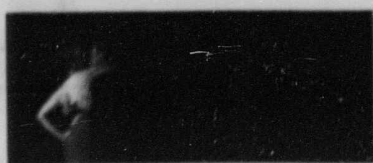




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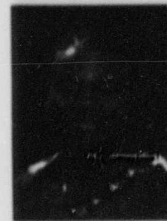
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Former football player receives probation after May arrest

By CHRISTINA HOLTZEN
Staff Reporter

Though former TCU student Cory Rodgers had recent charges filed against him, he was not reprimanded by the university or the athletics department, said Don Mills, the vice chancellor for Student Affairs.



RODGERS

Rodgers, a recent recruit for the Green Bay Packers, was arrested May 26 on charges of unlawfully

carrying a weapon and discharging a firearm.

The charges were dropped because the firearm was not fired at anyone, said Kierin Williams, legal assistant to Rodgers' attorney, Jeff Kearney.

"He used the firearm in self-defense to scare off the mob of people, and not directly at anyone," Williams said.

Though the charges were dropped, Rodgers was put on deferred adjudication probation, which according to the State Bar of Texas allows the defendant to avoid conviction

because the judge is delays any finding of guilt or punishment for as long as the defendant complies with the conditions of supervision, by the Tarrant County District Attorney's office for possession of a firearm in a car without a gun license, Williams said. If Rodgers successfully completes the terms and conditions of probation, no conviction will show up on his record, said a representative at the Kearney Law Firm.

Williams said Rodgers is required to do 80 hours of community service with a youth group after the football

season is over.

Because Rodgers is no longer a student, TCU cannot take disciplinary action.

For behavior similar to Rodgers', athletes, as well as other students who participate in disorderly behavior, can be put on probation, suspended or lose their scholarships for the following year, Mills said.

TCU football players Eric Buchanan and Quentily Harmon were arrested that same night on suspicion of public intoxication, a Class C misdemeanor, according to the Fort Worth

Star-Telegram. Their attorney, Ken Link, has been called several times and could not be reached for comment.

"One of the difficulties with being a college athlete is that you are well known," Mills said.

A month prior to Rodgers' arrest, TCU football player and Stone Canyon Club promoter Michael DePriest was stunned with a Taser by a Fort Worth police officer in order to break up a fight of about 60 people. DePriest was not arrested, said Lt. Dean Sul-

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Police arrest 4 suspects linked to D/FW thefts

By ANDREW CHAVEZ
Staff Reporter

When three people broke into two cars in the recreation center parking lot June 13, they probably didn't know that somebody saw something that would ultimately lead to their arrests and the arrests of several others involved in a metroplex-wide crime ring.

A partial license plate number recorded by a witness led TCU Police Detective Vicki Lawson to a rental car agency in San Antonio that would eventually lead to arrest warrants for four suspects involved in a Dallas/Fort Worth area crime spree, said TCU Police Detective Sgt. Kelly Ham.



LAROSE

David LaRose, Kathryn Paquette and Kevin Strong were charged with thefts in Waits Hall committed in early June. Chase Matheny was charged with the burglary of a car in the Tom Brown-Pete Wright parking lot, according to TCU Police reports.



PAQUETTE

Further investigation by other area law enforcement agencies has led police to other suspects related to crimes in multiple jurisdictions around the D/FW area, including Parker, Tarrant and Dallas counties, said Jeremy Rhoden, a Fort Worth Police Department detective.



MATHENY

The suspects used stolen credit cards to purchase cell phones and three Motorola radios from Target, which were likely being used to enhance their infrastructure, Ham said.



STRONG

"They were starting to get a little bit more sophisticated," Ham said, "but by then, we were on to them."

Rhoden said the suspects were not only involved in burglaries, but were also stealing credit cards and checks, which they would use by creating fake identifications.

He said there were about 14 people committing crimes on a regular basis and about 10 more who were on the "outer fringes" of their network.

"They'd trade stolen cars, dope and IDs with each other," said Chris White, a detective at the Tarrant County Regional Auto Theft Task Force.

"They just happened to be a group of people who were associated and happened to commit

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Bob and Nancy help their daughter Kristin Russel (left) in search of an English book in the temporary bookstore Wednesday.

Ground floor bookstore

The TCU Bookstore discovers a way to conduct business despite recent fire damage

By AMBER PARCHER
Staff Reporter

Due to a fire in late March, the TCU Bookstore renovation is now starting from the ground up, said the vice chancellor for finance and administration.

Vice Chancellor Brian Gutierrez said original renovation to add on to the bookstore was altered when the early morning fire, sparked by a cutting torch, burned the building's infrastructure.

A building committee composed of students, faculty and staff is planning to meet soon to decide the direction of the reconstruction, which will tentatively be finished by fall 2007, Gutierrez said.

"The committee will help bring ideas of all interested parties to the forefront," he said.

Gutierrez said the committee already has some core ideas of what it wants for the new store, such as a possible outdoor wireless cafe and expanded space for retail and books, but most ideas for renovation are still up in the air.

Gutierrez added that the new building will stay within the traditional architectural lines of the university.

Adam Goodlett, a freshman premajor, said he looks forward to enjoying the new bookstore, but sympathizes with the seniors this year who will not get to see it finished.

Gutierrez said he hopes construction will begin this fall, once the committee develops a plan.

The original renovation plans for the bookstore were supposed to take three months, but bookstore employees and its customers now have to adjust to a more permanent setup in a temporary building, said Liisa Lewis, the general manager of the bookstore.

The temporary bookstore is currently set up in 11 trailers that are joined to form one large building. Five additional trailers have been added in the past two weeks to make room for textbooks, doubling the size of the temporary bookstore, Lewis said.

"We do not intend to miss a beat just because we are in smaller quarters," Lewis said.

Efforts such as increasing the number of staff members and of cash registers in the store, urging students to buy their books before school started, and providing additional parking and a shuttle to and from the bookstore have all been made to ensure business runs smoothly in the temporary building, Lewis said.

Bookstore employee Elena Delgado, 23, See BOOKSTORE, page 2

Terrorist plot causes delay in students' travel plans, return home

By RACHAEL EMBLER
Staff Reporter

Several groups of TCU students participating in summer study abroad programs in the United Kingdom had homebound flights affected by a foiled bomb plot that targeted planes flying to the United States.

According to The New York Times, more than 20 suspects were arrested Aug. 10 on suspicion of plotting to bring liquid explosives disguised as drink bottles on as many as 10 passenger planes.

A group of TCU theater students in Edinburgh, Scotland were scheduled to fly back Aug. 16, but returned a day early because of the threats.

"The entire flight home I was nervous," said Desmond Ellington, a sophomore theater and radio-TV-film major.

Ellington said he realized that it could have been their flight attacked. "There is a very real possibility that I might not be here today if they hadn't caught them," he said.

TCU theater professor Jennifer Engler, who was traveling with a theater class, said she allowed eight students on the trip to use her phone to reassure their parents of their safety.

Bob Franklin, a junior secondary education major, was studying with an honors group in the United Kingdom when the arrests were made.

When flying out of London Gatwick Airport, Franklin said, he had to put his wallet and passport and any outer clothing in a plastic bag to demonstrate that he was not carrying anything harmful.

Franklin's flight was delayed for 45 minutes to allow the airport to verify all of the passengers' names with the United States.

The security level in UK airports was See TERROR, page 2

'Saved by the Bell' character to visit campus

By Lauren Pick
Staff Reporter

Mr. Belding will leave Bay-side High for the night to say "howdy" to TCU students as part of this year's Howdy Week festivities.

Dennis Haskins, who played Principal Belding on the television show "Saved by the Bell" will perform a comedy show at 6 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom.

Haskins based the performance on his role as Mr. Belding as well as experiences from his own col-

lege days, said Kristen Chapman, Programming Council's special events director.

"Programming Council wants to provide events that students will enjoy," said Chapman, a sophomore fashion merchandising and business marketing major. "It's their money paying for it."

Howdy Week has provided incoming and returning TCU students opportunities to meet and reunite with fellow Horned Frogs every day since last Mon-

day, Chapman said.

New students had their chance to play the slots at Saturday's casino night, where they gambled, ate free food, and won prizes such as iPods and DVD players, said Travis Brown, a freshman news-editorial journalism major.

Traditionally, the pep rally, concert, and fireworks show take place in front of the Student Center with Frog Fountain as the centerpiece, but due to construction, another location had to be found.

"It took a lot of time to find venues for the outdoor events," said Jennifer Pippin, director of Howdy Week.

The stages were relocated to the lawn behind the Dee J. Kelly Alumni Center. Texas country singer Charlie Robison performed for a crowd of about 50 students Sunday night.

Robison was chosen because his style of music is popular among TCU students and it fit in well with the wild west theme

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David LaRose and Kevin Strong exit Target after purchasing three Motorola radios with a credit card stolen from the TCU Campus.



WEATHER
TODAY: Partly Cloudy, 99/76
WEDNESDAY: T-Storms, 96/77
THURSDAY: T-Storms, 99/78

FUN FACT

Las Vegas-City officials have made it illegal to sleep within 500 feet of urine or feces, but the city attorney says the new law was passed by mistake and won't be enforced. - Associated Press

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RODGERS

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livan, the Fort Worth Police Department public information officer.

Dave Hamman, owner of Stone Canyon Club, said DePriest told people he was a bouncer to conceal his iden-

tity as a promoter.

Mills said head football coach Gary Patterson tells athletes it is not smart to work at places such as the Stone Canyon Club.

Mark Cohen, athletics media relations director, said that the incident was months ago and the team is looking forward.

He added that the depart-

ment had no further comment on the incident.

The Fort Worth Police Department was unable to locate any formal written complaint, and the incident was reviewed internally with normal review procedures, Sullivan said. These records are not disclosed to the public under the Texas Open Records Act.

BOOKSTORE

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said the setup has not affected business and that most students seem pleasantly surprised at the spaciousness of the temporary building.

Erin Berkey, a senior accounting major, said the new arrangement is manageable, but that it

can be difficult to find where merchandise is located.

Both Lewis and Gutierrez say the wait will be worth it.

"The end result will be bigger and better," Gutierrez said. "We look forward to developing a store that meets the needs of the students, parents and alumni."

Lewis added that she appreciates the students, faculty and

staff who are working hard to make the best of the temporary bookstore.

During the rush for books, additional parking for the bookstore will be set up in the commuter, faculty and staff lot at the corner of Berry and McCart. A shuttle will run from the lot every 15 minutes to and from the bookstore through Thursday, Lewis said.

TERROR

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downgraded late Sunday by Director General Eliza Manningham-Buller of the Joint Terrorism Analysis Centre.

Last week's "critical" warning level restricted hand baggage on planes, specifically liquid items. According to BBC News, the current "severe" warning level allows people to have carry-on items; however, other items such as liquids will be gradually phased back in.

BBC News also reported that the British Home Secretary John Reid said, "the change in the threat level does not mean the threat has gone away."

Ellington said arriving at the airport and seeing numerous security officers with large rifles in plain sight made the threat real to him.

Susan Layne, TCU London Centre coordinator, said she was reassured that the attack was averted and was confident that the students were safe.

"We had groups in Dublin, Edinburgh and Oxford, but none were scheduled to travel on that day," Layne said. "In the end, the inconvenience of airport delays seemed relatively insignificant."



STEPHEN SPILLMAN / Staff Photographer

Sophomore music education major Amanda Ramsey practices with the rest of the TCU Colorguard in front of Walsh Center for Performing Arts Wednesday

ROBBERY

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these crimes to survive," Rhoden said.

TCU Police began looking into the crimes when a computer was reported stolen from a car near Waits Hall June 4. According to a sworn statement by one of the suspects, the June 4 theft was the first time they had set foot on the TCU campus, Lawson said.

According to TCU Police reports, the suspects committed seven more burglaries on campus over the next 16 days.

No charges were filed for the other four crimes the suspects committed on campus.

Ham said the stolen drugs kept the suspects awake long enough to commit more crimes while also fueling their need for stolen property that could

be quickly sold.

"Basically they'd wake up, do their methamphetamine or speed, and then go out and play all night," Ham said.

Two suspects told Ham they were stealing just for the thrill, although one of the suspects said without the drugs, they would not have likely committed the crimes.

Police reports indicate that the suspects stole items valued at a total of \$6,412.69 from the TCU campus. "My guess is this whole group will be going down for at least 10 years a piece," Ham said.

Strong was arrested in an area motel. Two days later, Paquette and LaRose were stopped in a stolen vehicle by the auto task force and arrested for their outstanding warrants for the campus thefts.

LaRose, Strong and Paquette are all being held at the Tarrant County Jail on multiple bonds for charges filed by

TCU. LaRose and Paquette are also being held on numerous other charges from area agencies including multiple credit card abuse charges, according to Tarrant County Jail records.

Chase Matheny was also arrested on an outstanding warrant during a home search in Mansfield by Child Protective Services. When CPS and a narcotics officer entered the home, they found an empty bong on a table. Before being handcuffed, Matheny asked to smoke a cigarette that contained two grams of methamphetamine.

He is being held at the Tarrant County Jail on a burglary of a vehicle charge filed by TCU, along with drug charges from the incident during his arrest.

Matheny is being held without bond due to a weapons charge by another agency, according to jail records.

HOWDY

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of Howdy Week, said Pippin, a junior international communications major.

"I've never heard of him, but now that I'm in Texas, I guess I should start listening to Texas country," said Allison McNaughton, a freshman premajor from Arizona.

Free food, live music, and worship opportunities will continue throughout the week, Pippin said.

There will also be a showing of "V for Vendetta" Friday at 9 p.m. on the lawn between Waits and Foster residence halls. The movie will be shown on an inflatable movie screen, Pippin said.

"It's just good to be back," said Armando Rodriguez, a sophomore engineering major. "Howdy Week is a good way to start off the year."

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Recreation Center Hours		Office Hours	
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Saturday	9am - 10pm	Saturday	9am - noon
Sunday	10am - midnight		

Pool Hours		Climbing Wall Hours	
Indoor Pool/ Diving Well	Outdoor Pool [weather permitting]	Monday-Friday	2pm - 9pm
Mon-Fri	7:30am - 9:30am 11am - 2pm 5:30pm - 9pm	Saturday	11am - 2pm
Sat	10am - 6pm	Sunday	12:00pm - 4:00pm
Sun	1pm - 8pm		

Please Note: All TCU pools must close anytime that the lightning detector system is activated. Pools will remain closed until the system gives the "all clear" signal.

The University Recreation Center will have special operating hours during the following holiday/break periods:

- Labor Day
- TCU Fall Break (Oct)
- Finals Week(s)
- Thanksgiving
- Christmas/Winter Holiday

2006 INTRAMURAL SPORTS:

Major Team Sports

- Softball
- Team Tennis
- Flag Football
- Indoor Soccer
- Indoor Volleyball
- Spring 5 on 5 Basketball (registration is in the fall)

Team Tournaments:

- Ultimate Frisbee
- Iron Skillet Flag Football vs. SMU
- Dodge Ball
- Bowling
- 3 on 3 Basketball

Individual Sports

- Rock, Paper, Scissors!
- Table Tennis
- Racquetball Singles
- No-Limit Texas Hold 'em Poker
- 9-Ball

Currently Active Sport Clubs

- Baseball
- In-Line Hockey
- Men's Lacrosse
- Men's Volleyball
- Rugby
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Women's Lacrosse
- Wrestling
- Paintball
- Polo
- Soccer

Rippit Group Exercise Schedule Fall 2006

Classes start on Monday, August 28th 2006.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6:15am - 7:10 am	Cycle Studio Cyle (Bill)	Cycle Studio Cyle (Tammy)	Mind-Body Studio Yoga (Dora)	Mind-Body Studio Pilox (Laney)	Rippit Room Strength (Donna)	Cycle Studio Alice
9:30am-10:25am						Mind-Body Studio Yoga (Mary P) (subst)
Special times	Rippit Room 12:15 Fac/Staff Strength (Celestina)		Rippit Room* 12:15 Fac/Staff Strength (Celestina)	Mind-Body Studio* 12:30pm-1:30pm Pilox (Laney)	Rippit Room* Strength Training (Lindsey)	
12:00pm-12:55pm		Mind-Body Studio Yoga Fine (Paige)				
4:00 pm-4:55pm						
4:30pm *25 minutes	Rippit Room* Upper Cut (Kat)	Rippit Room* Center (Kat)	Cycle Studio Cardio Cycle 180/2hrs (Mike)	Rippit Room* Boot Camp (Kat)		
5:00pm *25 minutes	Rippit Room Abs (Patrick)	Rippit Room Abs (Kat)	Rippit Room Abs (Adrienne)	Rippit Room Abs (Jonathan)		
5:30pm-6:25pm	Mind-Body Studio Yoga (Dora)	Cycling Studio Cycle (Kat) Pool - Shallow Water (Barbara)	Rippit Room Athletic Yoga (Adrienne)	Mind-Body Studio Yoga (Mary Elizabeth) Pool - Deep Water (Barbara)		
6:30pm-7:25pm	Rippit Room Cardio (Loring) (Rebekah)	Rippit Room Step (Laney)	Rippit Room Body Sculpting (Laney)	Mind-Body Studio Pilox (Laney) Rippit Room Step (Laney)		
8:30pm-9:25pm	Rippit Room Kickboxing (Abundie)	Rippit Room Box (Rebekah)	Rippit Room Kickboxing (Abundie)			

Fall 2006 Pass Prices

\$80 All Class Pass	\$40 25-minute Class Pass
\$50 Rippit Room Pass	\$25 10-Class Pass
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SUSPECTED KILLER GOES TO TRIAL

John Mark Karr, the suspected killer of six-year-old JonBenet Ramsey, whose record includes a 2001 arrest for the possession of child pornography, faces an extradition trial today.

-Associated Press

THE SKIFF VIEW

Warrantless eavesdropping violates rights

United States citizens' right to free speech and privacy was reasserted when U.S. District Court Judge Anna Diggs Taylor ruled President Bush and his administration's warrantless wiretapping unconstitutional and ordered an immediate halt August 17.

Taylor said the wiretapping and eavesdropping conflicted with the 1978 Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, which requires the government to obtain a warrant from a special intelligence court before it can intercept communications from Americans.

The tapings allowed the National Security Agency to listen in on calls either placed or received by Americans, which also involved suspected terrorists.

The push for the wiretapping to be stopped was led by the American Civil Liberties Union. The ACLU said they filed the lawsuit because journalists, lawyers, and scholars were having difficulties performing their jobs due to the wiretapping.

Along with these three groups, a large portion of the country had a problem with the

government unlawfully listening in on their phone calls just because the person on the other end of the line had a Muslim surname.

According to the Associated Press, the Justice Department has already filed for an appeal, and released a statement saying the program is "an essential tool for the intelligence community in the war on terror."

Because the department has filed an appeal, Taylor's call for an immediate cease in the tapings won't take effect until after she has the opportunity to hear the appeal.

The Justice Department said "the Constitution gives the president the full authority necessary to carry out that solemn duty, and we believe the program is lawful and protects civil liberties."

If the program is such an essential tool, then why didn't Bush go through the proper procedures to ensure neither he nor anyone else in his administration were not breaking any federal laws.

After all, isn't calling people a suspected terrorist knowing next to nothing about them just another form of racial profiling.

-Opinion editor Jeff Eskew for the editorial board

YOUR VIEW

Dear Editor,

The publicity about Aaron Russo's film "America: From Freedom to Fascism" claiming that it "Makes 'Fahrenheit 9/11' Look Like 'Bambi'" (<http://tinyurl.com/mggeh>) tries to steal the thunder from the 9/11 Truth movement. But the Russo film does not even mention 9/11 and is based on a lie when it claims that 100 percent of our personal income taxes go to banks for interest.

Truth is a lot of our federal personal income tax money goes to military spending, and that is the issue that needs to be addressed. The National Priorities Project Web site shows that federal personal income taxes pay \$532.2 billion for the military. This is substantially more than the \$348.5 billion spent for interest on the debt. The War Resisters' League income

tax pie chart shows that 49 percent of our federal income tax money goes for current and past military spending.

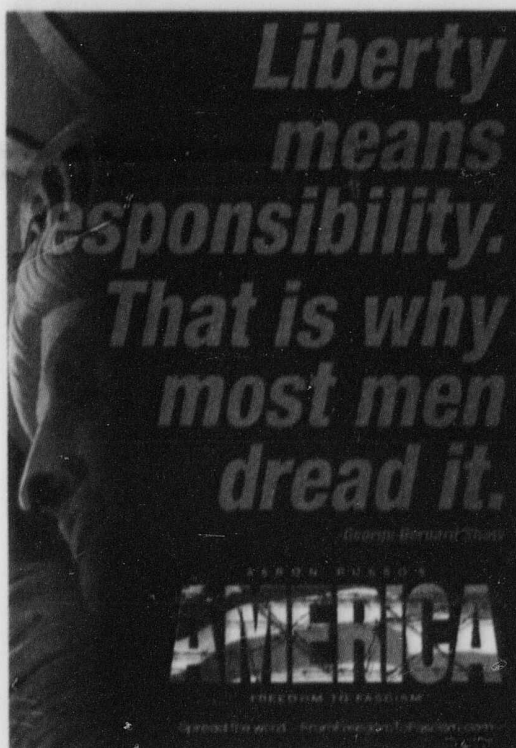
The film's claim comes from a circuitously worded 1984 Grace Commission Report, which, by a slight of hand, excluded half of income tax payments. It characterized these payments as a "waste and inefficiency" to come up with a 100 percent figure, which properly should be more like 50 percent. Furthermore, its 100 percent figure also included "transfer payments," which probably made up a good portion of it which in the film's sloganeering is attributed entirely to interest.

The neat syllogistic logic of the film reveals the contrived nature of a fairytale: all our personal income tax money goes to pay interest, abolish interest on money; therefore, there is no need for a personal income tax. The first premise is simply not true. Furthermore, interest might just be an incentive to pay back debt in a timely manner and not incur more of it.

Moreover, the film's consequent Federal Reserve Bank bashing ignores the Fed's rebating to the Treasury nearly all the interest it collects on government bonds, so the government does not pay any net interest to the Fed, and the Fed is holding only a small share of the total national debt (about 7 percent).

Essentially, the film is a demagogic right-wing diatribe against the income tax and the Federal Reserve. Among other things, it suggests that U.S. citizens are not legally required to pay federal income taxes. For a good response to the kind of nonsense contained in the film, see Daniel B. Evans' "Tax Protester FAQ" (<http://evans-legal.com/dan/tpfaq.html>) and Edward Flaherty's "Debunking Federal Reserve Conspiracy Theories" (http://www.publiceye.org/conspire/flaherty/Federal_Reserve.html).

Jim Sempczyn



COMMENTARY

Airport safety more important than travelers' inconveniences

Traveling is usually stressful. Punctuated often by delays, missed flights and the hustle of weary nomads, airports provide anything but solace. Many would view increased security precautions merely as added hassle and hardly worth it. But the protection of countless people is of greater importance than bypassing a few safety provisions.

Confused and harried air travelers are supposedly faced with tightened security and longer lines since the foil of a would-be terrorist attack just more than one week ago. However, the precautions being taken are not only inadequate, but unduly focused on traveler convenience.

The conspirators of the terminated attack had planned to use liquid explosives disguised as ordinary liquids, such as beverages, and detonate them with items made to look like everyday electronic devices. The intended result was to be the explosion of multiple planes traveling from the United Kingdom to the United States.

"The motto has to be, 'Better safe than sorry,'" said Michael Chertoff, secretary of the Department of Homeland Security. I agree.

So why, a week ago Sunday, was my mom permitted to board a plane at the Dallas/Fort Worth Airport carrying both a cell phone and a digital camera enclosed in a thick, black leather purse? Such items clearly qualify as everyday electronic devices.

In the United Kingdom, virtually all carry-on luggage has been banned. Only a few and very specific personal items will be permitted, and the bag used to contain such items must be "ideally transparent" plastic. On top of the rigid limitations placed upon what may be carried on board, every passenger will be hand-searched.

In contrast, U.S. passengers face much lesser limitations. Only liquids and gels are restricted from carry-ons. Despite early rumors, electronics, such as cell phones and laptops, are still being permitted aboard the seating area of the airplane.

I am aware that, as much of a hassle it may be to have to discard beverages and toiletries, it is an even bigger nuisance to be without a cell phone immediately available when traveling across the country.

But we need to look past that. Pay phones are not obsolete. People have traveled with-

out cell phones for years before they were first marketed to the public in the 1980s. We are overly concerned about being inconvenienced, when what should concern us most is the safety of our nation and the threat that this potential attack has imposed.

On "NewsHour with Jim Lehrer," Chertoff said, "We would have seen a disaster on a scale comparable to 9/11, with hundreds, maybe thousands, of people being killed."

The repercussions of such a dangerous crisis should not be taken lightly. It is foolish and cocky not to increase precautions simply because of inconvenience. It wasn't our stellar security systems that stopped the attack from occurring—it was an insider tip.

Most liquid explosives cannot even be detected by the screening tests currently

protecting U.S. airports, according to a recent issue of USA Today. So what makes us think we can distinguish all other means and methods of airport attacks? Since both liquids and electronics were to be employed as weapons in this mass murder plot, both should also be banned as carry-

"The motto has to be 'Better safe than sorry.'"

-Michael Chertoff

on items.

Terrorists are trained to find loopholes, and by shying away from proactive behavior, we are only increasing their chances of success. We should never underestimate our enemies.

Being a frequent traveler, and an unlucky one at that, I know what it means to depend on a cell phone to get from point A to point B. I also know how much faster a flight seems to go with the aid of an MP3 player. But the luxury of having personal electronics handy during air travel is one that could and should be relinquished for the sake of preventing more threats on the safety of our country.

"You have to think where the terrorists will go next after you (knock) down one approach," said Jimmie Oxley, a chemistry professor at the University of Rhode Island.

It may be an annoyance, but checking your electronics instead of carrying them on is well worth the protection of thousands of people against a potential horrific tragedy.

After all, "better safe than sorry."

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STEPHEN SPILLMAN / Staff Photographer

Top Row (left to right): Amy Hallford, John-Laurent Tronche, Kathleen Thurber. Bottom Row (left to right): Michael Dodd, Jennifer Bickerstaff, Jordan Cohen, Adrienne Lang, Jeff Eskew, Leslie Honey

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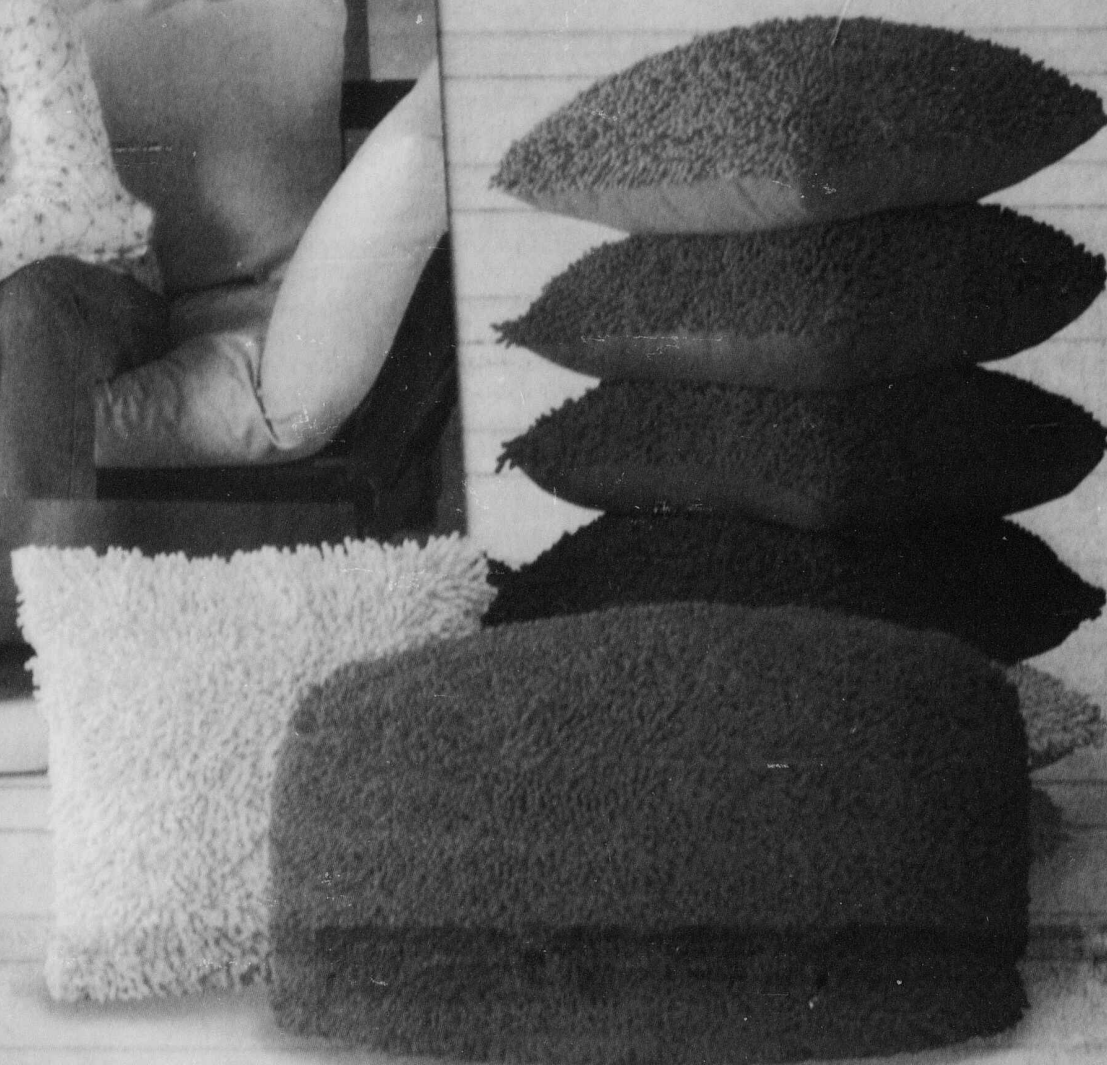
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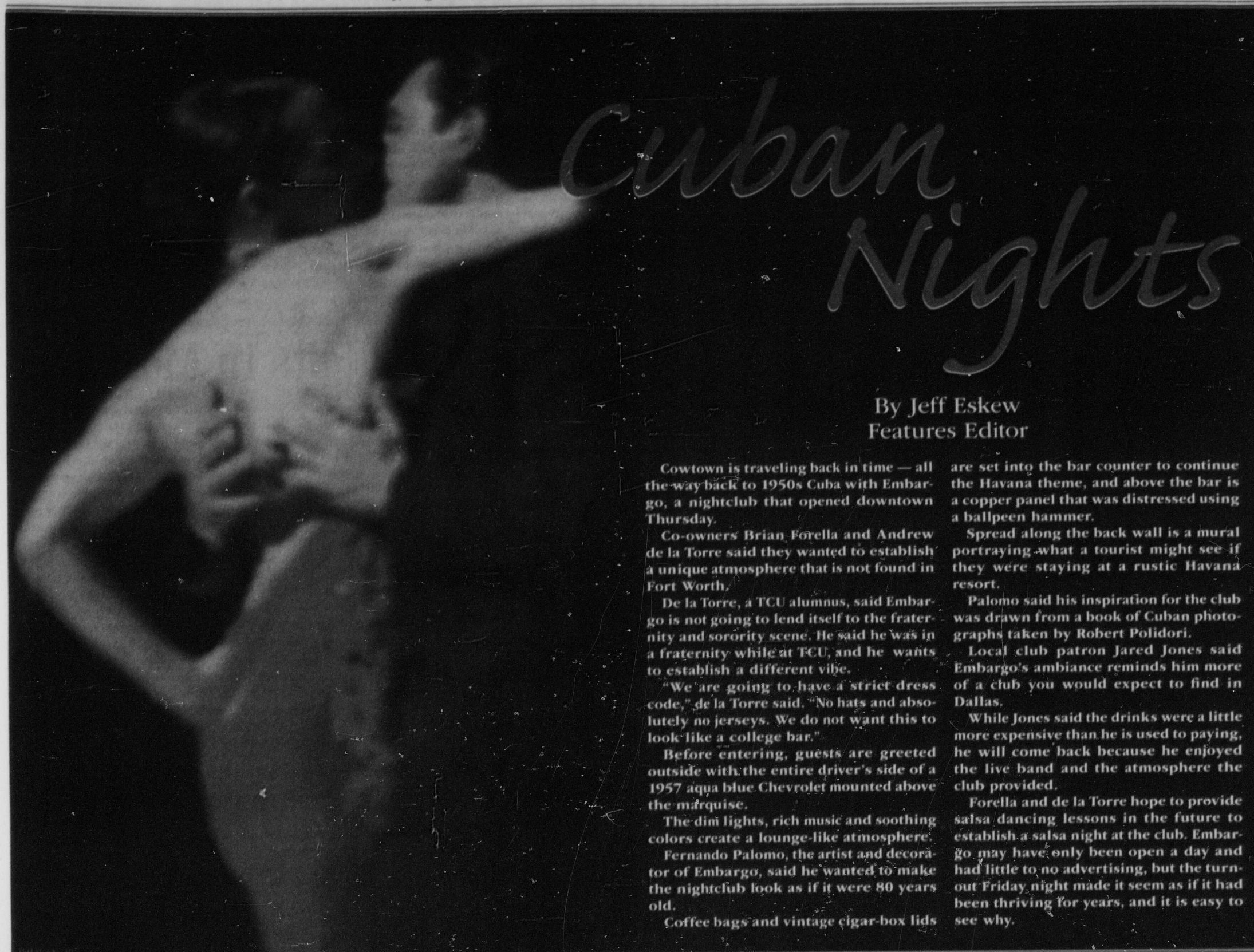
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"Snakes on a Plane" is one of the most talked about movies of the year, but did it live up to its box-office hype? We review "Snakes" on Wednesday's Arts Page.



Cuban Nights

By Jeff Eskew
Features Editor

Cowtown is traveling back in time — all the way back to 1950s Cuba with Embargo, a nightclub that opened downtown Thursday.

Co-owners Brian Forella and Andrew de la Torre said they wanted to establish a unique atmosphere that is not found in Fort Worth.

De la Torre, a TCU alumnus, said Embargo is not going to lend itself to the fraternity and sorority scene. He said he was in a fraternity while at TCU, and he wants to establish a different vibe.

"We are going to have a strict dress code," de la Torre said. "No hats and absolutely no jerseys. We do not want this to look like a college bar."

Before entering, guests are greeted outside with the entire driver's side of a 1957 aqua blue Chevrolet mounted above the marquee.

The dim lights, rich music and soothing colors create a lounge-like atmosphere.

Fernando Palomo, the artist and decorator of Embargo, said he wanted to make the nightclub look as if it were 80 years old.

Coffee bags and vintage cigar-box lids

are set into the bar counter to continue the Havana theme, and above the bar is a copper panel that was distressed using a ballpeen hammer.

Spread along the back wall is a mural portraying what a tourist might see if they were staying at a rustic Havana resort.

Palomo said his inspiration for the club was drawn from a book of Cuban photographs taken by Robert Polidori.

Local club patron Jared Jones said Embargo's ambiance reminds him more of a club you would expect to find in Dallas.

While Jones said the drinks were a little more expensive than he is used to paying, he will come back because he enjoyed the live band and the atmosphere the club provided.

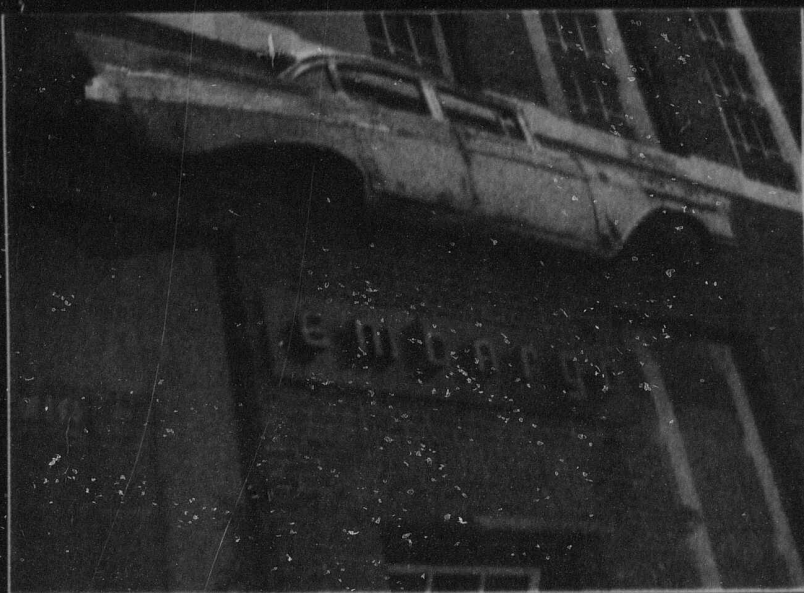
Forella and de la Torre hope to provide salsa dancing lessons in the future to establish a salsa night at the club. Embargo may have only been open a day and had little to no advertising, but the turnout Friday night made it seem as if it had been thriving for years, and it is easy to see why.




Embargo

- 210 8th Street
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Left: Dancers salsa to a jazz band at the new nightclub Embargo. Right: The downtown Fort Worth nightclub Embargo has a rustic Cuban atmosphere.



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Vaccinations required for students by spring semester

By LAURA FLORES
Staff Reporter

The TCU Health Center now requires vaccinations for mumps and measles and is making an effort to alert students of a recent concern of national viral outbreaks.

The American College Health Association and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued a recommendation that students nationwide have two mumps vaccinations if they have not received the vaccination already.

Due to the recent outbreak of mumps in the Midwest states of Iowa, Nebraska

and Illinois, TCU is requiring that students have the vaccination prior to the spring 2007 semester. Marilyn Hallam, assistant to the director of Health Services, said this requirement is simply a precautionary one, and with students returning to TCU from the Midwest, an immunization is the best way to prevent any possible outbreak.

Laura Quisenberry, a junior fashion merchandising major who has already received her required shots, said she has heard about the health concern.

"I think it's a good idea to be safe because some people might catch stuff easier than others," Quisenberry

said. "I care, but it's not bothering or worrying me."

Mumps is a sleeper viral illness that has recently begun another outbreak. Although TCU has yet to have a problem with campus outbreaks, Hallam said the ACHA and CDC have reported that a spread of this viral illness is plausible.

The Health Center is recommending that students also receive Menactra, the immunization for meningitis, which was approved by the FDA in January 2005.

According to the Health Center Web site, meningitis is a bacterial

infection that primarily affects people between the ages of 15-24 and is common on college campuses. Though rare, it can be fatal and cause permanent disabilities such as hearing loss or brain damage.

Hallam said meningitis is common on campuses because of the close living areas.

A May article on medscape.com states that there is a shortage of Menactra in the United States because the vaccination is available to a broader age range. However, the CDC said college students are expected to receive first priority, according to the article.

CURRENT REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS INCLUDE:

- Rubella
 - Mantoux TB Skin Test
- Additional information on costs, vaccinations and these viruses can be found at healthcenter.tcu.edu

In May 2005, an online article from consumeraffairs.com reported that meningitis affects about 3,000 people each year and kills 300 people on average.

"I wouldn't say we are at a greater risk, but we will certainly try to make people aware that we have a vaccine," Hallam said.

Deaths rise to double digits in Moscow

By RIA NOVOSTI
(MCT)

MOSCOW - The death toll in a bombing Monday at a Moscow market has risen to 10 after two people died in the hospital, the capital's public health department says.

Conflicting reports about the

number of fatalities emerged in the immediate aftermath of the incident, which happened at about 10:30 a.m. Moscow time (6:30 a.m. GMT), with some sources saying 10 people had lost their lives and others saying eight.

But a spokesperson with

the health department said the death toll had reached double figures Monday afternoon. "As of 4 p.m. Moscow time (1 p.m. GMT), 49 people were hospitalized; 12 of them were discharged after being given first aid, but two (more) died," the official said.

She said 35 people were currently in the hospital, including six in critical condition and nine in serious condition.

Moscow Prosecutor Yury Syomin said earlier Monday that a turf war between commercial groups was at the center of an investigation into the bombing at the Cherkizovsky market in the northeast of the city, adding that investigators were also con-

sidering terrorism in the attack.

"An explosive device consisting of 1kg of TNT without any solid encasement exploded," he said. "The explosion occurred between two rows of metal containers. There was also a cafe nearby. Only a small area was affected."

One witness said he had seen a bag being brought to the scene before the explosion.

"We saw three people leave a bag at the market's cafe," he said. "Knowing security measures, especially with regard to unattended items, two market employees ran after the people who left the suspicious bag. At precisely that moment it exploded."

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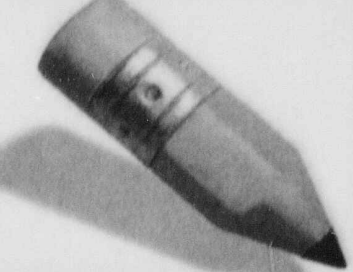
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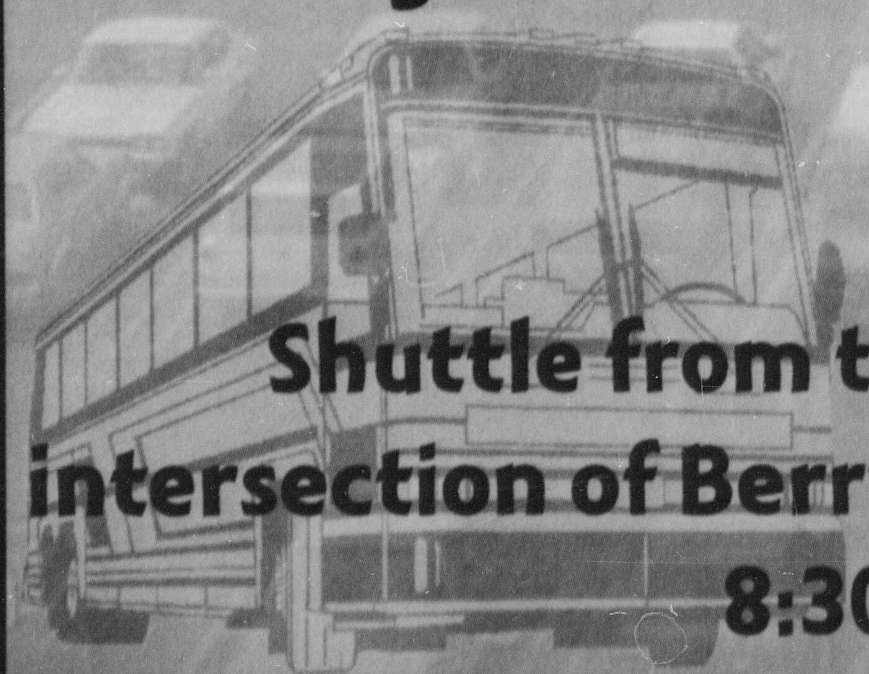

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Security measures taken to prevent hacking

By MARCUS MURPHREE
Staff Reporter

Although TCU has not had its network of 7,000 computers hacked by an outside source, protective measures are being taken to keep the system from falling subject to any form of computer compromise, a TCU network security engineer said.

The threat of computer hacking at universities in the Dallas/Fort Worth area became evident when nearly 38,000 student profiles at the University of North Texas were accessed in August 2005.

Students' names, Social Security numbers, student IDs and account numbers were all made open to public access, according to the Identity Theft Resource Center, a nonprofit organization that works to protect computer users from most forms of personal information theft.

Technical security measures are being tested at TCU in order to prevent such an event from taking place, said William Senter, technical services manager.

"There is never going to be a situation when all things are fully secure," Senter said. "Needs change, and things are kept open to preserve respect of students."

Chris Cooksie, a junior criminal justice major, said that there is concern within the student body about technical security.

"For every one person we have that is protecting the system, we have five people trying to break in," Cooksie said.

One student confident in his network security is freshman premajor Luke Brandenburg.

"A scan came up on my computer when I moved in, but nothing has happened so far, and I'm not worried," Brandenburg said.

Associate provost for Technology Resources Dave Edmondson, said security has become more important with the advent of wireless Internet access on campuses.

"Wireless does have another dimension we need to be concerned about," Edmondson said. "We have increased security to make our wireless

seem close to a (secure) wired network."

Senter said the use of a firewall in the TCU network helps create a barrier between the incoming user and the university server. In addition to a firewall, an encryption device is used to continually block hackers from accessing personal files of students and faculty.

Encryption is a form of code-blocking used to make the information scrambled and inaccessible to a third party unless they have the proper key for cracking the codes.

"The 128-bit (encryption) is harder to break for the casual hacker," Senter said. "Wireless is a more open means of hacker entry."

The protection of campus Internet is an ongoing process, said Jim Mayne, a TCU network security engineer.

Mayne said there are both electronic and physical safeguards in the network rooms. Access to the room is only given to certain faculty and staff.

In order for student priva-

cy to be kept in tact, campus technical services is refraining from making the entire campus fully accessible for wireless Internet. Students in residence halls can only gain wireless access in the lobbies rather than the students' rooms.

Additionally, security patches and anti-virus software are available to students for free, Mayne said.

The security patches have brought forth positive feedback from students such as Stella South, a senior political science major.

"There seem to have been fewer viruses and computer problems since the free patches were given to students about two or three years ago," South said.

Even with such programs ready for student use, there is always risk for a compromise in an unprotected computer. "Without the most updated patches and security software, an unprotected computer may take only 30 minutes to compromise," Mayne said.

Seven graduate from KinderFrogs School

Group is largest to finish program since inception

By ELISA GOMEZ
Staff Reporter

Graduation from TCU is a day many students wait at least 22 years for, but for some of the littlest Horned Frogs, that day comes sooner.

In June 2006, the KinderFrogs School graduated seven children, its largest class since the school began in 2000.

KinderFrogs is a laboratory school located within the School of Education. It provides educational services for children who have Down syndrome and other developmental delays.

Although seven children may not seem like many, the school usually graduates one per year. KinderFrogs has grown from 20 students last year to 30 students this year; the number of teachers has increased from seven to 12.

Sam Deitz, dean of the School of Education, said the school is growing because it is unique and caters to children with special needs.

"The reason the school was created was to help TCU students do their jobs better," said Deitz.

Many of the students who help at KinderFrogs are in the School of Education, as well as from other departments, such as those within the College of Health and Human Sciences.

There are also students who volunteer their time to help with the KinderFrogs program. Many students who volunteer have various assignments from different classes or volunteer

for community service purposes.

Ryan Huey, a junior biology major, said volunteering with the school is a great way to put things in perspective and students do not realize they can volunteer any day.

"And it's also a great way to get back into the real world," Huey said.

Marilyn Tolbert, director of the KinderFrogs School, said she has seen tremendous growth in the amount of volunteer help since she came to the school in 2003.

"During this past school year, we logged over 3,000 volunteer hours," Tolbert said.

One of the programs within the KinderFrogs School is the L.E.A.P. program, which is designed to prepare older children for public school.

Kristen Adams, the KinderFrogs teacher in charge of the L.E.A.P. program, spoke with other kindergarten teachers to form an understanding of what skills children need to have before entering a public kindergarten class.

Adams said the Fort Worth Independent School District stresses having respect for others and maintaining a longer attention span while participating in group activities.

KinderFrogs also aims to help students develop social, independent and mechanical skills, as well as developing self-confidence.

Adams said she saw a lot of growth in the children over the year.

"By the end of the year, when I would offer to help them, they would say 'nope, nope, I'll get it myself,'" Adams said.

Judge rules unwarranted surveillance unconstitutional

By RON HUTCHESON AND MARGARET TALEV
McClatchy Newspapers

In a scathing rebuke, a federal judge ruled Thursday that the Bush administration's warrantless eavesdropping program is unconstitutional and should be shut down, but legal scholars said the administration has a good chance of reversing the decision on appeal.

"There are no hereditary kings in America and no power not created by the Constitution," U.S. District Judge Anna Diggs Taylor of Detroit said in a 43-page opinion blasting the program.

Taylor said that the program, which President Bush secretly approved after the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, violated the rights of free speech and privacy and went far beyond

the president's authority. Administration officials say the surveillance program targets telephone calls and e-mails between the United States and suspected terrorists overseas.

The Justice Department immediately appealed the ruling, and all the parties agreed that the Bush administration is free to keep eavesdropping without warrants pending the Sept. 7 appeals court hearing.

While the ruling was a clear victory for Bush's critics, it didn't end the legal battle over the government's secret eavesdropping. Legal scholars said the administration had a good chance of winning its appeal to the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati, which handles cases from Michigan, Kentucky, Ohio and Tennessee.

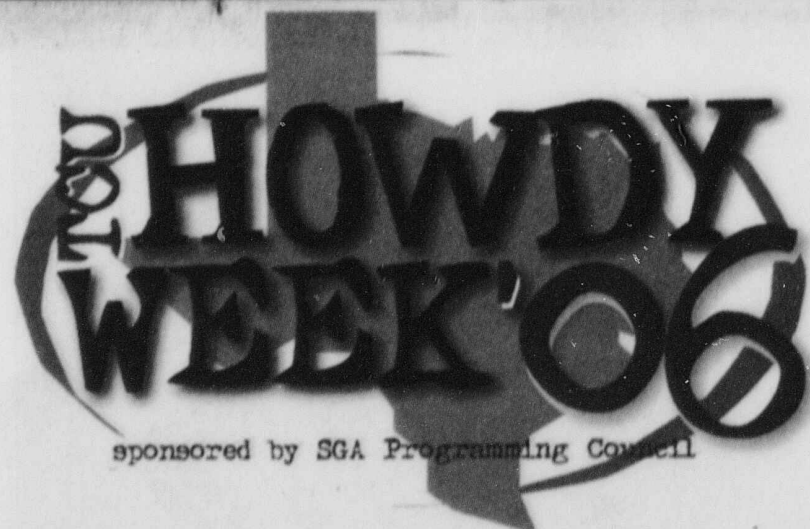
"This isn't the definitive word," said

Bruce Fein, a Washington lawyer who agreed with Taylor's conclusions. "This is going to the 6th Circuit. If the 6th Circuit goes against the government, it's going to the Supreme Court."

Carl Tobias, a constitutional scholar at the University of Richmond's law school, said the 6th Circuit tended to be sympathetic to the government's national-security concerns.

"There are more judges on that court who come down on the national security end of the spectrum than the civil liberties end," he said. "The majority probably would reverse this decision."

Administration officials suggested that the ruling, if it stands, will increase the risk of a terrorist attack.



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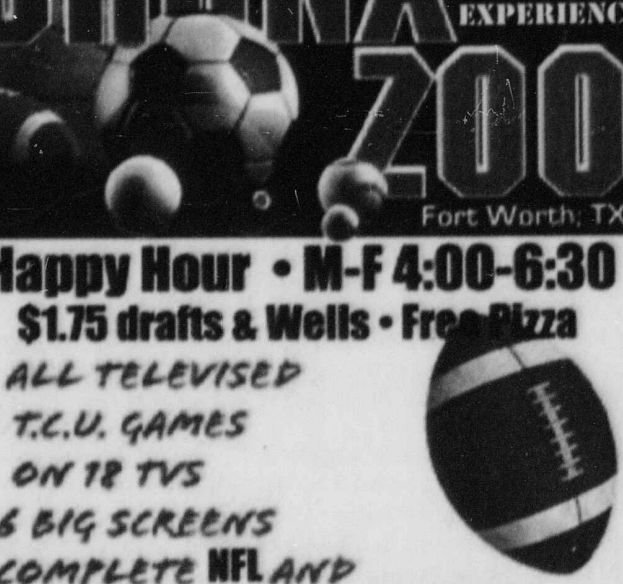


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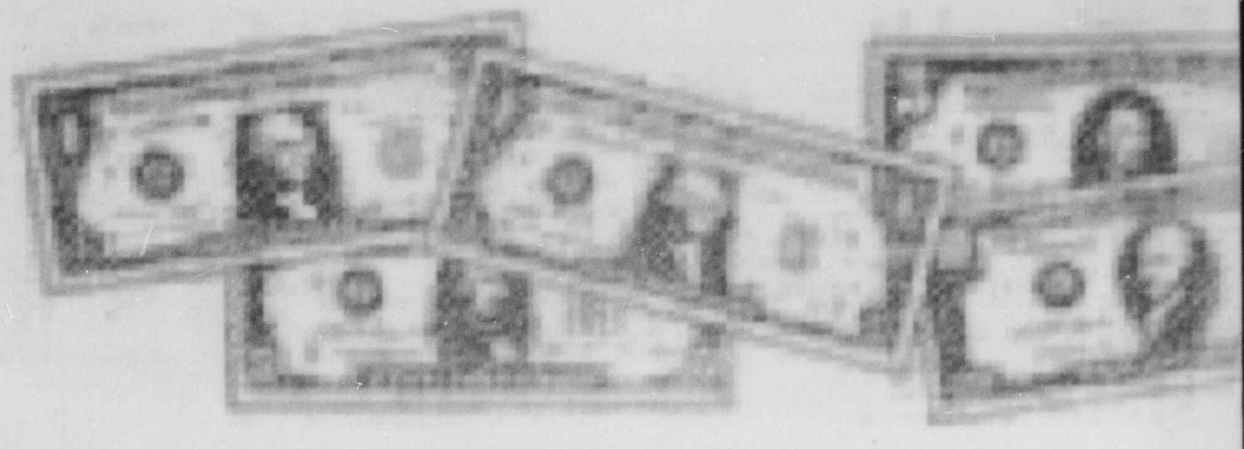
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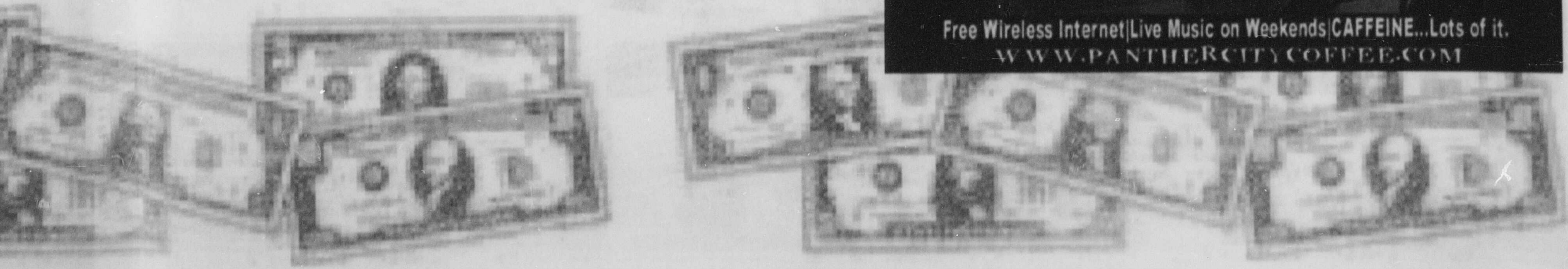
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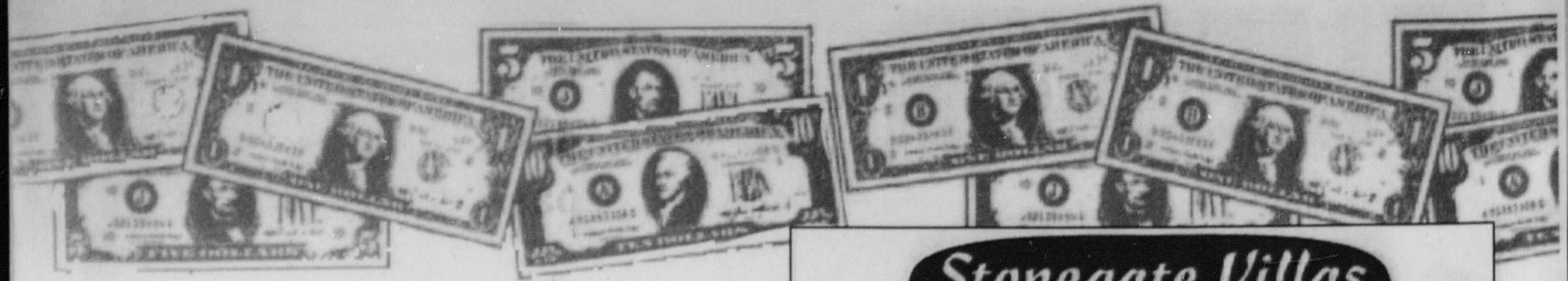
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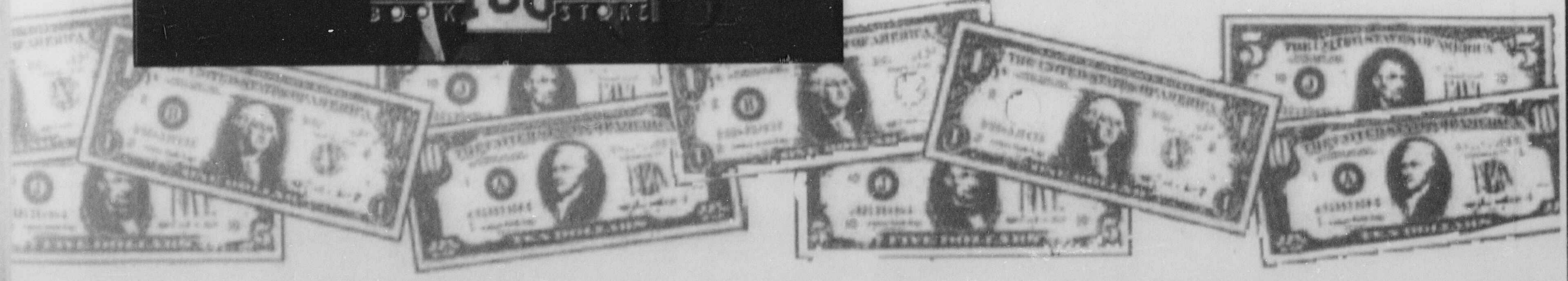
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By SHARON NOGUCHI
San Jose Mercury News

Like many teenage boys, Sam Suyeyasu spends three to five hours a day blasting virtual enemies into oblivion with his Xbox. But at least one thing makes Suyeyasu very different: He's getting paid.

Under the moniker of "Samurai," Suyeyasu and his gaming team, XiT Woundz, travel around the country and compete for cash prizes. Throw in the \$50 an hour fans pay him for private lessons, and he expects he'll clear \$25,000 this year from gaming.

Not bad for a 19-year-old Californian who just earned his high-school equivalency diploma last year.

As video game promoters push for gaming to become the next big TV spectator sport — and perhaps even an Olympic event — more teens are hoping their video game skills will carry them to stardom and riches. Some at the top, like Suyeyasu, forgo school to establish themselves in gaming.

"We're building the next youth sport in the U.S.," said Michael Sepso, chief executive of Major League Gaming, a New York-based professional league whose national competitions attract some 1,200 pro and amateur gamers and 5,000 spectators at a time. "We see ourselves as the next NASCAR."

Pro gamers earn from a few hundred dollars to six-figure incomes, depending on their skills. Winners' pots and sponsorship offers are proliferating, fed by advertisers anxious to reach the lucrative and largely male teen-to-35-year-old market.

Gamers' parents, meanwhile, are trying to shake off doubts about their kids making a profession out of what was once a pastime.

Kay Suyeyasu has mixed feelings about how her son — whose team is ranked No. 5 in the nation in the multiplayer combat game "Halo 2" — spends his time. While she's proud of his success, "I don't like the idea of going around shooting people."

A pro gamer's day may begin in midafternoon and run until nearly dawn, which may put a squeeze on those with classes and jobs.

As in anything demanding quick reactions and hand-eye coordination, young people hold the advantage. At 21, Peter "Foulacy" Dietrich of Palo Alto, Calif., is one of the older players among Major League Gaming's 150 pros.

"Basically, I saw an opportunity to make a lot of money in the next few years," said Dietrich, who had a 3.7 grade-point average in college but quit last winter to game full time. "I thought I'd ride this video game thing until I can no longer be one of the top players."

Talmadge Wright, an associate professor of sociology at Loyola University in Chicago, notes that while Major League Gaming is set to begin airing its tournaments on cable TV in November, it isn't likely to push the pastime into mainstream consciousness.

But he gives credit to fledgling leagues like MLG and the rival Cyberathlete Professional League. "They're trying to convert what people thought of as an idle activity into a professional sport," said Wright, who has stud-

ied gamers who play the police-terrorist shooting game "Counter-Strike."

At the marathon three-day tournaments, which are usually held at hotels, caffeine is the beverage of choice. Energy drink brands such as Red Bull advertise heavily there, along with automotive, cell phone and video game retailers.

"Compared with the average 21-year-old who's holding down a job at Kmart or in construction, they're not going out at night carousing in bars or drinking beer. They're living a pretty clean life," said Paul Dietrich, Peter's father.

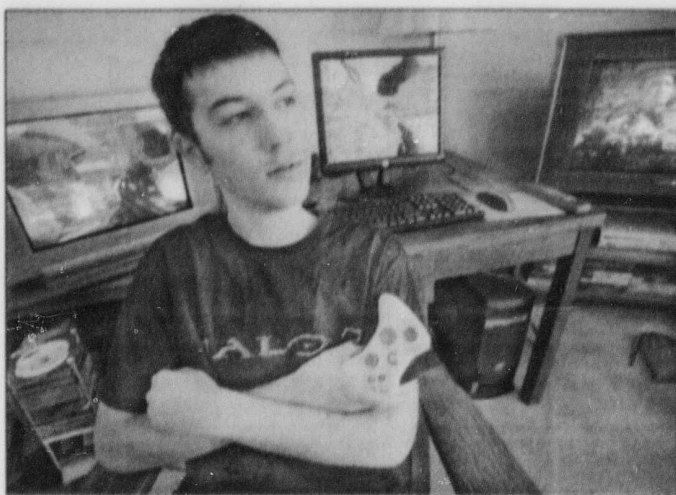
That's one upside the elder Dietrich, a molecular biologist, sees in gaming. Dietrich had thought his son might attend University of California, Santa Cruz after graduating high school three years ago. Like some players' parents, he ticked off other benefits — traveling, making money, meeting nice people — that gaming has offered his son.

Still, "professional gamer" isn't an answer that comes easily to parents who explain what their college-age children are doing.

Some big names in gaming caution against quitting school or work. "It's certainly not big enough where it could support more than a handful of players as a full-time job," said Dennis Fong, who in 1996 quit University of California, Berkeley, to play professionally and founded a gaming company with his brother.

Yet Fong's success lures young gamers. He reaped hundreds of thousands of dollars in winnings and endorsements. He sold one company, an instant messenger and social networking site for gamers, in April to MTV Networks for \$102 million.

When he quit school, his parents were unenthusiastic. "After I brought home a Ferrari they were like, well, OK, maybe there's something in this gaming," said Fong, 29.



RICK MARTIN / San Jose Mercury News
Peter Dietrich poses for photograph in his game room, July 19, 2006. Dietrich, who had a 3.7 grade-point average at Foothill College, quit last winter to game full time.

Cruise industry urges delay for passenger passport requirement

By LESLEY CLARK
McClatchy Newspapers

The travel industry is pressing the Bush administration to delay a security measure that would require all cruise passengers and air travelers taking trips beyond U.S. borders to carry passports starting Jan. 8.

The measure — part of a larger federal anti-terrorism effort — eventually would require all travelers, including U.S. citizens, traveling between the United States, Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean and Bermuda to have a passport or "other accepted document" to enter or re-enter the United States.

The proposal, which has been published in the Federal Register and is under review, would be phased in over two years. But Travel Industry Association President Roger Dow said Thursday that the cruise industry, in particular, was ill-equipped to meet the proposed 2007 target date because few people who booked cruises had passports.

The requirement would be imposed on airline passengers at the same time, but Dow said the airlines began asking travelers to Canada and Mexico for passports several years ago. He noted that many air travelers, unlike occasional cruise-line passengers, already carry passports.

"We're concerned about the potential for chaos" in the cruise industry, Dow said, adding that the industry is asking the administration for a "modest extension" to June 2009.

The requirement for passports would be extended to land border crossings with

Canada and Mexico in January 2008. Travel experts fear that it could put a damper on travel from Canada, which is the United States' largest international travel market.

The industry is also pressing its case with Congress, and measures calling for a delay have advanced in the Senate, sponsored by Sens. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, and Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., who warned that federal agencies are ill-prepared to carry out the program. A spokesman for Leahy said a 17-month delay was contained in two spending bills and that there was no known opposition to postponing the requirement in the House of Representatives or the Senate.

"Momentum has been building since the effort began," David Carle said.

Leahy has warned that the effort could cause "major disruptions in commerce, tourism and travel," particularly in Canada, because Canadians now can cross the border with only driver's licenses.

The industry says the delay also would give the United States time to develop a "passport card," a driver's-license type of identification that the government says would be less expensive than a \$100 passport but would require the same identification to secure.

The Department of Homeland Security didn't return phone calls asking for comment, but Rick Webster of the Travel Industry Association said the group thought it was "pretty clear" that the administration wouldn't ask for a delay in carrying out the changes.

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BISTRO BURNETT

Classical musicians end marriage, career together

By GENE D'ALESSANDRO
The Philadelphia Inquirer (MCT)

One of classical music's power couples has called it quits. Violinist Anne-Sophie Mutter and composer and conductor Andre Previn have ended their four-year marriage, according to a report on Play-

bill.com. Word on the street is that the aging Previn was unable to keep up with Mutter's frenetic schedule of touring and recording.

Previn, 77, has been married four times previously, most famously to actress Mia Farrow. Mutter, 43, had been mar-

ried once before, to attorney Detlef Wundelich (also nearly three decades her senior), who died in 1995.

It is speculated that the Mutter-Previn relationship took root during a 1999 European tour with the Curtis Symphony Orchestra.

Englishman declared world strip poker champion

A hirsute freelance writer from Slough, England, became the first-ever world strip poker champion. John Young, 32, secured the win after an eight-hour competition involving nearly 200 men and women from 12 countries.

Young celebrated his 10,000 pounds (\$18,860) prize by removing his remaining clothes, and earning an additional 10,000 pounds for charity.

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HBO dominates Creative Arts Emmy Awards

HBO garnered the most gold at the 58th edition of the Creative Arts Emmy Awards, held Saturday in Los Angeles. The awards, which precede Sunday's main Emmy ceremony, recognize technical and creative achievement for the 2005-06 television season.

HBO- whose 95 nominations were the most this year- took home 17 statuettes, including five for the miniseries "Elizabeth I." "Baghdad ER," the cable channel's documentary about a U.S. Army medical team in Iraq, and the series "Rome" each won four Emmys.

"The Simpsons" won an outstanding animated program for the ninth time, beating out "South Park's" Scientology-skewing "Trapped in the Closet" episode.

A two-hour Creative Arts Emmys special will be shown at 8 p.m. Saturday on E! Entertainment Television. The prime-time Emmys ceremony will be hosted by Conan O'Brien at 8 p.m. Sunday on NBC.

Burke to wed Baywatch co-star

"Baywatch" beauty Brooke Burke will tie the knot for a second time- to her former co-star, French actor/musician David Charvet.

Charvet popped the question Saturday at a party and presented his brunette bride-to-be with an engagement band, according to People magazine.

Earlier this month, the

two revealed they were expecting their first child together. Burke, 34, who hosts "Rock Star: Supernova," has two daughters from her marriage to Garth Fisher, a plastic surgeon featured on ABC's "Extreme Makeover."

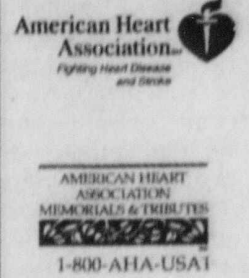
Charvet, also 34, played lifeguard Matt Brody on "Baywatch," and also starred on "Melrose Place."

Killer duets album released

After five years and four different record labels, Jerry Lee Lewis' "Last Man Standing"- an album of all-star duets- will hit stores Sept. 26. On the 21-track record, "The Killer" sings with Merle Haggard, George Jones, Kris Kristofferson, Toby Keith, Willie Nelson, Bruce Springsteen, Eric Clapton, B.B. King, Mick Jagger, Ronnie Wood, and Little Richard.

Lewis, who turns 71 on Sept. 29, is scheduled to perform at the Farm Aid concert at the Tweeter Center in Camden, N.J., on Sept. 30. Happy B-day, Killer.

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Teen earns masters degree at age 18

By SCOTT TRAVIS
South Florida Sun-Sentinel

Arie Israel isn't your typical doctoral candidate.

He doesn't have a bachelor's degree.

He never received a high school diploma.

In fact, he's barely old enough to vote.

But Aug. 11, on his 18th birthday, the Boca Raton, Fla., whiz kid received his master's degree in mathematics from Florida Atlantic University. And next month, he will attend Princeton University, where he will enroll in a math Ph.D. program. One of the world's top mathematicians recommended him for

the program.

Israel is one of the youngest students, and possibly the youngest, to earn a master's degree from FAU during its 41-year history. University officials said they'd have to do extensive research to confirm that.

But Israel doesn't see his accomplishment as any extraordinary feat.

"I never thought of myself as more advanced or better than anyone else," he said. "I just wanted to learn."

The prodigy started taking classes at Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton at 14. His professors soon realized his mathematical

skills far exceeded those of the average undergraduate. They made the unusual move of placing him in a graduate-degree program.

"The system is not set up for people of that age," FAU President Frank Brogan said. "When you do see on rare occasion someone with that level of capability, you have to bend the process to allow for it."

Israel's education has been nontraditional in almost every way. He grew up in Princeton, N.J. and Boca Raton, but never attended a regular school. His parents homeschooled both him and his older sister Rachel, allow-

ing them to work at their own pace and discover their own interests. His dad, Benjamin, a computer programmer, helped him with math and science, while his mom, Rebekah, taught him English and history.

Arie Israel has loved math for as long as he can remember, and as a young child, read two math books every year. By 13, he completed high-school calculus.

He continued learning upper-level math through online classes from Massachusetts Institute of Technology. And he kept reading more math textbooks. But soon, he longed for a classroom setting.

"I bought a book on vector calculus, and I started reading it and wasn't able to move through it," he said. "The math was getting at a higher level. I realized I could get a lot more out of a teacher than studying by myself."

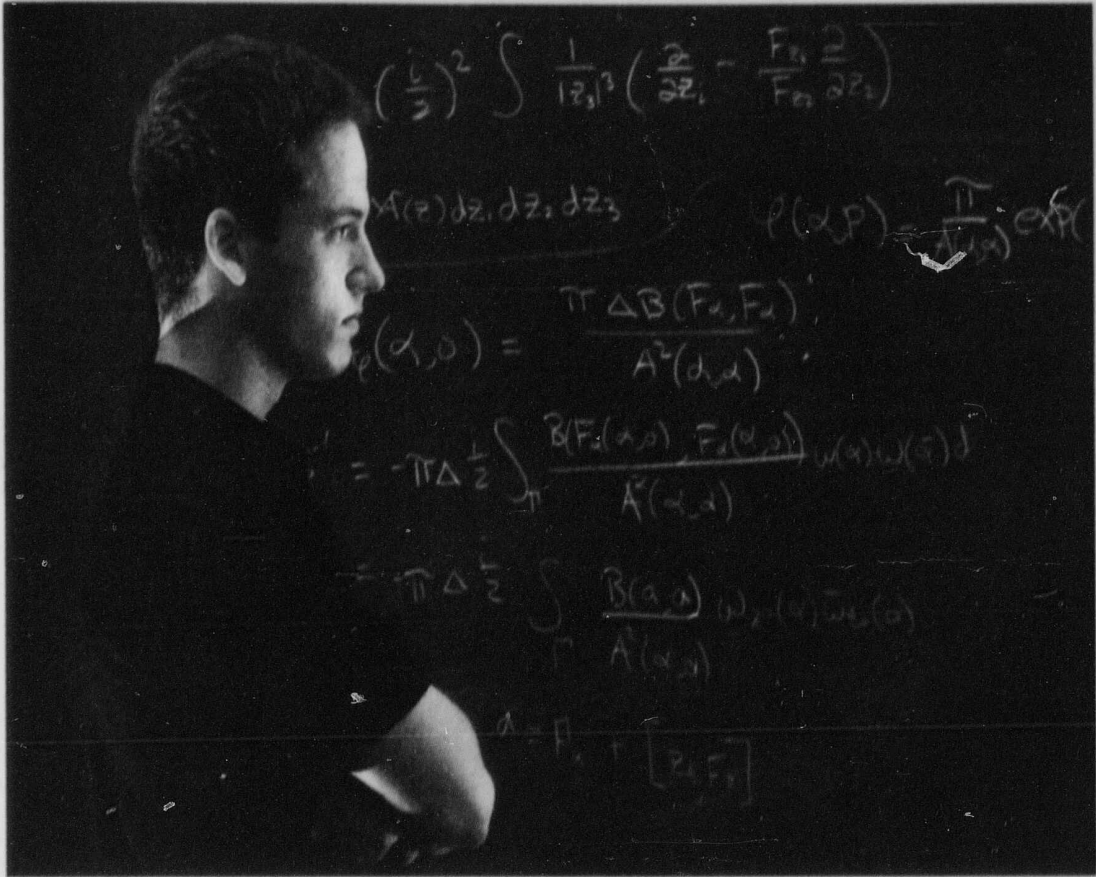
So in the spring of 2003, at 14, he entered FAU through a dual-enrollment program. This state program allows advanced, high-school-aged students to take college classes for free. He wasn't on a degree track but was just taking isolated math classes that interested him.

One of his professors, Yoram Sagher, took an interest in Israel and guided him through his studies. At first, Sagher wanted him to pursue a bachelor's degree, but Israel wasn't interested in taking English, history or foreign-language classes. Israel and his parents subscribed to the school of thought that students should focus on what interests them.

Another complicating fac-

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Arie Israel stands before the chalk board, exuding his confidence in math despite his lack of a high school diploma.

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tor was that Israel had no academic record. He didn't even qualify for a GED, because he wasn't 16, Sagher said.

Not wanting to lose Israel, Sagher persuaded university officials to admit him into the master's program.

"I went to a dean and said 'Ten years from now this guy will be a professor at Princeton. Do you want FAU to get credit?'" Sagher said. "The hallmark of a good university is not that it has good rules. It's that it makes good exceptions."

Sagher arranged for Israel to meet his long-time friend, Charles Fefferman, 57, a Princeton math professor. Fefferman was a prodigy who earned his Ph.D. from Princeton at 20. At 22, he became the youngest person ever appointed as a full professor. He won the Field Medal, the math equivalent of the Nobel Prize, at 28.

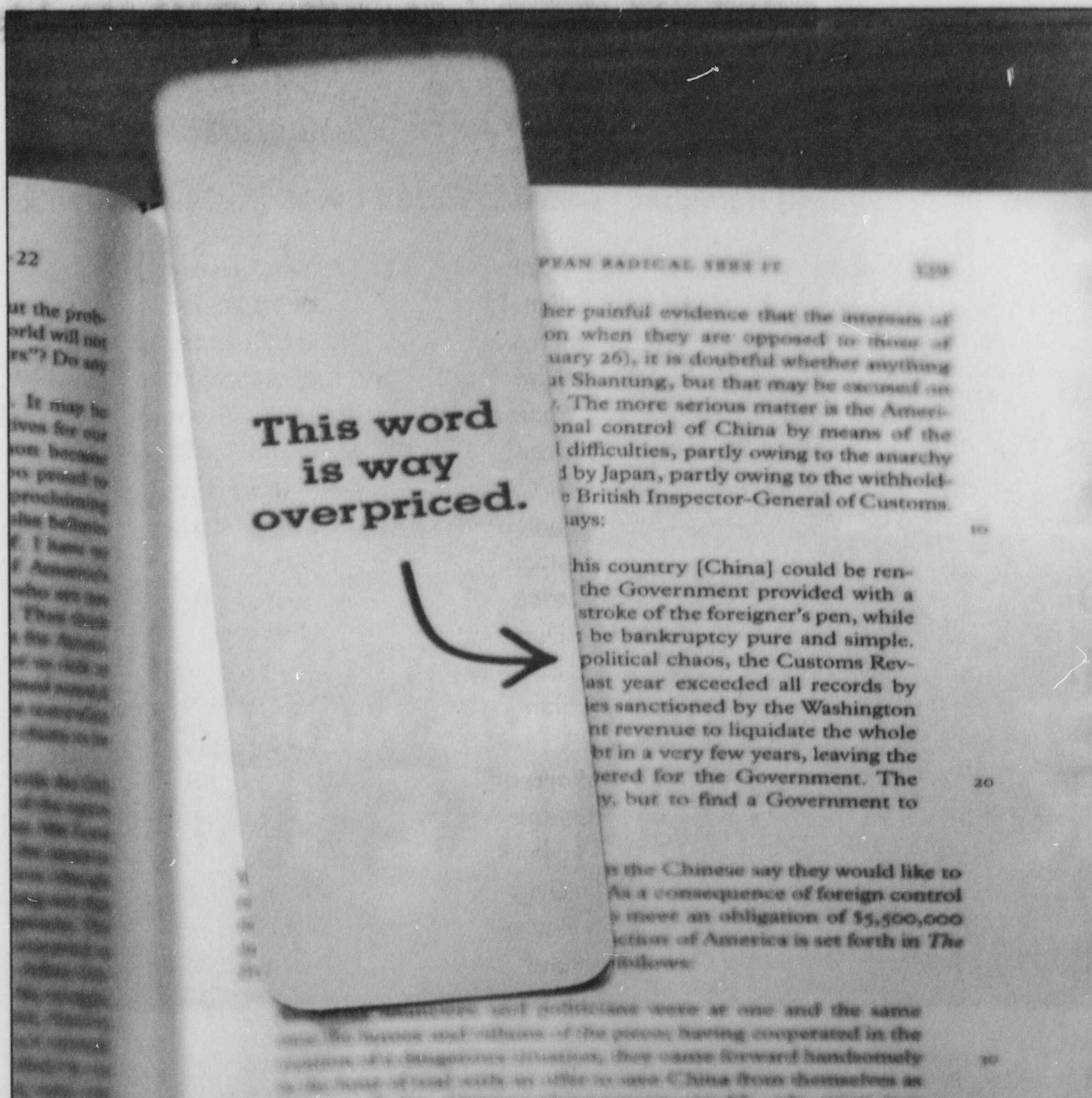
Fefferman tested Israel and determined that his knowledge and understanding of real analysis, a rigorous version of calculus, was that of a second-year Princ-

eton graduate student. Fefferman then wrote a letter of recommendation. He could not be reached for comment despite attempts by phone and e-mail.

As a graduate student, Israel started working as a teaching assistant at 15. At first, it was awkward, he said. They nicknamed him "Doogie Howser," referring to the teenage physician television character from the early 1990s. And they didn't respect him.

"They would talk in class, and I didn't have enough courage to say, 'Stop talking or get out,'" he said. "After that, I didn't tell them how old I was, and I think they just assumed I was 18 or 19."

He may be a mathematical genius, but in other ways, Israel is a regular kid who loves playing baseball and watching the Miami Heat. As a kid, one of his hobbies was racing remote control cars. "He's a remarkably normal boy. He has very nice social graces," Sagher said. "He's a remarkable all-American boy."



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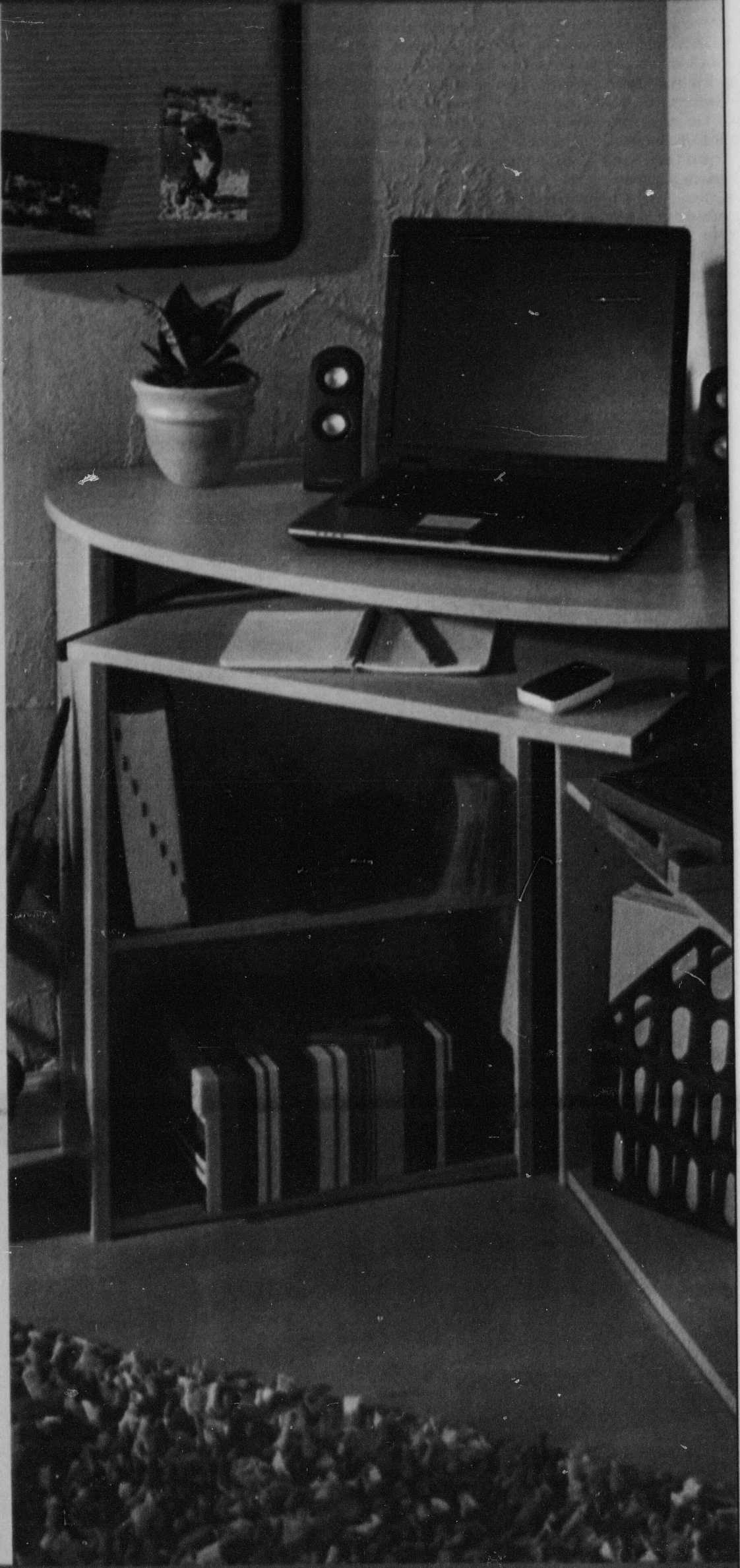
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Egypt's safety standards questioned after crash

By MIRET EL NAGGAR
McClatchy Newspapers

At least 58 people were killed and 142 injured Monday in a high-speed crash of passenger trains north of Cairo that was Egypt's deadliest rail disaster in years and raised concern over the government's safety standards.

The two trains, whose passengers were mostly rural state workers and police officers headed to work in Cairo, were on the same track when one smashed into the other from behind in the city of Qalyoub, in the Nile Delta region. Survivors and rescue workers described a gruesome tangle of bodies trapped under heavy iron wreckage.

"All the people around me were dead and covered with newspapers and when I woke up, I found they had covered me with newspapers, too," said Rabah Abdelaty Rehan, 31, whose minor injuries were treated at a hospital in Cairo.

He had been sitting across from a traffic police officer whose head was severed.

"May God have mercy on his family and give them patience," Abdelaty said sadly.

Transportation Minister Mohamed Mansour said the crash was under investigation. "It could be human error, but we have to wait for the results," he said.

Survivors of the crash and relatives of the dead were outraged at the poor condition of the trains, which they described as stuffy, enclosed cars with no ventilation. Poor Egyptians who rely on trains because they cost less than taxis or buses

said they were used to suffering from winter cold and summer heat.

"We will file a complaint against the railway authority," said Khaled Abdelfattah, whose brother, Hesham, suffered broken bones and internal bleeding. "This is so unjust."

Mansour acknowledged that the railway authority was in bad shape and needed renovation, and he blamed recent budget cuts of an estimated \$268 million. He said the government had been drawing up a five-year plan to address the concerns.

"We admit there are problems, and since last March we've said the state railway authority needs major improvements," Mansour said. "The trains, the railway, the signals, all need repairing."

The Egyptian government announced that it would pay compensation to the victims and their families: \$1,000 for those killed in the crash and \$500 for the injured.

In an apparent effort to stave off criticism, officials from President Hosni Mubarak's ruling party visited survivors in the hospital and pledged to contribute money and coffins to the families of those who died.

"We came to check on the injured, to see if they need anything," said Mohamed Haggag, a Cairo councilman and a member of the ruling National Democratic Party.

Transportation tragedies aren't rare in Egypt. Most are caused by negligence and poor maintenance, according to independent reports and investigations.

Drug trafficking affecting Texas

By KEVIN G. HALL
McClatchy Newspapers

At a Circle K convenience store in this desolate border town, where drugs and illicit earnings flow back and forth almost freely, a man parks his black Ford pickup with tinted windows and begins hawking a live zebra.

The animal, bleeding and abused, usually is found on the African Serengeti. But in this poor town in one of the poorest counties in the United States, the asking price is \$6,000 cash — no questions asked.

Welcome to the U.S.-Mexico border, where just about anything can and does happen. The zebra swalesman is a grim reminder of the Wild West atmosphere that prevails along much of the 2,000-mile border, where drugs, aliens and money are smuggled 24/7.

Before the arrest last week of Javier Arellano Felix, the alleged leader of Mexico's ruthless Tijuana drug cartel, the national debate over illegal immigrants crossing the border drove the drug war off the front pages.

But make no mistake about it, America's drug war rages on. Here in the Rio Grande Valley sector, cocaine seizures by Border Patrol agents have more than doubled so far this fiscal year and now account for more than half of all Border Patrol seizures along the southern border.

Halting the flow of illicit drugs here, much like the flow of illegal immigrants, is nearly impossible. There are about 1,400 Border Patrol agents assigned to cover an area that spans 18,584 square miles, including along the Rio Grande river and the Gulf of Mexico. That's about one agent for every 13.2 square miles.

On any given day, traffickers smuggle cocaine into and



A U.S. Border Patrol officer searches for drugs at the Falfurrias check point in Southern Texas. The vast open spaces, and proximity to major U.S. highways, make South Texas a point of preference for the powerful Mexican drug cartels. (Diego Giudice/MCT)

around border towns such as Roma and Rio Grande City, where 60 percent of the children live in poverty and only 6 percent of the population has attended college.

Go west of McAllen and walk along the banks of the Rio Grande — called the Rio Bravo, or Angry River, in Mexico — and evidence of illicit activity abounds. On the Mexican side of the river, smugglers and would-be undocumented workers loiter, waiting for night to fall. Several have established camps in what appears to be the middle of nowhere.

On the U.S. side, discarded tires, clothes and assorted trash litter the most remote riverbanks — the by-product of drug and immigrant smuggling.

"We see a steady flow throughout the whole Rio Grande Valley sector," Jose Vicente Rodriguez, a Border Patrol agent and spokesman, said during a tour of an inland highway checkpoint in Falfurrias.

The vast open spaces and proximity to major U.S. highways make South Texas a point of preference for the powerful

Mexican drug cartels.

"The infrastructure in both Mexico and the United States, mainly the highway system, allows traffickers quick access for getting their product through Mexico and into destination cities in the United States," said Will Glaspy, the head of operations in South Texas for the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. "Here we have highways, so it's easy for drug loads to be hidden in with normal traffic on the highways to get out of Mexico and the Rio Grande Valley."

Highway access is what drug cartels are fighting over a few hours to the west in Laredo. Drug violence there is spilling over from Mexico as the Gulf and Juarez cartels, and the Sinaloa cartel, run by violent fugitive Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman, battle for dominance of a route that feeds into U.S. Interstate 35 and the American heartland.

In the Rio Grande Valley, such violence is rare. The Gulf cartel is thought to dominate, and its competitors are willing to pay for access to the collection of ranch state roads that feed into the interstates that

spread out from Houston to the East Coast.

"The Gulf cartel doesn't care if Chapo Guzman is moving a load of drugs through here, as long as he pays," said a senior U.S. law-enforcement official, who requested anonymity because of his ongoing work in the drug war.

For years, Mexicans thought the drug trade was a U.S. problem that needed to be tackled by quelling the demand of addicts and recreational drug users.

Today, Mexico is experiencing its own drug plague. It's wrestling with an alarming increase in drug use among its youth and an explosion of violence deep in its interior. Existing and up-and-coming drug gangs are gunning it out for control of entry routes in the south and domestic distribution.

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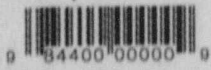
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LINENS-N-THINGS

Bush defends decision to keep troops in Iraq

By RON HUTCHESON
McClatchy Newspapers

President Bush issued an urgent call Monday for nations to join an international peacekeeping mission in Lebanon, and he pledged \$230 million to help rebuild the war-ravaged country.

In a news conference dominated by foreign policy, Bush also acknowledged that the war in Iraq is "straining the psyche of our country," but he rejected calls for withdrawal.

"We're not leaving, so long as I'm the president. That would be a huge mistake," he said. "If you think it's bad now, imagine what Iraq would look like if the United States leaves before this (Iraqi) government can defend itself and sustain itself."

The president emphasized that establishing the peacekeeping operation in Lebanon is critical to maintaining the fragile week-old cease-fire between Israel and Hezbollah militants. The 34 days of war between them raised fears that the violence might spread throughout the volatile Middle East, alarming financial markets sensitive to threats to the global oil trade.

"The need is urgent," Bush said, calling for deployment "as quickly as possible."

The president's appeal for help in Lebanon came as diplomats at the United Nations struggled to assemble a peacekeeping force and define its rules of engagement. The first 3,500 members of a proposed 15,000-member force are supposed to arrive in Lebanon by Aug. 28, but volunteers have been slow in coming.

Italy offered 2,000 troops on Monday, but other European countries — mindful that previous peacekeeping mis-

sions got trapped in shooting war zones — have been reluctant to commit until diplomats provide clear rules of engagement. Especially worrisome is who'll have responsibility for disarming Hezbollah and under what terms.

"Why would any sane person want to put their peacekeepers in this kind of situation?" said Aaron Miller, a Middle East expert at the Woodrow Wilson Center, a foreign-policy institute in Washington, and a former adviser to six secretaries of state. "Lebanon has proven to be the graveyard so many times of best intentions and committed efforts to do this sort of thing."

Although France had been expected to lead the peacekeeping operation, it pledged just 200 troops and declined to take charge. Israel has objected to the participation of Muslim troops from Malaysia, Indonesia and other countries that don't recognize Israel.

Bush seemed to concede that disarming Hezbollah wouldn't happen anytime soon. Israel agreed to the cease-fire on Aug. 12 with the understanding that Hezbollah would give up its weapons.

The cease-fire went into effect on Aug. 14, but it threatened to break down Saturday when Israeli commandos struck in Lebanon in a raid said to be aimed at blocking a resupply of weapons to Hezbollah fighters.

Bush said the immediate goal is to establish a security buffer and prevent Hezbollah from replenishing its supply of rockets and other weapons.

At the United Nations, U.S. Ambassador John Bolton echoed Bush on the need for



CHUCK KENNEDY PHOTO
U.S. President George W. Bush during a news conference in Washington, D.C., August 21, 2006. Bush said an international force is urgently needed to keep peace on the Lebanese-Israeli border and announced a \$230 million aid package to Lebanon that includes 25,000 tons of wheat. (Chuck Kennedy/MCT)

fast action on a peacekeeping force, but he declined to rate chances for success.

"It's still a work in progress. I think that's the best I can say," he said. "The timing here remains critical. There's no question about it."

As for the \$230 million in U.S. aid, Bush said it would be used to rebuild homes, roads, bridges, schools and other infrastructure that was destroyed by Israeli bombing raids. The figure includes \$50 million in humanitarian aid that's already been delivered and \$42 million to help train and equip the Lebanese army.

Independent analysts agreed that additional aid would make little difference if the peacekeeping mission fails.

"As long as there is no Lebanese national consensus and no international force, the situation will be very, very precarious," said Emile El-Hokayem, a Middle East expert at the Henry L. Stimson Center, a non-partisan foreign-policy think tank in Washington.

On Iraq, Bush defended his decision to invade, but he reflected: "These aren't joyous times. These are challenging times, and they're difficult

times, and they're straining the psyche of our country."

Polls show a majority of Americans believe the war in Iraq was a mistake, and most surveys put Bush's job-approval rating in the mid-to-high 30-percentile range.

Bush acknowledged that he's sometimes frustrated with developments in Iraq.

"I hear a lot of talk about that, of course, and I've talked to a lot of people about it," he said, adding that he's convinced that most Iraqis want a unified, democratic country.

On domestic issues, Bush expressed satisfaction with reconstruction since Hurricane Katrina, but told storm victims that "it's going to take a while to recover."

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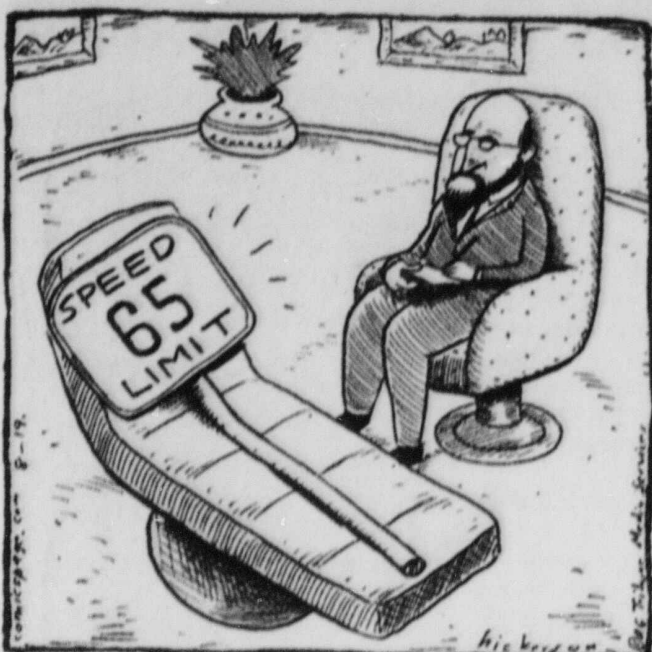
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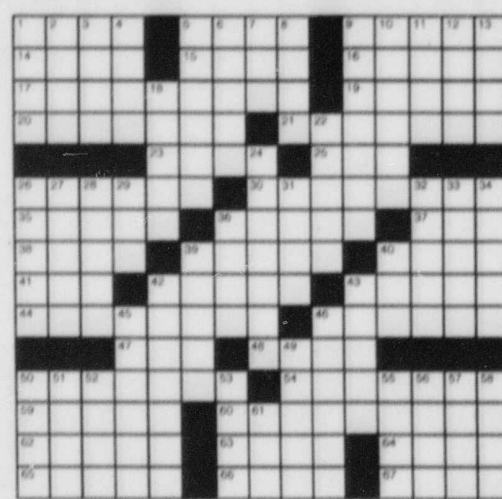
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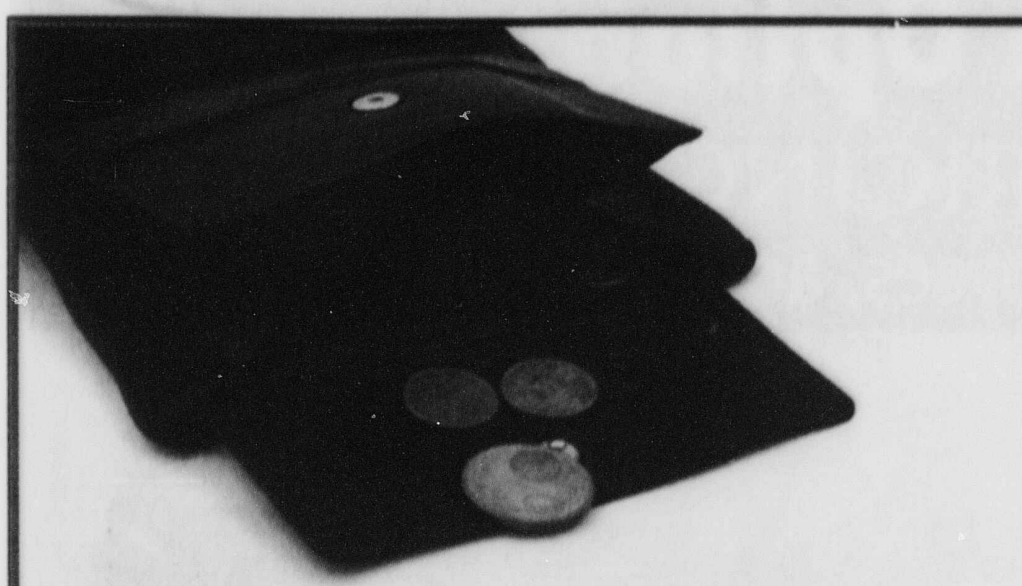


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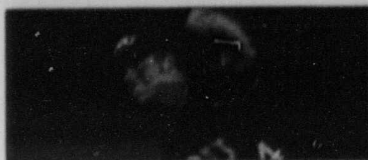
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FOOTBALL

Frogs look for more Mountain West success in 2006 season

By Billy Wessels
Staff Reporter

The defending Mountain West Conference champions, the Horned Frogs, finished last season (11-1, 8-0), including a win in the EVI.net Houston Bowl, and are now looking for a repeat performance this year.

"We have to play with energy to be great," said Gary Patterson, head football coach.

If the Horned Frogs are going to reach a BCS bowl this season, they will have to do so without some key players from last season. The Frogs lost a total of 11 starters, according to the 2006 Horned Frog football media guide.

The Horned Frog offense scored 33.2 points per game last season

and earned 399.9 yards of total offense per game, according to the 2006 Horned Frog football media guide.

This season, TCU will have to rebuild the cornerstone of the offense with only one starting offensive lineman, left tackle Herb Taylor, returning this season.

The right tackle is the only offensive line position we don't have a lot of experience at, Patterson said.

Jeff Ballard, who, according to the 2006 Horned Frog media guide, passed and ran for a combined 21 touchdowns last season, will need to duplicate his success.

Ballard will have the help of a strong backfield. Over the past four years, seniors Lonta Hobbs and Rob-

ert Merrill have combined a total of 5,177 yards. Hobbs could start the year at fullback, while Merrill and sophomore Aaron Brown would split time at running back, according to the 2006 Horned Frog media guide.

"When we move we are hard to block," Patterson said.

The defense led the nation in interceptions (26), takeaways (40) and turnover margin (+21) allowing 18.6 points and 107.9 rushing yards per game last season, according to the 2006 Horned Frog media guide.

Part of that success came from the departed cornerback duo of Quincy Butler and Drew Coleman. Red-shirt freshmen Nick Sanders and Rafael Priest are possible solu-

tions according to the 2006 Horned Frog media guide.

The Horned Frogs will start the year's schedule against the Baylor Bears, a young team on the rise.

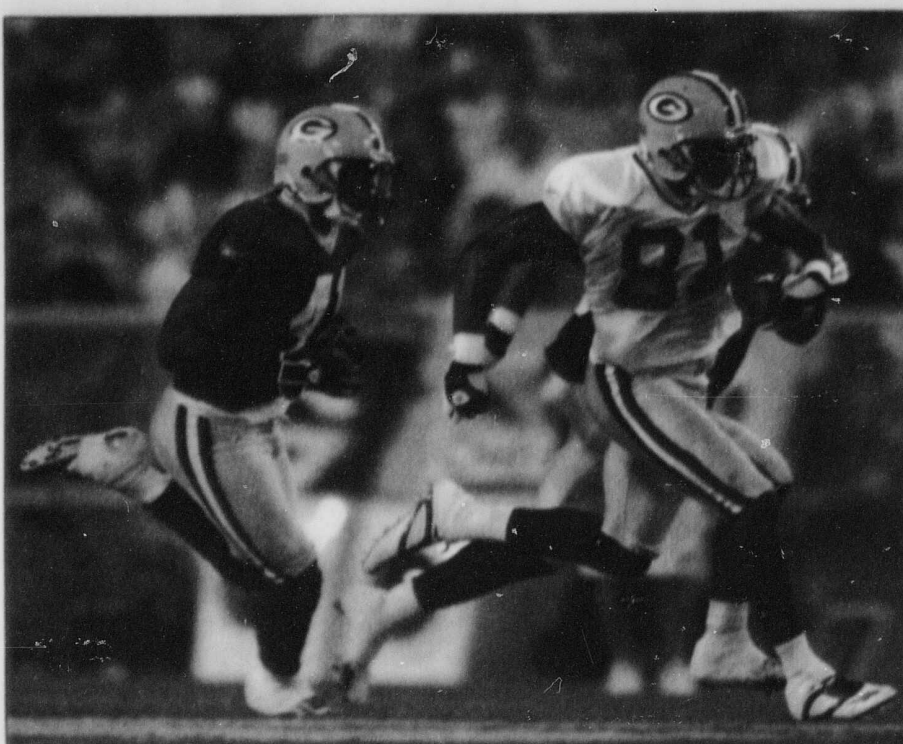
"They were a very good team last year," Patterson said. "They have good coaches and a new offense."

Another key to any good team is having the support of their fans. "I have high expectations coming in, just because of what they did last season," said Aaron Mullens, a freshman premajor.

Some students have even higher expectations.

"I expect to see a lot of touchdowns this season," said Nestor Gonzalez, a freshman premajor. "I expect a conference championship."

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Cory Rodgers makes tremendous strides at Green Bay Packer training camp after being drafted to the National Football League last spring.

Alum, NFL rookie gets rocky start

By RACHEL MCDANIEL
Staff Reporter

Former TCU football standout Cory Rodgers, who was drafted last spring by the Green Bay Packers, is showing improvement after a less-than-stellar summer of training camp and weapon charges.

Rodgers was drafted by the Packers in the fourth round as the 104th pick overall.

He signed a four-year, \$2.075 million contract with the Packers on July 26. The deal has a \$465,120 signing bonus and a starting base salary of \$275,000 for the 2006 season.

Rodgers decided to enter the draft last spring instead of finishing his senior year with the Frogs.

Gary Patterson, TCU head football coach, said he didn't necessar-

ily agree or disagree with Rodgers' decision to enter the draft.

"In that situation, the only thing I can do is tell him the positives and the negatives," Patterson said. "I can't have an opinion."

Shortly after being drafted, Rodgers was arrested at Stone Canyon Club in

Fort Worth and charged with unlawfully carrying a weapon and discharging a firearm. The NFL and the Packers did not take disciplinary action.

Rodgers has struggled during training camp with the Packers, with uncharacteristic problems catching the ball. The situation was getting so bad that Rodgers was booed at practice Aug. 10 for dropping four of 11 punt returns.

Patterson said the main thing for

Rodgers to focus on is doing everything he can to make the team. Only one out of about 32 rookies ever get on the team in the first place, he said.

"For a rookie, percentage wise, it's a huge achievement just to make the team," he said.

The Packers' Aug. 12 preseason game against the San Diego Chargers marked improvement for Rodgers, who caught both punts he faced in the game.

Rodgers returned the first punt for 13 yards and the second for five yards. He averaged 16.3 yards on three kickoff returns, with the longest return being 19 yards.

Rodgers, an All-American kick returner for the Frogs, was a career leader in kickoff return yards (1747), and total return yards (2572). He tied a TCU record with 17 career touchdown receptions and 10 touchdowns rushing.

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