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Saddam puts power in hands of second son
CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Saddam Hussein has made his younger son, Qusai, the second most powerful man in Iraq following an attempt on the life of his other son, Iraqi dissidents said Tuesday.

The 31-year-old Qusai now handles day-to-day affairs of the army, security forces and several government agencies, according to the dissidents, who spoke in telephone interviews from Amman, Jordan. They quoted what they said were reliable sources inside Iraq.

One key move was to promote Qusai (pronounced QUSAY) to deputy commander of the armed forces, which gives him overall control of the army and security forces, said the dissidents, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

NATION

Judge says Macaulay can pay to house family
NEW YORK (AP) — "Home Alone" star Macaulay Culkin can use some of his \$17 million fortune to keep his family from homelessness, a judge ruled Tuesday.

State Supreme Court Justice David Saxe also removed the young actor's warring parents as guardians of his property and replaced them with Macaulay's choice, his longtime accountant Billy D. Breitner.

Saxe said he had heard regularly of crises that occurred because Macaulay's parents, who have six other children, were unable to pay the rent on the family's three apartments.

The only source of income for Christopher "Kit" Culkin, 52, and Patricia Brentrup, 42, "had been management fees derived from their children's acting income, which recently has not been enough to support the family's lifestyle," Saxe said.

McVeigh's trial to start as planned

DENVER (AP) — Timothy McVeigh's attorneys decided against seeking a delay in their client's trial Tuesday, saying they believed the Oklahoma bombing suspect could receive a fair trial despite a newspaper story detailing his supposed confession.

Attorney Stephen Jones said McVeigh's team made the decision after discussing options with McVeigh, and then meeting with U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch and prosecutors.

The meeting occurred a day after Jones said he was considering a 90-day delay in the start of McVeigh's trial because of *The Dallas Morning News'* story that cited a defense memorandum that said McVeigh admitted driving the truck that destroyed the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City April 19, 1995.

Ex-official decries Welfare proposal

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton's proposals to "fix" the new Welfare law would do little to relieve the problem he created by signing it, says a friend and former government official who resigned in protest at the time.

Decrying the 1996 law as "the worst thing Bill Clinton has done," Peter Edelman says the changes Clinton is proposing would still leave provisions doing great and possibly permanent harm to America's poor.

One family in 10 will lose income because of the law, he predicted.

The thrust of the law is to turn Welfare over to the states. It requires 80 percent of recipients take work within two years or lose benefits and imposes a lifetime cutoff of benefits after five years.

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TCU hosts college dance festival

By Jill Taylor
SKIFF STAFF

More than 500 college dancers and dance instructors will convene on campus today for the South-Central regional meeting of the American College Dance Festival Association.

The festival, which runs through Sunday morning, has never before been held on the TCU campus.

Ellen Page Garrison, an associate professor of modern dance and the chairwoman of the ballet and modern dance department, said dance enthusiasts from 27 universities in eight

states will participate in the festival.

She said participants from several of the schools will be housed on campus, but the majority of the dancers attending the conference will stay in local hotels. Space is limited, she said, and registration has reached capacity.

"We're turning people away," Garrison said.

Events will include lectures and presentations, vendor booths, classes in various dance techniques held in the Ballet Building, the Student Center, the Rickel Building and Ed Landreth Hall, informal dance con-

certs and nightly formal concerts that will be evaluated and critiqued by a panel of three adjudicators, Garrison said.

"In the pieces for adjudicated concerts, we will probably see more modern (dances) than ballet, a little jazz, and maybe even a tap piece," Garrison said. "There is a 12-minute time limit, but there are no limits on style."

TCU dancers will perform the works of student choreographers and professional dancer and choreographer-in-residence Fernando Bujones throughout the festival.

Christian Von Howard, a senior modern dance major whose choreography will be presented in informal concerts today and Thursday, said his piece, titled "Entrenchment," is a contemporary ballet.

"It's a really earthy piece with sounds of whales and human breathing, and the choreography is based on interconnected movement between the seven dancers," Howard said. "It sort of takes you to the ocean and beyond, but it's all about interconnection."

He said he is not nervous about

how his work will be interpreted, since he is personally satisfied with the progress of the piece.

"I staged this piece in December, and I've had to make a lot of changes since then," Howard said. "But even though no one piece is ever really finished, I'm satisfied with the changes."

Stephanie Milling, a graduate ballet student, will present her "Arbeit Macht Frei" in Friday night's adjudicated concert.

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Freshmen Hillary Hayes, an English major, and pre-majors Joelle Mary Coutts Burnett Library on Thursday afternoon. The sunshine was a pleasant break from the record rains of February.

House approves two funding bills

By Ryan J. Rusk
SKIFF STAFF

Two student organizations' trips to in-state conventions will be partially funded by the House of Representatives, according to two bills passed Tuesday.

The first bill will provide \$550 to members of Angel Flight-Silver Wings and Arnold Air Society for their trip to a national convention in San Antonio. The bill originally requested \$2,172, but was cut by the

House Finance Committee because the committee thought the groups wanted to send too many students to the convention, House Treasurer Mark Irish said. The bill passed 42-5.

The second bill will give \$490 to Understanding Asian Cultures for a trip to the Dai Hoi The Tao (the Asian Olympics) at Texas A&M University. The bill had been cut from the original request of \$990. It passed 38-7.

Irish said the groups have 32

members combined and wanted to send 20 to the convention. The Finance Committee thus voted to fund only transportation costs, even though the bill requested help with registration and hotel costs.

April Sanders, a junior economics major and commander of the Arnold Air Society, said the groups will now send 17 representatives to San Antonio instead of 20, because those 17 have indicated a willingness to pay for their own registration and hotel fees.

Leon Reed, a town representative, said it's important for the House to support campus ROTC groups.

"The TCU community has a

strong tradition of ROTC," Reed said. "Like the guards on a football team, they work hard but don't receive any glory."

The second bill, 97-8, will fund Understanding Asian Cultures' participation in Dai Hoi The Tao, which consists of sporting events involving Asian cultural awareness groups from universities from the United States and Canada.

Roy Vu, vice president of the group, said the trip will benefit the entire campus. Vu, a junior history major, said it will help promote Asian cultural awareness, boost TCU's image as a diverse campus,

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APO offers baby-sitting service to accommodate professors' kids

By Kelly Melhart
SKIFF STAFF

The Gamma Kappa chapter of the Alpha Phi Omega fraternity will offer a service this weekend that faculty and staff will find hard to resist.

The co-ed international service fraternity is offering free baby-sitting to faculty and staff from 5 p.m. to midnight Saturday in the Rickel Building.

"Professors' Night Out" is an event that happens once a semester to help give back to the campus, said Manoj Gopalan, a senior engineering and math major and the public relations/rush chairman for the fraternity.

"It's so they (faculty and staff) can have a night out with their spouses," he said. "It's recognizing that they have a life too."

The fraternity rents out the entire building and creates theme rooms for the children they expect.

Mike McCaffrey, a 1996 TCU graduate and a former president of

the fraternity, said one room's theme might be Disney, where different Disney movies are shown over and over, while another room is reserved for snacks and another for tricycles and Big Wheels.

"Some children cry when they have to go home," he said.

When the children arrive, McCaffrey said, a different APO member or alumnus is assigned to the children and will stay with them for the rest of the night.

"The fraternity members usually have as much fun as the kids," he said.

McCaffrey said although the project is relatively new to the campus, it has been successful so far.

"We've got regulars that keep coming back," he said. "But we'd like to see more staff members realize that it is not restricted to just faculty."

"Professors' Night Out" is only

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International Week exhibit attendance low

By Kimberly Wilson
SKIFF STAFF

Students who passed by the Student Center Lounge Tuesday could have "visited" several countries by stopping at the International Student Association's cultural exhibit, which featured items from countries represented by TCU's international student population.

But many international students were frustrated by the lack of student interest in the event.

Georgianna Hatley, a junior French and modern dance major, said she was at the cultural exhibit at around 12:30 p.m. but not many students were taking notice of the extensive exhibit.

"People were just walking by," she said. "I think that's something we've seen with every event held there this year."

Hatley said the attendance was disappointing because students could benefit from events like the exhibit.



Zach Pohl, a sophomore music major, checks out some of the artifacts at the cultural exhibit sponsored by the International Student Association on Tuesday in the Student Center Lounge.

"I just think it makes them more aware of the diversity of the students here," she said.

Marija Gluscevic, a senior advertising/public relations major, said there were several opportunities for students who visited the exhibit.

She said students could watch a

video that showed a trip through Europe or a slide show with pictures from various countries. Students had the chance to speak to several members of the International Student Association

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Pulse

CAMPUS LINES

MAC3 SPRING METRO JOB FAIR will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today at the Arlington Convention Center at 1200 Ballpark Way in Arlington. More than 200 companies will attend. Admission is free and all-day parking is \$4.

FRENCH CONVERSATION TABLE meets from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. today and every Wednesday in Student Center Reading Room A. For more information call the department of modern languages and literature at Ext. 7355 or Ext. 6366.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE ORGANIZATION will meet at 6 p.m. today in Student Center Room 214. For more information call Brian Hall at 920-9731.

TCU HOUSE OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES offers free confidential legal counsel from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. today in the House office.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SERVICES will hold an informal dedication of the World Affairs Room at 9:30 a.m. Thursday in Student Center Room 211.

LEARNING DIFFERENCES SUPPORT will meet from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday at the Starpoint School. Psychologist Alice Wiendehoff of the Child Study Center will speak about understanding and coping with the ADD/ADHD child. For more information call 246-4499.

SAFE BREAK will begin on Friday. Clark Hall's Spring Fling will take place from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Student Center Lounge. Leanne Fondren from Alcohol and Drug Education will speak about safety issues. Peer education training leading to certification will occur from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in Rickel Building Room 316. For more information call Fondren at Ext. 7100.

CSS COMPUTER SCIENCE SOCIETY will sponsor a Web-surfing contest at 10 a.m. Saturday in the AddRan Mac Lab, Sid Richardson Building Room 258. About 40 computer spaces will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. There will be prizes and free pizza. For more information e-mail css@riogrande.cs.tcu.edu.

PSI CHI, the psychology honor society, will hold its fund-raising garage sale beginning at 7 a.m. Saturday and Sunday in the new parking lot by Winton-Scott Hall. Call Heidi Nash at 926-7150 for more information.

PRESBYTERIAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIP will meet at 10:40 a.m. Sunday to carpool to Ridglea Presbyterian Church. The group will also meet in front of the Student Center to carpool to Hemphill Presbyterian Church for a free spaghetti dinner. Please call Becca Bartlett at Ext. 8336 today to R.S.V.P.

HOUSE

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promote racial harmony, increase awareness of TCU's Asian community and attract more Asian students to TCU.

Jared Franklin, a representative from Milton-Daniel Hall, said the bill is a good idea for TCU.

"It's in our best interest to support the Asian community," Franklin said. "If it's important to them, it should be important to us."

After the bills passed, Irish tried to clarify the purpose of the House's General Reserve Fund. The Understanding Asian Cultures bill had requested funding from the General Reserve but was amended to request funds from the Special Projects Fund.

Irish said the General Reserve is the House's "safety net," and the Finance Committee "doesn't like it" when bills ask for General Reserve funds. Only large bills for permanent projects should come out of the General Reserve, Irish said.

A third bill, which requests funds for Asian Week/A Taste of Asia 1997, was tabled back to the Finance Committee to change the potential funding from the General Reserve to the Special Projects Fund.

House President Andy Mitchell announced the upcoming Board of Trustees meeting, scheduled for March 26. He said the Intercom group, which is composed of leaders from various campus organizations, will meet with the board's Student Relations Committee.

"Intercom is an opportunity to inform them (trustees) of what's going on and tell them what our priorities are," Mitchell said.

Mitchell also announced the formation of a student discount plan that the Executive Board will take to area businesses and restaurants to persuade them to sign up. He said he wants students to be able to get a percentage discount off of purchases by presenting their TCU identification cards. The House will publish a guide of businesses that participate in the plan, he said.

"It connects us to the community and helps us build positive relations," Mitchell said.

How They Voted

House of Student Representatives

	Bill 97-6	Bill 97-8		Bill 97-6	Bill 97-8
Town Repts			Watts Hall		
Corby Miteff	Yea	Yea	Kirsten Pue	.	.
Leon Reed	Yea	Yea	Wiggins Hall		
Jamie Garcia	.	.	Ashley Braly	Yea	Yea
Stuart Greenfield	.	.	Alpha Chi Omega		
Brooke Batchelor	.	.	LeAnn Ramage	Yea	Yea
Christi Beach	Yea	Yea	Alpha Delta Pi		
Andie Piehl	Yea	Yea	Kary Johnson	Yea	Yea
Chris Montez	.	.	Chi Omega		
Sean Weaver	Yea	Yea	Mindy Zeller	Yea	Yea
Brachman Hall			Delta Delta Delta		
Evette Rede	Yea	Yea	Meredith Evans	Yea	Yea
Ben Fisher	Yea	No	Delta Gamma		
Brite Divinity School			Lauren Syler	Yea	.
Carolyn Allen	Yea	Yea	Delta Tau Delta		
Lane Duncan	.	.	Ryan Olsen	No	No
Ron Fields	Yea	Yea	FUJ		
Clark Hall			Carl Christensen	Yea	No
Cody Dick	Yea	Yea	Kappa Alpha Theta		
Dominick Marsala	Yea	Yea	Elizabeth Veazy	Yea	No
Joel Penrod	.	.	Kappa Kappa Gamma		
Colby Hall			Lisa Luddy	Yea	Yea
Lisa Cassiani	.	.	Kappa Sigma		
Dina Mavridis	Yea	No	John Elliot	Yea	No
Renee Rabeler	Yea	Yea	Lambda Chi Alpha		
Jennifer Ellis	.	.	Bryan Storms	Yea	Yea
Foster Hall			Phi Kappa Sigma		
Jessica Plimpton	Yea	Yea	Mike Bono	Yea	Yea
Jarvis Hall			Pi Beta Phi		
Rebecca Martin	No	Yea	Lindsey Cobb	.	.
Michelle Redwine	Yea	Yea	Sigma Alpha Epsilon		
MBA Association			Kyle Elam	.	.
Noel Pretila	No	Yea	Sigma Chi		
Milton Daniel Hall			Joel Peterson	Yea	Yea
Jared Franklin	Yea	Yea	Zeta Tau Alpha		
Jamie Brown	.	.	Elise LaMontagne	Yea	No
Moncrief Hall			Voting Officers		
David Rench	No	No	Christie Hobbs	No	Yea
Rachael Niwa	Yea	Yea	Kimberly Pue	.	.
Jonathan Rohmiller	Yea	Yea	Mark Irish	Yea	Yea
Sherley Hall			Kevin Nicoletti	Yea	Yea
Liz Rainwater	Yea	Yea	Ben Roman	Yea	Yea
Erin South	Yea	Yea			
Lisa Lennox	Yea	Yea			
Madaline Reedy	Yea	Yea			
Tom Brown Hall					
Ben Alexander	Yea	Yea			
Zuberi Williams	Yea	Yea			

What was on the docket

- Bill 97-6** To fund Angel Flight-Silver Wings and the Arnold Air Society's trips to their convention.
- Bill 97-8** To fund Understanding Asian Cultures' trip to Dai Hoi The Tao (Asian Olympics)

In other news, Will Stallworth, director of the physical plant, announced several physical improvement projects scheduled for the near future. Stallworth said the projects include:

- an irrigation system in the

Worth Hills campus.

- a \$13 million project to replace lighting systems and "chillers," which provide cold water on campus. This project will save the university \$700,000 annually in energy costs, Stallworth said.

- a new baseball and track facility, which will allow for NCAA Division 1-level track meets and night baseball games.
- replacement or renovation of Pete Wright Hall to create room for 200 more on-campus students.

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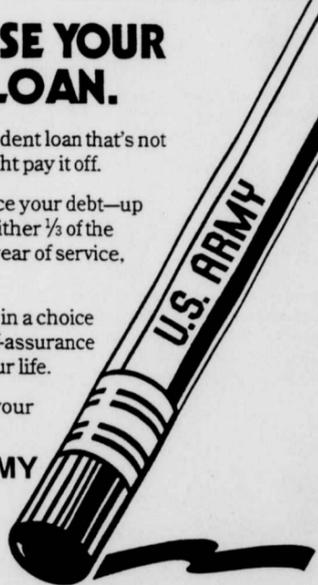
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EDITORIAL

THE MORNING NEWS

Newspaper was right to print story

On Saturday, *The Dallas Morning News* published a story claiming that Timothy McVeigh, accused in the bombing of the Oklahoma City federal building, admitted to his attorneys that he was responsible for the bombing and that he struck during daytime hours to ensure a larger "body count."

The story has sparked a wave of heated debate among those who believe that *The Morning News* was justified in publishing the report and those who believe that the newspaper has violated McVeigh's right to a fair trial.

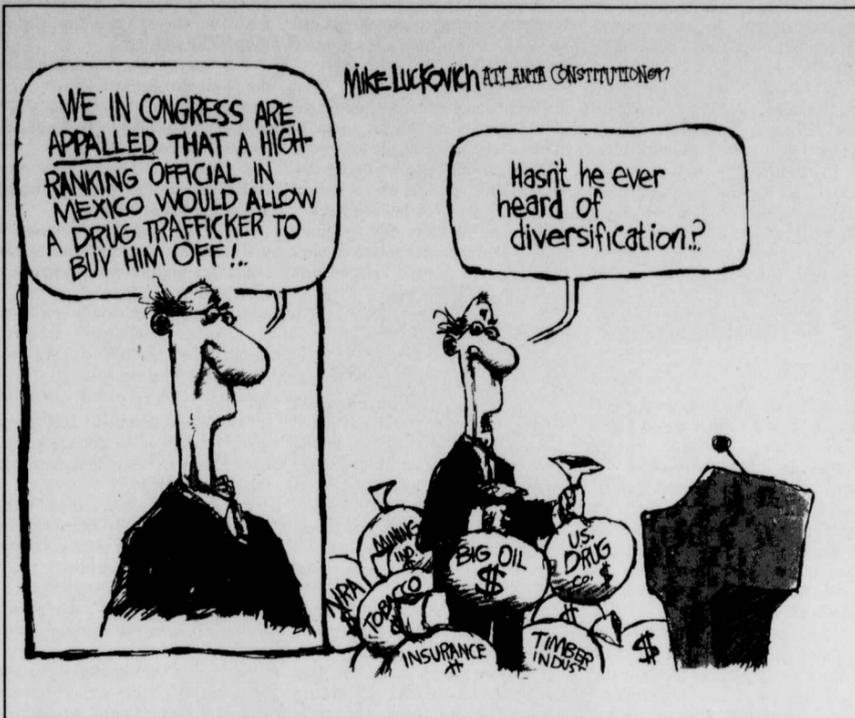
This is a classic case of conflict between the First Amendment, which guarantees freedom of the press, and the Sixth Amendment, which guarantees a fair trial.

However, it is the position of the *Skiff* that *The Morning News* was right in publishing the story and that it even had a responsibility to do so.

It is not the press' responsibility to protect the citizens' rights to a fair trial. That is the role of the defense attorneys and the courts. Instead, our only responsibility is to tell the truth as we know it.

If *The Morning News*, or any newspaper, has information that it knows to be true, and that information is in the public interest, then the press has a responsibility to print it. In this case, *The Morning News* had information about the deadliest act of terrorism in U.S. history, and the paper, which is regarded by many to be one of the five best newspapers in the country, was confident that the information it had was true. The families of the 168 men, women and children who died in the blast, along with the rest of America, deserved to know what the newspaper found.

Moreover, those who argue that McVeigh now has no chance of receiving a fair trial are sorely mistaken. We live in a society where a jury found O.J. Simpson innocent of murder after watching him hold a gun to his head while he ran from police. Many studies show that pretrial news has little or nothing to do with the outcome of the trial. Surely there are potential jurors who have no idea where Dallas even is, and have never heard about or read *The Morning News'* story.



A bore in the store

Shopping with women is a challenge

I've broken bones, had surgery and given blood. I've been punched, kicked, pinched and slapped. I've climbed mountains more than 2 miles high, and I've fasted.

It's all easier than shopping with a woman.

Don't get me wrong. I love being with my fiancée; that's obviously one reason we're getting married. I owe her a great debt for opening my eyes to things I didn't appreciate before, like ballet. I could sit with her and look into her eyes for hours on end without getting bored. But a trip to the mall just kills me.

I always knew that shopping with women wasn't my cup of tea. But this experience was usually with my mom. I attributed the childhood pain to youthful restlessness, and, of course, what guy wants to be seen hanging out with his mother in junior high and high school?

Anyway, this is how shopping goes for me. Let's take blue jeans. I have a certain number of blue jeans. When it's time to replace a pair of them (i.e., the crotch has gone AWOL), I figure out if I have enough money to replace

them. I then go to the mall and pick out a decent pair. Since I usually get the same brand, I generally don't even try them on. Total time: 30 minutes if parking is rough and if I had to stand in line.

Not when I'm with her. She could be 100 percent sure that she is not going to get anything, and yet she has to try on half the store. This doesn't bother me, but the fact that I am, of course,

obligated to watch this does not excite me in the least. And I'm a guy who's easily excited.

I wait, negotiating my way around the deadly maze of racks as I try to keep some meaningful conversation going. Her concentration seems to be totally on the latest designs, so I get a little bolder. I try to escape. To most observers I must look like some wayward hiker, trying to slip quietly away while the bear sleeps. Maybe, I think sheepishly, I can make it to the electronics department before she notices I'm gone.

But it is always to no avail. I still have my obligations, you see. I must evaluate each item of clothing,

regardless of whether she's interested. She holds up an article of clothing and asks, "What do you think?" Dangerous question, fellows. Other females, they know the code. Unfortunately, we (or at least I) don't. What are we supposed to say at this point? What if I say I like it? She might say she doesn't. This always confuses me. Why am I going to the trouble of offering my opinion, if she doesn't like it?

If, on the other hand, I don't like it, I am ridiculed for my narrow tastes. It's definitely a no-win situation.

We walk out of the store(s) with nothing in hand, except maybe some gifts she's picked out with my advice (hmm... another column idea).

But, for some reason, I continue to go through this excruciating ritual. Maybe I'm a nice guy. Maybe I do enjoy this deep down in my subconscious. Maybe next time I'll barter my way into NASCAR Thunder.

By the way, for those of you who read my column last week, Angel of Hope's meeting time was inadvertently left out. It meets at 6 p.m. on Sunday nights.

Richmond Williams is a senior radio-TV-film major from Nashville, Tenn. His e-mail address is rwilliams@delta.is.tcu.edu. His wardrobe really suffers from his shopping style.

Commentary



Richmond Williams

Smith waxes poetic

Commentary



Chris Smith

In an attempt to enrich your pathetic, intellectually deprived lives, I shall offer a feat never before regarded as possible: an overview of TCU — in haiku form.

- TCU men's basketball.**
Close but no cigar.
Preparing for March Madness.
Slave to Tulsa ball.
- House of Representatives.**
Reconstruction? Yes!
Brains in head? I don't think so.
Chew their cud? Of course.
- Board of Trustees.**
Elusive hit squad.
Lingering in the shadows.
Show me the money!
- Marriott.**
Gourmet burger, yum!
Smorgasbord of rodent meat.
Payment — first born child.
- TCU's intellectual prowess.**
Hit golf balls at art.
Misspelled racist graffiti.
Bathroom novellas.
- Ninja Verses.**
Comic no one gets.
Low I.Q. a big factor.
Don Frederic rocks!
- Frog Calls.**
Written in Chinese.
Useless jumble of numbers.
Ten years out of date.
- Frog Formal.**
Where is everyone?
At home, doing useful things.
Like picking their butt.
- The Skiff**
Wipe my butt with it.
Pandering slosh, rivaled by.
Morons who read it.
- Programming Council**
Horrible movies.
"Ishtar," "Howard the Duck"
rule.
Good thing the crap's free.
- Letters to the Editor**
No sense of humor.
Brains in the anal region.
Surprised you could write.

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Letters to the Editor

Jesus' word is law

I was shocked that an organization that professes to be tolerant would be so critical of another person's religious beliefs. My roommate and I are both Protestants; however, we believe that the words of Jesus Christ should be recognized by all Christians as a way to live their lives.

Divorce was in fact forbidden by Jesus in the Gospel of Mark 10: 1-12. Jesus said, "But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this reason, a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife... Therefore, what God has joined together, let not man separate... Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her." Therefore, when the Catholic Church forbids divorce, it is just recognizing the commandments of Jesus Christ.

The pope, or any officer of any church, does not have the right to make judgments on the words of Jesus. The values that Jesus taught are ever-constant and will never change. Any person has the right to choose to follow the teachings of Jesus or not; however, a Christian Church does not have the right to change the law of God.

I applaud the Catholic Church for remaining true to the teachings of Jesus in this case and I would ask you to understand that Christianity is not a democracy, but a monarchy with Jesus Christ as our king, and that while we may disagree on interpretations of scriptures, any true Christian must accept the words of Jesus as law. The nice thing about Christianity is that while we accept the law of God, we can be forgiven by the grace of Jesus, that is the message of Christianity.

Jason Petty
sophomore business major
Matthew Nash
junior music major

Smith broken and bitter

When I first visited this school last year, I was very turned off by several "commentaries" I read in the *Skiff*. All were by Chris Smith, and I was so upset that I made up my mind to come to this school and rebut everything he ever wrote. Since then, it has come to my attention that nothing he ever writes is even *worth* a response. But for some reason, his last commentary ("Satan should be recognized...") made me write this.

Basically, I feel sorry for Chris. I'm not sure if he reads his own work before he turns it in, but he should, because he really sounds uneducated (that shouldn't happen after four years here). More so, however, my heart grieves for him. It saddens me to know that he is clearly a very broken and bitter man. To know that he has completely turned his back on God makes me go to my knees in prayer for him. He can't be very happy inside, and that seems to be why he feels he should mock the God of the universe, the one who loved us so much that he sent his only son to die for us so that we may have eternal life and fulfillment in him.

Chris seems to have this idea that God and Christians are out to condemn people. Au contraire, mon frere. He stated that the knowledge of good and evil was something that God was "so intent on hiding from us." I'm wondering if he ever stopped to think about why God didn't want us to know. Perhaps it's because God designed us initially to live in a perfect world, devoid of sin.

Rise up, Chris Smith, and support the effort God has made to save your own soul.
Brooke St. George
freshman advertising/public relations major

God can fill emptiness, not Satan

In the *Skiff*, I read something that really upset me. This is not the first time I have read something that I have not agreed with, but it is the first time I have felt so compelled to respond. The commentary by Chris Smith, titled "Satan should be recognized for contributions to the history of rational development," seemed to portray Satan as a noble character. Now that the lies have been spread, it is time for the truth to come out.

Smith states that Satan gives Christians their purpose in life of condemning people to hell. People condemn themselves to hell by not accepting Jesus and the sacrifice he made for us. I think I can speak for many Christians in saying that our purpose in life is to win people to heaven so others can experience the joy of knowing they will go to heaven when they die as opposed to going to hell.

Smith then goes on to point out that Satan has enriched our lives with "smoking, alcohol, one-night stands, drugs, R-rated movies, rap music and other wonderfully naughty things." I will give Satan credit for those things. He brought them into this world so people could fill the emptiness they feel in their lives without Jesus. These things might bring momentary pleasure for some people, but whatever pleasure they feel is only temporary. Jesus is eternal. Only God can fill the emptiness inside that drugs and sex cannot fill.

"Satan did only what was his inherent right; he attempted to overthrow the ruling system, which was stifling his ambition as well as one-third of the heavenly host." Why did Satan want to overthrow the ruling system of God? God promised him an everlasting life full of joy and love of him. Satan did what many people still do now. He chose to

try to make it on his own. Where has it gotten him? He is now roaming the world trying to pull others into the fiery depths of hell to join him. I have learned that I cannot make it through this world by myself with my own agenda. With God, however, I have a purpose and the means to make it through life.

Without Satan's temptations, we might still be living the perfect, sinless life that God originally intended for us as Adam and Eve started in the Garden of Eden. It was God, and not Satan, who gave us the right to choose who we would follow, and that is what led to the fall of man. If Eve had chosen to follow God's plan instead of giving into temptation, we wouldn't go through the struggles we go through today. We don't have to make the same mistake Eve did and give into the temptations of society.

We certainly don't have to praise Satan for any good deeds, because he hasn't done any. He has just tried to lead us all down a path to ultimate destruction. We can choose to follow him, or we can choose to follow Jesus, the man who died on the cross as an atonement for all of our sins. In closing I would like to share the words of a wise man named Paul: "Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light. It is not surprising, then, if his servants masquerade as servants of righteousness. Their end will be what their actions deserve" (II Cor 11:14). I just pray that Chris Smith sees that it is God, and not Satan, that deserves all the glory.

Kim Karstetter
freshman movement science major

People should help themselves

I have three points in response to Kevin Arceneaux's editorial:
First, there is no constitutional mandate for a federal food stamp program. The 10th Amendment that limits the powers of the

federal government to what is specifically prescribed to it by the Constitution, primarily Article I, Section 8. If you're dead set on having a food stamp program, you can lobby your state legislature for it. If you want to help people, there are other ways to do so than providing them with an alternate currency that is frequently sold at a rate of 50 cents on the dollar.

Second, there are always jobs to be either had or created. If you are childless, able-bodied and between the ages of 18 and 50, there is no reason you can't stand out in front of the Texas Employment Commission and get a job each and every day. Nothing is preventing these people from creating their own jobs as well. The TCU area had several people who picked up the Safeway/Tom Thumb parking lots for years because they took the time to talk to the manager and create the job. They went from drinking booze behind the store to buying an old, beat-up truck, and are still seen in the area from time to time. "Two Guys and a Lawnmower" is a company started by some former TCU students 10 years ago and is still in business. It started just like the name implies. "Will Work for Food" earned a man with a pregnant wife and their child \$30,000 in one year on the corner of University Drive and Berry Street. I've never made \$30,000 in a year.

Finally, if you are really worried about people being hungry, get up off your butt and feed them. Don't expect the federal government to assuage your guilt by shouldering responsibilities that in reality belong to the people. Even as a former Catholic, you should realize that there isn't a single religious organization in this country that would turn away your offer to assist in their ministry to the poor, should that be your desire.

Tim Kuchta
TCU graduate

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years from 1992 through 1994. The report did not list the number of crimes by name of institution.

Jane Glickman, a spokeswoman for the Department of Education, said the reported crime rate did not vary widely from 1992 to 1994.

For example, the rate of reported campus violent crimes, which includes murder, robbery and aggravated assault, was 67 per 100,000 students in 1992 and 70 per 100,000 students in 1993.

Although crime statistics for 1992 were not available for TCU, there was no noticeable difference between crime levels in 1993 and

1994, according to TCU crime statistics in the student handbook.

The handbook report states that violent crimes, such as murder and forcible sexual offenses, are nonexistent, with no instances occurring in 1993 or 1994.

According to the statistics, two aggravated assault cases were filed, and 22 burglary cases and one motor vehicle theft was reported in 1993.

In 1994, there were four robbery cases, two aggravated assault cases, 16 burglary and two motor-vehicle theft cases filed.

The report covered all programs that provide federal financial aid,

from schools teaching cosmetology to graduate programs at Ivy League schools.

A strong link was found between higher crime rates and colleges that have on-campus housing, according to the report.

"For example, students who reside in campus housing are potential victims of on-campus crime 24 hours a day," according to the report. "These students have a different risk pattern than students who commute to campus for a few hours a week."

Campus Police Sgt. Connie Villela said the most common types of crimes on campus include theft

and burglary.

"Even with those, though, we have pretty low levels of crime because in a 3- to 4-square-mile area, we have an entire police force," she said.

The survey was required under the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act, passed in 1990 after intensive lobbying by the parents of Jeanne Cleary. Cleary was a student at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., who was raped and murdered in 1986.

The Department of Education will complete other crime surveys as statistics come in from colleges.

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one of many service projects the fraternity participates in.

The fraternity is involved in four different areas of service: campus, chapter, community and national.

Besides "Professors' Night Out," "Eco-Bin" is the fraternity's other campus project. The project consists of two trailers located behind the Ranch Management building that are used to collect newspapers and aluminum cans for recycling.

The chapter service projects usually involve fund raising because the fraternity dues are only \$35 per member per semester.

"We're a non-profit organization,"

Gopalan said. "We don't need a lot of money to do the things we do."

Community service projects include car washes, baby-sitting children of hearing-impaired parents, playing bingo with the elderly and walking dogs for the Humane Society.

The national service project is also part of the Adopt-A-Highway program. The fraternity adopted a stretch of Interstate 287 South.

McCaffrey said: "I'd like for the campus to know what we are and what we're about. It's a brotherhood."

Gopalan said Alpha Phi Omega is a national organization with more than 250,000 members and alumni.

"It's the largest organization with Greek letters in the world," he said.

The TCU chapter of Alpha Phi Omega was chartered by the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity of Texas Wesleyan University in 1950.

Although membership has varied, and at one point even died out, this semester there are 50 members and 12 pledges.

Gopalan said he believes the membership is stable and is on an upward trend.

"The average organization goes through cycles," he said. "It had been on a downward swing, but we've rounded the corner and it's on its way

up."

"We're not selective," McCaffrey said. "You pick us, we don't pick you. I don't think service is something that should be restricted."

It is designed to be a service fraternity instead of a social fraternity, but that is not to say the members don't participate in social activities.

The organization is based on helping others, and anybody can help with service projects; membership is not required.

Faculty or staff members interested in using the baby-sitting service should contact Laura Szymanski today at 920-4396.

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about their home countries.

"If anybody was thinking of studying abroad, this was the opportunity to get to know more about the country they plan to go to," Gluscevic said.

She said students could have learned interesting and unusual facts about different countries from the people who have lived there.

"It was a mixture of everything," she said.

Laly Gomez, an organizer of the exhibit and a freshman engineering major, said she considered the event a success despite the low attendance. She said she thought one of the reasons students did not view the exhibit was because of the good weather.

Gomez said her favorite part of the event was a guessing game in which students could try to guess which

country three different items came from. During the day, only two people got two of the three items' origins correct, she said.

Gluscevic said she stopped by the exhibit during the afternoon and there were not many students there.

"That's one thing we always face at TCU," she said.

She said mostly international students get involved in International

Week activities, but said that is not the purpose of the week.

"We do it for the benefit of the whole TCU student body and the community," Gluscevic said.

She said people who did not attend the exhibit missed out on a chance to add to their personal knowledge of foreign countries.

"You could have discovered some things," Gluscevic said.

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Milling said her choreography is set to music from the movie "Schindler's List" and is in a contemporary ballet style.

"I look at it and think 'modern,' but there are also balletic moments, especially in the pas de deux," Milling said.

She said 11 of the 13 dancers are TCU dance students, and the other two are ROTC members who perform character roles.

"The piece has been shaped by research and reading and talking with Holocaust survivors," she said.

Milling said TCU's hosting of the festival eliminates much of the hassle involved in traveling to another college with a full company and costumes.

"All the dance students have to do extra work to make sure everything goes right, but we don't pay registration fees and we don't have to travel,"

she said. "Plus, what better way is there to show off TCU?"

Garrison said TCU dancers have traditionally fared well in the adjudicated concerts, and Milling attributes TCU's good reputation to the strength of the ballet and modern dance program.

"Out of all the schools coming, in terms of talent and faculty we usually have one of the best facilities," she said.

Although informal concerts are not open to the public, tickets are available at the door for the adjudicated concerts at 7:30 p.m. today, Thursday, Friday and Saturday in Ed Landreth Auditorium. Admission is \$7 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens.

TCU dancers will perform Milling's choreography tonight and Bujones' piece, "In the Rhythms of Jazz," Friday night.

Floods ravage Ohio towns

By Roger Petterson

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Louisville, Ky., bolted the gates shut in its floodwall Tuesday as the highest water along the Ohio River in 30 years pushed downstream, swamping one town after another and swelling the ranks of people driven from their homes.

"I literally broke down and cried at 4 this morning," Jack Hall said after watching the Ohio lap through the door of his home in Utica, Ind.

The Ohio was out of its banks from West Virginia to Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana, and the water wasn't expected to crest in most places until Wednesday or later. Thousands waited for the river to start dropping; thousands more downstream moved out as the water rolled closer.

"All I've got is the clothes on my back," Mike Donley said after

leaving his home in New Richmond, Ohio, a community of some 2,500 people about 20 miles upstream from Cincinnati.

The river was engorged by runoff from record downpours over the weekend that already had forced thousands of people from their homes along smaller streams in Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia. A total of 50 deaths had been blamed on the flooding and the weekend's tornadoes.

Most states had no estimate of the numbers of people evacuated. In Kentucky alone, "by all measurements, it would be in the tens of thousands," state emergency management spokesman Don Armstrong said.

President Clinton declared 14 counties disaster areas in Ohio and nine in Kentucky, making them eligible for federal assistance.

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'Star' school celebrates 30 years

Students thankful to M.J. Neeley for beginning specialized school

By Anne Drabicky
SKIFF STAFF

There were no afternoon classes Monday at the Starpoint School. Instead, all 42 children, their teachers and even the principal played with balloons and ate cupcakes.

Flower the Clown made balloon animals and brought out her puppet, Francis the Frog. There was even a surprise appearance by the TCU mascot, SuperFrog.

It was a birthday party, but not for one of the students. The Starpoint School was celebrating 30 years of educating children.

Principal Kathy Williams told the children, "We had this party because we had a man who gave us this school."

"And why'd he give us this school?" she asked her student audience.

One student said the school was built for children who are special and for teachers.

"He built this school for you and for people who want to be teachers," Williams said.

Williams said each of the students at Starpoint has a learning difficulty of some sort.

Jacquelin Isom, 9, said she thought the party was "fun and exciting. It was fun to see the clown."

When asked about SuperFrog, Isom said, "I wonder who's inside him."

Diana Dirk, a teacher of 9-year-olds, said: "I think it's just wonderful. I think it's real important that these kids were included."

Williams said, "Thirty years ago Dr. (M.J.) Neeley paid for a teacher to move here and opened this school."

Neeley's grandson was handicapped but never actually attended the school, she said.

"He saw that teachers needed a place to learn how to handle special learners," she said.

She said Neeley, a Fort Worth businessman and TCU trustee, enjoyed visiting the school.

"He loved coming here. One of his last outings was here for his birthday," she said.

Madge Thomas, a teacher of some of the 8- and 9-year-old students, said she thought the celebration was appropriate.

"I think it's just what a party should be," he said. "I think Mr. Neeley would have loved this, that the children were having so much fun."

Williams said Neeley was very close to the children and that his wife is still very active in the school. She said that because Neeley's birthday coincided with Halloween, the students would dress up for him for the occasion.

Starpoint and the School of Education "kind of jointly decided to party all week," Williams said.

She said she thought the event went very well.

"They (the students) feel like they're Horned Frogs, they feel that they're TCU students," she said.

Bianca Machi, 8, said: "It was fun. SuperFrog was kind of funny with some people."

At the end of the event, Williams said, "We all need to thank M.J. Neeley."

The group then sang "Happy Birthday."

"Take a moment where you think and bow your heads and say thank you for having Starpoint for 30 years," Williams said. "And we hope we have 30 more years."

After the party, several students led

Starpoint alumni on tours through the school.

Williams said the school had about 200 visitors and that every class was represented, all the way back to the first class in 1967.

"We chose the children who were leaving Starpoint next year, our oldest students," Williams said of the student tour guides.

"After three tours, they (the children) got cake and punch," she said, "so some of the alums got more than one tour."

She said all the visitors were thrilled with the birthday celebration.

"The place didn't shut down until 7:30, and it was supposed to end at 6," she said.

Two tables in the hallway displayed

rent students, naming those who were in his classes.

"This girl goes to Treetops now. She used to have a brother who went here too," he said, "but he goes to school somewhere else now."

Williams said the school will probably do something for every milestone birthday.

However, she said, this was the perfect opportunity because some of the original students are aging.

"We wanted to make sure the first generation students were included," Williams



photos of current Starpoint students as well as some from the 1960s and '70s.

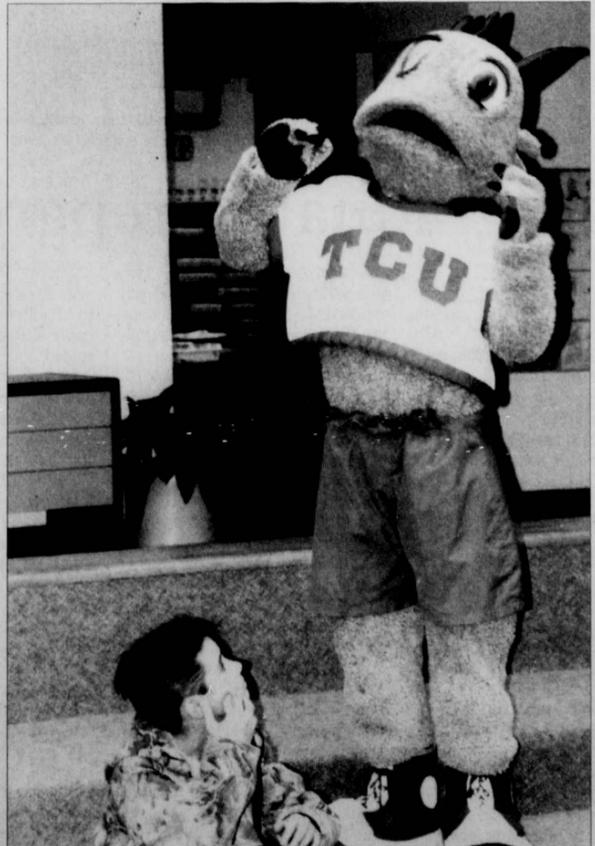
As one student began giving his tour, he pointed to the two tables and said: "These are some old pictures. I'm not really sure where they're from, but they used to go to school here."

He then pointed to the pictures of cur-

said. "It was a heartwarming experience. You could feel the impact the school had had in their lives."

"It was a wonderful celebration of learning and love and dedication. It was really humbling to understand how powerful this place has been for children for so long."

Students blow out the candles on the birthday cupcakes that were part of the 30th birthday celebration for the Starpoint School (top right). The message was changed somewhat as students whisked away some of the cupcakes as soon as they could (center). William Connally looks up at SuperFrog, the surprise guest at the party (bottom right). SuperFrog has another admirer in Francis the Frog, the puppet who entertained children along with Flower the Clown on Monday afternoon (right). Photos by Anne Drabicky



Studying beyond the bachelor's degree Graduate schools offer broad scope of options

By Michael Bryant
SKIFF STAFF

Students looking to continue their education beyond undergraduate studies face numerous options in choosing the right school.

Despite the seemingly increasing need to attend graduate school in order to secure a job, however, applications in most fields of study have either remained constant or decreased.

One of the few exceptions lies with medical schools, where applications have increased from about 30,000 in 1989 to more than 40,000 in 1996, according to the Association of American Medical Colleges.

Law schools, however, have seen applications decrease from a peak of 99,300 in 1991 to well below 80,000 in 1996, according to the *Law Services Report*.

In addition, the number of students taking the GMAT test, the admissions test for graduate business schools, has decreased by about 30,000 students annually over the past seven years, according to

the Graduate Management Admission Council.

Peggy Conway, director of admissions for the MBA program at the M.J. Neeley School of Business, said that unlike the national trend for business schools, TCU witnessed a 40 percent increase in graduate business school applicants in 1994, and numbers have remained constant since then.

Conway said TCU accommodated the applicants by increasing the number of full-time students allowed into the business program annually from 85 to 100. In addition, 40 students are allowed into the program as part-time students each year, she said.

Conway said, "The MBA program gives someone a broad managerial perspective of business," as opposed to undergraduate degrees that focus on one specific aspect of the business world.

Other graduate schools, which include various other subjects from communications to zoology, remain crowded nationally, with nearly 1.2

million enrollees in 1994.

Rob Levy, director of graduate programs for Kaplan testing services, said enrollment in graduate-level programs is increasing especially fast in fields like physical therapy, social work and software sciences.

He said graduate school "is increasingly becoming a necessity. An example might be nursing, because it makes them more competitive in the job market."

Levy said students are applying in greater numbers to the best-ranked schools, especially in the field of business. With the high cost of graduate school, he said, students strive to get into the best school they can.

He said the number of students taking graduate school entrance tests, such as the LSAT for law school, the GMAT for business school, the MCAT for medical school and the GRE for graduate school, has remained level over recent years as more and more students shift to computer-related tests.

The total number of students

enrolled in graduate studies at TCU was 1,151 in the most recent statistics from fall 1996, said Vicki Walker, decision support analyst for the Institutional Research office.

The fall 1996 numbers are average compared to the past 10 years at TCU, she said.

The largest number of graduate students is enrolled in the M.J. Neeley School of Business, which 311 students currently attend, she said.

The totals for other TCU graduate departments include: Brite Divinity School, 231; AddRan College of Arts and Sciences, 230; School of Education, 179; Master of Liberal Arts program, 118; and College of Fine Arts and Communication, 82.

Unlike other graduate studies that focus on a specific area of study, the MLA program at TCU allows students to keep their education going without being restricted to one specific area of study, said Don Coerver, director of the MLA program.

Walker said that of the 377 stu-

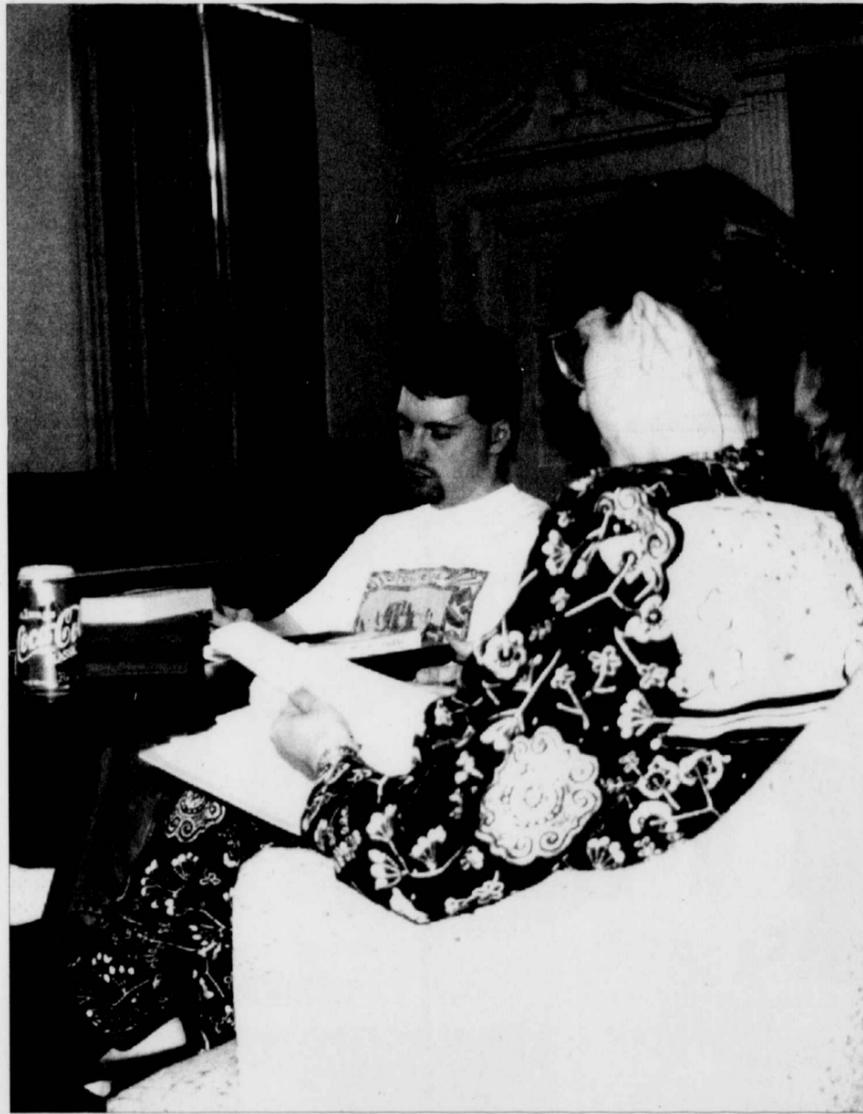
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dents who entered one of TCU's graduate programs last year, 74 attended TCU as undergraduate students, one of the highest return rates of any university in the area.

The number of graduate students at TCU is split almost evenly between males and females, though some specific programs are greatly

tilted toward one gender or another. For example, the M.J. Neeley School of Business has 224 male graduate students and only 87 female graduate students. The School of Education, however, has only 34 male graduate students, compared to 145 female graduate students.



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Brite Divinity School students Kevin Rockett (left) and Sharmin DeMoss study in Weatherly Hall at Brite on Tuesday afternoon. Each is attending Brite to earn a master of divinity.

Brite teaches diversity issues

Divinity school prepares students for ever-changing society

By Christopher Rose
SKIFF STAFF

Since 1914, TCU's Brite Divinity School has prepared men and women for a vocation in church ministry.

But Brite also equips students with the professional skills to face the challenges in an ever-changing society.

"We do more than just teach graduate students how to preach, sing and pray," said J. Stanley Hagadone, director of admissions at Brite. "We still study such areas as the Bible and homiletics (preaching), but because we have a variety of students, we must look at the global component in preparing students for a church vocation. We also must listen to a variety of voices from our diverse student body."

Hagadone said that when he attended Brite 30 years ago, the student body was mostly white and male. He said today there is a 15 percent ethnic mix and more women are going to seminary.

According to the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*, the Association of Theological Schools reported in 1995 that women represented 32.8 percent of all seminary students in the nation. Of the 207 Brite students enrolled for spring 1997, 45 percent are women, according to school records.

Susan J. White, an assistant professor of worship and spirituality at Brite, said there is a more balanced representation of gender, but one problem still exists.

"We can train and graduate women and put them into their first pastorate as an associate minister, but moving them into a senior pastorate is still difficult," White said.

Jennifer Schooley, a second-year Brite student and moderator of Brite Student Government, said that despite this obstacle, she is still

motivated to attend seminary. "I do have a glimpse of hope," said Schooley, a TCU graduate. "It's going to change because eventually pastors will retire."

Brite's diversity is also defined as an ecumenical theological community, according to Leo G. Perdue, dean of Brite and professor of Hebrew Bible.

Perdue said Brite is affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), but students represent 23 denominations. He said the faculty and staff represent seven denominations.

White said the ecumenical diversity means that students will have differences of opinion about church and theology.

"The faculty works hard not to attack a person's faith, but to retain a person's own search for what is right and good," she said. "Since our students will be public people, they need to understand their own church identity and try to appreciate other viewpoints."

Brite students can pursue a theological education through a variety of degrees, such as a master of divinity and a master of theology. Brite offers a doctorate of ministry and will be adding a doctorate of theology to its degree program.

Two programs, the United Methodist Studies Program and the Baptist Studies program, are designed for students with special interests and needs.

Hagadone said most students aim toward a church ministry vocation, but he said seminary life is challenging because students have either a secular job, a church job or both.

Also, he said many students are married, some with children, and this sometimes presents a conflict about priorities.

"Part of the ministry is learning how to balance things," Hagadone

said. "But part of the problem is attending to all the hats a student must wear."

While students may be challenged by seminary, Brite is also challenged to address issues related to its diversity.

"As a result of the influx of diversity in our theological community, Brite is moving toward more course study related to our global society," Perdue said.

That global society involves such issues as religious pluralism, White said.

"It used to be that a person could go through their life without ever meeting a faithful Muslim," White said. "Now, not only do we meet them, but in some cases they are our neighbors. We must learn how to deal with other faiths that are different from Christianity."

In addition to addressing the needs of the global community, Brite addresses the changes in pastoral ministry, Hagadone said.

"In the 1960s, we didn't have a problem getting people to go to church. We thought all we had to do was just open the doors and people will come," he said.

Now, Hagadone said, pastoral ministry is getting much harder because just opening the doors isn't enough.

He said Brite is renewing an emphasis on evangelism and congregational leadership to address this problem.

In addition to changes in pastoral ministry, Brite also examines controversial issues that affect the church community, such as sexual misconduct among the clergy.

Hagadone said Brite requires students to attend a sexual misconduct seminar. He said the purpose is to talk about what it means to be a good pastor and to know what a pastor's boundaries are.

TCU graduate prepares for ministry

By Christopher Rose
SKIFF STAFF

When compared to the majestic Robert Carr Chapel, the Brite Divinity School student housing behind it seems out of place.

In contrast with the chapel's distinctive red brick, the Princeton House Apartments, located behind the chapel, look weathered because of their drab, beige bricks.

Although the physical features of Princeton House don't match TCU's architectural tradition, Brite students have always found a place at TCU since Brite College of the Bible was established in 1914.

But as a theological school for students who wish to prepare for the ministry, seminary life differs from other master's degree programs or undergraduate studies.

For Ryan Pfeiffer, a first-year Brite student living at Princeton House, seminary life is not only different from university life, but also spiritually challenging.

"I've heard that some people in the world sleep," the 23-year-old

said with a contagious smile. "I say that jokingly, but seminary is very demanding. Since there's so much reading and writing, I frequently burn the midnight oil."

Pfeiffer, who graduated from TCU last year, said the amount of material he is required to read has increased by 50 percent compared to when he was an undergraduate.

In addition to the academic rigors of Brite, Pfeiffer's free time is also limited because he serves a church off campus.

Pfeiffer has been the minister of youth and young adults at Garland First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) since October and also works as a student assistant at Brite.

Pfeiffer said he receives good experience by working about 20 hours a week at the church, including all day Sunday and most of Monday. There are no Monday classes at Brite.

"Brite gives us the opportunity to make a practical transition from academic work to pastoral ministry," said Pfeiffer, who is one of 207 Brite students.

Jeremy Poynter, another first-year student, said he is impressed by Pfeiffer's ability to wear so many different hats as a seminary student.

"Ryan can apply his church service work to what he learns in the class," Poynter said. "He always has a sense of humor, but he is very conscientious of his church work."

Pfeiffer said his work off-campus is a part of being a seminary student at Brite. And because of his practical ministry work, he said, it will take him three and a half years to complete the master of divinity program.

"Seminary is like a law school or medical school because it's a professional vocation school," he said. "Compared to other graduate programs, seminary also takes longer."

Brite students must complete a minimum of 81 hours of course work for a master of divinity degree, including courses such as church history, ethics, Christian education, pastoral care, preaching, practical theology and spirituality.

J. Stanley Hagadone, Brite's

director of admissions, said Pfeiffer represents the seminarian with a TCU background.

"Ryan is typical of the student who comes to Brite directly out of an undergraduate program at TCU in that he is well-prepared academically," Hagadone said. "He also has a strong commitment to the church, and he is already manifesting gifts needed for the ministry, such as caring and the ability to lead a congregation."

However, Pfeiffer said he wasn't always sure he wanted to lead a congregation.

"I was dead set on becoming a veterinarian when I was growing up in Brownfield," he said. "But when I reached a point in my life where I felt empty inside, I prayed for an answer."

Although he didn't receive any revelation, Pfeiffer said his interest in veterinary medicine diminished after several weeks.

As a freshman at TCU, he majored in business, but he switched to religion his sophomore year.



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Ryan Pfeiffer, a first-year student at Brite Divinity School, reads his Bible in his apartment behind the school.

"I wasn't going to be a veterinarian for the money," he said. "I just wanted to help animals. The ministry opened a new door for me because it's an everyday, helping profession."

He said his TCU religion courses also prepared him for the type of inquiry that seminary requires.

knowledge about other experiences in religion.

Pfeiffer said one of the rewards of seminary is that it is not only mentally challenging but also spiritually challenging.

"I'm challenged to question and examine what I believe about my own faith, but I think this is very important," he said. "If I'm going to lead a church as their pastor, then I've got to know what I'm talking about."

Manning announces future today

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Peyton Manning, by far the best professional prospect among college quarterbacks, will announce today whether he intends to return to Tennessee or enter the NFL draft.

Manning, son of former New Orleans Saints and Mississippi quarterback Archie Manning, said Tuesday he will announce his decision at a 1:30 p.m. EST news conference on the Tennessee campus.

If he comes out, Manning is likely to be the first pick in the April 19 draft, either by the New York Jets, who have that choice, or in a deal with a team like Atlanta or New Orleans, which covet him.

Indications are it would be the Jets.

The other likely No. 1 pick is offensive tackle Orlando Pace of Ohio State. Jets coach Bill Parcells has indicated he is satisfied with left tackle Jumbo Elliott, whom he coached with the New York Giants.

Manning did not have to declare his intention to enter the draft on Jan. 10, the deadline for most undergraduates, because he is scheduled to graduate this spring. That gives him until April 4 to make himself eligible for the draft.

Manning holds Tennessee records for career passing yardage, touchdowns, completions, attempts, completion percentage and numerous single-season marks.

"I don't want to rush," Manning said after the season. "I want to take my time. I feel I've earned the right to take my time, research it and make the best decision possible."

Archie Manning has fielded most media calls for his son over the last two months. Archie has said even he wasn't sure what his son intended to do.

Suspended player arrested in scandal

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — An LSU starting safety, suspended last month amid reports that he and other players used a coach's long distance telephone code, was arrested Tuesday, school officials said.

Greg Hill, 20, was suspended indefinitely from the team in February for "behavior inconsistent with the principles and philosophies of our football program," LSU coach Gerry DiNardo said in a news release.

The university said last month that it was investigating the apparent use of a coach's code to make long-distance calls.

The *Times-Picayune* newspaper identified Hill as the player who obtained the code. The newspaper also reported that Hill allegedly gave the number to three other players who used it, one of whom was All-American running back Kevin Faulk.

Tuesday's announcement of Hill's arrest and booking with "access device fraud" was the first time the university had publicly identified any player being investigated.

Earlier, the university said the other three players were not disciplined and will be forced to refund the money for their calls. The other players were unaware that it was an unauthorized code, officials said.

Hill was a starting strong safety last year and is a two-year letterman. He started 11 of 12 games last season and was fourth on the team with 79 tackles.

Hill was booked into the East Baton Rouge Parish Prison. No bond was set immediately.

Men's hoops advance in tourney

By Paul Corliss
SKIFF STAFF

Bring on the Shark!
The TCU men's basketball team advanced to the second round of the Western Athletic Conference Postseason Tournament, where they'll take on legendary coach Jerry "Tark the Shark" Tarkanian and the Fresno State University Bulldogs.

The Horned Frogs' 72-61 victory over the University of Wyoming before a crowd of 6,103 at the Thomas and Mack Center in Las Vegas moves TCU a step closer to an improbable NCAA tournament bid, which is awarded automatically to the winner of the tournament.

TCU head coach Billy Tubbs said he thinks TCU is deserving of an at-large NCAA bid, but he added that the Frogs' best chance is to win the WAC tournament.

"I hear a lot of so-called experts saying that (the WAC) should only get three teams in the tournament and we would be lucky to get four, but there are a lot of good teams in this conference," he said. "All I know, though, is that our concern is that only one goes for sure, and that team is the team that wins the tournament, and it sure would be nice to know for sure."

TCU came back from a 2-point halftime deficit to dominate Wyoming by a score of 44-25 in the second half.

First team All-Conference guard Mike Jones led the Horned Frogs with 25 points on 10 of 17 shoot-

ing. He said the Frogs were determined to win and never lost sight of their goal.

"We never gave up and really kept the intensity going," he said. "Everything seemed to snowball for us. We got a couple of easy shots and just kept doing what we had been on defense."

Junior center Dennis Davis only scored three points but was exceptional on the offensive boards with six offensive rebounds and eight overall.

Tubbs said Davis' rebounding prowess helped offset a shaky first half from TCU's leading scorer Malcolm Johnson, who was held scoreless for the half, although he finished the game with 16 points.

"Dennis Davis didn't play in our last game, and we were consequently struggling on the boards," he said. "Dennis did a good job for us today, and we needed him, too, when you consider Malcolm didn't even score in the first half."

With Davis performing well at center, sophomore Damion Walker was able to move out of the pivot where he's undersized at six foot seven inches. Spending a good portion of the game at power forward, Walker scored 19 points and grabbed six rebounds.

"At the half we realized that this could be our last 20 minutes if we didn't step it up," Walker said. "We want to play well over 100 minutes in this tournament and we weren't going to the way we played in the first half."

Wyoming head coach Joby Wright coached his last game for the Cowboys, as he resigned prior to the tournament. He said he was extremely disappointed by the loss.

"These young men have played hard all season," Wright said. "I really wanted to win this game for them, not for me, but to reward them for their perseverance."

While the Cowboys' season is over, the excitement is only beginning for TCU, which takes on the Pacific Division regular-season champions at 5 p.m. Thursday.

Tarkanian, who entered the 1996 season as the winningest (by percentage) major college coach in history at an amazing 83 percent, has breathed new life into the Fresno State program after spending 19 seasons with WAC-rival the University of Nevada-Las Vegas. A 1955 graduate of Fresno State, Tarkanian compiled a 22-11 record in 1995-96, his first season with the Bulldogs, and has posted a 20-10 record this season.

TCU, which improved to 19-11 for the season, must contain the Bulldogs' All-Conference selections, Daymond Forney and Chris Herren. Tubbs said the key will be to sustain the defensive intensity the Frogs had against Wyoming.

"Our defense held them about four or five consecutive times at the 14- or 15-minute mark," he said. "I thought that the defense we got in really turned the game around."



TCU junior guard Mike Jones, who was named first team All-Western Athletic Conference Mountain Division this week, scored 25 points as he led the Horned Frogs to a 72-61 win over Wyoming in the first round of the WAC postseason tournament.

Tennis has mixed results

By Kimberly Campbell
SKIFF STAFF

The TCU men's and women's tennis teams saw both victory and defeat at home over the weekend.

The women's team, coming off of three straight wins, entered play Friday on a high but was not able to pull it together to beat the University of Houston.

Daria Zoldakova came away with the only singles win, defeating Mette Sigmundstad 7-6, 8-6, 7-5.

Lucie Dvorakova lost her first set against Luciane Kelbert 3-6 and came back to win the second set 6-3, but then lost in the third set 6-1. Rachel Niwa is back in play after a wrist operation. She gave Kristen Paris a tough match but eventually lost 6-2, 4-6, 6-1.

Jessika Kjellgren, Annika

Kjellgren and Sinead Walsh all lost in straight sets.

In doubles play, the only win came from the team of Jessika Kjellgren and Zoldakova, who defeated Julie Stone and Kelbert 8-3.

The men's team had better luck Friday and was able to pull out a win over Texas A&M University, 5-2.

The Horned Frogs dominated doubles play, with Fisher and Weir-Smith beating Tori and Krause 8-5. Walsh and Shetty defeated Young and Horan 8-5, and the duo of Andres Urencio and Corrales was able to hold out and beat Aramburo and Anderson 9-7.

The win against A&M got the players rolling again after losing

three consecutive meets. They came back Sunday to beat Texas Tech University 6-1.

TCU overcame the Red Raiders 6-1 after rain forced the teams to move the match indoors.

Every win came in straight sets, with Weir-Smith beating Adam Baranowski 6-1, 6-3; Corrales defeating Steve Wood 6-2, 6-1; Fisher bringing down Peter Danolic 6-2, 6-2; Walsh upsetting Ryan Shupe 6-4, 6-2; and Matt Bere winning over Thomas Wheat 6-1, 6-4.

The winning continued into doubles play. Fisher and Weir-Smith beat Wheat and Bradshaw 8-4, and Urencio and Corrales overcame Lacy and Jimenez 8-6.

Men's head coach Ted Bartzan said A&M and Tech are tough teams to beat and he was glad to get them out of the way.

The sun was shining on TCU as the men's team beat Michigan State University by a narrow margin, 4-3 on Tuesday.

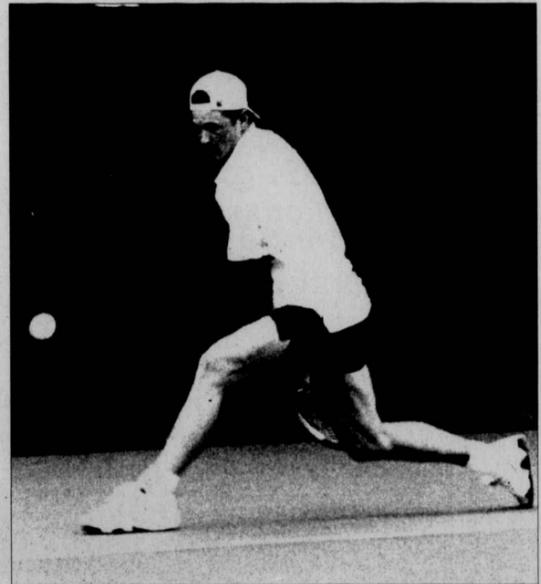
The men swept doubles play with the help of David Treadwell who teamed up with Weir-Smith to beat Ken Kigongo and Chris Struck 8-6. Weir-Smith's regular partner, Fisher, had to sit the match out to be eligible for the rest of the season. Otherwise, he would be playing more matches than the conference allows.

Corrales and Urencio defeated Trey Eubanks and Francisco Trinidad 8-3 and Walsh and Shetty came together to take down Ben Hetzler and Luke Linder 8-6.

Singles play was rough, but the team was still able to defend their victory.

The men's overall record is 4-5 and they will travel to Oklahoma City to take on the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

The women's team stands at 7-4, and its next match will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at home against Arkansas State.



Senior Jason Weir-Smith has been instrumental in the TCU men's tennis team's three-meet winning streak after the team lost its three previous meets.

Michael Jordan's record is flying high above the rest

By Mike Nadel
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO (AP) — It's been fun, 'Nique. Catch up to you soon, Hondo. Big O? Gotta go.

One by one, the NBA's big-time scorers are being overstepped by Michael Jordan: The Chicago Bulls' star is seventh and climbing after racing past Dominique Wilkins on Monday.

Just how high will Air Jordan fly? He should surpass John Havlicek and Oscar Robertson and climb into fifth place by the end of the season,

should ascend to third if he returns for 1997-98.

Gunning for an unprecedented ninth-league scoring title as he tries to take the Bulls to their fifth championship in seven years, Jordan obviously isn't slowing at age 34. He's scoring 30.8 points a game in his 12th season, down only slightly from his NBA-record 31.9 career average.

He put in 31 Monday against Milwaukee to give him 26,277 points — 19 more than Wilkins. "That's a lot," Jordan said with a shrug and a smile. "I feel old. Some

of the things I've done over the years are starting to add up."

Within two weeks, Jordan should pass Havlicek, who has 118 more points. Robertson, 433 points ahead, should fall behind Jordan next month.

Jordan trails No. 4 Elvin Hayes by 1,036 points and No. 3 Moses Malone by 1,132. If Jordan returns next season, and he has hinted that he will, he'll likely zip past Hayes and Malone before the calendar turns to 1998.

That would leave the Big Two of

Chamberlain and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar. Chamberlain is 5,142 points ahead of Jordan, Abdul-Jabbar 12,110.

"The scary part about it is: What happens if I hadn't retired for a year and a half and hadn't been hurt in my second year?" said Jordan, who quit the game in October 1993 only to return in March 1995. "I'd probably have Wilt Chamberlain yelling at me even more."

The only player other than Jordan to average 30-plus points over a career, Chamberlain has criticized

Jordan's accomplishments while making the talk-show circuit to promote his new book. Chamberlain contends the league isn't as strong now as it was in the 1960s and '70s.

"It's his competitive juices still flowing," Jordan said. "When I'm 60 years old, I'm pretty sure I'll be just as competitive."

What if some kind of time machine would make it possible for the 6-foot-6 Jordan to play the 7-1 Chamberlain with each in his prime?

"I would win," Jordan said.

Frogs fall to Rice

By Ryan J. Rusak
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The Rice University Owls wasted no time showing the Horned Frogs why they're ranked No. 4 in the nation. They scored 5 runs in the first inning of Friday's game en route to a three-game sweep of TCU this weekend at Cameron Field in Houston.

The series loss dropped the Horned Frogs to 6-10 on the year (0-3 in Western Athletic Conference play). The Frogs have now lost six of their last seven games. Rice moved to 14-2 on the year (3-0 in the WAC). They have won 10 straight.

TCU was victimized by the same problems that have plagued all its losses: costly defensive mistakes, inconsistent pitching and an inability to take advantage of run-scoring opportunities.

In the first game, TCU senior starter Derek Lee was tagged for 3 runs when Rice first baseman, junior Lance Berkman, hit a 3-run homer. Then, with two outs, sophomore catcher Justin Berg hit a shot to right with a man on, giving Rice a 5-0 lead after one inning.

TCU got 1 run back in the top of the first, but Rice got 3 more in the second and 1 in the third to seal the game early.

Lee (3-3) took the loss, giving up 9 runs (4 earned) on 11 hits through 2 1/3 innings. Rice freshman starter Mario Ramos (2-0) earned the win, giving up 4 runs (3 earned) on six hits in 6 2/3 innings.

TCU rebounded in Saturday's game. With Rice leading 5-2 in the eighth, the Frogs scored 2, thanks to good base running by junior shortstop Jeff Yarbrough. Yarbrough walked to lead off the inning and stole second.

Junior right fielder Ryan Dunn knocked Yarbrough in and went to second on an error by Berg. That error turned into the second run, as junior left fielder Chris Connolly singled to drive in Dunn.

The Frogs had the tying run on second base in the ninth when junior catcher Ismael Segarra doubled with two outs. But Yarbrough popped up to

third to end the game.

Junior starter Reid Beuler (0-3) took the loss, giving up 5 runs (4 earned) on six hits through five innings. Rice junior starter Kevin Joseph got the win with seven strong innings. Rice All-American junior reliever Matt Anderson earned a save.

In the third game, the Frogs looked like they finally had Rice's number. TCU jumped out to a 7-run lead after 3 and 1/2 innings.

But the Owls came right back and scored 2 in the fourth, 3 in the fifth, 3 in the sixth and 5 in the seventh en route to a 14-9 win. TCU junior reliever Aaron Caruth took the loss. Anderson (3-0) got the win for Rice.

The Frogs were killed by the Owls' .371 hitting in the series. Berkman went five for 13 with eight RBIs.

TCU starts a much-needed long home stretch Friday against the University of New Mexico.

Top 25			
The top 25 teams in the Collegiate Baseball poll, with records through March 2, total points and previous ranking (voting by coaches, sportswriters and sports information directors):			
Collegiate Baseball			
	Record	Pts.	Prv
1. UCLA	20-2-1	490	2
2. Rice	14-2	487	4
3. Florida State	11-4	485	1
4. LSU	11-0	484	5
5. Alabama	12-0	482	8
6. Georgia Tech	10-1	480	6
7. Tennessee	12-1	477	9
8. Auburn	14-0	474	11
9. Stanford	15-6	473	16
10. Florida	10-6	469	14
11. Southern Cal	17-6	468	3
12. Clemson	10-2	463	10
13. Wichita State	3-2	460	7
14. Cal State-Fullerton	12-8	456	15
15. Arizona State	14-8	455	17
16. Texas	15-4	453	25
17. Mississippi State	4-2	450	18
18. Texas A&M	12-6	449	12
19. Miami	10-9	448	13
20. Texas Tech	9-1	446	26
21. South Florida	11-4	445	20
22. Cal State-Northridge	15-7-1	444	19
23. San Diego State	11-2	443	23
24. Oklahoma State	9-5	442	22
25. South Alabama	9-4	441	24

