

Leather tanning may boost Texas economy

By JENNIFER SANDER
The University Daily

Texas could benefit financially from more leather tanning and manufacturing industries in the state, said Jinger Eberspacher, associate professor of merchandising, environmental design and consumer economics at Texas Tech.

Eberspacher said that, according to statistics, more leather industries could add \$124 million to the economy.

"If we produced only 10 percent of the annual cattle production and took it through each stage of production and manufacturing," Eberspacher said, "we could add millions to the economy, so the biggest benefit is financial. It is something that Texas cannot fail to investigate."

The Leather Research Institute at Tech promotes the development of leather tanning, finishing and manufacturing industry in Texas through research and information dissemination.

Eberspacher said the institute works closely with the colleges of

business, engineering and agriculture to research leather production.

"Right now there are only 120 tanneries of significant size left in the United States," Eberspacher said.



Eberspacher

"Yet we are one of the largest producers of the raw product for leather

because we have such a large cattle-feeding country.

"Currently, the industry is in trouble," she said. "There was a serious 82 percent decline between 1968 and 1987. So the industry's purpose is to support and promote leather tanning and manufacturing industry in Texas to terminate the decline."

Eberspacher said people in the industry think Texas has the potential to succeed in leather manufacturing — from production to distribution.

"Most of the cattle and meat processors are located in, or around, Texas," she said. "We have the unique ability to establish tanneries because we have the material attributes that support the establishment of tanneries and the disposal of its waste."

"Leather tanneries use a substance called chrome (a solution used in dyeing) that is hard to eliminate. However, our weather in Texas allows chrome to evaporate easily, so Texas has an advantage there, also."

Eberspacher said Texas has the labor availability, as well as support

from state Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry and Gov. Ann Richards, to start more tanneries.

The decline in the industry is due to tightened Environmental Protection Agency standards and competition, Eberspacher said.

"Chrome utilization and elimination have been a problem," she said. "Tanneries are normally located in very congested areas, so the EPA forces industries to update their technology or close down. Unfortunately, many of the industries have chosen to shut down."

"Competition was perceived as a problem with hide availability, but that really no longer is a problem," Eberspacher said. "We are trying to determine the status of the industry and put together a feasibility model to be used by companies that are looking closely into this industry."

"We are trying to see what it will take to attract more tanneries here in Texas."

Rape awareness program set

By CHARRIE SOUTH
The University Daily

One in five college women will be raped sometime during her college career because women most often raped are between the ages of 15 and 24 years old, according to the Santa Monica Rape Treatment Center in California.

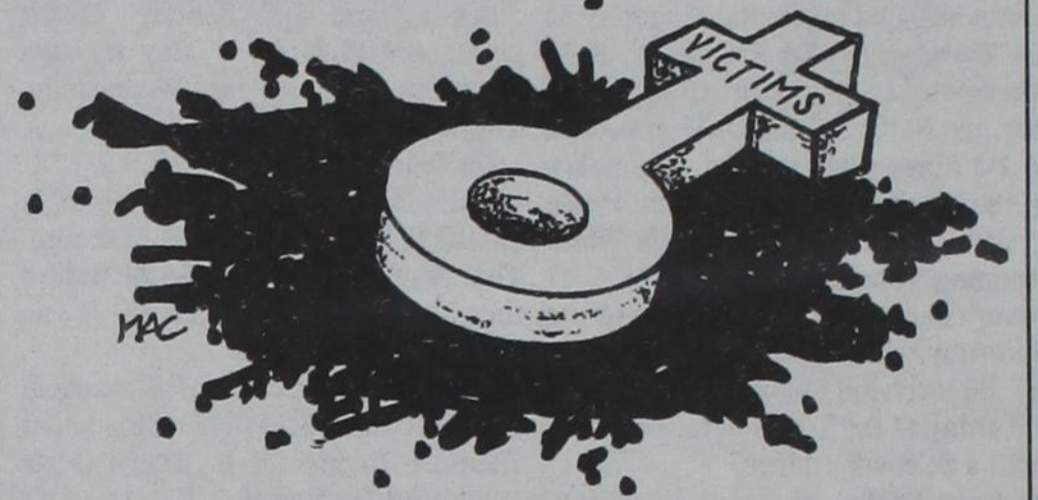
Only 10 percent of acquaintance rapes are reported, center literature said. The Texas Tech Dean of Students Office, with help from Tech student Susan Kerr, will sponsor a program, "Rape By a Stranger or Someone You Know,"

Kerr said.

Kerr is involved in the study as part of a feasibility study. A questionnaire will be provided at the end of the program to determine whether students will attend sessions, whether the sessions lessen anxieties about reporting rape or being raped and whether the sessions are cost effective.

"I know that people are raped who don't report it because they don't know what to expect, both from their friends and from the police," Kerr said.

"Maybe a program like this will offer some advice for them to follow



at 7 p.m. today in the University Center Lubbock Room.

"I think that this sort of program is beneficial for everyone," said Kerr, a senior elementary education major. "I've had a friend raped here at Tech, and I think awareness is important. People need to be aware if changes are to be made."

A representative from the Lubbock Rape Crisis Center will give the presentation and answer questions after the program.

Some of the more common questions asked are "Why is Lubbock's percentage of rapes higher than other cities?" and "What do you do about attempted rape?" Kerr said.

"I really encourage people to attend to learn more about rape,"

so they can report the rape," she said.

During the past five years, a maximum of one rape per year has been reported to the Tech police department, said Brenda Arkell, assistant dean of students.

"Students need to take the initiative and go to these programs when they are offered," Arkell said.

The program will offer information that can only help people, Arkell said.

Arkell said that rape occurs most frequently among college students, especially freshmen, and that acquaintance rape comprises 50 to 70 percent of all reported rapes.

"These types are almost impossible to catch because they are not in town very long and are not as visible as the regulars," White said.

White said most prostitutes work for themselves, not for a pimp, but Price said a large majority of them still work for pimps.

"Many of the girls also work for drug dealers in order to support their

drug habit," Price said. Because many of the prostitutes work for themselves, their work tends to be sporadic.

"Sometimes there may be one or two girls on a corner, and other times there may be four or five," White said. "They may work extra hours to pay rent or buy drugs, you just don't know."

Immigration of prostitutes maddens Overton residents

By LAURA O'QUINN
The University Daily

Prostitutes in Lubbock have angered residents in the Overton North area by moving into the neighborhood, said Lt. David White of the Lubbock Police Department.

The Overton North area has a large number of apartment complexes where the prostitutes can live at a relatively low cost.

"By moving into apartments, the prostitutes become less visible," said Floyd Price, an LPD crime prevention officer. "Some of the prostitutes are used to living in cars and vans or with their pimps."

White said a large percentage of the prostitutes are heavy drug users, and low rent costs allow them to spend their money on drugs.

"Most of the girls are into heavy drugs," White said. "One of the prostitutes has cut down to two hits a day, which was a major reduction for her."

White leads a special task force of eight men who work on prostitution and narcotics cases. The men do not work undercover to solicit prostitutes.

"We have a strange relationship

with the prostitutes that you have to live to understand," White said. "We are on a first-name basis with most of them, so obviously we cannot be the ones to solicit them."

White said the task force pulls officers who have not worked in the area for a while to do the undercover work so the prostitutes will not recognize them. They may have seen the officers in uniform, but once they are in plain clothes, they look totally different.

"The girls are not stupid. They can spot a cop a mile away, so the undercover officers need to be very careful how they present themselves," Price said.

White said female officers, as well as male officers, do undercover work. The women run an operation called a reverse, which has women dress as prostitutes and arrest men who solicit them.

White said prostitution is not limited to the streetwalker type. Many women work out of their homes, and some work for massage parlors or escort services.

Many prostitutes work on what is called a circuit. They move from city to city, and usually work out of motel rooms.

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Moment's Notice is now moved to the Student Association office (2nd floor, University Center). To place an announcement come to the SA office and fill out a form for each announcement. Deadlines remain unchanged (see above)

ROCK CLIMBING CLUB
Will have a meeting open to all interested Tech students on April 9 at 7 p.m. in the Rec, second floor climbing wall (Southside). For more information call Jeff at 741-1478.

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY PRESS
Will have its 5th Annual Spring Sale April 2-4 from 8:30-5:30 p.m. in the UC Courtyard. For more information call Sharon Arname at 742-2982.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION
Will have an Apolofitics meeting tonight at 7 p.m. in Wells Hall 338. For more information call Skip Clarke at 742-6897.

PASS
Will have an Improving Reading Comprehension lecture on April 8 from 4-5 p.m. and a Taking Objective & Essay Exams lecture on April 9 from 6-7 p.m. and an Understanding Your Major as it Relates to a Career on April 9 from 4-5 p.m. All lectures will be in West Hall 205. For more information call PASS at 742-3664.

AG. ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION
Will have a meeting to elect officers on April 9 at 7 p.m. in Ag Sci 311. For more information call Vohnya Tongate at 744-3017.

TEXAS TECH SPORTS CAR CLUB
Will have a meeting open to everyone tonight at 7 p.m. at Mr. Gatti's on 50th. For more information call Davis Jones at 795-9325.

STUDENT SENATE
Will have a meeting tonight at 8 p.m. in the UC Senate Room. For more information call Nick Federspiel at 742-3631.

PRESIDENT'S HOSTESSES
Has applications for membership available in the S.O.S. office. Deadline for applications is April 19. For more information call Alexis Wilson at 796-0773.

SADDLE TRAMPS
Will have Open Rush on April 10-11 from 8-10 p.m. at Trent's Pizza (19th & University) For more information call Tom Kotara at 795-9891.

PRE LAW SOCIETY OF TTU
Will have Travis Ware, Lubbock D.A. speak tonight at 7 p.m. in Law School 105. For more information call Matt Wolfington at 742-3121.

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Will have a meeting on April 10 at 8 p.m. for location and more information call Jerry at 796-8421.

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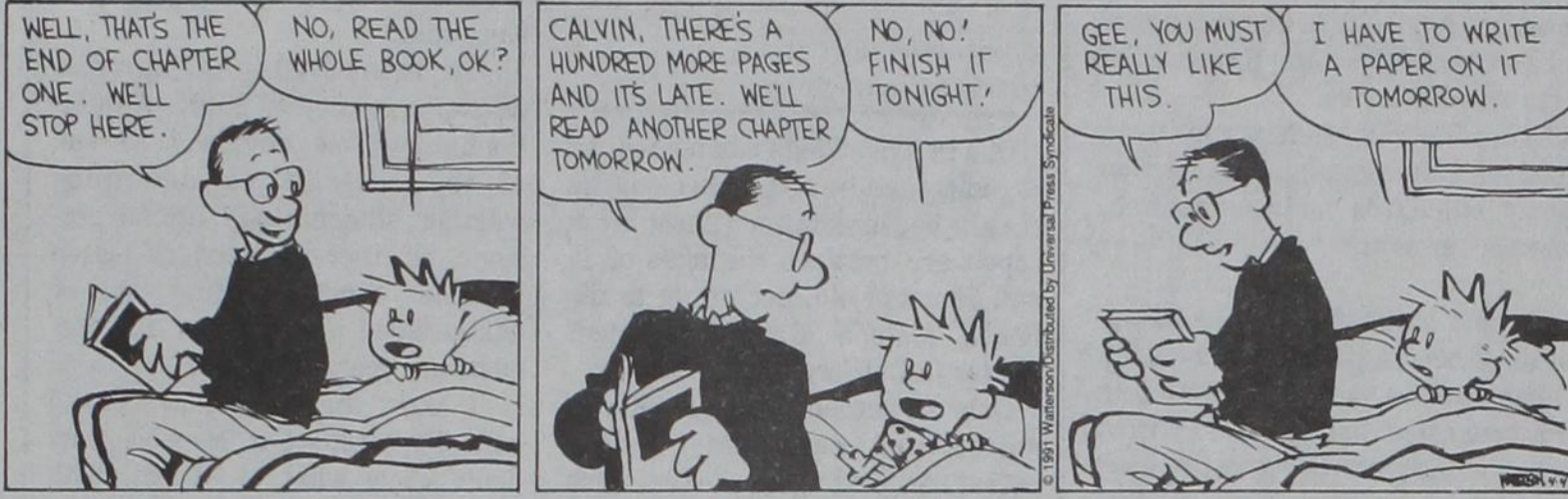
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- On Campus: Michael Boone will perform a classical piano concert at 8:15 p.m. Thursday at Hemmle Recital Hall in the Music Building.

HUB CITY HAPPENINGS

- Jeff Parsons performs a harp recital at 8:15 p.m. Sunday at Hemmle Recital Hall.

World of opportunities awaiting students

By LYDIA GUAJARDO The University Daily

Have you always wondered what it would be like to hike through the rain forests of Australia or to work as a waiter in a restaurant in France?

The International Affairs Program office will sponsor a Travel Party from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m., Friday in room 242 of West Hall.

The staff of the Office of International Affairs will offer information about study abroad programs, work camps in foreign countries and exchange programs.

"This is the season when people start thinking about vacations and traveling," said Janie Bergen, counseling travel assistant.

Through the International Affairs Office, students may obtain information about the various projects offered by the university and international programs.

One of the programs offered is a work camp, a short-term work and

travel expedition.

"The student work programs are in eight different countries," said Linda McGowan, Overseas Opportunities Counselor for International Programs.

The work camps offer students two to three weeks of working in social, farming or archeological or construction environments.



In Greece, students can work on farms and attend planned excursions on the weekends.

The YMCA also is sponsoring a travel program for students wishing to enrich their foreign language skills.

In Ghana, a small country in Africa, one work camp lasted two weeks last summer and allowed students to work on a farm.

"The program attracted a lot of attention and is being offered again this year to students," McGowan said.

dent exchange programs which can either last a semester or a year. Students pay Tech tuition and their airfare but attend school at a university of their choice.

"This program allows students to study in foreign countries while still being enrolled at Tech," McGowan said.

For those who are unable to attend the Travel Party, a resource center is available to view videos, read literature or ask questions.

"When students come in they fill out information sheets that will help us get started," Bergen said.

The resource center has hundreds of programs available to students. A student may find programs dealing with work exchanges, study exchanges and language enrichment.

"I cannot imagine a student coming in and we not being able to accommodate them and their travel desires," Bergen said.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Table with crossword clues. ACROSS: 1 Ashen, 5 Flower part, 10 Narrow opening, 14 Refrigerator, 15 Mideast capital, 16 - down (raze), 17 English author, 20 Norton or Berry, 21 Washington's bills, 22 Wipe out, 23 Appearance, 24 Equine, 26 Exhibit halls, 29 Hide, 30 Crawly creature, 33 Military division, 34 Kentucky college, 35 Pair, 36 English author, 40 Contend, 41 Virginia's - Caverns, 42 Encourage, 43 Always, to poets, 44 Worship object, 45 Creators, 47 Uniform, 48 Sheep shelter, 49 Thing found, 52 Classify, 53 Health resort, 56 English author, 60 State firmly, 61 Zodiac sign, 62 Communication, 63 Torn place, 64 Goes swiftly, 65 Western redskins, 31 Terrific!, 32 Auden and Donne, 34 English poet, 37 Author Goldsmith, 38 Bare, 39 Body of water, 45 Bog, 46 Aleutian island, 47 Court celebrity, 48 Sky traveler, 49 Mighty monarch, 50 Be foot-loose, 51 Portent, 52 Ado, 53 Photo, 54 Party snack, 55 Iowa college town, 57 Grieving, 58 Period, 59 African antelope.

R.E.M. out of time for record

By KIRK BAIRD-PARKS The University Daily

Returning from a brief hiatus, the boys from Athens, Georgia - R.E.M. - join the ranks of new releases with "Out of Time."

After suffering through knocks on their last album, "Green," which die-hard fans claimed was nothing more than a sell-out, R.E.M. continues its journey of self-discovery as a band while adding a few new twists.

The resulting album, "Out of Time," is both familiar and new. It evokes images of the group's first album "Murmur," which was named for Michael Stipe's vocal stylings, and manages to shed new light where the band might be headed.

The album contains 11 tracks and is roughly 45 minutes in length. With song titles like "Shiny Happy People," "Country Feedback" and "Texarkana" it's obvious to tell the overall feel of the album - jangly, guitar-sounding songs with slightly subversive lyrics and moody bass

lines; all trademark R.E.M. styles.

The album opens with a nifty tune, "Radio Song," which starts out mellow and abruptly switches gears to a more upbeat tempo. The song features KRS-1 on additional vocals. The idea of a rapper tenor voice with Stipe's characteristically nasal sound is a bit ludicrous to dwell on, but like the rest of this at times patchwork album, it works.

"Losing My Religion," the album's first single, is as close to a made-for-air-play tune that R.E.M. has on this disc. It's upbeat in an R.E.M. sense and contains all the qualities associated with one of college radio's first cross-over groups.

"Low" is moody and features some extra bass to extract a darker sound. The next tune "Near Wild Heaven," however, quickly reverses field.

"Endgame" is accoustical, except for the hummings of Stipe. It's

melodic and rather quiet in that it doesn't try to overpower the senses. It could gracefully exist in a grocery store's tape library.

Kate Pierson, of the B-52's, makes one of two appearances on "Shiny Happy People." The song features string arrangements and would make a nice follow-up to "Losing My Religion." It simply begs for a quirky video that features Stipe and Pierson in a field in their native Athens, swaying and singing while a brooding band provides an anchor to this nonsense.

Two other stand-out songs are "Belong" and "Texarkana." Both are reminiscent R.E.M. tunes with discernable lyrics, what there is of them, and the patterned tunes.

While R.E.M., in the narrow minds of some, will always be sell-out for having an album actually hit platinum, this album demonstrates why they are no longer a college radio secret - and why they no longer deserve to be a secret. "Out of Time" ranks as one of their best.

By The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA - After 10 years of stopping Fido at the edge of the yard, the Invisible Fence Co. is taking its radio-controlled collars indoors to keep the pooch off that expensive carpet.

Its new system, OffLimits, uses hidden wire antennas to mark off parts of the house forbidden to a pet - sofas, beds or entire rooms.

The company says the collar delivers a harmless shock, but animal-rights activists say it's inhumane nonetheless.

"We believe that any training method that produces fear, pain and confusion should be avoided," said Libby Williams, secretary-treasurer of the Pittsburgh-based Mobilization for Animals.

"There are so many alternatives to doing this," she said. "People could put blankets on their furniture. They could use expandable baby gates to block off rooms."

OffLimits works like this: A small transmitter sends a weak radio signal over a concealed wire. A receiver in the animal's collar picks up the signal if it gets too close and beeps a warning. If the animal ignores the warning, the collar delivers a mild shock.

According to the company, 200,000 dogs "stand behind" outdoor Invisible Fences. After a brief training period to introduce dogs to the regime, most give up the urge to roam, the company says.

Invisible Fence denies the system is cruel. It says the shock is about as strong as the static electricity generated when people walk across a carpet and touch a doorknob.

"Our system does not cause pain or fear," company spokeswoman Mary O'Leary said. "It's a simple conditioning method. It is Pavlovian conditioning, period."

"It's like smacking your dog on the nose and saying 'No' when it misbehaves, except you're not there to do it," she said.

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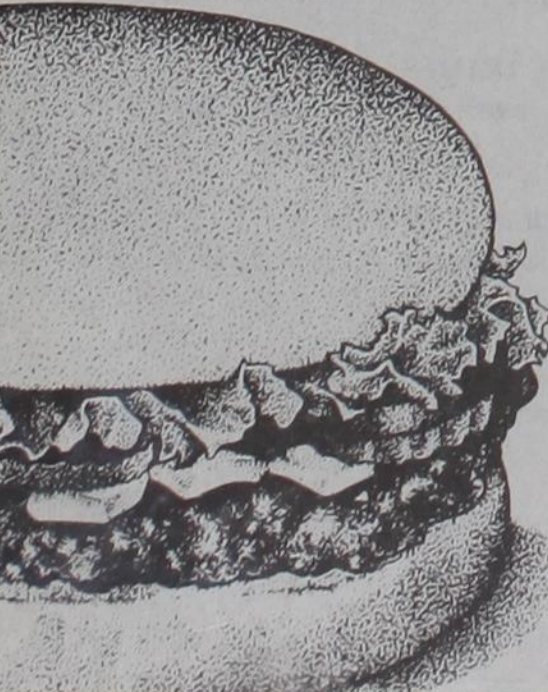
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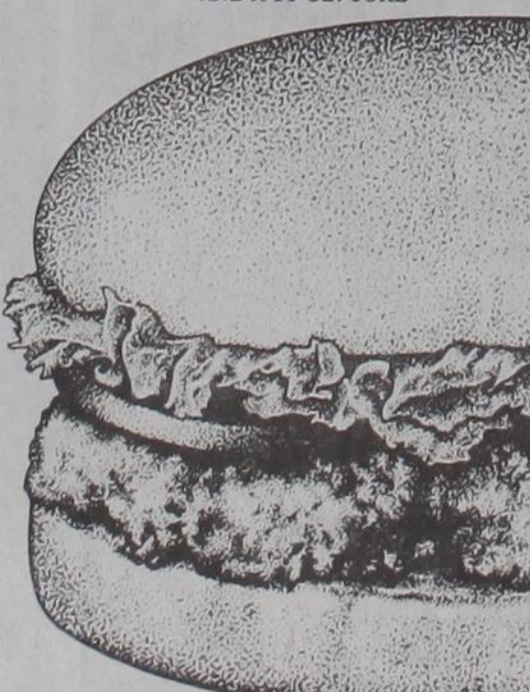


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