

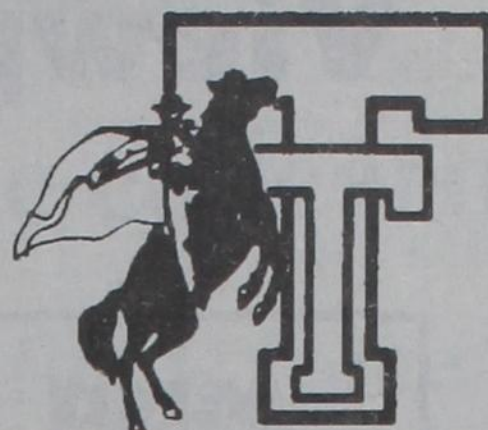
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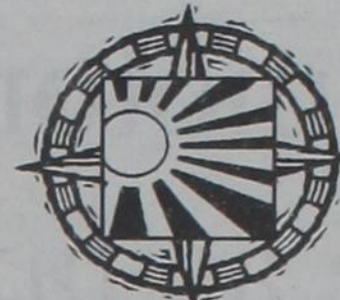
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Morales criticizes Gramm

Iraq captures Kurd stronghold

by Ginger Pope/UD

Victor Morales has offered Sen. Phil Gramm a tour of Texas in his pickup.

Morales, a school teacher from Mesquite running for U.S. Senate, said Gramm has only been in Texas for a total of 25 days during 1994 and 1995.

Gramm, who has returned from Iowa and New Hampshire, is planning a bus tour of East Texas next week.

Morales said Gramm's absence from Texas has caused him to lose touch with the people, and Morales wants to be Gramm's tour guide on the bus tour.

Gramm was absent from the Senate during key times and had the worst record of attendance in the Senate, he said.

"The more Texas sees the kind of leadership they're getting, the more they'll want to change it," Morales said.

Michael Turner, president of the University Democrats and senior history and political science major from Austin, said Gramm spends much time campaigning for other candidates and raising funds for himself.

Many people believe Gramm is not focusing on Texas and they do not know him as well, Turner said.

"People in rural communities don't see Gramm until election time," he said.

"Morales has traveled to a lot of places and is getting an understanding of Texans."

Morales spends as much time with two or three people as he does with thousands because two or three people can make a difference as much as thousands, he said.

Turner said people get tired of the politician status quo and driving around in a pickup is a refreshing idea to some.

Morales would be able to help Democrats in Texas more than President Clinton, he said.

Gramm raises money outside of the state not only for the state, but also for himself, Turner said.

Seth Crosland, a junior psychology major from Garland, said Morales was his golf instructor for several years.

"Morales is very friendly and tries to interact with people through a one-on-one basis," Crosland said. "He tries to keep his roots."

Morales relates well to people and is not like the typical government, he said.

Crosland said Morales' lack of experience in office may not be the issue for some voters, but his character and personality will be able to sway many votes.

Sara Stokes, a junior music education major from Mesquite, said Morales seems like a nice guy, but she is concerned with his inexperience.

"If this was a personality contest Morales would probably win, but with a big state like Texas, Gramm would probably do a better job," Stokes said.

The number of days Morales quoted Gramm spending in Texas caught Stokes' attention, but she said Gramm has more experience and knows how the Senate works.

Gary Neal, a representative from Gramm's office, said Morales is more than welcome to tag along with Gramm's tour.

"We'll show him parts of Texas he has never seen before," Neal said.

"He'll see families needing tax cuts and who work hard to get their money."

In response to the number of days Morales said Gramm has spent in Texas, he said Morales' numbers are wrong. Gramm spent 40 days in Texas in 1995 and when he is not in Texas he is in Washington, D.C.

Cameron Graham, secretary of Tech's College Republicans and a junior history major from Lubbock, said Gramm's absence should not have an adverse affect on Texans.

"It is not out of the ordinary for a senator to be out of the state for long periods of time," he said. "I do not believe Gramm would neglect important votes."

DOKAN, Iraq (AP) — Kurdish allies of Saddam Hussein captured the last stronghold of their rebel rivals Monday, giving the Iraqi leader control over much of northern Iraq for the first time since the Persian Gulf War.

With Iraqi troops trailing close behind, the Kurdistan Democratic Party claimed control of the city of Sulaymaniyah after the crumbling forces of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan abandoned their posts, U.N. workers in the city said.

"The PUK had withdrawn and the KDP walked in," said Stafford Clarry, the head of a U.N. guard unit in Sulaymaniyah, Iraqi Kurdistan's second-largest city.

About 50,000 of Sulaymaniyah's 400,000 people fled in advance of the offensive, leaving the city quiet after its fall, Clarry said.

The United States, which launched missile strikes against southern Iraq last week, made clear it has no plans to take sides in the fighting between the Kurdish factions, who have frequently shifted alliances in the course of their conflict. The missile strikes appeared to discourage Saddam's forces from taking a direct role in the fighting, but it has not slowed the Saddam-allied KDP.

KDP fighters claimed they entered Sulaymaniyah on Monday evening after residents rebelled to force out a rival, Iranian-backed Kurdish faction and the Kurdish leader, Jalal Talabani.

The city was the last stronghold left in the hands of the PUK forces after they lost Irbil,

the area's de facto capital, on Aug. 31 in a KDP offensive backed by the Iraqi army. The capture of Sulaymaniyah means Saddam effectively wields control over much of northern Iraq for the first time since the U.S.-led forces established a Kurdish "safe haven" after the 1991 Gulf War.

The town of Dokan fell to the KDP earlier in the day, giving the Kurdish group control of a dam that supplies water and power to the region. A long convoy of KDP fighters entered Dokan with strips of yellow ribbon — the faction's color — tied to their guns.

Some Dokan residents offered water to KDP fighters and waved yellow flags, yelling "Piroz be!" — "Congratulations" in Kurdish.

As his fighters claimed the town, KDP

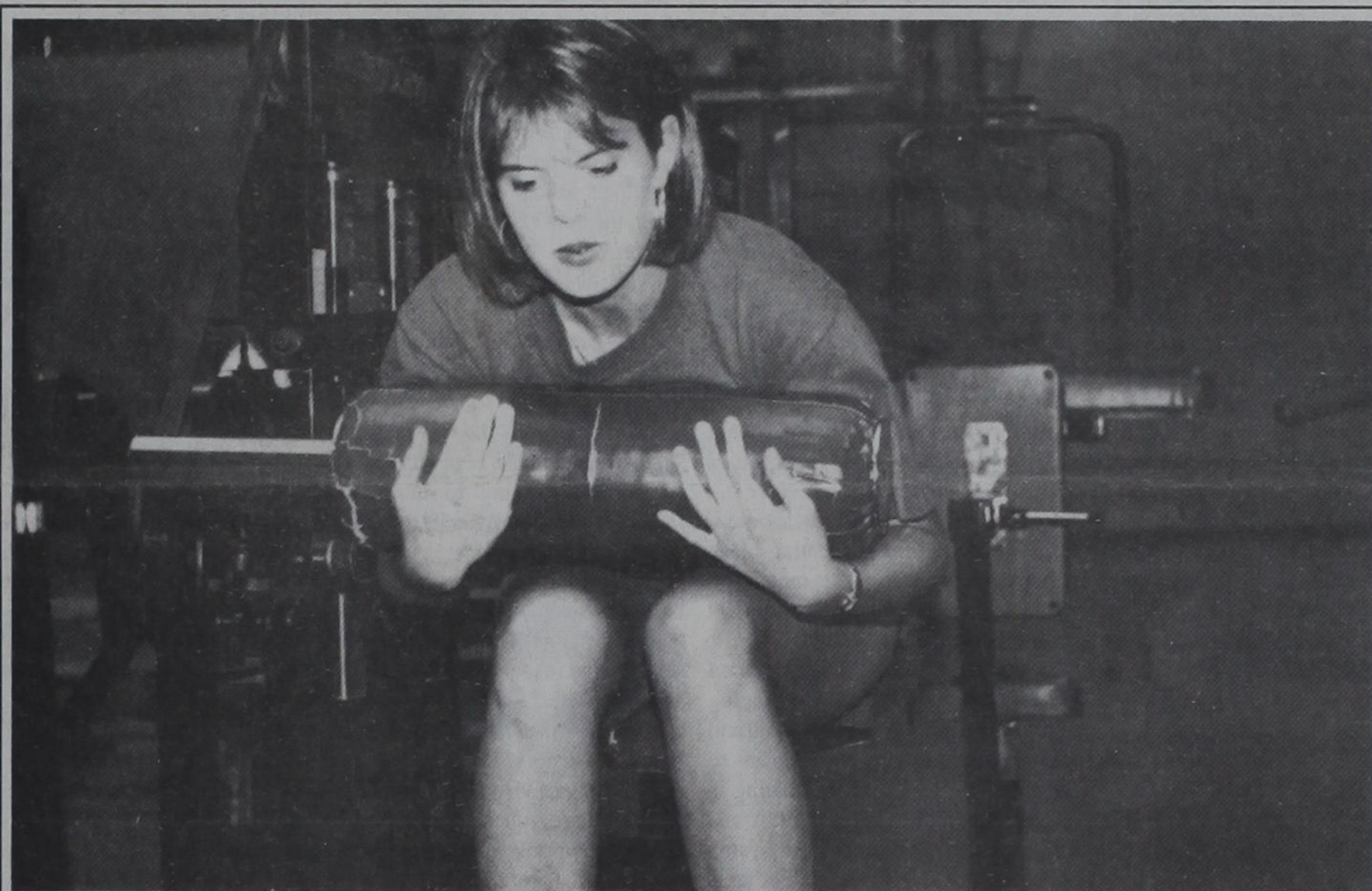
leader Massoud Barzani stood on a hill just outside, saluting his men as they entered.

"This is the end of the collaborator," he said, referring to PUK leader Talabani's alliance with Iran.

Traveling in trucks, taxis and even old Mercedes-Benz sedans, the KDP troops encountered a few sniper ambushes, but quickly responded with heavy artillery fire into hills covered with dry golden grass.

The PUK had put up stiff resistance until Monday, but appeared unable to hold back the onslaught.

Iraqi forces were advancing across the region behind the front-line KDP fighters but were not playing a major role in the fighting, according to most accounts.



Just one more: Diana Bednarz, a freshman dietetics major from Slaton, works on her abs in the Student Recreation Center. The Rec Center provides students the opportunity to swim, play sports or exercise with weights.

Wes Underwood/UD

Ag loan program recertified

by Charles Melton/UD

After more than a year of investigation of the Texas Agricultural Mediation Program, the United States Department of Agriculture has decided to recertify the program at Texas Tech.

An audit of the program done by the U.S. Office of the Inspector General recommended the USDA cancel the certification of the agricultural mediation program at Tech in March 1996. The report also instructed the Texas state executive director of the Farm Service Agency to implement an alternative mediation program in Texas for USDA borrowers, among other actions to correct problems found in the program.

"Texas Tech University is being recertified as the Texas representative for the program," said Ron Cody, acting director of the advisory and corporate operations staff of the United States Department of Agriculture's Farm Services Agency.

Because the program is being recertified, funding will be renewed after its current funding expires Sept. 30, Cody said.

"I think it (the program) has served producers well in the past and think it will do so in the future," said Harold Bob Bennett, Texas state executive director of the Farm Service Agency.

"TAMP is definitely a good program and will be just as important if not more important to producers in the future with the new farm bill."

Everyone associated with the program will keep a closer eye on it in the future, he said.

Farm Service Agency officials indicated the program would be recertified, but Tech had not received any official word, said Kent Kay, Tech director of internal audits and acting director of the program.

"Our budget is less than last year's, and we have made several changes," he said. "TAPA has been collapsed, and that has provided more economy."

The restructuring will allow the program to hire more graduate students to work directly with mediators, he said.

"We're still working with producers and the Farm Services Agency and are continuing to meet with people," he said.

Mediation is keeps things out of administrative channels, he said.

"Our goal is to keep farmers farming and ranchers ranching," Kay said.

Tech Vice Provost for Research Robert Sweazy said he had not received official notice about the program's recertification.

"It appears that we'll operate the program for at least another year," Sweazy said. "We've added some checks and balances and tightened some things up."

Tech's College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources referred all questions about the program to Kay.

Ex-Techsan returns as dean

by Andrea Broyles/UD

A desire to return to his alma mater combined with a love of Texas wildlife has brought Texas Tech's new dean of the graduate school, David J. Schmidly, back home.

Schmidly said he has several goals for his tenure as dean.

"Tech is an outstanding institution," Schmidly said.

"It's got a good reputation, but it certainly wants to increase and strengthen its reputation in the graduate education area, and that's what I'm interested in."

He said he also would like to see graduate education at Tech grow, but with quality in mind.

Schmidly wants students who graduate from Tech to be competitive in the job market.

There are short- and long-term challenges for Tech's graduate programs, Schmidly said.

"In the short-term, it's becoming familiar with the university from top to bottom and all its graduate programs," he said.

Also, Schmidly's vision includes the creation of a strategic plan for graduate education at Tech, he said.

"You have to know where you're going," he said.

"You have to have milestones and ways to measure how you're getting there."

This fall, a mission statement will be written to guide the graduate program for the next few years, he said.

In conjunction with his duties as dean, Schmidly will continue to pursue his research in the area of biological sciences.

Schmidly is originally from Levelland and received his undergraduate and master's de-



Schmidly

gree from Tech. He then received his doctorate degree from the University of Illinois.

"I enjoyed it here immensely," he said.

In 1971, Schmidly began a 25-year career with Texas A&M in the department of wildlife and fishery sciences.

"All of my scholarly work is devoted to mammals and research about the conservation of mammals," he said.

Schmidly said he has written five books on Texas mammals.

"If I'm known for anything it's my understanding of the mammals of the state and the conservation issues relative to those critters," he said.

He rose through the ranks from assistant to associate to full professor at A&M, and he has trained more than 50 graduate students and published more than 100 papers.

"In 1986, I was struck by the bug of administration," he said. "I became head of the department of wildlife and fishery sciences."

A&M's wildlife science department is the largest academic unit of its type in the country, he said.

"We had about 600 undergraduate students

and about 200 graduate students in that department," he said.

In 1992, Schmidly went to A&M-Galveston, as it was merged back with the main campus in College Station.

Schmidly remained campus dean for the four and a half years he spent in Galveston.

He now returns to Tech to strengthen graduate education and work with research colleagues in the museum, Schmidly said.

"It was something I just couldn't pass up and so I decided to return to my roots," he said.

“In 1986, I was struck by the bug of administration.”

David Schmidly, dean of the graduate school

Schmidly has fine interpersonal skills and an excellent research background that will enhance graduate education at Tech, said Troy Johnson, Tech director of graduate admissions and enrollment management.

"He has experience as an executive administrator and is a renowned researcher," Johnson said.

As part of his desire to continue his research, Schmidly said his faculty office will be in the department of biological sciences and his research office is in the Texas Tech Museum.

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Juvenile crime gains statewide concern

Local youth crime on the rise, DA says

by April Castro/UD

A crime wave among area youths may be in store for Lubbock residents in the coming year.

District Attorney Bill Sowder announced last week that he expects an increase in the crime rate among youths as a result of past juvenile crime trends.

However, the rate of crime in the Hub City still is comparable to other Texas cities, Sowder said. Prosecution of juvenile crime is a main priority of the DA this year, as well as the prosecution of drunk drivers and hot check writing violations, he said.

Although street gang-related crime appears to have increased slightly since last year, Lubbock is fortunate not to have the degree of gang activity seen in other Texas cities, he said.

Lubbock officials opened the city's first Curfew Detention Center one year ago next month, where juvenile offenders are taken instead of being sent to jail.

During the past year, the Lubbock Police Department has cracked down on juveniles found outside past 11 p.m. on school nights and midnight on weekends.

The citywide curfew has been in effect since 1984, but until October 1995, the only place for offenders was the local jail.

Juveniles found outside after curfew carrying drugs or weapons are taken to the Lubbock County Youth Center where a citation is issued and counseling is offered, said LPD Lt. Gordon Hoffman in a previous interview with *The University Daily*. Some

local officials believe the center helps deter juveniles from committing further criminal acts.

Most juvenile crime in Lubbock does not occur in the East section of town, as many mistakenly believe, according to results from an LPD study released in October 1994.

East Lubbock, the area between Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, Guava Avenue, Erskine Street and 50th Street, actually reported fewer violent crimes than other sections of the city during the time period covered by the LPD study.

The study found that a high poverty rate was the main similarity among areas with a high crime rate.

In February, the Lubbock County Juvenile Detention Center Advisory Task Force asserted education was the key to get children out of poverty and away from the influences causing them to commit crimes.

Between 10 percent and 12 percent of junior high school students in Lubbock constituted 80 percent of the discipline problems handled by the detention center, said LISD Assistant Superintendent John Washington, in a previous interview with *The UD*.

Emphasizing prevention instead of detention is the only way juvenile crime can be reduced, Washington said. Simply adding more beds to the detention center may be only a "Band-Aid" to the problem, he said.

In contrast to the city's situation, crime on the Texas Tech campus has decreased during the past semester, said Steve Kauffman, associate director of Tech's news and publication.

Juvenile Crime

• Crimes committed by juveniles expected to increase

• Criminal activity not confined to East Lubbock

• Poverty leading cause for high criminal activity

• Education key to reducing juvenile crime

Inadequate funds force juvenile center closing

LOCKHART (AP)—Caldwell County wants out of a money-losing proposition: operating a juvenile detention center.

Facing increased competition from private centers, the county has been unable to keep its juvenile detention center in downtown Lockhart filled with youths from elsewhere whose home counties pay \$85 a day to house them.

The county is facing a \$200,000 loss on the center for the fiscal year ending Sept. 31, officials said.

They are hoping to avoid closing its doors by leasing the operation to a private company that could keep the 24 beds occupied, possibly by expanding services.

"It has a lot of great possibilities," said Jill Townsend, chief juvenile probation officer. "My biggest concern is to salvage some services for our county and our kids."

The detention center houses youths who have been arrested and are awaiting release to parents or adjudication by a court. They stay anywhere from a day to a month. Caldwell County averages about five such cases at any time, Townsend said.

Until last year the county sent them to juvenile centers in Hondo or Victoria.

With its own center, county officials planned on housing local youths closer to home and wanted to make ends meet by taking in ju-

veniles from other counties. That worked from the opening in October 1995 until February, Townsend said.

Then competition hit. A private company called

Recor Inc. opened a juvenile detention center in Rockdale, 70 miles northeast, and took a big bite out of Caldwell County's customer base.

Recor provides transportation and charges \$73 a day. "I can't compete with

that," Townsend said. Bastrop, Lee, Burleson and Washington counties, which previously sent youths to the Lockhart center, switched.

The center's daily population dropped from an average of about 14 to six or seven in the past few months.

"For quite a few years there was a shortage of detention space," Townsend said. Private contractors can operate more efficiently than government, said Tanna Brown, vice president for operations at Recor's Kerrville office.

Brown said her company is "very thin at the top" and spends most of its staffing money on people who work directly with youths. Because private contractors are not bound by government purchasing rules, they have the freedom to shop around for bargains.

“My biggest concern is to salvage some services for our county and our kids.”

Jill Townsend, chief juvenile probation officer

Relationships center of Tech counseling program

by Ginger Pope/UD

If relationships are adding more stress to the day-to-day grind, help is available through Texas Tech's Counseling Center.

Eileen Nathan, associate director of Tech's Counseling Center, said the center provides special services to meet the needs of Tech students.

Tech student fees are used to fund counseling services, and staff consists of licensed psychologists, master and doctoral-level graduate students, as well as psychology interns, Nathan said.

Students deal with a lot of stress and they have to balance school, work and, for many, a love relationship, she said.

"Whatever affects the individual is difficult to separate from his or her environment," she said.

Students are surrounded by relationships, and the center counsels students in their peer, family, roommate and romantic relationships, she said.

"We often see couples come in for counseling after they become engaged," Nathan said. "They are able to discuss future problems."

Most of the center's patients are couples, but there have been occasions when roommates have visited

requesting advice, she said.

Nathan believes many problems with students relating to one another can stem from their different backgrounds. Relationships at home may not be good or the long-practiced beliefs of one student may conflict with the ideas of another, she said.

"It is important for students to know themselves, but also to be open and honest to communication about their feelings and desires," she said. "Be equally open to understanding a partner as you are trying to be understood."

Hal Stevens, a staff psychologist, said many students get help even though their relationships are not in trouble.

This is often done to help prevent problems or to verify whether they are in the right relationship, Stevens said.

"Many students have assumptions about relationships," he said. "They are not always aware of existing problems in a functional relationship."

Students should remember it is their choice to come in for help and to make the first move, he said.

The center provides services as good or better than what a patient would pay top dollar for, he said.

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Professor's research leads to energy alternatives

by Sheree' Keith/UD

Biological energy resources such as corn and other plants are being debated by Texas Tech agriculture officials as possible replacements for current energy resources.

"Bioenergy will only be a big source of energy through government regulations," said Harry Parker, Tech professor of chemical engineering and researcher of this topic for the past 16 years.

Corn and other plants are being seriously considered as a mainstream alternative energy source because of their renewable nature, Parker said.

Using biological, or renewable, products like corn could mean a large source of ethanol, adhesives and biopolymers, which are used to make motor fuel, glue and thickeners for some foods and makeups, he said.

Nonrenewable resources like coal, fossil fuel and oil currently are used, but the benefits of renewable resources are being discussed, he said.

"Years ago the USDA formed a

policy to renew rural America," Parker said.

Use of biomass, or biological materials used as energy, could cause the redevelopment of rural America, he said, because it encourages the farm production of biological materials, such as corn.

Natural resources are viewed as environmentally harmless, increasing the validity of using plant tissue for energy resources, he said. Nonrenewable resources often have harmful effects after usage, such as production of carbon dioxide.

This often contributes to the gradual warming of the planet, he said.

When biological materials are used, they give off carbon dioxide, but the plant growth takes carbon dioxide out of the air, effectively taking care of the problems they create, he said.

Many countries currently are dependent upon foreign oil for their energy resources, he said.

If imported petroleum ever become too expensive, or international relations cause petroleum to become unavailable, many countries would have problems, he said.

Bioenergy resources such as corn could be produced domestically, he said.

Even as biomass used as energy has benefits, the feasibility and acceptability of it as an alternative resource is in

question, he said.

"Currently, the international price of petroleum oil is cheap," he said. Government regulations would be the determining factor in using biomass instead of petrochemicals and other synthetic products, he said.

Right now, the market is not open to using biomass as an alternative fuel source like ethanol, he said.

Current fuel sources are likely to last another 500 to 1000 years, Parker said.

Dick Auld, chairman of Tech's plant and soil sciences department, agrees with Parker's assessment.

"Right now it is not cost-efficient," Auld said.

Oil prices would probably have to exceed \$40 a barrel in markets where environmental problems are critical for biofuels to become acceptable, but in the future things could change, he said.

"If you don't have the answers today for tomorrow's problems then you will have a mess," Auld said.

“ Bioenergy will only be a big source of energy through government regulations. ”

Harry Parker, Tech chemical engineering professor

Hurricane Fran leaves path of destruction behind

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Their neighborhoods in tatters but their resolve largely intact, residents of hurricane-battered areas turned Sunday to cleaning up formidable messes, watching swollen waterways and adjusting to life without electricity.

At least six people were still reported missing.

Five electric utilities reported a total of 488,000 customers still without power.

Water, and especially ice, remained crucial commodities and lines formed at stores offering supplies — many for free.

With many areas flooded with sewage-tainted water and thousands of trees on the ground, life was hardly returning to normal.

But, on a muggy, torrid day, people ventured out with rakes and chain saws, and utility and municipal crews and private tree-clearing contractors plied the streets and back roads.

"We're so sophisticated in this age of technology and science, but Mother Nature comes through and we're back to 400 B.C.," said Linda Daigle, clearing foliage from her lawn Sunday.

Hurricane Fran slammed into coastal North Carolina late Thursday and turned north, cutting a capricious swath of destruction as far inland as Raleigh and Winston-Salem before flooding Virginia and West Virginia

delivering heavy rains.

The storm and its aftereffects killed at least 29 people — 17 of them in North Carolina — mostly by falling trees, flooding and traffic accidents. Firefighters in the Philadelphia suburb of Abington pulled two people from their flooded basement late Sunday night.

Five more deaths were added Sunday in Virginia, four resulting from vehicles that fell into rain-swollen rivers.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency has declared 34 North Carolina counties disaster areas as of Sunday afternoon.

A 60-member team on Topsail Island, in the hardest-hit coastal region, searched for five people reported missing, emergency officials said.

In Raleigh, rescuers searched for 17-year-old Jackson Edward Griffin, who disappeared Saturday while swimming with a friend in swollen Crabtree Creek.

On evacuated, sealed-off North Topsail Beach, state Emergency Management spokesman Tom Hegele described by telephone a scene of devastation: trailers stacked atop each other, several collapsed houses and

cars buried in sand.

A dazed Glenn Sasser, a year-round resident, wandered the Surf City beach Sunday searching for his home.

"It's just gone. I had an oceanfront house and now I can't find it," Sasser said.

"I just bought the house in April. I was spared by Bertha, but it's just gone."

Nearby, Mary Kulp sobbed quietly as she approached her cottage and sat on what used to be the roof of her best friend's house next door.

"Oh, my God," she said. "This is terrible."

In Washington, U.S. Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman planned a trip Monday to inspect storm damage and flooding.

The department has a number of assistance programs that could aid hurricane victims, including an emergency food-assistance program.

Evacuees jammed hotels across the state's central region.

One Raleigh Ramada Inn also held 62 tree surgeons from Alabama.

The Winn-Dixie supermarket chain gave away six truckloads of ice in Raleigh alone during the weekend before running out, and was still handing out water — two gallon bottles per adult

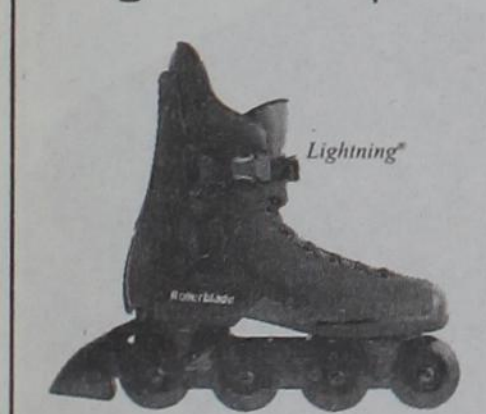
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Glenn Sasser, Surf City beach homeowner

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Russia's Yeltsin healthy enough to hunt

MOSCOW (AP) — Despite his cardiac problems, President Boris Yeltsin still has the heart of a hunter, killing the boar that was served for lunch during German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's visit.

"Hunting is one of Yeltsin's favorite sports; he enjoys it tremendously," Igor Ignatyev, chief of Yeltsin's press service, said Monday. Yeltsin is vacationing at the Rus resort, about 60 miles north of Moscow. Last week he announced he would have heart surgery at the end of September.

Ignatyev said he has been having an "active vacation" despite his ailment, shooting "a good many ducks."

"He even shot a boar, and when Kohl was visiting last weekend, Yeltsin announced at lunch that most of the courses were made with his trophies. Boar meat was served for the main course," Ignatyev told The Associated Press.

Boars have all but disappeared from the forests around Moscow, but were specially bred in Rus in the 1960s and '70s when the resort, then known as Zavidovo, was the favorite hunting place of Communist Party leader Leonid Brezhnev.

To make hunting easier, gamekeepers leave food for the animals in specific places. The hunters shoot from wooden towers, Ignatyev said.

Spaniards receive scare from broadcast

MADRID, Spain (AP) — Hundreds of panicked Spaniards flooded TV and radio switchboards with calls this weekend when a newscaster broke in with a report showing space aliens hovering over New York.

The purported news flashes that appeared Saturday and Sunday on the Telecinco network were in fact advertisements for the film "Independence Day," which opens in Spain on Friday.

The PublicoSpana advertising firm figured viewers wouldn't be taken in by the TV takeoff of H.G. Wells' "War of the Worlds" — the 1942 radio stunt that created a short but memorable panic in the United States.

"We wanted to do something different, cause some excitement, but certainly not fear," an advertising executive, Jose Luis Andarias, said Monday.

Plenty of Spaniards believed the film's scenes of a White House press conference about the invasion, and an announcer breaking away to shots of New Yorkers fleeing in the streets.

A text warning on the bottom of the TV screen said "advertisement," but "apparently people can't watch footage, listen and read at the same time," Andarias said.

Chinese commemorate leader's death

BEIJING (AP) — A state publishing company released a new collection of his works. A choral group performed in his honor. But otherwise, China was doing little to commemorate the 20th anniversary of Mao Tse-tung's death on Monday.

The choral group performed a recital entitled "The East is Red" at a packed Beijing concert hall Sunday night.

The song "The East is Red," one of China's most famous revolutionary tunes, praises Mao as a leader who devoted himself to the masses.

The third, fourth and fifth volumes of "The Works of Mao Tse-tung," including some previously unpublished writings, are being released, the Xinhua News Agency reported Sunday without linking their publication to the anniversary of his death.

The first two volumes were published in December 1993 to mark the 100th anniversary of Mao's birth.

That event was accompanied by a nationwide wave of nostalgia, fanned by business-minded Chinese who marketed products ranging from compact discs of revolutionary songs to cigarette lighters bearing Mao's portrait.

But China's state-run media has paid scant attention to the anniversary of Mao's death.

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People briefly

Roberts leaves brassiere as souvenir

NEW YORK (AP) — Pretty woman Julia Roberts all of a sudden was Party Woman.

The actress was photographed dancing on the bar over the weekend at the nightclub Hogs & Heifers. *New York Post* photographer Gary Miller said she danced on the bar with five women and kissed one during the bash early Sunday.

Roberts also slipped her bra out one arm of her top and left it behind as a souvenir — as have Ashley Judd, Darryl Hannah and Drew Barrymore, the *Daily News* reported.

Roberts jumped down after realizing she was being photographed. "I was just having fun inside," she said as she left.

Moore writes intro for psychic friend

NEW YORK (AP) — Demi Moore has shaved her head, bared her body and now is sharing a little of her inner self.

Moore wrote the introduction to a book by her personal psychic, Laura Day.

At their first meeting, Moore recalled, "we were talking about details and insights that only my closest friends could know."

"Even more intriguing were the things she told me about myself that I share with absolutely no one," wrote Moore, offering no examples. Later, Day asked if the actress was pregnant and "it turned out to be true," Moore recalled.

The introduction to the book, "Practical Intuition: How to Harness the Power of Your Instinct and Make It Work For You," appears in the October issue of *McCall's* magazine.

Canadians wait for 'Sex' in library

KELOWNA, British Columbia (AP) — It could be years before people can get their hands on the Okanagan Regional Library's lone copy of "Sex."

There are 110 people on the waiting list to read Madonna's book more than three years after it was released. It could be 2002 before those on the list get their chance, library official Lorraine Hladick said last week.

The library has 150,000 card holders in 29 branches.

Ethridge to play Rock Hall of Fame

CLEVELAND (AP) — The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame hopes to get a little help from a friend.

Hard-singing Melissa Etheridge is scheduled to return to Cleveland Oct. 11 for a concert to benefit the hall. Etheridge was one of many artists who performed at the grand opening in front of 57,000 people a year ago.

"This is something we want to do every year. We want to stage an annual concert to benefit the museum," hall spokesman Tim Moore said last week.

Cleveland beat out Memphis, Tenn., and New York City as the site of the hall, a \$92 million glass-and-chrome pyramid on the shores of Lake Erie with interactive displays, theaters and lots of memorabilia.

Ebony says Horne, 79, still beautiful

CHICAGO (AP) — *Ebony* magazine loves singer Lena Horne.

The 79-year-old performer is on the magazine's 1996 list of "The 15 Most Beautiful Black Women."

Horne has been on *Ebony's* list of beautiful people every year since 1946.

Also on the list are Oprah Winfrey, former Miss America Vanessa Williams and actresses Halle Berry, Jada Pinkett, Vanessa Bell Calloway and Salli Richardson.

It also includes actress Angela Bassett; singers Janet Jackson, Whitney Houston, Chilli Thomas and Cassandra Wilson; model Tyra Banks; opera singer Jessye Norman; and educator Camille Cosby, wife of Bill Cosby.

Lubbock artists perform for public

by Darcy Rosie/UD

West Texas is generally not known for its fine arts, but that all changes this weekend as Lubbock hosts Performance Lubbock Saturday and Sunday.

The inaugural event has 600 local artists slated to perform. Artists will come from parts of New Mexico and surrounding counties to entertain the Lubbock community.

The project is the brainchild of Neal Hanslik, a musical review director who works with many local performing arts associations.

"We have everything," said Hanslik, who returned to Lubbock three years ago after spending 28 years in New York City, directing musical reviews.

"Showcasing the vast number of artists in the region is the primary goal of the event," Hanslik said.

The event will feature everything from clog dancers to one-act theater groups. There is something for everyone, he said.

Children's performances, alternative, Tejano and country music as well as classical ballet and musical reviews will be among the arts demonstrated, he said.

The cost of \$2 provides you a full weekend pass, he said.

Performances occur in half-hour intervals for nearly 10 hours on Saturday and five and a half hours on Sunday, he said.

"It hasn't been hard at all. We can't believe it's been so easy and that we have so many performers in just the first year," Hanslik said.

There will be 10 stages, indoor as well as outdoor, in the Depot District to accommodate the many artists expected to attend.

One of those stages will be set up at Kyle's 88 Key Cafe, and manager Layna Lankford urges people to come

check out the entertainment.

"It would be a real shame to miss something like this. There will be good music, good food, and there is going to be something to do for everyone," Lankford said.

The event has captured the district's attention and has the backing of local establishments and the people in the area.

"We're very supportive of the event," Lankford said. "It's good for business, good for the Lubbock music crowd and should be a lot of fun."

Getting involved with Performance Lubbock came naturally for Kyle's because owner Kyle Abernathy is a longtime local musician who has performed at many Texas Tech activities.

Although Kyle's will host mostly musical acts, the weekend should prove to be a positive step forward for all local performing arts, she said.

"It'll heighten everyone's awareness of the performing arts," she said. "It should increase the level of support for the arts in this area."

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Father of Bluegrass, Bill Monroe, dead at 84

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Bill Monroe, who combined fast-picking mandolin, banjo and guitar with a "high lonesome" singing style to create the distinctly American sound known as bluegrass, died Monday. He was 84.

The Father of Bluegrass died at a hospice in Springfield after suffering a stroke earlier this year.

Monroe influenced bluegrass legends like Lester Flatt and Earl Scruggs, as well as newer stars, such as Ricky Skaggs and Alison Krauss.

Monroe's best known song was "Blue Moon of Kentucky," which he wrote in 1946 and which Elvis Presley also recorded in 1954 on his way to stardom. Other records included "Kentucky Waltz," "Mule Skinner Blues," "Pike County Breakdown" and "A Letter From My Darling."

As a singer, songwriter and instrumentalist, Monroe was a headliner

around the world and was honored at the White House. He sold more than 50 million records and remained active well into his 80s.

Bluegrass music relies heavily on banjos, mandolins, acoustic guitars and fiddles, with lightning-fast picking and a yodeling vocal style. It gets its name from Monroe's band, the Blue Grass Boys, and the grass of his native Kentucky.

Monroe could play most of the string instruments but was best known as a mandolinist. While performing, he nearly

always wore a coat and tie, with a white cowboy hat crowning his silver hair.

In the 1940s, he hired Flatt and Scruggs for his band — Flatt on guitar, Scruggs on banjo — and they became two of the most acclaimed musicians in bluegrass history. Monroe, a proud man, was said to have refused to speak to the pair for more than 20 years after they left him in the late '40s.

Monroe was elected to the Country Music Hall of Fame in 1970.

He played on the Grand Ole Opry from 1939 throughout his career. He

won the National Medal of the Arts in 1995.

Monroe was born near Rosine, Ky., the youngest of eight children. He learned to play after he was orphaned at 11 and taken in by his uncle Pendleton Vandiver, a talented fiddler. In tribute, Monroe wrote one of his biggest hits, "Uncle Pen," and founded an annual bluegrass gathering known as the Hall of Fame and Uncle Pen Day Festival.

Starting in the late '20s, he performed for several years with his brothers Birch and Charlie.

The Blue Grass Boys have been band since he became nationally known more than 50 years ago.

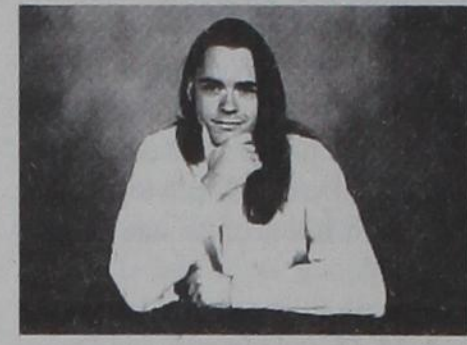
"Bluegrass has brought more people together and made more friends than any music in the world," Monroe said in 1978.

"You meet people at festivals and renew acquaintances year after year."

“Bluegrass has brought more people together and made more friends than any music in the world.”

Bill Monroe, father of Bluegrass

Lubbock finally offers several things for fun



James Walker/TechLife editor

First of all, I must say normally I agree with those of you who say there is nothing to do in Lubbock. But with the Buddy Holly festival and the National Cowboy Symposium just complete and a slew of interesting stuff right around the corner, the support for that argument is fading fast.

The Bob Marley Music Festival is coming up this weekend with

appearances by reggae bands from across Texas, plus a few local bands including Spilling Poetry, Coffee & Cream, Touch and the King Bees.

Performance Lubbock also is in the cards for the weekend featuring everything from ballet dancing to magic shows and blues guitar.

The University Center hosts Quartetto Gelato Saturday night, a sort of nonconformist classical quartet that combines oboe, English horn, cello and accordion.

Yes, accordion. Friday night, the University Center hosts the critically acclaimed film, "Like Water For Chocolate."

Also on Friday night, comedian Steven Wright, famous for such lines as "I once had a package of Instant Water, but I didn't know what to add," will be appearing in the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium. The answer, of course, is instant Tang.

So no complaining. While I'm on the subject of complaining, in this season of political campaigns, work, classwork, relationships and various other things that complicate life, I think it's important to focus on simpler things.

Every now and then everyone needs to take some time to just enjoy the fact of existence, being infinitely preferable to nonexistence.

A poem by Robert Frost makes the point admirably. The poem is about a man questioning a star about the secrets of its existence. The star replies, "I burn."

The implication is obvious. Stars do not ponder, they do not have math tests, they don't have deadlines or utility bills or anxiety attacks. They just burn, simply and beautifully.

The poem concludes with the following lines. "When at times the mob is swayed to carry praise or blame too far, we may choose something like a star to stay our minds, and be stayed."

Since I have a bit more space, and speaking in the vein of "simple minds, simple pleasures," I would like to encourage everyone to take a break from all the high culture this weekend.

Go rent some old Ed Wood films. James Walker is a junior journalism major from the Woodlands.

'Bobcat Grannies' ready for another football season

REFUGIO (AP) — Llyn Daniels, Nema Olle, Alta Harvey and Shirley Baucum are all old enough to collect Social Security and haven't had children in the local school system for at least 20 years.

But that doesn't stop the four from being so serious about Refugio High School football that they have designed uniforms to wear to Bobcat games.

Bobcat fans will be greeted with the familiar sight of the "Bobcat Gran-

nies" sitting in their usual spot at this season's games. The women plan their visits to the beauty shop, Christmas shopping and vacations around football games and have traveled as far as Fort Worth to see the Bobcats play.

"We go to all the games, no matter how far," Baucum said.

Rain, sleet and subfreezing weather haven't stopped the group from going to see the team play.

"We're a hardy bunch of old hens," Daniels said.

They began attending games as a group 15 years ago after attending games individually for at least 22 years in this town of 3,100 people about 35 miles north of Corpus Christi.

They got to know each other when their husbands worked for Exxon, and decided to make game attendance a group affair.

"We started calling ourselves the Bobcat Grannies," Daniels said. "Pretty soon, everyone else did, too."

Through the years, they have col-

lected enough Bobcat-related clothing to allow them about eight outfits to choose from, Daniels said. The wardrobe includes vests, jackets and T-shirts, which they accessorize with Bobcat necklaces, pins and earrings.

"We have a new blazer this year, and we're getting a new outfit ready," Baucum said.

The Bobcat Grannies are always on the lookout for items to add to their outfits, and each member always buys enough for the other three

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Sports briefly

Hanspard named Big 12 Player of Week

DALLAS (AP) — Texas Tech's Byron Hanspard and Nebraska's Mike Minter have been named Big 12 Conference players of the week. Hanspard was named offensive player of the week for his 272-yard performance in a 31-3 win over Oklahoma State. In addition to running for two touchdowns, he capped his day with a 72-yard scoring sprint and broke Texas Tech and Big 12 Conference marks with his performance while moving into second place in NCAA Division I-A rushing statistics at 193.5 yards per game. Minter was named defensive player of the week for his two-interception effort in Nebraska's pounding of Michigan State, 55-14.

Tech golf opens with three-shot lead

The Texas Tech women's golf team opened its season by leading the Chip 'N' Club Invitational by three strokes after 36 holes at Firethorn Country Club in Lincoln, Neb. Amy Marsh (77-79), Brooke Lowrance (78-79), Beth Covington (79-80) and Kristen Kight (82-80) all finished in the top 20. Host Nebraska is second at 637, Baylor is third at 640, Colorado is tied for sixth at 665, Iowa State is eighth at 666 and Kansas State is tenth at 674.

Football tickets ready for pickup at UC

Texas Tech student football tickets can be picked up from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. today and Wednesday in the University Center Ballroom. Students who did not purchase a ticket package during early or summer registration can still buy the football ticket package at the same time and location. The cost of the football package is \$42.50. Football tickets will be the only ones given out with basketball and the other sports being handed out at a later date.

Ballparks refuse to contain hitters of '96

(AP) — Frank Thomas started the whole thing. Only a few pitches into the 1996 season, he hit the first March home run in history — off Randy Johnson, no less.

That got the ball rolling. Or flying, as it turned out, in what quickly became the Year of the Home Run.

Gary Sheffield made it official Sunday when he hit the 4,459th homer of the major league season, breaking the mark set in 1987.

No telling the reason for the onslaught, either. Could be smaller parks, maybe it's poor pitching or it might be a juiced ball.

"Obviously, there's a lot of offense this year and a lot of home runs," said Mike Piazza, who hit homer No. 4,458 about 20 minutes before Sheffield's.

"I guess it's a combination of things, but I look at it this way — it's probably because of expansion the last couple of years and everything," he

“ This place is a joke. Everything goes to the warning track. ”

Tiger manager Buddy Bell on Camden Yards.

said. "It'll take a few years, but the pitchers will get caught up again and then, in a few years, everybody will be saying the pitching is so good."

Eddie Murray, at age 40, hit the 500th homer of his career.

Andrew Jones, at 19, became the youngest National League to connect

in more than 30 seasons.

Even Mick Billmeyer took part. Who? He's the California Angels bullpen catcher and, given a chance to play in the Hall of Fame exhibition game against Montreal, he stepped up to the plate and hit one over the fence.

"I'm saying to the guys, 'It ain't that hard,'" the career minor leaguer said.

Todd Hundley's 40th home run, which tied Roy Campanella's record for most home runs by a catcher, also broke the Mets' mark for homers held by Darryl Strawberry.

"They can say all they want about the ball being juiced, but the two I've seen would have been out in the dead-ball era," new Mets manager Bobby Valentine said.

Hundley became the ninth player to reach the 40-homer plateau this season, setting another record.

There had already been a record

number of 30-homer players.

On deck, the likes of Mark McGwire (48), Albert Belle (44), Juan Gonzalez (44) and Ken Griffey Jr. (43) could top the mark of two 50-homer players in a year.

Rafael Palmeiro is one of six players to hit 20 homers for Baltimore this year. Murray and Todd Zeile, acquired in recent deals, also have 20 and newcomer Pete Incaviglia (19) is close.

This season's 4,459 homers came in 1,999 games. In 1987, the 4,458 homers came in 2,105 games.

Back then, the Florida Marlins did not exist and neither did the Colorado Rockies. Nor did homer-friendly parks like Coors Field in Denver and Camden Yards in Baltimore.

"This place is a joke," Detroit manager Buddy Bell said after the host Orioles homered three times in the eighth inning Sunday. "Everything goes to the warning track."

Rangers sneak by Blue Jays to match largest lead in club history

TORONTO (AP) — The Texas Rangers matched the biggest lead in team history, extending their edge in the AL West to eight games Monday night with a 4-3 win over the Toronto Blue Jays.

Mickey Tettleton's go-ahead double in the sixth inning sent the



Rangers to their fifth straight victory. Texas, the only team in the league

that has never made the playoffs, also led by eight games over Seattle on Aug. 25.

Texas overcame a 3-0 deficit against Pat Hentgen (17-9), who pitched his major league-leading 10th complete game.

Hentgen struck out 10, but the

Rangers still beat Toronto for the seventh straight time this season.

Kevin Gross (11-8) relieved Texas starter Roger Pavlik with two outs and the bases loaded in the fifth.

Gross struck out Alex Gonzalez, who earlier ended his 0-for-33 slump with a home run.

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New overtime changes college game for worse



Brent Dirks/sports reporter

As another season of college football comes upon us, another major rule change has come along that will make the game not better, but worse.

Overtime.

Yes, overtime has been a staple of the NFL for an eternity, but this is different. For those of you who do not know about how the college overtime will work, here it goes.

After regulation, the two teams stand at the 50-yard line for a coin toss, and which ever team wins can choose to have the ball first or defer to the other team. The team who gets the ball first, Team A, will have the ball placed on the opposing team's 25-yard line.

Then Team A must score, turn the ball over on downs, or turn the ball over to Team B, in which Team B then has the same opportunity to score from Team A's 25-yard line. This process continues until at the end of the two-team cycle the score is not tied.

I'm not really complaining about the whole overtime concept which is a good one for football, and one that needed to be put in the college game along time ago. The problem I have with it is the soccer shootout mentality the NCAA brings to the overtime concept.

In the NFL overtime system, the best team wins the game, because the team has to do a full drive, not just a 25-yard line drive.

In the college system, it's really a game of who has the ball last, not who played the best 60 minutes of football.

Come on, think about some of the most dramatic moments in college football, especially Texas Tech football, that came about because there was no overtime.

Oct. 7, 1995 — Texas Tech 14, Texas A&M 7, Jones Stadium, Lubbock, Texas.

Do you really think Corey Pullig would have been trying to score a touchdown in the last 30 seconds of the fourth quarter if there was the chance of overtime? No way.

He would have simply downed the ball on one knee and waited for overtime, where maybe A&M could have won the game in the overtime period. He instead tossed a ball right into Zach Thomas' hands, and he returned it for the winning touchdown.

If the NCAA cannot get the overtime system right, they don't need to do it at all.

Brent Dirks is a sophomore journalism major from Lubbock.

Tech coordinators like what they see

by Heath Robinson/UD

After two weeks of orientation into its new home, Texas Tech is preparing to step into the meat of its schedule. The Red Raiders, idle Saturday, travel to Athens, Ga., Sept. 21 to face the Georgia Bulldogs.

In a matchup that will surely be billed as the first game between Big 12 and Southeastern Conference schools, Tech has a chance to upend a big-name program on their turf.

After splitting their first two conference games this season, the Red Raiders have a grasp of where they stand and high hopes of where they can go.

Offensive coordinator Rick Dykes said he is pleased to see his offense roll up huge yardage on the ground.

Junior tailback Byron Hanspard set a school rushing record Saturday against Oklahoma State with 272 yards on 29 carries.

"We are running the football really well," Dykes said. "Byron is showing a lot of strength and speed but still a lot of the credit for his success has to go to the offensive line."

The offensive line is performing



Dykes



Goodner

well, despite having to endure shake-ups necessitated by the cloud of uncertainty concerning Casey Jones' academic eligibility.

Jones, a pre-season All-Big 12 candidate, has sat out Tech's first two games while the NCAA prepares to make a judgement concerning his eligibility for the remainder of the season.

With Jones absent from the lineup, mass changes have been forced. Chris Whitney moved from right tackle to right guard, and his backup at right tackle, Lynn Scherler became a starter. Shane Dunn, once penciled in as the starter at right guard, has moved to Jones' vacated left guard spot. Ben Kaufman at left tackle and Jay Pugh at center remain the only starters to stick in their original positions.

As confusing as this process sounds, Dykes said he is pleased with

the play of his makeshift line.

"The line has been playing extremely well," Dykes said. "Chris stepped up and did an outstanding job, and Lynn Scherler played consistently as well. Those guys just continue to improve."

The running game for Tech has been forced into action as a result of the ineffectiveness of quarterback Zebbie Lethridge. In two games, Lethridge has completed 22 of his 62 attempts. He appears uneasy in the pocket and too willing to tuck the ball under his arm and scramble.

Dykes said he is concerned about the troubles Lethridge has endured, but attributes most of his problems to nagging injuries, namely a hip pointer.

"The passing game, I am not at all pleased with our completion percentage," Dykes said. "I really believe a lot of his problems are because of his injury. But there are times when he has left the pocket too early, for sure. There are also times when the receivers have been off on their routes; it is really a combination of things."

No such problems have arisen in the defensive ranks. Tech currently

ranks as the 12th best defense in the country, allowing 218.5 yards per contest.

With the loss of last year's defensive stars, Zach Thomas, Marcus Coleman and Shawn Banks, the defense was considered a big question mark entering the season.

Defensive coordinator John Goodner does not believe the loss of last year's headline players ever concerned this year's squad.

"I think what these guys are trying to do this year is set their own identity," Goodner said. "Every defense has its own characteristics, and these guys have just continued to improve every day and every week."

The Red Raiders will use the off week to rest tired bodies and heal nagging injuries, but sophomore defensive end Montae Reagor doesn't expect the idle time to take any edge off of the defense's performance against Georgia.

"We are going to get better as the year goes on," Reagor said. "Things are going to happen, but we will overcome the adversity and continue to improve."

Texas squares off with Irish more evenly than last year



AUSTIN (AP) — Texas coach John Mackovic has barely looked at Notre Dame's game tapes in preparation for the seventh-ranked Longhorns' matchup with the Fighting Irish on Sept. 21.

But already, Mackovic feels better about playing the Irish after an off week than he did last year.

That's because Mackovic had only four scholarship defensive linemen with game experience — due to inju-

ries — heading to South Bend, Ind., last season to face a typically behemoth Notre Dame offensive line.

One of the casualties was defensive end Tony Brackens, who was out with a hairline fracture in his right leg.

The Longhorns led 20-19 in the third quarter, but simply wore down as the Irish scored on late drives of 72, 61, 12 and 74 yards and broke away for a 55-27 victory.

"We went up there with no way to stop them," Mackovic said. "Everyone wondered if we would even have a chance to stay on the field with them,

without Tony, who was our top lineman, and some of our other players."

The Longhorns won't have Brackens this year, either. He left for the NFL after his junior season, but Texas has developed some depth in its defensive front seven because players gained experience filling in for injured starters last year.

"I think we are much better off up front," Mackovic said. "We'll be rotating those linemen up front and be able to match up physically a little better from last year, depth-wise."

Mackovic said the Longhorns suffered no new injuries in a 41-7 victory over New Mexico State on Satur-

day night. Linebackers Jonathan Hickerson (shoulder) and Matt Jones (hand) and running back Shon Mitchell (hip) all are expected to be ready for Notre Dame.

"We'll turn our attention to Notre Dame later in the week," Mackovic said. "We don't want to start in on that game preparation too early because we don't want the players to get too prepped this week and then have to reload next week."

Notre Dame struggled to a 14-7 victory over Vanderbilt Thursday and fell from No. 6 to No. 9 in this week's rankings. The Irish next take on Purdue at home this Saturday.

Fisher not satisfied with Oilers' play in victory

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Oilers finally made enough big plays to win. Now, they're having trouble with the little ones.

"As odd as it seems, I'm more disappointed than last week after the loss to Kansas City," Fisher said Monday. "After looking at the film, we're talking about special teams and the defensive film, we were lucky to come out with a victory."

The Oilers (1-1) had plenty of big plays in a 34-27 victory over Jacksonville that turned into an exciting finish when the Jaguars almost overcame

a 31-13 third-quarter deficit.

Marcus Robertson intercepted two passes, one that killed Jacksonville's final drive. Mel Gray had a 62-yard kickoff return set up a touchdown and Eddie George had a 76-yard run that set up another score. The plays by George and Gray are the longest in the NFL this season.

What had Fisher so upset?

— Poor tackling.

"The first half we didn't tackle very well," Fisher said. "We had 9-10 missed tackles. We'll usually have 9-10 with this defense over three or four

games, not one game."

— Third-down performance.

"Look at stats and it says we held them to one of six on third down but we couldn't get them into third down," Fisher said.

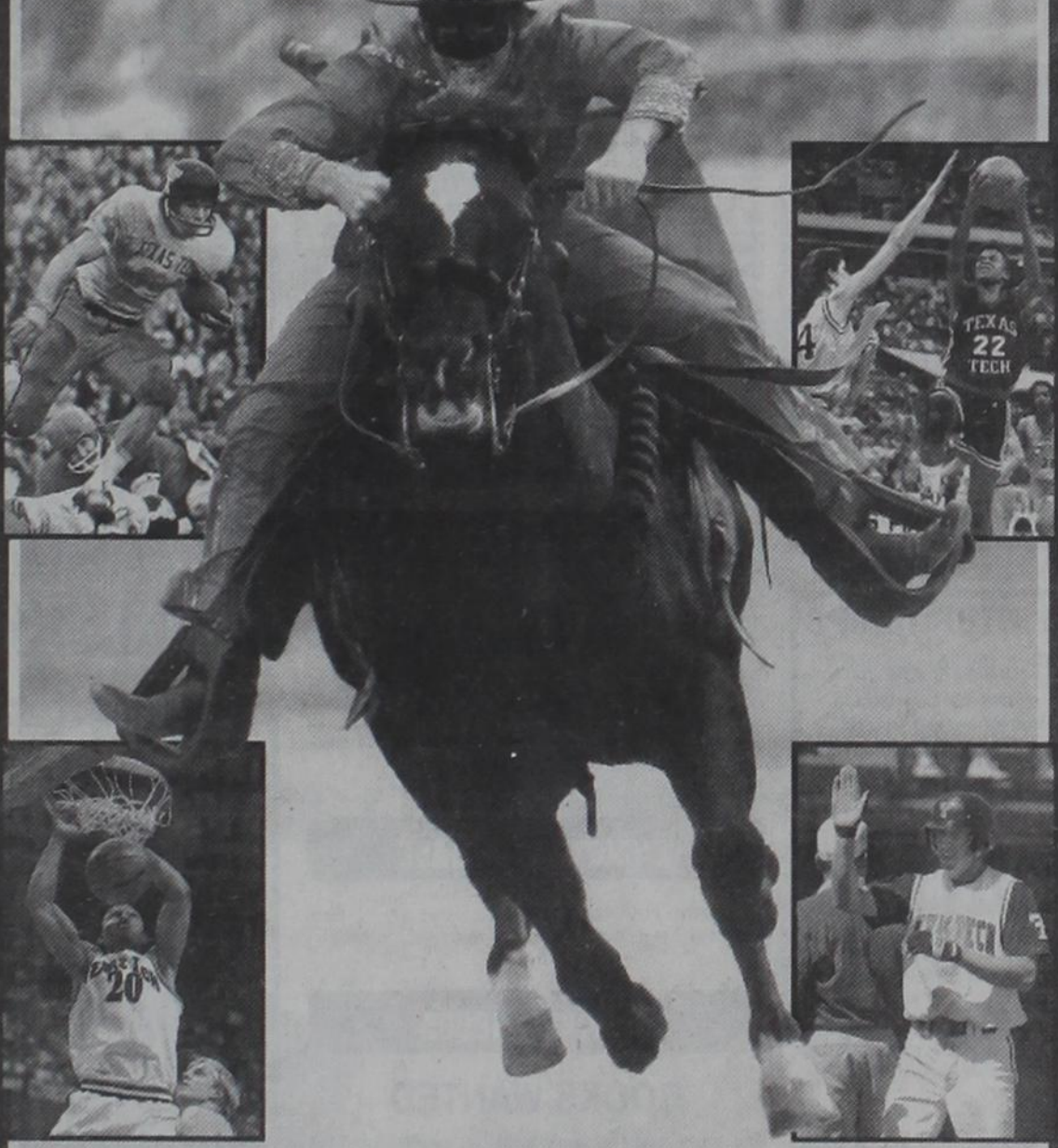
"We couldn't win on first or second down to get them into third down."

— Defensive line play.

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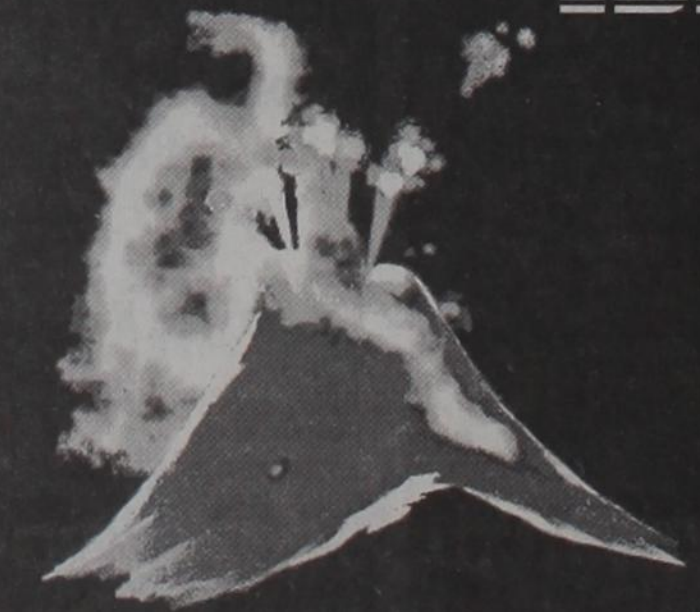
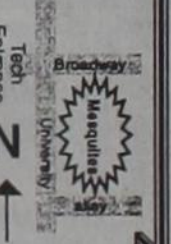
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