

Student loan default rates lowered

By Gretchen Verry Staff Writer

For the first time ever, federal student loan default rates have dropped into single digits, the education department announced Monday.

Cohort Default Rate figures revealed a drop in students failing to repay student loans from 10.4 percent in 1995 to 9.6 percent in 1996. Figures peaked in 1990, when 22.4 percent of loans made were in default.

Department of Education representatives attributed the drop to an agency and congressional crackdown, as well as an improved job market for graduates.

"I think that what has affected Texas Tech students the most has been the implementation of entrance and exit counseling and the state of the current job market," said Jennifer Fisk, financial aid adviser.

Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corporation, a state designated student loan guaranty agency, reported default rates 3.8 percent higher then the national average in 1995. The

household incomes of many students who attend Texas schools.

Tech reported higher default rates in 1995 than both the University of Texas and Texas A&M.

"Our percentages have varied greatly throughout the years, but I have noticed a definite decline in the past couple of years," Fisk said. "Over-all numbers have decreased with legislation that gave lenders and guarantors tools to collect on delinquent loans."

Congress passed legislation in 1990 and 1992, specifically targeting proprietary schools, whose delinquency rates are much higher than those of other types of schools. Four-year private institutions reported the

lowest delinquency rates. This drop comes despite an increase be-

tween 1988 and 1995 of 242 percent in the total amount of loans given, and a 40 percent increase in Texas loans.

"I think that these numbers will eventually increase because the amount of loans given keeps going up, and students keep

agency attributes these numbers to low making the same amount of money," said Bob Lawson, assistant director of financial aid at Texas A&M University.

> Lewis Hill, a Tech economic professor, offered a differing opinion, however.

> "The economy is strong right now, and college students are earning dramatically higher salaries than in years past," Hill said. "We are moving toward a technological advanced society, and college is the best place to acquire those skills that will lead to large salaries in the future."

> According to research conducted by Texas Perspectives, an economic analysis firm, additional earnings that result from obtaining a college degree equal \$207,000.

Thanks to legislation cracking down on loan delinquency, offenders can now face stiffer penalties.

"I think it's interesting to note that Texas state law does not allow for wage garnishment due to student loan delinquency, but federal law overrides that for Stafford loans," Fisk said. "I speak to people all the time who have their checks garnished."

Student Loan Default Rates

DATE	TEXAS TECH	TEXAS A&M	TEXAS	
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%	

Offenders also can be reported to a national credit agency, be sued, become ineligible for all future loans and have state and/ or federal income taxes withheld.

Schools also are being held responsible for loan delinquency.

According to data compiled by the Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corporation, schools can be made ineligible for loans due

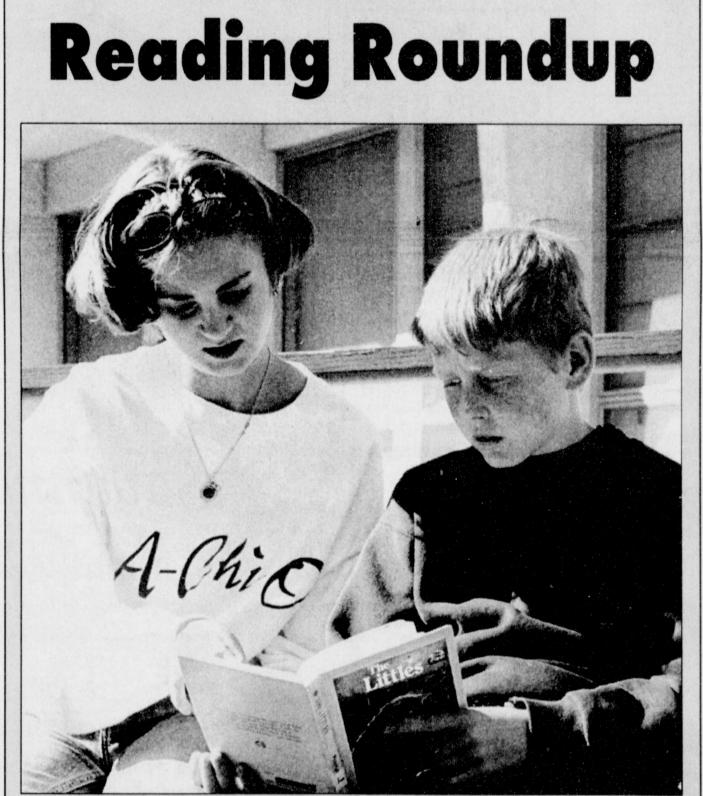
to high default rates. So far, this has mainly affected proprietary schools such as beauty and truck driving schools.

Current borrowers can lessen chances of default by consolidating loans under a new interest rate of 7.86 percent. This is due to the newly enacted Higher Education Amendments of 1998, but borrowers must consolidate before Jan. 31.

Flight chief extra jittery as launch nears

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) - The stakes are higher than ever for NASA as it counts down the final hours to John Glenn's heralded return to orbit on Thursday, and the man in charge of spaceflight knows it.

As a person responsible for this mission, I feel an awesome responsibility and apprehension that everything goes well. This is special," Joe Rothenberg said after having lunch with the 77-year-old Glenn on Wednesday.



Mitch pauses to punish Honduras

LA CEIBA, Honduras (AP) — Hurricane Mitch paused in its whirl through the western Caribbean on Wednesday to punish Honduras with 120 mph winds, sweeping away bridges and flooding neighborhoods. At least 32 people were killed. Mitch was drifting west at only 2 mph over the Bay Islands, a Honduras tourist area popular with American scuba 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 hurricane conditions for more than a day. "The hurricane has destroyed almost everything," said Mike Brown, a resident of Guanaja Island who was within miles of the eye of the hurricane. "Few houses have remained standing." 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. The U.S. National Weather Service said only 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 areas - began to take a toll. More than 50 rivers had overran their banks, and the government evacuated more than 45,000 people from low-lying areas, according to Col. Guillermo Pinel, chief of the National Emergency Committee. Many towns were cut off by washed-out roads and downed bridges, and severed phone lines on the Bay Islands, making it difficult to gauge the extent 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 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 chief Maria Lisa Borjas.

As always, Rothenberg said, NASA has done everything possible to ensure the safety of space shuttle Discovery and its seven-member crew.

But the fact that one of them is Glenn, the first American to orbit the Earth and a senator for the past 24 years, has upped the ante if anything goes wrong.

"Would it be any different from any mission? Sure," Rothenberg said.

"Because like having a teacher on board, it really has got very high visibility and an awful lot of people would look at it as something happening to an American hero and we were part of the process. There's no question about that.'

Glenn was so beloved by America after his 1962 flight, in fact, that President Kennedy reportedly instructed NASA not to fly him again - he didn't want to risk the astronaut's life.

Glenn never got to ask President Kennedy if this was true; the president was dead by the time Glenn heard about it.

Schoolchildren around the country will be watching Glenn's return to space, just as youngsters watched on Jan. 28, 1986, when schoolteacher Christa McAuliffe soared aboard Challenger.

She and the six others on board were killed when the shuttle blew up 73 seconds into flight.

Up to a quarter-million people are expected to converge on the area for a glimpse of the launch.

That doesn't count the 3,800 reporters expected for liftoff, or the 70 members of Congress, or President Clinton and his entourage.

Everything seemed to be in NASA's favor heading into the final hours — the countdown was humming along and perfect launch weather was forecast.

"It looks like Mother Nature wants John Glenn to return to space as much as the rest of us," said Air Force Capt. Clif Stargardt, a meteorologist.

Jennifer Galvan/The University Daily

Read To Me: Hallye Smith, Alpha Chi Omega member and sophomore early childhood major from Missouri City, helps a Bayless Elementary School student with his reading. Members of A Chi O participate once a week in the Rockin' Reader Roundup at the school to help students with their reading assignments.

Media mogul visits Tech, answers student questions



News Hound: Burl Osborne speaks to

students Tuesday in the University Center.

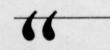
By Melody Ragland Staff Writer

Texas Tech Mass Communications students gained insight on the news trade Tuesday through Dallas Morning News publisher and A.H. Belo Corp. president Burl Osborne.

Osborne spoke to 60 students in the Matador Room of the University Center and talked about the Belo Corp. and about the many television and newspapers that Belo owns across the country. He also encouraged students to ask questions about the news industry in the hourlong forum.

Many of the questions students asked Osborne during the session were about beginning salaries, entry-level jobs and the World Wide Web.

In response to a question that



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Burl Osborne

publisher, Dallas Morning News president, A.H. Belo Corp.

was asked about bringing regulations to journalists on the web. Osborne said he does not want to see journalists being licensed in any form, whether it be on the web or in the newsroom.

'Who watches the watchers?" Osborne asked. He also spoke about the similari-

ties and differences of broadcast and print journalism.

"The structure is somewhat similar," Osborne said.

Osborne said he does not believe jobs in broadcast always make more money and that most senior-level positions in print and broadcast make about the same amount of money. He said the higher-paid celebrities in print journalism get paid more because they bring in readers.

"It's possible to make a little or decent salary (print job)," Osborne said.

Osborne said experience is important for college students to have and encouraged students to do internships and get experience before they venture out into the world.

"Experience is great," Osborne said. "The more real world experience, the better chance you have when you go looking for a job."

He said beginning at a smaller paper can be better for new journalists, they can see how the business works.

"It's not where you start, but where you end up," Osborne said. Osborne said although he ended

up on the business side of the media, it was not where he began. He began college as an engineer-

ing major, but knew in a short time he did not want to do that. An English professor thought he had the ability to be a writer and told him he should write for publications.

"I aspired to get a job," Osborne said. "Once I started (writing) I fell in love with it. I wanted to be the best reporter I could be. I wandered into

the business area by mistake."

He said he likes the business aspect but misses getting to write everyday. Osborne worked for the Associated Press for 20 years. He then worked his way up the corporate ladder.

Cortney Trainor, a senior telecommunications major from Houston, said she thought Osborne was very informative. She said Osborne made her want to get in news even more.

"I used to be a journalism major and he made me miss the actual news part of the job," Trainor said.

Denice Rollins, a senior advertising major from Richardson, said Osborne's enthusiasm for his job sparked an interest in her.

"I thought he gave a lot of insight and good ideas on how to get started."

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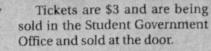
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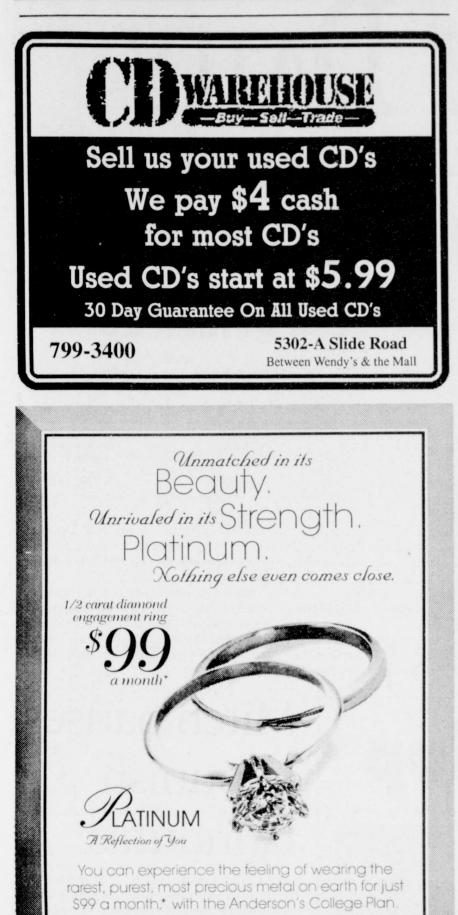
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MOSCOW (AP) - Officially, nothing has changed. But over the past few weeks, power in Russia has been steadily slipping out of Boris Yeltsin's weakened grip and into the waiting hands of Prime Minister Yevgeny Primakov.

Nearly two months after his appointment as premier, Primakov a former spymaster and diplomat -finds himself carrying out most of the country's top leadership duties.

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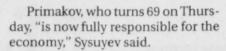
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Yeltsin, meanwhile, has been confined to a rest home, this time for treatment of what is being described as exhaustion.

The 67-year-old Yeltsin, who has been a part-time president for months, may well return to work, as he has after recovering from previous illnesses. His deputy chief of staff conceded in an interview published Wednesday, however, that Yeltsin is relinquishing his authority over dayto-day affairs.

"The president's main work will become revising the constitution," Oleg Sysuyev told the newspaper Sevodnva.

He added that Yeltsin's most important task will be "to turn over stable power to his successor."



Primakov's de facto assent comes with Russia reeling from a deep eco-

nomic crisis. Althoughhe is widely ad mired in Russia The president's main as a defender of work will become the country's interests and revising the because he is constitution." unfettered by political ties, some people are beginning

wonder when Primakov is going to start doing something.

The official ITAR-Tass news agency, summing up Primakov's accomplishments so far, put it this way Wednesday: "During a month and a half of his work in the post of prime

> minister, Primakov managed to inspire 150 million Russian citizens with hope t¹ at the grave economic crisis ... can be overcome."

That is no small accomplishment. But, as Russians know all

too well, hope won't buy a bag of potatoes and inspiration can't be cashed at the bank.

Oleg Sysuyev

deputy chief of staff

"In several months," ITAR-Tass continued, "the Primakov government will have to explain to the people why inflation is going on, why the living standards continue to decline, why production is at a standstill and why the relations between Russian regions are worsening.'

Primakov has taken some measures, of course. He has paid back some wage and pension arrears. He has restored some measure of political calm to the country.

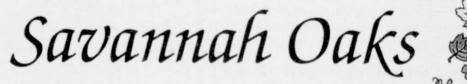




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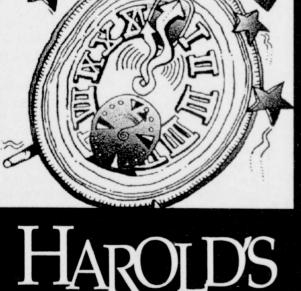


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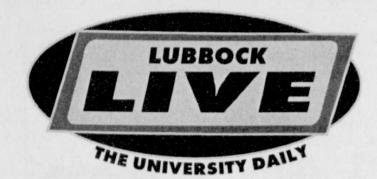
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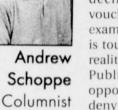
Public schools need plan

utside of sleeping, the one thing most Americans do most for about 13 of the first 18 years of their lives is go to school. From roughly Labor Day to Memorial Day, we know that we'll head out the door sometime before 8 a.m. each day to journey to our second home — school — for the next seven to eight hours of the day.

Spending almost two-thirds of the year doing something is a significant investment of time and effort. Such an investment is usually made with the hopes of receiv-



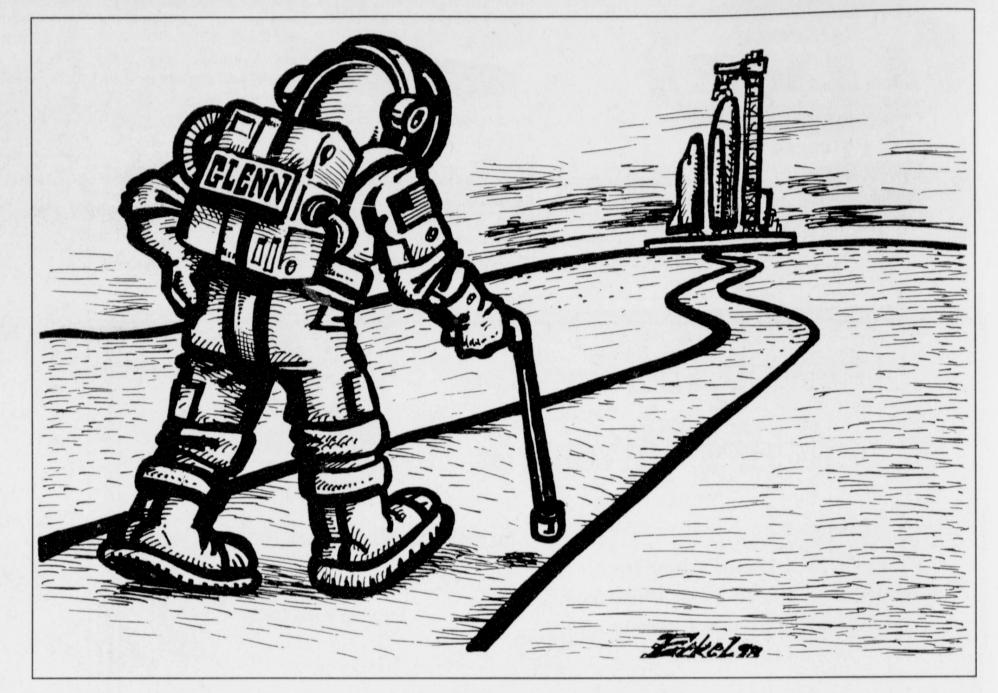
ing some benefits in return. In this situation, the desired benefits come in the form of a quality education, a benefit some would argue is not being produced in today's public schools. One proposed solution to the



decline of public schools, the voucher system, already has been examined some. While this system is touted to benefit all children, in reality it would only benefit a few. Public school officials obviously oppose any such plan that would deny public schools the resources they so desperately need. If public

school officials really want to do the right thing, they should not only refute the arguments of voucher proponents, but also admit the flaws in their system and work to correct them.

At times, public schools can be their own worst enemy. The purpose of public schools is to provide all children the opportunity to receive an education. In order to handle such a large task, all classes have to maintain a certain level of uniformity, and standardized tests have to be given to measure the progress of students. What is most troubling about the current state of public schools is how much emphasis is placed on the results of standardized tests and graduation rates. Ideally, these two measures would provide a true indication of students' progress. Yet, unlike in the 1980s, it seems teachers now spend an exorbitant amount of time preparing students for the standardized tests while ignoring the students' needs for an honest-to-goodness education. Additionally, for reasons that have no legitimate explanation, students today can sometimes graduate all the way through junior high without being able to perform reading, writing and math skills that should have been learned in the first or second grade. The ties between school funding and quantitative measures, such as standardized test scores and graduation rates, is largely to blame for this. If someone ever thinks of a practical way to measure students' progress based on qualitative rather than quantitative indicators of performance, then they'd probably receive some sort of Nobel Prize. But until that day comes, public schools can take a step in the right direction by de-emphasizing the ties between funding and quantitative measures. If a student needs to be held back to master a certain grade, then by all means hold the kid back. What's important is that the student develops the ability and desire to learn. It also must be recognized that some schools are better off than others simply because they are located in more affluent neighborhoods. This should not be something viewed with contempt. However in a society where we all depend on one another, it is up to those people blessed with certain skills and knowledge to help those who aren't so fortunate. Following the example of tutoring/mentoring programs, public school districts could create partnerships between well-off schools and schools that aren't so well-off to provide the best possible education opportunities for all students. In such a situation, community bonds would be strengthened and everyone involved, meaning those who are teaching and being taught would learn by participating in the partnerships.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Players need support, ticket prices drop

To the editor: This week, the Red Raiders play the Missouri Tigers at Jones Stadium.

Clinton betrayed country

To the Editor: During recent weeks, the problems facing the nation concerning Bill Clinton and Monica Lewinsky have escalated to unimaginable proportions. The office dragged through the mud and so is our great nation.

not mean that he should avoid facing the consequences of his actions. An impeachment inquiry, which the House voted for, will decide what action must be taken. The Congress, Republican or Democrat controlled, has no choice but to do what is legally their responsibility and of the president of the United States is once again being duty. Congress cannot deal with this process based on the polls. If Congress does deal with this by monitoring the polls, then God help us all because something is seriously wrong with our country's leadership.

Notice there hasn't yet been a single mention about needing more money. Money might be a great aid to education, but it's not the cure-all. The most important thing needed is the desire to do whatever it takes to make sure fires are ignited in students.

Students also must shoulder their fair share of the load by seizing the opportunities available to them and putting forth the effort and desire to learn. However we cannot deny the responsibility that parents and teachers have to keep kids thinking and dreaming. Sadly, parents today often believe they don't have the necessary time to devote to their kids, which means an even greater burden is being placed on teachers' shoulders.

These are just a few ideas to ponder on the all-important issue of public schools. Getting the ship righted will take time, effort and thought. Yet, for the sake of future generations, let's take the time to make things right.

> Andrew Schoppe is a junior broadcast journalism and business management major from Houston.

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Please come out to the game Saturday, wear your red and black and show that you support the Red Raiders.

This year's successful season began with many victories and with your support, will end with many victories. Kickoff is at 1 p.m. Raider Alley opens at 10 a.m.

You can get your tickets at the Texas Tech Ticket Office at the north end of Jones Stadium.

Good luck Red Raiders and go Tech.

Blythe Clayton Bryan Adams Ryan Lunsford Student Government Association officers

I am only eighteen years old, but I have had the great honor of working for two great men. Most recently I served as Personal Assistant to U.S. Rep. Bill Redmond (R-NM) who was a Christian minister before becoming a member of Congress. Before Redmond, I served as Staff Assistant to Sen. Bob Dole. From both of these men I learned that character does matter. Integrity and honesty do matter. Both men showed me the opposite of Bill Clinton — that public service is still honorable.

I recently visited Congressman Redmond in Santa Fe, NM where he hosted both Marilyn Quayle, the wife of former Vice President Dan Quayle, and Bob and Elizabeth Dole. Both parties spoke of the scandal with great concern for the nation. Marilyn Quayle put it best. "I disagreed a lot with Jimmy Carter, a Democrat. But he never made me ashamed of him. Bill Clinton has shamed me. He represents our country and he has shamed us all," said Quayle. Bob Dole made a similar, yet, supportive comment. "The president and I have a close relationship, and I expressed to him my disappointment, but I asked him to let the process of justice continue," Dole said.

Frankly, I am sick and tired of hearing that this is about sex and dirty politics. I am tired of hearing the Republican Congress is out to get the President. This is not about sex, it is about perjury, obstruction of justice, and intimidation and tampering of witnesses. These are all illegal offenses. Just because Clinton admitted to the affair, does

We cannot set aside what is constitutionally right because our lives happen to be better. Just because the economy is doing well, does not mean that it should be acceptable for the President of the United States to get away with illegal acts just because our pocketbooks are a little heavier.

What saddens me the most is that Clinton lied to us all. He betrayed and possibly violated his oath to "preserve, protect, and defend the constitution of the United States." I, and many like me around the country, want to enter politics, and we should be able to look at the President to set an example. So far, Bill Clinton has shown us how to lie to the country and how to weasel out of situations on the legal definitions and tense of words such as

I am greatly saddened and embarrassed for our country - a country that I love greatly. I hope and pray that our country learns from this experience and that Congress does what is legally right, whatever that might be. May God bless this great nation, the United States of America.

> Cody J. Cazares freshman political science major

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

me check the TV. Yep, it is time L to vote once again. It isn't like anyone could miss all the advertisements on the television, radio or in the newspapers. You know, the ones where everyone is backstabbing evervone else.

So, today I am going to weigh the pros and cons of voting. I'm sure you have heard some of this before. Don't blame me for the boring topic, some of you want serious stuff. Well, here it is. First of all, there is no law requiring individuals to vote. So why does everyone tell you that it is important? Well, I guess those who tell you that think that we fought long and hard for the right to vote. This includes Caucasians (am I being politically correct enough?), both males and females, African-Americans, land owners and non-landon the bandwagon.

OK, now that you know why some people vote, lets look at the benefits to you:

1. You get to do your civic duty. 2. Your parents are so proud of

3. The person you vote for may actually win.

4. You become and outstanding citizen.

5. You have the time of your life voting.

All right, enough of the good stuff. What about the bad?

1. You may not care about civic duty.

2. Your parents could care less what you do. 3. The person you vote for may

actually lose. 4. No one recognizes you as an

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guess it is that time again. Let owners and anyone else who wanted outstanding citizen and could care anyone else? less.

5. You get lost in traffic, you get car sick, you can't find the building or you get a paper cut on the ballot and end up feeling like you wasted a whole bunch of time. A lot of people have been telling me to vote. Sorry if I sound like I am whining, but I really don't want to vote. See, I had a bad experience the last time I went to vote. My dog wasn't allowed to go in with me, then he got lost among the voting booths. To top it all off, they wouldn't let me go look for him in the other booths. To this day, I don't know where he went off to. For those who have no sense of humor, 1 am kidding. I found the dog. What actually happened was that I did a mail-in ballot. My signatures didn't match perfectly, and, therefore, my vote was invalid. Did this happen to

Maybe that is how Clinton got elected for the second time. It is something to think about.

Well there you go folks. I actually talked about a serious topic. If anyone is still awake, thanks for your attention. If you are fast asleep, don't blame me for it, you all are the ones who wanted a "serious" topic.

Remember that voting takes place in just a few days. I am not telling you to vote, I am just telling you to think about it. To vote or not to vote is still the question of the day.

> Karina Aul is a sophomore journalism major from Wilson.

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LIFESTYLES

The Party hits Lubbock

Keen did two in-store perfor-

"We love working with Robert Earl

Smylie said Keen has a cult-like

"I know people who drive hours

"He has a fan club everywhere he

mances Tuesday including one in

Kerrville, where about 300 people

Keen," Smylie said. "He's wonderful

college following almost everywhere

to see him play," she said.

Robert Earl Keen tour lands with in-store performance

By Sebastian Kitchen Staff Writer

obert Earl Keen's long road will bring him back to Lubbock Friday. He will do an in-store performance at 6:30 L Lp.m. at Hastings, 5005 50th St. Keen is doing eight instore appearances throughout Texas, including Lubbock.

turned out.

to work with."

he plays.

"He is the type of man who takes time and talks to people and sign autographs," said Hidie Smylie, community relations specialist with Hastings. "It gives people a chance to meet with him on a more personal basis."

Hastings is a big supporter of Keen and his work, including his latest release Walking Distance, Smylie said. Walking Distance was released Tuesday and is the follow-up to Keen's popular album Picnic.

"We are expecting quite a big goes." crowd in Lubbock," Smylie said.

with constant touring.

clever lyrics and catchy songs.

His songs have been covered by many artists, including The Highwaymen, Joe Ely, Nanci Griffith, rassed."

Lyle Lovett, Jil Sobule and Gillian Welch. Also, Keen I know people who will perform a full set Friday drive hours to see at the Library. him play."

2216 Interstate

will open at 9

p.m. and the

show will start

at about 10:30

The doors

"The Library is a minor-friendly People are attracted to Keen's environment," said new general manager Michael Barnes.

> "You guys can come out and have a good time without being ha-

> > Keen will be the second performer to play at The Library since the club reopened.

Judas Priest played to a "full house" before a power outage **Hidie Smylie** left the crowd smaller, Barnes community relations specialist said.

Barnes said p.m. Tickets for the show cost \$12 the club is expecting a good turnout for Friday's show and hopes for cooperation from the electricity.

Archaeologist makes largest find in Israel

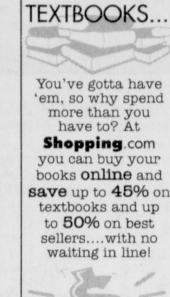
JERUSALEM (AP) - Jars of decorative jugs, pots, bowls and bells have been found after being stashed in a shopkeeper's dirt floor for 1,000 years, an archaeologist announced Tuesday.

It is the largest collection of 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.

About 500-600 metallic objects were discovered in three large clay jars near the Sea of Galilee.

"It's incredible treasure from around A.D. 1,000, a period from which we don't have many pieces, especially metal, so it's unique in every sense," said Hirschfeld, a Hebrew University professor.

Workers found the first container last Thursday in the corner of what they believe to be an ancient store floor. The others were discovered Monday.



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Giffords' marital status stronger from attair

Keen has increased his fan base and \$20 for people under 21.

27.

says his cheating on Kathie Lee made their marriage stronger.

Gifford went public Tuesday with his thoughts on the scandal that filled CNN's "Larry King Live."

NEW YORK (AP) — Frank Gifford with former flight attendant Suzen Johnson. It was "the most stupid thing I got involved in in my life," he said. In a quavering voice, he said the extramarital liaison nearly caused him to lose "a woman I love very much and my two kids.'

Much of Gifford's public humilia-

'Kathie, I will spend the rest of my life was.

in advance, \$15 the day of the show

Gifford made her a promise: trying to be the man you thought I





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GOT GIGGED

A&M fans prove to be a different breed see p. 8



OZARK STYLE

New baseball team good to go in minor leagues see p. 7

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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

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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TALE!

The Red Raiders currently are tied mer with Texas A&M for fifth in the Big 12 Conference and are ranked 27th in the nation. seni

With a 22nd ranking in the power polls and a winning record, the Red Raiders are confident about their chances to make the NCAA tourna-

The Red Raiders currently are tied ment at the end of the regular sea-

"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 teams (from the Big 12). I think we can end up between fourth and sixth in the conference."

All seven of Tech's losses this season 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 sophomore outside hitter Heather Hughes. "Now we play every team again,"

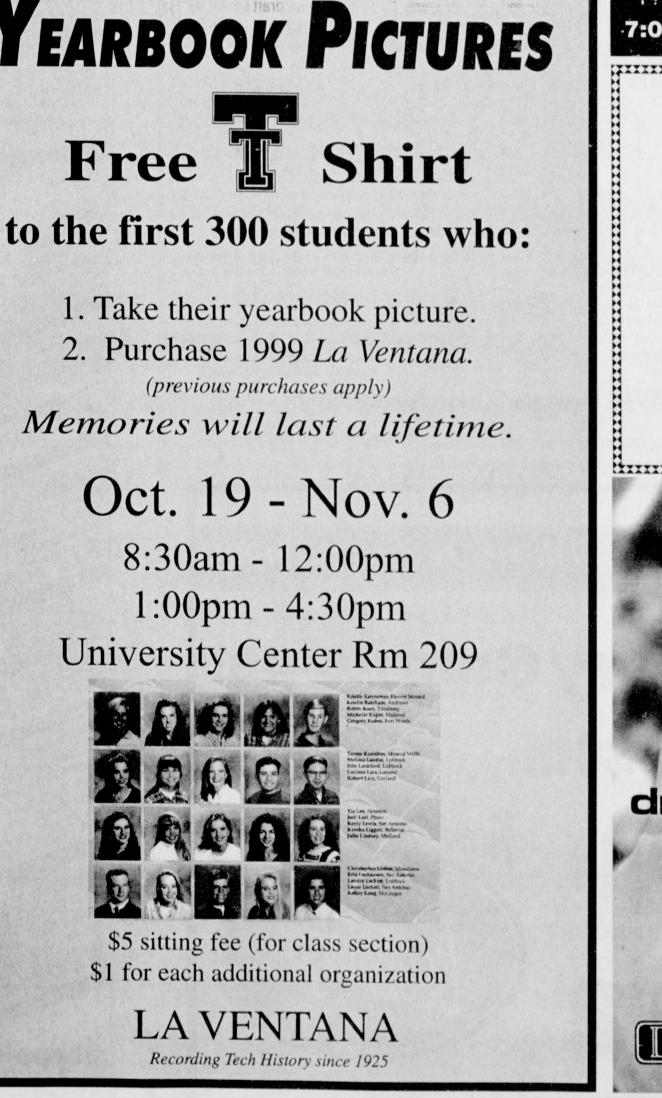
Hughes said. "Hopefully, since we've played them before, we know what they're like and what plays they run. So hopefully, we can play them better this time and beat them."

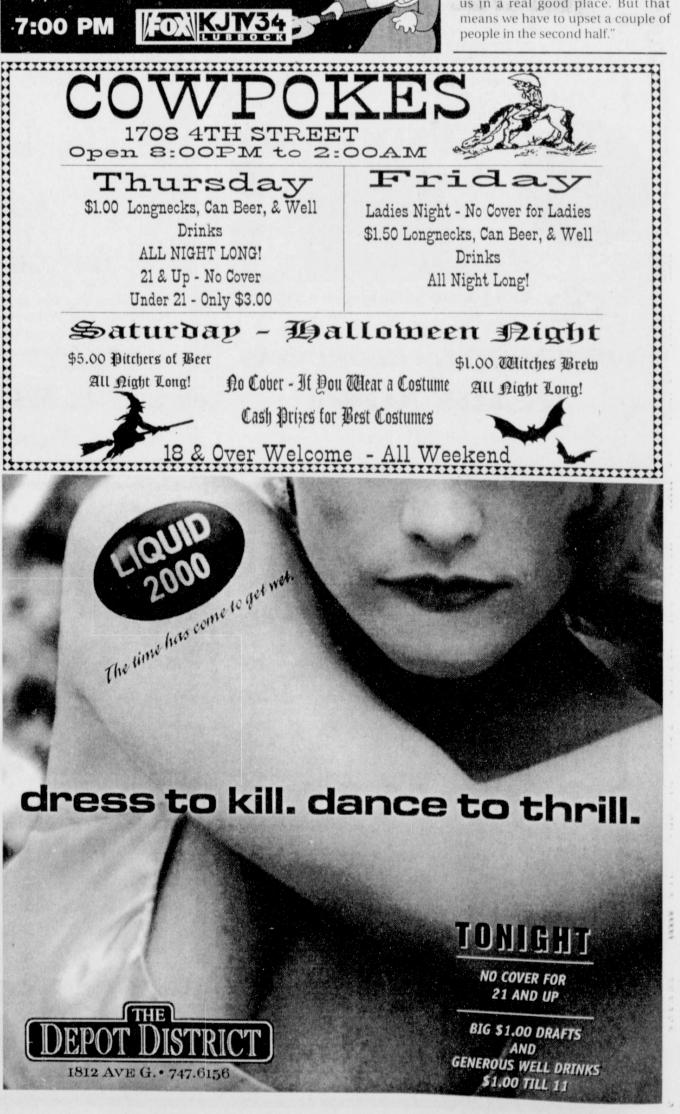
Recent wins against Iowa State and Missouri will help the Red Raiders in the long run as far as the NCAA tournament is concerned, but Tech still has a long way to go before the NCAA selection occurs, said sophomore middle blocker Janelle Jones.

"I think at this point in the season we are still OK," Jones said. "It's nothing to be real nervous about. I think the two wins this past weekend put us where we need to be. We need to 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 volleyball or better down the stretch, head coach Jeff Nelson said.

"We're ranked 22nd in the power rankings," Nelson said. "There are 64 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





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SPORTS

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Helping hands

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) -It will be more than just football Friday night when W.B. Ray High School visits Victoria Stroman High School.

The Ray Student Council began collecting food and clothing items last week to help residents of Victoria recover from the Central Texas flooding.

Now the school has opened the flood relief effort to let all of Corpus Christi help.

Residents have until noon Friday to drop off donated items at Ray's administration offices. The Ray students plan to deliver the relief items to Victoria residents before Friday night's football game.

Lynn McMains, former president of the Ray Booster Club, said student council representatives have been asking people to bring what they could spare for the people of Victoria.

any ordinary names in this league.

It takes something special to join the Texas-Louisiana League, said spokesman Bruce Unrue, something like an Amarillo (Texas) 'dilla, a Lubbock (Texas) Cricket or a Bayou Bullfrog (Lafeyette, La.).

With that in mind, the Ozark

OZARK, Mo. (AP) - You won't find Mountain Duck - a hillbilly quacker in blue overalls and a brown hillbilly with a Warner-Brothers cartoon style - came to life Tuesday as the mascot and team name for Ozark's new professional baseball team to begin play next season.

> Think of him as a cross between the San Diego Chicken and Tom Sawyer — a big, white, overstuffed bird

hat with a fishing pole slung over one shoulder and baseball bat on the other

New team par for the course in Texas-La League

"It's like the River Rats - the team names are always some combination of a caricature and something local. Only this duck has more personality than any of them," Unrue said.

League president Byron Pierce begins in May, Unrue said. announced plans in April to launch the four-year-old league's eighth team in Ozark next spring.

A \$3 million stadium is in the works, and the team is expected to play its first game when the season

The Ozark team joins seven others in the Texas-Louisiana League. Those teams are in Abilene, Amarillo, Lubbock and Harlingen, Texas; Alexandria and Lafayette, La.; and Greenville, Miss.

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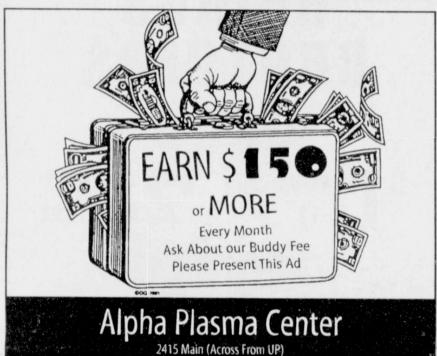
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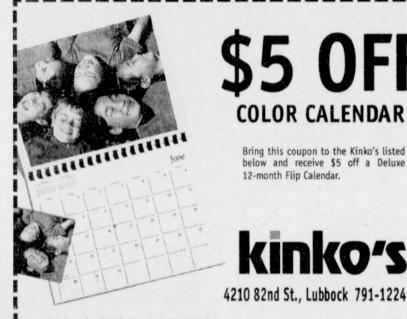
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Aggies deserving of criticism from Red Raider fans



they are a changing. In the past, a person could get harassed only by having some freak sit outside his or her house waiting to scare the bejesus out of their prey. But in today's technology-domi-

Assistant nated world, Sports Editor people can be harassed in a

number of ways, including that of electronic mail. Why, you may ask, is this column

a part of the always interesting UD sports page?

Well, because someone very close

guy, to be precise), has been hounded for the last seven days by crazed Aggie fans thanks to my column preceding the Tech-A&M game last Saturday.

In case you were not aware of the situation, my column was posted on two Aggie web sites with my home phone number attached to it. I have since received nearly 60 e-mails, labeling yours truly as anything from inbred to insensitive.

So, for a second consecutive week, I thought I would not only share my opinions about the beloved Aggies and their fans, but I thought that you as the Texas Tech student body and members of the faculty and staff ought to see for yourselves what those darn Aggies really think of those of us in Raiderland.

So, on with the show, and I hope

The times to me, (a six-foot hairy, chubby white you do not get too offended, for I think they have all been brainwashed by Reveille.

> First, we will take a look at one response from a guy I like to call Dan O. R. King, or DORK, for short.

> DORK had the audacity to e-mail me and tell me how jealous we, as Red Raiders, are of the tradition-rich Aggies.

> "It points out again the extent to which Texas Tech students and alumni are deluded by their jealousy of Texas A&M University as a whole and Texas A&M athletics in particular," DORK writes.

> Well, I just had no idea how much I loved the Aggies until it was pointed out to me. I guess I really am missing out on those midnight yell practices, eh?

Furthermore, DORK points out that Techsans are nothing more than

wannabe Aggie fans. Ouch, that really hurts coming

from a 1988 A&M grad.

Anyhow, on to case No. 2.

Our next contestant, Dave, thinks that I am nothing more than a peon in the world of collegiate journalism.

"Junior, you are only making yourself look completely STUPID when you ignore the fact that the Aggies beat (then) No. 2 Nebraska and played a tough Florida State team close.'

Yeah, calling me junior is a big sign of maturity.

This only proves my point, yet again. I think the Aggies are the only fans in the nation who think they deserve credit for playing a team closely.

Hello? You lost. Get over it.

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You do not hear people crying about the fact that Tech has dropped two games by a total of nine points, but played their opponents well. Cry me a river, pal.

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?

It seems that the term" Aggie for life" 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 when it comes to the old IQ score.

When looking at another response from an Aggie, let's call him, Micky, it becomes so obvious that the Aggies are actually jealous of the Red Raiders.

"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 Texas now and you need to start acting like a man. What a whining, pissing, child-like embarrassment you are to that pathetic school in Lubbock.'

Well, where to start?

First, Tech, not Lubbock High, never really cared much about rankings, unlike those folks at College Station.

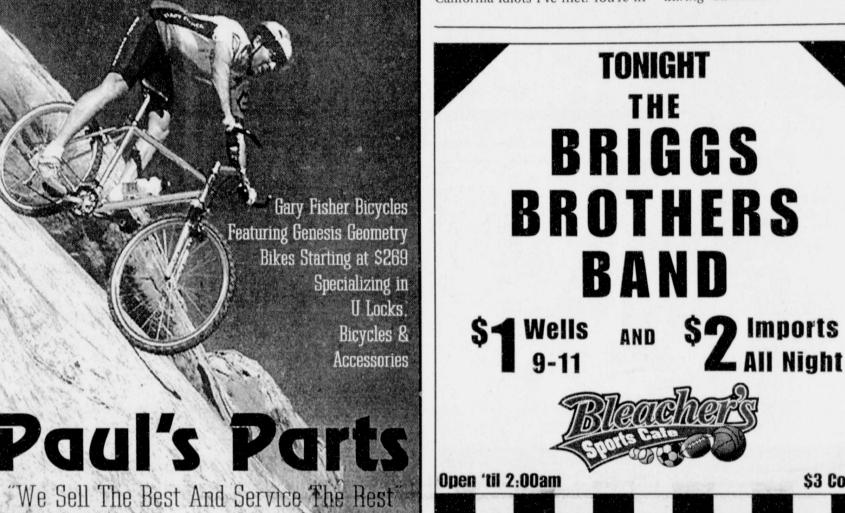
Secondly, I am not too sure how many Californians that Micky has come across, but I am pretty sure that my fellow Golden Staters would not think too highly of the Maroon Marauders.

In any event, I am glad to have the opportunity to share a few Aggie opinions with the more responsible and understanding Tech community. So there you have it, the truth di-

rectly from the horse's mouth. Or at least the dog's mouth.

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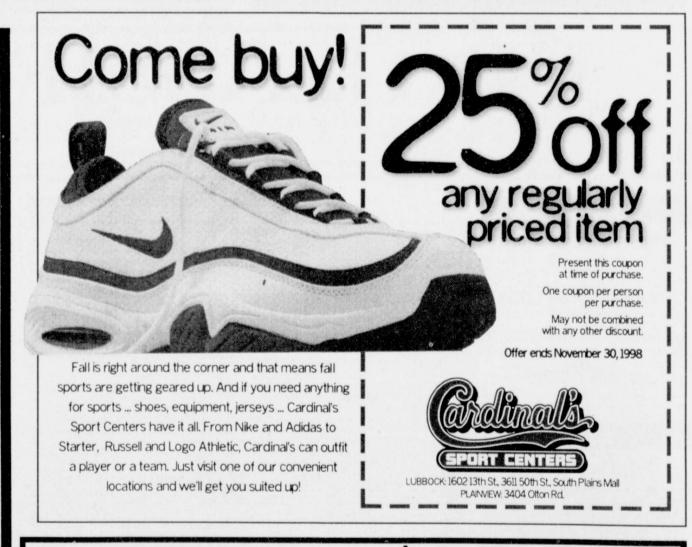
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