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Head of DNC to leave position

WASHINGTON (AP) — Steve Grossman, the Democratic National Committee chairman who helped lead his party to midterm election gains while helping reduce its huge debt, announced Wednesday that he is stepping down.

Grossman cited his father's long fight with Parkinson's disease and a desire to spend more time with his children as primary reasons for leaving the DNC.

Joe Andrew, chairman of the Indiana Democratic Party, and retiring Rep. Vic Fazio, D-Calif., are among the possible replacements, according to several Democratic officials.

President Clinton had praise for the outgoing chairman.

"While it is good news for his family, the resignation ... is a loss for the Democratic party."

Steve has been a leader, a party builder, a prolific fund-raiser and a wonderful friend to Hillary and me."

"When folks wrote off the Democrats, Steve turned the party around," said Gov. Roy Romer of Colorado, the DNC general chair, who will remain in that post.

Grossman said he would remain until a new chairman is chosen.

"I will not leave this position when this momentum is not assured," Grossman said at a news conference. "I am staying until there is an orderly transition."

The Democratic National Committee is scheduled to meet formally to vote in March, but Grossman's successor is expected to be named long before then.

Traditionally, the choice of DNC chairman is the prerogative of the sitting president, and is approved by a vote of DNC members.

The members will most likely vote before the March meeting, either in an emergency meeting or through mail ballots.

Clinton's decision was not expected immediately.

New strategy begun in search

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — A new strategy yielded the same old results Wednesday as the hunt for escaped Texas death row inmate Martin Gurule neared a full week.

"It's a little bit of a waiting game," Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Larry Todd said.

Guards continued monitoring a 7-mile perimeter around the Ellis Unit prison, home of death row, but officials trimmed the intense searches by using dog teams and on horseback.

Authorities were sticking to their

beliefs he remained nearby in marshes and heavy woods.

"We want to give this guy the opportunity to make a move," spokesman Larry Fitzgerald said. "We want to give the illusion that we're pulling back."

Gurule, 29, of Corpus Christi, was among seven condemned killers who tried to break out of the prison 15 miles northeast of Huntsville late Thanksgiving night.

His six colleagues surrendered as guards in towers 200 feet away opened fire after spotting them, but

Gurule managed to get over a pair of 10-foot chainlink fences topped with razor wire and scamper into the fog and darkness about 12:15 a.m. last Friday.

That made him the first Texas inmate to flee death row since 1934.

All seven inmates, who used a hacksaw blade to cut a hole in a death row recreation area fence, then climbed to the roof of the prison and crawled across the roof to the fence on the opposite side, were part of the nation's only prison work program that uses death row

inmates.

The work project, where inmates make cloth goods for the corrections system, was ordered suspended Tuesday by prison administrators pending an investigation by a panel of the Texas Board of Criminal Justice of how the escape occurred.

Spokesman Glen Castlebury said it was likely the committee, headed by board member Mac Stringfellow, would be in operation by the first of next week.

"They'll be looking at every aspect of this, from security policies as

they are written to the facility itself, how it's built, how the fences are constructed, how the doors operate, and then all the personnel questions," he said.

Gurule was sentenced to death for shooting Minas "Mike" Piperis on Oct. 12, 1992, during a robbery at a Corpus Christi restaurant which Piperis co-owned with his brother, George.

Gurule also was charged with killing restaurant worker Anthony Staton, but that case never went to trial.

Ho-Ho-Ho-liday Cheer

Kappa Sigma, Chi Omega brighten lives of children

By Gretchen Verry
Staff Writer

Members of Texas Tech's chapters of Kappa Sigma fraternity and Chi Omega sorority joined together Wednesday to bring holiday cheer to orphans from Lubbock's Buckner Children's Home.

"This is an annual tradition for Kappa Sigma and Chi Omega. It is a way for us to get involved while at the same time doing something fun," said Reagan Neumann, community service chairwoman for Chi Omega sorority, and a junior marketing major from San Antonio.

A Christmas party was given at 50th Street Caboose restaurant, and members donated gifts for the children.

Around 20 children from the home showed up for the event and each were given presents and dinner.

Pizza and soft drinks were donated by 50th Street Caboose.

"Because there were fewer kids here than last, we have been able

Christmas Wishes: Eight-year-old Norma Salazar tells her Christmas Wish List to Kappa Sigma Santa at the 8th annual Kappa Sigma-Chi Omega Christmas Party for the Buckner Children's Home. The organizations donated \$500 to the home along with gifts for the children.

Greg Kreller/The University Daily



to focus more attention on them, and make a better Christmas for each kid by giving more attention to those that were here," Neumann said.

The party is an annual tradition for the two and is in its eighth year.

"Over the past eight years, we've built a relationship with Buckners,

and we're continuing to keep that reputation up," said Chris Hagans, president of Kappa Sigma fraternity and a senior management information systems major from Denison.

A donation of \$500 from Denison will be made to the Buckner home in the name of Chi Omega and Kappa

Sigma.

"We just wanted a chance to give what we can to those less privileged than ourselves," said Jason Bell, social chairman for Kappa Sigma and a junior marketing major from Dallas.

The children played games at the restaurant from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m.,

when Santa Claus showed up to pass out presents to them.

Hagans said each child would probably receive four or five presents apiece from the members.

The children are between the ages of six and 12 and are residents of the home.

Ten Tech offices move locations

By Melody Ragland
Staff Writer

The Texas Tech Administrative Support Center, formally the Naval Reserve building, is now housing 10 Tech departments.

The departments moved are traffic and parking, environmental health and safety, University Press, University Interscholastic League,

MailTech, official publications, facilities information and reports, operating policies and procedures, institutional research and the Office of Quality Service.

Theresa Drowell, assistant vice chancellor for facilities and planning, said the empty space left by the transferred offices will be taken by other surrounding offices and other departments moving there.

"We have been working on it for a number of years (3 1/2)," Drowell said.

Robert Cameron, architect with facilities planning and construction, said the building provides more room for all of the de-

partments.

The building, located at 2903 4th St., began renovation about a year ago.

The renovation is not complete, Cameron said, they still have to move in one more tenant, MailTech.

Several departments have waited years to be moved to a more spacious building.

Traffic and parking director Gail Wolfe said they like the new facility, but "we're not crazy about the location."

She said once the students are familiar with the location, things will improve.

Wolfe said the old traffic and parking building went to Tech's physical plant.

Gale Richardson, director of the Department of Official Publications, said they love the new building.

"We moved Oct. 23, we were looking forward to this," Richardson said.

The department formally was housed in the basement of the administration building.

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Gale Richardson
director, Official Publications

Judge agrees to allow impeachment investigators to see fund-raising memos

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a victory for Republicans, a federal judge said Wednesday that House Judiciary Committee investigators may inspect secret Justice Department memos on alleged fund-raising abuses in President Clinton's 1996 campaign.

Republicans said the ruling by U.S. District Judge Norma Holloway Johnson could upset the tight impeachment schedule.

The White House, exasperated that it does not yet know which articles of impeachment Clinton might have to defend against, urged GOP House leaders to rein in the inquiry.

"I think they need to step up and figure out a way to get this thing resolved expeditiously because everybody ... wants to get this behind us," spokesman Joseph Lockhart said.

Neither party wasted any time sending their staff members to the Justice Department to read the fund-raising memos. Republican chief investigator David Schippers went for the Republicans and staff member Kevin Simpson for the Democrats.

Clinton's attorneys were preparing a letter that would inform the Judiciary Committee whether they plan to present a defense before the panel wraps up its work.

The committee set a tentative schedule to conclude next week with final hearings and a vote on articles of impeachment.

If any articles are approved, the matter could go to the House floor the week of Dec. 14. Lawmakers then could vote to send Clinton to trial in the Senate, censure him or do nothing.

Committee officials cautioned, however, that the schedule could be altered if investigators unearth any explosive new evidence in the memos written by FBI Director Louis Freeh and prosecutor Charles LaBella.

Johnson ruled that it was in the

public interest for one Republican and one Democratic member of the Judiciary Committee staff to see the memos, which urged the appointment of a special prosecutor to investigate Clinton's fund raising and summarized evidence in the two-year-old Justice Department inquiry.

The judge said that neither of the investigators could copy the memos or take notes and that they could report their findings only to Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., the committee chairman, and Rep. John Conyers of Michigan, the senior Democrat. Any further dissemination would need the judge's approval.

Netanyahu's pullout conditions rejected

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration dismissed new Israeli conditions for a pullback on the West Bank and demanded Wednesday that the Wye accord with the Palestinians "should be implemented as signed."

The pullback is an obligation, State Department spokesman James P. Rubin said in a statement: "We do not think it is appropriate to add new conditions."

At the same time, the U.S. spokesman condemned an attack on an Israeli soldier in Ramallah, an Arab town on the West Bank, which he said "is clearly the kind of violence that

has no place in the peace process."

In Jerusalem, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's office said Wednesday that troop pullbacks would be delayed unless Yasser Arafat, the Palestinian leader, stops saying he will establish a Palestinian state next May, whatever the outcome of negotiations with Israel; that incitement of rioters be halted; and that Israel alone will decide which Palestinian prisoners to free under October's Wye accord signed in rural Maryland.

The State Department's swift rejection of the Israeli conditions puts the administration on a collision

course with Israel little more than a week before a scheduled trip there by President Clinton.

Clinton spoke confidently this week of the Wye accord being carried out despite what he said are "bumps in the road."

Arafat, during a visit here this week, repeatedly asserted his hopes for a state and called east Jerusalem "occupied territory" that Israel is obliged to surrender to the Arab union under U.N. Security Council Resolutions at the end of the 1967 and 1973 Middle East wars.

The administration had urged Arafat to soft-pedal his goals in ad-

vice with Israel. When he persisted, Rubin and other administration officials were mildly critical and included Netanyahu's assertion he will never yield any part of Jerusalem in their criticism.

The U.S. position was that neither side should say things that appear provocative or designed to prejudice the outcome of negotiations still to be held.

American mediator Dennis Ross and his deputy, Aaron Miller, will go to the region in a few days to try and ease the conflict in advance of Clinton's trip, a senior U.S. official said.

League of Women Voters brings politicians to city

By Apu Naik
Staff Writer

Texas Sen. Robert Duncan and House Rep. Carl Isset visited Lubbock Wednesday to attend the annual legislative forum breakfast presented by the League of Women Voters.

The breakfast was to give the organization a chance to communicate their interests and concerns with the state's legislature.

The forum, which was held at the Covenant Health Care Center, created a town hall-like atmosphere for the league to ask questions concerning a number of different issues including child welfare, the state's budget status and the state's plans for the

advancement of public education.

Many of the city's leaders were on hand to show their support of the league, including Mayor Windy Sitton, City Councilman David Nelson and newly elected County Sheriff David Gutierrez.

Duncan and Isset made a brief presentation on their view of the state's priority legislation during the upcoming legislative session. The two also spoke about a number of different topics that were of concern to themselves.

"It is so important for us to be able to get together with members of the community so that we can receive guidance and feedback as to what the people want," Duncan said. R-Lub-

bock, to the league. "Our next legislative session is coming very soon, so it is very important that we can form a level of positive communication with the community."

The republican Texas Tech graduate first addressed the negative relations between the University of Texas at El Paso and Tech regarding the cooperation of both schools to form a Border Health Institute.

"It is extremely important for cities within the same region such as El Paso and Lubbock to keep positive relations, and the politics being played right now by (UTEP President Diana Natalicio and Texas Sen. Eliot Sharpleigh, D-El Paso) are destructive relations for both communities,"

Duncan said.

Duncan also used the forum as an opportunity to dispel a rumor regarding the state's budget, which he said misled voters during the Nov. 3 elections.

He attributed this myth to a "candidate who was not elected," but said some of the things the candidate spoke of during his campaign sent the voters attention in the wrong direction.

"Many voters are now questioning how the state's \$6 billion surplus will be spent, but the truth is, the state does not have a \$6 billion surplus," Duncan said. "But with the direction the state is beginning to move, we can look forward to a \$2 billion sur-

plus in the near future."

Isset also addressed the League of Women Voters by declaring that in the two years since his election, he had made many friends within the league.

"Our job is to represent the people of our district and of our state during legislation, and if it weren't for the encouragement and enthusiasm of your organization, this wouldn't be possible," Isset said, R-Lubbock.

Isset said one issue being considered for the state's next legislative session is the topic of child health care and how it would be provided to children in need.

"We all agree that health care for students is a necessity for Texas, but

the question is how to achieve this," Isset said.

"The Child Health Care Insurance Policy, or CHIP program, calls for funding in very large quantities, so we are currently reviewing the details of the program because we don't want to just throw dollars at something which costs so much."

Wednesday's forum was co-sponsored by the Junior League of Lubbock, the American Association of University Women, the Texas Tech Woman's Studies Program and the League of Women Voters in Lubbock.

Civic leaders, local officials, non-profit organizations and other civic organizations and educators were invited.

Blood center issues hepatitis C warning

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Thousands of people may have been infected with hepatitis C through potentially tainted blood distributed by the South Texas Blood and Tissue Center from 1988 to 1992, officials say.

Warning letters are being sent to as many as 3,000 people who received blood or blood-related products from the center those years, Dr. Norman Kalmin, the center's president and chief executive officer, said Tuesday.

Before 1992, blood, plasma and platelets from donors couldn't be screened effectively for hepatitis C. Since then, some of the center's previous donors have tested positive for the virus, Kalmin said.

Patients who received blood or blood-related products from those donors may have been infected.

"That's the implication," said Kalmin, part of a 15-member team of public and private medical professionals working to forge a local plan to halt the problem.

Since hepatitis C symptoms can take 20 years to surface, many people are unaware they have it until years after contracting the virus. Kalmin advised that blood product recipients from 1988-1992 be tested.

In March, Congress ordered U.S. blood banks to notify people who got blood transfusions before 1992 about the possibility of hepatitis C.

"It can be managed for years by primary-care physicians," said Dr.

Fernando Guerra, health director of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District. "It is not easily transmitted."

The virus, identified in 1989, is considered the most serious of the hepatitis viruses, including A, B and D. It is most often spread by contact with blood through intravenous drug use, blood transfusions, sexual intercourse and self-inflicted tattoos and body piercing.

Nearly 4 million people nationwide are infected with hepatitis C.

Teen charged after baby found dead

DALLAS (AP) — A 17-year-old woman was charged with injury to a child Tuesday, a day after her newborn son was found dead in a dresser drawer, police said.

Police said charges were filed after an autopsy revealed that the baby boy bled to death or might have suffocated.

They said the bleeding was due to his umbilical cord not being tied after birth.

Noemi Muoz, a high school senior, faces five to 99 years in prison and a fine of up to \$10,000 if convicted.

She was under police watch at Parkland Hospital Tuesday.

Police said Muoz gave birth early Monday in her bedroom at her family's home. She told police the baby was born healthy but died unexpectedly a few hours later.

Police learned of the baby's

death Monday night, when a doctor called them to report he suspected Muoz had just given birth.

The dead newborn was wrapped in towels in a drawer in her younger sister's room, police said.

The Rev. David Colella, pastor at Santa Clara Catholic Church, where Muoz is an active member, said he doubts the death was intentional.

"It's a panic situation for a young girl," he told *The Dallas Morning News*.

"I would say she got confused. She's kind, generous and outgoing."

The priest and others who know Muoz were shocked to learn she was pregnant.

A cousin, Lizeth Muoz, said the woman denied being pregnant.

"I would say she got confused. She's kind, generous and outgoing."

David Colella
pastor

Trial begins in torture slaying of woman

FORT WORTH (AP) — A man accused of killing a retarded woman after using her for target practice went on trial Wednesday, with a prosecution witness testifying that Robert Neville Jr. was nonchalant as he described committing the crime.

"He paused, he smiled at me and he said, 'I'm going to tell you what happened,'" Special Agent Cag Cagnoni of the U.S. Customs Service told jurors. "He told me he shot her twice, once in the chest and once in the head."

"He seemed impressed that he was arrested by federal agents."

Neville Jr., 24, is charged with capital murder in the slaying of Amy

Robinson, who was abducted Feb. 15 as she rode her bicycle to her job at a supermarket where Neville and Michael Hall formerly worked.

Hall, 19, also is charged with capital murder. Both men could get the death penalty. The key piece of evidence against both men is expected to be a televised confession they gave after being caught March 3 during a customs

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Cag Cagnoni
U.S. Special Agent

check at the Mexican border near Eagle Pass.

Judge Harry Hopkins ruled Tuesday that the video of that TV interview is admissible. The pair told reporters that they used Robinson for target practice with a pellet gun before killing her with a rifle in a field.

"My first two shots rang out — one hit her in the chest and the other hit her in the head. Then he — Michael — picked up his rifle and

fired another set of shots into her," Neville said.

As the woman died, "we just busted out laughing," Hall said.

Defense attorney Sam Smith said in opening statements that Neville was involved in Robinson's death but did not kidnap her.

Smith said Robinson went willingly with Hall and Neville to the field.

Neville cannot be found guilty of capital murder — and put to death — if the jury does not find that he kidnapped Robinson.

He still could be found guilty of murder, punishable by up to life in prison.

Beer vending machines ruled illegal

HOUSTON (AP) — Beer on tap is OK, but beer from a vending machine is illegal, according to the state attorney general.

As a result, some private golf

clubs in the Dallas area that installed the machines this summer apparently will have to remove them.

The Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission agreed in June to allow

the machines, but a state legislator and an official with Mothers Against Drunk Driving protested. They cited the state's Alcoholic Beverage Code, which says coin-operated machines or "similar devices" can't be used to sell alcohol.

The Oklahoma City vending-machine company argued that its machines aren't covered by the law because they dispense drinks when a customer enters a personal identification number.

In an opinion Nov. 13, Attorney General Dan Morales' office agreed with state Rep. Scott Hochberg, D-Houston, and MADD activist Vena Cronin of Houston that it is "patently obvious" the beer machines are similar to coin-operated machines, and thus prohibited.

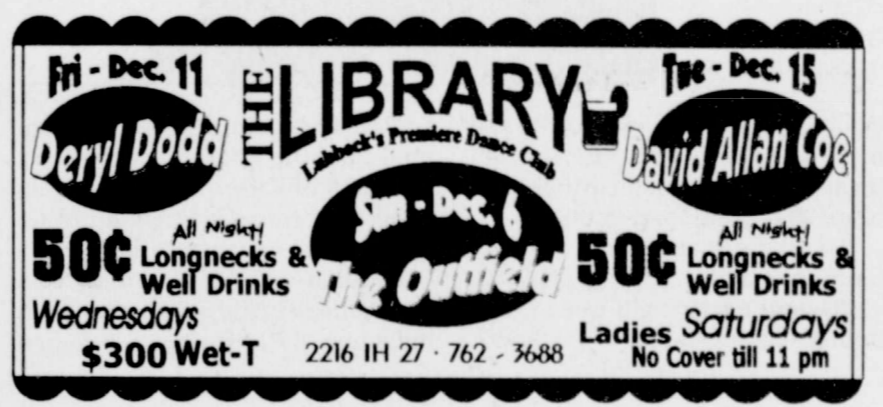
Hochberg and Cronin, who had feared the machines could lead to illegal sales to minors, told the *Houston Chronicle* they are happy with the attorney general's ruling.



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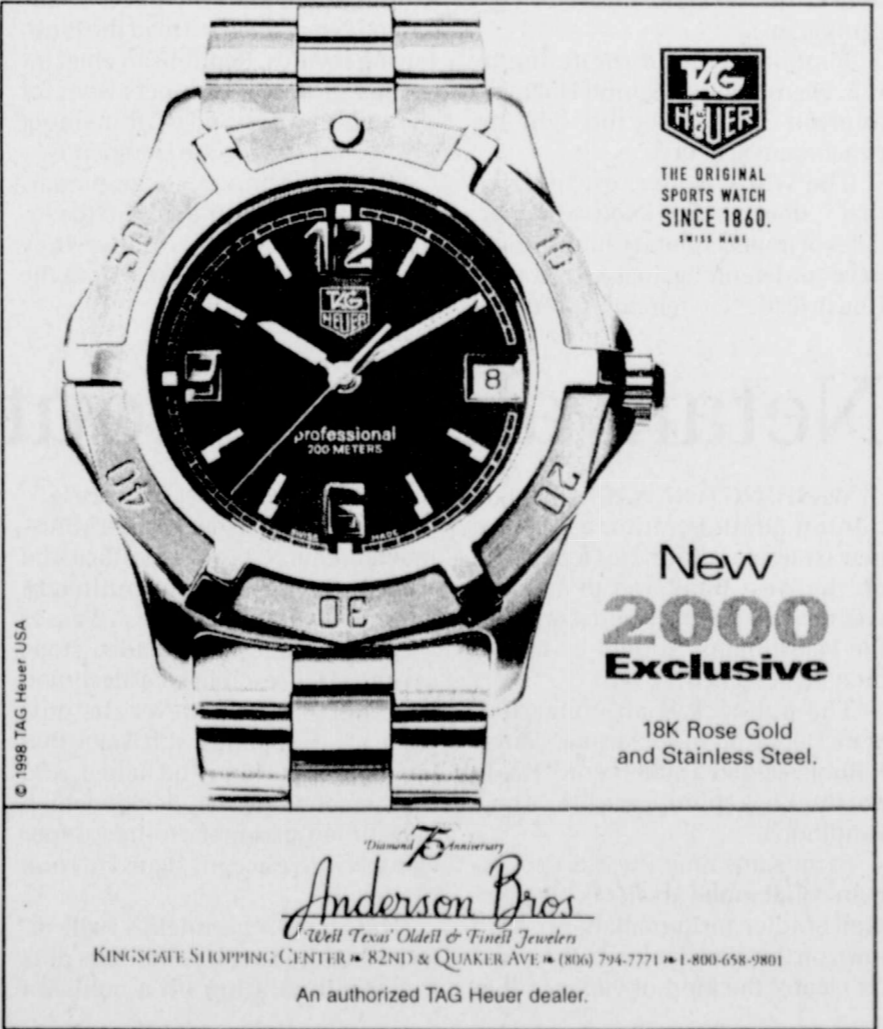
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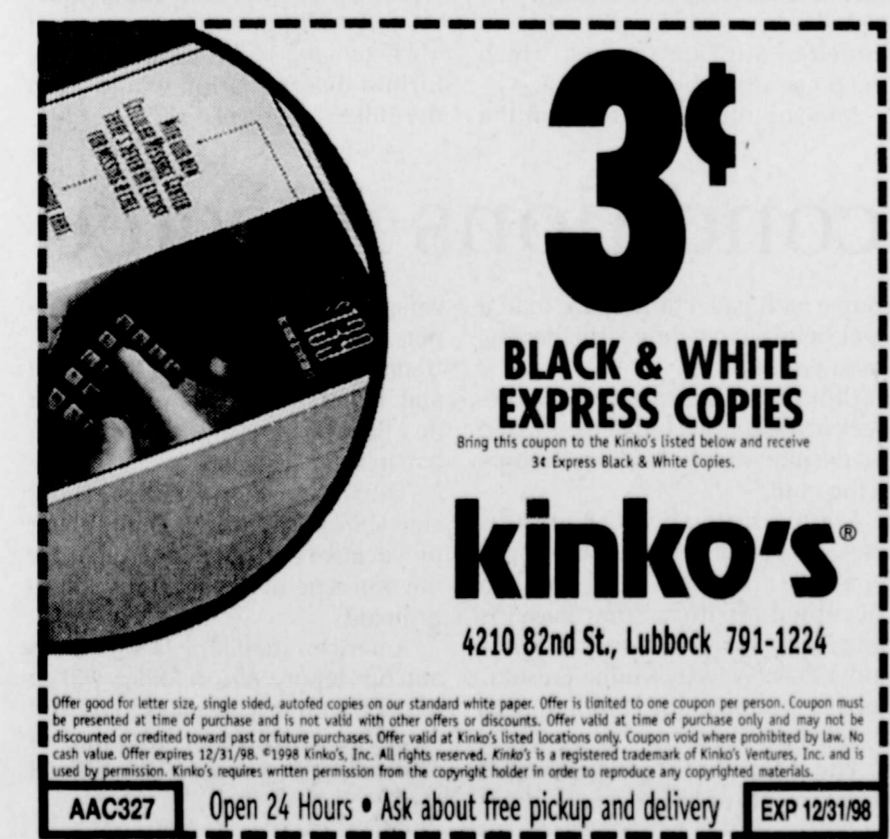
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Israel suspends further troop withdrawals after attack

JERUSALEM, Israel (AP) — Stung by a vicious attack on an Israeli soldier, the government announced Wednesday it was suspending further troop withdrawals until Palestinians comply with a list of demands — including publicly abandoning plans to declare a state in May.

The government said its decision was prompted in part by the attack on the soldier and a civilian earlier in the day by a Palestinian mob in the West Bank city of Ramallah.

The decision came only 10 days before President Clinton was to arrive in the region to usher in the second stage of the Wye River land-for-security agreement he helped negotiate in October.

The Israeli announcement raised questions about whether the Clinton trip could take place while Israel was holding up the agreement.

In the ambush in Ramallah, dozens of Palestinian university students waited at a traffic circle, screening cars. Once they found what they wanted, a hail of stones hit targeted vehicle, smashing its windows.

A young Israeli soldier was dragged

out of the car and, as he cowered on the pavement, was struck repeatedly on the head with rocks.

Captured by cameras, the attack was shown over and over on Israeli television, making some Israelis wonder if the Palestinian Authority really was trying to control violence like it pledged to do in the land-for-peace agreement.

The ambush overshadowed the stabbing death earlier Wednesday of an Arab street-cleaner in Jerusalem, apparently by an Israeli extremist. During the funeral procession for Osama Natche, a 41-year-old father of six, mourners torched an Israeli car and stoned Israeli police who fired rubber bullets.

Hours later, rioting throughout traditionally Arab east Jerusalem continued, with masked Palestinians throwing stones at cars and blocking roads with burning tires. Jerusalem police spokesman Shmuel Ben Ruby said five Palestinians were arrested for throwing stones that shattered a bus window and injured the driver.

Israel and the Palestinian Authority blamed each other for the violence.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's senior adviser, David Bar-Illan, said the Palestinian Authority has incited residents against Israel in the dispute over the release of Palestinian prisoners.

"The bottom line is that there will be no further withdrawals unless the Palestinian Authority lives up to all its commitments," he said.

A statement from Netanyahu's office said the Palestinians must acknowledge that Israel did not agree to release Palestinian prisoners who have committed acts against Israel.

"Israel demands that the Palestinian Authority announce clearly that it is abandoning its intention to unilaterally declare a Palestinian state and announce its commitment to continuous negotiations until a final arrangement is achieved. Israel demands that the Palestinian Authority immediately stop violent and inciteful acts and punish rioters," the statement said.

On Tuesday, the Palestinian parliament speaker, Ahmed Qureia, told protesters who were demanding that Israel release prisoners that they had

the backing of the Palestinian leadership which "is prepared once again to throw stones in order to free the people."

Palestinian negotiator Hassan Asfour said Israel was to blame for the violence, saying Netanyahu raised tensions by not releasing prisoners and continuing to expand Jewish settlements.

In the Wye agreement, Israel promised to release 750 Palestinian prisoners by January. In a first stage last month, it freed 250 prisoners, but most were criminals, not those held for anti-Israeli activities as the Palestinian Authority had expected.

Arafat raised the issue earlier this week with Clinton in meetings with Washington.

"He (Clinton) promised us to make every effort to solve this issue," Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat said.

About half of the 2,500 Palestinians held by Israel are members of Arafat's Fatah faction and there has been growing anger in Fatah ranks over the Palestinian Authority's failure to get detainees released.

Most of those involved in

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David Bar-Illan
senior adviser

Wednesday's attack on the soldier on the outskirts of the West Bank town of Ramallah where Fatah activists. Fatah may have been trying to embarrass Arafat with the ambush in order to pressure him to deal with the issue of the prisoners.

The incident began when 150 students from nearby Bir Zeit University were bused to Ramallah for a protest. They staged a march seeking the release of prisoners, then walked to a traffic circle and began stoning Israeli cars.

To shouts of "Yahudi! Yahudi!" — the Arabic word for Jew — about two dozen Palestinians began pelting the car with stones and smashing its win-

dows. The driver fled after a large rock broke the side window and just missed his head.

Palestinians, rocks in hand, reached inside the car, striking the soldier in the passenger seat. One Palestinian pulled the soldier out and beat him while another seized his M-16 assault rifle.

The soldier eventually ran to safety, and the attackers doused the car with kerosene and set it on fire.

Israeli troops fired live ammunition and a barrage of rubber-coated metal bullets and tear gas to disperse the Palestinians. Eleven Palestinians were injured. The soldier, Assaf Miara, was hospitalized for head injuries.

Texas Court of Criminal Appeals denies three deathrow inmates

AUSTIN (AP) — The Court of Criminal Appeals on Wednesday rejected appeals by three death-row inmates, including one case where an attorney didn't file an appeal on time.

Henry Watkins Skinner, 36, was convicted in 1995 of killing his girlfriend Twila Busby, 40, with an ax handle and stabbing to death her two sons, Elwin Caler, 22, and Randy Busby, 20, in their Pampa home.

Skinner's direct appeal was denied and the deadline for filing a habeas corpus appeal was Jan. 21, 1998.

Skinner's attorney in both procedures, Steven Losch, asked for a deadline extension on Jan. 19. Losch, however, asked the wrong court, going to the appeals court instead of the trial court as set by law, the Court of Criminal Appeals' ruling said.

The Court of Criminal Appeals rejected the motion Jan. 21, saying it had been filed before the wrong court. Losch sent it to the trial court on Jan. 22, a day after the deadline.

Losch said he tried to file the extension motion with the trial court a day earlier by fax, but the court's fax machine was out of order.

Losch filed the application for habeas corpus relief on March 26, citing unfamiliarity with the case and an investigator's pregnancy complications that forced her to be hospitalized.

Losch also said he had a heavy workload with other capital murder cases and Skinner's case was very complicated.

The trial court said the appeal attempt was too late, a ruling the Court of Criminal Appeals upheld Wednesday.

Losch should have been familiar with Skinner's case because he also had been the attorney on direct ap-

peal, the appeals court said. Losch's claims of a busy workload with other cases was "troubling," the court said.

"Counsel's primary responsibility was to serve his client, the applicant, and to take on additional cases from around the country ... That he played 'brinkmanship' and risk having his client's application as untimely is most troubling," Judge Steven Mansfield wrote.

Dissenting, Judge Charles Baird noted the appeals court took three days to notify Losch that his motion had been filed in the wrong place. Appeals court have been sympa-

thetic and cooperative with trial attorneys who have busy caseloads, the dissent said.

The dismissal also means the court will not get to consider whether Skinner's trial was subject to a conflict of interest, Baird wrote.

Skinner's trial attorney, Harold Comer, was a former district attorney who had prosecuted Skinner in two previous cases, court documents said.

Losch did not immediately return phone calls to his office and home.

The court also refused appeals from:

— Windell Broussard, 38, who was convicted of stabbing his wife and his stepson to death in April 1992. Dianna Fay Harris Broussard, 28, and her 10-year-old son, Corey Harris, were found in the front yard of their Port Arthur home suffering from stab wounds.

Broussard's daughter, 12-year-old Toccarra Harris, was also stabbed, but lived and testified against Broussard.

— James Blake Colburn, 38, of Montgomery County, convicted of the June 26, 1994, stabbing of Peggy Murphy, 55, after she rebuffed his sexual advances.

Government offers tips for safe holiday

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hospital emergency rooms treat about 7,500 people each year for injuries related to holiday decorations and consumer safety officials suggest a few common-sense tips to avoid becoming a statistic.

Christmas trees alone also play a role in about 400 fires annually, resulting in 10 deaths, 80 injuries and an average of more than \$15 million in property loss and damage each year, the commission said.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission offered these suggestions:

—Look for the "Fire Resistant" label on artificial trees. When purchasing live trees, check for freshness. A fresh tree is green, and its needles do not break easily.

—Set up trees away from fireplaces and radiators, and make sure they do not block doorways. Keep the stands of live trees filled with water, because heated rooms dry out trees rapidly.

—Only use decorative lights that have been tested for safety by a recognized testing laboratory. Check lights for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires or loose connections. Discard damaged sets.

—Don't use more than three standard-size sets of lights per single extension cord.

—Never use electric lights on a metallic tree.

—Fasten outdoor lights securely to trees, house walls or other supports to prevent wind damage.

Judge grants protective order for two allies of gymnast

HOUSTON (AP) — A judge has granted a temporary restraining order protecting two friends of Olympic gold medal gymnast Dominique Moceanu from harassment by her parents.

Dumitru and Camelia Moceanu were ordered to stay away from Brian and Marcy Huggins, not to threaten the couple or to hire private investigators to watch them.

Huggins, 32, provided construction equipment to build the

Moceanu's Houston gym in 1996 and helped Moceanu get away from her parents' Spring home on Oct. 17.

"It's a shame things have gotten this far out of control with people being threatened and people being stalked," Huggins said Tuesday.

In a court affidavit, Huggins said he believes he has "been under constant surveillance by people who I believe were hired by Dumitru Moceanu."

On Monday, Moceanu received a

protective order against her father, whom she accused of stalking her and threatening to harm her friends.

The Hugginses are intervening in Miss Moceanu's case. Their request for a permanent restraining order will be heard

along with the gymnast's on Dec. 9.

"I am terrified of my father," the 17-year-old gymnast stated in a court affidavit.

“I am terrified of my father.”
Dominique Moceanu
gymnast

"I believe that all of my father's actions are intended to result in physical harm, bodily injury or assault to me or my friends."

In the affidavit, Moceanu states that a Houston po-

lice sergeant informed her several weeks ago that her father was being investigated for attempting to hire someone to kill her coach and Huggins.

An attorney for Dumitru Moceanu has confirmed Houston police had investigated her client but said he was not arrested and no charges were filed.

The Associated Press was unable to reach Dumitru Moceanu on Wednesday.

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World celebrates holiday differently

Christmas in the United States is marked by the giving of gifts, Christmas trees, visits from Santa Claus and many Christmas carols.

But have you wondered what Christmas is like in other nations from around the world.

Here's just a taste of a few Christmas traditions and practices in other countries, besides the United States, that I found on the Internet.



Andrew Schoppe
Columnist

Kenya

Often a group will go singing house to house, usually on Christmas Eve.

The occupants of each house will give a gift of some kind (often money) to the singers.

Then on Christmas, the singers will give whatever they've been given to the church they attend.

India

Christians in the tropical areas of India decorate mango or banana trees at Christmas time.

In the southern state of Kerala, 25 days of Lent are observed before attending a holy Mass at midnight on Dec. 24.

The Mass ends early in the morning on Christmas Day. Santa Claus and the giving of gifts are not the priority, but the birth of the Savior is.

Iraq

On Christmas Eve, Iraqi Christian families gather together, and one of the children reads about the birth of Jesus while other family members hold lighted candles.

After the reading, a bonfire of thorn bushes is lighted and everyone sings.

If the thorns burn to ashes, good luck will be granted for the coming year. When the fire dies, each person jumps over the ashes three times and makes a wish.

Denmark

The big event of the Christmas feast, held at midnight on Christmas Eve, is the dessert — a specially made rice pudding, within which a single almond is hidden. Whoever finds the almond will receive good luck for the year to come.

Sweden

Throughout the year, a Christmas gnome, called 'tomte,' stays hidden underneath the house, but at Christmas he emerges carrying a sack of presents over his shoulder.

From the sack, he pulls gifts for all the household members.

Russia

Christmas trees were banned under the Communist regime, but people continued to trim their "New Year's" trees.

Christmas Eve dinner is meatless but festive. The most important ingredient is a special porridge called 'kutya.'

It is made of wheatberries or other grains, which symbolize hope and immortality; and honey and poppy seeds which ensure happiness, success and untroubled rest.

Mexico

Children parade through the streets signing special songs (posadas) in a ceremony known as "Las Posadas," which is a symbolic re-enactment of Joseph and Mary's journey to Bethlehem.

Each night the children reach the home of a church member but are told there's no room for them at the house and are denied entrance.

On Christmas Eve, the children arrive at a pre-arranged home and are invited in.

The adults arrive at the house before the children and once the children arrive, they have a party.

Netherlands

The little children who believe in Sinterklaas put their shoes next to the chimney with some straw and a carrot (for Sinterklaas's horse).

The next morning they'll find a present or a candy in their shoe.

Hope everyone's winter holidays are safe and fulfilling.

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

Write a letter to the editor



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Gun control measures step too far in U.S. lives

To the editor: This is in response to Laura Hipp's column "Measure good for gun control" on Monday.

"I am truly glad the government is taking more measures to ensure the safety of its citizens." It still amazes me when I hear my fellow Americans spouting off such socialistic crap. I think America would be a much better place with less government running our lives, but that is not the main focus here.

I am a hunter and just love to shoot. I could argue all day on several points as to why I think guns are necessary and useful. The following is the most important reason guns are necessary.

There have been many great documents signed into history, probably the greatest, which is the U.S. Constitution. The Magna Carta being one of the predecessors to our own Constitution lacked teeth; our forefathers knew this and put in our Constitution the Second Amendment securing all the liberties put forth in that document.

"The right to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed." I still don't understand how this statement can be misinterpreted. It sounds pretty straightforward to me, but then I am just a low-browed, gun toting, knuckle-dragger.

History has proven unarmed people will be subjugated, here are just a few examples: the blacks of Africa, the American Indians, the Jewish and "inferior peoples" of Nazi Germany, the "inferior peoples" of the USSR under Stalin and the people of China. These people did not have the means to resist, and consequently they were massacred and/or subjugated. One of the first things Hitler did after coming to power was register guns, and later he had them confiscated. I would like to paraphrase Thomas Jefferson and say those who do not study history are doomed to repeat it.

In conclusion, I found Hipp's ignorance of the subject and our forefathers disturbing, but not surprising. And her comment of these great men extremely insulting. Hipp should remember these "men in wigs" are the same men that put the First Amendment in the Constitution, which in this case has allowed her to dispel any myth to the inadequacy of her education. I know for a fact lies have killed more people and sent more people to hell than all the guns of the world ever have.

It is people of your caliber that spat on returning Vietnam veterans and burned my flag. As a former Marine, it sickens me greatly to know the extreme cost in which our freedoms were purchased can just be compromised away by the apathetic society in which I live.

Brandon Hinds
sophomore
range, wildlife and fisheries management

Hipp's views on gun control uninformed, history right

To the editor: This letter is in response to Ms. Hipp's column "Measure Good for Gun Control." I could not help but notice that Ms. Hipp needs to research this topic before she discusses it in a public forum. Ms. Hipp's statement, "Just remember, it was an amendment (second amendment) written when men in wigs took time to load their guns and shoot bears and other North American wildlife. Unfortunately that is not what these guns are used for anymore."

Ms. Hipp, I still use my rifle to shoot North American wildlife. Hunting is a heritage passed down since the time of the men in the wigs.

My father, brothers and I still carry on this heritage. I understand being from the big city (Mesquite) you might not understand this point of view.

Jason Erwin
junior
management

Shopping trip lacks spirit of season



Karina Aul
columnist

Friday morning dawned cold and foggy. I know — I was awake at 5 a.m. For the first time in my life, I decided to experience the joys of shopping on the biggest shopping day of the year.

Was that a stupid idea or what? In this, my last column of the semester, I wanted to write a human interest piece about Christmas. I wanted to write the kind of column that would make everyone cry and no one would soon forget. Instead, I find myself writing about one of the worst days of my life.

It all started at an ungodly hour in the morning. No problem. I could handle waking up early. Driving was

another story. Lucky for me, I was able to get my dad to drive.

Usually, it only takes a half hour to get to Lubbock from Wilson. In that wonderland of fog, it took an hour.

When we got to Lubbock, I was awake enough to hit all the stores. I was going to do what all women do well.

I was going to shop until I dropped. This, too, was a stupid idea.

The first store we hit was Wal-Mart. I have never heard the phrase, "Out of my way, girly" so many times in my life. It is not an experience I wish to repeat.

The second store we went to was

Target. Unfortunately, it didn't open until 7 a.m.

That was OK since there was already a line of a thousand people standing there anyway.

It wouldn't have made a difference if they had opened at 6:30 a.m. I felt like a lemming.

As soon as those doors opened, we all surged forward and proceeded to the toy department.

The other patrons were all playing a new game.

It was called "bash 'em in the back with shopping carts." Isn't that a lovely name?

I still carry the battle wounds. I know they will heal in time.

However, I will be more prepared next time. I now know what to do. Next year, I will be up at 3 a.m. and beat everyone out there to all the good stuff.

I also will be sure to wear extra padding.

I could make a pretty penny selling coffee to the cold, bitter people standing in the impossible lines.

I will get off my soap box now.

Until next semester, (and I will be back) this is Karina Aul, signing off. Have a safe and Merry Christmas to one and all, even to Scrooge.

Karina Aul is a sophomore journalism major from Wilson.

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Third Eye Blind makes Hub stop

By Sebastian Kitchen
Staff Writer

Several trips through the United States and millions of albums later, Third Eye Blind is taking a break from touring to begin work on another album.

The band's self-titled debut bombarded radio airwaves, and since the album's release, Third Eye Blind has toured for 19 months straight.

The band completed several successful headlining tours over the past year and a half, with many of the concerts being sold out.

Since rising from obscurity, Third Eye Blind not only completed several successful headlining tours of its own, but also has opened concerts for megabands including U2 and the Rolling Stones.

The band leaped from relative obscurity to national attention and recognition with an album packed with hit songs including the 1997 Billboard Best Alternative Single "Semi-Charmed Life," "Losing a Whole Year," "Graduate," "How's It Going To Be" and "Jumper."

Tuesday night at Fair Park Coliseum, the band stopped in Texas for the last time before heading home to California to begin work on its next album.

Third Eye Blind is no stranger in

REVIEW

Texas and has stopped often in the Lone Star State. I have seen the band perform in Austin in April and Dallas in October and again in Lubbock as part of the band's Bonfire Tour with Eve 6.

Third Eye Blind, under the direction of charismatic and cocky lead singer Stephan Jenkins, kept the young crowd entertained, but for someone who had seen the show before, the originality was gone. I could tell the people around me what was going to happen beforehand.

Third Eye Blind trademarks on stage: the band performs a U2 cover, Jenkins gives the same pep talks to the crowd, the band finishes with the tune "God of Wine" and during the final song, Jenkins pours the contents from a wine bottle onto the stage.

The young crowd, which mostly was a combination of college students and annoying teenagers who have probably never been to a rock show before, enjoyed watching Jenkins perform.

Third Eye Blind's cover of U2's "I Will Follow" was good, but the band did a great injustice to Ice Cube's "It Was a Good Day."

The band's music combines hip-hop, rock, alternative and other genres but Jenkins should steer away from straight rap.

The acoustic set in mid-show provided a calm break from the hyper sounds and a smooth transition into the second half of the concert, which included a set change.

Another problem with Jenkins, he forgets he is a musician and not an inspirational speaker. Sure, some people scream when he gives the speeches, but the concert would have been over 30 minutes sooner if he would have passed on the opportunity to talk so much.

After the show, I was talking to Jenkins and told him I had seen the band perform on three different occasions this year. He asked me how the shows compared.

I said I enjoyed the first show more because I did not know what to expect. Although I did enjoy all three shows, the spontaneity was lost by end of the tour and Tuesday night's performance.

He replied that not every move, every night can be spontaneous but that the band members were doing their job if the action and music is coming from the heart.

I understand a band cannot have a completely different show every night. The feat would be impossible.

Almost everyone at the Lubbock show seemed to enjoy it, which included opening band Eve 6.

Eve 6 finished its set with a series of energetic songs including the hit single "Inside Out," the latest release



Greg Kreller / The University Daily
Jamin': The band Third Eye Blind performs to the Hub City on Tuesday.

"Leech" and "Superhero Girl." The end of the set was stronger than the beginning. Eve 6 got the crowd into its show after the crowd stared at the band during the first of the set.

After finishing the Bonfire Tour with Third Eye Blind, Eve 6 will tour Europe and return to the United States for a headlining tour.

Eve 6 has been on tour with Third Eye Blind since August.

If Eve 6 has anywhere near the success of Third Eye Blind with its debut album, the trio will take the music world by storm.

Harry Connick Sr. to entertain at luncheon

Jazz performer Harry Connick Sr. will perform at the annual Salvation Army Christmas Luncheon. The fund-raising luncheon will begin at 11:30 a.m. today at the Lubbock Country Club.

Connick is the father of recording artist Harry Connick Jr. and is the District Attorney of New Orleans. He will perform his New Orleans Style Christmas program along with a

five-piece combo band. Proceeds of this \$50-a-plate luncheon will support the year-round programs of the Salvation Army.

"The Salvation Army serves over 40,000 people a year," said Linda Edwards, chairperson of the luncheon. "The money that's donated at this luncheon will assure that no one with need will be turned away in the coming year."

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 - David Trout's Karaoke—Through Sat.

- FRIDAY**
- Chelsea St. Pub, South Plains Mall, 9 p.m., Free
 - Buddy Simmons Acoustic Jam—Ichabods, 2420 Broadway, 10 p.m., \$5
 - Mike Rossenthal—Hub City Brewery, 1807

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- SATURDAY**
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Moss wanted to be a Cowboy before draft

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Minnesota Vikings rookie receiver Randy Moss, who roared the Dallas Cowboys for 163 yards and three touchdowns on Thanksgiving Day, said he once wished he was a Cowboy.

Moss, who was named NFC offensive player of the week on Tuesday, said he was hoping to be selected by the Cowboys in the April draft.

"Yeah, I wanted to go to Dallas," he said. "Dallas is one of the three teams I took a visit to. ... Dallas had the athletes. They also had the money, and they had the talent. I wanted to go to where I felt good at, and that was down there were all the talent was."

But Dallas took defensive end Greg Ellis of North Carolina with the eighth pick and Moss didn't go until the Vikings grabbed him with the 21st pick.

"It really was a dream come true to be in the NFL," Moss said. "But it was sort of like I was a little down on myself for not being a Cowboy. But like I said earlier, you win some, you lose some, and I just want to make the best out of it."

Moss has made many teams sorry they passed on him. Tuesday's award was the second straight for Moss, who caught eight passes for 153 yards and one touchdown Nov. 22 against Green Bay.

Lady Raiders run over Roadrunners

By Brent Dirks
Sports Editor

The foul bug that had bitten the Texas Tech Lady Raiders over the past three games was swatted away in a 96-39 demolition of Texas-San Antonio Wednesday night at the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

After coming into foul trouble in the past three games, Tech (4-1 overall) improved. The Lady Raiders had only a combined 17 personal fouls with Katrina O'Neal garnering four in the contest.

"One of the things we were most interested in trying to do tonight was to improve our foul situation," Lady Raider coach Marsha Sharp said. "I felt like we did a better job of that. UT-San Antonio run a lot of motion offense, so we had to get down and move, particularly our post players, had to come off the blocks a little bit to defend people."

"You always kind of interested to see if you can do that without fouling people. I think that's one of the high points of the night is that we could keep them on the floor a little longer."

But the lower number of fouls didn't compromise the Lady Raiders' aggressive defense that has been impressive this season.

Tech forced 19 Roadrunner (1-4 overall) turnovers in the contest. The Lady Raiders held Texas-San Antonio to 25 percent shooting for the game while blocking eight shots.

"I didn't think it took away from our aggressiveness," Sharp said. "I thought we really went after some blocks and did some things inside. Hopefully, we're getting a little closer to getting adjusted to the officiating. We will take a that a little more this weekend at Rice and see what we

need to do."

The game started out in Tech's favor with the Lady Raiders scoring the first six points of the contest in the first two minutes of the game.

Texas-San Antonio went on a mini 6-2 run to get within 8-6 at the 15:45 mark.

But after Lady Raider guard Julie Lake hit a three-pointer on the next possession to take an 11-6 lead with 15:30 left in the first half, Tech never looked back in the contest.

The Lady Raiders held the Roadrunners without a field goal from the floor for 13 minutes in the first half while quickly increasing their lead.

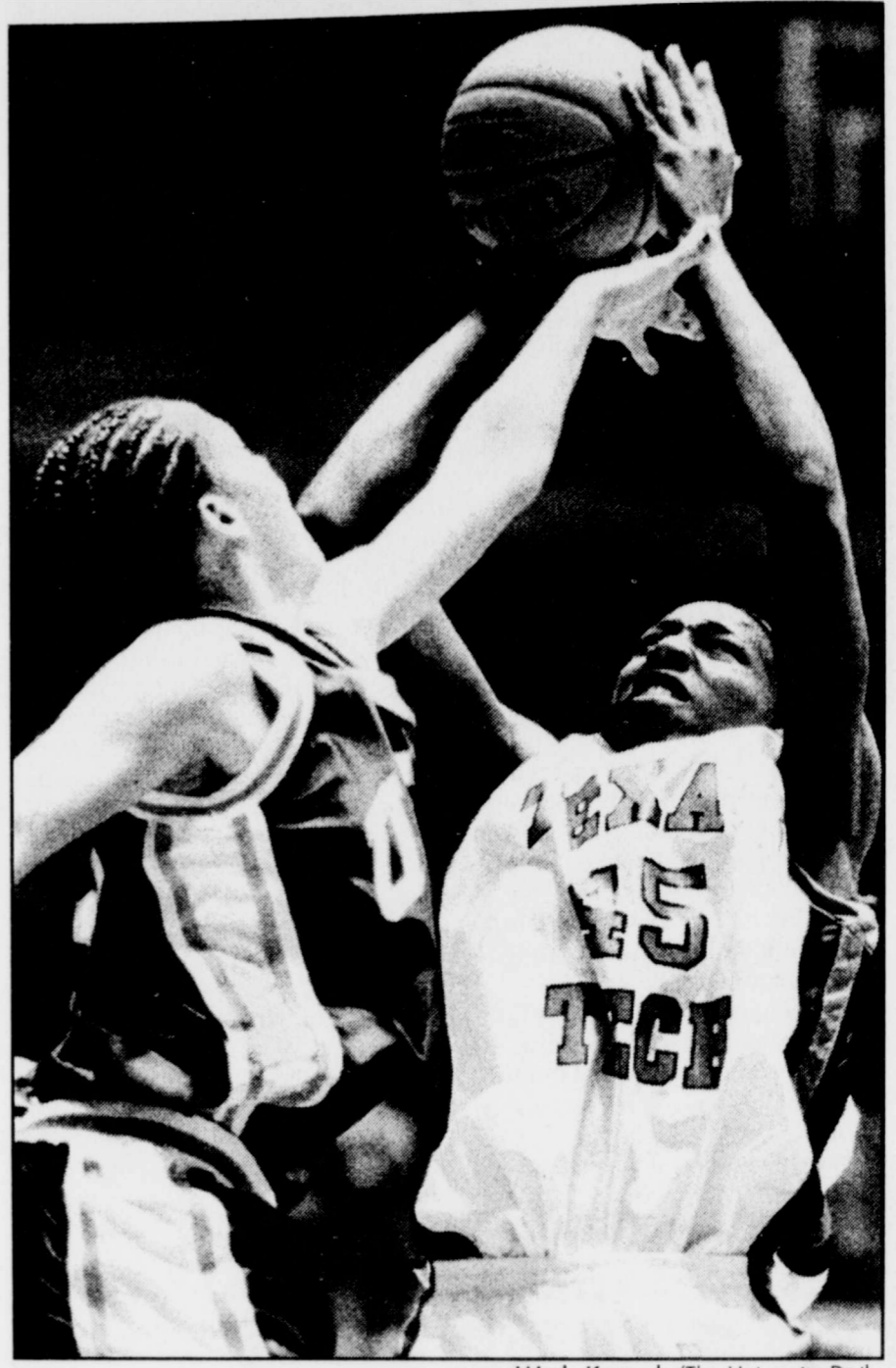
Lady Raider guard Rene Hanebutt, who had a team-high 19 points including 2-of-5 from three-point range, said the new officiating style does have advantages.

"Really, I think it's probably to our advantage, especially on the perimeter," Hanebutt said. "As far as I'm concerned, people try to get underneath you so much, and maybe that won't happen as much."

In the second half, it was more Lady Raiders, but their shooting percentage cooled down in the second half to 47 percent, down from 50 percent in the first half.

Tech post Angie Braziel recorded her second double-double of the year with 15 points on 5-of-14 shooting with 11 rebounds.

"We really didn't get the offensive production we wanted out of our post players tonight," Sharp said. "I thought we didn't shoot the ball very well tonight. We got some point-blank looks and really didn't knock them down. But I think the fact they were concentrating so much on the defensive end and trying to keep themselves out of foul trouble was pretty evident to me."

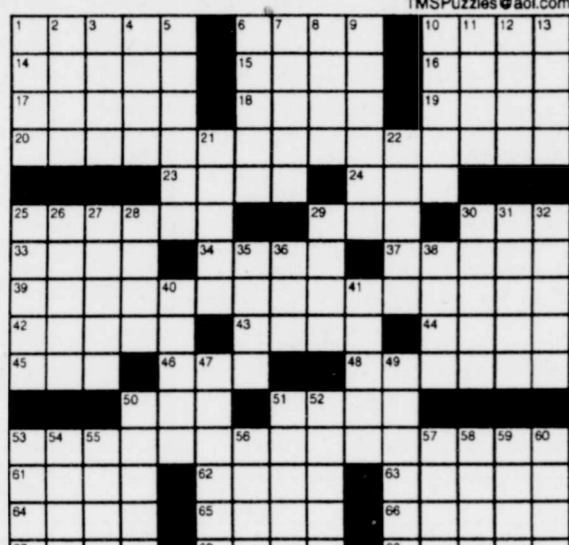


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Take That: Lady Raider post Angie Braziel goes for a shot against Texas-San Antonio. Tech knocked off the Roadrunners 96-39.

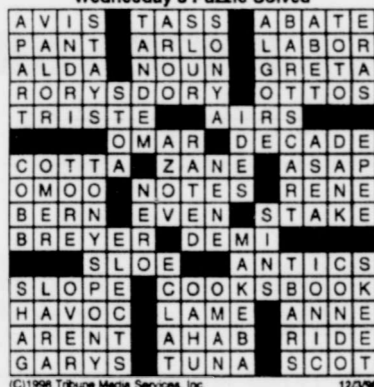
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Wednesday's Puzzle Solved



Kansas State dominates All-Big 12 team

DALLAS (AP) — Kansas State dominated *The Associated Press* All-Big 12 team much as it did every opponent in a dream season for coach Bill Snyder and his talented, unblemished Wildcats.

Kansas State placed nine players on the first team selected by a panel of Big 12 writers, five on offense and four on defense. The names were released Wednesday.

"I'm just happy for the fans of Kansas State who have stuck with us all these years," Snyder said. "They finally got their just due."

Leading the mythical offense was Davey O'Brien quarterback finalist Michael Bishop, who was eighth nationally in passing efficiency. The senior from Willis, Texas averaged 286.36 yards per game through the air.

He wasn't too shabby on the ground, either, rushing for 58.82 yards average and scoring 13 touchdowns. He passed for 2,503 yards and 21 touchdowns and was intercepted only three times as Kansas State posted an 11-0 regular season mark.

"He has equal talent," Texas A&M coach R.C. Slocum said of Bishop. "He's as fine a runner at quarterback as I've ever seen. He's got arm strength that's the best I've ever seen. He has a rocket arm."

Bishop was joined in the backfield by the celebrated Heisman Trophy candidate Ricky Williams of Texas and hard-running Devin West of Missouri.

Williams, who bested Tony Dorsett's career rushing record, ran for 2,124 yards this year, an average of 5.9 yards per carry and 193.09 per game.

"It was amazing to me what Ricky was able to accomplish this year," said Texas coach Mack Brown. "He was just phenomenal."

Williams only had one down game when he was able to rush for only 43 yards against Kansas State. He is a finalist for the Doak Walker award as the nation's best running back. The San Diego native won the award last year.

He was named the collegiate player of the year by the Walter Camp

Foundation.

The bulldozing West rushed for 1,578 yards and a 5.6 average. He averaged 143.45 yards per game.

The first-team wide receivers, Darnell McDonald of Kansas State and Wane McGarity of Texas, put up some spectacular numbers.

McDonald snared 69 passes for 952 yards, an average of 13.8 yards per catch. He also scored eight touchdowns.

McGarity caught 58 passes for 1,087 yards and nine touchdowns. He averaged a whopping 18.74 yards per reception.

The team includes some impressive blockers led by tight end Sheldon Jackson of Nebraska.

Offensive linemen included Ryan Young of Kansas State, Rob Riti and Craig Heimbarger, both of Missouri, Josh Heske of Nebraska and Ben Adams of Texas.

The place kicker is Martin Gramatica of Kansas State, who hit 18 of 26 field goal attempts and scored 120 points, second in the Big 12 behind 168 points from Williams, who

scored 28 touchdowns. The punter is Shane Lechler of Texas A&M who averaged 43.49 yards per boot.

The return specialist was David Allen of Kansas State, a sophomore, who scored four touchdowns on punt returns.

Defensively, the first team was an impressive unit headed by Texas A&M linebacker Dat Nguyen, a finalist for the Butka and Outland awards. Nguyen finished with 12 tackles against Texas for a career total of 500.

"Dat had an amazing season," Slocum said. "He was an inspiration to every player on the team."

Other members of the first team defense included Kansas State players lineman Darren Howard, linebackers Jeff Kelly and Mark Simoneau, and defensive back Jarrod Cooper.

Other linemen were the rugged Montae Reagor of Texas Tech and tough Kelly Gregg of the Oklahoma Sooners.

Texas A&M's Warrick Holdman was the fourth linebacker.

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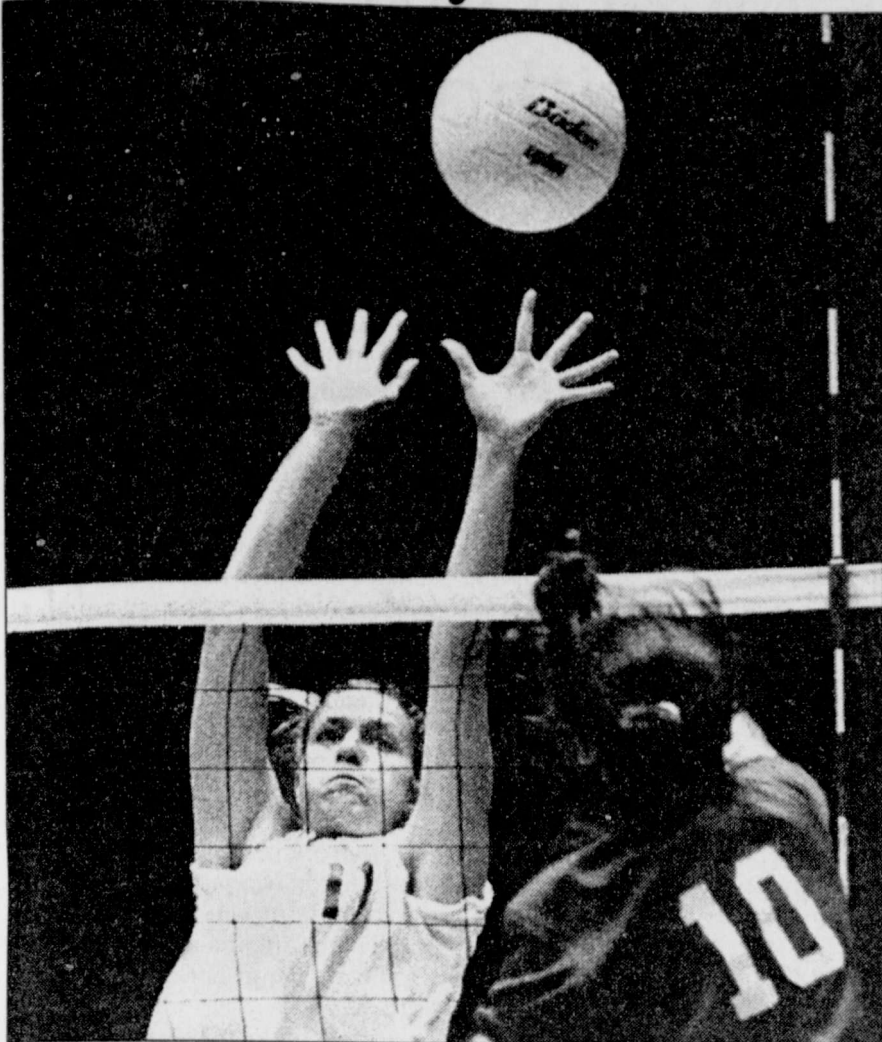
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Tech volleyball team ready to buck Buckeyes in tournament



No Way: Tech outside hitter Pam Osterfeld goes for a block against Kansas. The Red Raiders take on Ohio State in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

By Jeff Keller Staff Writer

The Texas Tech volleyball team will begin play in the NCAA Tournament at 4 p.m. today in Gainesville, Fla., as they battle the Ohio State Buckeyes.

Tech finished the regular season on a four match winning streak and are confident about the way they are playing heading into the tournament, senior setter Lisa Hilgers said.

"We had a couple of big wins," Hilgers said. "We've been playing well, and I think that we have a lot of momentum going into it."

Tech last faced the Buckeyes in 1986 when most of this year's team members were still in grade school, so the Red Raiders are not familiar with the Buckeyes, Hilgers said.

"We had some good practices this week," Hilgers said. "But we really don't know much about Ohio State. We're just going to have to go out there and play our best."

The match against the Buckeyes will take place in the Stephen C. O'Connell Center, which seats 12,000 spectators.

The chance to play in front of an NCAA Tournament is exciting, said outside hitter Heather Hughes.

"I think we're excited because it is going to be a big crowd," said Hughes. "I guess there has to be at least 3,000 fans watching there for them to hold it there. So I think all of the fans will get us more excited and that will be good."

The Red Raiders are 1-2 in the NCAA Tournament under coach Jeff Nelson.

Nelson said the Red Raiders will have to play well against Ohio State to get their second- ever win in the

NCAA Tournament under his direction.

"They're not anything we haven't seen week in and week out in our conference," Nelson said of the Buckeyes. "They're a good team. We will have to play very well to win. But it's just like playing Kansas State or Texas A&M. They're a Big 10 team and that's just like the Big 12, and that is the

kind of match it is going to be."

With the rigors of a grinding Big 12 regular season, Nelson said he expects his team to be ready for the tournament.

"You don't really coach your team now," Nelson said. "You just turn them loose and hope that they're into it, and they have fun, and that things start things start to click."

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Williams a finalist for Doak Walker award

DALLAS (AP) — Texas running back Ricky Williams, who won last year's Doak Walker award as the top college running back, is one of three finalists for the 1998 trophy.

Williams, who broke Tony Dorsett's NCAA Division I career rushing mark last week, is joined by Michael Cloud of Boston College and Ron Dayne of Wisconsin.

Williams is trying to become the Big 12's first repeat winner.

The winner will be announced Dec. 10, and the award will be presented Jan. 19 in Dallas.

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Tech looking to SMU-sh Mustangs

By Jeff Keller
Staff Writer

The Red Raider basketball team will try to get back on the winning track against Southern Methodist at 7 p.m. today in the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

Tech is 3-1 on the season and is coming off its first loss of the season, a 60-56 defeat at the hands of Southwestern Louisiana Nov. 28.

Defensively, the Red Raiders have out-rebounded their opponents 132-74 through four games, but offensively, however, they are averaging 23 turnovers a game, leading to a number of easy scores for Tech's opponents.

Tech has played well defensively, but the turnovers are an area of concern for the Red Raiders, said guard Stan Bonewitz.

"As a team we need to make sure that we are a lot more cautious with the ball and a lot more careful," Bonewitz said.

"Defensively we have played well as far as guarding the other team. We have done a decent job of that, but we've been turning the ball over probably 20 to 25 times a game and then giving up 19 or 20 offensive rebounds a game.

"If we can improve on those two areas and keep playing defense like we have been playing, I think that will help us."

SMU comes into the game with a 1-1 record. They have a win over Florida Atlantic and a loss to nationally ranked Stanford.

Tech holds the lead over SMU in the all-time series 53-46 but fell to the Mustangs 89-82 last season in Dal-

las.

"SMU is a good quality team," said center Johnny Phillips.

"They have some good front line people that we're going to have to try and keep off the boards and not give up any offensive rebounds."

Phillips is averaging eight points and three rebounds a game this season and is focused on getting more rebounds, he said.

"My main focus out there right now is defense and rebounding the ball," Phillips said.

"If I can get involved in the offense that's good. But my main focus right now is defensive rebounding."

The Mustangs are led offensively by former Red Raider Jason Sasser's younger brother. Sophomore Jeryl Sasser, who is averaging 21 points per game, chose to stay close to home rather than following in the footsteps of his older brother at Tech.

The Red Raiders will need to be ready defensively against Sasser and the Mustangs, Tech coach James Dickey said.

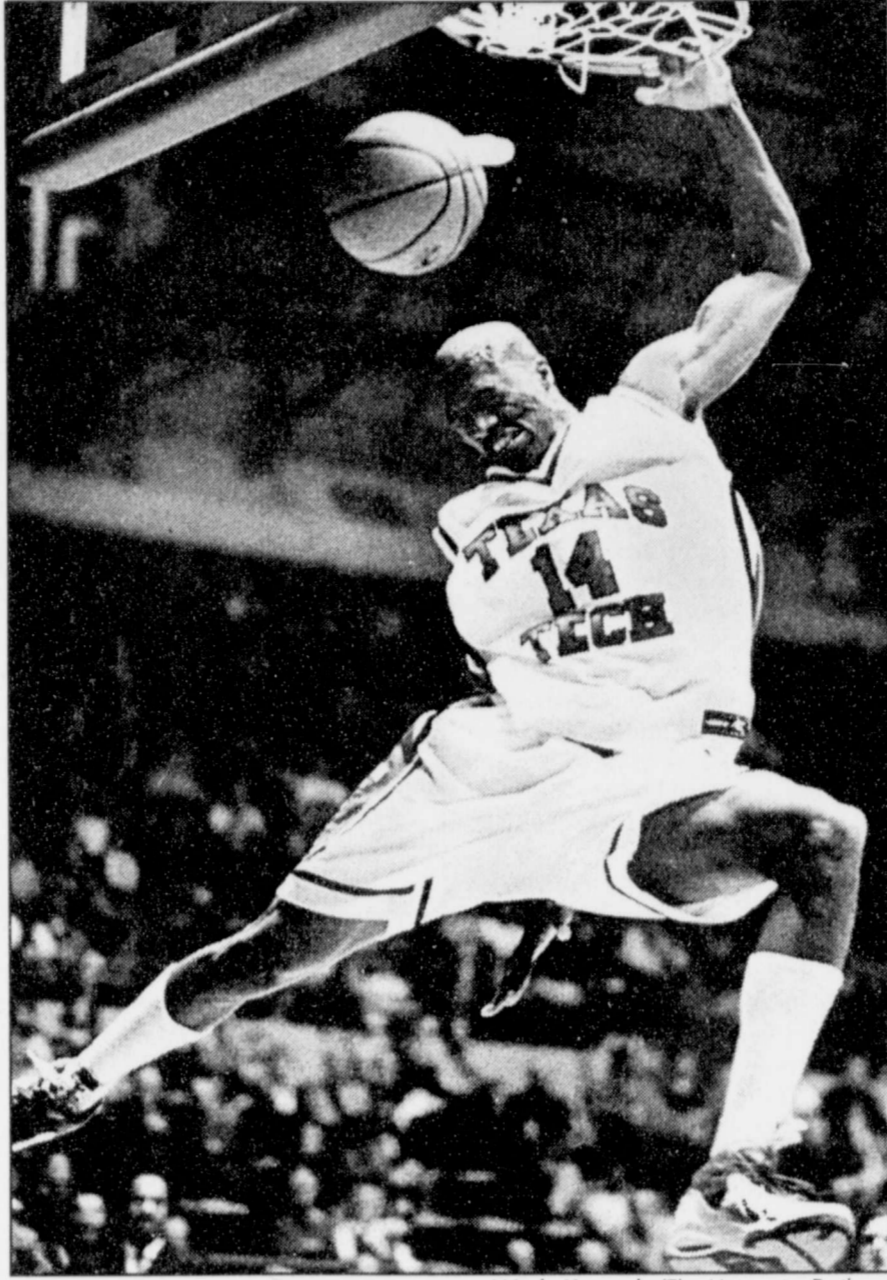
"He's a good player," Dickey said of Sasser.

"We just have to be aware of him. He's certainly a talented player and he is capable of putting up big numbers. So we are going to have to be ready defensively."

Dickey said he will look for a complete game while protecting the basketball today against the Mustangs.

"What we want to do is try to put together a complete game," Dickey said.

"Where we take good care of the ball, compliment our defense with board play, execute on the offensive end, hit free throws, and finish."



Wade Kennedy/The University Daily

Super Mario: Tech forward Mario Layne puts one down earlier this season. The Red Raiders take on SMU at 7 p.m. today in the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

49ers ready for life without Young

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — Bryant Young's agonized scream as he collapsed told Tim McDonald all he needed to know about his teammate's gruesome injury.

"I understand how the leg bends and it wasn't bending like it was supposed to," McDonald said.

Young, one of the league's best players and the San Francisco 49ers' defensive anchor, underwent surgery Tuesday at Stanford Hospital, the day after fracturing both bones in his lower right leg in a freak, sickening collision on the field.

Team physician Dr. Michael Dillingham inserted a metal rod into the tibia, the main weight-bearing bone between the knee and ankle. The fibula, a smaller supporting bone, was set and will be allowed to heal on its own. He's out for the rest of this season and could miss a part of next season, as well.

"With all things considered, he seemed to be in good spirits and certainly he's getting a lot of support," said coach Steve Mariucci, who visited Young in the hospital before the surgery.

"In speaking with Dr. Dillingham about the prognosis, he shared with me that there's a good possibility that B.Y. will play next season. Obviously, there are no guarantees, because a lot of healing has to take place and things have to go right."

Dillingham estimated Young would need eight to nine months of rehabilitation before trying to play again. Mariucci said former 49ers center Jesse Sapolu suffered a similar injury early in his career and was able to come back and resume a productive career.

"It's quite a loss for us," said Mariucci, who choked up at times as he spoke of Young.

"It's a similar situation to when we lost Jerry Rice, which also was devastating and we needed to regroup and rally and pick up the slack."

Added defensive tackle Junior Bryant: "There is not one person that is going to compensate for him. It is going to have to be all of us."

Young, San Francisco's first-round pick out of Notre Dame in 1994, had 9.5 sacks and was on his way to another Pro Bowl season when he went down in a fast, frightening sequence during the fourth quarter of Monday night's 31-7 win over the New York Giants.

New York's Kent Graham scrambled out of the pocket and Young and linebacker Ken Norton Jr. closed in from opposite directions to make the tackle. Young had grabbed hold of Graham's jersey when Norton plowed into the fray and his helmet struck Young squarely on the leg.

With Young's cleat firmly planted in the soggy turf, his leg buckled, bending at a grotesque angle. Young fell to the ground, his anguish evident to anyone who saw his face or heard his screams.

"I could tell Bryant was hurting pretty bad," said Graham.

"It was a Joe Theismann-type injury. It's something you just hate to see."

Theismann was playing for Washington when he suffered a broken leg in a 1985 Monday night game after being hit by the New York Giants' Lawrence Taylor.

It was Taylor who immediately after the tackle began frantically waving for a doctor. Theismann never played again.

With the exception of Young, perhaps no one took his injury harder than Norton, who played the rest of Monday night's game in a fog and then left for the hospital, where he stayed at Young's bedside until the early morning.

It must have seemed like a recurring nightmare for Norton, who was also involved in the hit during a 1994 Monday night game that left Los Angeles Raiders running back Napoleon McCallum with a career-ending knee injury.

"This game is so strange," Norton said.

"You're so fortunate to play it, but I don't think people realize the chances we take to play this thing. Everybody is one play away from something like this. It knocks you out. It's a big hit in the chest. It's very hard to live with."

Mariucci said Norton was devastated by Young's injury.

"He feels as bad as anybody does and Kenny has to get over it, too," Mariucci said. "It wasn't his fault."

Mariucci said for now, Young would be replaced with a three-tackle rotation using Brentson Buckner, Shane Bonham and Gabe Wilkins. The 49ers also plan to activate defensive tackle David Richie from the practice squad after the formality of placing Young on injured reserve.

Holmes doubts Tyson, prepares for Foreman

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Former heavyweight champion Larry Holmes, who made four unsuccessful attempts to regain his title after a 1985 loss to Michael Spinks, doubts Mike Tyson will be a champion again.

"He can win a few fights and get a shot, but I don't think he has it in his heart to get his title back," Holmes said Tuesday at a news conference to promote his Jan. 23 fight against

former champion George Foreman, who turns 50 on Jan. 10.

Tyson is scheduled to launch his latest comeback Jan. 16 against Francois Botha. However, that bout was in jeopardy Tuesday when Tyson pleaded no contest to misdemeanor assault in Rockville, Md. The plea could result in the revocation of his parole for a 1992 rape conviction in Indiana.

Holmes and Foreman will be a combined 99 years old when they enter the Houston Astrodome ring 26 years and one day after Foreman first won the heavyweight title with a second-round knockout of Joe Frazier on Jan. 22, 1973.

"I've been training harder for this fight than for any other fight," said Foreman, who said he expects to weigh between 237 and 245 pounds.

Foreman has not weighed less than 250 pounds since he was at 244 in 1988, the second year of his comeback from a 10-year retirement.

Holmes turned 49 in November. "I'm 49, but I fight like I'm 29," said Holmes, who held a portion of the heavyweight title from 1978-85.

"I don't do all the things a 29-year old does, but I can do them in spurts."

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