

#### World

#### Guatemalan officials

reach peace agreement VINA DEL MAR, Chile (AP) — The Guatemalan government has reached a peace agreement with the guerrilla movement that will end 36 years of fighting, Guatemala's president announced Monday.

Guatemalan government and rebel negotiators in Mexico meanwhile, agreed Monday to a formal cease-fire and said the document to make it official is "practically concluded."

Guatemalan President Alvaro Arzu told the closing session of the Sixth Ibero-American presidential summit that the final accord with the guerrillas would be signed Dec. 29, formally ending a war that took an estimated 140,000 lives.

### More children working than previously thought

GENEVA (AP) — From the brothels of Asia to the construction sites of Egypt, nearly twice as many children are working full time in developing countries as previously thought, the International Labor Organization said Tuesday.

The latest calculations from the U.N. labor agency show that 250 million 5-to-14-yearolds are employed - half of them full time - up sharply from earlier estimates of 73 million full-time child workers.

The ILO report called for a new international accord banning the harshest forms of child labor: slavery, prostitution and work in hazardous industries.

#### Nation

#### Army investigating complaints from hotline

WASHINGTON (AP) Nearly 2,000 calls, hundreds considered worth investigation, have poured into an Army hotline set up after revelation of the sex scandal at a Maryland training center, the Army said Monday.

Meanwhile, John Shalikashvili, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said the Army was "casting its net very wide" to find problems elsewhere.

#### State

#### Cadets indicted for girl's murder

FORT WORTH (AP) Two former military cadets indicted Monday in the jealousy slaying of a high school girl won't face the death penalty. The victim's family wants them to sit in prison instead

David Graham, 19, and Diane Zamora, 18, could get life behind bars if convicted in the shooting death of 16-yearold Adrianne Jones. The gir was killed because of a sexual encounter she had with Graham that angered his girlfriend, Zamora, investigators

#### Campus

#### House officer

elections held today Two weeks of campaigning

will come to an end today when TCU students cast their votes for the candidates running for the five student body officer positions.

Students may vote for the offices of president, vice president, vice president for programming, treasurer and sec-

Polls will be open from 9 a.m. through 7 p.m. in the Student Center and Worth Hills cafeteria

Run-off elections could be possible for the offices of president and vice president, as each race has more than

Run-off elections, if necessary, will be held Thursday.

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## Candidates debate but few listen

## **Panel** probes plans

#### By Kelly Melhart

A monarchy and a gridlocked House were two of the five plans the candidates for president of the House of Student Representatives discussed in a debate Monday afternoon in the Student Center lounge

The debate, sponsored by the House's University Relations Committee as a part of its "Get Out and Vote" campaign, allowed both a panel and the audience to question candidates John Lamberth, Julie Markus, Andy Mitchell and Stoney White, all juniors, and senior Chris Smith.

Panelist Rob Sherwin, a junior, began the debate by asking the candidates if they plan to open the House Executive Committee meeting to the public and how they plan to change the perception of the committee as an exclusive clique.

Mitchell, Smith and White agreed the committee meetings need to be open to the student body for various reasons.

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House presidential candidate Andy Mitchell discusses his platform at didates Monday as candidates John Lamberth and Julie Markus look on. the debate for the House of Student Representatives presidential can- Elections for all officer positions will be held today in the Student Center.

## hopefuls discuss House policies

#### By Kelly Melhart

Fewer than 50 students gathered in the Student Center lounge Friday afternoon to hear the three vice presidential candidates for House Student of Representatives debate issues that affect the entire student body. Becca Foster, a sophomore pre

major, said the low turnout tells her the student body doesn't really care. Junior Rob Sherwin, one of the panelists at the debate, began the debate by asking the candidates how

each of them will correct the House

attendance problem.

Candidate Kevin Nicoletti, a sophomore, suggested correcting the problem of House members leaving before meetings end by enforcing a two-meeting penalty.

"If you miss two meetings you're out," he said. "There's no excuse.

Let's be specific, let's keep track, let's do a better job of taking charge and making sure people are showing up and voting.

Candidate Becca Gardner, a sophomore, said the absences in

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## Quiz competition 'bowled' over by apathy

### All-star academic team denied chance at regionals after event cancelled for second year

#### By Neelima Atluru

The Jeopardy theme music is often used to let people know that time is running out, but for students who signed up to be in the College Bowl, time ran out before the music

Programming Council usually the opportunity to compete regional-

hosts the College Bowl in the fall to challenge and promote some of the academic minds on campus.

Had last week's College Bowl, an academic competition among various TCU teams in which a moderator asks questions, not been cancelled, TCU's all-star team may have gotten

ly, as it has done in the past. The all-star team is chosen from

the high-scoring members of all competing teams. However, no TCU students went

to the regionals because the competition, which was to have taken place last week, was cancelled due to lack of interest, said Chad McBride, vice

president of PC.

He said only two teams had submitted their entry forms by the deadline to take part in the competition. A third team turned in its form on the day of the event, but it was too late for them to take part, he said.

Robert Wolf, a senior political science major and a member of one of

the teams, said he was disappointed the College Bowl was cancelled.

"It's sad that the one true academic thing they had got cancelled," he

McBride said the event has experienced a declining trend in

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## Mexican ambassador explains peso problem

#### By Patricio Crooker

The economic crisis that occurred in December 1994 was a critical point for the Mexican political and economic systems, said the Mexican ambassador to the United States.

Jesus Silva-Herzog explained the importance of the Mexican-American relationships in a speech given Friday in the Student Center and during a news conference at the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center later in the

"At the beginning of December of 1994 Mexico was identified as a model of the developing countries," Silva-Herzog said.

Silva-Herzog said the world looked at Mexico as an example for economic development and improvement before the Mexican peso devaluation in December 1994.

He said many domestic and political factors contributed to the economic crisis of 1994. including the assassination of presidential candidate Luis Donaldo Colosio, the Zapatista Revolt in Chiapas and the 1994 presidential

Another important factor was the reduction of government spending and the loss of 1 mil-

lion jobs in the period of one year, he said.
"People became scared of the stability and started to take money out of financial institutions," he said. "This caused the Mexican government to lose 10 percent of its national

He said after 24 months of the crisis, Mexico's economic growth increased 3.7 percent and expects an inflation of 25 percent to

"We are back on the road of economic growth and economic recovery," Silva-Herzog said. "Our goal is to have a rate growth five to six percent equaling the population growth.'

This equality between the economic growth and the population increase in size will create balance in the economy, he said.

He said the stabilization of the exchange market, a decrease in interest rates and the success of the North American Free Trade Agreement has brought confidence back to foreigners as well as Mexicans.

"Last year exports grew by 32 percent and this year are expecting to grow 20 percent," Silva-Herzog said.

He said Mexico joined NAFTA in 1994 and privatized most of the public companies, making the economy and the country look good to

He said the short-term financial obligations of the Mexican government were paid in four months with the help from the U.S. Treasurer and the International Monetary Fund loans.

He said the New Electoral Reform, which was approved by the congress and signed by President Ernesto Zedillo, is another impor tant domestic gain of confidence in the politi-

"Now one-third of the opposition is in power," Silva-Herzog said. "This shows the democratization of the country.

1997's elections for congressional positions, seven governors and mayor of Mexico City are some examples of the drastic changes Mexico is undergoing in the electoral system.

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Friday. Silva-Herzog spoke in the Student Center

Federico Ochoa (left), an MBA student from Chihuahua, Mexico, presents a gift to Jesus Silva-Herzog, Mexican ambassador to the United States

## Hearing expected in fatal ear erash

#### By Ellena Fortner

A grand jury hearing is expected within the next two weeks for a TCU student accused of intoxicated manslaughter in the death of another student, said the prosecuting attorney in the case.

Konrad Halbert, a senior speech communication major, refused to comment on the accident in which he hit a telephone pole and flipped his sport utility vehicle over, killing Tiffany Youngs, also a senior speech communication major.

Prosecutor Ken Cueter said the case could go either way. He said he was unable to comment on the case because of rules restricting grand

Nine of 12 members of the grand jury must vote yes for Halbert to be tried. Otherwise, the case will be found false and dismissed.

A second degree felony carries a sentence between two and 20 years in jail and/or a fine not to exceed

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## Pulse

TCU SOCIETY FOR HUMAN RESOURCE MAN-AGEMENT and MBA Career Services will host a TCU Alumni Human Resources Panel at 6:30 p.m. today in the Reed Hall Faculty Center. All students are welcome. For more information call Sharon Overton at 294-9708.

TCU HOUSE OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES will provide free legal services from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the House Office. Students should call 921-7924 with questions.

TCU SHOWGIRLS will hold tryouts for basketball season from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday in Gym 3 of the Rickel Building. Dance experience is suggested. Dance attire is required. For more information call Danielle Veau or Cally Mills at 920-3622.

GLOBAL EXPLORERS will hold a meeting at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday in Reed Hall Room 117. For more information call Lisa at 920-9447.

TEXAS COLLEGE DEMOCRATS will hold a meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Student Center Room 203. For more information call Sondra Haltom at 921-7927.

PORTRAITS for the 1997 Horned Frog Yearbook will be taken from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday and Friday in the Student Center lounge. If students cannot be photographed either of these days, they may call 921-7606 to make special arrangements.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SOCIAL WORK, the Tarrant County and TCU units, will hold a town meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the Annie Richardson Bass Building Room 107. Cost is \$10. For more information page Joanne Tenery toll free at (214) 949-6723, or call Francine Pratt at 626-1102 or Judy Gutierrez at 926-9219.

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#### **AMBASSADOR**

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He said there is a full agenda in the relationship between the United States and Mexico that deals with several issues between the two countries. He said the tools to deal with the problems and issues have already been developed.

He said the first four years of the Clinton administration were good for Mexico because NAFTA was approved and the financial assistance for the December 1994 crisis was fundamental.

The next four years of President Clinton's administration and the next two years of President Zedillo are of consolidation, he said.

Silva-Herzog said American financial institutions view Mexico with a good eye and that Mexicans are aware of the need to improve the image of Mexico in foreign

markets.

"Banks and other institutions are lending money to Mexico as well as investing," Silva-Herzog said.

He said he considers immigration the most important topic for the future relationship between the United States and Mexico.

"We are not doing all we want, but we have improved in the issue of immigration," he said.

He said the United States is now in an anti-immigration mood and the immigration laws signed by President Clinton recently will create difficulties in the relationship between the United States and

He said he thinks the main problem with immigration is the demand of labor in the American market that influences Mexicans to come to the United States in order to find a job that they are not able to find at home.

He said the only thing the Mexican government can do to help its citizens in the United States is to protect them and assist them with the 41 consulates in the United States and various border organizations.

He also talked about the negative reporting of the media in news about safety, drugs and immigra-

"To recover confidence is harder than losing a good image," he said in reference to Mexico's need to project a positive image for investors.

"The media is covering Mexico in a negative way," he said.

In reference to the assassination

of presidential candidate Luis Donaldo Colosio and the Zapatista Movement in Chiapas, Silva-Herzog said Mexico was not used to those kind of activities and the people thought that it would never happen in Mexico.

"The society was shocked," Silva-Herzog said. "They have a negative effect."

He said corruption is another controversial problem. He gave the example of Raul Salinas, brother of former Mexican president Carlos Salinas, being in jail for charges of illicit enrichment and his role in the assassination of former Partido Revolucionario Institucional leader Jose Francisco Ruiz-Massieu.

"President Zedillo is committed to stop corruption, but it will take education and time," Silva-Herzog said.

#### DEBATE

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Mitchell said, "These matters affect the entire school and should be open to the student body."

Smith said, "The paradox ensues when the House actually campaigns to make the Board of Trustees open when they themselves are having a closed Executive Board meeting."

White said he would open the meetings to the student body, but said he realized that certain issues and matters need to remain private, such as those relating to criminal behavior.

Markus said she would keep the meetings closed to the student body.

"If it was made any larger or any more open it would not be very effective," she said.

Lamberth said his monarchy platform would leave no room for an executive committee. He offered the solution of addressing concerns to him directly or placing them in a suggestion box.

Panelist Ekta Theodore, a junior, asked the candidates what they plan to do to increase student involvement on campus, especially regard-

ing the funding of student organizational events. Markus said the key to increasing student involvement is to increase publicity through various organizations and through the representatives themselves.

Mitchell said for the House to allocate funds it must be a more effective student organization, which means more people must want to attend House meetings.

Smith said student organizations currently have no fiscal responsibility because the House gives money to whoever asks for it.

"One of the most inherent things in organizations is the ability to fund raise," he said. "TCU organizations do not know how to do this because they just go to the House looking for hand-outs.

Smith said he will increase student involvement by taking the decision-making process away from the House and placing it in the hands of the students.

"The students now accept their own fate and it is not dictated by a body who decides to give money to an organization, not by the merits of the organization, but whether they have the money to give," he said.

White said the problem with student involvement does not require changing the leadership of

the House. He said the way to correct the problem is to

change the House's priorities. "We've got to start looking at our internal structure, the way we're training, the way we take attendance," he said, "If we do these things, we're going to be getting more effective repre-

Lamberth said the problem is the student body's apathetic attitude toward anything the House does

sentatives and that's how you get student's

He said the House has good intentions, but it doesn't take the time to research what the students really want.

They (House) have great ideas, but if people don't really want to support it, there's not really

any point in doing it," he said. Panelist Caroline Nixon, a senior, asked the candidates what kind of collaboration the House

should have with the governing bodies of fraternities and sororities on campus. Mitchell said he would like to set up a system where the two can meet casually, outside the

House meetings, and create a working relation-Smith said giving special attention to sororities and fraternities is wrong because there is

already a relationship between the two through their representatives.

"Every organization is represented in the

House of Representatives through the election process," he said. "Fraternities and sororities are allowed to send a representative to the House and that's where it should end."

Both Markus and White agreed with Smith's

White added that the Worth Hills area needs several House-funded improvements which should be addressed.

Lamberth said he will treat the Greeks the same way he treats the rest of the student body.

"My throne room is always open," he said. The final panelist, Matt Rosine, a junior, asked what challenges the candidates see for them-

selves in the future. Smith said a lack of integrity among House members could be a challenge to his platform.

'If I do win, it's a mandate from the student body, this is what they want," he said. "I think the House members should have enough personal integrity to allow this to happen."

White said his challenge involves changes in the way the House operates and possible conflicts with the administration.

Lamberth said participating in the House is a challenge in itself. If he is elected, the challenge will be for House members to follow through and disband.

"Think of me as a test to see how far your student representatives are willing to go to serve the students," he said.

Markus said her challenge is to move TCU forward as a whole, specifically through technology and academics

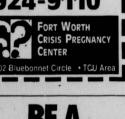
Mitchell said his challenge is to get TCU excited about the House and what it can do for the student body.

"TCU's moving forward," he said. "I think the student body wants to see the House move for-



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### **EDITORIAL ENDORSEMENTS**

#### Mitchell, Sifuentes are best candidates

The Skiff endorses Andy Mitchell for president of the House of Student Representatives.

The House is in desperate need of reform, both in its internal operations and the legislation it produces. A complete change from the status quo is necessary, and Mitchell is best qualified to produce that change.

Most of the other candidates have good ideas for reform, but Mitchell's are better and more realistic. Mitchell's philosophy about the House — that it has become its own organization that outsiders can't permeate - is completely accurate.

Mitchell wants to change the House's method of interacting with other groups. Rather than the House acting as an omnipotent adviser for other organizations, Mitchell suggests that the House help groups maximize their resources and reach their goals.

Mitchell also has innovative ideas about funding events and boosting the university's recognizability. He wants to secure corporate sponsorship for university events, which would save valuable funds and help increase participation in campus events.

Also, Mitchell says he does not support an increase in student fees because the House does not currently spend money wisely. He are unopposed.

also supports more openness in the House, including in the heretofore closed Executive Board meetings.

For the office of secretary, the Skiff endorses Angela Sifuentes. Her ideas on reforming the attendance policy are promising, and she seems to be the candidate who will make the position of secretary more effective.

Sifuentes wants to change the number of acceptable absences for representatives from four to two, which would encourage more participation. Sifuentes said she would take steps toward ending the ridiculous practice of allowing representatives to check in for roll call and leave, thereby being considered present with-

Sifuentes also supports making records easier to access by creating a permanent spot for them in the House office and posting them on the House's World Wide Web page.

The Skiff is not endorsing a candidate in the vice presidential election because one of the candidates is related to one of our editorial board members, and we wish to avoid any conflict of interest. We are not endorsing candidates for vice president of programming and treasurer because the candidates in these races

## Economy caused Dole's loss

Then political gurus analyze the 1996 presidential election decades from now, it is unlikely they will all hit upon the reason Bob Dole failed in his

attempt to President Clinton.

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Some may blame the media for reporting the many residents of Western states were even able to



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vote and for using polls that showed Clinton ahead by as much as 20 points only days before the election.

Still others will likely blame the Christian Coalition for just getting involved in the political process.

There will be Republicans, as there are today, who say Bob Dole was not the best candidate the party could have offered.

Maybe he didn't publicize his economic plan as well as he could have, or he was too old or he was not a true conservative.

All these may have merit, but the reason the American people re-elected a man some consider the most corrupt president in the history of the United States has nothing to do with any of these factors.

What seemed to swing independents toward Clinton was the perceived health of the economy, which, by the way, is growing at a much slower rate than when Clinton was first elected in 1992.

Unfortunately, because of the 'robust Clinton economy," many Americans did not consider the ethical shortcomings of Clinton when making their decision.

Nobody seemed to care about the FBI files scandal, or the questionable firings of the travel office staff, or Clinton's lack of honesty. As long as they had a job and Clinton "cared"

about them, everything was fine. In fact Clinton was not even the preferred candidate among many

Democrats. According to exit polls, less than half of those who voted for the incumbent trust him to run their government. And only 49 percent of the total electorate cast their ballot

for the president. America and the Republican Party will endure a second Clinton term but only if its people undergo a drastic change of heart. They will have to make the ultimate sacrifice of placing the well-being of others namely the unborn — ahead of their personal interests and satisfaction.

This will become obvious over the next four years as Clinton appoints radical pro-choice judges to the Supreme Court, offsetting the near balance that currently exists on the court regarding abortion.

But the Supreme Court only has so much power. No constitutional amendment will end all abortions. That must be left up to the people. Thankfully, the people have more power than the Supreme Court.

Brian Wilson is a senior news-editorial major from Vienna, W.Va.

## The House of pork

## Changes are needed for real representation

HAMHA! Let's see

e are in the middle of the election season. The offi cer elections for the TCU House of Student Representatives, that is. You will hear a lot of glitter ing generalities about what should be done, but unfortunately, legitimate dialogue is hard to find.

At this point, it's important to note

that the House almost nothing substantial in my three and a half vears here (excluding Programming Council). Therefore genuine change is needed. So, I will



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offer my two cents as to what the House should do in the coming year. You certainly won't hear this from most of the candidates. Don't fund any more student

organizations. The House wastes thousands of dollars a year funding organizations that benefit less than one percent of the student body. We call that pork in the political world. Also, the House arbitrarily

decides which organizations get what they ask for and which organizations get a small fraction of what they ask for. This is inherently unfair. There are two possible solutions. Give every organization what they want or stop funding organizations all together.

If we give every organization what it wants, then we won't have any money left for committees like Academic Affairs and Permanent Improvements. In fact, we may not have enough money left for Programming Council (which is still the only group that truly represents all students)

It should be the goal of the House to represent each student equally. That does not happen when most of its legislation falls under the classification of pork. It's clearly unfair and it needs to stop.

A penny saved is a penny earned. While the general reserve fund collects no interest, neither does a commuter student lounge that no one uses. I would rather see my student fees spent on things that future students can use than on things no one will use now

In order to do this, the House must spend more time debating the bills. There can be no more "it's an important bill, and since it was turned in late we'll just pass it





anyway." If you turn in a bill late, then that's tough. If this column were late you wouldn't be reading it.

Quit writing and passing resolutions. They're useless. You know it, I know it and the House knows it. In order for resolutions to work, a legislative body must have the power of the purse. The House doesn't, so they won't work. Let's stop wasting

Adopt a roll call voting system. This will do more to encourage responsible voting than "the ayes have it" system. Basing important votes on sound is absolutely moronic. We can do better

Also, roll call voting could improve attendance. Maybe if a rep's vote is known to the world then he or she will want to show up and vote. In fact, they may actually think before they vote. Now wouldn't that be something?

Appoint average students to interpret the election code. House experience doesn't seem to create logical interpretations. Question: How can the House claim it is protecting free speech and then turn around and change the election code to limit free speech? Answer: The House just wanted to cover its derriere. Conflict of interest? You be the judge.

So what does this have to do with the election at hand? Some candidates are campaigning on House experience. This means they are generally happy with the way things are going. An objective look at the House shows that things need to be changed. Maybe those candidates campaigning on experience shouldn't be representing us.

The House needs to serve the needs of all students. After all, everyone pays a student fee, so everyone should get something out of the House. As students, we shouldn't expect any less.

Scott Barzilla is a senior political science major from Houston.

#### Letter to the Editor

#### Bryant's close-minded conservatism doesn't fly

As I opened my copy of the Nov. 6 Skiff, I foolishly expected to read about the election results and remain calm. However, I soon discovered the editorial page and remembered why I had been avoiding the Skiff since my first experiences with the absurd and often inept conservative articles.

It strikes me as oddly ironic that the editorials I consider to be the least informed, most bigoted and often worst written are almost invariably the products of news-editorial majors. If ever I considered becoming a news-editorial major here at TCU, I have now completely discarded the idea, although I would

probably receive the highest marks in the department.

Although I have read several articles which have offended both my personal views and my sense of proper grammar, the article which has finally roused me to take a break from my incredible academic load and write a response was written by none other than Michael Bryant, Between Bryant and Brian Wilson, the Skiff has become a forum for close-minded conservatism.

First of all, let me say that I am a Christian and I am a Democrat. I know this is a really difficult concept for you guys to comprehend, but there actually are a lot of us out there. Secondly, I know that despite

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## With 'Days' on, oversleeping students find it too damn hard to vote

didn't vote in last Tuesday's election. I am a political science and news-editorial

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major. I once wrote a column on low voter turnout at TCU and I frequently complain about the political apathy of TCU students. All this points to one thing: I am a hyp-

I have been so ashamed and embarrassed by this fact that I have been searching for an excuse to save face. Apparently I am not the only one who

didn't vote, because TCU students have been very helpful in coming up with excuses:

•I overslept. "I really meant to vote but I just overslept all day, except for the time that I was in class, of course. When I woke up

and realized that I had missed the election, a flash of fear shot through me. It was similar to the feeling you get when you sleep through a mid-term exam. I had failed to uphold my civic duty. I had stooped to the level of political scum that has deteriorated the fabric of this great democracy. My one vote, or lack thereof, could have changed the face of the nation. After I had been awake for a few minutes, I realized that nothing had really changed at all."

The networks ruined the ending. "I was going to vote but when I turned on the TV last August the major networks had already told me who won so I figured, 'Why bother? You know the same thing happened to me the other day when I was going to see 'Romeo and Juliet.' My friend told me the ending. I'm not going to spoil it for you but

•No one to vote for. "I would have voted but I really didn't think Dole, Clinton or Perot were very qualified. After all, none of them even played the saxophone this year."

•It's too damn hard. "It is a conspiracy Everything is a conspiracy. I saw 'JFK.' I know what the government is up to. They are trying to stifle the voices of our generation by making it virtually impossible to vote. Most of us are out of our district and far away from home. This creates several prob-

"First of all, don't they realize that our moms and dads live someplace else? How are we supposed to know how to register to vote, when the elections are and who's running when we are out of our district? Those phone calls home to Daddy are expensive. And with the economy being as bad as it is, I just don't think I can afford to be wasting money on long distance phone calls."

Then there's that whole mail-in-if-you'reabsent ballot thing. "Well, I swear I have only been absent like twice this semester and I don't think that's any reason to make it harder for me to vote. Why can't I just go to

the Student Center and swipe my card through the little machine and check the ballot next to Ronald Reagan (Isn't he up for a third term?).

•I was getting myself all psyched up for the TCU House of Student Representatives elections. "Voting? No thanks, I am trying to cut back. With the special student election for VP and the upcoming House elections, I just don't think I could have mustered up enough political savvy to vote for three elections in one semester. I had to prioritize, and I figured that since the House is kicking around legislation to stop double cupping, my allegiance had to rest here

•TCU has sucked all the political savvy from my soul and replaced it with apathetic compliancy. "I had every intention on voting before I came here, but there's this weird cosmic political black hole someplace around Frog Fountain that sucks all political thought and inquiry right out of students'

heads. It's like the outside world ceases to exist once you set foot on campus. I heard a rumor that next year's recruitment slogan vas, 'TCU: it's like really expensive, stressful summer camp."

•I was only trying to get back at the government for shutting down last year. "If they aren't going to do any work then why should

·I was only trying to get back at the government for the Whitewater rafting scandal. "I just don't know who to trust anymore. I mean when the government starts infringing on my leisure activities, that's where I stop participating in the democracy.'

I had to watch "Days of Our Lives." "I tape it everyday and I can't just rearrange my schedule for an election. After all, there's always next year."

William Thomas Burdette is a sophomore political science and news-editorial major from Overland Park, Kan.

## **New House bill would** dispel library shadows

By Rob Sherwin

The House Representatives will introduce a bill today to improve lighting in parts of the Mary Couts Burnett Library.

According to an early draft of the bill, the bill requests that the House allocate \$629.58 from the House Permanent Improvements Fund to the project.

The money would be used to purchase 42 lamps to be placed on tables in the library.

The bill will also request money to buy the light bulbs necessary for the lamps, but that amount had not been specified at press time.

According to the bill, "Poor light



ing in the library casts shadows and does not appropriately accommodate study needs" and "a massive restructuring of the wiring" in the library would not be a financially achievable project for the House.

The House will also introduce a bill to help fund TCU sports clubs. The bill asks for \$9,950 from the House Special Projects Fund to be given to eight sports clubs.

If passed, the bill will allocate

money to the Tae Kwon Do Club, the Fencing Club, the High Adventure Club, the men's and women's Lacrosse Clubs, the Rugby Club, the Roller Hockey Club and the Volleyball Club.

The clubs would unite to use \$2,595 of the total amount to buy bleachers that would seat 90 people.

In other business, the House Finance Committee did not pass Bill 96-32, which requested money to send members of the TCU Daily Skiff staff to a convention in Orlando, Fla.

The committee would not vote on the legislation until the Skiff submitted a funding report about the bill.

Skiff editors said they do not plan to pursue the bill any further.



their frisbee skills Monday in front of Clark Hall

#### LETTER

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the outspokenness of Bryant and Wilson, I am aware that not all conservatives or Republicans feel the same way. I feel sorry for those individuals whose views are mangled and misconstrued by journalists such as yourselves

Now, if you want to quote Biblical passages to back up your political beliefs, you are already committing a fallacy in argument. The First Amendment (you know, that pesky little thing that some of you conservatives get so annoyed about) clearly states that no government may make an established religion, and that all Americans are free to practice whatever religion they choose. Therefore, using religion as a basis of lawmaking is unconstitutional.

I grant you that your religious beliefs will be a factor in the shaping of your political views. However, those beliefs are not a valid reason for mandating the behavior of others. When we as a society begin relying on one group to tell us what is moral and what is not, we are on our way to losing our status as a democratic nation.

I doubt that I would ever be in a state of enough desperation to get an abortion. However, I do not allow my personal feelings on this issue, which are based on my religious beliefs, to get in the way of other people's beliefs. Abortion is a strongly personal issue that every woman must consider and decide for herself how she will stand. Yes, I agree with Bryant that many people would love to adopt these children. However, his statement, "How small a sacrifice of nine months compares to his sacrifice

of a lifetime!" particularly offended me. I am more than certain that Bryant will never have to undergo either circumstance!

Although like every other human experience it pales in comparison to the death of Christ, any woman can tell you that nine months is no small sacrifice, and to a teen-age girl or single working woman, nine months can mean the end of an education or a career.

Abortions will always exist, just as they always have, even when they were illegal. The question of whether to "ban" them again is only a question of whether women will be injured or die from backalley and coat-hanger abortions or whether they will be offered safe abortions which will keep their wombs intact. I know that I will probably be accused of raging feminism here, but Bryant will never have to deal with this issue, at least not firsthand. He will never be pregnant, he will never watch his stomach swell over nine long months and he will never experience the pain and joy of childbirth.

It frightens me, and I think others as well, to think that men like Bryant hold possible control over women's choices. One thing I did agree with in Bryant's column was his final paragraph, in which he stated that Christians must learn to love one another. However, his last sentence almost contradicts the rest of his piece. If Bryant truly desires that all Americans live in harmony no matter what their "creed," why is he attempting to impose his creed on others'

Sarah Rhodes

freshman English major

## Mexican hero's son fights for other side

By Anita Snow

**BOWL** 

McBride said.

he said.

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CHILPANCINGO, Mexico His father was a famous revolutionary who fought Mexico's army. A quarter-century later, Genaro Vazquez Jr. is fighting on the other

His is a classic example of how Mexico's government takes outsiders with influence and successfully brings them into the system.

The government of impoverished Guerrero state hopes Vazquez will help it prevent yet another guerrilla war. In late August, a new rebel group appeared in the state, killing 19 people in hit-and-run raids across the country.

Four months into his new job as

participation over the past few years.

"Normally, in the past, we've had 10 to 12 teams participate," he said.

cancelled due to low student inter-

Last year's College Bowl was also

'We tried to increase interest

He said one of the things PC tried

This meant each member on the

"Before, it used to be nearly \$50,"

Another thing PC tried to do was

Heather Jones, special events

advertise the event more by putting

chairwoman of PC, said she thinks

up more posters around campus.

four-member team would have had

to pay only \$6 each. For the fee, stu-

dents received T-shirts.

again this year but it didn't work,"

to do was cut the entry fee to \$24.

the social programs representative in the state's turbulent northeastern mountains, Vazquez says he is convinced that poverty and repression should be fought with education and aid, not with guns and grenades.

We grew up trying to imitate my father," Vazquez, 33, says of himself and his 13 siblings. Their father died in a car crash in 1972. "But later I decided that people should resolve their problems with concrete acts rather than revolutionary ideas.

His appointment has been controversial in this state, where people sing folk songs about the heroism of Vazquez Sr.

the reason there was little interest in

the event this year was because there was no College Bowl last

"In the past, the same groups

seemed to always participate and

when it was skipped last year, they

wanted to pay the entry fee and so

to charge \$24 given the PC budget."

done a better job of publicizing the

just should have been directed in a

different manner. They could have

gone out to different organizations

and used person-to-person contact to

raise interest in students.

She said students might not have

Wolf said, "It's completely absurd

He said he thought PC could have

"The effort was there," he said. "It

might have lost interest," she said.

year.

didn't participate.

Many people also are disturbed

Some examples: by the way the Mexican government offers jobs to representatives of its enemies, drawing a single, high-profile leftist onto its side instead of hearing the complaints of

an entire opposition group. "It's classic," said Deputy Cuauhtemoc Sandoval, of the leftist Democratic Revolution Party. "The ruling party co-opts individuals without giving a voice to opposition parties or groups.

Mexican historian Lorenzo Meyer said this is a time-honored practice of the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party. "For a long time the best defense of the system was to invite its opponents to form part of the system, to become

•The surviving rebels of Vazquez Sr.'s guerrilla band are known today as the "repentant guerrillas," after the Guerrero state governor offered to "rehabilitate" them by giving them government jobs

President •Former Echeverria gave jobs to numerous student leaders who participated in violent protests in Mexico City in 1968

·After the rebel Zapatista National Liberation Army rose up in the southern state of Chiapas in 1994, the government chose Marco Antonio Bernal, a historian who served jail time as a leftist activist, to be its negotiator with those guerrillas.

#### bureaucrats," Meyer said. HALBERT

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Mike Russel, assistant dean of campus life, told the Skiff earlier this year that TCU was waiting for Halbert to recover from injuries he incurred in the crash before taking disciplinary actions.

Halbert has since recovered and Russel said TCU assigned a faculty

member to help Halbert in his case. Although Russel had said a reaction from the school was "highly likely," he refused to comment on the current status of the case because he said it was part of Halbert's private disciplinary record

Halbert's attorney, Tom Hill, also refused to comment on the case.

Authorities said they suspected alcohol was involved in the accident after paramedics smelled it on Halbert's breath and reported it to

"Picture Your New Lome"

the police, according to the arrest report.

After observing loud behavior and a stamp on Halbert's hand believed to be from a bar, the officer questioned Halbert about drinking.

Halbert denied having anything to drink that evening, although later he said he and Youngs had been to bars that evening.

After removing Halbert from the vehicle, paramedics restricted him to a backboard and seat collar because of his injuries. Halbert was thus unable to take a field sobriety

Tests conducted on Halbert at Harris Methodist Hospital-Fort Worth found that his blood alcohol level was 0.11. The maximum legal level for anyone driving in Texas is



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## Student defines respect for win

By Amanda Bronstad

Five girls. Five questions. One win-

Sucking her stomach in to look thinner, Staci Outhouse, a sophomore fashion design major, listened to the

Her mind raced to find the answer. She had been prepared for questions about politics, about the Olympics. But this question was:

"Define the word 'respect." Her words were clear, her compo-

sure calm, but inside, she was a nervous wreck.

"I could've answered every other question, and I get asked to define the word 'respect," she said. "I don't remember what I said. It's one of those words you never think of defining. For some reason, it just worked."

And with the question answered and the votes in, she breathed a sigh of relief. After two hours on stage and a week of intense rehearsals, she struggled to comprehend announcement that she was runner-up in the Miss Texas Pageant.

The whole time I was walking off stage, nothing was moving - like in a dream or a movie," she said.

But it was not a dream.

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The 19-year-old resident of Tyler suddenly found herself at South Padre Island from June 28 to July 2 in front of media cameras, judges and 140 other girls from around the state competing for a title that offers more than \$1 million in free prizes.

Outhouse said she had never been in a pageant until one of her mother's friends, a Miss Texas chaperone, encouraged her to enter the regional

She walked off the plane in South

Padre Island as Miss Tyler.

But Outhouse, who is a member of the Pi Beta Phi sorority, said she entered the contest for fun and to introduce herself to people in the fashion field. She said she never expected to make it to the final round, the last of four elimination rounds

'When I made the top 12, I could've stopped right there," she

Amalia Goodwin, a freshman advertising/public relations major, said Outhouse has always been pageant material.

'She doesn't let what other people think of her get to her," she said. "She has faith in what she believes, not because other people want her to do it or she thinks she should do it. She does what she wants for herself. She's won so many things in the past she doesn't tell people about. This is kind of like the icing on the cake.'

Outhouse said she's glad she competed in the pageant.

"I just did it and won," she said. "In two hours, I got free nails, tanning, work-outs. And all I did was prance around in an evening gown and a bathing suit."

Outhouse, who was in an intense competition dance team and an officer on the school drill team in high school, said she started modeling for JCPenny's Catalog when she was 13 and continued the job through high school. She has also flown to New York for a three-week modeling job

Currently, she does freelance modeling in the winter and spring for bridal gowns and bridal catalogs.

She said before participating in the Miss Texas Pageant, she expected a lot of back-stabbing and pageant

Staci Outhouse, a sophomore fashion design major, was the first runner-up in the 1996 Miss Texas Pageant.

queens. But what she found was quite the opposite.

"After I made the first runner-up, many of the girls came up to me to congratulate me," she said. "They were so friendly. It really shocked me. It was not as competitive as I thought. Ninety-nine percent of them were there just to have a good time.'

Sally Fortenberry, an associate professor of merchandising who teaches Outhouse's textile fundamentals class, said she was not shocked to discover that Outhouse had won the runner-up title.

She said Outhouse actively participates in class discussion, is depend-

able and constantly questions every-

'In order to be a representative of a state, you have to have some opinions," she said. "And she has opinions of her own. But she's also open-minded. She's open to new learning. She was a good choice for runner-up and probably a good choice for Miss Texas.

Outhouse said her immediate goal is to give away the Miss Tyler crown

As far as her career plans, Outhouse said she's thinking of being a buyer for a large company or a

#### **VP DEBATE**

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House are a big problem and faulted the House for not specifying that members need to be present at meetings from 5 until 7 p.m.

We have the rules, we just need to enforce them," she said. "If these people are missing the meetings and not representing their constituents they need to be kicked out of House."

Candidate John Christensen, a junior, said the House attendance reflects student apathy.

"How can you expect people who aren't even there to hear either side of the issue played out before them to say, 'Hey, I support this,' or 'Hey, I don't support this,'" he said.

Panelist Adele Nandan, a senior, asked the candidates if they are involved with ethnic minority organizations and if they think it is a problem that only minorities attend minority events.

Christensen said he is not involved with a minority group.

"That's not to say I don't support them, it's not something I pursue with my time," he said.

He said he personally cannot make a student attend any event.

"As much as I would like to say I have that power, I don't," he said. "Only a TCU student can decide what they're going to do."

Nicoletti said attendance at minor-

ity events is a problem and should be University addressed at the Leadership retreat. Gardner said she dealt with this

concern last semester as Student Concerns Committee chairwoman.

Gardner said she had the committee speak to various organizations on campus this semester that felt their voices were not being heard.

"We're getting a good response from these groups," she said. "They want to get involved at TCU and have people come to their programs.'

Gardner said the reason for the

the general apathy of the student body

She suggested getting student opinions on the events and providing

the events with more publicity. Panelist Matt Rosine, a junior, asked what the best structures of communication are between the House, the administration and the stu-

dent body. Christensen said there is no communication between the student body and their representatives right now He said the House is not doing its job of being an organization intended to improve the lives of the student body.

That needs to be changed. People have ideas that need to be heard," he

Gardner said communication between the House and the administration is good, but communication between the House and the student body isn't up to par.

She said taking advantage of mail, specifically sending out fliers, is a good way to advertise House activities and get students involved.

Nicoletti said the most important part of the House is the representatives themselves.

They provide the direct link to the

constituents," he said. The debate was part of the House

University Relations Committee's "Get Out the Vote" campaign.

The debate began with the platform speeches of treasurer candidate Mark Irish, a junior; vice president of Programming candidate, Ben Roman, a junior; secretary candidates Sarah Schoper, a sophomore; and Angela Sifuentes, a junior.

Theresa Singleton, chairwoman of the political activities subcommittee and the moderator of the debate, said the secretarial candidates did not debate because of scheduling con-

## Investigators say human error, faulty design caused crash

FORT BLISS - Lapses by crew members and equipment shortfalls caused the collision of two Army helicopters that killed three paratroopers during a nighttime training exercise, military investigators have said.

The two-person OH-58 Kiowa

helicopters were involved in a live missile drill April 14 at Fort Bliss when one aircraft drifted into the other, causing both to plummet to the ground, according to a preliminary accident report released recently by the U.S. Army Safety Center at Fort Rucker, Ala.

Three paratroopers assigned to the

82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C., were killed. A fourth survived with slight injuries.

Fort Bragg officials did not immediately return a phone call from The Associated Press on Monday seeking comment on the report. The federal holiday made it difficult to reach post public affairs officers.

mine which helicopter caused the crash.

"But regardless of which aircraft drifted, none of the four pilots in the two aircraft maintained a vigilance outside the aircraft to clear obstacles and maintain separation," the report

Additionally, the report said the helicopters' design made it difficult for the pilots to see other aircraft in certain positions.

Three aircraft were in the air the night of the crash. The crews included pilots training with the missiles for

the first time and instructor pilots The helicopters were supposed to ern portion of the Fort Bliss Army reservation, fire a missile and return.

Two helicopters had fired and the third was preparing to when its rotor blades tore into an adjacent craft, shearing off its landing gear and other equipment and injuring the instructor

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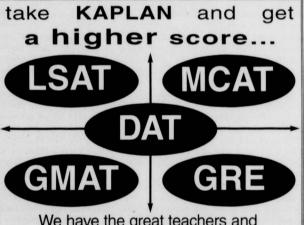
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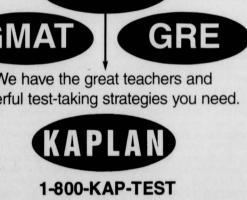
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Frogs host Australian pro team

The TCU men's basketball team will play its second and final exhibition game before its Nov. 25 season opener, as they host the Townsville

Suns, a professional team from Australia tonight at 7:05 at Daniel-Meyer

The Horned Frogs come off a 125-89 preseason win

over the Conoco Oilers on

two Texas schools last week.

beating Baylor University,

71-67, and Texas Wesleyan

The Frogs, returning four

starters from last year's 15-

15 squad, are led by sopho-more forward Damion

Walker, who had 16 points

and 10 rebounds against

Other standouts against the

Oilers were junior guards

Malcolm Johnson (gamehigh 27 points) and Mike Jones (19 points, eight

assists) and senior guard Jeff

Jacobs (22 points, six

The Frogs open their regu-

lar season — the program's

first as a member of the

Western Athletic Conference

game against McNeese State

University at 7:05 p.m.

Saturday at Daniel-Meyer

Golden Hurricane

gear up for UTEP

TULSA, Okla. (AP)

The University of Tulsa

remains competitive after

four straight losses and isn't

going through the motions

just to finish out the season,

coach Dave Rader said

The Golden Hurricane (3-

"It was not a good ending whatsoever," Rader said. "About the only remedy for it

is to win the next game. The

game has left a sour taste in

my mouth, and I'm anxious to

Tulsa plays at the

The Miners (2-7, 0-6) sit at

University of Texas-El Paso

the bottom of the WAC

Mountain Division. They've

lost 17 of their past 21 games,

including last week's 30-0

by

Methodist University.

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BROWNFIELD (AP)

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death last month of a local

in murder case

at 8:05 p.m. Saturday.

1-5 Western Athletic Conference) let a 10-point lead go to waste Saturday in a 31-24 loss to TCU.

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University, 113-94.

The Suns won games over

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Thursday

## Frogs earn first road WAC win

## Mitchell's late TD dash pushes TCU past Tulsa

By Meredith Webb

TULSA, Okla. - The TCU football team staged a last-minute victory Saturday to earn its first Western Athletic Conference road win ever Saturday against the University of

TCU sophomore tailback Basil Mitchell scored on a 74-yard run to defeat the Golden Hurricane, 31-24, in front of 17,203 at Skelly Stadium.

"Hell, it feels good; how do you think it feels?" TCU head coach Pat Sullivan said. "Obviously, in the second half we were a lot more physical on offense. We got some big plays and didn't turn the football over.

The first half of the game was stagnant offensively, with both teams' defenses being stingy with points. Only three points were scored in the entire half, coming on a first-quarter field goal by Tulsa place-kicker James Anderson on the first Hurricane offensive drive.

"Their defense was pretty tough," said TCU redshirt freshman quarterback Jeff Dover. "They shut us down in the first half, mainly because we really couldn't get our running game

The Golden Hurricane (3-6, 1-5) came out firing to open the second half, going straight to the end zone for a touchdown and a 10-0 lead.

The Frogs finally got a touchdown in the third quarter. Eating up four minutes and eight seconds off the clock, Dover ended a 79-yard, 11-play

The Horned Frogs (4-5, 3-3) got a break at the end of the quarter. The Frogs got the ball back on an interception by junior cornerback Corey Masters. With a Mitchell 22-yard touchdown run and a Michael Reeder PAT, the Frogs were on top, 14-10.

The Hurricanes answered with a 4yard touchdown carry by Reggie

The Frogs had possession at the start of the fourth quarter, and their first drive ended with a Reeder field goal that tied the game at 17-17. The Hurricanes got the ball back and punted three plays later.

The next TCU offensive drive consisted of four Mitchell carries, the last for a 3-yard touchdown, putting TCU up, 24-17. The Hurricanes battled back and tied the game up 24-24 on their next drive.

With two minutes and 36 seconds left, everyone was thinking overtime. On first down, Mitchell gained three, then Dover lost six yards on a keeper, and overtime seemed imminent.

"To be honest, at that point in time of the game I was thinking 'Get it to overtime," Sullivan said.

The Hurricanes, sensing a chance to get the ball back and a shot at the winning score, called a timeout. On the very next play, Mitchell broke free for the tie-breaking touchdown.

When we lined up, I noticed they were blitzing," Mitchell said. "Koi turned around and we were like, 'They're blitzing,' and we read it. I had one man to beat, the free safety, and I shook him. I heard him back

TCU sophomore tailback Basil Mitchell (22), shown breaking a tackle in a game against Nevada-Las Vegas earlier this season, gained 215 yards on 23 carries Saturday, leading the Horned Frogs to a 31-24 win over Tulsa. Mitchell scored the game-winning touchdown on a 74-yard run with 1:45 left in the game.

there running."

Mitchell ended the game with 215 rushing yards, the most by a Horned Frog this season.

"Basil has been playing well," Sullivan said. "Obviously our offensive line had to be doing a nice job to create those kind of holes.

Even though the Frogs came

home with a victory, there was some bad news in the locker room after the game. Junior tight end Mike Brown was lost for the season with a knee injury.

"I'd really like to play a football game where we don't lose somebody

for the year," Sullivan said. But the Frogs can take some solace in the fact that hopes for a third consecutive winning season are still alive.

"We played 60 minutes of true football," Mitchell said. "Both teams battled, and we came out on top. That's the kind of game you dream about."

The Frogs will take on Rice University at 2:05 p.m. Saturday at

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## TCU-Tulsa could have been scripted

### Frogs, Hurricane play role of identical twins down to last two minutes of game

By Gregor Esch

TULSA, Okla. — It is not often these days that a college football game follows its pregame script down to the final minute. But in the Western Athletic Conference game TCU matching against University of

on ANALYSIS Saturday, that's

exactly what happened. The Horned Frogs and Golden

Southern Hurricane perhaps thought they were looking at their evil twin brother as But UTEP can boast the they lined up in front of a crowd of No. 1-ranked defense in the 17,203 at Skelly Stadium. The teams conference - a defense that were seen as being so evenly allows a game-average 322 matched that fans would have been yards. The Tulsa offense has confused about which team they been averaging 377 yards per were watching if one had not been dressed in white jerseys and the other "They play good defense," Rader said. "We cannot lose in red shirts.

To say that TCU (4-5, 2-3) and any intensity. We have to gain Tulsa (3-6, 1-4) had shared common ground this season would be a vast In 1995, Tulsa had to score understatement. Both came into the 25 points in the fourth quarter game with identical records and were out of the race for the WAC Mountain Division championship. Football player jailed Both have had struggling offenses featuring a revolving-door situation at the quarterback position. The Brownfield High School defensive units were considered standout football player unreliable, as the Frogs have shown a remained jailed Monday on a propensity for allowing a lot of yards capital murder charge in conin a short period of time, and the

> the nation in defending the run. On a positive note, both teams had defeated the University of Oklahoma and had visions of winning their last three games to finish the season with a winning record.

Golden Hurricane ranked 106th in

By looking at these facts, the most accurate assessment a casual observer could have made was that one play would be the difference in the ball-

As it turned out, Dionne Warwick

and all of her psychic friends could not have predicted the outcome of the TCU-Tulsa game better.

As advertised, the teams were even in almost every conceivable way for over 58 minutes. But fortunately for TCU, the script called for sophomore tailback Basil Mitchell to play the lead in the game-breaking play. Mitchell capped off a stellar 215-rushing-yards, three-touchdown performance by dashing 74 yards to paydirt with 1:45 left in the game, giving the Frogs a thrilling 31-24 victory over the Golden Hurricane.

The first half was symbolic of just how much both teams' offenses have struggled this season. The teams combined for only three points as a 21yard field goal by Tulsa place-kicker James Anderson gave the Golden Hurricane a 3-0 lead at halftime.

With Jeff Dover starting at quarterback, TCU could not get in a rhythm offensively in the first half. The Frogs could not capitalize on their lone opportunity to score, as kicker Michael Reeder failed on a 47-vard field goal attempt.

It seemed as if the Frogs thought they were up against the University Nebraska's staunch defense instead of Tulsa's, which was surrendering an average of 251 yards per game on the ground. The Frogs gained an anemic 32 yards on 17 carries in the first half. Although there were the usual

breakdowns throughout the second half, for once, the TCU defense rescued the offense in the first half by holding off Tulsa once it had driven deep into Frog territory. The defense bent a lot, but never broke.

On Tulsa's opening drive, the Frogs stopped the Golden Hurricane at the one-yard line after stuffing them for no gain and a loss of three yards on successive plays. Tulsa had to settle for a field goal.

The Purple defense also rose to the occasion when freshman strong safety Reggie Hunt delivered a bonecrushing hit on a Tulsa receiver trying to catch a pass across the middle, knocking the ball into the air. Junior middle linebacker Scott Taft picked it off, stymying the drive. The Frogs could have easily faced another early double-digit deficit had it not been for that play.

The second half was a completely different type of game as struggling defenses were on display. In the second game," the recent trend of the running game carrying the TCU offense continued. The Frogs finally realized the Golden Hurricane defense was similar to the University of Nevada-Las Vegas defense TCU had faced the week before and began treating it the same way. Mitchell had 211 of his yards and all three scores in the half. Meanwhile, TCU's passing output improved, but more importantly, Dover didn't make a costly mistake. TCU collected 348 of its yards in the half.

The Frogs may have received a much-needed offensive spark from a disputed call that went their way. With TCU trailing 10-0 in the third quarter, the Frogs were inside the Hurricane 25-yard line when Dover appeared to be sacked, which would have resulted in a third-and-long situation. However, the referees claimed that Dover's knee never touched the ground, allowing him to complete a 19-yard pass to fullback Koi Woods, who was tackled at the five. Dover eventually scored on a fourth-down quarterback sneak. TCU kept the momentum on an

interception by junior cornerback Corey Masters on Tulsa's next possession. The Frogs took advantage of the Hurricane turnover by scoring a touchdown to take their first

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With five minutes remaining, TCU had scored 24 points in the half. But a 6-yard touchdown run by Tulsa tailback Solomon White tied the game at 24.

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After White's run, TCU coaches left themselves open to criticism by appearing to be playing for overtime. They called a draw play to Mitchell on third-and-13 from the TCU 26 with just under two minutes remaining in the game.

Now it's known as one of the best calls of the season. TCU's offensive line wore the Tulsa defensive front down and gave Mitchell a big enough hole that all 17,203 spectators could have run through. The Hurricane still had enough

time to tie the game, but the Frog defense didn't allow them to make serious scoring threat.

Fittingly, the game ended with just a slight difference in total yardage gained by the two teams. TCU and Tulsa exploded for 454 and 414 yards, respectively.

There wasn't much difference in the skill level, but the Frogs separated themselves in the area where it really counted: on the score-

## Two straight wins put Longhorns atop Big 12 South

AUSTIN - At one point this season, the University of Texas football team had lost four of five and was making a habit of losing games after leading in the fourth quarter.

But consecutive victories over Baylor University and Texas Tech University have put the Longhorns (5-4, 4-2 Big 12) in the driver's seat of the Big 12 South division with games remaining this week at the University of Kansas (4-5, 2-4) and at home

against Texas A&M University on

"We are in the position that we wanted to be in at the beginning of the season." Texas quarterback James Brown said Monday. "We just took the long path to get here. We took the difficult road. But we're here now and trying to make the most of it."

Texas wrestled control of the Big 12 South away from Texas Tech with a 38-32 victory in Lubbock Saturday after leading 28-3 in the first half.

"It was kind of scary in the end the

way they came back, but we held on this time," said linebacker Aaron Humphrey, referring to fourth-quarter leads that slipped away against the University of Notre Dame (7-point lead), the University of Oklahoma (11) and the University of Colorado (3). "It felt great."

With victories over Kansas and Texas A&M, the Longhorns would guarantee themselves a trip to St. Louis for the Dec. 7 Big 12 championship game against the North division winner, either the University of or Kansas State University.

Texas could even advance with a loss to Kansas and a win against A&M, but that would put the Longhorns' fate in a progression of six tiebreakers.

"For us, we're at the head of the southern division right now, but we have to win out," said Texas coach John Mackovic. "We don't have any choice, in my opinion. Oklahoma and A&M,

either one of them could get hot." Mackovic said Kansas will present

numerous problems ranging from a stout running attack led by June Henley (132 yards per game) to the possibility of snow in Lawrence, Kan., Saturday afternoon.

It's just the third meeting between the teams and the first since 1938.

"Normally, you would play a team for the first time as a non-conference game early in the season, but they haven't played us either," Mackovic said. "It's tough to win on the road this late in the season, so we'll have to

#### Jeffrey Perez, 18, and two others have been arrested and face charges related to the Oct. 30 fatal shooting of 54-year-old Roy Frank McCullough, who lived south of this farm-

Lubbock The shooting happened at McCullough's home during an apparent robbery attempt, authorities said at the time.

ing town southeast of

Perez and one of the men were in the Terry County jail in lieu of \$500,000 bond. The third man, arrested in Levelland. north of Brownfield, hadn't been arraigned.

Officials at the sheriff's department declined comment Monday.

At 280 pounds, Perez was the Brownfield Cubs' star lineman this season. Principal Carey White said he wasn't aware of any trouble involving

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### Howard charged with drunken driving

WASHINGTON (AP) — Juwan Howard was arrested early Monday, charged with drunken driving after his 1995 Mercedes was spotted speeding down a Washington street.

The Washington Bullets forward had just left a night club when the arrest was made at 3:45 a.m., said District of Columbia police spokesman Sgt. Joe Gentile: Howard was released on his own recognizance.

"This is truly a big embarrassment for me personally and for my family and also for the Bullets organization." Howard said after practice Monday at Bowie State University.

This season, Howard is averaging 17.4 points and 10 rebounds per game. Last year, he averaged 22.1 points and 8.1 rebounds a game and was named to the All-Star team.

#### Smoltz wins NL Cy Young Award

NEW YORK (AP) — John Smoltz ended Greg Maddux's Cy Young streak at four, easily winning the award Monday and giving the Atlanta Braves four straight winners.

"Aside from us winning the World Series, this is the greatest thing that's ever happened to me," Smoltz said.

He received 26 first-place votes and two second-place votes for 136 points in balloting by the Baseball Writers Association of America. Florida's Kevin Brown was second with two firsts, 26 seconds and 88 points.

Atlanta's prized pitching staff became the first to win four consecutive Cy Young Awards and has won five of six, a streak that began with Tom Glavine's in 1991.

Smoltz, a 29-year-old righthander, was 24-8 with a 2.94 ERA, winning 14 consecutive decisions from April 9-June 19. He led the majors in wins and strikeouts with 276.

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## Frogs end season on losing note

### Men's soccer team falls to SMU, 5-0

By Patricio Crooker

The TCU men's soccer team lost its season finale to Southern Methodist University, 5-0, Saturday at the TCU soccer field in a physical game that included 39 fouls and three cautions.

The Frogs played a solid first half, creating some good scoring opportunities, and finished with a total of six shots for the game. TCU junior goalkeeper Brent Erwin made six saves.

The first half was scoreless but the Mustangs came out in the second half and scored five goals on 13 shots.

The result left the Frogs with a 5-15 record and 0-8 in the Western Athletic Conference in the team's inaugural conference season.

SMU head coach Shellas Hyndman said TCU played very well in the first half, but in the second half the game changed and it was hard to get in a rhythm.

"They worked so hard in the first half that I thought it was going to

be difficult for them to keep that same pace in the second half," Hyndman said.

He said the rivalry between the two schools always creates a good game.

TCU junior defender Rik Littlefield said the team did everything it was supposed to do during the first half.

"This year it seems like in the second half things fall apart, and that's what happened today," Littlefield said.

Littlefield said some crucial calls affected the way the second half was played.

Sophomore defender Derek Gifford said TCU played well in the first half and doesn't know what happened in the second half that changed things so much.

"I don't know what it is," Gifford said. "If I knew, we wouldn't repeat (the mistakes).

"I don't think our record shows the talent we have in the team," he said. TCU head coach David Rubinson said TCU had two great chances to score by junior forward Britt Stroud and freshman midfielder Shawn Faulkner.

Sophomore midfielder Mark Papini also had an excellent opportunity, hitting the post on a free kick.

Rubinson said SMU is a great team and they were more determined to score than the Frogs were.

"In the second half we did not make anything happen," Rubinson said. "I don't think we ran out of gas."

Rubinson and Hyndman said there were some questionable calls.

In the second half, senior midfielder Kyle Sawai was apparently kicked in the throat by an SMU player while lying on the field. The game was suspended for about 10 minutes, and Sawai was taken by ambulance to Harris Methodist Hospital. He was examined and released.



Patricio Crooker SKIFF

Southern Methodist goalkeeper Tom Presthus (right) goes up to get the ball as TCU sophomore midfielder Derek Kellogg challenges. The Frogs lost to the Mustangs, 5-0, Sunday in the regular season finale for both teams

## Cincinnati gets top ranking for first time in 34 years

By Jim O'Conne

The University of Cincinnati, returning three starters from a team that fell one step shy of the Final Four last season, was No. 1 in The Associated Press preseason college basketball poll Monday, the school's first top ranking in 34 years.

The Bearcats were a runaway choice of the national media panel, receiving 34 first-place votes and 1,641 points. The University of Kansas, which will have to play at least the early part of the season without injured guard Jacque Vaughn, was second with 15 No. 1 votes and 1,548 points, six more than the defending national champion University of Kentucky, which had 13 first-place votes.

Wake Forest University, which

has the only returning All-America in center Tim Duncan, was fourth with six No. 1 votes and 1,524 points.

The University of California at Los Angeles, which will enter the season under 32-year-old interim head coach Steve Lavin, was fifth and was followed in the Top 10 by the University of Utah, Villanova University, the University of North Carolina, the University of Michigan and Duke University.

Cincinnati was ranked as high as third last season and finished with a 28-4 mark after losing to Mississippi State University in the Southeast Regional final.

"It doesn't mean anything because we haven't played a game, but it means something to our program because we have worked so

hard to rebuild this thing," Bearcat coach Bob Huggins said Monday.

Junior forward Danny Fortson leads three returning starters, and a lot is expected from a recruiting class that features three junior-college standouts.

"The preseason talk hasn't affected them at all," Huggins said. "They have gone about doing what they have to do. We haven't talked about it. It's just been kind of go out and play."

The last time the Bearcats held the No. 1 spot was 1962-63, when they were coming off consecutive national championships and four straight Final Four appearances. Cincinnati lost to Loyola (III.) University in the 1963 championship game.

"There's a great sense of history

kids," Huggins said. "Kids don't remember. The people here certainly remember."

Iowa State University was No. 11 followed by Syracuse University, the University of Arkansas, Fresno State University, the University of Massachusetts, the University of Texas, the University of New Mexico, Stanford University, the University of Arizona and Clemson University. The last five teams were Boston College, the University of Minnesota, the University of Iowa, George Washington University and Marquette University.

The No. 1 preseason ranking wasn't bad for Kentucky last year as the Wildcats went on to their sixth national championship. All but two schools in last year's preseason Top 25 — the No. 14 University of Missouri and the No. 19 University of Virginia — advanced to the NCAA tournament.

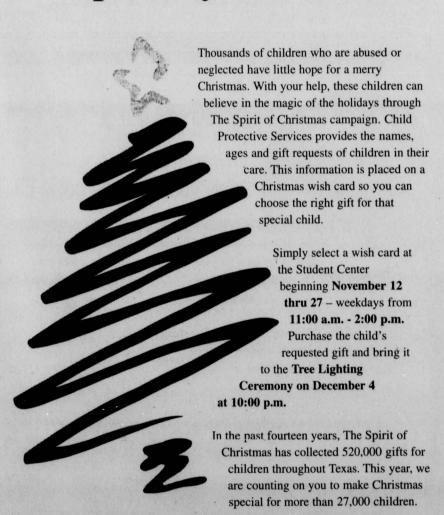
Eight of the teams in this year's

preseason poll weren't in last season's final poll and all of the them except Fresno State were ranked at some point of the season.

The ranking for Fresno State, which is beginning its second season under coach Jerry Tarkanian, was its first since 1984.

Massachusetts was No. 1 in the final poll last season, and the Minutemen were beaten by Kentucky in the national semifinals. Mississippi State, which lost to Syracuse in the other Final Four semifinal, lost all five starters and didn't receive a single point in the preseason poll.

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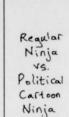
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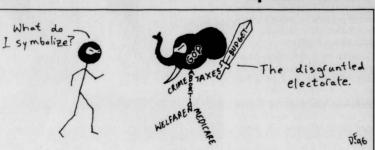


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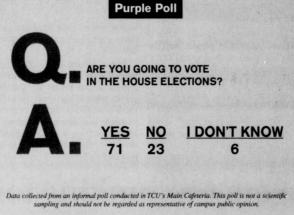
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