

Discrimination in the Church

About 200 stoles will adorn the walls of the Robert Carr Chapel showing reality at the discrimination taking place toward homosexuals in churches across the country.

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Leap Frogs

In a program which breeds talented sprinters, TCU jumpers had the most success this weekend.

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Tuesday, April 24, 2001

Fort Worth, Texas

L.T. goes fifth after Chargers trade down
Five other former players drafted, putting Frogs in top five for overall selections

Where the Frogs landed

TCU was well represented in this weekend's NFL Draft. The Horned Frogs had 11 prospective picks at the start of Saturday's first round. Below is a look at where the six drafted players landed.

Player, Position, Round, Overall, Team

- LaDainian Tomlinson, tailback, first, fifth, San Diego
- Aaron Schobel, defensive end, second, 46th, Buffalo
- George Layne, fullback, fourth, 108th, Kansas City
- Curtis Fuller, cornerback, fourth, 127th, Seattle
- Shawn Worthen, defensive tackle, fourth, 130th, Minnesota
- Cedric James, wide receiver, fourth, 131st, Minnesota

By Rusty Simmons
EDITOR IN CHIEF

In a draft that included Michael Vick, arguably the most athletic quarterback ever to enter the National Football League, much of the talk before the first pick Saturday centered around former TCU tailback LaDainian Tomlinson.



Tomlinson

The San Diego Chargers selected Tomlinson with the fifth pick in the first round after trading down from the No. 1 spot, where the Atlanta Falcons chose Vick. But the Chicago Bears and the New England Patriots, who both threatened to move up to the third position, and the Cleveland Browns, who held the rights to the third pick, all showed interest in selecting Tomlinson.

In fact, *Sports Illustrated's* Peter King reported that Tomlinson was rated as the best talent in the draft by the majority of the 31 NFL franchises.

Even after a college career, in which he rewrote the TCU record books, many scouts still had questions about Tomlinson's ability. But after earning the MVP award at the Senior Bowl and a series of good workouts for scouts, Tomlinson's stock rose dramatically.

Despite the rumors that the Bears, Patriots or Browns might have selected him with the third pick, Tomlinson said he is excited about playing in San Diego's warm climate.

"I'm just hoping to provide relief to the running game," he said. "I just want to go in and contribute to this offense."

The Chargers' offense needs Tomlinson's help. They finished last in the league in rushing last season, and their leading individual rusher, Terrell Fletcher, compiled only 384 yards.

Len Pasquarelli, a senior writer for Sportsline.com, said Tomlinson will have an instant impact for San Diego.

"The Chargers got the highest-rated player on their board, drafting L.T., who could have two 1,000-yard seasons before Vick ever starts a game," he said.

Along with Pasquarelli's opinion that Tomlinson will have an immediate impact, many experts are comparing him to some of the NFL's best running backs.

"All I know is that (the Chargers) gained a marvelous back in L.T., a guy who doesn't fumble, is fast, is durable and has drawn comparisons to Emmitt Smith," said Clark Judge, of FOX sports.

Smith is the third-ranked rusher in NFL history. He has also won four NFL rushing titles, three Super Bowl titles and a league (1993) and Super Bowl (XXVIII) MVP award.

But Tomlinson said he isn't affected by the comparisons. "I'm not worried about living up to expectations," he said. "I know how to run the ball. I think my instincts will take over and carry me a long way."

Some of TCU's former players weren't in Tomlinson's situation, where he knew he would be a first-round draft choice. Instead, they entered the draft just hoping for the chance to continue to play football.

Six of the 11 former Frogs who entered the draft were selected. Only Florida State (9), Wisconsin

(8), Miami (Fla.) (7) and Nebraska (7) had more players drafted than TCU.

Defensive end Aaron Schobel was the only other TCU player to be drafted on day one, which consists of the first three rounds.

Schobel was selected by the Buffalo Bills with their second-round pick (46th overall). Pasquarelli said the Bills got a steal with the selection of Schobel.

"The Chargers almost took Schobel in the first round, but Buffalo was able to get him in the second stanza," he said.

Former Frogs fullback George Layne, cornerback Curtis Fuller, defensive tackle Shawn Worthen and wide receiver Cedric James were all drafted in the fourth round. Layne, who was drafted 108th overall by the Kansas City Chiefs, and Fuller, who was drafted 127th overall by the Seattle Seahawks, will play in the AFC East. Worthen and James, who were both drafted by the Minnesota Vikings, were selected with the 130th and 131st choices overall.

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Gift of stock dips in value

Officials not concerned over depreciation

By Alisha Brown
STAFF REPORTER

Although a \$5.23-million gift in shares of stock in the Hispanic Television Network from Board of Trustees member James A. Ryffel depreciated to \$287,480 in a year, TCU officials said they are not worried about the donor's \$6-million commitment over time. Ryffel made the donation last year when the company's value was at \$1 billion. At that time, Ryffel donated 400,000 shares worth \$5.23 million, said Bronson Davis, vice chancellor for university advancement.

The gift was to be part of an overall pledge to the university for \$5 million to an entrepreneurial program and another \$1 million in venture capital. The entrepreneurial program was later named for Ryffel.

Ryffel couldn't be reached for comment Monday about the gift or his pledge to the university.

Davis said, as university policy, any gift in shares of stock goes toward the university's endowment. Stocks are sold as soon as possible to ensure that the value closest to the actual gift can be maintained.

"What it would sell for on the day the gift was made is what we would try to sell it at," Davis said.

But because Ryffel is the founder and one of the principle owners of HTVN, his shares can't be sold for a year, according to the Securities Exchange Commission.

"When Ryffel decided to take on a strategic partner (in HTVN) he wanted to give away some of his shares to the university so the two wouldn't have different opinions on what to do with the stock," Davis said.

Therefore TCU, as the unregistered owner of the stock, also couldn't sell the shares for that year, Davis said.

Ryffel donated the 400,000 shares on June 5, but the university already owned 17,000 shares not included in that donation. On Jan. 31 TCU completed the sale of those shares at \$11,737.98, or 69 cents a share. The value of the remaining 400,000 shares at closing prices Monday would be estimate at \$140,000 at 35 cents a share.

University Treasurer Richard Hoban said TCU now plans to sell the remaining stock over the next few months in hopes of regaining the value of the gift.

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SGA ineffective campus organization, some say

By Jonathan Sampson
STAFF REPORTER

Some students think the Student Government Association has been ineffective this semester and they said they are unaware of what it has done for them as students.

Trey Hughes, a junior English major, said he hasn't seen SGA do much this semester and has a negative view of the value of the organization.

"I know they have a lot of resources available, but it seems like they don't take advantage of them," he said.

Melissa Crane, a sophomore nursing major, said SGA is probably necessary, but she said she doesn't know what they have accomplished this semester. She said she doesn't hear much about SGA and doesn't feel it is an organization that helps students.

"I don't even know what the purpose of it is," she said.

SGA President Brian Wood said he recognizes there is room for improvement.

"I don't think we've done a bad job or an amazing job at SGA," Wood said. "I think we've basically maintained what it's been."

He said, however, that students don't see a lot of the work that goes on behind the scenes when SGA represents students in front of administration. It also takes time for the newly elected leaders to become comfortable in their new positions,

Wood said.

SGA leaders realized by mid-semester that things were moving slowly and have worked to speed up the momentum, he said.

House of Student Representatives Vice President Amy Render said representative turnover has made this semester difficult.

Two weeks ago House could not conduct business because of a lack of attendance.

Wood said that because of problems within SGA last semester, some representatives did not return to SGA and others were more apathetic.

"A lot of (committee leaders) have done a lot of the work themselves instead of giving it to the (representatives)," Wood said. "We've seen a lot less (representatives) picking up and taking the work loads."

Render said the spring semester is usually slower than the fall in terms of legislation. This spring's 11 pieces of legislation is comparable to last spring's 13 with one business meeting remaining.

One reason there has been less legislation passed that students would notice is that committees have spent more time researching their proposals, Render said. She said her goal was to push the committees to find more background information before writing resolutions

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HAVING FUN WITH FOOD



Tim Cox/SKIFF STAFF

Larry North gets a laugh from an audience of about 20 students Monday at the Bass Building. He was at TCU to speak about dieting and nutrition.

Stonegate Villas apartment tenants stress over safety

By Ram Luthra
STAFF REPORTER

Tenants of the Stonegate Villas Apartment Complex and surrounding areas have become increasingly worried about their security, especially since the area has been a target for crime during the past five months, Fort Worth police officer C.A. Gonzalez said.

The concerns are a result of the latest incident when Jason Cordova, a senior advertising/public relations major, was reportedly kidnapped and robbed at gunpoint at midnight April 16.

The apartment complex, owned by the Metric Property Management, issued notices to all its tenants on Thursday, as a crime awareness alert.

"This appears to be an isolated incident, but we suggest residents take a proactive role in fighting crime," the notice reported.

Gonzalez said TCU students are the major problems in the Stonegate area.

"You have a place where many TCU students live," he said. "The vast majority of the problems lie with these TCU students. They throw numerous amounts of par-

ties, where drinking is heavily involved, causing disturbances for other people."

Gonzalez said since many students are the reason for many disturbance calls, it makes it difficult to differentiate between disturbance calls and emergency calls. Darcy Little, community manager of the Stonegate Villas, said TCU students account for 70 percent of all residents at the apartment complex. Jack Wilson recently moved from the Stonegate Villas to a house in its residential community. He said he was surprised when he heard the news of the incident last week.

"When you think of Stonegate, you think of a place that is safe and security is not a major issue," Wilson said. "This actually shocked me that something like this would happen in a place, where you have a gated community. I now think that security is hyped into an awareness stage, where people must be cautious of things that go on around them."

Wilson said the Fort Worth Police Department is not at fault. "They are stretched out as it is, and they are doing everything

they can," Wilson said. "They have to more or less respond to such activities, rather than have the ability to be proactive and thwart the incidents from occurring."

"I think neighbors should keep their eyes open for each other and create one-on-one relationships with other people in the community when problems occur, rather than just point fingers."

Little said she doesn't know exactly how many incidents have occurred at the apartment complex because the Fort Worth Police Department is responsible for that information.

But according to incident reports provided by the Fort Worth Police Department, 32 criminal incidents have occurred at or near the apartment complex within the past five months.

Paul Kanitra, a senior political science and radio-TV-film major who lives at the Stonegate Villas, said he wishes his rent was used to increase the security of the apartment complex.

"I pay all this money in rent to

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Stonegate area incidents as of Nov. 1, 2001

Assault 1 incident (latest one on Feb. 8.)	Criminal Mischief 1 incident (latest one on April 18)
Burglary 7 incidents (latest one on April 15)	Robbery 3 incidents (latest one on April 17)
Burglary of Vehicle 17 incidents (latest one on April 20)	Theft 12 incidents (latest one on April 18)



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TODAY IN HISTORY
In 1898, the Spanish-American War officially began when the Spanish refused U.S. demands to withdrawal from Cuba and declared war against the United States.

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■ **A study skills workshop** on final exam preparation will be at 7 p.m. today in Reed Hall, Room 117. The workshops are free and offered by the Center for Academic Services. Bring paper, a pen and your course syllabi.

■ **Sigma Xi will have a brown bag lunch talk** at noon Wednesday in Sid W. Richardson Lecture Hall 3. Timothy Hubbard, associate professor of psychology, will lead the discussion titled "Some Ways in Which Physical Principles Influence How You Think About the World."

■ **Radio-TV-film media art students** will present original screenplays at Stage West at 7 p.m. today and Wednesday. Admission is free.

■ **The Kino Monda World Film Series** will present "Mr. Hulot's Holiday" at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Sid W. Richardson Lecture Hall 1. Admission is free. For more information call the International Student Services office at (817) 257-7292.

■ **The May 2001 Graduating Senior Toast** will be from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Thursday in the D.J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center. For more information contact Judy Clark at (j.clark@tcu.edu).

■ **Tryouts for TCU Showgirls** will be from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in the Rickel Building, Room 318. For more information call Jamie Drake-Stephens at (903) 238-5707 or Rebecca Mouch at (817) 884-9391.

■ **The deadline to reserve rooms in the Student Center for 2001-2002** is Monday. Priority is given to recognized student organizations and university departments, but are on a first-come, first-serve basis. Reservation forms can be printed off the Student Center Web site at (www.sc.tcu.edu) and then faxed to the reservations coordinator at (817) 257-5788.

■ **The Celebration of University Leadership** will be May 2 on the Sadler Lawn or, if raining, in the Student Center Ballroom. Entertainment and refreshments begin at 3:30 p.m. with an awards program at 4 p.m. For more information call (817) 257-7855.

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WORLD DIGEST



One killed, 11 wounded at Palestinian funeral

JERUSALEM — A 12-year-old Palestinian boy was killed by a gunshot to the head during a funeral in the Gaza Strip, and Israel endured its third bomb attack in two days as violence Monday eclipsed diplomatic efforts to end the Mideast bloodshed.



Several separate political initiatives were under way in a bid to halt, or at least limit, the seven months of fighting, with no results in sight. However, a meeting was set for late Monday between Israeli and Palestinian security officials, both sides said.

In the southern Gaza Strip, more than 1,000 Palestinians, some wearing green police fatigues, joined the funeral procession of a Palestinian policeman who died of injuries sustained during an Israeli rocket attack last week.

As the body was being lowered into the ground at the Khan Yunis cemetery, next to a Jewish settlement, several dozen Palestinian gunmen fired 21 shots into the air as a sign of respect, said Eyad Saadoni, a math teacher. The Israeli military said the shots were directed at the settlement.

Bursts of gunfire came from the direction of the nearby settlement which is protected by an Israeli army post about 500 yards away, said Saadoni and other witnesses.

Palestinian mourners scattered in panic, with women and children running barefoot through the sandy streets, many seeking shelter in abandoned buildings.

"Some were trying to take cover," Saadoni said. "Some of them were kneeling next to the grave. Others covered their heads with their hands. Then I saw the wounded child collapse."

The Palestinian boy, Muhanad Muhareb, was shot just above the left eye and died, and 11 Palestinians were wounded, including one who was in critical condition, according to doctors at Khan Yunis Hospital.

Meanwhile, Israel suffered its third bomb blast in two days when a car bomb exploded Monday, lightly injuring four people in the working-class town of Or Yehuda, east of Tel Aviv.

In a telephone call to the Associated Press, a man claimed responsibility on behalf of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, a radical Palestinian faction.

A day earlier, a Palestinian militant detonated a bomb near a bus in the town of Kfar Saba, near Tel Aviv, killing himself and an Israeli doctor and wounding 50 people.

The Islamic militant group Hamas claimed responsibility and identified the bomber as 18-year-old Imad Zubadi.

At his home in the West Bank town of Nablus,

Zubadi's mother said her son was scheduled to take his final high school exams in a few days, but she was proud he had become a "martyr."

In a second blast Sunday, a bomb hidden in a bag near an intersection in the Israeli port city of Haifa exploded, lightly injuring three policemen.

Israeli and Palestinian security officials scheduled a meeting at the home of U.S. Ambassador Martin Indyk on Monday, Palestinian officials said, continuing contacts aimed at resuming cooperation. Israeli official Raanan Gissin welcomed the resumption of the talks. A Sunday session was postponed because of the violence.

Koizumi takes lead in race for prime minister

TOKYO — A renegade in the ruling party, Junichiro Koizumi, took a commanding position to become Japan's next prime minister, winning a landslide Monday in a vote among party rank-and-file eager for change.



After his surprise victory in voting by local chapters, the first phase of the race for party president, Koizumi then won the support of a top party powerbroker, virtually guaranteeing his win in a second-round vote by party lawmakers today.

The winner of the Liberal Democratic Party presidential race is guaranteed election by Parliament to replace unpopular Prime Minister Yoshiro Mori, since the legislature is controlled by the LDP and its two coalition partners.

A win by Koizumi, a self-styled maverick with mop-top hairstyle who has promised to reform the long-ruling party, would be a punishing blow to a comeback attempt by former Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto, the old-guard favorite.

Koizumi, 59, won 123 of the 141 votes cast by LDP local chapters, with Hashimoto winning just 15, followed by two other candidates.

Later Monday, LDP powerbroker Shizuka Kamei said he would withdraw from the race and support Koizumi. Kyodo News agency reported, citing unidentified party sources. Phones rang unanswered at LDP headquarters.

With the backing of Kamei and even a few of his supporters, Koizumi was virtually assured of winning today's vote, analysts said. Kamei had finished third in a poll before the party leadership vote.

"With Kamei out of the running, Koizumi is certainly the winner," said Masayuki Fukuoka, a political scientist at Hakuo University. "But support for Hashimoto is crumbling so fast that Koizumi was already on his way to victory."

Even Koizumi seemed surprised by the size of his victory, saying at a round-table discussion with other candidates on the Nippon TV network that his victory was "unbelievable."

"We have to take this result seriously," Koizumi said. "People want to change the LDP."

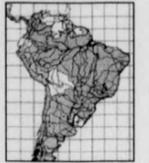
Koizumi said Monday that power would not force him to abandon his reform platform.

"If I am elected as president, it is natural that I will set up a Cabinet reflecting the people's voice," he said at a rally. "I'm betting my political life on it."

His victory on Monday demonstrated Koizumi's pull among voters. His trademark proposal is privatization of Japan's huge postal savings system, though he has been vague on other policies.

Second attempt to rescue ailing Americans

PUNTA ARENAS, Chile — A New Zealand air force plane took off today to rescue four ailing Americans on an Antarctic research station, defying high winds that grounded a separate airlift for a sick American doctor at the South Pole.



A C130 Hercules left Christchurch, New Zealand, at 5:25 a.m. local time for a 7 1/2-hour flight to McMurdo Station to retrieve the four Americans in need of medical attention, according to Peter West of the U.S. National Science Foundation in Washington.

West said the Royal New Zealand Air Force plane would reach a point of "safe return" about four hours into its flight, when it would determine if weather conditions are suitable for landing at McMurdo, 800 miles from the South Pole.

If the flight is successful, the plane was expected to spend only one hour on the ground at McMurdo to refuel and pick up the Americans. Their ailments have not been disclosed.

The departure of the airlift came hours after blowing snow, high winds and low visibility forced another air crew to announce it would delay attempts for at least 24 hours to reach Dr. Ronald S. Shemenski at the Amundsen Scott-South Pole station in Antarctica.

An eight-seat, twin-engine plane fitted with skis for landing gear is now scheduled to fly as early as today from the Rothera research station on the Antarctic peninsula and pick up the 59-year-old doctor. The plane arrived at Rothera last week after a flight from Punta Arenas, Chile, accompanied by a backup aircraft.

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Editorials

WHAT CHANGES? SGA needs to re-evaluate priorities

Student Government Association will hold its last meeting of the semester today.

Some students on campus have say they have a negative view of SGA, and say they feel the organization has not done anything for them.

SGA President Brian Wood said SGA may not have done anything amazing, but he said that it has maintained the same level as always.

Well, maybe that is the problem.

Students have complained that they think their required \$20 fee has been going to waste. So is maintaining the same level of work the right thing to do?

There are some basic things that need to be changed to improve the way SGA runs.

First, the executive board needs to make the student body more aware of ideas and proposed legislation.

We don't often hear about ideas that were proposed until after they are passed and in progress.

Also, SGA is the only organization that requires every student on campus to pay mandatory dues, regardless of whether the students participate or not.

How about changing the rules a little and also requiring everyone who pays dues, which is all of us, to fill out a questionnaire grading SGA on its performance.

But that could be a problem, because on representative performance, SGA would get an F.

Quorum was not met at a recent meeting and business could not be conducted.

So, if you decide to become a representative you should be willing to take a couple of hours out of your schedule each week to attend meetings, which, according to the SGA guidelines, are supposed to be mandatory. It's pretty hard to accomplish anything when quorum is not even met.

And one last word to anyone who is considering running for a position in SGA next semester.

Make sure you are willing to spend the time that is needed to improve campus life for the student body.

Flags shouldn't reflect injustice Mississippi's decision to keep Confederate emblem is arrogant

In the field of journalism, minding what you say and how you say it is a top priority for all professionals in the domain, whether they are reporters, broadcasters, editors or whether they work in public relations. "Words have meaning," is probably the phrase I have heard the most from my journalism professors during the past two years.



Ward

So it is no shock that I think people in other work areas could learn this lesson from members in the media. Communication, both verbal and non-verbal, is the glue that holds together this country. Being a nation with immense pride, the United States is clearly a place where communication through symbols such as country and state flags is considered sacred. Why a state would willingly keep a tarnished symbol as the dominant design in their flag is something far beyond my comprehension.

But last week, voters in Mississippi overwhelmingly decided to keep the Confederate emblem

as the principal layout on their state flag. According to an *Associated Press* article, 65 percent of Mississippi voters opted to keep the state's old flag instead of adopting one that would replace the Confederate symbol with 20 white stars on a blue background.

I have never been a big fan of tradition, but I do think some things should be left as they are if they promote something that is positive. Keeping a symbol that represents hate and discrimination in order to retain what some see as tradition and pride is nothing less than glastly.

Why would anybody want something that carries an aura of pain and injustice to be the paramount symbol of their state?

The collective statements I read from opponents of the new flag design was that the traditional 1894 flag represents their heritage and was the flag they saluted as children. Although these arguments are valid and quite understandable, I would think they would not want to keep saluting a symbol that represented a time of hatred and injustice if it had become tarnished with ignorance and injustice. If the Texas state flag was the primary representation of racial discrimination in the south, I would be the first to say

it is time for a change.

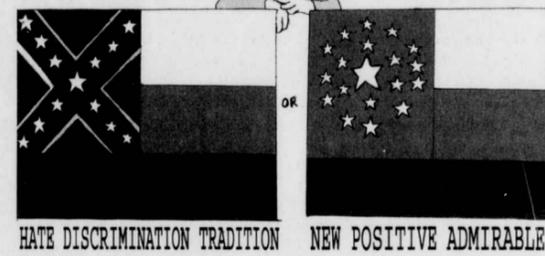
Those people from Mississippi who want to keep the old flag are usually the ones who have immense pride and love for their state. Being a Texan, I don't think I can insult those feelings of vain-glory. But I would also think that if somebody loved their state, he or she would not want to associate it with any traditions that create negative images of it. In fact, I would think somebody would be admirable if he or she gave up pride to replace the bad with the good.

One of the cases that comes to mind when I think about this situation is what happened with the Texas A&M University bonfire in 1999. The people associated with A&M have more pride than all the people in Texas combined, and yet that dif-

icult step in cutting off tradition to commemorate those who died was made almost immediately after the accident. And that was done for a one-time incident that 12 individuals.

Perhaps the voters in Mississippi should think about the number of people who are insulted by the Confederate symbol around the nation. Maybe they should decide which is more important: pride or humanity. Either way, there is a lot to say about arrogance in the state of Mississippi, and it can be easily seen by looking at their state flag.

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Euthanasia not an answer to suffering Dehumanization results from simplistic solutions like death penalty, abortion

Let's say that the front door to your house is falling off its hinges. A simple solution would be to fix the hinges.



Araujo

A simplistic solution, however, would be to rip the door off its hinges or to board up the doorway. Ripping the door off is the quickest and easiest solution, but it would also mean that anyone

could just walk right into your house. Boarding up the door would prevent others from entering your home, but it would also prevent you from leaving (which you might need to do at some point).

The point of this analogy is that we must not make synonymous a simple solution and a simplistic solution. Knowing the difference is very important when it comes to deciding on a course of action — especially if someone's life is riding on that choice.

This brings me to my topic of the legalization of euthanasia (which the Netherlands recently did). Most ar-

guments favoring legalization tend to concentrate on the easing of the suffering of those who are in excruciating pain and are terminally ill.

I am aware that some people will suffer — a few severely — before they die, and I am certainly not in favor of letting anyone suffer any more than necessary before death comes. However, we must be aware that the terminally ill patients and their loved ones are emotionally vulnerable during this time.

Emotional vulnerability is a fertile ground for people to be pressured into decisions that otherwise wouldn't be made. There are many complications to the legalization of euthanasia, the most prominent of which is the lack of respect for the sacredness of human life, which seems to be gradually gaining ground in our modern culture.

The United States has already accepted the death penalty and abortion, both of which view death as a simple solution to complex situations tied to both of these issues. The problem is that the death penalty and abortion are simplistic and not simple solutions.

The death penalty does not eliminate crime nor the causes leading to the commissions of crimes. Abortion does not eliminate the circumstances that led to the pregnancy in the first place, and worse, it fatally punishes an innocent party.

Supporters of abortion and the death penalty usually dehumanize those eliminated by their respective causes (the unborn and criminals respectively) to justify their

positions, but dehumanization is not a noble path to take for the justification of a cause.

The use of euthanasia as a solution is simplistic in that it ends the existence of the patient's suffering by ending the existence of the patient. As well, in order to justify the use of euthanasia, we will have to dehumanize those close to death as having "a life not worth living."

We can cloak it with euphemistic terms as "death with dignity," but it is still a form of dehumanization. When we start basing our decisions on the dehumanization of others, we start down a path taken by Nazi Germany. Is that the sort of example we want to follow?

End-of-life issues and decisions are wrapped in social and emotional complexities, and the last thing we need to do is to rush into decisions that we may regret later. As the analogy above demonstrates, sometimes rushing into simplistic solutions will leave you worse off than when you started.

Fixing a door falling off its hinges requires knowing how to repair it. Such knowledge requires a little patience and understanding in order to do the job right, and that is what end-of-life issues require as well. Above all, respect for the humanity of the patient must remain intact at all times. It is only with such respect intact that a person can truly "die with dignity."

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Letters to the editor

Hostile act against homosexuals sparks support for gay community at TCU and Brite Divinity

I wish to express my support for members of the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered community of TCU and Brite Divinity School in light of the overtly hostile act represented in the removal of 75 pink flags from the Sadler Hall lawn on Thursday.

This act should remind us that it is a tragic reality that persons within our own community wish that homosexual persons would disappear from view. Therefore, the university's memorial to the Holocaust has done more than simply call to our minds those who suffered and died as a result of the heinous acts of a previous generation.

In light of the removal of these flags, this display now serves to remind us of the fact that deep within the soul of humanity, there still abides the capacity to write off entire groups of people. And this capacity exists within our own university community.

Worse yet, the act could be interpreted as an after-the-fact attempt to justify the Nazi elimination of homosexual persons. The desire to "erase" an entire group of people simply because members of the group share one particular human characteristic is illustrative of just how deadly the depths of human sin can be.

May God forgive those who harbor this desire, be-

cause only God is capable of the depth of forgiveness such a desire requires.

— Mark G. Toulouse,
dean and professor of American
Religious History at Brite Divinity School

Equal rights are vital on campus, homosexuals should stand firm, continue contributions

I read the lead story Friday, "Holocaust Flags Missing: 450,000 Gay Victims 'Erased,'" with sadness and anger. As a 21st century community, TCU must become better than our prejudiced past. As African-Americans, Jews, Hispanics and women have emerged strongly on our campus, now gays, lesbians, bisexuals and transgendered people are increasingly open and vocal about who we are. We have the right to be here. We have the right to respect. We will not allow our ancestors to be forgotten, and we will not stop advocating for our equal rights, and the equal rights of all others who are marginalized because of who they happen to be.

Cowardly acts cannot repeal the shameful history of the Holocaust against Jews, gypsies, Jehovah's Witnesses and gay folk. Neither can cowardly acts intimidate gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered

people into silence and invisibility today.

We are contributing members of the TCU community. Our talent, faith, energy, cooperative spirit and zest for living help make this university a worthwhile place to learn and grow for everyone.

People of conscience will speak out against shameful deeds meant to demean and scare people in the sexual minority. If good people do not speak out and act in support of gay men and women at a time like this, the TCU community will have taken tragic steps backward into the errors of the past. It is time for the "better angels of our nature" on this campus to awaken and act.

— Stephen V. Sprinkle,
director of field supervision
and ministry at Brite Divinity School

Flat-rate tuition coverage should be more objective, explore benefits of new University policy

I must admit that the *Skiff's* "campaign" to turn the campus against the administration's new policy of flat-rate tuition has been impressive. One-sided negative advertising has never been better executed.

But wait, this is supposed to be journalism, right? A fair representation of the facts, giving voice to all

sides of a particular issue? That may be how it works in the real world, but it seems that the editorial board of the *Skiff* is content to take stabs at the administration until its heart is content. The board complained that the evil administration, surely out to stick it to each and every TCU student, "saw the benefits" but "didn't see all the potential problems" of flat-rate tuition.

The *Skiff* needs to look in the mirror and realize that it has overtly focused on negative aspects of the policy from the beginning without giving the same attention the multitudes of benefits the policy has to offer. Benefits like encouraging academic exploration, encouraging students to get double-majors, making it cheaper to graduate in four years and bringing TCU into line with the private universities that currently occupy the "next level" that TCU wishes to attain. The nerve of the administration to try and improve this university!

I am sorry, but I support Chancellor Michael Ferrari's administration on this one, and I am certain he knows just a little bit more about how to successfully run a university than the know-it-alls on the *Skiff* editorial board.

— Brian Estrada,
junior international relations major

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Stonegate, and I hope they can use at least some of it to provide half-way decent security," Kanitra said. "It is a spooky deal, because people will do anything and everything when they see the opportunity arise."

Kanitra said he was disappointed and felt betrayed with the justification from Stonegate's management.

"At first I was concerned, but now after they have lied to their tenants about the

number of incidents it is even worse," he said.

TCU Police Chief Steve McGee said he was not surprised with the amount of criminal incidents reported.

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Source: Stonegate Villas Apartment Complex

Settlement forestalls strike

Delta Air Lines and its pilots' union reach agreement

By Leigh Strope
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The settlement reached by Delta Air Lines and its pilots' union is the second agreement this month that averted a strike by a major airline under the threat of intervention by President George W. Bush.

The tentative agreement reached Sunday would make Delta's 9,800 pilots the highest-paid in the industry. The union had threatened to walk out at the end of the month.

Bush had promised to "take the necessary steps" to prevent airline strikes, especially when labor talks at the nation's largest carriers began to break down as the high-volume summer travel season approached.

Despite union protests, Bush's readiness to act does not appear to have hurt unions in their tentative contracts, labor experts said.

Under the Railway Labor Act, Bush can delay a strike by 60 days with a presidentially appointed emergency board that would recommend a settlement. But before Bush can officially intervene, federal mediators first must determine that a strike would significantly disrupt interstate commerce and deprive regions of essential transportation service.

Delta officials had been lobbying vigorously for White House intervention to avoid a shutdown. Federal mediators had not "literally, physically, technically" recommended that Bush get involved, "but I know it was an option," said Chet Lunner, spokesman for Transportation Secretary Norman Mineta, who was in daily contact with negotiators and the White House.

In March, Bush blocked a strike by Northwest Airlines' mechanics. In the Delta dispute, Bush "had urged the parties on all sides to work together constructively to reach an agreement and he is obviously very pleased they have done so," said White House spokeswoman Claire Buchan.

Unions resent the interference. They said an emergency board favors the airlines, which aren't likely to negotiate in good faith because they're waiting to be rescued by the White House.

"It's a perversion of what was intended under the Railway Labor Act, where presidential emergency boards were only supposed to be appointed in the most dire of circumstances," said Rick Bank, the AFL-CIO's director of the Center for Collective Bargaining. "It's just one more indi-

cation of Bush's unapologetic pro-business, anti-labor stance."

But intervention, or the threat of it, does not appear to have hurt unions in the tentative agreements, said Dennis Nolan, University of South Carolina labor law professor.

"All presidential intervention should do is delay things, and if negotiators are making progress, a little extra time might help them reach an agreement," Nolan said.

Delta pilots would be the highest-paid in the industry under the five-year agreement. They had sought a deal to surpass the standard-setting contract United Airlines and its pilots ratified last year, making "United Plus" a slogan for the talks.

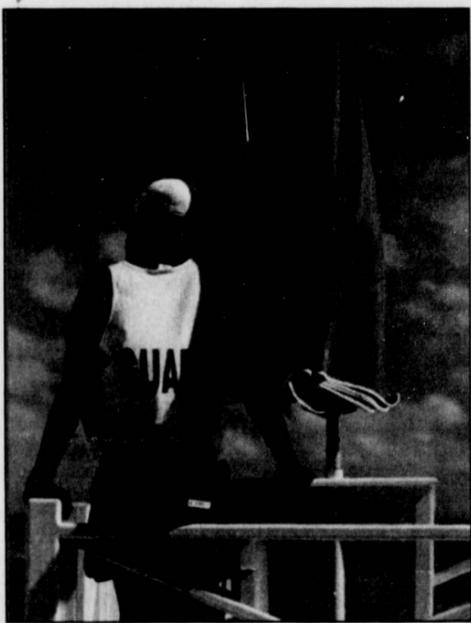
The proposed Delta contract provides:

- Wage and benefit hikes about 1 percent higher than United's.
- Raises of between 24 percent and 34 percent, depending on the aircraft type.
- Retroactive pay to May 2, 2000.
- Limiting the use of regional jets to 50-seat planes.

Delta could continue its planned purchase of 57 of the larger 70-seat regional jets. The union views the larger regional jets as a threat to jobs for its pilots.

"It's hard to say what impact Bush's potential involvement had on negotiations," said Karen Miller, spokeswoman for Delta's Air Line Pilots Association.

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Megan Bartlett, a sophomore music major, stops to read a quote posted outside Raymond Bazemore's door in Ed Landreth Hall. Bazemore, an associate professor of music, died Friday.

Music professor dies at 55

By Jacqueline Petersell
COPY DESK CHIEF

Services for Raymond Bazemore, 55, an associate professor of music who died Friday of unknown causes, should be finalized today after his relatives have been notified of his death.

Bazemore began teaching studio voice and giving private voice lessons at TCU in 1995.

Megan Bartlett, a sophomore music major who received private voice lessons from Bazemore, said he was more than just her professor.

"Professionally, he was my studio voice teacher," Bartlett said. "He was so much more than that. He was a mentor, a friend, a guide and an inspiration to all of us."

Bartlett first heard of Bazemore when she visited TCU for an audition. She said Bazemore's excitement for the program and his reputation was a big reason why she chose to attend TCU.

"(I heard that) if you're in music, you have to study with Raymond Bazemore," Bartlett said. "He wasn't just teaching us. He just flowed with love and excitement and enthusiasm for what he did."

Bazemore was also the musical director for the theater department's productions of "Jesus Christ Superstar" and "My Fair Lady." Be Boyd, an associate professor of theater, said Bazemore was a great help in the production of those shows.

"He was a wonderful addition to our department," Boyd said. "Jesus Christ Superstar" could not have gone on and been as successful as it was without Mr. Bazemore."

Bazemore grew up in Norfolk, Va. He received his bachelor of arts degree in music in 1969 from Huston-Tillotson College in Austin. In 1973, he received his master of music from The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

From 1969 to 1973, Bazemore sang in the U.S. Air Force Band and the Singing Sergeants. He had performed in the Metropolitan Opera, the Houston Grand Opera and The Washington Opera. He also played in the Broadway productions of "Porgy and Bess" and "Treemonisha."

Blaise Ferrandino, interim dean of the School of Music, said Bazemore's role of Simon in "Treemonisha" was something for which he was known.

"It was his signature role," Ferrandino said. "He was the person who created the role."

However, students and professors said it was Bazemore's mere presence in the music program that will be remembered the most.

"Everything about him was big," Bartlett said. "His voice was this booming bass voice. He would greet you with singing 'today is a very good day.' You could hear him all over the building."

"It feels so empty without him there. A lot of us can't walk into the building without losing it. It's the greatest loss the voice department can feel."

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Davis said the money doesn't affect the budget for this year, because Ryffel's pledge will go into the endowment and will be spread out over five years.

However, since Ryffel's company has already lost millions, his ability to pay the full pledge could influence the progress of the entrepreneurial program and overall reputation of the business school.

Recently the M.J. Neeley School of Business was ranked by the *U.S. News and World Report* behind tier one expectations. Chuck Williams, associate dean for undergraduate studies, in previous *Skiff* reports said the rankings — behind comparable schools such as Southern Methodist University, Baylor University and Rice University — could go up with increased visibility from the new dean, Bob Lusch, the James A. Ryffel Entrepreneurial Program and the construction of the Steve and Sarah Smith Entrepreneurial Center, set to break ground May 1.

The Commission on the Future of TCU identified increasing the rank of the business school as a top priority to move the university to the next level of academic distinction, Williams said.

Ronald Smith, chairman of the Commission's business school task force, said in previous *Skiff* articles that the quality of students and faculty can determine the success of the program.

"To attract the best students we must have building endowments and the best faculty," he said. "To attract the best faculty, we have to pay them competitive salaries."

Smith said increased salaries for faculty members would come from endowments — where Ryffel's donation is said to be going.

Chancellor Michael Ferrari said Ryffel is very committed to the entrepreneurial program, and he doesn't foresee any problems in Ryffel's financial stability.

"He is an entrepreneur," Ferrari said. "This is part of his business. ... I don't doubt in the least his long-term commitment to the university in service or donations."

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Peru denies breaking rules

U.S. continues to investigate shot-down missionary plane

By Robert Burns
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration suggested Monday that Peru's military failed to follow established rules of engagement in shooting down an American missionary plane. Peruvian authorities insisted they acted properly.

White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said the U.S. crew of a CIA-operated surveillance aircraft tracking the missionary plane "did its best to make certain that all the rules were followed."

Asked if the rules were, in fact, followed, he said "the information

that we are in receipt of indicates no." Other officials said a Peruvian air force officer aboard the surveillance plane moved too quickly to request authority to direct the use of force.

Secretary of State Colin Powell, interviewed on PBS's "The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer," said that in the wake of the incident, "We've got to review the entire program."

Peru's air force expressed regret Monday for the deaths of American missionary Veronica Bowers and her 7-month-old daughter, Charity, but it denied that it cut corners.

"The only thing I can tell you is that the air force followed the procedures," said spokesman Cmdr. Rommel Roca.

Sen. Bob Graham of Florida, the Senate Intelligence Committee's top Democrat, said there were "big inconsistencies" in the information the administration provided him on

the incident, leading him to believe it was too soon to draw conclusions about who was at fault.

President Bush has indicated the administration will review the situation, and the Intelligence Committee may conduct its own investigation, Graham said.

Meanwhile the pilot of the missionary plane said Monday he felt lucky to be alive after landing in the Amazon River.

"It was scary and it's something that will haunt me for a long time," said Kevin Donaldson, who suffered a shattered right leg. He was in fair condition a day after surgery.

"I'm glad to be alive. But I'm also deeply hurting for the loss of my friend and colleague," said Donaldson, who spoke to reporters via speakerphone from his hospital bed at The Reading Hospital and Medical Center in West Reading, Pa.

Bush denies Taiwan's arms request

By Ron Fournier
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — In a decision closely watched by rival China, President Bush rejected Taiwan's request to buy U.S. destroyers equipped with high-tech combat radar, but left open the possibility of future sales if Beijing's military threats against the island persist, officials said Monday.

The president approved the sale of four Kidd-class destroyers, a less potent weapon than the Aegis system sought by Taiwan, said several U.S. officials and lawmakers briefed on the decision. The sales would quickly improve Taiwan's defenses against an increasingly belligerent China, the White House said.

Beijing had warned that the Aegis sale would worsen U.S.-China relations already strained by the April 1 collision between a U.S. spy plane and a Chinese jet that led to the 11-day detention of the 24-member American crew.

Saying the president did not bow to Beijing's pressure, a senior White House official told reporters that Bush agreed to sell Taiwan up to eight diesel submarines after the island upgrades its navy to handle the systems. Taiwan also could buy 12 P-3 Orion submarine-killer aircraft, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Taiwan didn't get everything on its shopping list.

Reaction from Congress, though generally muted, cut against traditional ideological grains. Republicans normally hawkish on China seemed to give Bush the benefit of the doubt, while a Democratic leader accused the president of being soft on the communist regime.

Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, praised the Bush decision, although he said he still believes "that the sale of Aegis destroyers is also justified in light

of the outrageous actions of the leaders in Beijing."

Meanwhile, House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., said that because of the "sizable buildup of military force" in China he had "serious questions regarding the Bush administration's decision not to provide destroyers equipped with advanced command and control systems to Taiwan."

The Kidd-class warships could be available by 2003, seven years quicker than Aegis-equipped destroyers. The White House said Taiwan's military is not currently equipped to handle the Aegis system, would still be available in 2010 if Bush decided at a later point to offer it.

The package, which will be formally offered to Taiwan officials today, was designed to bolster the island's defenses against mounting Chinese threats from the air, including 300 missiles aimed at Taiwan.

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Alumna dies Friday in car accident

By LaNasha Houze
STAFF REPORTER

Angie Lessis wept as she described the sincerity and spirit of her sister.

"She was fun-loving and had a giving spirit that always lit up the room," Lessis said. "Personally, she was the best sister I could ever have."



Lessis

Lori Lessis, a former cheerleader and a member of Zeta Tau Alpha, died in a car accident Friday. The memorial service for Lori Lessis, 28, will be held at 11 a.m. today at First United Methodist Church of Hurst, at 521 W. Pipeline Road.

Lori Lessis worked at Merck Pharmaceuticals. Friends and family described her as a strong Christian woman, who crammed

every activity possible into her 28 years of life.

"She lived five lives at once and was so full of energy," Angie Lessis said. "She was a support system to her family and friends."

Lori Lessis, who since the fifth grade dreamed of attending the University of Texas at Austin, later became one of the most recognizable faces on the campus of TCU. She transferred to TCU her sophomore year, alumna Krystal Vera said.

Vera, Lori Lessis' roommate for three years, said she had a heart-to-heart phone conversations with her every day.

"She was my sunshine," Vera said. "She had the most positive outlook on life that I have ever known."

Lori Lessis' activities while attending TCU included Young Life, Monday night Bible fellowship and TCU Leadership.

Allen Tolley, a 1994 alumnus, said seeing Lori Lessis' picture in

the paper was disturbing.

"You never really think about how someone (you graduate with) is doing, until something like this happens," Tolley said. "She deserved to live her whole life. It is a great loss to the TCU family."

Vera said knowing that Lori Lessis was watching her friends and family from heaven brought her some peace.

"She would not want us to be sad," Vera said. "She would want us to remember the good times that we had. I know that people say that a lot, but I really mean it in the heart."

Samantha Randklev, president of Zeta Tau Alpha, said a plaque will be placed in the chapter room in Lori Lessis' memory. She also said the alumni will have a moment of silence for Lori Lessis at the annual style show Wednesday.

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Chechen gunmen surrender hostages

By Ben Holland
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ISTANBUL, Turkey — Waving weapons while dispensing food and drinks, pro-Chechen gunmen held 120 people hostage for 12 hours at a luxury hotel in Turkey before surrendering Monday, leaving their captives unharmed.

The seizure strained the widespread support in Turkey for the Chechen cause, with some Turkish officials complaining they felt betrayed by an operation they feared could drive away tourist dollars desperately needed to ease the country's financial crisis.

"We cannot condone the hostage-taking, especially at the start of the tourist season," said Interior Minister Sadettin Tantan, who spoke to the gunmen through an intermediary and won their surrender. "We reminded them that this action gave considerable damage to Turkey's interests."

The 13 gunmen said in a statement that they stormed the hotel late Sunday to protest Russia's "bloody attacks" in the Caucasus, where the rebellious

Chechnya region is located.

They were led by Muhammed Tokcan, a Turkish citizen of Chechen origin who hijacked a Turkish Black Sea ferry in 1996 to try to force Russia to stop its military campaign in Chechnya. Nobody was hurt. Turkish right-wing groups regard Tokcan and his gunmen as freedom fighters.

Hostages in the hotel seizure said they were not mistreated. "They didn't threaten us and offered us lots of refreshments," said Lefterios Polemis, a Greek tourist.

"They were very kind," said Italian tourist Franca Dalpiaga.

But Tokcan's takeover of the hotel, whose 600 rooms cost from \$175 to \$300, came at the beginning of a tourist season that is a focus of hopes for recovery from a crisis that has brought massive layoffs.

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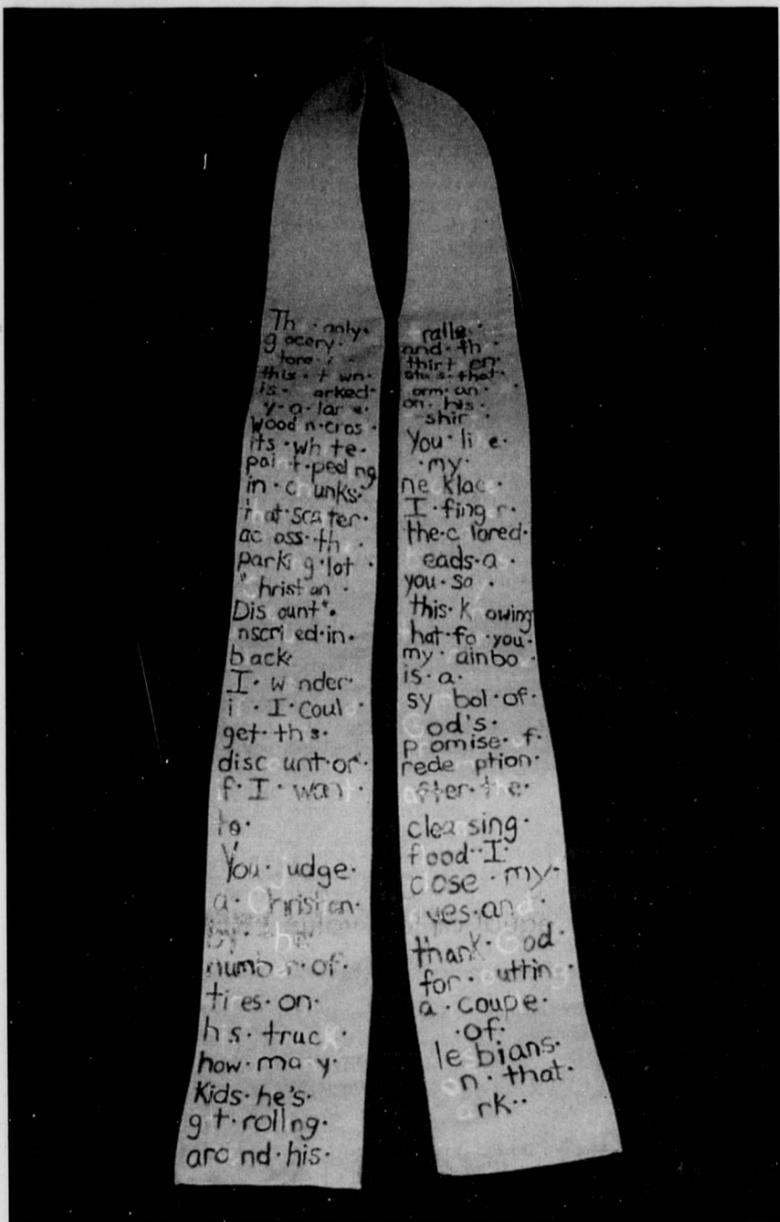
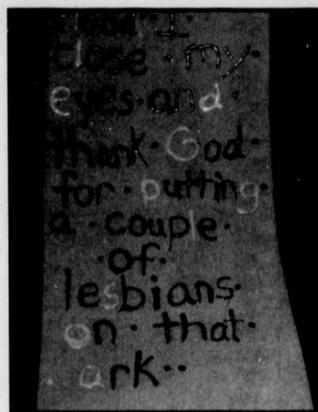
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Discrimination IN THE CHURCH



Story by Bethany McCormack

This week about 200 stoles will adorn the walls of Robert Carr Chapel in a colorful statement of the reality of the discrimination taking place toward homosexuals in churches across the country.

The stoles are part of the Shower of Stoles Project, a collection of stoles from ordained clergy and religious organizations in support of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered people who have been refused ordination by various denominations or are serving in churches while keeping their sexual orientation secret.

Darryl Kistler, a third year Brite Divinity student, said the project's message is particularly meaningful because the stoles represent discrimination that occurs in the church, a place where it is least expected.

"We hear and preach inclusion for all, but then these stoles show (hundreds of) people who have been denied because of their sexual orientation," Kistler said.

A stole, which is a strip of cloth worn by ministers during worship, is also a historical symbol that holds special meaning and can be traced to early in church history, Kistler said.

"It's a symbol of authority and God's grace that has been taken away from these people," he said.

The majority of the stoles were sent in anonymously by gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered people, according to the Shower of Stoles Project Web site (www.showerofstoles.com).

Some of the stoles were sent in by family or friends to honor a gay loved one, while others were sent in by churches to honor members of the congregation. Straight allies sent in "signature stoles," which are covered with the signatures of supportive congregation members.

"When I spoke, I said, 'These stoles represent the friends who are with me today in spirit,' It moved people to tears. It made it obvious that we weren't just talking about me. We were talking about hundreds of folks who are denied the opportunity to openly serve their church."

— Martha Juillerat

Kistler said viewing the stoles was a meaningful and overwhelming experience for him.

"Each stole is as unique as the person it represents," he said. "It's a breathtaking display of beauty. Breathtaking and saddening."

Michal Anne Pepper, a senior at Brite, said she was moved by the stories behind the stoles.

"Each stole has a story," she said. "Most of them are heartbreaking, talking about having to leave the church or serve in the church and be completely isolated."

The stoles serve as a reminder to the damage done to a population that is often overlooked, Pepper said.

"I think (the project's) strength is it makes it vivid and real the damage the church does and how much the church loses in terms of talent and strength," she said.

The project began in 1995 when Martha Juillerat resigned her ordination in the Presbyterian Church after years of hiding her sexual orientation, according to an article from the *St. Paul Pioneer Press*. Eventually it became too hard to keep her secret any longer, and Juillerat asked other gay and lesbian clergy to send her their stoles, which she hung on the walls of the room where she gave her good-bye speech, according to the article.

"When I spoke, I said, 'These stoles represent the friends who are with me today in spirit,'" Juillerat said in the article. "It moved people to tears. It made it obvious that we weren't just talking about me. We were talking about hundreds of folks who are denied the opportunity to openly serve their church."

Juillerat now travels the country speaking at various congregations and churches and displays the collection, which has grown to include more than 800 stoles from 14 denominations and five countries, according to an article in *The Kansas City Star*.

Pepper said she is hopeful that the church will move toward inclusiveness. "My confidence is that the spirit will continue to work to more openness to embody the gospel message that Jesus taught," she said.

Denominations that do ordain homosexuals include Unitarian Universalist Association, the United Church of Christ, Reform Judaism and some Episcopal churches, according to an article by the *Associated Press*. The Presbyterian Church and United Methodist Church are both seriously divided on the issue of ordaining non-celibate gays and lesbians while many other denominations accept homosexuals to the clergy only if they are committed to celibacy, according to the article.

Kistler said he hopes that eventually the church will no longer regard sexual orientation as a factor influencing ordination and that it will cease to even be an issue.

"The Christian Church is slowly moving in that direction," he said. "We're working against 2,000 years of church tradition. In 30 years many groups and churches have come around."

The stoles are being brought to the Robert Carr Chapel by Campus Advocates for Peace and Social Justice at Brite, a gathering of students, faculty and staff who champion social justice issues, said Kistler, who is the group's moderator.

"This has obviously been a hot topic for the Christian Church for a while," Kistler said. "More importantly for us, we've had two or three members at Brite who've been denied the opportunity to even start the ordination process because they are lesbians. This is the most vocal act of solidarity we can do for them."

Kistler said that by bringing the stoles to Brite, CAPS hopes to inform people to the fact that this issue exists.

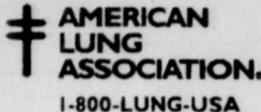
"There is still a group of people not being taken seriously and not being validated by the church," Kistler said. "The public and church need to be reminded that this group isn't going away and has many valid candidates."

The Shower of Stoles Project will be on display today through Thursday in the Robert Carr Chapel. Juillerat will lead a worship service at 7 p.m. today in the chapel and will discuss the project with students and faculty at noon Wednesday in Weatherly Hall. A devotional service will take place at 4 p.m. Thursday in the chapel as the project is taken down.



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so the end result would hold more weight with administration.

"I think the (legislation) we have passed has been meaningful," she said.

Wood said SGA leaders are looking at how they can change things for next year, and he expects the fall to have a different feel.

"We're really looking to the fall to cash in big on student enthusiasm," he said.

SGA meets at 5 p.m. today in Student Center, Room 222.

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Kids see mom murdered

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — An attack at an Asian restaurant that killed a woman and injured her husband was witnessed by the couple's small children.

An assailant waited for 33-year-old May Lin He to open the cash register at the Asia Garden restaurant Monday before turning a knife on her, police Sgt. Mario Mata said.

Officers later found her stabbed to death on the floor, not far from the open and emptied cash drawer. Her husband, whose name had not been released, was rushed to University Hospital.

The victim underwent three hours of surgery and remained in critical condition early today.

The couple's 5-month-old son and 6-year-old daughter were the only witnesses, investigators said.

The daughter emerged from the restaurant's front door in a small strip center shortly after the attack. A worker from a nearby automotive store spotted the girl, distraught and crying. The employee entered the restaurant, found the couple and called police.

Mata said the victims' 5-month-old son also was in the restaurant at the time.

Waddle dodges court-martial

By Jean Christensen
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii — Cmdr. Scott Waddle raised eyebrows in legal circles when he decided to testify without immunity at a Navy court of inquiry into the USS Greenville's collision with a Japanese fishing vessel.

Waddle's attorney said the skipper's testimony may have helped him avoid a court-martial, where a conviction could have drawn a prison sentence.

Japanese families had called on the Navy court of inquiry to recommend a court-martial for Waddle, who was in charge Feb. 9 when the U.S. submarine rammied the Ehime Maru during a surfacing drill and killed nine of their relatives.

At an "admiral's mast" disciplinary hearing Monday, Waddle was found guilty of two violations of military law: dereliction in performance of duties and negligent hazarding of a vessel.

Adm. Thomas Fargo, commander of the U.S. Pacific Fleet, issued a letter of reprimand to the 41-year-old skipper and took steps to permanently remove him from command. But Fargo decided against a court-martial.

Waddle also received a two-month cut to half salary, but that punishment was suspended — meaning Waddle will receive full pay until he retires by Oct. 1.

The Greenville's officer of the deck, Lt. j.g. Michael Coen, and the executive officer, Lt. Cmdr. Gerald Pfeifer, also avoided courts-martial, drawing mixed reaction in Japan. Five others also face possible disciplinary actions.

"With the measures taken against Waddle and others, their liability has been made clear," said Kazuhiko Koshikawa, spokesman for outgoing Prime Minister Yoshiro Mori.

Relatives of victims were angered by the outcome.

"It's unforgivable that the matter should be settled with this sort of punishment after so many questions were left unanswered by the court of inquiry," said Ryosuke Terata, whose 17-year-old son, Yusuke, was among the nine people killed.

In explanation, Fargo said Waddle "upheld the principle and tradition of accountability and took full responsibility for his actions."

"For a naval officer who has served 20 years to his country, I would tell you that this is absolutely devastating," Fargo said. "He has paid dearly."

Legal experts said Waddle took a risk in testifying after Fargo denied his request for immunity. Waddle admitted some procedures weren't followed and thus provided evidence that could have been used against him in a court-martial.

"It appeared to me at the time that it was a miscalculation because of the way the court responded to it," said Honolulu attorney Jay Fidell, a former Coast Guard legal specialist and military judge. "They were asking him very heated questions and making commentary in the questions that suggested they were very upset with him."

Charles Gittins, Waddle's civilian lawyer, said the initiative earned Fargo's respect.

Fargo "indicated that he was proud of Cmdr. Waddle's decision to testify at the Court of Inquiry absent a grant of testimonial immunity and indicated that Scott had done the right thing by waiving his rights," Gittins said in an e-mail to reporters.

Waddle accepted the punishment and agreed to retire by Oct. 1. The Navy said Waddle will receive his pension and full retirement pay.

"While I regret that my Navy career has ended in this way, I know that I am one of the lucky ones because I say hang, be tagged with that responsibility. It has to be me. Because as captain, I am responsible."

In a tearful interview broadcast Monday night on NBC's "Dateline," Waddle said: "No one individual can hang for this other than me. And when I say hang, be tagged with that responsibility. It has to be me. Because as captain, I am responsible."

In his findings, Fargo said there was no evidence of criminal intent or deliberate misconduct on Waddle's part. But, Fargo said, Waddle was responsible for the two causes of the collision during the submarine's rapid-ascent drill: an "artificial sense of urgency" that led to rushed preparations for surfacing and the failure of the submarine's control room crew to work together and communicate about sonar contacts in the area.

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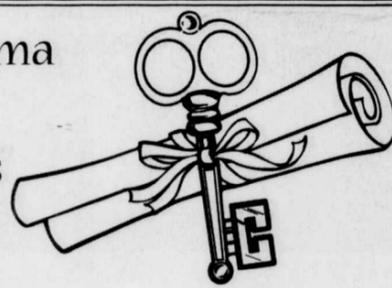
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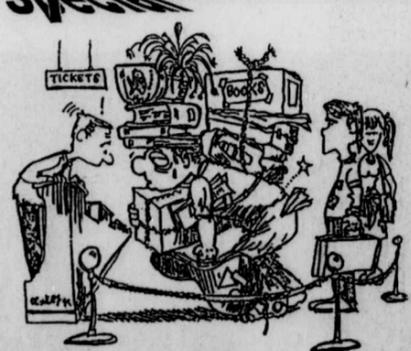
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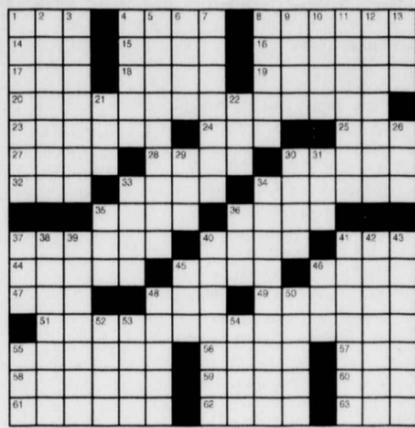
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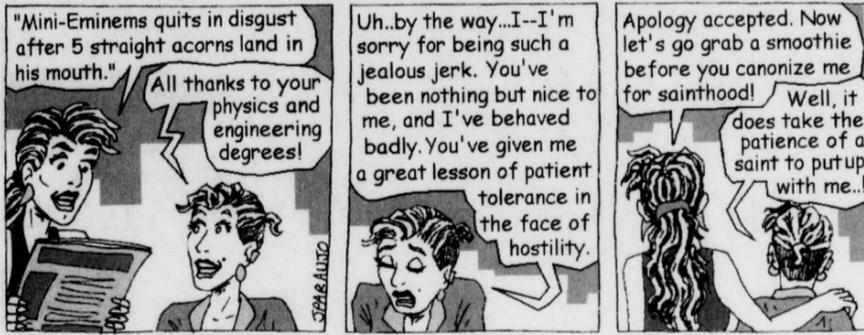
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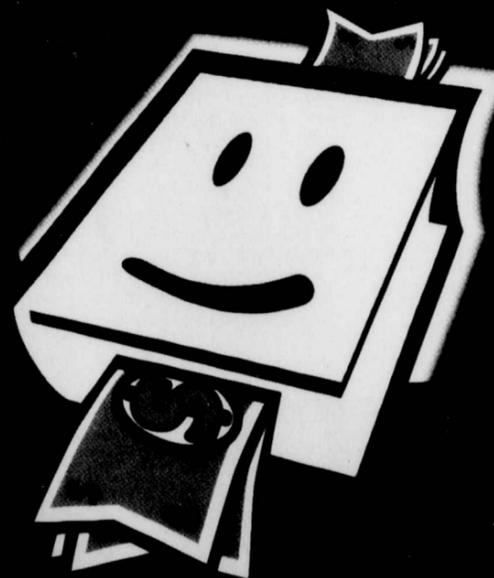
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Baseball team enters toughest stretch of season

By Brandon Ortiz
SKIFF STAFF

So far, so good. Three games into the toughest 11-game stretch of the season, the TCU baseball team is 2-1 after losing to Fresno State Sunday, 7-5.

"Anytime you go to California and win two out of three games, you have done pretty well," head coach Lance Brown said.

The Horned Frogs will need more of the same in their next eight games. If players want to make it to the NCAA Regionals like the say they do, they will have to hold their own against stiff competition. The Frogs' (27-19, 17-9 Western Athletic Conference) next eight games will come against three teams with a combined record of 83-50: Texas Tech (31-15), San Jose State (23-16, 11-10) and Fresno State (29-19, 13-11).

The season could come down to these eight games, Brown said.

"If we have a disastrous two weeks,

Frogs to try to build off of 2-1 weekend series against Fresno State

it will end it," Brown said. "I think the NCAA will take the top two teams (in the WAC). If we put a little distance between us and Fresno, it will help."

Brown said the Frogs need to have between 35 or 36 wins to "get serious consideration" for a regional bid.

That's what makes today's game against Texas Tech so important. Brown said the Frogs will approach the game against the Big 12 opponent like they would a conference opponent.

"Every win gets us closer to (35)," he said. "There are no games that are any more important than any other."

Brown will start senior Chad Durham, who is 2-2 with a 7.04 ERA. The Frogs are hoping Durham will break out of a funk to defeat a Texas Tech team that is two games removed from a nine-game winning streak.

At one point this season, Durham was 2-0 with a 2.75 ERA, but in his

last three outings, he has pitched 12 innings and given up 20 earned runs to post a 15.00 ERA. His last win was Feb. 19 against Hawaii-Hilo.

"They get in slumps just like hitters," Brown said. "(Durham) has forgotten about location a little and just tries to throw hard."

The Frogs will not have anymore four-game series after this weekend's series against San Jose State, and as a result, Durham will no longer be in the rotation and will pitch exclusively from the bullpen.

"After this weekend, he is out of the rotation," Brown said. "Hopefully, he will throw well. A couple of years ago, he made his mark throwing in the bullpen."

Durham did not return phone calls to comment.

He will start at 2:35 today at the TCU Diamond.

Marshall, Watkins miss trip
Freshman Jonathan Marshall and

senior Austen Watkins did not make the trip to Fresno, leaving the Frogs with senior Jason Price as their only catcher on the trip.

Marshall said he sprained his ankle fielding a bunt in an intrasquad scrimmage Wednesday and had to spend his weekend at home wearing a protective boot. Watkins stayed home with a sore neck.

"I hate this boot," Marshall said. "But I shouldn't be in it too much longer."

While the rest of the team was playing baseball, Marshall was parked in front of his computer.

"I was horribly bored," Marshall said. "I sat at the computer listening to all three games."

Marshall said he is not sure if he will be ready in time for San Jose State this weekend, but he said he should be ready when Fresno State comes to town May 3.

Marshall is hitting .385 with three home runs and a .641 slugging percentage. The freshman catcher had finally worked his way into the lineup after sitting on the bench for most of the year.

"I fought my way into the lineup, and this happened," Marshall said. "But I'll be back."

Watkins spent the weekend and most of last week trying to recover from a cervical sprain. The senior had to go to the emergency room April 16 after waking up in the middle of the night with his neck in considerable pain.

"That night it really started tightening up," Watkins said. "I woke up at 2 a.m. in a lot of pain."

Watkins spent most of the week getting treatment from a chiropractor and taking the prescription pain killer, Vicodin.

"I was moving around OK, but I was a little loopy," Watkins said.

Watkins stayed at home for fear the plane ride to Fresno would irritate his neck. Like Marshall, Watkins was pretty bored.

"Oh my gosh, unbelievably (bored)," Watkins said. "I couldn't listen. I couldn't bring myself to listen to the game."

His neck is feeling better, Watkins said, and he will be ready for today's game if need be.

Moses out as starter

After going 1-for-3 in game one Saturday against Fresno State, sophomore second baseman Ramon Moses did not start the last two games of the series, and will not start today.

Brown started junior Rudy Ontiveros in Moses' place, and Brown plans to keep playing him "as long as he is hitting (close to) .400."

Ontiveros is hitting .377 in 53 at bats. Moses has a .265 batting average in 98 at bats.

LEAP FROGS

Jumpers fare well at second TCU Invitational Saturday

By Sam Eaton
SKIFF STAFF

The TCU track and field team might be known for its sprinters, but at the second annual TCU Invitational Saturday, seniors Jason Howard, Darvis Patton and junior Abdul Rasheed showed it also has talented jumpers.

In what head coach Monte Stratton called the biggest surprise of the day, Howard edged Rasheed in the triple jump. Howard's winning jump of 16.30 meters earned him an automatic spot in the NCAA Championships. Rasheed's leap of 16.29 meters was also his best jump of the season, but it was still a centimeter short of an automatic bid to nationals.

Howard said he enjoyed the competition with his teammate.

"My main competition was Abdul today," Howard said. "He's a talented young man, he does all the jumps and he's just a raw talent. We've been battling back and fourth all season, but I got the best of him today."

The long jump competition featured Patton, who has the longest wind-legal jump of the season.

Patton finished second with a jump of 8.10 meters, and Howard was third with a leap of 7.77 meters.

Besides finishing second in the long jump, Patton took home first place in the 200-meter dash and the 4x100-meter relay along with Lindel Frater, senior Kim Collins and junior Steve Slowly.

TCU's "B" team also fared well, taking second in the relay and earning a provisional qualifying time for nationals.

While only one relay team can represent TCU at nationals, "B" squad member junior Mario Ponds said that didn't discourage him.

"We both qualified, so it still looks good on paper," Ponds said.

Although Collins didn't run in the 100-meter dash, TCU was still well represented.

Former TCU track sprinter Ricardo Williams, who graduated last year, ran independently and finished second in the 100.

Williams said he was pleased with the progress of TCU's only home track meet of the season.

"This year, the meet has improved a whole lot," Williams said. "There are more and better teams here than there were last year, and TCU still has the best athletes."

Even though junior Eliud Njubi ran a

provisional qualifying time, and he set the meet record in the 1500, he said that he still wasn't satisfied with his performance.

"I need the competition to be able to get the automatic qualification," said Njubi, who spent the entire race in front of the pack. "The wind also slowed me down and kept me from qualifying," he said.

On the women's side, sophomore Monica Twum finished first in every event in which she competed.

Twum finished with provisional times in both the 100- and 200-meter dashes.

Sophomore Carla Poole won the 400-meter hurdles for the second consecutive year at the invitational. Her time of 1:01.55 broke her own record set last year.

Poole said the home crowd put extra pressure on her to perform.

"I think the crowd helped out," she said. "It's harder to run the hurdles with all the wind, but my mama brought family, so I had to do my best."

And as the team takes to the road for the Penn Relays in Philadelphia, Stratton said that he was pleased with his team's overall effort at the meet.

"We made some seasonal bests, and there were no injuries that I'm aware of," Stratton said. "Now we can focus on going head to head with some of the top teams in the nation next week."

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TCU's Top Jumpers

■ Triple Jump

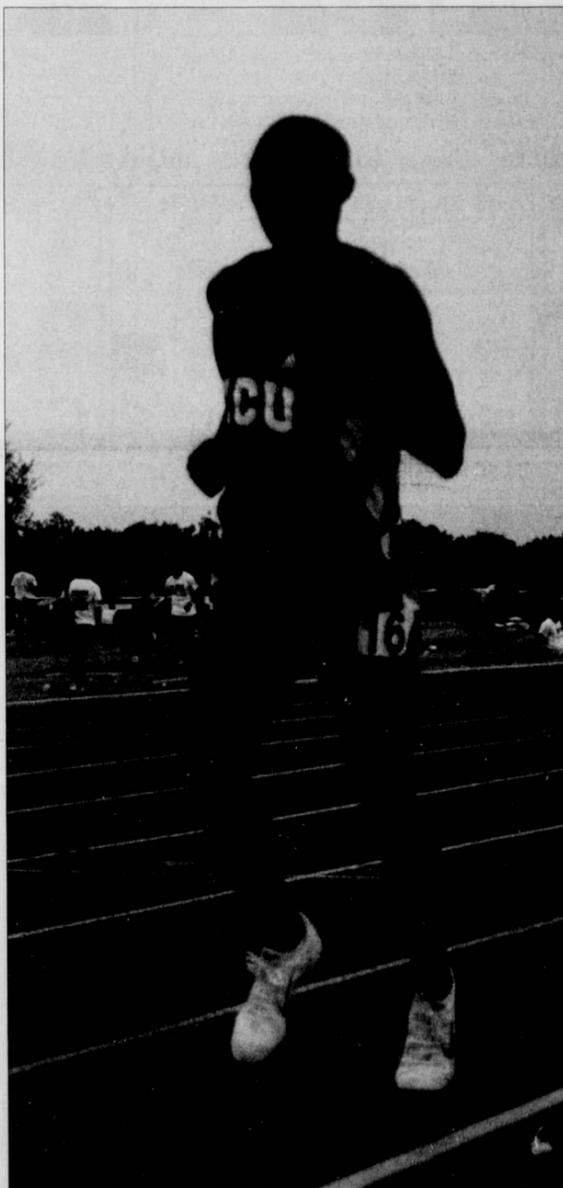
Jason Howard — His jump of 16.30 meters in the triple jump gave him an NCAA automatic-qualifying mark and a first-place finish in the event.

Abdul Rasheed — He might of had his best triple jump of the season (16.29 meters) Saturday, but he was still unable to take first place from his teammate or grab an automatic bid to the NCAA Championships.

■ Long Jump

Darvis Patton — With a jump of 8.10 meters, Patton placed second in the long jump. He is currently the holder of the longest wind-legal jump of the season.

Jason Howard — He also placed third in the long jump with a leap of 7.77 meters.



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Junior Herbert Mwangi sets the pace in Saturday's 5000-meter race at the TCU Invitational Track and Field Meet at the Lowdon Track and Field Complex. Mwangi captured first in the event with a time of 15:13.0.

Linemen fail to get drafted, look at options

By Rusty Simmons
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While former TCU tailback LaDainian Tomlinson is flying first class to and from speaking engagements in New York and California, his blockers are sitting in their Fort Worth homes.

Tomlinson was the first-round pick of the San Diego Chargers Saturday, but former TCU linemen David Bobo, Jeff Garner, Mike Keathley and Jeff Millican all went undrafted.

Bobo, who has already agreed to terms on a free agent contract with the Pittsburgh Steelers, said the draft didn't go as he expected.

While the normal number of talented offensive linemen entered this year's draft, NFL scouts focused on replenishing their defensive corps. Two of the best defenses in the league last season, the Baltimore Ravens and the New York Giants, earned spots in the Super Bowl, so other franchises tried to find the cornerstones of a solid defense in this year's draft.

That focus on defense caused the number of drafted offensive linemen to plummet.

"Not many offensive linemen went, and as people who were supposed to get pushed back, it also pushed me back," Bobo said.

The same is true for Keathley, who was projected by most draft experts as a fifth- or sixth-round choice. Pete Prisco, a senior writer of Sportsline.com, said Keathley was one of the top-rated linemen who went undrafted.

"Somebody had to open all the holes for L.T.," Prisco said. "He was a college tackle, and he will have to play guard in the NFL, which concerned some scouts."

But Garner didn't have to change positions. He has always played center, but he said that he prefers to simply be called a football player. Garner has had several knee surgeries, which may have hurt his draft status.

Millican didn't attend the NFL Combine, where his size, strength, intelligence and speed would have been tested. Prisco said missing the combine almost makes a player undraftable in the current state of football.

Neither Garner, Keathley nor Millican could be reached for comment regarding their possible free agent signing status. But Bobo, who was contacted by Pittsburgh immediately after the draft, was the only TCU player listed on Monday's NFL transaction list.

While the three unsigned offensive linemen haven't reached an agreement with an NFL team yet, Prisco said that he expects that they will have an option to play at the professional level.

The only other thing that can be predicted at this time is that when they fly to their respective NFL cities, the offensive linemen won't be flying in Tomlinson's new style: first class.

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Senior Scott Eddins returns a shot at the net Saturday in the Frogs' 5-2 victory against No. 54 Kansas. The match was the last before TCU competes in the conference championships Friday through Sunday in Fresno, Calif.



Men's tennis rebounds against Kansas

By Matt Stiver
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The TCU men's tennis team made a few changes Saturday, but the result remained the same. The No. 4 Frogs bounced back from a 4-3 loss to No. 8 Southern Methodist with a solid, 5-3, victory over the Kansas Jayhawks. TCU got bounce-back performances from two of its top singles players, as well as a lift in doubles.

Senior Esteban Carril and sophomore Toni Gordon both ended personal two-match losing streaks with victories.

Head coach Joey Rive, who recorded his 50th career victory Saturday, said it was important for the team to play well heading into the Western Athletic Conference Championships, which begin Friday.

"We were solid as a team," Rive said. "It was good to see Toni and Esteban get back on track. Every win is very important."

Carril, ranked No. 8 nationally in singles play, defeated Eleazar Magalán, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3. After falling behind 1-0 in the third set, Carril responded by winning the next four games to take control.

"Esteban was off-and-on at the start, but he got his game back by the end," Rive said.

Gordon took a, 6-2, 6-4, victory from Peter Stroer.

In an attempt to "mix things up," Rive changed the No. 3 doubles pairing. Seniors Scott Eddins and Petr Koula responded by delivering an, 8-3, victory.

"We made some changes in the doubles, and it worked well," Rive said. "I thought (Koula) gave us an emotional lift. Maybe we had lost a few too many points at that position."

The Frogs took the doubles point and an early 1-0 lead when the No. 2 doubles team of Carril and Gordon won, 8-5. The Frogs went on to claim four of

the six singles matches.

Junior Daniel Wajnberg swept Alex Barragan in straight sets, 6-0, 6-1. Wajnberg came within a break of a perfect match.

"I felt good today," Wajnberg said. "I've been playing pretty solid the past few matches, and (Barragan) made a lot of mistakes, so it was easy for me."

Sophomore Jimmy Haney moved his season record to 12-4 with a, 6-1, 7-6, victory against Andy Metzler.

Having completed one of the best springs in school history at 18-3, the Frogs have fixed their sights on their third WAC title in four years.

Wajnberg said the Frogs are looking forward to the WAC Championships.

"I think we're prepared," Wajnberg said. "We've seen the best, and we've played the best."

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