political subdivisions could get their money out of TexPool.

Republicans "want to minimize the fact that we really did what we said we would do" and eliminated the agency, Whitehead said. "He (Pauken) doesn't want to admit that we're the party of smaller government."

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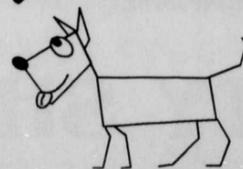
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# IRS auditing Gingrich's course

By Larry Margasak  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The Internal Revenue Service is conducting an audit of the college course House Speaker Newt Gingrich taught for two years, officials at two Georgia colleges confirmed Tuesday.

The IRS division that audits tax-exempt organizations has contacted the Kennesaw State University Foundation at Kennesaw State University and Reinhardt College.

"They said the focus would be an analysis of the course," said Marsha White, spokeswoman at Reinhardt. Gingrich conducted his "Renewing American Civilization" lectures at Reinhardt, a private college, in 1994 and 1995. He began the course at Kennesaw in the fall of 1993.

The audit is separate from a House ethics committee investigation of Gingrich's course, but there's a common thread: Whether the course, which was financed by tax-deductible donations, met IRS rules for tax-exempt activities.

James M. Cole, an outside counsel hired by the ethics committee, last month submitted a still-secret preliminary report on his investigation of Gingrich's course.

He was asked to determine whether the speaker's activities in relation to the course violated federal tax law, or whether any foundation involved with the course violated its tax-exempt status with Gingrich's knowledge.

A four-member investigative panel of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct — the ethics committee — has not

taken action on the report, which was submitted last month during the congressional recess.

Gingrich has denied repeatedly that the course ran afoul of IRS or House rules.

James Fleming, chief operating officer of the Kennesaw State University Foundation, said in a statement, "I have heard from representatives of the Internal Revenue Service. On advice of counsel, I don't feel it is appropriate or proper to comment at this time."

White, the Reinhardt spokeswoman, said college officials were asked whether students who enrolled in the course were given special consideration for financial aid or were admitted to the school under special criteria.

The answer was no in both

instances, White said. She added the IRS agents were at the school four days last month and are due back this month.

Gingrich's course was financed by tax-exempt donations that were sent to the Kennesaw foundation and the Progress and Freedom Foundation, a conservative think tank run by Gingrich's allies.

Employees who worked for Gingrich's political action committee, GOPAC, had switched over to the foundations and solicited money for the course.

Ethics complaints filed by a Gingrich rival, former Democratic Rep. Ben Jones of Georgia, contended that the course was not a legitimate tax-exempt educational activity. Instead, Jones contended, it was a GOPAC political activity designed to recruit Republican activists.

# Talks cease

## Move surprises Mexico

By Anita Snow  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MEXICO CITY — The federal government, vowing to make peace with one guerrilla group while getting tough with another, reacted with surprise Tuesday to news that the Zapatista rebels had suspended peace negotiations.

"The interruption of the dialogue benefits no one," an Interior Ministry statement said. "There are no, and will be no actions on the part of the federal government that could lead to the interruption of the dialogue."

The Zapatista National Liberation Army suspended peace talks late Monday, accusing government negotiators of treating Zapatista delegates with "scorn, racism, and arrogance."

Rebel leader Subcomandante Marcos said the Zapatistas "will struggle for democracy, liberty and justice," but said nothing about returning to violence.

The Zapatistas, who emerged in southernmost Mexico in 1994, have been holding peace talks with the government for months.

Marcos accused the government of playing the Zapatistas against a newly emerged rebel group, the Popular Revolutionary Army, or EPR.

A wave of EPR attacks across several states last week killed 16 people and injured 28, not including the rebels, according to the government. At least two rebels

also were reported killed and officials say 18 suspected EPR members were arrested.

Officials have contrasted the Zapatistas' willingness to talk peace with what they say is the hard-line terrorism of the EPR.

In his state-of-the-nation address on Sunday, President Ernesto Zedillo pledged to fight guerrilla violence. However, he also vowed to continue talks with the Zapatistas.

In his statement, Marcos said: "There are no 'good guerrillas' and 'bad guerrillas.' ... There are only rebel citizens who have taken up arms because there are no democratic spaces for peaceful political participation."

Marcos also distanced his group from the EPR.

"We don't want your support. We don't need it or seek it. We don't want it," he said in an open letter. "You fight to seize power. We fight for democracy, freedom and justice. It's not the same."

On Tuesday, a Zedillo administration official said the EPR appeared to have some European advisers, although he said it was not linked to any specific groups.

"There are several European individuals who are collaborating with these terrorists," Luis Tellez, director of the office of the presidency, told a group of foreign reporters.

# Wisconsin inmates may head to Texas

By Michael C. Buelow  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MADISON, Wis. — Gov. Tommy Thompson said Tuesday that he wants to send 700 inmates to Texas prisons this fall to relieve overcrowding of Wisconsin lockups. That's double the number projected earlier.

Thompson is asking the Legislature's Joint Finance Committee to approve an additional \$2.6 million to fund the request.

The committee plans to consider the request at a meeting later this month, but Republicans and Democrats on the committee said that the GOP governor's request faces a tough test.

Sen. Tim Weeden, R-Beloit, said the Thompson administration has to make a good case that the overcrowding in Wisconsin prisons is severe enough to warrant the extra

transfers.

"He (Thompson) has got to convince the committee that it's the best way to handle the problem in the short term. I hope he has his nine votes counted," Weeden said, referring to the number of votes for a proposal to be passed by the 16-member committee.

Sen. Joseph Wineke, D-Verona, said he plans on actively opposing the governor's request because it's cruel to send inmates so far away from families and loved ones.

"The governor has got to get realistic, and that means not sending prisoners to Texas, but building more beds here," Wineke said.

The transfer program was created as part of a \$6.3 million bill to address prison overcrowding that the governor signed in May.

Sen. Brian Burke, D-Milwaukee, the committee's co-chair, said it appeared as though the request was

necessary following meetings with corrections officials last week.

"Obviously it's something we have to consider. It addresses a real crisis because we don't have enough beds to handle everyone," Burke said. In the long term, however, "we have to look at locating new prison facilities in southeastern Wisconsin."

Thompson said it costs about \$41 per day per inmate to house a person in the Texas prison system, compared with as much as \$60 per day per inmate in Wisconsin.

But Weeden and Wineke both agreed that the governor's proposed 1997-99 budget which will be considered by the Legislature early next year must contain plans to expand community-based prison programs and build more prisons or expand existing ones.

The state needs to contract with Texas for more of that state's surplus prison beds in order to relieve over-

crowding in the Wisconsin prison system, Corrections Secretary Michael Sullivan said.

On July 5, Wisconsin prisons housed 12,259 inmates in space built to handle a maximum of 9,272.

Sullivan said that he did not have updated totals immediately available, but that the inmate population has been increasing at a rate of about 160 per month for the past six months.

Previously, it was expanding at a rate of about 100 inmates per month, Sullivan said.

"The system is out of capacity and we need some short term assistance soon," Sullivan said of the urgency of the request.

If the money and contract with Hood County, Texas, is approved by the committee, the inmates would be bussed to Texas in batches of 40 beginning in October, Sullivan said.

# Ads urge ban on discrimination against gays

By Darlene Superville  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — A quartet of national figures, including Coretta Scott King and New Jersey Gov. Christine Todd Whitman, are part of a new ad campaign urging the Senate to ban job discrimination against gays and lesbians.

Produced by the Human Rights Campaign, the nation's largest gay and lesbian political group, the commercial is airing only in the Washington area in anticipation of Senate action Thursday on the Defense of Marriage Act — legislation to outlaw marriages between two men or two women.

The group has opposed the marriage ban and has called on President

Clinton to veto it. The House approved the bill in July by an overwhelming 342-67 vote, and Clinton said he would sign it.

Realizing the situation, the gay rights lobby has begun working a different track and trying to get as many members of Congress as possible on record as supporting the Employment Non-Discrimination Act.

A bipartisan group of senators, including Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., and James Jeffords, R-Vt., plan to introduce the anti-discrimination bill Thursday as an amendment to the marriage ban, said Human Rights Campaign spokesman David Smith.

Only nine states and the District of Columbia ban job discrimination against gays and lesbians, said cam-

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Winnie Stachelberg, Human Rights Campaign legislative director

paign legislative director Winnie Stachelberg Tuesday.

"It's one of the most important civil rights votes that we've faced in years," she said.

The spot also features support from former U.S. Sen. Barry Goldwater and Kathleen Gingrich, mother of House Speaker Newt Gingrich. Her daughter, Candace, is a lesbian and a spokeswoman for the campaign.

The four networks and CNN will run the 30-second ad through Thursday.

Smith said a majority of the public supports the anti-discrimination bill, but that most Americans don't know that job discrimination against gays and lesbians is legal in 41 states.

Differences between the House and Senate versions of the marriage ban must be worked out if the Senate adopts the anti-discrimination amendment. Smith declined to comment on the outcome, but said the campaign would continue to urge a Clinton veto of the bill, even in amended form.

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# Kevorkian strikes again

By Patricia J. Mays  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DETROIT — The latest person to commit suicide with the help of Dr. Jack Kevorkian suffered from one of the most lethal kinds of cancer, Kevorkian's lawyer said Tuesday.

Attorney Geoffrey Fieger said Jack Leatherman, 73, of Knoxville, Tenn., had been diagnosed in May with pancreatic cancer — the same disease that killed actor Michael Landon in 1991.

"It's cure rate is zero," Fieger said. "No amount of pain relief could control the amount of pain he was suffering. It's described by some as having a hot poker shoved through your abdomen."

But pancreatic cancer expert Dr. Frederic Eckhauser of the University of Michigan Medical Center said Fieger is wrong about its incurability.

"It is a bad disease but you don't want the population at large to view this as an incurable disease in all instances because it is not," Eckhauser said. "You can-

not eliminate hope completely until you're buried as far as I'm concerned."

Somewhere between 15 and 25 percent of pancreatic cancer patients undergo an operation that allows 25 percent of those patients to survive for five years or more, Eckhauser said.

Leatherman's body was taken by Kevorkian to a suburban Detroit hospital Monday. He is the 39th person Kevorkian has acknowledged helping to die since 1990.

An autopsy showed Leatherman was poisoned by injection. The death was ruled a homicide.

Fieger said that Leatherman had been in contact with Kevorkian since he was diagnosed with cancer in May. A retired Motorola engineer, Leatherman came to Kevorkian when his own doctor refused to help him die, Fieger said.

Leatherman was divorced and had two sons and a daughter. He also had a brother in Tennessee's Hemlock Society, the group that advocates the right to die.

# AG allows mayor to switch hit

## Lubbock leader can run as Democrat after voting in GOP race

By Laura A. Stromberg  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — Lubbock Mayor David Langston cannot be prohibited from running as a Democrat for the Texas Senate in an upcoming special election even though he voted in the last Republican primary, the attorney general's office said Tuesday.

Langston, a Democrat, has been criticized by both parties for voting in the March Republican primary. The seat he is hoping to fill was vacated last month by John Montford, D-Lubbock, who resigned to become the first chancellor of the Texas Tech University System.

Rep. Debra Danburg, D-Houston

and head of the House Committee on Elections, asked Attorney General Dan Morales whether Langston was eligible to run on the Democratic ticket even though he voted in the GOP primary. An aide in her office said the question was prompted by the Texas Democratic Party.

If it were a general election, Morales said Langston would be barred from running for the seat under election laws.

The laws prohibit a person who voted or ran as a candidate in one party's primary to run in the succeeding elections as an independent candidate or as the nominee in a different party.

But special elections are an exception to the rule, said Ron

Dusek, a spokesman for Morales. Texas GOP chairman Tom Pauken said Langston's decision to run as a Democrat is one of self-interest.

"He understands that he would not win as a Republican," Pauken said.

But Langston said he considers himself a Democrat and was merely exercising his right "like every other American" to vote in the GOP primary.

"In Lubbock, a great deal of local races are only contested in the Republican primary," he said.

Langston said he already had considered a run for Senate, though he acknowledged he would have had to wait until 1998 to run as a Democrat.

"This special election is sort of a

different breed," Langston said. "This post unexpectedly came open. It is one in which I am qualified to serve and one I believe I can win."

The state Democratic party is not backing Langston, said spokeswoman Anne Marie Killday.

"We wanted to make sure that he was eligible, not that we prefer him, we just wanted to be sure that he wasn't making a mistake."

Langston said he plans to resign as mayor of Lubbock on Sept. 5 and formally announce his candidacy Sept. 12.

Meanwhile, former GOP Rep. Robert Duncan, announced Tuesday he will seek Montford's seat.

The filing deadline for the race is Oct. 7.

# Domestic dispute ends with 2 dead, 3 injured

By Chris Gatewood  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

RICHMOND, Va. — A husband and wife rushed to a hospital with three friends who had been shot, then were themselves gunned down in the emergency room after the shooter followed them there, authorities said.

The wife was killed and the husband was in stable condition today. One of the wounded friends also died.

The shooter, identified as the man's ex-wife, was wounded by an off-duty police officer working as a security guard.

Dawn Patricia Cooper, 42, was hospitalized in stable condition and was charged today with two counts of capital murder, three counts of aggravated assault and use of a firearm in a felony, police said.

Blood was still visible this

morning on carpeting in the emergency room's admissions area, and police had ripped open walls in about a half-dozen places to retrieve bullets. There was no immediate word on how many shots were fired.

The three who were taken to the hospital had been shot during a quarrel at a house on Richmond's south side, authorities said.

"It was a domestic situation that spilled over into the hospital," said Chippenham Medical Center spokesman John Mitchell.

Police refused to give any details on the shooting at the house, although spokesman Mark Meagher said more information would be available later in the day.

Neighbor Bob Gill said the shooting at the house occurred when a woman he claimed was Dawn Cooper began firing into a

van with about eight people inside.

"From what I gathered, she pointed that thing point-blank and emptied it into the vehicle," Gill said. "They put it (the van) in gear and drove off."

At the hospital, Madeline Cooper, 43, and her 55-year-old husband, Harold, were talking to an emergency room admitting clerk about their wounded friends when they were shot Monday evening, said police Capt. Robert Childress.

Madeline Cooper died there. Her husband was in stable condition at the hospital's intensive care unit, Mitchell said.

Meagher identified Dawn Cooper as Harold Cooper's ex-wife.

No one else was hurt in the admissions area or the adjoining patient treatment area. The two sections are separated by a heavy

door. "People were running back and forth," Cynthia Martin, an emergency room patient, told the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*. "It was just crazy. Everybody was screaming... They were just going berserk."

Mitchell said the hospital does not check people entering the emergency room for weapons.

He said no patients were turned away because of the shooting and that patients in the treatment area continued to receive treatment. "The ER was fairly busy," he said.

One of the three shooting victims taken to the hospital by the Coopers, a 51-year-old woman, died from her wounds.

The other two shooting victims, a 26-year-old woman and her 3-year-old son, were in stable condition today after surgery.

# Drowning trial delayed

FORT WORTH (AP) — Opening statements have been delayed in the trial of a man accused of drowning his 22-month-old stepdaughter in a small fish tank.

The trial of Bobby Dale Carter was to begin Tuesday in Fort Worth. But visiting state District Judge M. Kent Sims granted a defense request to postpone the case until Thursday afternoon.

Attorneys and court officials declined to specify the reasons for the delay, citing a gag order

imposed by Sims.

The trial was moved to Fort Worth because of pretrial publicity.

Carter and the girl's mother, Kristy Carter, were charged with capital murder after the March 9, 1995, drowning of Amberlynn Kane near Quannah.

Mrs. Carter, 23, hanged herself in her Hardeman County Jail cell in Quannah on June 24, 1995. Before her suicide, she made a tape-recorded statement to investigators about her daughter's drowning.

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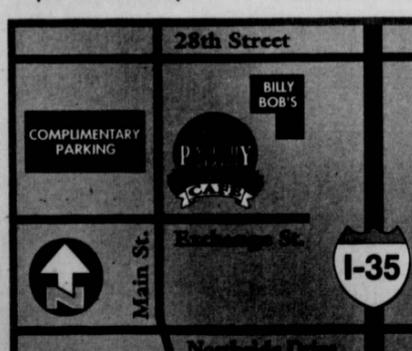
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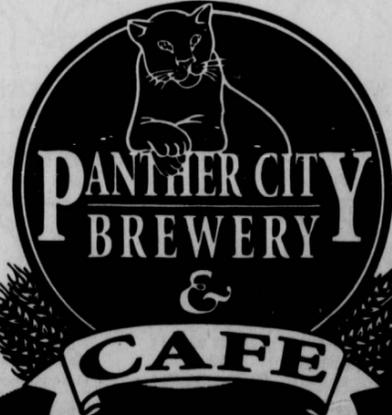
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League suspends players in NY-Seattle brawl

NEW YORK (AP) — Paul O'Neill and Jeff Nelson of the New York Yankees and Seattle catcher John Marzano were each suspended for two games Tuesday by American League president Gene Budig for their roles in a brawl last week.

In addition, Budig fined O'Neill and Nelson \$1,000 each and fined Yankees outfielder Darryl Strawberry and Mariners pitcher Bobby Ayala \$500 apiece.

Marzano, who was not fined, decided not to appeal and his suspension began Tuesday night. Nelson did not immediately decide whether to appeal his penalty. O'Neill's suspension is not scheduled to begin until Friday.

In the eighth inning of last Wednesday's game at the Kingdome, O'Neill was upset that Tim Lincecum's first pitch was high and inside, and began talking to Marzano.

Marzano then bumped O'Neill and threw a punch that missed, and both players wrestled to the ground. The benches and bullpens cleared and, when it seemed like things had calmed down, Strawberry wound up in the middle of another altercation with several Mariners.

Prairie View A&M suspends football coach

PRAIRIE VIEW (AP) — Prairie View A&M announced Tuesday it has suspended head football coach and athletic director Hensley Sapenter Jr. amid an internal investigation into possible NCAA and Southwestern Athletic Conference infractions.

The investigation centers on use of ineligible players in Saturday's "Labor Day Classic" against Texas Southern, in which the Tigers defeated the Prairie View Panthers 42-24.

Sapenter was suspended with pay during the course of the investigation, the university said in a brief statement.

"They have a current investigation going on into the use of ineligible players," said Harland Robinson, director of sports information.

Rangers make moves

ARLINGTON, (AP) — Texas Rangers pitcher Rick Helling has been sent to the Florida Marlins, completing the trade in which the team acquired right-handed pitcher John Burkett. Rangers pitcher Ryan Dempster also went to Florida in the deal.

The Rangers announced Tuesday that they have activated pitcher Chris Nix from the 60-day disabled list and sent him to the Oklahoma City 89ers, the Rangers' Triple A team.



Sophomore goalkeeper Emmy Tekell works out Tuesday in the Lady Frogs' final practice before their season-opener today against Charleston Southern.

Lady Frogs open season

By Patricia Crooker SKIFF STAFF

A new season for the TCU women's soccer team begins today against Charleston Southern.

Head coach David Rubinson said that the new Western Athletic Conference and other regional games will make for an exciting season. The first four games are very important to determine the mood for the season, he said. The women's team will play 20 regular-season games before the WAC Championships on Nov. 7-9.

"We are a better team than what we were (last year)," Rubinson said. TCU is awarding soccer scholarships for the first time ever this season, which means more good players, Rubinson said.

This year's team includes ten freshmen. Emmy Tekell, a sophomore goalkeeper, said the freshman players will be a big help.

"They are great players," said Tekell. Tekell also said they had worked really hard and expect a good season.

Rubinson said it will take time to put together the team, but the experience and leadership from seniors Sarah Sues and Nicole Kitagawa will be a big help.

"We have a good nucleus of returning players," Rubinson said. Rubinson said that the goal for

"We are a better team than what we were (last year)... We have a good nucleus of returning players."

David Rubinson, TCU women's soccer coach

the year is to make it to the WAC Championships.

"We are on a building mode," Rubinson said. Scoring goals and a good start are important for the attitude of the team, he said.

The top two teams from four regions will advance to the tournament.

SMU and the University of New Mexico are two of the most difficult teams that TCU will play, Rubinson said.

Rubinson said this year's team has worked harder than any he has ever coached in his 11 years with the team.

September will be an important month for the team, Rubinson said. After the sixth game, the season will become more difficult and the health of the players will be important to keep up with the busy schedule.

Sooners prepare for Frog invasion

By Owen Canfield ASSOCIATED PRESS

NORMAN, Okla. — Oklahoma Sooners head coach John Blake won't be the only new face on the sideline when Oklahoma faces the Horned Frogs in both teams' season openers Saturday.

Blake, who will be making his debut as a head coach, said Tuesday that seven to eight true freshmen are likely to play in the opener.

The latest depth chart, which lists as many as four players at some positions, includes 12 players who are fresh from high school.

"They will get caught up in the emotion," Blake said at his first weekly news conference of the season. "We've just got to make sure we settle 'em down and execute and put points on the board and play good defense."

"That's part of the game, especially with young kids. That's how you develop them — you put them out there and let them feel the hype, let them feel the volume. It's something you can't coach. It's got to be something you go out there and experience and hope it doesn't cost your football team."

Blake said Brandon Daniels will help with kickoff returns and Rodney Rideau will return punts. Other true freshmen who may play include offensive linemen Scott Kempenich and C.B. Baker, defen-

sive end Cornelius Burton, defensive tackle Steve Williams and cornerback Mike Woods.

With so much youth in the lineup, Blake said he is glad he decided to return to the ritual of spending Friday night in an Oklahoma City hotel. The Sooners had done that for years until Howard Schnellenberger changed things last season and had the team stay at a hotel on campus.

Oklahoma's inexperience is most notable in the offensive line and the defensive secondary. The defensive front seven and the offensive backfield should be solid.

The quarterback is sophomore Eric Moore, who struggled as the starter last year when Oklahoma went 5-5-1. Moore's play had Schnellenberger constantly defending his substitution pattern and his decisions not to use senior Garrick McGee more often.

This season, Moore is the veteran and the solid No. 1, with redshirt freshman Justin Fuente the backup.

He said both quarterbacks would play. But unlike a year ago, it won't be by design. Blake said Fuente would be used only if Moore doesn't get the job done.

Blake said he isn't as concerned about TCU as he is about his team.

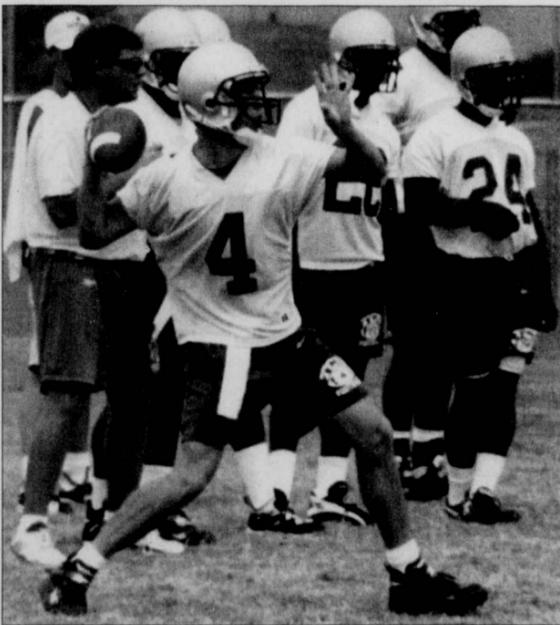
"I think it's important that we focus on what we do, because how we execute dictates how they play," he said.

Football Notes

•With only two practices left before Saturday's season opener at Oklahoma, TCU head coach Pat Sullivan said he has yet to make a final decision on a starting quarterback.

Junior Todd Stanford, junior-college transfer Fred Taylor and redshirt freshman Jeff Dover have been competing for the spot since fall practice began last month.

"I've been pleased with all three of them," Sullivan said. Sources on the team, however, told the Skiff that Dover is the front-runner and will take the snap from center the first couple of series against the Sooners. However, sources said, all three will see action.



Redshirt freshman quarterback Jeff Dover practices Tuesday.

Volleyfrogs go winless

By Meredith Webb SKIFF STAFF

In the first matches of their collegiate careers, one can only imagine what was going through the hearts and minds of the TCU volleyball team at the University of North Texas Mean Green Classic last weekend.

"I thought that college ball would be totally overwhelming," freshman Jill Pape said. "But it went a lot smoother."

Even though the all-freshman team lost all four matches, the squad managed to win one game (15-7) against Texas at San Antonio.

"Before the tournament I thought we were going to get killed, because that is what (head) coach (Sandy Trout) prepared us for," freshman Jessica Rangel said. "With more practice we will do better."

Players said they were surprised that they were able to keep pace with the competition.

"After seeing them (other teams) play, I knew we would win games this season," Rangel said.

The close matches were not the only surprise for the Volleyfrogs. Pape was named to the All-Tournament Team.

"I was very surprised, because I did not think anyone on our team would get it," Pape said. "I do not take all the credit, because I could not have done it without my team."

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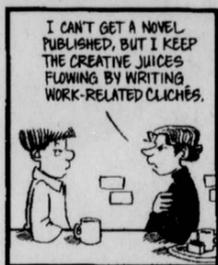
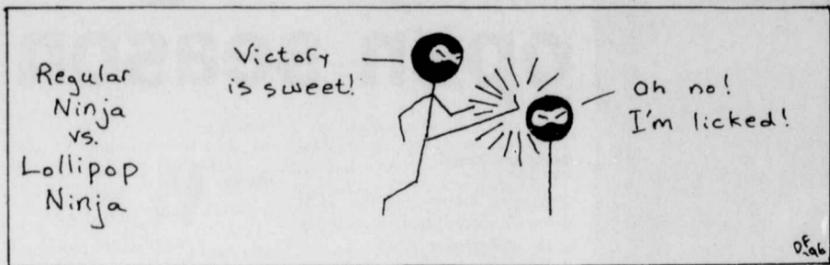
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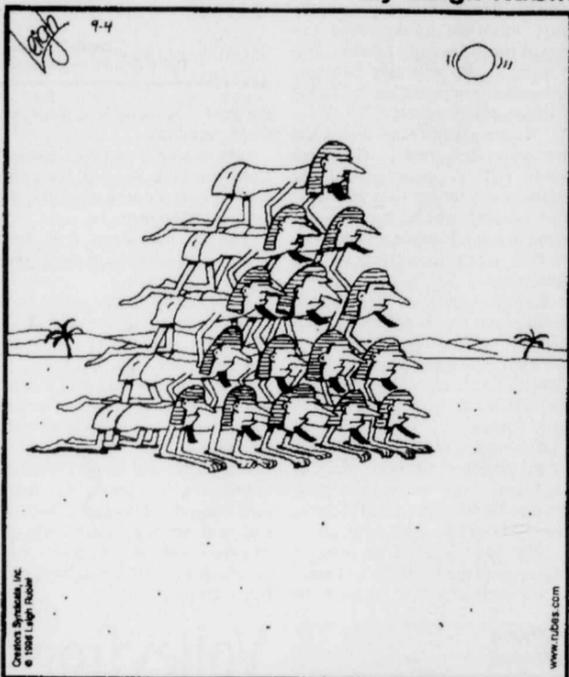
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## Answers to Last Issue's Puzzle

Answer to previous puzzle

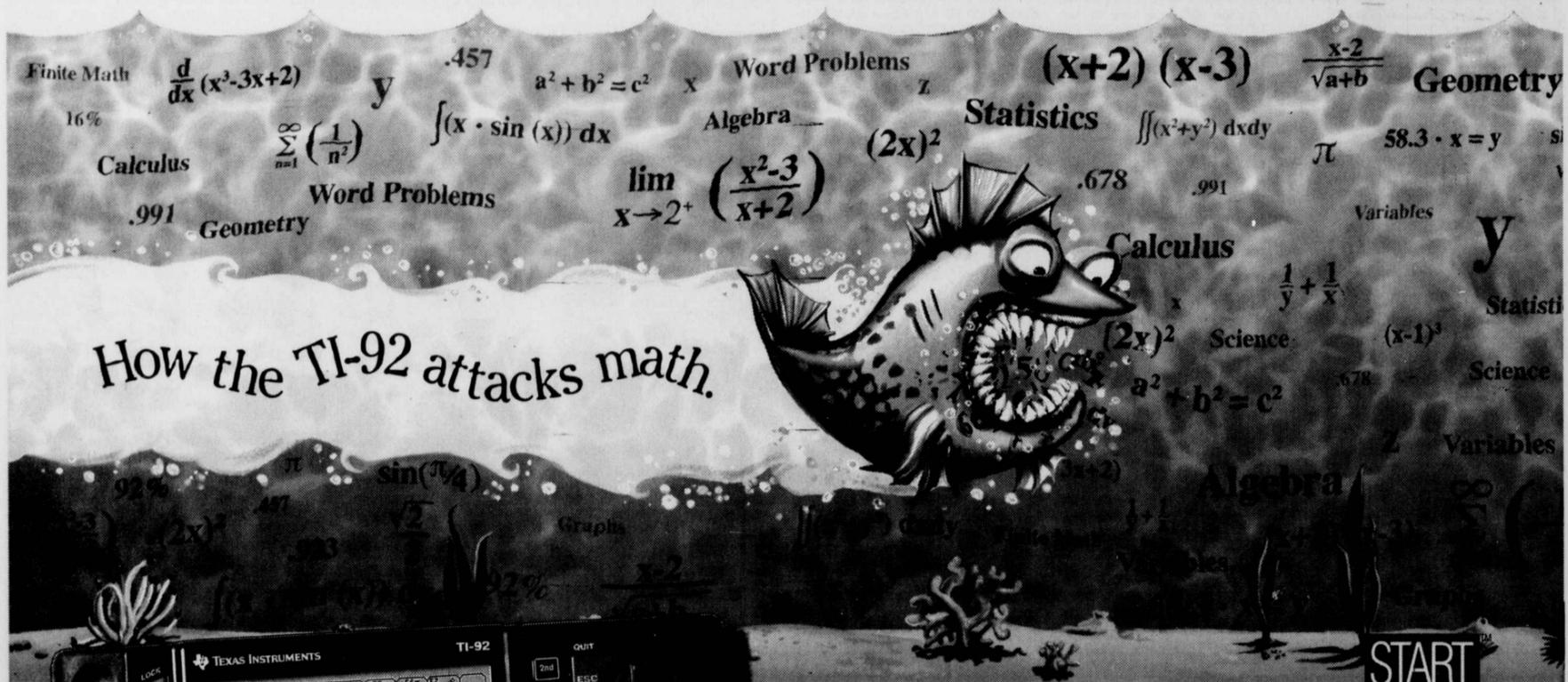
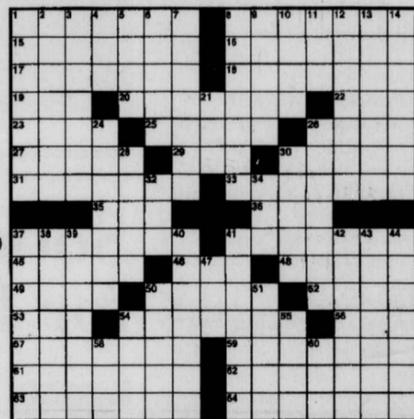
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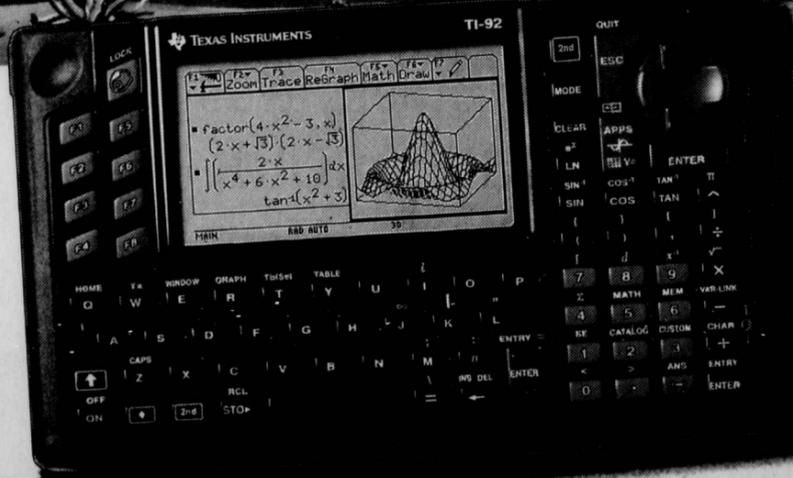
## Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Ride, in a way
  - 8 Furnishes with feathers
  - 15 Calls for more
  - 16 Swell, to Eliza
  - 17 Hearty?
  - 18 Torments
  - 19 Naval CIA
  - 20 Singer Toni
  - 22 It's often welcome
  - 23 Iranian ancestor
  - 25 Acts out contempt
  - 26 Compos mentis
  - 27 *Professeur's* charge
  - 29 Skeleton precader
  - 30 USCG rank
  - 31 Spraying device
  - 33 Spiritual communions
  - 35 Mrs. Herbert Hoover
  - 36 Belief
  - 37 Madwoman of drama
  - 41 Of the morning
  - 45 Norse goddess
  - 46 Vote against
  - 48 English Channel feeder
  - 49 First-place
  - 50 Upon (impose)
  - 52 *Mile's* neighbor
  - 53 New stock: Abbr.
  - 54 Flight stabilizer
  - 56 Sportscaster
  - 57 Ammo wagon

- DOWN**
- 1 Morphs into
  - 2 With total fatuousness
  - 3 Chuck Willis song of '57
  - 4 Hebrew letter
  - 5 Nursery bed
  - 6 Former women's magazine
  - 7 The Road Runner, often
  - 8 Aircraft carrier
  - 9 The Word Incarnate
  - 10 Name meaning "good"
  - 11 Study
  - 12 Smirk
  - 13 Fred's dancing partner in *Broadway Melody of 1940*
  - 14 Analyst's expertise
  - 21 19, to Nero
  - 24 Hex of a sort
  - 26 Thwarts
  - 28 Gay
  - 30 Hangs in there
  - 32 Suriname's region: Abbr.
  - 34 River inlet
  - 37 Title-holder, often
  - 38 Common fuel
  - 39 Star turns
  - 40 Consecrates
  - 41 Fortunetellers
  - 42 Blissful state
  - 43 Immune-response stimulator
  - 44 Most streamlined
  - 47 Line of sight
  - 50 Leadership position
  - 51 Diviner's deck
  - 54 Overlord
  - 55 Egyptian drink
  - 58 "nuff!"
  - 60 NCAA rival



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