Slater hired

for dean post

Communication position filled

after more than 2-year vacancy

Fort Worth, Texas

Wednesday, October 17, 2001

# U.S. bombs start fires at Red Cross warehouses in Kabul

KABUL, Afghanistan — U.S. strikes set Red Cross warehouses afire near Afghanistan's capital Tuesday, sending workers scrambling to salvage desperately needed relief goods during a bombardment that could be heard 30

To the south, two U.S. special forces gunships entered the air war for

the first time, raking the Taliban stronghold of Kandahar with cannon and heavy machine gun fire in a predawn raid.

Heavy, round-the-clock attacks and the first use of the lumbering, low-flying AC-130 gunships signaled U.S. confidence that 10 days of attacks by cruise missiles and high-flying jets have crippled the air defenses of the Taliban, the Muslim militia that rules

U.S.-led forces have used more than 2,000 bombs and missiles since opening the attacks Oct. 7, Lt. Gen. Gregory Newbold, director of operations for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told a Pentagon news conference. The past two days' attacks have been especially intense, putting more than 100 warplanes and five cruise missiles into the

Tuesday's strikes were mostly against military installations and air ports around Kabul, Kandahar and the northern city of Mazar-e-Sharif, on which the Afghan opposition claims its forces are closing in.

Afternoon raids in the Kabul area were so strong that the detonations could be heard 30 miles north of the city, where Taliban forces are battling Afghan fighters for the opposition

During the afternoon raids, at least one bomb exploded in the compound of the International Committee of the Red Cross at Khair Khana near Kabul, injuring one security guard and setting two of the seven buildings on fire.

Afghan staffers ran through thick smoke and flames to try to salvage blankets, tents and plastic tarps meant to help Afghans through the winter.

The College of Communication

will have a new dean during the spring

2002 semester, Provost William

Koehler said Tuesday.

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Slater, the cur-

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School of Jour-

nalism at the

University of

TCU in Sep-

hired in mid-

visited

was

and Communication split.

The College of Communication,

which comprises the departments of

journalism, radio-TV-film and speech

communication, has been without a

dean since 1999, when the college was

formed after the College of Fine Arts

Koehler said. "The conclusion was

that (Slater) was the best fit. He had

the skills to do what (was needed for

Slater said becoming dean at TCU

the College of Communication)."

We searched for quite some time,"

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The other warehouse, which was also damaged by fire, contained wheat, Red Cross workers said.

"There are huge needs for the civilian population, and definitely it will hamper our operations," Robert Monin, head of the International Red Cross' Afghanistan delegation, said in Islamabad, Pakistan.

College of Communication.

ments closer together.

Slater said.

new unit."

"(The school) has a great deal of

potential and is poised to become one

of the finest schools in the country,"

Koehler said the search committee

"We've got a brand new unit here,"

Koehler said. "(These departments)

have never existed together in this

form (at TCU). Bill Slater is a team

builder, which is more important in a

Bill Ryan, chairman of the dean

search committee, said Slater was a

unanimous choice because of his ex-

perience in a dean position and his

"He had the kind of experience we

were looking for (in someone to) take

over a brand new college," Ryan said.

"He can help create bridges across all

three (departments)."

Slater said he hasn't thought about

any changes or additions to the col-

speech communication department,

said Slater is needed to move the

William Powers, chairman of the

fund-raising capabilities.

looked at Slater because his back-

ground could bring all three depart-

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#### College Briefs Idle funds directed to

other committees The House of Student Representatives passed a bill Tuesday allocating \$400 in idle funds from last year's Commuter Con-

cerns committee to other areas of

the House. The temporary Dining Services committee will receive \$100 of the budget, \$100 will be allotted to the House chaplain for to purchase awards for Representative of the Week and \$200 will be added to the officer fund to update and improve the Web site.

#### Two Aggies killed in car crash Sunday

COLLEGE STATION (U-WIRE) — The driver of a Toyota SUV that crashed into a tree early Sunday morning fell asleep at the wheel, a Department of Public Safety official said.

The crash killed the vehicle's two passengers, both students at Texas A&M University and pledges in Delta Tau Delta fra-

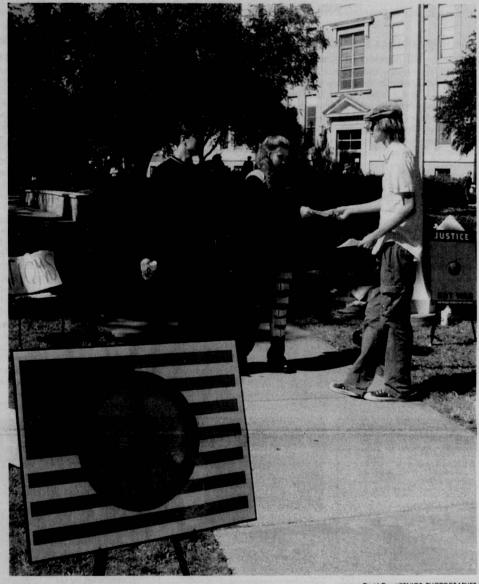
Jonathan Steed, a sophomore political science major, fell asleep at the wheel of his vehicle three miles north of Giddings, Texas, on U.S. Highway 77. The SUV veered off the road to the right and struck a tree head on, said DPS Trooper Bruce Opperman.

Passengers Antonio Torres II, 18, a freshman business administration major from Mission, Texas, and 20-year-old Xavier Monge Ortega, a freshman agricultural economics major from Guayaquil, Ecuador, were killed. Steed, from Amarillo, Texas, was transported to Brackenridge Hospital in Austin for treatment of minor injuries and released.

There was no evidence of alcohol in the driver, and Torres and Monge Ortega were not tested, Opperman said. Torres and Monge Ortega were not wearing seatbelts, he said.

- The Battalion

#### PEACEFUL ACTION



Members of the Student Peace Action Network held a peaceful demonstration in front of Sadler Hall Tuesday afternoon to raise campus visibility of the organization and promote awareness of world issues. Members passed out fliers, burned incense and played music as part of the demonstration. SPAN is the student branch of Peace Action, a national grassroots organization dedicated to promoting nonviolence. In November, the group will be traveling to Georgia to protest the School of the Americas

# Computer help desk moving to library

U.S. House votes to increase grant funding

By Jordan Blum STAFF REPORTER

The User Services computer help desk is moving into the Mary Couts Burnett Library to be combined with the library reference desk next semester in a remodeling and construction project.

The resulting "Information Commons" will integrate the library reference desk, the computer lab assistance desk and the User Services computer help desk into one centralized station connected to an

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.

WIRE) - Maximum awards to un-

dergraduates through the federal

government's Pell grant program would increase by \$250 to \$4,000

per year under a provision passed last week by the U.S. House of Rep-

The \$250 boost in the cap on Pell

grants is significantly larger than

resentatives.

expanded computer lab in the library, said Kerry Bouchard, chair of the Information Commons planning committee and assistant university librarian for automated services.

Although no specific opening date has been set because the financial details are still being worked out, Bouchard said Information Commons will provide 'one-stop shopping" for students to get answers for technology and research questions without being sent to several different departments.

had proposed earlier this year in his

awards Pell grants to about 4 mil-

lion undergraduates each year,

based on their families' financial

needs and the costs of the colleges

The grants are capped for each student, a ceiling that has been

raised in recent years. For the 1997-

The Department of Education

education budget.

they attend.

"The (library) reference desk gets questions from students all the time who can't get on the network because of little technical problems," Bouchard said, "Right now, the students have to be sent to User Services in (Sid W. Richardson Building) to get their computer questions answered and then come

back to the library." Kim Weber, manager of User Services, said no new positions for professionals or students will be initially created for the Information

was \$2,700. Last year it had in-

for a smaller increase because as the

economy slows the DOE predicts

more people will enroll in school -

and put pressure on the program's

budget. The larger \$250 increase in

maximum Pell awards will cost the

government an estimated \$700 mil-

lion more, about a 10 percent increase

The Bush administration argued

creased to \$3,750

Commons but as more funding becomes available in the future more employees are likely to be hired.

James Lutz, assistant university librarian for administrative services, said the total cost of the project will exceed \$250,000 but Telecommunications Infrastructure Grants from the state will account for more than \$160,000 of the costs. He said most of the remaining funding will come from a combination

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from the program's current cost. Harvard University financial aid

officers welcomed the Congres-

actually a wonderful bit of news for

students nationwide, particularly

for students who are attending in-

stitutions that don't have a lot of in-

stitutional financial aid," said

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The increase in the Pell grant is

sional action.

# is a great opportunity for him and the SEE DEAN, PAGE 4

Sarah DeSouza, a junior nursing major, sorts envelopes Tuesday in the mail

# Anthrax fears lead to mail handling policy

By James Zwilling

Recent anthrax scares across the United States prompted TCU Mailing Services to send an e-mail to faculty and staff Tuesday outlining procedures for handling suspicious mail.

Mailing Services Manager Glen Hulme said the decision to write new guidelines came after more than seven or eight calls from concerned TCU staff members who open mail in their departments.

Mary Nell Kirk, executive assistant to the chancellor, said working closely with someone who is high profile like Chancellor Michael Ferrari is cause for some concern.

"I don't think TCU or the chancellor would be a target, but it's obtious," she said.

Kirk said she is glad that Mailing Services issued new mail handling guidelines.

'If nothing else, (the policy) certainly reminds you of what to do if something was suspicious," she said. Hulme said he believes this policy will help calm some of the fears

that faculty and staff may have. "(The policy) makes everyone aware of the risks they may face and what to do if an incident was to occur," Hulme said.

Creating the policy entitled "Handling Suspicious Mail Suspected of Containing Threatening

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#### Injuries plague TCU sports teams

Women's basketball second leading scorer Trica Payne is out for the season. Quarterback Casey Printers is not expected to play Saturday.

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#### Today in history 1989 - An earthquake,

measuring 6.9 on the Richter scale hit the San Francisco Bay area at 5:04 p.m.causing an estimated 270 deaths.

### CAMPUS LINES

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- The rock group Bottleneck, whose members attend TCU, will be playing at 8:15 p.m. today at the Galaxy Club in Deep Ellum. The cover charge to get into the club is \$7 for those 17 years old and under and \$5 for those over 21 years old. For more information, go to (www.bottleneckband.com).
- Advanced sculpture students are presenting a cutting edge, contemporary art show until Friday in the Moudy Building North gallery. Participating artists are Nick C. Kirk, Bob Hughes, Jennie Franz, Amanda Harvey, Amanda Mein, J. Kent Ladewig, Jennifer Burkhart and Julie Hamer.
- The second annual "Visions of a Global Community" photo and essay contest is open to all TCU students. Monday is the deadline for submissions. Photos will be displayed during International Education Week, Nov. 12 to Nov. 16. Winners will be recognized at a celebration on Nov. 15. For details and applications stop by the Office of International Education in Sadler Hall, room 16, or the International Student Services Office in the Student Center, room 111.
- Flu shots will be available from the TCU Health Center beginning Oct. 24 for \$12. The Health Center is open from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. and from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information call
- The M.J. Neeley School of Business is offering Microsoft Office User Specialist certification in Word, Powerpoint and Excel. MOUS Exams are \$30 until the end of October. This certification is a great addition to your resume. For more information or to sign up for a test date, visit the Neeley School Resource Center in Dan Rogers Hall, room 130, or call (817) 257-6772.
- The deadline to register for Up 'til Dawn has been extended until Nov. 1, but spots are filling up fast. Only the first 50 teams are eligible to participate. For more information call Emily Berry, Up 'til Dawn director, at (817) 926-2415.



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# WORLD DIGEST

#### Iraq urges OPEC members to cut oil production to increase prices

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq on Tuesday urged the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to cut oil production by 1 million barrels a day to "achieve stability" in the world market and raise

Oil Minister Amer Mohammed Rasheed told the official Iraqi News Agency that the swift decline in OPEC oil prices will harm the group's members and other developing nations that export oil. The average price of crude oil in OPEC countries hit a twoyear low of \$19.61 per barrel on Oct. 11.

Iraq "has urged OPEC members to adopt decisive

and instant measures to protect their interests in order to achieve stability in the market," Rasheed said.

He accused some other OPEC member states of causing the fall in prices by failing to stick to production quotas. He did not name the nations he

Despite the decisions taken by OPEC at the beginning of this year to cut its oil output by 3.5 million barrel per day, yet the actual production

decrease was only about 1 million a day," he said.

In a meeting last month, OPEC decided not to change production levels, saying it did not wish to aggravate a fragile world economy after the attacks.

#### American soldiers say thier presence still needed in Kosovo

VITINA, Yugoslavia - Keeping their minds focused on peacekeeping in the Balkans while their own country is at war, U.S. troops in Kosovo say they need to stay to bring lasting stability to the Yugoslav province

NATO allies have said they are ready to boost their contingents in the Balkans if the United States withdraws troops to reassign them in the war against terrorism.

But last week, U.S. officials assured NATO that the United States plans to remain in the Balkans. About 5,300 of the 20,000 international troops in Bosnia are American, as are another 5,000 of the 45,000-member NATO-led force in Kosovo.

In Kosovo, U.S. soldiers also said they weren't ready to leave.

"Right now a presence of U.S. troops is still needed," said U.S. Army 1st Lt. Andre Rivier from Chicago. "I think we are getting closer (to leaving), making a lot of progress, but there is still a lot to be

The U.S. soldiers and other international peacekeepers make a difference each day, by patrolling and providing security in cities and towns throughout Kosovo.

"I fear that if we leave right away the ethnic violence would continue. Until the violence stops and until (the) people of Kosovo live peacefully, they still need us here," Rivier said. "We are very upset not

to be taking part in the actions against the terrorist groups, but our mission here continues, it changes

The United States played a crucial role in ending former Yugoslav leader Slobodan Milosevic's crackdown against the ethnic Albanian majority in Kosovo by leading the 1999 air campaign.

After the campaign ended, thousands of international troops moved in on a peacekeeping mission. Ethnic violence and related problems have continued however, and tens of thousands of Serbs fled the province in fear of revenge from ethnic Albanian ex-

The anxiety in Kosovo continues with many locals believing that U.S. troops will withdraw from the Balkans as the United States focuses its attention on a military response to the Sept. 11 terror attacks on New York and Washington.

Haxhi Elmija, 67, said his fears were fueled last week when he read about NATO officials' offer to replace pulled-out U.S. troops

Waiting at a tidy garden for the midday prayer to begin in a mosque in the U.S.-run sector of Kosovo, the ethnic Albanian condemned the terrorists for disturbing the peace.

'Freedom was brought to us by America. We like other countries too, but we want them here, we need them," he said. "If they leave, war will start again."

#### Court issues arrest warrant for former Philippines first lady

MANILA, Philippines — The Philippines' main anti-graft court issued an arrest warrant Tuesday for former first lady Imelda Marcos on four counts of corruption involving transactions of \$352 million.

The flamboyant 72-year-old widow of late dictator Ferdinand Marcos showed up briefly to the Sandiganbayan anti-graft court on Tuesday and was released on \$2,400.

The charges stem from allegedly laundering suspected ill-gotten gains during her time as minister of human settlements in the 1970s, according to court documents.

No money laundering law existed at the time of the alleged crime so the allegations that she channeled \$352 million in ill-gotten wealth into private companies and foundations were treated as a corruption case.

Mrs. Marcos, who has denied all charges, rode to court in a chauffeur driven limousine and refused police assistance as she fingerprinted herself, dipping her fingers in ink and rolling them on a blot-

"Once again this is pure and simple harassment," Mrs. Marcos, dressed all in blue with diamond earrings, told reporters. "It is so inhuman. It's a persecution of 16 years. So relentless, so cruel."

The charges are part of a much wider case against Mrs. Marcos on allegations of plundering the economy in 1976-86 while her husband ran the country.

She has been facing charges for sev-

eral years. Ferdinand Marcos' successor, Corazon Aquino, accused the former president of stealing billions of

dollars and ordered many of his assets seized. Amid allegations of widespread human rights abuses and corruption, Marcos was toppled and driven into exile by the 1986 "people power" revolution that ended his two decades in power.

Marcos died in Hawaii in 1989, without seeing his homeland again after his hasty flight. Mrs. Marcos returned to the Philippines in 1990 and ran twice unsuccessfully for president.

She is known worldwide for her collection of 1,200 pairs of shoes that were discovered after she and her husband fled their palace amid the revolt.

More than \$629 million in Marcos' Swiss bank eposits have been transferred to an escrow account in Manila pending determination of its real owners. Investigators are still working to track down suspected other accounts.

#### Iraqi citizen planned to kill Putin during a visit to Azerbaijan

BAKU, Azerbaijan — A citizen of Iraq planned to kill Russian President Vladimir Putin during a visit to Azerbaijan, the country's national security minister said in an interview published Tuesday.

Namik Abbasov also said Azerbaijani authorities were considering a closure order against a Kuwaiti charitable group over its alleged links to terrorism.

Putin visited Azerbaijan in January amid unprecedented security. Abbasov, speaking to the staterun newspaper Bakinsky Rabochii, said that three to four months before the visit, Azerbaijan's security services received information about a plot to kill

"We received the signal, followed it and about 10 days before the visit knew for sure about the explosives brought and handed over to one of the organizers," the paper quoted Abbasov as saying.

"Fearing that we may miss the explosives, that they would be handed over to other forces and the attack would be carried out by forces unknown to us, we arrested this man along with the explosives," Abbasov added.

The man, identified as Kianan Rostam, has been put on trial and sentenced, Abbasov said.

He did not give details about the man's possible motives or those unspecified forces that were behind the assassination plot. The National Security Ministry declined comment.

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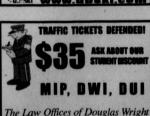
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## SMALL WORLD

#### Diverse views central to education

Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.) proposed a six-month moratorium on issuing international student visas following the Sept. 11 attacks. Last week, after consulting education officials, she reversed her original position on the moratorium and stopped pushing the proposed legislation.

Restricting the number of international students on university campuses is not the proper response to the terrorist attacks. Thankfully, lawmakers realized that before it was too late.

Even in times of national crisis, limiting the number of international students at American universities would hurt students the most - and not just those who seek a higher education in the United States.

All students benefit from interaction with other students who come from different parts of the world, who have different cultural backgrounds or who have different views of the world.

Part of the TCU vision statement is "to be a prominent private university recognized for our global perspective, our diverse and supportive learning community." How much harder would it be to have a global perspective if all the students on campus were from the United States?

In the classroom students are taught to think critically and 'outside the box." If they are not faced with ideas that differ from their own, they are being sheltered from the rest of the

Even in the nation's time of great trial, education officials hold true to these ideals. Judging from past administrative statements and actions, TCU students should be assured this university is counted among those who will preserve a global environment on college campuses.

It's only natural that the country is trying to protect itself from unknown threats. Though the proposed database to track international students may increase scrutiny of all international students, it is a justifiable protective measure.

This measure is vital to keep our country's educational system open to all those who seek the opportunity for education and to deter those who would abuse the system for the wrong

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early a month removed from the attacks on New York City, we are beginning to distance ourselves from that tragedy and drift closer to the next one

Josh Lynch

The people of this nation Commentary are beginning to ask themselves,

"Are we doing everything in our power to postpone and ultimately prevent attacks in the future?"

This may be the most fair and crucial question in American history. The answer will forever be a simple "no." No matter how much we have been doing or how much we do in the future, we aren't doing enough at the present. As long as attacks are possible, it is required of us to do more.

With the airports being militarized for at least the next six months, we probably have one of our bases adequately covered. However, even though this gained a great amount of media attention last week, it is not enough. It must not be forgotten that covering one base is not adequate - all bases must be covered completely.

Five hundred and thirty million

people cross America's borders each year, which can cause many headaches for the people securing those borders. Out of 530 million people, some undesirable individuals are bound to slip through. The task is minimizing this number, which requires that border officials do a better job.

The figure of 530 million doesn't include one of the biggest threats to American security: illegal immigrants. There is no way to know the exact number, but an estimated 7 mil-

lion illegal immigrants are in this country at any one given time. Heightened

border security in our current situation is not only smart, it is necessary.

There are several plausible ways of going about this. The most likely possibility would be an increase of INS agents patrolling the northern and southern borders. Along with better surveillance, this could greatly improve the ratio of prospective terrorists apprehended

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U.S. borders must be watched closely

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ways of going about this.

This is in no way a call for closed borders. Rather, it is a call for heightened border security. Since 1994 the number of INS agents assigned to the Mexican border has more than doubled to 9,056 — about one every 1,300 feet. Conversely, there are 334 agents patrolling the entire northern border - one about every 12 miles. It mustn't be assumed that

> agents on the northern border have super powers that allow them to patrol 12 miles of land as easily as the southern agents patrol 1,300 feet. The wellknown cause of

this is that the southern border has more problems with people crossing illegally seeking decent salaries.

Nevertheless, this deficit does not bode well for our current concerns about national security. Due to some lax Canadian immigration laws and inadequate law enforce-

desirable place for terrorists to be, and then possibly leave from there and enter the United States untouched.

Border security should be of the highest concern to every American in this time of crisis. Even though there is no proof yet that any of the suspected terrorists involved in the Sept. 11 attacks crossed an American border illegally, it is important to remember they likely could have. Left unattended to, this problem will undoubtedly be exploited.

Many more problems of national security exist other than illegal immigrants crossing our borders, but this problem in no way deserves to be overlooked. Our preparedness must be nourished like a child. As it grows we must feed it more and adapt to its changes. In its infancy now, we must lay its foundation for the future. We must never forget to inform our child, that no matter how dark the horizon appears, there is always hope.

Josh Sexton Lynch is a columnist for the Daily Texan at the University of Texas-Austin. This column was distributed by U-

# Airport security measures not enough

t's been almost a month since four planes crashed into the Pentagon, World Trade Center towers and a field in rural Pennsylvania. The airlines are still trying to re-

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cover, in terms of both economics and consumer confidence. The government and airlines are working to convince the American public that it



Despite attempts to impose greater security restrictions, not enough is being done at the nation's airports. A lesson from Sept. 11 is that we are not invincible. A false sense of security blinded many of us, and now is the time for our eyes to remain wide open.

New Federal Aviation Administration restrictions released this week do not increase security levels beyond what should have been done previously. One "tip"

from the FAA suggests passengers remove metal objects before they go through security checkpoints. Wasn't that standard a month ago? A list of banned items in airplane cabins includes baseball bats, golf clubs and pool cues. Weren't these items too cumbersome for overhead bins anyway?

Under new rules, passengers are allowed one carry-on bag and one personal item like a purse or briefcase. Previously there were no government restrictions, even though airlines attempted to limit the size and amount of luggage allowed in cabins.

The presence of the National Guard in airports, recently activated in most states, provides ex-tra support that should be used to screen all carry-on luggage. Two New York Daily News reporters were able to get by security checkpoints at 10 major airports with knives and razor blades last week. The airports included Boston's Logan Airport and Newark Airport in New Jersey, places where hijacked flights originated.

Obviously even common items

can be turned into weapons, but luggage carried on planes should be given the utmost scrutiny.

Federal law also limits security effectiveness. Many workers, from baggage handlers to caterers, have access to planes. However, not everyone is reviewed in the same manner. Airport employees who work in secure areas and were hired after Sept. 23, 2000 are required to be fingerprinted as part of criminal background checks. Employees hired before that date are not subject to fingerprinting, which hinders attempts to screen all employees against FBI databases. Does that scare anyone?

During the Persian Gulf War, the FAA stopped curbside checkin at airports. Now the FAA says airports can resume the service if special security measures are in place. A lack of curbside service is one less worry for security officials who could give their attention to more important

Security should far outweigh convenience. Flying is still a convenience and luxury, even if passengers have to walk to the

gage. Arriving at destinations safely is the ultimate concern.

A federal task force on airplane security recommends several new approaches for the airlines, including requiring flight attendants be taught self-defense and non-lethal weapons courses and cockpit doors be redesigned and strengthened. Those measures are important safeguards, but increased safeguards need to be put in place on the ground. Once a plane is in the air, there is little grounded security personnel can do to assist flight crews. Greater security should be required before passengers are allowed to board airplanes.

We should not be worried about flying the friendly skies We should be worried about flying the safe skies. That safety begins before takeoff when we arrive at the airport. It is difficult to trust anyone with that job right now.

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## Recent legislation a treasonous act that undermines Constitution

have in my possession a list of 99 traitors in the highest level of the American government. Their treason is ignorant of party

and political ideology. It is Commentary not grounded in any core

Matt Lynch principles or beliefs - indeed, it is the opposite. It is a treason of emotion, of fear, and I do not believe the traitors even know they are

Nevertheless, this treason may pose a greater threat to the United States of the founding fathers than any double agents, terrorists or military adversaries in the last century. Worst of all, they have performed this treason not in defiance of the people they govern, but in accordance with their express will.

This traitorous act, executed last Thursday night, was ironically titled the "Strengthening and Uniting America Act," and its 99 conspira tors are all members of the United States Senate. Ninety-six of them voted in favor of this decidedly anti-American bill, and three abstained from voting against it. Only Wisconsin senator Russ Feingold, perhaps learning from the mistakes of his state's most infamous former senator, found the wisdom to vote against it.

The bill is not treason because it reveals secrets to the enemy or places American lives in danger; it is actually designed to do the opposite. But, in this way, the treachery of the bill is much worse - it does not directly attack American citizens but

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rather the founding principles under which they live.

The "Uniting and Strengthening America Act" includes provisions that allow the government to conduct searches of homes and offices, computers files and desk drawers. for any investigation without notification. It makes a crime out of "domestic terrorism," defining terrorism with enough vagueness as to possibly charge nonviolent dissenters

It gives the CIA the power to gather intelligence on its own citizens, even law-abiding ones. It gives the FBI a virtual blank check for tapping the phones of Americans. And it makes formerly private student information widely available for use and distribution by government agencies.

Worst of all, though the bill was designed to confront the present threat of terrorism in this country, the Senate version offered no sunset provisions for it. Given the difficulty of convincing the government to abdicate power once it has taken it, the Senate version of the bill effectively makes these measures permanent.

Of course, the senators still believe it was "the appropriate thing to do" in the wake of the Sept. 11 tragedy. They believe it was appropriate to ignore the words of John Stuart Mill, who warned, "a state which dwarfs its men ... even for beneficial purposes, will find that with small men no great thing can really be accomplished."

But most importantly, they believed it was appropriate to negate

the Constitution itself, whose author wrote that its foundation lied in creating a nation that would "oblige the government to control itself."

There are those, however, who argue the present times are much different than those of Madison and Jefferson, and I wholeheartedly agree: There is much less danger today. Those men served in a war where losing meant being hanged. They fought for American cities on American soil, with certain death only a few military defeats or diplomatic mistakes away. Madison did not see a plane crash into a building in Washington; he saw Washington's buildings burned to the ground by an invading army in the War of 1812. Yet all of these great men re-

fused to trade liberty for security, for that meant a self-defeat of the very causes the country was

Others argue that we owe it to the victims of the terrorist attacks to ensure these events cannot happen again. I argue that we owe a far greater debt to the hundreds of thousands of Americans who voluntarily died for the liberty of this country and its citizens, from the Revolution and Civil War to World War II. Some constitutional rights were suspended in those wars, to be certain, but these suspensions were known to be temporary; they did not authorize the indefinite seizure of these rights by the government.

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# **Brite hopes grant** will help recruiting

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-Bill Gallbraith

St. Stephen Presbyterian Church

get worse.

By Heather Christie

Brite Divinity School is opting for a \$30,000 grant to focus recruiting efforts on high school students interested in exploring theological education and ministry

Brite Dean Mark Toulouse said the demand for clergy is rising as many youth look for jobs where the pay is higher.

The planning grant from the Eli Lilly and Company Foundation, which should be available in a few months, will allow Brite to travel and meet with church officials across the country about recruiting programs.

Brite is planning a week-long event in the

summer to expose high school students to theological education and show why they should consider ministry as a career, Toulouse said. He said Brite

would find high school students through local churches and religious organizations.

According to a New York Times article, most mainline Protestant denominations (Anglican, Baptist, Congregationalist, Evangelical, Lutheran, Methodist, Reformed and Presbyterian), Reformed and Conservative Jewish branches and the Roman Catholic Church are now having trouble filling job vacancies.

Bill Galbraith, senior pastor at St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, said Presbyterians are trying to find pastors that work with youth or in Christian education and specialized areas.

"In our denomination we are (having a shortage of clergy) and we are predicting it to get worse," Galbraith said.

The Presbytery is sending let-

ters to all Presbyterian Churches in the Metroplex to encourage churches to look for prospective clergy and help them with educational requirements.

However, Cyndy Twedell, an associate minister of evangelism at the University Christian Church and a TCU and Brite graduate, said her church is not having trouble finding ministers.

Sunday the University Christian Church hosted ministers to talk to people considering ministry as a career. Twedell said about 50people attended and about half were high school and college-aged students.

"I know that the statistics indicate there are more ministers re-

tiring than are coming into the ministry, and yet I have not really experienced that." she

said. "I don't doubt the data, but it has not been my experience.".

Toulouse said the Lilly Foundation has funded 20 university programs and 22 theological programs since 1998. Thirty other programs, including Brite, are in preliminary stages for planning grants, he said.

Already established university programs focus on college students, but Brite will focus on high school students, Toulouse said.

"Our program will contain an element that's going to enable us to track those high school students who have interest through their college careers, to stay in touch with them, to help them to explore questions of vocation and to think seriously about ministry," Toulouse said.

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# Faking anthrax scares a federal offense

By Karen Gullo

WASHINGTON — Declaring the threat of bioterrorism is no joking matter, Attorney General John Ashcroft said Tuesday those who fake anthrax or other terrorist scares will face federal prosecution. He announced the indictment of one such man in Connecticut.

False threats of anthrax attacks are "grotesque transgressions of the public trust," Ashcroft said at a news conference.

Ashcroft said the hoaxes tax the resources of an already overburdened law enforcement system.

"The threat of bioterrorism is no

"The threat of bioterrorism is no joking matter," the attorney general said.

He detailed the prosecution of a Connecticut state employee who sat by quietly as a state agency building was evacuated for what the man allegedly knew to be a false threat involving white powder.

It is a federal crime to threaten to use biological agents or toxins.

Joseph A. Faryniarz, an employee of Connecticut's environmental agency, told agency security guards on Oct. 11 that he found a powdery substance on a paper towel under some paperwork near his computer. On the towel was written "ANTHRAX," according to a criminal complaint.

Security officials alerted the police and all 800 agency employees were evacuated.

Twelve employees were forced to disrobe and be washed down with a decontamination solution, Ashcroft said.

Faryniarz was given a chance to clear up the matter without jeopardizing his job. He told FBI agents that he thought the incident was a "bad

joke" and said two colleagues might be involved.

He later acknowledged that he had been untruthful and said he knew the incident was a hoax even before the FBI arrived on the scene because another individual not named in the complaint had claimed responsibility. The two-day evacuation of the building cost taxpayers \$1.5 million,

Ashcroft said.

The FBI has received more than 2,300 reports of incidents or suspected incidents involving anthrax. Most of the them have been false alarms or practical jokes, said FBI Director Robert Mueller.

He said the FBI has not ruled out the possibility that anthrax exposures around the country are the result of terrorism, although no direct link to organized terrorism has yet been found.

No connection to the suspected

hijackers responsible for the Sept. 11 attacks has surfaced.

But similarities in the handwriting found in letters sent to Sen. Tom Daschle's office and to NBC in New York are being investigated, Mueller said. Tests showing where the anthrax came from are still ongoing.

Mueller said the FBI may not have moved fast enough to investigate a suspicious letter sent to NBC in New York that turned out to test negative for anthrax.

"There were missteps at the outset," said Mueller. "We did not, as quickly as we would have liked, analyze an initial specimen from a letter that turned out to be negative."

He said the problem did not affect the investigation but added that FBI field offices have been instructed to make sure suspicious materials are analyzed promptly.

# Attacks affecting college plans

By Joann Loviglio

PHILADELPHIA — Sixteenyear-old Bennett "Beano" Zylber is starting to think about college. He is not sure about a major psychology, maybe — but he is certain of this: He is staying close to home.

"I was thinking about Maryland or maybe upstate New York, but I really don't feel like I want to go outside of the state now," said the high school junior from Brookline, Mass. "I'm thinking of schools in my own ballpark, near my family."

In the aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, some education experts expect that many students and parents may make the same decision in the months ahead.

"What we're seeing is more interest in being closer to home, and specifically not wanting to get on a plane. They'd rather do a nine-hour drive than a one-hour flight," said Michael London of College Coach, a Massachusetts company that works with high school students in helping them

select and get into college.

Bennett's mother, Emily Zylber, said she would support whatever decision her son makes but would be happy to see him attend college nearby.

"Given what's going on in the world, it does give you pause thinking about your child going far away," she said. "There is a feeling among many parents that they want to get to their families quickly if they need to."

Élsewhere around the country, Jim Miller, dean of admissions at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine, said the school has received some calls from parents interested in having their child close to — but not in — a big city.

"Some parents are evaluating how far they want their children to go to college. Talking to parents in Texas and Minnesota, we are hearing that," said Don Emmons, dean of admissions and financial aid at Hobart and William Smith Colleges in Geneva, N.Y.

At Muhlenberg College in Allentown, officials decided in the days

after the attacks to cancel recruiting trips to California and Chicago and concentrate on students within driving distance. They have since decided to return to nationwide recruiting.

"In the immediate aftermath, we did some rethinking. Now we're rethinking again," said Christopher Hooker-Haring, dean of admissions. "It mirrors what's happening in the country in many facets of life and business: getting back to normal and trying to figure out what that new 'normal' is going to be."

It is too early to tell whether the concerns will result in a real change in college choices, said Barmak Nassirian of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers. The application deadline for early acceptance in many schools is in early November, and overall application deadlines are typically not until December or January.

The majority of college students already choose a school that is close to home.

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college to the next level.

"The college needed a solidified, long-term leader," Powers said. "(Slater can) take the entire college and give it the opportunity to realize its potential. His administrative assistance will help the departments realize their dreams."

Koehler said it was too early to set specific goals, but said he and Slater have set broader goals, such as having the different units work together, raising the visibility of the college and help fund raising.

"(Slater) has experience in doing that," Koehler said. "He has a proven track record as a fundraiser."

Slater said he and his wife, Elizabeth, are excited about moving to Fort Worth. Slater said his wife hopes to continue her career in student services and advising at TCU.

Slater is the first African-American academic dean at TCU.

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Chemical or Biological Agents" was a joint effort between the departments of Mailing Services, Safety and Environmental Health and the TCU Police, Hulme said.

According to the e-mail, the policy centers on suggestions from the United States Postal Service, the FBIand the Centers for Disease Control.

Hulme said a similar policy instituted at Cornell University was also referenced while writing the policy. In addition to the e-mail, Hulme addressed the concerns of postal workers in a meeting Tuesday morning, he said.

Mail Distribution Supervisor Deborah Smith said Hulme helped calm some of the fears they were having.

"At first, we weren't really concerned," she said. "But as more and more cases came forward, there were a few concerns about what our procedures should be."

For Smith and her co-workers, the examination of post office policies in a time of crisis is familiar, Hulme said. U.S. Postal Service supervisors from the Trinity River Station instructed TCU post office workers on how to handle suspicious packages Sept. 14, in response to the terrorist attacks against America.

Smith said she thinks people opening the packages are at a greater risk than anyone else.

Simon Lopez, sophomore studio art major and TCU post office retail clerk, said he also believes people who open the mail are at the greatest risk, although it makes him a little uneasy working in a post office.

"It's a little scary, I'm not going to lie," he said. "But I don't think TCU has a good chance of any problems. This policy is important because it will help calm nerves and raise the eyes of others who need to be aware of what is going on."

Hulme said the policy was not sent to students because most of the concerns came from staff. However, Mailing Services will consider sending it out if there seem to be student concerns.

The guidelines are posted on the TCU Risk Management Web site at (www.saf.tcu.edu).

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Harvard's Director of Financial Aid Sally C. Donahue. "For students who are at less well-endowed institutions the Pell grant might be their only form of grant money."

Pell grants make up only a small

Pell grants make up only a small part of the college's student aid packages. Of about 3,000 undergraduates on financial aid, only 20 percent receive Pell grants. The total Pell money from the DOE to Harvard students totaled \$1.2 million last year, out of a total \$54 million

in grant funds given to Harvard undergraduates, Donahue said.

The measure was sponsored in the House by Rep. Ralph Ragula (R-Ohio), chairman of the subcommittee that funds the DOE, and Rep. David Obey (D-Wis.), the ranking Democrat on that subcommittee.

In the past two weeks Ragula and Obey met with White House and Senate education leaders to negotiate a larger Pell allotment, said David P. Sirota, Obey's press secretary. He said Obey threatened a "serious stalemate" over the appropriation measure if a larger increase was not granted.



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■ In the Tues day, Sept. 10 edition that year, the Skiff ran a story by The Associated Press story about the on-going con-flict of President Ford's postponing his decision to grant conditional amnesty for Viet-nam-era deserters and draft resisters. The story ex-plained the post-ponement was volvement in pardon negotiations for former President Richard M.

An "inhu-mane" goat killing behind Brachman Hall was covered in the Skiff Wednes-day, Oct. 23. The killing was re-ported to the Tarrant County **Humane Society** and the two students involved with the slaughter were put on probation.

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## Late 1974 was good time for journalism career, reflects former editor

be starting a journalism career. Richard Nixon was running roughshod over the Constitution as intrepid, crusading reporters met shadowy sources in dark parking garages, and the future of democracy hung in the balance.

I was editor-in-chief of the TCU Daily Skiff in the fall of that year. The summer before taking over, I remember relishing the idea of having Dick Nixon to kick around while his presidency sputtered to its inevitable, pathetic end. And then he trumped me. He resigned on Aug. 9.

As an intern at the Waco Tribune

Late 1974 was an exciting time to Herald, my job the day before had been to interview some McLennan County Republican big-wig who assured me in no uncertain terms that Nixon would survive all the scurrilous, unfounded media attacks. That night, as Nixon announced his pending resignation, I sat in a darkened apartment and said to myself, "Great. What am I supposed to put in the Skiff now?"

The big, troubling national issues had finally been resolved. The country was in the hands of the innocuous, unintentionally funny Gerald Ford, Vietnam was over, the economy was pretty good and a six-pack

was \$1.25 at King's Liquors. It wasn't uncommon for Skiff staff meetings to take place at the Berry Street Pizza Inn, where the biggest issue we discussed was how many slices one of us could eat before puking if we suddenly had to jog back to the newsroom. The answer was 23.

When we did make it back from lunch, the problem remained: What could we put in the paper that still mattered to people? After all, Nixon was a pretty tough act to follow.

In retrospect, I think I wound up blowing a lot of petty little things entirely out of proportion, always looking for juicy scandals that didn't exist. I know the chancellor wished the Skiff would just go away and leave him alone, and I suspect most department head — including Journalism - began to feel the same way.

It all seems so trivial now. We were incensed over things such as being told how many hours a week our girlfriends or boyfriends could visit us in the dorms. Major stories ensued, as they did when we discovered that the Miss Texas scholarship awarded by TCU was shockingly unavailable to

male students. The House of Student Representatives nattered on endlessly about this

and that, and, for the most part, we ignored the dorky legislators-intraining. I'm sure we ignored lots of other important things and people, too, but who can remember? After all, we ignored them.

In fact, there's only one burning issue that jumps easily to mind these

days. On a cold autumn day, a goat was bludgeoned with a claw hammer and butchered behind Brachman Hall in preparation for the annual Bilbo Baggins birthday feast. The Skiff bravely took up the banner of defenseless goats everywhere until a rather large jock parked himself in

the newsroom and passionately ex-

plained why "there ain't nothing wrong will killin' a goat," since it wasn't uncommon for an athletic dorm residents to use their shower stalls to dress the deer they killed over the weekend with rifles and pickup trucks.

Looking back, it was a much simpler, uncomplicated time, and today I can shake my head and smile at my own naiveté. I'm sorry today's Skiff staff has been robbed of pleasant memories.

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# Dodge Intrepid to be used as new police car

DETROIT — When hapless TV police officers Gunther Toody and Frances Muldoon patrolled in Car 54, it was in a Dodge DeSoto. When the men in blue chased the Blues Brothers, it was in a Dodge Monaco.

It has been 12 years since Dodge patrol cars were produced for police departments. But starting in January, the cars will be rolling off the assembly line again and going back on the beat.

The rookie vehicles will be a police version of the 2002 Dodge Intrepid R/T, a muscle car that can chase down the crooks courtesy of their 242 horsepower V-6 engines.

"In the '60s, performance cars came out of police car develop-ment," said John Sloan, senior manager of Dodge marketing. Today, as a result of introducing the Intrepid R/T, we had the pieces in place, suspension, interior room, to make an effective police package."

The police version has a big trunk, along with lots of electronics.

They told us it's not possible to have too many lights," Sloan said.

"It's the information age. They have very sophisticated computers in the cars, they have radar systems, speed detection.'

The Auburn Hills police department has been test-driving prototypes of the new cruisers. By the end of 2002, the department plans to buy a total of 16 Intrepid R/Ts

with the police package.
"We like it," Lt. David Chase said. "That's their little work office in the car. They carry everything from a radar, to a computer terminal to a camera and a shotgun."

From the 1960s through the early

80s, the old Chrysler Corp. dominated the police car business with the Dodge Royal Monaco, Dodge Coronet, Dodge Aries, Dodge Diplomat, Plymouth Gran Fury and Chrysler Newport.

But as Chrysler's cars started to shrink in the mid-80s, so did demand from police departments. General Motors and Ford happily picked up the portion of the police market Chrysler left behind.

Now, DaimlerChrysler spokesman Bryan Zvibleman said, the automaker hopes to go from "zero to 60,000 in a hurry."

The Pentagon acknowledged that U.S. bombs accidentally hit ware-houses in Kabul used by the International Committee of the Red Cross, A Navy F/A-18 Hornet dropped 1,000-pound bombs on the warehouses, the statement said.

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A Pentagon statement released Tuesday night said the Red Cross buildings were among a series of warehouses targeted because U.S. forces believed the Taliban was using them to store equipment and military vehicles had been seen nearby. "U.S. forces did not know that ICRC was using one or more of the warehouses," the statement said.

Red Cross officials have protested the bombing and said that the warehouses, holding wheat, blankets and shelter materials, had the organization's symbol painted on their roofs. The Pentagon statement said the U.S. military regrets any innocent casualties and tries hard to strike only military targets

Earlier, White House spokesman Ari Fleischer raised the possibility that anti-aircraft fire from the ground could have been responsible.

The Taliban, however, are not known to have fired surface-to-air missiles in Kabul since the first nights of the air campaign, which began Oct. 7.

The damaged Red Cross complex had been clearly marked with two red crosses, Monin said. Likely targets for airstrikes surrounded it, however: four Taliban military bases and transport and fuel depots are in the area.

In other developments:

Prime Minister John Howard said Wednesday Australia will begin deploying troops and military hardware to the Persian Gulf over the next two weeks to join the U.S.-led coalition against terrorism. He said the deployment was order after a telephone request by overnight from President Bush.

 Secretary of State Colin Powell visited India and key ally Pakistan. Pakistan President Pervez Musharraf said his country will cooperate with U.S.-led military efforts for as long as the operation lasts. Musharraf and Powell agreed a new Afghan government could include some moderate members of the Taliban.

Russia's first aid shipment arrived in Afghanistan's opposition-controlled north and the U.N. World Food Program said it expects the Uzbek government to open a vital supply route for aid into Afghanistan.

 Four American C-17 cargo planes dropped 70,000 packets of food over Afghanistan overnight, bringing the total number or packets containing barley stew, rice, shortbread cookies peanut butter delivered to

The damage to the Red Cross buildings was the second incident in which U.S. jets apparently struck offices of an international agency. Last week, four Afghans were killed when a missile went astray and hit the offices of a U.N.-funded mine clearing

Taliban officials said 13 people were killed in attacks Tuesday in Kandahar and two others in Mazar-e-Sharif. In Kabul, residents of the area around the ICRC compound said Taliban soldiers were no longer sleeping in their barracks but had moved into mosques to avoid attacks

A U.S. Defense Department official confirmed the overnight attack on Kandahar was led by two AC-130s, a propeller-driven transport plane outfitted with cannon and heavy machine guns. It marked the first acknowledged use of special forces aircraft during the air campaign.

One official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the gunships targeted Taliban military barracks and headquarters compounds, and indi-cated more AC-130 attacks were

President Bush ordered airstrikes on Afghanistan after Taliban leaders repeatedly refused to surrender Osama bin Laden - chief suspect in the Sept. 11 terror attacks in the United States.

In Islamabad, Powell and Musharraf renewed calls for a broad-based, multiethnic government to succeed the Taliban regime, which is dominated by ethnic Pashtuns.

The Taliban are battling a coalition of opposition forces in northern Afghanistan made up mostly of ethnic Tajiks and Uzbeks. Pakistan, which had been the Taliban's closest ally, opposes allowing the northern alliance to take power in Kabul because it would not be accepted by Pashtuns.

During a press conference with Powell, Musharraf warned of a "political vacuum" if Kabul falls before a multiethnic administration is ready to

Aid officials in Islamabad reported ome looting at relief operations in Afghanistan, including cars and computers stolen from offices in Kandahar and Mazar-e-Sharif.

"The law and order situation in Kandahar appears to be breaking down," U.N. spokesman Stephanie Bunker said.

# Proposition 6 grants governor new power

AUSTIN - Florida and its election nightmare were on the minds of lawmakers when they drafted and approved Proposition 6 for voter consideration.

The constitutional amendment on the Nov. 6 ballot would require the governor to call a special session of the Legislature to appoint presidential electors if he thought it were reasonably likely that they would not be selected in time for the federal certification deadline.

Under law, when people vote for a candidate for president, in reality they are voting for that candidate's electors, who then meet to cast their votes for president. If Texas were deadlocked over election results, the electors might not be chosen in time to participate in the Electoral College.

Supporters say the proposed amendment ensures that the Legislature could appoint its own set of electors and Texas would not lose its electoral votes. They also say the bill will boost confidence among voters, letting them know that one way or another, Texas electors will vote

After the last election cycle, officials from many states believed they had adequate safeguards to prevent the prob-lems that plagued Florida, said Rep. Dale Tillery, D-Dallas, who sponsored the measure.

Yet we found out there were holes in the state's process for timely designating (of) presidential electors," Tillery said. The proposed amendment "addresses a crack in the current pro-

cedure in Texas and this ensures that Texans will appoint Texas presidential electors, not the United States Congress.'

Rep. John Shields, a Republican from San Antonio who opposed the bill, said the constitutional amendment is unnecessary because the governor already has the power to call a legislative

"Texas is not Florida and we don't have a problem," Shields said. "This appears to be addressing a problem that took place in another state.

Shields also said the amendment cuts down on the governor's discretion by requiring him to call a special session under such circumstances.

A spokeswoman for Gov. Rick Perry said he has not focused his attention on Proposition 6 nor voiced his opinion.

Supporters of the measure acknowledge that the election scenario involving the governor and the legislators is

"This is again one example of how the Texas Legislature was able to look at our current system, look at what happened in Florida, and then improve our system to hopefully prevent any problems like we saw in Florida," former Secretary of State Henry Cuellar told voters during a town hall meeting last month.

Lawmakers took other steps during the 2001 legislative session to strengthen the Texas election system. Among them: phasing out the use of punch-card ballot systems and setting requirements regarding the reporting of undervotes and overvotes.

#### **HELP DESK**

FROM PAGE 1

of the Information Services and library budgets and the university.

Weber said Information Commons will expand computer help desk support and increase the operating hours of the help desk from 60 hours to 100 hours a week to coincide with the library's operating schedule.

"Before, (User Services) gave students minimum support with just network passwords and computer connections," Weber said. "Now there will be more accessible staff and expertise so, if a student has a question about Microsoft Word, someone can sit down with that student and give one-on-one help.'

Dave Edmondson, assistant provost for Information Services, said research and computer help will be more efficient, but students and faculty cannot expect all of their problems to be solved immediately.

"Students have to realize they may not get called back for an hour and they may not even see a technician for a week," Edmondson said. "But, because of tracking software, they will know from the beginning how long to expect."

Some students say they like the idea of expanded hours and improved efficiency, but are not sure how helpful the new area will be.

Dave Mullins, a sophomore pre-major, said he likes the idea of not being sent all around campus.

"I like how the computer help desk will be more accessible in the library," Mullins said. "But during exams the last thing we need is more people in the

A student or faculty member will first talk to a student worker, who has only a certain level of training, and if additional help is needed a full-time employee will give assistance.

'We're moving slowly and hoping to learn from the experience of merging a librarian with a computer nerd," Edmondson said. "But, people can't call with problems expecting workers to be just waiting by the phone like the Maytag repairman.



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### **Horoscopes**

Y Aries (March 21-April 19) - If you have a significant other, it's likely that person will want to go shopping with your money. Have you talked this over? Better make your feelings known. If you don't have a significant other, ask out a salesperson or a stockbroker.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - There's still a mess to be cleaned up, but at least you're not alone. Somebody very attractive is trying to get your attention. Somebody who's very annoying may be pestering you, too. Schedule a romantic dinner with the former.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Oops! Better put a lid on the frivolity for a while. Time to get back to work. All that stuff you've been avoiding has caught up with you, so don't put it off any longer. Not all of it, anyway.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - If you already have the perfect person in your life, you'll feel like making a new commitment that helps your love grow even stronger. If you haven't identified your perfect mate yet, be alert. He or she could be nearby.

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Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - An advisor who's been holding back encouragement is becoming more supportive. Is it due to a change in you, in him, or both? Meanwhile, new considerations surface. More work is required, but you can succeed.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - You're doing well with what you already know, but you could do even better. Don't give up a sure thing, but start exploring your options. What else is there? What do you have to know to get it? Where do you sign up for the class?

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct 22) - Don't schedule a lot of social activities for today or tomorrow unless they're with the folks who sign your paychecks. You're not really schmoozing; it's just an excellent way to shift more of the resources your way. Don't be shy about it.

N Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - You're stronger, but you're not quite ready yet. Continue to sort through your options, discarding some and saving others. Don't make any commitments or burn any bridges yet. Stall.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - You may be feeling a twinge of guilt for having so much fun lately. Don't worry. It won't last long. The guilt, that is. Better finish a few chores while they're on your mind, though. You have a big party weekend coming up.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - You'll soon discover that you're not the only one who doesn't agree with the prevailing opinions. Band together and make plans. The tide turns in your favor in less than a week. Be ready to take action then.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Things haven't come to a screeching halt, but they've slowed down a bit. It's simply time for a reality check. You didn't think everything out completely before making the commitment. Who could? Make corrections.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Think you could break out of your same old dull routine for a little while and escape to a romantic spot with your favorite companion? Sure you can. For just a little while.

Purple Poll O:

Do you know where the Computer Help Desk is?



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Data collected from an informal poll conducted in TCU's Main Cafeteria. This poll is not a cientific sampling and should not be regarded as representative of campus public opinion.

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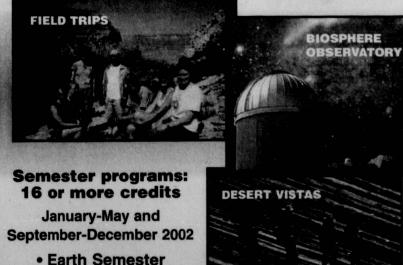
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SPORTS

#### MRI reveals torn Payne out for season as



By Kelly Morris

The TCU women's basketball team is starting its season in less than a month and it is having to fill a hole it didn't expect to fill.

Senior guard Tricia Payne will be out for the season after a MRI Tuesday confirmed a tear in the anterior cruciate ligament of her left knee.

Payne, who was the Frogs second leading scorer and the team's most valuable player last season, will have surgery to repair the ACL tear Oct. 31.

She injured her knee in the first team practice of the season Saturday after falling awkwardly during a one-on-one match up.

Head coach Jeff Mittie said it will take an team effort to overcome Payne's

"Anytime we've ever recruited, we don't look to one player to replace someone," Mittie said. "We look to a number of players to step up their game and the entire team to raise its game a level. That's the way you always approach this. We got a a lot of talented,

I think a variety of players could fill (Payne's) role, but it's awfully early to

Because of the injury, the Frogs will

lose one of their four seniors.

Mittie said he will look to senior forward Kati Safaritova to step up her role

"Safaritova's capable of increasing her role anyway because of a player coming back," Mittie said. "Late in the year, she scored more as she got more comfortable with the offense. She time of the year already. We have to look to give Safaritova the basketball. We know we need her to get a certain amount of shots.

In her first season at TCU, Safaritova led the Frogs in scoring with an average of 12.2 points a game. She also averaged 24.3 minutes and 5.4 rebounds a game in the 32 of 33 games she started.

But Mittie said Payne's experience on the court is irreplaceable.

'She's been in our system now going

dous understanding of what we want to do both offensively and defensively," Mittie said. "She provides the stability in that regard. Last year she also had a knack for performing in the big games."

By not reshirting her freshman season, Payne still has one year of eligi-bility left. Payne said she is still considering using a medical redshirt this season, so she could play next year.

**Kelly Morris** 

## Volleyball takes on **Bearkats**

By Blair Busch SKIFF STAFF

Head volleyball coach Sandy Troudt said the Volley Frogs have practiced better than they have all season this week.

The Frogs (5-12, 2-5 Conference USA) hope that will translate into a victory against Sam Houston State (9-10, 5-5 SLC) 7 p.m. today in the Rickel Building.

'We are better than our 5-12 record, but we haven't been putting our game on the floor," Troudt said. We need to play as well as we have been practicing.

After losing six of their last eight matches, the Frogs need this win to boost the team's spirits before heading into a four-game confer-ence series, senior middle blocker Allison Lynch said.

"It has been difficult to stay positive," Lynch said. "We have a great team with great players. We have the hard work and dedication needed to win."

The Bearkats have won five of their last eight matches including a 3-0 victory over Southwest Texas State. The Frogs defeated Southwest Texas State for the first time in program history, 3-2, Oct. 9.

We will have to run offense well, confuse their middle blockers and basically play our game," Troudt said.

The Bearkats are led by outside hitter Carrie Sartain. Sartain leads Sam Houston State with 247 kills, 597 attacks and 219 digs for the season.

Senior outside hitter Marci King's statistics are comparable. King has 249 kills, 611 attacks and 187 digs.

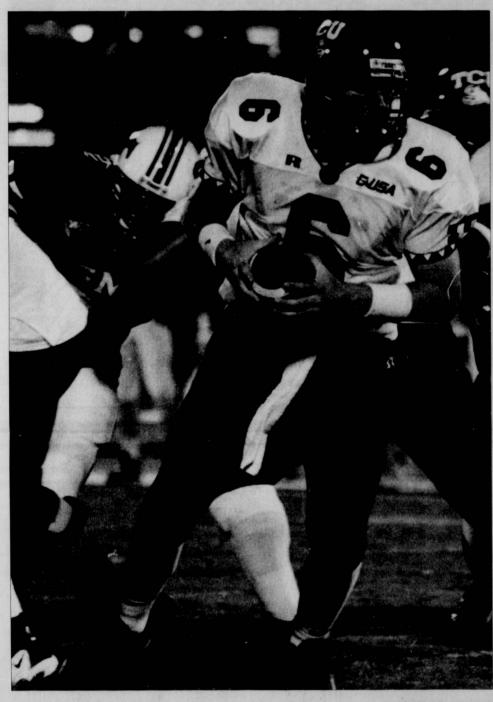
"Marci is a big contributor to the team," Troudt said, "but I hope Allison Lynch will step up for us."

Lynch leads the team in blocks and holds the record in total blocks with 405. Lynch also has 183 kills, 445 attacks and 120 digs for the

"(King) is the go-to girl," Lynch said. "My role is to help her to get a kill and to help the rest of the team stay emotionally focused so we can come out strong.

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# Frogs preparing as though Stilley will start at QB



Junior quarterback Sean Stilley may start Saturday against Army. Junior Casey Printers suffered a bruised shoulder Saturday when he was sacked on the Louisiana Superdome turf.

#### By Brandon Ortiz

Sean Stilley may not have had the prettiest line in Saturday's box score, but he learned a lot.

Substituting for injured junior quarterback Casey Printers, Stilley threw interceptions on three consecutive drives during the Horned Frogs' 48-22 loss to Tulane. But the lessons learned by Stilley, a junior back-up who entered this season with 10 passing attempts in his career, were immeasurable, he

"I grew up a lot last week," Stilley said. "In one game I grew up a ton. Being in a game-like situation, you can't work on that in practice no matter what you do. Having that experience will be very, very help-

Stilley may get a chance to put what he learned to use for TCU (3-3. 1-1 Conference USA) Saturday against Army (1-4, 1-3 C-USA). Printers may not start Saturday because of a bruised shoulder and the Frogs are preparing as though Stilley will start.

Printers threw some in practice Tuesday, but his shoulder was still bothering him.

"It is getting a little better, but it is pretty sore right now," said Printers, who did not rule out the possibility of starting. "I hope so. But right now Sean Stilley is the

Head coach Gary Patterson said the Frogs' game plan will not change drastically if Printers does not start.

"The offense will not be much different," Patterson said. "As far as the passing game, we won't change much. He doesn't mind running the option, so that is a plus

Offensive coordinator Mike Schultz said the Frogs will not simplify the offense for Stilley, who has played in 11 games in his ca-

"When the offensive coaches sat down this week, not one time did we talk about Casey Printers or Sean Stilley or who the quarter-back will be," Schultz said. "We

just put the game plan together." Shultz said Stilley ran the option well Saturday. The mobile 6-foot-4-inch Stilley ran for 46 yards on 11 carries.

With 2:20 left in the first half, Stilley led a nine play, 63 yard scoring drive. Stilley completed threeof-six passes for 38 yards to get the Frogs to the 10 yard line and set up a touchdown run by sophomore tailback Corey Connally. "If you exclude maybe four or

five plays, Sean Stilley played pretty solid," Schultz said. "It was very exciting to see him go into the two-minute offense drill. He took the team down in less than two minutes and scored a touchdown before half, which was a big score for us at that time.

For the game, Stilley completed 15-of-32 passes for 183 yards and three interceptions. Patterson said Stilley tried to force passes on two of the interceptions. Stilley will have to avoid doing that against Army, Patterson said.

The two deep routes that were intercepted, you just can't throw those balls," Patterson said. "You have to throw it away or take the sack. That is better so you can be able to punt. As I told him on Sunday, sometimes it is better to live to punt sometimes on offense than it is to give the ball back to them.' Schultz said Stilley has learned from his mistakes.

"I know Sean has learned from those," Schultz said. "There is no doubt. I know he will learn from those things and there is no doubt he will come back Saturday and you won't see those kind of mis-

Sophomore receiver Shane Hudnall broke his tibia and fibula in his right leg Tuesday in practice and is out for the season.

Hudnall was making a block when a defender rolled under his

'That is a little bit of a setback," Schultz said. "He is as good as anybody we have blocking the perimeter. He has great hands. He is a really nice possession receiver."

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## C-USA roundup Football

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All games

Last week's players of the week
Special teams — Cincinnati defensive end
Antwan Peek; blocked a punt and returned it 4
yards for a touchdown in Cincinnati's 31-17 win
over UAB. Peek has blocked two kicks this sea-

son.

Offensive— Memphis running back Dante Brown and Tulane quarterback Patrick Ramsey; Brown set a new school record with four rushing touchdowns in Memphis' 52-33 win over Houston. He had 149 yards on 26 carries. Ramsey completed 21 out of 31 passes for 355 yards and four touchdowns in Tulane's 48-22 win over TCU. Ramsey threw for 267 yards and four touchdowns in the first half.

Defensive — Tulane linebacker and safety Wesley Heath; recorded 10 tackles, including one for a loss as Tulane defeated TCU 48-22. Heath also caused a fumble and recovered another fumble to set up a Green Wave touchdown.

# Men's golf finishes second at Old Memorial in Florida

By Jordan Blum

The men's golf team took its No. 1 national Golfweek/Sagarin performance index rating into the Gary Koch/Cleveland Golf Intercollegiate at Old Memorial Golf Course in Tampa, Fla. and left with second place Tuesday.

The team finished with a three-round score of 869 (5-overpar) to tie North Florida but finished behind tournament host and defending national champion Florida (843).

Head coach Bill Montigel said he was happy with the team's play and has seen the team improving steadily over the past

"I thought we played really well and we're getting better all the time and getting a lot of guys under par," Montigel said. "This (golf course) was a lot harder than last week at the Red River (Classic) and we still scored a lot of birdies.'

The Frogs had three top-20 finishers, led by junior Adam Rubinson's tie for third place. It was his third straight top-10 tournament finish and added to his No. 7 national ranking.

Senior Andy Doeden, who fin-

ished in ninth place in the individual standings (212) and is rated 27th nationally, said once everyone in the lineup plays to their potential they'll be hard to

"I've been getting better each week and the team has been getting (better) each week," Doeden said. "Once we start getting good scores from top to bottom with the four and five spots, which they're capable of doing, we'll be really tough to beat.'

Montigel said he was pleased with the play of freshman J.J. Killeen and his 18th place overall finish in the tournament. Killeen has two finishes in the top 20 in just three career tournaments

"(Killeen) has been really solid for us so far this year and has done a great job of stepping right in for us and contributing, Montigel said.

Montigel said a lack of practice time and experience on the course were factors in the final

"We played really well considering it was our first time on the course," Montigel said. "We only got to play nine holes in the practice round because of bad weather and Florida was familiar with the course, they would've definitely still won anyway the way they played."

Rubinson said the team played well, but still needs to reach their potential to be the best in the na-

'We did not play our best. If we play our best there's not many, if any, teams that can keep up with us," Rubinson said. "We didn't know the course like (Florida and North Florida) did and that limited our peak abil-

Montigel said Florida and Texas may bypass the team in the rankings, but he said he isn't worried about computer rankings so early in the season.

The team will play next at the Prestige at Palm Desert in Palm Desert Calif. Nov. 5 and 6.

Rubinson said he expects the team to pick up their play in Cal-

"I expect at least one if not two wins in California coming up," Rubinson said. "Look for a real good performance from all of us. I'm real confident about it."

## Big Unit leads D-Backs to win

PHOENIX (AP) — With icy calm and magnificent heat, Randy Johnson buried his reputation as a postseason flop.

In a matchup of pitchers who together have seven Cy Young Awards and 457 victories, Johnson threw a three-hit masterpiece as the Arizona Diamondbacks beat Greg Maddux and the Atlanta Braves 2 0 Tuesday in Game 1 of the National League championship series.

Johnson struck out 11 and walked one to snap his major league-record seven-game losing streak in the postseason. Chipper Jones, a longtime

nemesis of Johnson, had two of Atlanta's hits to improve to 11-for-25 with six homers in his career off the Big Unit. Jones barely beat out a sharp line drive off the glove of a leaping Matt Williams at third base with two outs in the first inning.

After that, Johnson retired 20 in a row before walking Bernard Gilkey on four pitches with one out

Johnson was one out away from pitching the eighth one-hitter in postseason history when Julio Franco and Jones singled to put runners at first and third — Atlanta's first runner to get into scor-

ing position all game.

Johnson recovered to strike out Brian Jordan to end it.