

## The University Daily

## Student loan default rates lowered

| By G | agency attributes these numbers to low household incomes of many students who attend Texas schools. | making the same amount of money," said Bob Lawson, assistant director of financial aid at Texas A\&M University. |
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|  | Tech reported higher default rates in 1995 | Lewis Hill, a Tech economic professor |
|  | than |  |
| education department announced Mon- | A\&M | "The economy is strong right now |
|  |  | college students are earning dramatically |
| Cohort Default Rate figures revealed |  | higher salaries than in years past," Hill said. |
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| ns from 10.4 percent in 1995 to 9.6 pe | Fisk sa | vanced society, and college is the best place |
| It in 1996. Figures p |  | to acquire those skills that will lead to large |
| . 4 percent of loans made were in defaul | tors tools to collect | aries in the future. |
| Department of Education representativ | Congress passed legislation in 1990 and | According to research conducted by Texas |
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| market for graduates. | her than those of other types of schos | college degree equal \$207,00 |
| "I think that what has | Four-year private institutions reported | Thanks to legislation |
| dent | lowest delinquency rates. | Ioan delinque |
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| state of the current job market," said Jen |  |  |
| eris | total amount of loans given, and a 40 percent | te law does not allo |
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|  |  | Fisk said. "I speak to people all the time who |
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| Student Loan Default Rates |  |  |  |
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| 1992 | $9.2 \%$ | $4.0 \%$ | $4.3 \%$ |
| 1993 | $8.7 \%$ | $5.2 \%$ | $5.4 \%$ |
| 1994 | $6.9 \%$ | $4.7 \%$ | $5.9 \%$ |
| 1995 | $6.4 \%$ | $5.1 \%$ | $6.3 \%$ | nal crear a incy, be sued, become ineli- affected proprietary schools such as beauty or federal income taxes withheld. $\quad$ Current borrowers can lessen chances of Schools also are being held responsible for default by consolidating loans under a new $\begin{array}{ll}\text { loan delinquency. } & \text { interest rate of } 7.86 \text { percent. This is due to the } \\ \text { According to data compiled by the Texas } \\ \text { newly enacted Higher Education Amend- } \\ \text { Guaranteed Student Loan Corporation, } \\ \text { ments of 1998, but borrowers must consoli- }\end{array}$

Mitch pauses to punish
Honduras
paused in its whirl through the western Caribbean winds, sweeping away bridges and flooding neigh borhoods.
At least 32 people were killed.
Bay Islands, a Honduras tourist area popular with Aay Isliands, a
Amer suba divers and beachcombers. The storm was only 30 miles off the coast, and
hurricane-force winds stretched 105 miles from the storm's center. That meant the Honduran coast
and a good portion of the interior was under hur"The hurricane has destroyed almo thing," said Mike Brown, a resident of Guanaja I Is
land who was within miles of the eye of the hurricane. "Few houses have remained standing."
At its peak Tuesday, Mitch was classified At its peak Tuesday, Mitch was classified as the
fourth-strongest Caribbean hurricane this century with 180 mph winds.
By Wednesday afternoon, the 350 -mile-wide storm still packed a punch, but its sustained winds
were down to 120 mph . three Atlantic storms were stronger than Mitch at
its peak: Gilbert in 1988, Allen in 1980 and the Labor Day hurricane of 1935 .
The rainfall - up to 25 inches in mountain a eas - began to take a toll. More than 50 rivers had
overran their banks, and the government evacuoverran their banks, and the government evacu-
ated more than 45,000 people from low-lying ar-
eas, according to Col. Guillermo Pinel, chief of the National Emergency Committee.
Many towns were cut Many towns were cut off by washed-out roads
and downed bridges, and severed phone lines on and downed bridges, and severed phone lines on
the Bay Islands, making it difficult to gauge the ex-
tent of the damage The government said 72,000 people were forced to flee their homes. President Carlos Flores Facusse declared the
Caribbean coast a disaster zone, and officials said Caribbean coast a disaster zone, and officials said
23 people had died in Honduras alone, including 14 on Guanaja.
Five people were killed in La Ceiba, including
three police officers swept into a river in their car,
said regional police ciel
three police officers swept into a river in their car,
said regional police chief Maria Lisa Borjas.

Media mogul visits Tech, answers student questions

The more real world
experience, the
better chance you
have when you go
looking for a job."
Burl Osborne
publisher, Dallas Morning News
president, A.H. Belo Corp.

| was asked about bringing regula- |
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| tions to journalists on the web. |
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| see journalists being licensed in any |
| form, whether it be on the web or in |
| the newsroom. |



He said he likes the business pect but misses getting to write eryday. Osborne worked for the $A s$ -
sociated Press for 20 years. He then worked his way up the corporate Cortney Trainor, a senior telecommunications major from Hous-
ton, said she thought Osborne was very informative. She said Osborne made her want to get in news even more.
and he made me miss the major and he made me miss the actual Denice Rollins, a senior advertising major from Richardson, said Osborne's enthusiasm for his job
sparked an interest in her. sparked an interest in her. and good ideas on how to get
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## Primakov fills Russian position

## ing has changed. But over the past few weeks, power in Russia has been steadily slipping out of Boris Yeltsin's weakened grip and into the waiting weakened grip and into the waiting hands of Prime Minister Yevgeny Primakov. Nearly two months after his ap pointment as premier, Primakov a former spymaster and diplomat a former spymaster and diplomat- finds himself carrying out most of the finds himself carrying out most of the country's top leadership duties



Yeltsin, meanwhile, has been con-
fined to a rest home, this time for fined to a rest home, this time for
day, "is now fully responsible for the
The officiain up Primat as exhaustion. The 67 -year-old Yeltsin, who has
been a part-time president for months, may well return to work, as henas after recovering from previous Although he
he widely ad-
illnesses. His deputy chief of staff illnesses. His deputy chief of staff
conceded in an interview published
Wednesday, however, that Yeltsin is
relinquishing his authority over day. relinquishinghis authority over day-
to-day affairs.
"The president's main work will
become revising the constitution," "The president's main work will
become revising the constitution,"
Oleg Sysuyev told the newspaper
Sevodnya.
He added that Yeltsin's most im-
portant task will be "to turn over portant task will be "to turn"
stable power to his successor."


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## VIEWPOINTS



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR
Players need support, Clinton betrayed country
ticket prices drop

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| To the editor: This week, the Red Raiders play the Missouri Tigers at Jones Stadium. | of the president of the United States is once again being dragged through the mud and so is our great nation. | duty Congress cannot deal with this pro the polls. If Congress does deal with this |
| In an effort give more students the opportunity | I am only eighteen years old, but I have had the great | the polls, then God help us all because |
| d this crucial game, the athletic department reduced | onor of working for two great men. Most recently I | $y$ wrong with our country's leadership. |
| ticket prices from \$26 to \$13. | ed as Personal Assistant to U.S. Rep. Bill Redmond | We cannot set aside what is constitution |
| This ticket price truly is a bargain for students. At the | (R-NM) who was a Christian minister before becoming a | $r$ lives happen to be better. J |
| game, you will be able to have a great time with your | member of Congress. Before Redmond, I served as Staff | economy is doing well, does not mean that |
| friends and you also can support the Red Raider football | Assistant to Sen. Bob Dole. From both of these men I | 硡 |
| team. | learned that character does matter. Integrity and hon- | away with illegal acts just because our poc |
| This weekend is also Family Day Weekend, so head | esty do matter. Both men showed me the opposite of Bill | little heavie |
| on out to Raider Alley and then bring your parents out to | Clinton - that public service is still honorable. | What saddens me the most is |
| the game with you. | I recently visited Congressman Redmond in Santa Fe, | all. He betrayed and possibly violated his oardin |
| The spirit of the football games is something that all | NM where he hosted both Marilyn Quayle, the wife of | , protect, and defend the constitution of the |
| students, fans, aliumni, parents and athletes can enjoy. | ce President Dan Quayle, and Bob and Eliza- | States." I, and many like me around t |
| The Red Raiders deserve and need the support of the | beth Dole. Both parties spoke of the scandal with great | olitics |
| student body. | concern for the nation. Marilyn Quayle put it best. "I dis- | dent to set an example. So far, Bill Clinton has sho |
| Please come out to the game Saturday, wear your red | agreed a lot with Jimmy Carter, a Democrat. But he never | w to lie to the country and how to w |
| d black and show that you support the Red Raid | made me ashamed of him. Bill Clinton has shamed me. | on the legal defin |
| This year's successful season began with many victo- | He represents our country and he has shamed us all," said |  |
| ries and with your support, will end with many victories. | Quayle. Bob Dole made a similar, yet, supportive com- | I am greatly saddened and embarrassed |
| Kickoff is at 1 p.m. Raider Alley opens at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. | ment. "The president and I have a close relationship, and | try |
| You can get your tickets at the Texas Tech Ticket Of- | $I$ expressed to him my disappointment, but I asked him |  |
| fice at the north end of Jones Stadium. | to let the process of justice continue," Dole said. | gress does what is legally right, whatev |
| Good luck Red Raiders and go Tech. | Frankly, I am sick and tired of hearing that this is about | May God bless this great nation, the United St America |
|  | sex and dirty politics. I am tired of hearing the Republican Congress is out to get the President. This is not about | America. |
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| Ryan Lunsford | nesses. These are all il |  |

To vote or not to vote: Is there a question?


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## The Party hits Lubbock

Robert Earl Keen tour lands with in-store performance R obert Earl Keen's long road will bring him back to Lub-
bock Friday. He will do an in-store performance at 6:30
p.m. at Hastings, 500550 th p.m. at Hastings, 5005 50th St. Keen is doing eight instore appearances throughout Texas, including Lubbock.
ime and talks type of man who takes mand aiks to people and sign au- mances Tuesday including one in munity relations specialist with
Hastings. "It gives peopple a chance to $\begin{gathered}\text { Kerrned out. } \\ \text { "We ouve }\end{gathered}$ meet with him on a more personal Keen," Smylie said. "He's wonderful Hastings is a big supporter of Keen Smylie said Keen has a cult-like nd his work, including his latest re- college following almost everywhere ease Walking Distance, Smylie said. he plays.
Walking Distance was released Tues-
"I know people who drive hours day and is the follow-up to Keen's to see him play," she said. "We are expecting quite a big
crowd in Lubbock," Smylie said.
geen has increased his fan base
 $\begin{aligned} & \text { People are attracted to Keen's } \\ & \text { clever lyrics and catchy songs. } \\ & \text { His songs have been covered by } \\ & \text { entent," said new } \\ & \text { manager Michael Barnes. }\end{aligned}$
"You His songs have been covered by "Youguys can come out and have many artists, including The High- a good time without being hawaymen, Joe Ely, Nanci Griffith, rassed." Lyle Lovet

Archaeologist makes largest find in Israel
 and bells have been found af
ter being ter being stashed in a
shopkeeper's dirt floor for
1,000 years, an archaeologist 1,000 years, an archae
announced Tuesday. It is the largest collection of
objects from the Islamic period objects from the Islamic period
ever found in Israel, said Yizhar Hirschfeld, director of the excavation site just south of the
Israeli city of Tiberias. Israeli city of Tiberias.
About $500-600$ metallic jects were discovered in three jects were discovered the ea of Galilee. from around A.D. 1,000 , a pe riod from which we don't have
many pieces, especially metal so it's unique in every sense,"
said Hirschfeld said Hirschfeld, a Hebrew Uni-
versity professor. versity professor.
Workers found the first container last Thursday in the cor-
ner of what they believe to be an ancient store floor. The oth ers were discovered Monday.

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The Texas Tech volleyball team hits the road this weekend to take on Big 12 foes Texas and Texas A\&M. Tech plays at 7 p.m. Friday at Texas and at 1 p.m. Sunday at Texas A\&M. The Red Raiders are $16-7$ overall on the year.

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Tech ready for second half By Jeff Keller

| Staff Writer <br> With a 16-7 overall record and a $5-5$ record in conference play, the Texas Tech volleyball team has reached the half-way mark in its conference season. |
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|  |  | with Texas A\&M for fifth in the Big

12 Conference and are ranked 27 th "I think we have a good chance," Senior Lisa Hilgers said of the Red Raider's chance to make it to the
postseason. "They usually take six postseason. the Big 12). I think we
teams (from can end up between fourth and sixth in the conference."
All seven of Tech's losses this seaAll seven of Tech's losses this sea-
son have come at the hands of ranked teams.
Though the Red Raiders will play half of their remaining 10 games against ranked teams, they are confident they will play well, said sopho
more outside hitter Heather Hughes more outside hitter feather wges."
"Now we play every team again," Hughes said. "Hopefully, since we've
played them before, we know what they're like and what plays they run
So hopefully, we can play them be So hopefully, we can play them
ter this time and beat them." Recent wins against lowa State
and Missouri will help the Red Raiders in the long run as far as the NCAA
tournament is concerned, but Tech tournament is concerned, but Tech
still has a long way to go before the NCAA selection occurs, said soph
more middle blocker lanelle Iones. "I think at this point in the season we are still OK," Jones said. "It's noth-
ing to be real nervous about. I think the two wins this past weekend put
us where we need to be. We need to us where we need to be. We need or
do a little bit better in the second half
of conference then we did in the first."
With the Red Raiders power ranking, they should get an invitation to
the tournament if they play. 500 volhead coach Jeff Nelson said. We're ranked 22nd in the power teams getting in the tournament. We
feel like if we maintain our strength
 and don't mess up, it's something that
has to happen. I feel like we need to go 5-5 (in their last 10 conference
matches) to be in. If we go $6-4$ or 7 3. we can even have a shot at getting a decent seed. I think $7-3$ would put
us in a real good place. But that means we have to upset a couple of
people in the second half."




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## Aggies deserving of criticism from Red Raider fans




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You do not hear people crying
about the fact that Tech has dropped
ing like a man. What a whining, two games by a total of nine points, pissing, child-like embarrassment Oh, did I mention that good ol' Dave graduated from A\&M when Ronald Reagan was still in his first term in office in 1984? Ife" is taken a bit too seriously. I am all for spirit and pride, but I have to ask, don't you think it's a bit too excessive when 14 years have passed
since last you attended a class on campus? It's clear to see that there are just so many Aggies out there who are not only 10 to 20 years older than me, but 10 to 20 points lower than me whe
it comes to the old IO score. When looking at anothere response from an Aggie, let's call him, Micky, it becomes so obvious that the Aggies "It is sad that your Lubbock High is not ranked higher than 25 ," Micky
writes. "You sound like most of the California idiots I've met. You're in Lubbock." Well whe to start?
First, Tech, not Lubbock High First, Tech, not Lubbock tigh,
never really cared much about rankings, unlike those folks at College Station.
Secondly,
Secondly, I am not too sure how
many Californians that Micky hat many Californians that Micky has my fellow Golden Staters would not think too highly of the Maroon Marauders.
In any event, I am glad to have the opportunity to share a few Aggie
opinions with the more responsible opinions with the more responsible
and understanding Tech community. So there you have it, the truth di-
rectly from the horse, rectly from the horse's mouth. Or at least the dog's mouth.
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