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# House moves to support safer intersection

By Tealy Dippel  
STAFF REPORTER

The House of Student Representatives unanimously passed a resolution Tuesday encouraging TCU administrators to create a safer intersection at South University Drive and Bowie Street, where a TCU student was seriously injured in a hit-and-run Nov. 9.

Carlo Capua, chairman of the Permanent Improvements Committee, and Richard Segui, a town representative, submitted the resolution to House hoping to help prevent another accident at what they called "a hazardous

## Stop sign, speed bump suggested for University-Bowie crossing

intersection."

Tokio Sasaki, a freshman psychology major from Tokyo, Japan, was hit by a car at the intersection and carried almost 30 feet on South University.

"Since we belong to the student body, we have the power to get something started before something else dramatic happens, and we don't want someone to die before it does," Segui said.

Segui went to Capua a few days

before the hit-and-run accident with concerns about the dangers of the intersection, Segui said, but it was too late to draft legislation for that week's House meeting. Sasaki was hit the following Monday.

"Tokio's accident should be a message to the school and the student body that something needs to be done about the intersection," Segui said.

Capua said the resolution, which suggests that a stop sign and a speed

bump be installed, was amended to include a school zone as possible solutions to help make the intersection more safe for those crossing. The resolution is proof that students care about one another and the community, he said.

"We took a student concern and passed the resolution as a unified voice to make a safer campus," Capua said.

SGA President Ben Alexander said the resolution came out of a

general concern for the student injured and for others who cross the intersection.

"Anytime House passes a bill or resolution, it shows it has the emphatic support of the student body," he said.

The resolution will go to the administration today, and Alexander said he hopes the administration can take the resolution to the city of Fort Worth.

In other House business, the res-

olution to support changing the finals schedule for Spring 2000 was put aside and used as an informational handout and not as a piece of legislation.

House members were encouraged to use the handout as a source of information on the subject because the Academic Affairs Committee has decided to research the topic further and acquire more student input before deciding to propose possible changes.

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## Pulse BRIEFS

### CAMPUS

#### Commission to convene for first meeting today

The Commission on the Future of TCU convenes for the first time at 11:30 a.m. today in the Student Center Ballroom.

The Commission is a year-long planning effort aimed at determining what TCU must do to become one of the top 50 private universities in the country.

Commission Chairman Bob Schieffer, a 1959 TCU graduate and moderator of CBS News' "Face the Nation", will address the 452-member group at the kickoff lunch buffet. Chancellor Michael R. Ferrari and Board of Trustees Chairman John Roach will also outline the goals of the Commission during the welcome session.

The Commission's 17 task forces will have their initial meetings at 2:30 p.m. today to begin discussing TCU's most pressing issues for the coming century.

In addition to the launch of the Commission, the TCU Board of Trustees will also hold its fall meeting this week. The trustee committees will meet Thursday, and the official meeting of the entire board will be at 9 a.m. Friday.

The agenda was not available because the meetings are closed to the public, but several key issues — including plans for a new student center and recreational facility — will be discussed.

#### Duke engineering prof to speak on design's evolution

Henry Petroski, professor of engineering at Duke University, will be the featured speaker at the TCU Engineering Lecture at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Dan Rogers Hall, Room 341.

Petroski's topic will be "Design and Failure." He will cite examples from ancient history to modern times of how failure influences the evolution of design.

A reception will be held at 7 p.m. in the Tandy Building Atrium.

#### Brite Divinity School to host second Randle Lectureship

The Brite Divinity School will host the second annual Mark W. and Dorothy Campbell Randle Lectureship at 11 a.m. Thursday in the Robert Carr Chapel.

Don Browning, professor of ethics and social sciences at the University of Chicago Divinity School, will speak about religion, culture and family.

The lectureship has been funded by Randle and his wife, who have given 50 years worth of service to the Christian Church.



## HUNGER JAIL

Morgan Landry, a freshman English major, stands in the hunger jail during lunch hours Tuesday in the Student Center Lounge. To help raise money and awareness for Hunger Week, money could be donated to keep an individual in the jail or bail him or her out. The event will also be held today.

Sarah Kirschberg/SKIFF STAFF

## Meningitis cases unknown to TCU

### But vaccine for disease available at health center

By Kris Gutierrez  
STAFF REPORTER

Although meningococcal meningitis strikes 2,800 Americans each year, Dr. John Terrell, director of the Brown Lupton Health Center, said the disease hasn't been a recent problem at TCU.

"I've been here over 25 years, and I've never seen a case reported," he said.

Meningitis, an extremely contagious disease, comes in two forms, viral and bacterial. It enters the body through the nose and throat and spreads quickly. In both cases, viral and bacterial, symptoms are difficult to distinguish, and the disease spreads easily through

coughing and sneezing.

"In the early phases of the disease, it can act like anything from a cold to a sore throat," Terrell said. "That's the hard thing about it. Early on, it's a very difficult disease to diagnose."

Meningitis is a potentially deadly disease. During the 1998-99 academic year, 83 cases of meningitis were reported on college campuses nationwide. Of those 83, six people died.

Meningitis symptoms include vomiting, high fever, severe headaches, a stiff neck, drowsiness and joint pain.

"Once it's well established, you can crash and burn fast," Terrell said. "You can die within a matter of hours."

According to the American

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Members of the TCU community can get vaccines for meningitis for \$75 at the Brown-Lupton Health Center.

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## • THE FUTURE OF TCU •

a series of articles focusing on the changing faces of the university

## Focus on Community

University expands education, business to become more prominent in community

Jeri Petersen  
SENIOR REPORTER

With the Sept. 13 announcement of the establishment of an education center at the Alliance Development north of Fort Worth, TCU moved beyond the confines of University Drive. Like the University of North Texas, Texas Wesleyan University and the University of Texas at Arlington, TCU is taking education into the Fort Worth community.

Established in 1873, TCU had nearly a 20-year head start on the three other universities. But TCU was the last of the four to establish an education site away from the main campus.

Texas Wesleyan moved its law school to a downtown campus in 1997. UNT has a Health Sciences Center in Fort Worth and a campus in south Dallas. UTA opened a north Fort Worth campus earlier this year.

According to this year's college rankings in *U.S. News & World Report*, TCU ranks higher than the other three universities in graduation rate, SAT/ACT scores, freshman retention rate and alumni contribution rate.

Ranked in the second tier in the *U.S. News* report, TCU made a good showing nationally. Nevertheless, with several high-quality schools in the area from which to choose, local students need good reasons

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IN-DEPTH REPORT

"We've got to go beyond the community to reach a higher level of visibility and prestige. To gain prestige in the community, you need community support."

— WILLIAM H. KOEHLER, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs

## House meetings see growth in attendance

Increase in numbers due to hard work and motivated representatives, officials say

By Tealy Dippel  
STAFF REPORTER

Attendance at meetings of the House of Student Representatives is higher this semester than in previous ones, and executive members said the increase is due to a combination of hard work and motivated representatives.

This fall, there was a 90 percent turnout rate at House's first few Tuesday-evening meetings.

House Parliamentarian Zuberi Williams said he thinks the attendance increase is a result of the administration of Student Government Association President Ben Alexander.

"This semester, we have had the most-attended House meetings since I've been at TCU, and it's because of Ben's administration and leadership," Williams said.

Alexander said keeping atten-

dance up in House is always a challenge, but he said he is also impressed by the turnout this semester.

"I think we have some strong leaders who have come in and joined House and are interested in the projects we are working on," he said.

Alexander said it is important to make sure the projects House works on are the ones students are concerned about so representatives stay interested and feel like they are making a difference.

SGA Secretary Heather Windham said some of the problems plaguing House attendance in previous years have been time commitment and under-representation of town reps, off-campus members of House and Greek reps.

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## Student musicians to present jazz combo concert

### Ensemble will play concert music based on improvisation

By Carey Hix  
STAFF REPORTER

The School of Music's Jazz Studies program will present a combo concert Wednesday, which will feature selected musicians from

the Monday, Wednesday, Friday jazz ensemble.

The concert, which will take place at 7:30 p.m. at PepsiCo Recital Hall in the Mary D. and F. Howard Walsh Center for Performing Arts, will feature a variety of jazz compositions in a show lasting about one hour.

"(The performance will be) sort of short and sweet, right to the point," said Curt Wilson, a professor

of music and director of jazz studies.

The concert will be directed by Joey Carter, a graduate assistant in jazz studies, Wilson said.

The players include: Mark Lara, a sophomore music education major, on alto saxophone; Todd Alonso, a sophomore biology major, on tenor saxophone; Phillip Padgett, a senior general studies major, on baritone saxophone; Donny Pinson, a senior music education major, on trom-

bone; Joey Carter on piano; Jeremy Hull, a sophomore music education major, on bass; and Wes Griffin, a graduate student in music, on drums.

The musicians will play about 10 pieces, Wilson said. The variety of music featured will make the concert a unique experience.

The combo concert will focus on

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Who: The School of Music's Jazz Studies program

What: A combo concert, featuring selected musicians from the Monday, Wednesday, Friday jazz ensemble

When: 7:30 p.m. today

Where: PepsiCo Recital Hall in the Mary D. and F. Howard Walsh Center for Performing Arts

Cost: free

# Pulse

CAMPUS LINES

Announcements of campus events, public meetings and other general campus information should be brought to the TCU Daily Skiff office at Moudy Building South, Room 291, mailed to TCU Box 298050 or e-mailed to skiffletters@tcu.edu. Deadline for receiving announcements is 2 p.m. the day before they are to run. The Skiff reserves the right to edit submissions for style, taste and space available.

■ Alpha Phi Omega and Recreational Sports will sponsor Professors' Night Out from 5:30 to 11 p.m. Saturday in the Rickel Building. All faculty and staff are invited to bring their children. For more information, call 257-8296.

■ Harris College of Nursing will conclude its series of programs on exploring career opportunities in nursing with "How Can a Nurse Solve a Crime?" from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the Student Center, Room 203. A forensic nurse, specializing in crimes related to sexual assault, will discuss the role of the nurse in the growing field of forensics. For more information, call Melissa Austin-Weeks at 257-7497.

■ The English department will sponsor "Pong Jam: A Fast-Moving Synthesis of Poetry and Music," an improvisational poetry reading with audience participation, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday in the TCU Bookstore Café. The "Pong Jam" is an open mike event, and anyone who wishes to can stand up and read his or her own poetry.

■ The first mandatory pre-departure orientation session for all students studying abroad in Spring 2000 will be from 3 to 4 p.m. Thursday in the Student Center, Room 205. The session will cover all paperwork needing to be completed before departure.

■ RTVF Thursday Film Series will present "The Picture of Dorian Gray" (1945) at 7 p.m. Thursday in Moudy Building South, Room 164.

■ Special Events Committee of Programming Council will sponsor the annual Holiday Craft Fair from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 2 in the Student Center Lounge and Reading Room.

■ Parabola, the Mathematics Club, will sponsor "Geometry of the Universe," at 3:30 p.m. today in Winton-Scott Hall, Room 145. Igor Prokhorov, an assistant professor of math, will speak at the program. Refreshments will be available before the lecture from 3 to 3:30 p.m. in Winton-Scott Hall, Room 171.

■ The Rape Aggression Defense program, offered by TCU Police, will hold four free classes this week for any females interested in learning self-defense techniques. The RAD classes will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. until Thursday in the Rickel Building. Women interested in attending the classes can R.S.V.P. by calling TCU police at 257-7777.

# News

ROUNDUP

## World

### Mother shot to death in first public execution of woman in Taliban-ruled Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan — In a stadium packed with thousands of onlookers, a woman dressed in an all-enveloping burqa was shot to death Tuesday in the first public execution of a woman since Afghanistan's Taliban rulers took control three years ago.

The woman, who was identified only as Zareena, a mother of seven children, was convicted of beating her husband to death with a steel hammer as he slept. A Taliban soldier said the reason for the slaying two years ago was a "family dispute."

Zareena was brought to the sports stadium in the back of a pickup truck dressed in a pale blue burqa, or bulky Islamic cloak that covered her from head to toe. Two female police officers, dressed in deep blue burqas, held her arms.

Witnesses said she walked slowly to the center of the field, each step followed by a pause, and was ordered to sit.

A young Taliban soldier, his head wrapped in the traditional turban, stood behind her and took aim with his Kalashnikov rifle. Suddenly Zareena stood up and tried to flee, but was stopped by a policewoman, who forced her to sit down again. The soldier moved closer and shot her three times.

Radio Shariat had announced the execution on Monday.

The Taliban have imposed their harsh brand of Islamic law in the 90 percent of Afghanistan under their control. The Taliban say their version of Islam is a pure one that follows a literal interpretation of the Muslim holy book, The Koran.

Under Taliban laws, murderers are publicly executed by the relatives of their victims. Adulterers are stoned to death and the limbs of thieves are amputated. Lesser crimes are punished by public beatings.

### Hurricane Lenny scheduled to hit Puerto Rico, bringing strong wind and rain

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Packing 115 mph winds and torrential rains, Hurricane Lenny careened past the Dominican Republic Tuesday on a rare west-to-east course aimed directly at Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Residents who had hoped the storm season was waning were instead rushing to grocery stores to stock up on water, crackers and canned tuna. People piled up furniture in their homes as officials warned serious flooding was possible.

At 7 p.m. EST Tuesday, Lenny was 205 miles southwest of San Juan, speeding east at 16 mph. Hurricane winds extended 60 miles from the center and tropical storm-force winds another

175 miles. Late Tuesday it became a Category 3, a designation of a dangerous storm with winds from 111-130 mph.

Lenny surprised many by forming so late in the hurricane season, which ends Nov. 30. Most hurricanes also follow an opposite path, forming in the mid-Atlantic and sweeping northwest through the Caribbean toward the United States. Forecasters say there is no danger of Lenny hitting the mainland.

The storm was expected to hit Puerto Rico or the U.S. Virgin Islands Wednesday morning.

## Nation

### Cities around the country becoming subject to increasing road congestion

WASHINGTON — Drivers are motionless in Seattle, bedeviled in Boston and hung up in the heartland.

A nationwide study that details the snarling of American roads finds congestion just about everywhere in urban centers, even in places that were freewheeling only 15 years ago.

But some cities in California and scattered areas of the nation have figured out how to stop a bad situation from getting much worse, the Texas Transportation Institute said in its annual study released Tuesday. The study is based on commuting figures from the federal government and states.

The San Francisco-Oakland metropolitan area, Hartford, Conn., Honolulu, Hawaii and Brownsville, Texas, held the line on congestion over five years, while San Jose, Calif., actually saw a decline, the study found.

And notorious Los Angeles, easily the national leader in horrendous traffic, didn't get much worse.

Even so, the report points to an expanding spider network of clogged traffic arteries across the urban landscape since 1982, when only one-third of peak urban travel was stop-and-go.

Today, two-thirds of that travel is through congestion, and smaller cities are not exempt. The worst growth in bumper-to-bumper driving was in Indianapolis, where the time an average motorist spent stuck in traffic grew by 225 percent, to 52 hours a year, between 1992 and 1997.

The average driver spent 82 hours a year in congestion in Los Angeles, 76 in the Washington, D.C., area, 69 in Seattle, 68 in Atlanta and 66 in Boston. The national average was up about 30 percent over five years, to 34 hours a year.

### National Film Preservation Board adds 25 films to national registry

WASHINGTON — A Marlon Brando classic and a movie featuring the first big-screen kiss are among the 25 films that have been added to the National Film Registry.

"A Streetcar Named Desire," the 1951 vehicle that helped launch Brando's career, and "The Kiss," a 15-second flick made in 1896, are

among the films the Library of Congress chose for the list.

By law, the Librarian of Congress names 25 films of cultural, historic or esthetic importance to go on the registry each year.

Steve Leggett, coordinator for the National Film Preservation Board, said the registry encourages the preservation of movies that might otherwise disappear.

Other films on the preservation list: "Civilization," 1916; "Do The Right Thing," 1989; "The Docks of New York," 1928; "Duck Amuck," 1953; "The Emperor Jones," 1933; "Gunga Din," 1939; "In The Land Of The Head-Hunters," also known as "In The Land Of The War Canoes," 1914; "Jazz On A Summer's Day," 1959; "King: A Filmed Record ... Montgomery To Memphis," 1970; "Kiss Me Deadly," 1955; "Lambchops," 1929; "Laura," 1944; "Master Hands," 1936; "My Man Godfrey," 1936; "Night Of The Living Dead," 1968; "The Plow That Broke The Plains," 1936; "Raiders Of The Lost Ark," 1981; "Roman Holiday," 1953; "The Shop Around The Corner," 1940; "The Ten Commandments," 1956; "Trance And Dance In Bali," 1938-9; "The Wild Bunch," 1969; and "Woman Of The Year," 1942.

## State

### Ethnic Albanian couple caught at D/FW International Airport to be deported

FORT WORTH, Texas — An ethnic Albanian family seeking asylum in the United States has been ordered back to Eastern Europe after the parents spent more than a week jailed and separated from their toddler son.

A Dallas immigration judge on Tuesday ordered deportation for Mujo and Nadire Mehovic and their 3-year-old son, Arjan.

The couple has been jailed since Nov. 8, when immigration officials detained them, saying they had false documents. The child was placed with Child Protective Services and will be reunited with his parents when they return to Montenegro, a republic formerly part of Yugoslavia.

The Mehovics were traveling with Slovenian passports when they were stopped at Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport.

Dallas lawyer John Gibson said the trio fled Montenegro after their house was burned and the father lost his job. He said the Mehovics could not obtain passports in Montenegro, so they got Slovenian documents.

The couple does not speak English and has been incarcerated on separate floors at the Government Center, a Dallas County jail in the George Allen Courts Building in downtown Dallas.

Dallas INS spokesman Lynn Ligon said CPS was called because the INS didn't want the child kept in jail, he said.

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## STAFF editorial

### TIME FOR ACTION

#### University positioned for change

Many people around the campus have high hopes for the newly formed Commission on the Future of TCU.

The 450-member commission is split into 17 task forces which will begin to redefine "the TCU way" when it meets for the first time today. It will present its findings in June, and the Board of Trustees will then prioritize the findings for the university.

Michael Sacken, a professor of education, said universities at the next level are traditionally defined as those that create knowledge through graduate and research programs.

"The history of TCU is such that you would almost have to burn it to the ground and rebuild it to make certain changes," he said. "It is built on the undergraduate tradition...(people) don't want to make it a cutthroat place."

But for TCU to move to the next level, changes must be made in the academic structure of the university.

All areas of higher education: academics, diversity and sense of community must be strengthened. And this commission is just the thing to initiate these changes.

With voices coming from students, faculty, staff and other stakeholders in the university, the commission represents a diverse population of opinions.

The commission is a step in the right direction, and one long overdue. We hope it is as effective as it aims to be. However, the time has come for us to see results instead of plans and actions instead of ideas.

There seems to be a lot of communication between faculty and staff organizations, but we've failed to see changes in major university policies.

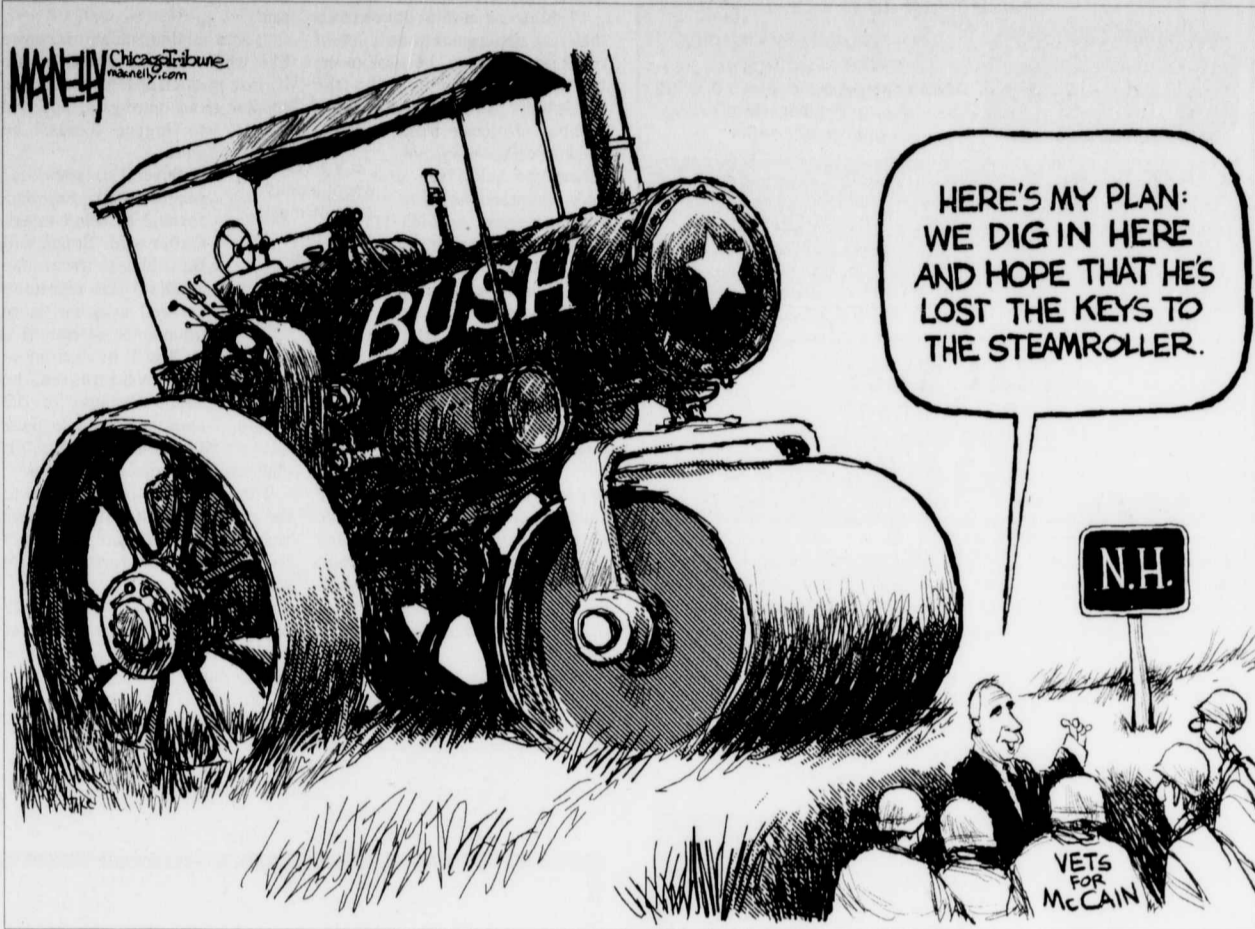
But at the turn of the century, the university is positioned for change. It's time to see these ideas become a reality.

And it's time for these leaders to make it happen.

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## Point of protest lost in 'racial' conflict

I am really disturbed by something, and I'm almost afraid to go there. It has a hint of racial controversy, which is something that requires delicate handling. So many people have created an injustice.

### Commentary



COURTNEY ROACH

Seven black high school students in Decatur, Ill., started a large brawl at a Friday night football game in September. It began when the students initiated a fight between rival schools, MacArthur High School and Eisenhower High School, which spread from bleacher to bleacher. Adults were even on the action, attacking and defending themselves as needed. The football game in progress came to a halt for 10 minutes until police could gain control.

Out of this mess, those seven students were expelled from their respective schools for two years, which was reduced to one year

after consideration. Though no one at the game was seriously injured, the potential was definitely there. The school board in Decatur had implemented a zero-tolerance policy, and the guidelines call for the strict punishment that was given to them. At first, people stood beside the school board.

That was before the Rainbow/PUSH Coalition rode into town. The Rainbow/PUSH Coalition is a multiracial organization with an international membership founded by the Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, according to the Web site of the *Herald and Review* newspaper in Decatur.

So here is where the racial implication comes in. Jackson arrived in Decatur last week and caused some uproar. Jackson, locked arm-in-arm with supporters, led the expelled students and about 2,000 other people through the streets of Decatur. He was protesting that expulsion was not the answer for the students. Of course, Jackson drew more than just spectators.

The Indiana-based American Knights of the Ku Klux Klan showed up with about 200 members to question Jackson's involve-

ment in the expulsion. Not only that, but Matt Hale, leader of the white supremacist group, World Church of the Creator, was on hand also protesting Jackson's involvement. The march turned into a racial issue, and the real purpose for the demonstration was lost.

People along the streets jumped in behind Jackson with signs on their backs reading, "Death to the KKK." Police made a line with yellow police tape so that the groups could not get within 100 feet of each other.

One has to expect opposition, especially from the KKK, whose ignorance always shines through. But I do think Jackson's presence in this town is completely unnecessary. Why did he decide this issue needed to be put in front of the cameras? His photos are all over the newspapers, but I barely found pictures of the expelled students.

Jackson is turning this into a protest reminiscent of the 1960s. He asked the crowd at a MacArthur High School rally Sunday how many of them would be willing to get arrested for the cause. Almost everyone raised a hand, even little children watching as they straddled

a parent's shoulders, according to the *Herald and Review* Web site.

I doubt 75 percent of those kids knew what they were raising their hands for. Risking arrest should be the last move in a fight, and by far not the best example for those students.

Desperate situations do call for desperate measures, but I would hardly call this a desperate situation. Heaven forbid those kids might actually have to pay for the consequences of their actions. The students are being offered alternative schooling. They are not being hung out to dry. The school board knows these kids need an education.

Most of the townspeople are upset now because their school board has been mocked and challenged by Jackson. They feel he is trying to run their schools, and they are sick of being in the news.

So they should end it, jump off the bandwagon, and tell Jackson and his entourage to hit the road.

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## Federal money should benefit those who need it most

Every other Friday, I wake up with a bigger smile on my face than usual. I actually look forward to getting my mail. I open up my tiny box, and I pull out my purple paycheck. It is amazing how excited a person can get over \$100, give or take a bit. But when I look at my stub, frustration creeps in. I hate that I only make minimum wage. I find myself saying, "This paycheck is a travesty." I think I deserve more.

If Congress can get through the other budget bills it is trying to pass before it

ends this year's session Wednesday, it will likely vote on a bill aimed at increasing the minimum wage by a dollar. When I first read this news, my heart leapt with delight. But once I got to the third paragraph, my heart sank. The article went on to say several people in Congress are opposed to the bill because they believe increasing minimum wage will only help people like me.

What's wrong with helping me? I work hard for my money. I could use my afternoons studying or enjoying the sunshine, but instead I file papers and answer phones. That extra dollar an hour would make my life a lot easier, or at least a lot more fun on the weekends. Downtown Fort Worth is not cheap. Dallas is even more expensive. I want my congressmen to do me a favor. What's wrong with that?

The bill's opponents are saying that raising the minimum wage should not be about helping the average upper middle-class high school or college student add a little bit more to their meager bank accounts. Raising the minimum wage should be about helping the poor people of this country find a better life.

They suggest the federal monies that would be put toward a wage increase would be better spent on social programs designed to help get thousands of hungry and homeless Americans off the streets. Although I am skeptical about how more government programming can change the poverty in this country, their point is well taken.

Here at TCU and around this country, students lose touch with the value of money. I count myself among that sad group. There I sat in front of my \$2,000 computer system wishing I had just a little bit more cash on hand. Then the facts hit me. The money I spent on my Gateway was enough to pay rent and buy food for some of my neighbors just down the street.

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In this country, an increase in the minimum wage might mean they won't have to work three jobs.

I can get a job anywhere. I'm a college

student, not an ex-con with a felony conviction. If I really need something, I know I can call my parents. I've never known what it's like to be hungry or cold or scared. I have no perspective on the issues that face people who live in poverty.

This week is Hunger Week. This week may also be the week that Congress decides what to do about the minimum wage in America. I would never have made a connection between the two until now. The minimum wage should go up, but I want it to reward those people that need it the most: the people outside the bubble.

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JAIME WALKER

## 'C' in TCU should not define university mentality and image

It always amazes me what words can mean to people. Some folks will say, "Just kidding. It was only a joke, and it didn't mean anything," with great consistency.

Freudian psychology would tell us that none of these are true. Everything we say has a meaning, and when words become symbols for strong beliefs, especially of the religious type, the defense or obliteration of these words can be a dangerous. The word I'm speaking of particularly is

"Christian." The word itself can be perceived in an infinite number of ways, but for students here, it is generally thought of as the middle initial in our acronym. It's also a word which has come under a shadow of controversy.

Rumors have circulated about attempts to take the blessed "C" out of circulation and simply use the rest of the acronym to represent us. I'm not sure how TCU could actually be pronounced, but the inevitable "Bless you" would surely follow. Here we are left with speculation and a big debate, which challenges us on a number of levels.

From a marketing standpoint, the word "Christian" itself acts as an automatic flag word for prom-

ising students flipping through their grossly enlarged *Princeton Review* guidebooks. I just picture a prospective senior in Delaware with no actual background on TCU thinking, "Hum, Christian, 40 percent Greek, in a place called Cowtown. Sounds open-minded to me."

You may not think this is how it works, but it is. While the TCU bubble might be comforting for those of us who live in it, those who don't might not be inspired to read further.

From another point of view, I wonder what the actual moral advantage of being affiliated with the Christians actually is. They shut down both Aristotle's Lyceum and Plato's Academy, making one wonder if Christians really are edu-

cation-friendly. They're responsible for the Crusades and the deaths of many moral human beings.

I've heard people say they want to put the "Christian" back into TCU. Even a member of the House of Student Representatives stated that as a goal during a brainstorming session.

There are other groups in history who have tried to put Christianity back into the world. Maybe they were just trying to put the "Christian" back in Muslim during the Crusades or the "Christian" back in genocide during Holocaust.

From all these examples, we find reasons to be watchful and mindful of our words — especially the ones we believe in. We must choose our religion for us alone,

not for others.

I recently saw the movie, "Dogma," where a particular line caught my attention. This farcical criticism of the Catholic Church made me jump for joy when the 13th apostle, Rufus, played by Chris Rock, states, "Beliefs are dangerous. What people need to have are ideas."

It is particularly pertinent to our situation, seeing that the main goal of a university is to protect and encourage ideas, no matter how radical they may be and to leave beliefs to critical inquiry and criticism. The job of the administration is not to make TCU attractive for people who want a church camp experience but for people who want to challenge both their minds and their faith.

I have spent a number of nights considering my morals, actions and the way I really treat people, and it wasn't a church service or a Christian community that brought about these thoughts. It's a combination of class work, parties, relationships and conversations that have challenged me to start thinking.

I acknowledge that religion — any religion — can be very healthy, but one belief alone is dangerous. One kind of thinking leaves no room for a diversity of ideas. Be mindful of the "C," but don't let it define us.

Keep this Lyceum open.

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## CONCERT

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different aspects of the musical genre, Pinson said.

"I think the combo concert is a different experience than a lot of other jazz concerts, because in the big band, the focus is on the ensembles playing ... But in a combo concert, the focus is on the improvisation," he said. "It's a very spontaneous type of music, and I think it's really exhilarating."

The smaller size of the group of performers creates a more intimate concert setting, Carter said. "It's going to be focused around small group performances, either quartets, or maybe five-piece bands as opposed to a larger ensemble," he said. "There's going to be a basic rhythm section of piano, bass and drums that will stay consistent throughout, but each number will feature a different horn player or different combinations of horn players."

"There will be a different group for every song, more or less."

This style of playing will give the musicians some real-world

experience they can take with them after they leave TCU, Carter said.

"(This arrangement) is more like what working musicians do ... Jazz musicians tend to work in smaller group settings as opposed to bigger bands," he said.

Several types of pieces will be performed at the concert, Carter said. Songs will be chosen from the standard jazz repertoire as well as some more uncommon selections. "It will be exciting to see how it turns out," he said. "Because of the spontaneity of jazz improvisation, it changes from person to person."

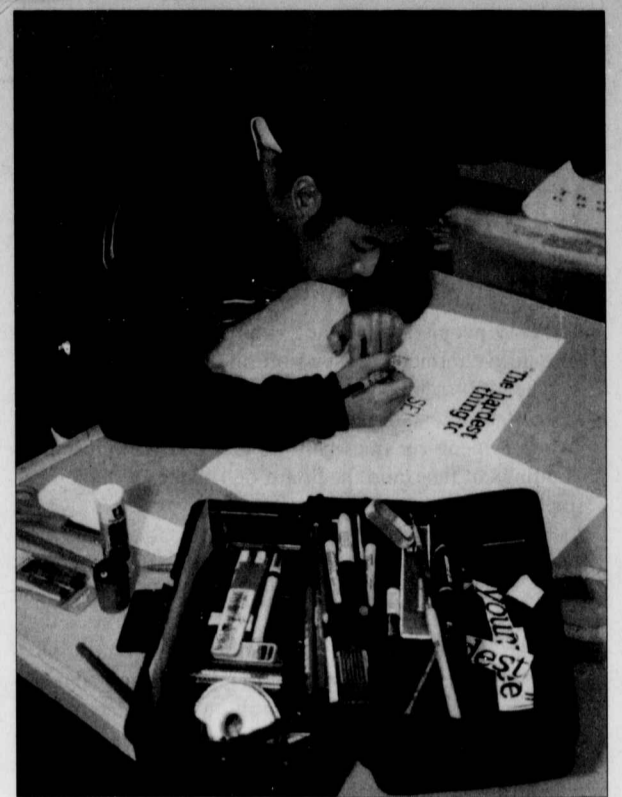
The concert is free and open to the public, and it will be a good chance to experience America's first original art-form, Wilson said.

"It will be a great time to take an hour break from whatever you're doing and come by to hear a jazz concert," he said.

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good reasons to come to TCU.

**Expanding at the right time**  
William H. Koehler, vice chancellor for academic affairs, said that in recent years, prospective students are more price-conscious, but they are also looking for a specific kind of environment.

"Those who want a residential experience are more likely to find it in a private school," he said. "UNT and UTA are more commuter schools. We manage to compete for those who want smaller size. As for TWU, I think our breadth is larger in degree options, and although they are a residential school, we are more so."

Koehler acknowledged that except for efforts of the M.J. Neeley School of Business, TCU has done little to expand into the community.

"Campuswide, (the attitude) has been, 'You come to us,'" he said. "The Alliance Center is a shift in paradigm. We're going to ask organizations in the area what they need — and I'm not just talking about businesses. It will be municipalities, businesses, health care organizations. We will offer all kinds of classes and training, not just for business."

Koehler said TCU has not established a local satellite campus until now for a variety of reasons.

"We have talked about a downtown campus before," Koehler said. "We were approached by a developer downtown about having a site in a bank building. We have offered courses downtown during the lunch hour and at night."

"But we have found that folks who work downtown prefer to come to a college campus for the classroom experience rather than going to a class in a high-rise. It just hasn't been advantageous for us to deliver classes off-campus."

But the growth and corporate

presence in the Alliance corridor and the advancement in technology made the TCUglobalcenter a natural step, Koehler said.

"That is a real boom area with regard to business, and we are of the opinion that it will continue," Koehler said. "It is geographically closer to North Texas, and it's not that far from SMU, either. But it's actually in Fort Worth, and we're a Fort Worth university, so it seemed like a natural fit."

**TCU beyond University Drive**

Although the TCUglobalcenter at Alliance is the first off-campus site for TCU, the university's roots in the community run deep. Representatives from nearly all of the major businesses in Fort Worth serve on boards or advisory councils at TCU.

John V. Roach, former CEO of Tandy Corp., serves as chairman of the board of trustees of TCU.

In 1988, Roach approached Chancellor William Tucker about collaborating with Tandy on a program to reward outstanding high school math, science and technology students and teachers. The nationwide program, known as the Tandy Technology Scholars Program, has awarded \$3.5 million over 10 years.

Tandy/RadioShack provides the award money, and TCU administers the program.

Kaye Thornton, director of Tandy/RadioShack Teacher Awards at TCU, said a team of eight to 11 evaluators made up of TCU faculty plus a national advisory council of distinguished educators across the United States helps select applicants.

"The first 10 years of the program we gave 100 students \$1,000 each and 100 teachers \$2,500 each," she said. "When the new CEO, Leonard H. Roberts, came on board in January, Tandy/RadioShack decided that because of a teacher shortage, they wanted to focus on high school teachers.

"Beginning this year, they are no longer giving student awards. This

year 100 teachers across the country will receive \$3,000 and a computer. A new category will allow teachers with two to three years of experience to compete for a smaller award."

**Teaming up**

Several other large Fort Worth-based corporations also have relationships with TCU. Officials from Alcon Laboratories and Lockheed Martin Tactical Aircraft Systems serve on various boards and advisory committees at TCU.

Norman Robbins, manager of community relations at Lockheed Martin, said his company has relationships with the School of Education, the School of Business and the engineering department.

"We have a collaboration involving our company, the School of Education and the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History called 'Hands-On Science,'" Robbins said. "It is a science learning lab at the museum that stimulates kids' natural curiosity in science through hands-on activities. While kids are playing, teachers can observe from another room and take what they learn about the way kids play with science activities back to the classroom."

Robbins said that Lockheed also helps fund a yearly communications workshop for business communicators in conjunction with the School of Business.

James D. Engelland, a vice president and chief engineer at Lockheed, serves on the Board of Advisors of the engineering department. Lockheed President Dain M. Hancock serves on the M.J. Neeley International Board of Visitors.

The International Board of Visitors is a group of prominent business leaders who share their expertise with students and faculty of the business school. The board usually meets once each semester with key faculty members and administrators. Board members also interact with students as mentors or guest lecturers.

Timothy Sear, president and CEO of Alcon Laboratories and Ed Schollmaier, retired president and CEO, also serve on the Neeley

International Board of Visitors. Schollmaier is also on the TCU Board of Trustees.

**TCU means business**

The Schollmaier Foundation funded the conversion of the School of Music's piano studies program to an all-Steinway school in 1997. TCU became the 10th institution nationwide to join the elite roster of all-Steinway schools. Schollmaier's wife, Rae, heads the foundation and is a member of the International Board of Visitors of the College of Fine Arts and Communication.

Mary Dulle, director of corporate communications at Alcon, said Alcon executives frequently use the corporate training courses offered by the School of Business.

"Alcon was founded in 1947, and we've probably had dealings with TCU from the early days," Dulle said. "We are a research-based institution, and TCU is an excellent school for our needs."

Dulle said Alcon utilizes TCU's corporate training programs at the Charles Tandy American Enterprise Center, one of the business school's educational programs for business leaders.

"We have a strong relationship with the business school," she said. "We hire MBA candidates as interns on a frequent basis. In fact, a good percentage of those are hired as employees once they graduate."

The Neeley School appears to be the main vehicle for making TCU's presence felt locally and internationally.

Koehler said the School of Business already has partnerships with governments and schools in countries around the world, including Peru, Argentina, Hungary, Japan, France and England.

"We've got to go beyond the community to reach a higher level of visibility and prestige," Koehler said. "To gain prestige in the community, you need community support. To gain prestige in the nation, national support is needed, and so on."

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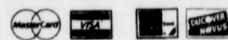
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**HOUSE**

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"In the past, some Greek organizations either have never sent a representative, or they have simply stopped coming to meeting," she said.

Windham also said once people move off campus, they stop coming to meetings, but this year the number of town reps attending is better.

In addition, House meetings have become more efficient in terms of condensing information

and setting up a different attendance policy, Windham said. The key to keeping people interested, however, is keeping them involved, she said.

"To keep attendance up, we need to campaign for House," Windham said. "When we make House a big deal, it encourages people to come and makes their time worthwhile."

Sarah Burleson, House vice president, said she thinks House members simply have a better atti-

tude this year and are becoming more accountable when deciding whether to miss meetings.

"Committee chairmen think their jobs are important, and if those who lead are motivated, then others will have faith and be committed to House," she said.

Burleson said she also attributes the higher attendance to the goals set for the semester by the Administrative Cabinet. Motivation, open-mindedness and

creativity were among those goals set for House that are now fulfilled, she said.

"The freshman class this year is motivated, and the performance level we wanted to see has been complemented by them," Burleson said. "The sophomore, juniors and seniors are also great because they are committed."

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**MENINGITIS**

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Medical Association Web site, meningitis is an inflammation of the three layers of the brain, called the meninges. Once the disease attacks the brain, it becomes deadly.

Terrell said what is strange about meningitis is that the carrier is not affected by the disease. Carriers can have the organism in their nose and throat for years, but they might only pass it on when they have respiratory problems, he said.

A preventive vaccine is available at the Health Center for \$75, but students should check with their primary physicians to see if they recommend it, Terrell said. Some doctors do not suggest

the vaccination because it is only effective 70 percent of the time, and it may only last the patient three to four years.

"If you take it as a freshman, and you're still living on campus as a senior, you may be unprotected," Terrell said. "We are not making that call for students. They should check with their family doctor."

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices do not currently recommend the meningococcal vaccine for college students unless they will be traveling to countries

where the disease is endemic.

Terrell said an individual's own resistance is the best guard against meningitis.

Protecting the body from the disease goes back to basic routines of getting enough rest and maintaining a healthy diet.

"Pulling all-nighters and getting yourself worn down to a nub and not eating right, you're a perfect set-up for anything that walks by," Terrell said.

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In a case that stirred fierce debate over how to treat young offenders, Nathaniel Abraham, 13, sat expressionless and looked straight ahead as the jury announced its verdict after 18 hours of deliberations over four days.

He was acquitted of first-degree murder, which could have sent him to prison for life with no chance of parole.

At his sentencing Dec. 14, Nathaniel could get a maximum of life in prison with a chance of parole, or he could be sentenced as a juvenile to time already served or held until his 21st birthday.

Prosecutors said they would recommend a blended sentence, keeping him imprisoned until at least age 21 and then reviewing his case to determine whether he has been rehabilitated.

"This case was about intervening on behalf of a troubled and dangerous youth who needed help and didn't get it a long time ago," prosecutor David Gorcyca said. "My whole intent was to not throw away the key on an 11-year-old boy, now 13. My intent was to give him the help that he needed."

Defense attorney Geoffrey Fieger said the verdict was "born out of anger."

"I think the rest of the world will scorn us and hold us in contempt," he said.

Nathaniel was already suspected in nearly two dozen crimes, including theft, beating two teens with metal pipes and snatching a woman's purse at gunpoint, when he shot Ronnie Greene, 18, in Pontiac, Mich. in 1997.

Police said Nathaniel fired a stolen .22-caliber rifle from about 100 yards away, although later tests placed the distance at 66 yards.

Two days after the shooting, he was arrested at school, his face painted for Halloween. He became the first youngster charged under a 1997 Michigan law allowing adult prosecutions

of children of any age for serious crimes.

Jury foreman Daniel Stolz told reporters that the fact that Nathaniel was 11 at the time "didn't make the job any easier."

But "he knew the firearm was dangerous and that it could cause harm," Stolz said. "Ronnie Greene was standing there, and the gun just doesn't raise itself automatically."

Some law enforcement officials said Nathaniel's case proved the need to get tough with kids who are a menace to society. But Amnesty International chose his frightened face for the cover of a 1998 report condemning America's justice system as being too harsh on juveniles.

Nathaniel's lawyers argued that Nathaniel was aiming at trees and that the victim was hit by a bullet that ricocheted off a tree. They contended that the rifle was defective and couldn't have been aimed with any precision. And they argued that Nathaniel had the mind of a 6-year-old and could not form the intent to commit murder or understand the charges against him.

But prosecutors said Nathaniel

had told a friend that he was going to shoot somebody, practiced his aim on stationary targets, shot Greene in the head and bragged about it the next day.

"Nathaniel Abraham was able to engage in organized planning and goal-oriented activity," prosecutor Lisa Halushka said in her closing argument. "We're left sitting with the realization that this 11-year-old could kill."

By convicting Nathaniel of second-degree murder, the jury decided that he either intended to kill or severely injure Greene or created a high risk of death or injury.

To convict him of first-degree murder, the jurors would have had to decide that he plotted to kill Greene.

Nicole Greene, the shooting victim's sister, was pleased with the verdict. "I would love to see him get treatment, if that would help him be a better person in society," she said.

Margaret Zahn, a former president of the American Society of Criminology, said she does not know of any American as young as Nathaniel being charged as an adult with first-degree murder.

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# Mexican president calls for democracy in Cuba at summit

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HAVANA — President Fidel Castro traded military drabs for an elegant black suit, filling the role of elder statesman Tuesday at a summit of European and Latin American leaders where he heard many participants' implicit calls for greater democracy in Cuba.

"There can be no sovereign nations without free men and women," Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo said during the closing of the Ibero-American Summit Tuesday night in an apparent reference to Cuba's constant demand that its sovereignty be respected.

Zedillo spelled out those freedoms as the "liberty to think and have opinions, liberty to act and participate, liberty to dissent, liberty to choose."

Even with the rare public airing of human rights concerns, Castro proclaimed that the Ibero-American summit showed his communist government has taken its rightful place in the region — despite longtime efforts by the United States and its Latin American allies to isolate it.

Opening the gathering of Spain, Portugal and Latin American nations — which focused on economic and territorial issues — Castro said Cuba's status had changed since the first summit in Guadalajara, Mexico, in 1991 shortly after the collapse of the Soviet bloc.

"I was a strange bird there, an intruder whose admission to that hall had the taste of forgiveness," the Cuban leader said Tuesday. "Cuba had always been left out of every meeting in this continent.

Some looked at me with curiosity and even pity."

Now, "we do not need to be summoned or receive anyone's permission to meet like a family without exclusions," Castro said.

If the Ibero-American nations are family, it was as concerned relatives that some of the leaders made clear their stances on human rights and democracy.

"In the future I would like to see a prosperous and democratic Cuba," Spanish Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar said.

Portuguese President Jorge Sampaio switched from his native language to Spanish to say: "The fundamental rights of no citizen should be seen as affected because of a dogmatic vision of society, the state or the economy."

Opponents of Castro's government complain that the communist government regularly violates their basic rights by limiting freedom of expression and assembly.

Leading dissidents met this week with the heads of visiting delegations, including Sampaio and the prime ministers of Spain and Portugal, to share their version of Cuba's human rights situation.

Castro had earlier said he would not stop his guests from meeting with the opposition, but clearly has not been pleased with dissidents' attempts to use the summit to give human rights concerns an international stage.

Last week the Cuban leader promised that anyone who tried to disrupt the summit would be arrested and tried.

The issue also intruded on a state dinner Castro gave leaders Monday night. King Juan Carlos of Spain toasted the Cuban leader, adding,

"Only with an authentic democracy, with full guarantee for liberties and with scrupulous respect for human rights by all of us can our peoples face the challenges of the 21st century with success."

The visit by the king, accompanied by Queen Sofia, was the first ever to Cuba by a reigning Spanish monarch.

The summit's final document also mentioned human rights and democracy — underlining a firm commitment "to strengthen and make work the functioning of democratic institutions, political pluralism, rule of law, and respect for human rights and fundamental liberties, including the right to development."

Still for Castro, the status granted Cuba by holding the summit here despite U.S. attempts to turn Cuba into an international outcast seemed to outweigh the publicity over human rights.

Another plus for Cuba was the final Declaration of Havana signed Tuesday, which rejected any law or action that one country would try to impose on another.

The statement was included at the insistence of Chile, whose president Eduardo Frei did not attend the summit to protest Spain's attempt to extradite former Chilean Gen. Augusto Pinochet from Britain for alleged human rights abuses. President Carlos Menem of Argentina also stayed away in support of Chile. Spain downplayed its significance.

Five heads of state in all were absent from the summit attended by 14 Latin American leaders and the heads of state of Spain and Portugal. The presidents of Nicaragua, Costa Rica and El Salvador refused to attend because of Cuba's human rights record or a lack of diplomatic relations.

# Jackson arrested after protest

## Leader detained as he challenges expulsion of 6 students

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DECATUR, Ill. — Leading a made-for-TV demonstration that evoked the style of the civil rights movement, the Rev. Jesse Jackson was arrested Tuesday as he stepped onto the grounds of a high school to protest the expulsion of six students for a brawl at a football game.

Jackson was taken away in handcuffs after leading a throng of ministers and other protesters to Eisenhower High. He had promised to force his own arrest to dramatize the students' cause.

"It is an honor to be arrested for a righteous cause," Jackson said hours later, when he and three supporters were released after promising to appear in court Dec. 16.

Jackson was charged with mob action and two misdemeanors — solicitation to commit a crime and contributing to the delinquency of a minor. His supporters were arrested on charges including mob action, resisting police and aggravated battery.

Detective Cmdr. Mark Barthelme said two officers were struck in the face during a confrontation after Jackson was led away. He did not say who was involved. Later, Macon County State's Attorney Larry Fichter said at least one officer was treated for an injury, but the prosecutor would not elaborate.

The arrests came nine days after Jackson's arrival in Decatur brought national attention to school officials' decision to expel the students for their part in the Sept. 17 fight.

Jackson had indicated earlier he would try to bring the students back to school, but the teen-agers did not approach the police line.

"We want the youth to stand still, knowing that their parents and their ministers would cross the line for them," Jackson declared. "The parents will fight for their children. And that is a good and noble thing."

Jackson inched toward the school through a phalanx of reporters, photographers and TV crews holding boom microphones high overhead.

At one point, he asked the media throng to move out of the way so he could approach the police line and get arrested.

At the law enforcement center where he was held, about 75 people gathered, chanting, "Let the children in, let the reverend out."

Jackson had spent Tuesday morning in closed-door talks with school officials but made no headway.

An emergency school board meeting was set for Tuesday night, but school officials indicated they were unlikely to offer further compromises.

# Inmate resists before execution

ASSOCIATED PRESS

HUNTSVILLE, Texas — A defiant condemned inmate fought a five-member team of guards before being executed Tuesday night for killing two people during a Fort Worth crack house robbery.

Desmond Jennings, 28, had warned prison officials he would not cooperate and, "true to his word, he did resist all the way," prison spokesman Larry Fitzgerald said.

Guards clad in helmets, masks, chest gear and shin guards swooped into his cell after 6 p.m. when he refused to go on his own volition.

"I won't do this," Jennings told officers.

Fifty-two seconds later he was removed from the cell — his fists clenched and his body rigid — but he threw no punches. As he was carried to the chamber, he told guards, "Thank you for not using gas."

A few hours earlier, before being taken to the death house, a similar team used pepper spray to subdue Jennings and pull him from his prison cell at the Ellis Unit, about 15 miles northeast of Huntsville, for a van ride to the Huntsville Unit in downtown Huntsville, where executions take place.

As witnesses filed into the chamber, Jennings was passive and made no eye contact. When the warden asked whether he had final statement, Jennings said, "No, I do not."

Jennings took two short breaths, stopped moving and was declared dead at 6:22 p.m., seven minutes after the flow of lethal drugs began.

It's the first time in 193 executions carried out in the state since capital punishment resumed in 1982 that authorities have needed to use force to move a condemned inmate to the death house.

Jennings could be responsible for

as many as 20 murders at Fort Worth crack houses although authorities believed they positively linked him to five slayings, including the two in 1993 that sent him to death row.

"It's very hard (to seek the death penalty), but then a Desmond Jennings comes along and even though you may cry at night because you're involved, ... it just makes sense that you've got to have this necessary evil," Joetta Keene, a former Tarrant County assistant district attorney who prosecuted Jennings, said this week.

"To me, he is the definition of the death penalty. He believes so little in human life that a pair of sneakers is worth more to him than the life of a human being. You've got to pay more than just sit in a cell. God can redeem him but with man you have to suffer the consequences. You can't go blow a bunch of people away and think it's fun."

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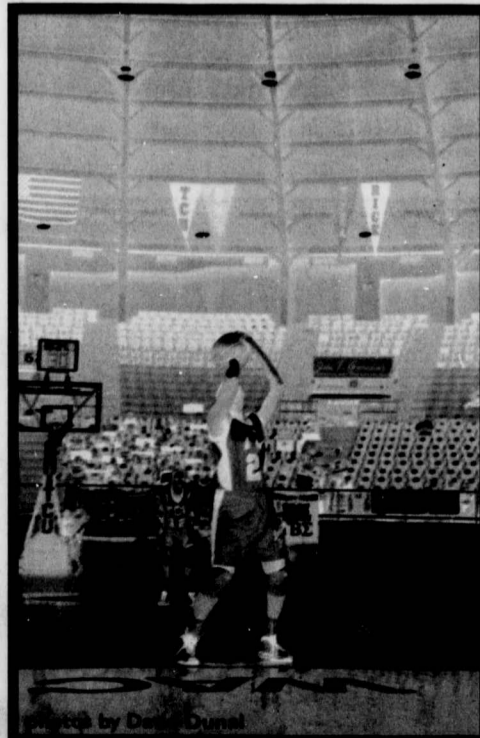
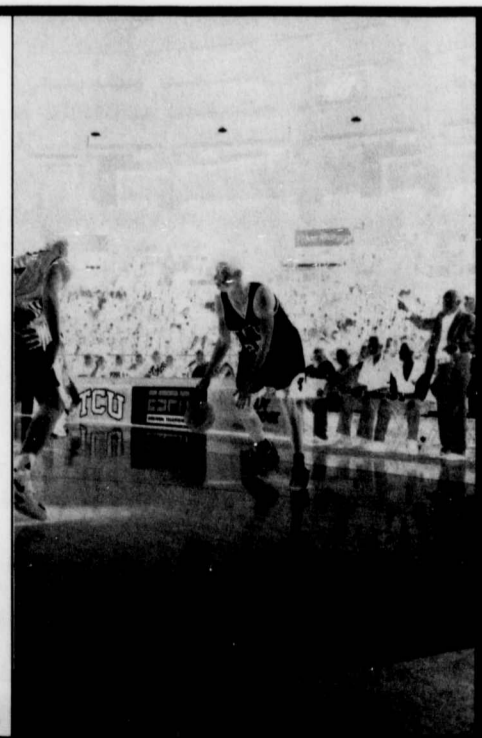
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# AMERICAN SMOKEOUT TODAY TO HELP BREAK HABIT

## Day set to encourage smokers to quit; some hope for more non-smoking areas on campus

By Jaime Walker  
SKIFF STAFF

Studies have shown that nicotine is the second most addictive drug in the United States. For this reason, TCU students, faculty and staff will come together Thursday in an effort to encourage smokers to quit for at least 24 hours.

"Our intention is to increase awareness on campus about the dangers of smoking and to offer smokers the support they need to quit the habit," said Angie Taylor, director of TCU's Alcohol and Drug Center.

Taylor said Thursday's event is part of a nationwide campaign known as the Great American Smokeout. The effort, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, is now in

its 23rd year. According to statistical reports from the American Cancer Society, the event has lead 22,500 people to stop smoking nationally.

The Great American Smokeout will be the kick-off for the Alcohol and Drug Center's social norms campaign, "People are a lot like you." The marketing campaign, which includes informational posters, is based on the smoking survey the center conducted last spring, Taylor said.

"The results are very interesting," she said. "They show a big contrast between the perceptions and the truth about smoking on campus."

According to the survey, 72 percent of TCU students do not smoke, but students

think that smoking is prevalent on campus.

"Because of all the recent bans on smoking in public buildings, smokers now congregate outside," Taylor said. "It is not that there are more smokers, it is just that they all smoke in the same place."

Taylor said the survey also revealed that 73 percent of TCU students prefer to socialize in a smoke-free environment.

For that reason, TCU Champions — which, along with the Hyperfrogs, is helping with this year's Great American Smokeout — is sponsoring a petition to make the Reed-Sadler Mall a smoke-free zone.

"The mall area is one of the most traveled areas on campus," Taylor said. "The students want to know how much support they can get

for making part of that area non-smoking."

Tom Spann, a sophomore economics major, said he thinks the smoke-free area is a good idea.

"Right now, students who don't smoke can't come out there and just get fresh air," he said. "In order for it to work, though, TCU would need to make a community sacrifice."

Tables will be set up asking TCU's smokers to commit to quitting for a day. Students who are interested will sign a pledge card verifying their effort. They will also be given a "Quit Kit." Each kit will contain a rubber band, mints and a toothpick to help smokers stay cigarette free. Students can also sign a banner in support of the campaign.

Taylor, a former smoker, said she understands how difficult it is to quit.

"We don't want to alienate anyone, but we want smokers to get the information and support they need," she said. "The key is to take the addition one day at a time. If (smokers) can go 24 hours, they can go another 24 hours."

According to a report by the American Cancer Society, one in five deaths in America is related to tobacco use.

"I will encourage my friends to quit," Spann said. "Quitting can't hurt you, but not quitting can kill you."

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## Men's soccer closes season play with two losses

Team was not 'mentally prepared' for final games of year, midfielder says

By James Zwilling  
SKIFF STAFF

The men's soccer team's season-ending losses to Fresno State and San Jose State last weekend ended Western Athletic Conference play after four years in the conference. Fresno shut out the Horned Frogs 3-0 in the final meeting of the teams.

"We weren't mentally prepared for the game," junior midfielder Charlie Schulz said. "We were on vacation that day, we weren't playing soccer."

Fresno State's Danny Risch scored the first goal of the game in the 42nd minute followed by another goal scored by Hugo Alcaraz in

the 46th minute. Adam Maurer scored Fresno's final goal of the game off a penalty kick in the 61st minute.

After a day of rest, the team fell 2-1 Sunday against San Jose State in the final game of the season. Schulz said Friday's loss affected the players' confidence heading into Sunday's game.

"Anytime you lose 3-0 it's very disheartening," he said. "It definitely takes the wind out of your sails." Junior forward Nic Finn scored the lone score of the game for the Horned Frogs in the 33rd minute after San Jose took a 2-0 lead in the 26th minute.

The team failed to recover from

the goals ending conference play with a 3-7 conference record.

The physical game for the Horned Frogs included six yellow card fouls and the ejections of coach David Rubinson and sophomore midfielder Josh Rife.

Despite a season record of 8-10-1, Schulz said the record doesn't reflect the team's progress.

"The record doesn't show everything we've accomplished this season," he said. "We beat the defending National Champions; we beat No. 11 ranked SMU; we are better than an 8-10-1 team."

Schulz said the team, who is losing only one senior, midfielder Tyler Krueger, is looking forward

to the returning squad.

"I think everyone realized that we all have one more year," Schulz said. "We've come a long way since the beginning of this season, but because everyone is returning, it's like we are only half way there."

Schulz said the team will learn from this season.

"As a whole, this season was a good learning experience," he said. "If you are able to learn from your losses they can be good for a team, but if you can't learn from them, they are pointless."



Freshman midfielder Jon Meyers splits two Drury defenders in the last home game for the Frogs.

## Defensive efforts play major role in post season berths

Full court pressure helps Frogs b-ball team defeat Athlete's First in exhibition

By Matt Stiver  
STAFF REPORTER

When men's head basketball coach Billy Tubbs arrived on campus in 1994, he brought with him an aggressive style of defense. That style has played a role in three post-season berths during his tenure.

TCU players said they find Tubbs' style of defense enjoyable. Junior guard Estell Laster said Tubbs has a unique description of defense, and it was one of the reasons why he chose TCU.

"Coach Tubbs likes to define defense as all-out energy, hustle and getting wired up," Laster said. "It's structured, but at the same time he likes you to play relentless. Not careless, but get out in the passing lanes and try to make things happen. The defensive end is really where his focus is."

During the Frogs' 101-66 exhibition victory over Athlete's First Friday night, the Tubbs style of defense took center stage. Just how much it can dominate a game became clear.

Leading by seven points with 15:48 to play, the Frogs pulled away from Athlete's First with a 21-2 run in the second half. Their defensive play did not let Athlete's First get within 20 points again.

Tubbs said Athlete's First gave the Frogs a look their defense will see throughout the rest of the season. If they want to be successful, Tubbs said, the Frogs' defense must continue to adapt as it did Friday.

"I thought this is more what we're going to see (the rest of the season) as far as people setting screens and it being a physical game," Tubbs said. "Their guards were at least as quick, if not quicker, than we were. That's like what we're going to see (at the Top of the World Tournament) in Alaska with some good tough players who are going to bang you, set tough screens and things of that sort."

Though the Frogs led the entire game, Athlete's First managed to hang around through the first half. TCU stepped up on defense in the second.

"I don't know if we wore them down a little bit, but we definitely played better defense," Tubbs said. "Our defenses were working better, and they didn't shoot the ball nearly as well."

Athlete's First shot 52 percent from the field in the first half. The Frogs held them to 32 percent in the second half.

Laster said the Frogs switched their defensive schemes and got positive results.

"The first half we went with just a man-to-man defense, and they kind of adjusted to it," Laster said. "In the second half, we mixed it up and hit them with a few zones, and I don't think they were ready for that. That gave us a margin and they never recovered."

In addition to their man-to-man, full-court press and half-court trap pressure defensive sets, the Frogs will mix in zones (1-3-1 and 2-3) to keep opponents off-guard.

Tubbs said the Frogs changed up their defense in order to shut down Athlete's First after half-time.

"It looked like we were going to get (our lead) pushed out, but we never could really get control of the game," Tubbs said. "(Guard Chad) Wilkerson got 17 on us pretty quick and he had four the rest of the way. He was really keeping them in the game, and when we shut their best scorer down, that certainly helped us."

Tubbs said the Frogs could be able to play better defense than last year.

"We got a little more depth on this team and that should allow us to play a lot harder for 40 minutes," he said.

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## U.S. drug chief calls for removal of Olympic Committee chairman

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SYDNEY, Australia — U.S. drug chief Barry McCaffrey will call for the removal of Dick Pound as chairman of the International Olympic Committee's drug agency when he meets with IOC president Juan Antonio Samaranch.

McCaffrey, the White House's chief drug adviser, made the comment Wednesday as 26 nations signed an agreement to play a leading role in the new World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) during a drugs in sport summit.

"Mr. Pound is brilliant — he testified to U.S. Congress last week and did a splendid job," McCaffrey said of Pound, the IOC's vice president.

"He's smart, he's a potential future president of the IOC, but he's also the marketeer. He

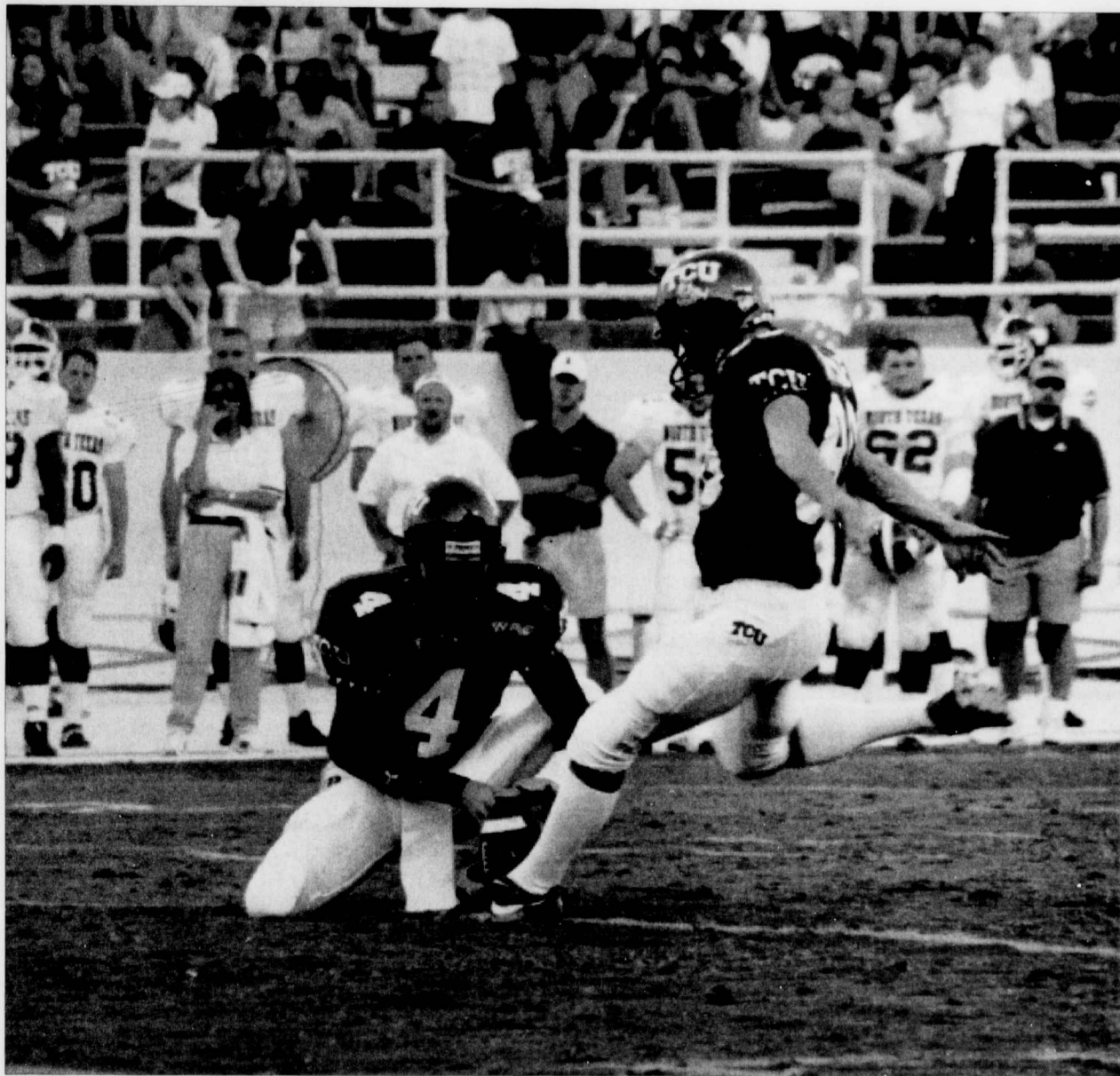
negotiates \$1.08 billion in television rates out of U.S. television alone. You shouldn't have your marketeer being the independent drug testing person."

McCaffrey said he was optimistic that a solution suitable to all sides will be worked out.

"When we're done with this we're going to end up with a situation we all find attractive," McCaffrey said. "That'll be a good thing for the IOC and a good thing for the rest of us."

Samaranch has embraced the support and invited a delegation, including McCaffrey, to discuss plans for WADA, which was established last week.

Australian IOC president Kevan Gosper, speaking after the doping summit ended Wednesday, said Samaranch had been fully briefed throughout the meeting and was "very pleased."



Junior kicker Chris Kaylakie had two field goals in the Homecoming game against North Texas Saturday.

## Bowl game hopes motivate Frogs

By Joel Anderson  
STAFF REPORTER

One of Dennis Franchione's first acts as TCU's new football coach was to take his charges out for a mandatory evening of bowling at a local alley.

Less than two years later, "bowling" is becoming a yearly event for the Horned Frogs.

With two games remaining on the schedule, the Horned Frogs are in an intense Western Athletic Conference scramble for bowl game appearances. TCU victories over the final two opponents, Texas-El Paso and Southern Methodist, virtually assure the Horned Frogs of a bowl invitation.

One win, and things become iffy. No wins, and its good luck next year.

"Focus is important for our guys, but I don't think there's any danger of the players looking past this game," Franchione said.

Several officials affiliated with the Mobile Alabama Bowl, in particular, are hoping the Horned Frogs don't have a lapse in the coming weeks.

"If TCU wins its remaining games, there's no doubt that we would consider them for our game," said Bud Ratliff, general manager of the Mobile Alabama Bowl. "TCU is a well-known football school around the country, and we would love to have them come here to play."

Complicating matters is a possible three-way conference tie between Hawaii, Fresno State and TCU.

Fresno State (7-4, 4-2 in WAC) and Hawaii (7-3, 5-2) have already

qualified for bowl consideration. Fresno State is expected to be selected by the Las Vegas Bowl, which has the first pick of bowl-eligible WAC teams. Hawaii will probably end up in one of the Hawaii bowls, the Oahu or Aloha, both to be played Dec. 25 in Honolulu.

"Until Las Vegas makes their pick, everybody has to wait in line," said WAC commissioner Karl Benson. "Right now this is all speculation because no bowl invitations have been extended yet, and the season isn't finished."

The Mobile Alabama Bowl, which is scheduled for Dec. 22, will pit the second picks from Conference USA and the WAC. TCU is the only remaining team from the WAC that could finish the season with the mandatory six wins over Division I-A opponents. East Carolina, Louisville and Southern Mississippi are the prospective teams from C-USA.

Texas-El Paso's conference win over Rice last weekend actually helped the Horned Frogs, because the loss dropped the Owls to 5-6, which left them ineligible for post-season play.

SMU (3-5, 2-2) could finish its season with six wins, but it wouldn't have enough victories over Division I-A opponents to qualify for bowl consideration. There is an exception that allows a school to use one victory over a Division I-AA school every four years, but that school must average at least 60 scholarships a team over the course of four years.

Therefore, SMU's victory over

Cal State-Northridge, which doesn't average 60 scholarships, wouldn't be sufficient for the Mustangs to make a bowl appearance even if they win their final two games.

Franchione said the current conference confusion wasn't surprising at all, at least to him.

"I'm the prophet," Franchione said. "Remember at the beginning of the season when I said the conference champion could have two losses? Nobody else said that."

And two years ago, nobody would have thought "bowling" would become an annual event in Fort Worth.

Except Franchione.

### Notes:

• Junior defensive end Aaron Schobel woke up Tuesday morning, went to class, went to practice and finished the day a half sack closer to Royal West's career sack record of 22. A sack credited to senior defensive lineman Kyle Williams during Saturday's contest against North Texas should have been shared between Williams and Schobel. Schobel now has 21.5 career sacks and seven this season.

• TCU's defense, currently ranked 12th in the country, won't be receiving any congratulatory postcards from preseason Heisman Trophy candidate Trung Canidate from Arizona. Canidate rushed for only 56 yards against the Frogs — effectively ruining his chances for the ultimate college postseason honor — but has compiled nine straight 100 yard games since then.

• In Saturday's game against North Texas, junior strong safety Cody Slinkard tripled his career sack production. Of course, he entered the contest with only one sack.

• While junior LaDainian Tomlinson is steadfast in his pursuit of Kenneth Davis' 1984 single season rushing record of 1,611 yards, the eyes of history were intently observing TCU's latest star tailback. Davis was one of the press box spectators at Saturday's homecoming game.

The former NFL star is probably starting to feel more secure about his mark. With only two games remaining, Tomlinson needs to average 146 yards a game to break the record. Tomlinson now averages 146.6 yards a game, good for fourth in the nation.

• During Tuesday's practice, Tomlinson ran through drills with a noticeable limp. After spraining his ankle against Hawaii three weeks ago, Tomlinson slightly reinjured his left ankle in Saturday's game. He expected to be full speed come game time.

• TCU's other explosive offensive weapon, sophomore wide receiver LaTarence Dunbar, was wearing a protective boot on his right ankle. He sprained his ankle in the first half against North Texas, but returned to play briefly in the second half. Ross T. Bailey, TCU's head trainer, listed Dunbar's status as questionable for Saturday's game.

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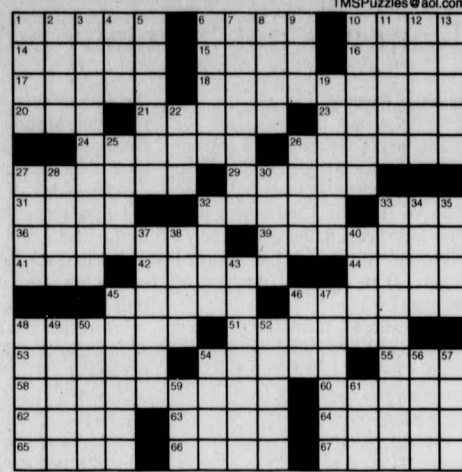
by Brian Shustler



As she gazed into the mirror, Sally realized that the kids at school weren't teasing . . . she was, indeed, a cow.

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  - National song
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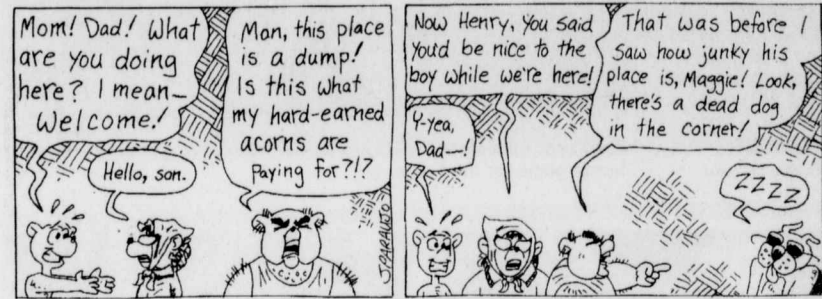


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