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STATE NEWS

Services set for Landry on Thursday in Dallas

DALLAS (AP) — A 2,000-seat symphony hall in downtown Dallas will be the site of a tribute Thursday to former Dallas Cowboys coach Tom Landry, 75, who died Saturday from leukemia.

Former Cowboys public trustee and the City of Dallas will co-host the public tribute at 4 p.m. Thursday at the Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center.

It will follow a private burial on Thursday and a noon funeral service for family and friends at Highland Park United Methodist Church, where Landry was a member for 43 years.

Landry died Saturday at Baylor University Medical Center surrounded by his immediate family. He had been fighting a form of leukemia since May.

Landry coached the Cowboys for 29 years, from their birth in 1960 until Jerry Jones bought the team on Feb. 25, 1989. After he was fired, a downtown parade in his honor drew an estimated 50,000 fans.

NATIONAL NEWS

Fog causes 63-car pileup on California highway

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (AP) — A 63-vehicle, chain-reaction pileup injured 15 people Monday on a fog-shrouded section of Interstate 15 near the Cajon Summit.

Two of the injured were in serious condition, authorities said.

Visibility in the fog was less than 100 feet and the pavement was wet, meaning motorists had no time to react to collisions in front of them, California Highway Patrol investigators said. The posted speed limit is 70 mph.

Two tractor-trailer rigs overturned in the crush of 58 cars and big trucks, said CHP Officer Robert Velasco.

Motorist Bruce Freeman said he encountered visibility down to 20 feet.

"I came to a stop and this gal came screaming down the hill doing about 65 or 70 mph and spun out of control, clipped us and wiped out another vehicle and sent two people to the hospital," Freeman said.

WORLD NEWS

Mexican university reopens after strike, tensions remain

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Ten months after a strike closed Latin America's largest university, tens of thousands of students returned to classes Monday with both lingering tensions and hopes for a return to a normal campus life.

About 2,500 strike supporters marched through the campus to express their opposition to the reopening of the school, and about 100 clashed with anti-strike students outside the law school at the National Autonomous University.

Students shouted and hurled debris at one another, but there were no reports of injuries.

Even so, except for the giant piles of garbage left behind by the strikers, life on much of the campus appeared remarkably like a normal first day of school. Students played soccer on school lawns. Some students looked over outdoor message boards, while others wearing backpacks hustled off to class.

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Stadium still waiting for renovations

by Kelsey Walter
Staff Writer

Four months after the projected start date for Jones Stadium renovations, Texas Tech officials said they are one or two weeks away from starting the first phase of construction.

The O'Brien Kreitzberg construction firm, who managed the United Spirit Arena construction, will move the location of their trailer from the arena to the stadium in early March, Arena General Manager Kent Meredith said.

The first phase of the Jones Stadium project is expected to be completed by the football season's first game Sept. 9.

Repairs and renovations to the 52-year-old facility will begin the first step toward the finished product. O'Brien Kreitzberg will manage the site until the first phase is complete.

"Stage one of the stadium renovations are

scheduled to begin in early March," said Mike Ellicott, director of Facilities Planning and Construction.

The first stage of changes include: accessible handicap seating, additional seating, new restrooms and concession stand upgrades.

"As we build, there are choices and alternatives that will have to be made to make sure the renovations are complete before the season begins," Ellicott said.

Ellerbe Becket, an architectural firm based in Minnesota, will be part of the crew set to manage the renovations. Ellerbe Becket is one of the largest architectural firms in the country.

Its crew members will work side-by-side with Messersmith Whitaker architects of Lubbock for the next few months until the first stage is complete.

Phase two is scheduled to begin after the season and will include: changes in sche-

matic design, a new modernized press box with suites and additions to the south end zone athletic offices. The stadium's new look will consist of a completely rebuilt three-level press box composed of 40 suites and 500 club seats. In addition, about 10,000 stadium seats are scheduled to be added. The stadium presently seats 50,500.

All exterior changes are designed to provide the stadium with a Spanish Renaissance style.

The final price tag of the project still is unknown, but a portion of the cost will be taken from the \$10 million donation from Southwestern Bell.



"It is unknown exactly how much the entire project is going to cost at the moment," Ellicott said.

The original starting date for the renovations was the day after the Nov. 20 Oklahoma game.

Book to help Tech acquire funding

by Kevin McEwen
Staff Writer

Texas Tech's Federal Initiative Program Prospect for the 2001 fiscal year is in the finishing stages. And if all goes well, Tech will receive up to \$34 million in government funding.

The book, referred to as the "Red Book," is a compilation of Tech's research and development projects seeking funding.

David Schmidly, vice president for research and graduate studies, said he hopes to have similar success to last year.

"Last year, we had about 40 percent of (the projects) funded," said Schmidly, who worked with the university projects. "That was an exceptional year. We are asking for a total of about \$34 million, and if we hit on about half of that, we'd be about where we were last year."

Ronald Phillips, associate general counsel, agreed the university will probably not receive the entire amount.

"Not everything we ask for is going to get funded," said Phillips, who has been compiling the book. "It's kind of like Christmas — we don't get everything we want."

The projects are put into the "Red Book" and divided into two sections: Texas Tech University Projects and Texas Tech Health Sciences Center Projects. Each project includes a summary, a fact sheet and a budget.

On March 8, the completed book will be presented to each member of delegation.

"We send one to each of the offices of the Texas delegation," Phillips said. "Every Texas congressman and senator will receive one."

Schmidly said there is a long process before a project receives funding.

"If you want to get a project funded, you have to get the money authorized or you have to get the money appropriated," Schmidly said.

"That takes a legislative action, a congressional act. Congress produces an appropriation budget, and you have to get your project into that budget."

Glenn Provost, vice president for policy and planning, said approval of the projects will aid in Tech's advancement.

"If these projects are approved, we will be taking major steps forward in research, education and outreach programs," Provost said.

Thirteen Tech projects are eligible for a position on the government's budget, 11 university projects and two Health Sciences Center Projects.

"We received \$2 million last year for the Institute for Healthy Aging, and this year, we hope to obtain \$1.4 million," Provost said. "We're also seeking support for a new project, the Institute for Diabetes Prevention and Control."

Phillips said he believes each project will better the university.

"Hopefully, these things are going to bring about some positive changes," Phillips said. "Each of these projects are very important to the university because they provide learning opportunities to the students."

While he agrees the projects are good for the students, Schmidly said they also are valuable to the campus as a whole.

"We present projects that we feel are important to the federal budget; nationwide projects that should be based and done at Tech," Schmidly said.

Will you be my Valentine?

Greeks dance with local senior citizens

by Amber Morgan
Staff Writer

Amid heart-shaped streamers and red carnations, two generations joined together for dancing and good times Monday night.

At the Carillon Retirement Home, members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and Delta Delta Delta sorority joined the residents for a Valentine's Day Dance sponsored by Plains National Bank Financial.

This is the second year for these two organizations to come together with Carillon for a Valentine's Dance.

"We did this last year and had a great time," said Eric Popejoy, SAE public relations chairman. "Most of the guys here don't have girlfriends, so we thought this would be a good way to spend the holiday."

About 30 SAEs arrived bearing long-stemmed red roses for the ladies of Carillon and about 40 Tri-Delts brought homemade cupcakes and cookies.

"Last year, we only allowed about 20 girls and 20 guys to come," said Stephanie Kirk, philanthropy chairwoman for Tri-Delt. "This year, we got together with the activities director and decided to try and double that amount."

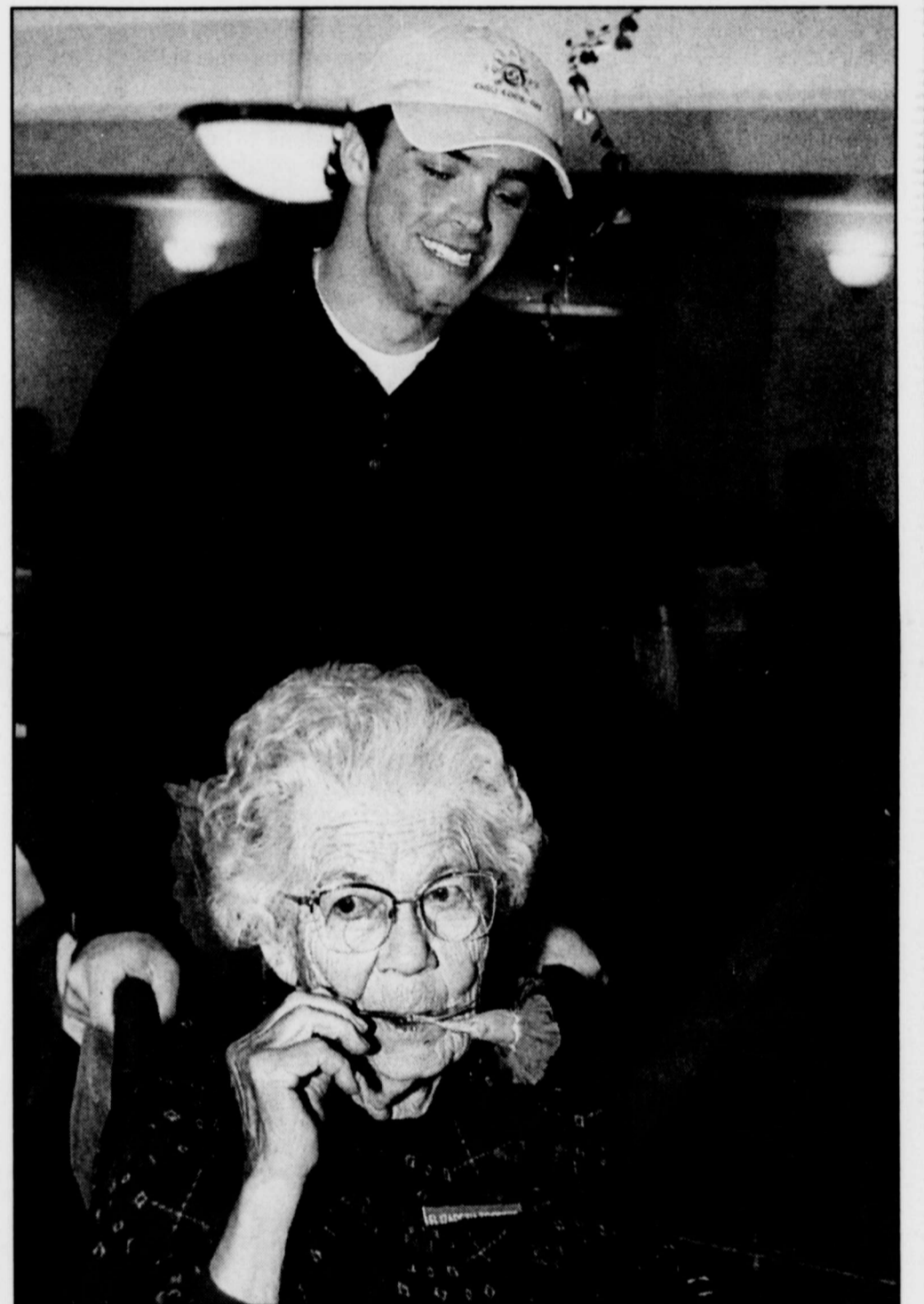
Sharon Mankin, activities director for Carillon, said there was an excellent turnout for this year's event. She said an average of 150 residents showed up for the festivities and dancing.

"We were thrilled that so many of our residents decided to participate," Mankin said. "The residents had a really good time dancing with these young people."

The SAEs led the ladies out on the dance floor for a little two-stepping and waltzing to the music of the Melody Boys from Slaton.

Tri-Delt Adrienne Odom, a sophomore biology major from Cedar Hill, said some of the residents had more on their minds than just dancing.

"I was dancing with this one adorable man, and he was trying to hook me up



J.T. Aguilar/The University Daily

Sigma Alpha Epsilon member Jack Murphy, a sophomore business major from Houston, dances with Elizabeth Tripper at Carillon Retirement Home on Monday. The SAEs and Tri-Delts danced with members of the home for a Valentine's Dance. Together, about 70 Tech students participated in the event.

with his son," Odom said. "I walked away with the name, number and address for his son on a napkin."

The event was coordinated with the help of PNB Financial, the Tri-Delts and the SAEs. PNB Financial sponsored the dinner, and the Tri Dels helped sponsored the band and dance floor.

Karr said she is thankful to all the organizations that supported and coordinated the event.

"It was really wonderful for them to do that for us and for the residents," Karr said. "We were so surprised."

Mankin said the dance was a raging suc-

cess filled with dancing, music and laughter which definitely will become an annual event for the Carillon.

"We plan to continue the tradition next year again," Mankin said. "The residents really enjoy it, and it gives us such a warm feeling to see that joy."

Michael Hawkins, a freshman international business major from Plano, agreed there is nothing better than to see the joy the two groups created for the residents.

"A lot of these people don't have family or loved ones," Hawkins said. "It was really nice we could spend the holiday with them and make it memorable."

Bike thefts increasing on Tech campus

by Michael Denton
Staff Writer

In the last few months, there has been an overwhelming increase in bicycle thefts on campus, according to the Texas Tech Police Department.

The Tech police have been involved in numerous investigations in an attempt to solve the crimes and, hopefully, prevent more from occurring.

"We want everyone to know that there has been an increase in bike thefts on campus, and we want people to perhaps help in decreasing that amount by purchasing a dependable U-bolt lock," said Sgt. Dan Hale, information officer for the Tech Police Department.

Hale said in January of last year, a total of four bicycle thefts were reported on campus. This year, there have been 14 reported bi-

cycles stolen on campus in January, an increase of more than 300 percent.

Tech's crime prevention department conducted an investigation in which all of the bicycle racks on campus were inspected to see how many bicycles were more likely to be stolen.

"There were a total of 18 bicycles that were not locked to the rack by any lock whatsoever, and only 2 percent of the bikes that were locked had U-bolt locks," said Bryan Roberts, Tech crime prevention officer.

The police department recommends students to use a high quality U-bolt type lock and always properly secure the bicycle to the racks by wrapping the lock around the bicycle frame, not just the front wheel.

"We have noticed that a lot of the times, students will only fasten their front tire, making it easy for a suspect to undo the tire and steal the rest of the bike," Hale said.

One way students can help decrease the amount of thefts is by registering their bicycles with the police department. This way, police can identify the owner as a stolen property found, and it also acts as a deterrent to potential thieves.

Subjects arrested in the past have said property which has been properly locked and identified usually is not a desirable item for them.

"We just want students to try and help us decrease the amount of thefts by getting a good lock and perhaps reporting any suspicious people around the bike racks on campus. All it takes is a phone call," Hale said.

For more information on what type of locks to purchase, how to register a bicycle or to report any suspicious activity, please contact the Tech Police Department at 742-3931.

Sweethearts shot in Columbine sandwich shop

LITTLETON, Colo. (AP) — Two Columbine High sweethearts were found dead early Monday after a shooting at a sandwich shop within sight of their school, compounding the heartbreak in the community that suffered the worst school shooting in U.S. history.

The bodies of Nicholas Kunselman, 15, and Stephanie Hart, 16, were discovered inside the Subway shop where Kunselman worked. Investigators did not disclose a motive but ruled out murder-suicide.

Jefferson County sheriff's spokesman Steve Davis said the cause of death had not been determined, and he said he did not know whether a weapon had been found. Investigators were reviewing a videotape from a surveillance camera inside the restaurant.

"I hope it was just a robbery," said

Teens' deaths ruled out as murder-suicide

one of Kunselman's co-workers, J.J. Hodack, 22. "I've had more than enough of this. This stuff needs to stop."

The shooting was the latest in a string of tragedies that have hit the Denver suburb since teen-age gunmen Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold killed 12 students and a teacher at Columbine on April 20 and then committed suicide.

Classes remained in session Monday, but at least 100 students stayed away. Students said some of those who did attend could be seen crying in the hallways.

At least 25 counselors were kept busy most of the day, said Betty Fitzpatrick, health services director

for the school district.

"It reminds me of everything. It's just like flashbacks," said Nathan Vanderau, an 18-year-old senior who knew some of the victims of last year's shooting as well as Monday's victims and is in counseling.

Among the other incidents that have added to the unease in the community:

— In October, the mother of a student partially paralyzed in the massacre shot herself to death.

— On Feb. 1, the body of an 11-year-old boy was found in a trash bin within blocks of the school. No arrests have been made.

— Last week, a Florida man pleaded guilty in Denver to sending

a Columbine student an Internet message threatening to finish the massacre. The threat prompted officials to close the school for the Christmas holidays two days early. He faces up to five years in prison.

Friends said Hart enjoyed sports but was quiet and didn't go out much except to stop by the sub shop to see Kunselman.

He had worked at the sub shop for only a month but had won the manager's confidence and often was assigned to close the restaurant at 10 p.m., Hodack said.

"Obviously, our boss trusted him. He's a good worker," he said.

A Subway employee driving past the store noticed a light inside the

store about 1 a.m. Since the business was supposed to be closed, the woman stopped, went inside and discovered the bodies.

As investigators worked inside the shop about two blocks from the high school, Columbine students and relatives of the victims gathered in the parking lot, placing bouquets just outside police lines. They also wrote chalk memorial messages.

"Every week, there's something that happens here," said Daniel Baker, who brought three friends to deliver flowers. "This is supposed to be a normal community."

Courtney Scott, an 18-year-old cousin of Hart, placed a heart-

shaped bouquet of flowers with a banner reading, "I love you," outside the shop. She said Hart was not at Columbine the day of last year's shooting.

A school spokesman confirmed both victims attended Columbine last year but did not know if either was there when the massacre occurred.

News of another shooting in Littleton resonated in the Statehouse in Denver, where the House debated gun restrictions that were drafted in part because of the Columbine massacre.

"It's horrifying to me," said House Minority Leader Ken Gordon, a Denver Democrat who sponsored some of the measures. "We are not getting it done. We are not protecting the people of the state."

Counselors needed for MDA summer camp

by Shannon Davis
Staff Writer

The Muscular Dystrophy Association is seeking camp counselors for their local camp for children with muscle diseases.

Young men and women who are at least 16 years of age are needed for one week to fill counseling positions for the camp.

The MDA camp will be at Ceta Canyon Camp, near Happy, from June 4 to June 9.

Volunteer counselors work one-on-one with a child who has been diagnosed with one of the 40 muscular diseases covered by the MDA. Counselors provide care, supervision and friendship to children with lim-

ited mobility.

"This camp gives me the opportunity to help people with disabilities and develop close relationships," said Amanda Haring, a junior restaurant, hotel and institutional management major from Wink. "This will be my fourth year as a camp counselor, and I know the kids look forward to each year at camp because they can have a fun week to do what other kids get to do."

Activities at the camp range from outdoor sports such as swimming and boating, to less physically demanding programs like arts and crafts and talent shows.

Skills are developed and taught for year-round use, and a child with a disability can just be a child among



friends, said Donna Veach, the MDA camp director.

At the camp, each child, whether walking or in a wheelchair, has their own attendant who provides close attention and companionship. Young

people are given the opportunity to perform a valuable community service, develop a greater understanding of individuals with disabilities and enjoy a very special week of summer camp, Veach said.

About 60 campers, ranging from 6 to 21 years of age, come and spend the week developing lifelong friendships, sharing interests and building self-confidence. For people with neuromuscular disease, the MDA camp is a magical place, Veach said.

"There are a few opportunities for a life-altering experience, and this is truly one," Veach said. "The experiences that counselors share, the understanding that they will acquire and the new emotions that they will feel cannot be bought at any price."

The MDA supports a nationwide network of more than 90 summer camps. The summer camp program is part of MDA's comprehensive patient and community services, which includes clinics, equipment and support groups as well as research and public health education. MDA serves many individuals and their families in the South Plains area.

The association needs 20 to 30 counselors to volunteer for the camp.

Donations of supplies also are needed for MDA's summer camp. Items being sought include arts and crafts, carnival prizes and awards, life jackets, sporting equipment, snacks, medical supplies and wireless radios.

For more information, contact Veach at 793-7946.

Company knowingly sold insulation containing asbestos

BOSTON (AP) — W.R. Grace and Co. knowingly sold attic insulation containing asbestos for several years and never alerted the public, *The Boston Globe* reported Monday.

The product, Zonolite Attic Insulation, was discontinued in 1984, but the Environmental Protection Agency estimated a year later that it had been installed in 940,000 American homes.

Asbestos has been linked to several diseases, including lung cancer. There were no labeling requirements at the time the insulation was manufactured.

The Globe said that a draft of a 1977 press release declared the company was discontinuing the insulation because of "health hazards." But the release was never is-

sued, and Grace sold Zonolite for seven more years.

Grace issued a statement Monday in which it said: "This product poses little or no risk to human health or the environment."

It said that research in the 1970s found that during Zonolite installation, asbestos levels in the air were within what were then acceptable levels. No asbestos fibers were detected in the air after installation.

Zonolite is a loose-fill insulation that was poured between attic rafters, under floor boards and behind walls. Earlier this month, the EPA warned homeowners to delay using Zonolite in remodeling projects until more is known about the product.

While Grace may not have bro-

ken the law, the company could find itself the target of a lawsuit from homeowners who believe they have been sickened by the asbestos, said Keith Partlow, chairman of the Massachusetts Bar Association's civil litigation section.

And if Columbia, Md.-based Grace is found to have covered up information, different states' statutes of limitations on personal injury cases would not apply, said Partlow, who has represented clients who claim to have asbestos-related illnesses.

"When a company like this has intentionally hidden something, as opposed to just failing to warn, then that can keep the statute of limitations from running," Partlow said. "Anyone who's injured by

Grace products with asbestos in them would have the right to file a claim citing the cover-up."

Production of the insulation was overseen by Grace's Cambridge-based Construction Products Division.

The Globe cited company documents that indicate executives knew the insulation contained asbestos, yet consistently argued in testimony and letters to government regulators that the insulation was safe.

Grace was the focus of the 1995 book and 1999 film "A Civil Action," based on a 1982 lawsuit concerning chemical contamination that was alleged to have caused leukemia in Woburn children. Grace settled for \$8 million.

The Globe also found documents that show Grace executives were aware as early as 1977 that ex-workers at the Libby, Mont., mine that was the source of the insulation's key ingredient suffered lung cancer at five times the national average. Asbestos occurred naturally in the ingredient, called vermiculite.

The mine was finally closed in 1990, but many of the workers who pulled vermiculite from the earth claim the asbestos sickened them and their families, and in many cases caused premature deaths. Grace has since been targeted by numerous lawsuits from workers.

The company said that "nearly 100 percent" of the asbestos in vermiculite is removed when it is processed.

Ravaging tornadoes touch down in rural Georgia, kills 22

CAMILLA, Ga. (AP) — Tornadoes descended on rural Georgia in the middle of the night Monday, ripping people from their beds and piling up mobile homes. At least 22 people were killed and more than 100 were hurt.

Dozens of houses and mobile homes in the southwest Georgia town of Camilla were flattened, their metal and siding mangled and strewn across

yards and streets.

"All you heard was a roar, woo-woo-woo," said Johnny Jones, whose mobile home south of Camilla was thrown on its side. He said he freed his 14-year-old son, who was pinned under a washing machine, and they crawled out a window.

"All I could see was that everything was demolished. People were hollering and crying 'Where's my child?'" he said.

The tornadoes struck shortly after midnight as a line of thunderstorms rumbled through the Southeast, scarring property from Arkansas to Georgia. Authorities in Camilla and surrounding Mitchell County said two separate twisters cut a 1.5-mile-wide, 10-mile-long path through the county.

"It hit the impoverished and the affluent," said Liz McQueen, a Red Cross volunteer who was working at a temporary morgue near Camilla.

Fourteen people died in Mitchell County, a primarily rural area dotted with cotton and peanut farms, chicken processing plants, textile factories and

a state prison. Gov. Roy Barnes, who flew over the area to assess the damage, declared Mitchell and three other counties disaster areas.

The twisters were the deadliest in Georgia since 1936, when 203 people were killed by tornadoes in Gainesville, northeast of Atlanta.

The winds snatched up the trailer where Janet and James Madeiras and their son Travis, 12, had been sleeping, tossing them out and knocking the trailer on top of them.

James Madeiras, 60, said they had just seconds to react. "The moment I heard it, the bed dropped down and the walls came tumbling down on top of us," he said.

"I was saying, 'Oh my God!' and started digging," Janet Madeiras said. "When I got outside and looked around, everything was gone. You could hear moaning and crying."

The family escaped without major injuries and moved into a shelter with several neighbors.

Families of the injured and miss-

ing jammed phone lines and scrambled into hospitals to find their loved ones. There were so many injuries, people were sent to hospitals as far away as Tallahassee, Fla.

Mitchell County Hospital, with only 33 beds, was swamped with more than 120 injured people early Monday. The storms had knocked out power, and the small staff of doctors and nurses worked under backup power from a generator, trying to treat the wounded and find other hospitals to handle the overflow.

At Archbold Memorial Hospital in Thomasville, a lost 4-year-old girl was at first too terrified to tell doctors her name. Her mother hadn't been found Monday afternoon.

A preliminary assessment found 198 structures destroyed and more than 160 damaged, said Ed Tynes, supervisor of a Red Cross shelter in the gymnasium of the Mitchell County Middle School. More than 5,000 people were without power.

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Two firefighters die in early morning fire

HOUSTON (AP) — Lewis Mayo and Kimberly Smith stormed into a burning McDonald's early Monday morning to try and save the restaurant and, more importantly, anyone who might have been inside.

A signal to evacuate blared when the fire flared unexpectedly, racing toward the veteran firefighters. The roof cratered in an instant, killing the two in the department's first on-scene fatalities since 1996.

Smith, 30, was the first woman among 56 Houston firefighters who have died on duty, Chief Lester Tyra said.

"I was blessed by knowing these individuals and having them pass through my life," Tyra said.

Mayo, 44, and Smith took a hose into the southwest Houston restaurant before dawn to fight the blaze from indoors and search for any victims. When the flames spread, horns and radio calls alerted firefighters to get out.

The captain in charge traced the hose outside to safety, but the others never emerged. Mayo was found after the roof collapse but died en route to the hospital.

Smith's body, pinned in rubble, was

recovered about four hours later. There were no other injuries reported from the restaurant, which was destroyed.

Firefighters from Mayo and Smith's station congregated at a nearby station to receive grief counseling and debriefing. About 100 formed a "wall of honor," lining the street with hats off as an ambulance carrying Smith passed.

The ambulance stopped to allow two firefighters to present flowers to their dead colleague. The others saluted at rigid attention, pausing only to wipe tears.

The cause of the fire remained under investigation Monday afternoon. Mayor Lee Brown, who visited personnel at the scene, ordered city flags to be flown at half-staff.

"I call upon all Houstonians to join me in prayer for these firefighters and their families," Brown said.

Memorial services were pending. The last full-time Houston firefighter to die at a scene had been Capt. Jackie Ludwick, 43, who died battling a house fire in 1977. Three firefighters died during the early 1980s in separate traffic accidents en route to calls, and volunteer Houston firefighter Ruben Lopez, 39, was

killed in a 1996 house fire.

Steven Mayfield, 47, was the most recent Houston firefighter to die on duty when he suffered a heart attack during a 1998 training exercise near Dallas.

Smith was one of about 100 female firefighters on the 3,400-member force, said Robert Parry, spokesman for the local firefighters' union.

"We've been lucky. That's how I look at it. So many close calls," Parry said. "I can think of some I went on where I thought, 'There should have been fatalities here.'"

Mayo, who joined the department in 1981, is survived by a wife and three children. Parry, who served alongside Mayo in the late 1980s, called him a "regular, stand-up guy."

Tyra described Mayo as "one of the good guys."

"He was very passionate about his job, and like most of our guys, he had a great sense of humor about it," said Tyra, who like other firefighters wore a black strip across his badge.

Smith, a six-year veteran who was engaged to be married, was a regular representative of the department in the National Combat Challenge firefighter skills contest.

Ride the pony



Three-year-old Cynthia Sanchez rides Ace the pony at the Circus Gatti on Monday at the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum. The circus was sponsored by the Lubbock Professional Firefighters Association as part of their only fund raiser.

Education members have Bush ties

AUSTIN (AP) — In 1997, Republican Robert Offutt stood in for Gov. George W. Bush at a debate during his re-election campaign, passionately spreading the governor's education platform.

Two years and a presidential campaign later, Offutt — now a State Board of Education member — not only is criticizing Bush's record as governor but campaigned for a Bush opponent in the GOP presidential race.

Offutt, of San Antonio, who stumped for former candidate Steve Forbes in Iowa and New Hampshire, leads a small but vocal social conservative group on the 15-member board where even Democrats give Bush some credit for popular education reforms in Texas.

His critics say Bush has broken promises regarding school choice, accountability and local control. Offutt and other conservatives say the state has more power over schools than before Bush took office in 1995, and they fear as president, Bush would support more federal regulation.

"I'm very concerned about his education platform at the national level. What he's running for president is not a conservative platform," Offutt said.

The day before Bush lost the New Hampshire primary to Sen. John McCain, Texas education board member Don McLeroy sent an e-mail to education officials and others saying, "All conservatives should be aware of the potential of Gov. Bush's proposals to extend federal control to our schools."

"Texas is leading the nation in this 'big government' state accountability system craze. The bad news is our governor is so wholly enraptured by it; he has made it a big plank in his educational agenda for the nation," McLeroy wrote.

McLeroy said he had supported Forbes, who dropped out of the race last week, but preferred Bush to McCain.

"If it becomes a McCain-Bush race, I'm for Bush," McLeroy said. "I wish the governor well. I mean who has the guts to sit up there and run for president?"

Offutt and the others have battled with the governor before over issues like Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills curriculum and the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test,

which students must pass to graduate, saying the exam should be more rigorous.

The curriculum passed with support from what has come to be a steady alliance between the moderate Republican and Democratic board members.

"I think he's entitled to take credit for some of the success in the schools," said longtime member Will Davis, D-Austin. "I say he's been a good education governor. I think he's sincere about it. I don't think there's anything fakey or contrite about his interest."

Supporters say that while no one administration can take full credit for the turnaround in Texas education, the governor has been a strong leader.

DEA put on alert in wake of cartel threat

EL PASO (AP) — U.S. drug agents have been asked to take extra precautions in light of information that a Mexican drug cartel has offered a \$200,000 reward for killing a federal officer, an agency spokesman said Monday.

Michael McManus, a spokesman for the Drug Enforcement Administration, said agents have been put on "heightened alert," in the past two months.

Agents along the Southwest border have been asked to be more aware of their surroundings and to travel in pairs when they can.

McManus said another federal law enforcement agency alerted the DEA about the bounty offer.

Such threats have been made in the past.

This one coincided with a joint Mexican-FBI investigation into mass graves in Ciudad Juarez, just across the border from El Paso. Mexican authorities have said there are indications at least seven of the nine victims unearthed were killed by the

Juarez-based cartel headed by the Carrillo Fuentes family.

According to an internal memo circulated by the Border Patrol in the last two months, the \$200,000 offer was made by that cartel, Border Patrol spokesman Jorge Swank said.

Agents in his sector, which covers 420 miles of border in West Texas, also are being asked to take extra safeguards.

Anita Dickens, a spokeswoman for the FBI in Washington, said it was her understanding that FBI officials learned of the memo through the media, and that no special measures were being taken.

Doug Mosier, a Border Patrol spokesman in El Paso, said other than making agents aware of the bulletin, "it's business as usual" in his sector.

"We feel like we maintain a very high vigilance along the border with our 24-hour patrols," he said.

Border Patrol agents along other parts of the U.S.-Mexico border also have been informed of the threat.

American Airlines 'ambassador' dies of cancer

FORT WORTH (AP) — Walter Henry Hagan, whose customer-service duties with American Airlines included rubbing shoulders with the

famous and powerful, died Sunday night in Dallas. Hagan, 77, had suffered from cancer, the airline said.

As chief goodwill ambassador at

American and Braniff, Hagan catered to charter passengers including President Lyndon B. Johnson. Last year, the airline announced it would name a

new DFW airport club for Hagan.

Hagan was born Jan. 10, 1923 in Beverly, Mass. He is survived by his wife, Joy, three sons and a daughter.



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OPINION



Pranks 'strick'-ly for fun

One cold Saturday morning in October, as the rest of us were sleeping off the remnants of the previous night's binge, one particular Texas Tech student was wide awake.

A man, we'll just call him Steve to protect his true identity, had woke up at the crack of dawn to begin his project. Was it an art project, a physics project or a chemistry project, you may ask? No, Steve's project was much more important than that.

Steve worked throughout the afternoon and late into the evening before his creation was complete, and on the seventh day, Steve rested. So what was his project? Well, Steve spent that entire Saturday carving out one of the most beautiful pumpkins this world has ever seen, and now, he was going to set it outside his residence hall room to enable everyone to bask in its magnificence.

A couple days before Halloween, Steve began to smell something funny, a strange type of funny. Curious about the omnipresent odor, Steve proceeded to open his door and walk outside. It was then, in a moment of sheer terror, that Steve realized what had taken place that day.

A loud scream filled the air as the enraged Steve ran down the hall. The whole ordeal had stirred the interest of Steve's neighbors, who proceeded toward the visibly-upset man's room. When they finally inferred what had happened that day, each was cast with a look of amazement. As hard as it was to comprehend, someone had defecated in Steve's pumpkin.

The story you've just heard is true. Some

of the details are sketchy, but this actually happened. The man we've labeled "Steve" is a good friend of mine.

Now if you've read any of my previous columns, you know that I like to utilize humor to make my point. Sometimes I don't even make a point, but nonetheless, I stand behind my philosophy that life is just way too short not to laugh about what goes on.

Some of you may be disgusted with the story of Steve's pumpkin, but as a journalist, I find it my duty to inform you of what goes on here at Tech, no matter how grotesque it may appear.

I didn't write my column today to simply entertain, though. Well, I guess I did, but if I stumble upon a point somewhere, then so be it. The hidden moral behind Steve's story is the fact that even he looks back and laughs at what happened that day.

Pranksters are getting a lot of bad press these days, and I thought it was time for me to write a positive column for a change. So today, I salute the pranksters.

How many people do we know in our society who merely go to work everyday, go home and wait patiently for death to free them from this constant conformity? I can name tons. So why does our society look down upon the few who try and make this life a little more entertaining?

Now, obviously, there are a few lines a prankster should never cross. Any prank that leads to injury, death or personal humiliation crosses those lines. But in situations like Steve's, sometimes a good prank merely allows us to sit back and laugh for a few meager minutes.

Laughter truly is the best medicine, so why is it getting such a bad rap? Five years ago, if you would have walked into your high school with a Super Soaker and a ski mask, you would have gotten a few quick laughs and maybe lunch detention.

If you did that today, you'd be looking at a 25- to 30-year stretch in a federal prison. I call

it the "Columbinization of America," after the Columbine incident. Bomb threats and bringing weapons to school are not pranks; they're petty efforts to get attention.

The true prankster has a respect for the consequences of their actions, and that is the brilliance behind this art.

A couple weeks ago, some friends and I were eating in The Market when all of a sudden our attention was diverted by a young man banging on the glass in the second floor study room above the cafeteria.

Much as this prankster had planned, everyone eating that afternoon put down their fork long enough to see him drop his pants and display his posterior end to the crowd. Was that the most disgusting thing I've seen in my entire life? Yeah, pretty much. Was it hilarious? Absolutely.

Pulling off a good prank, takes a lot of skill. The guy who mooned us at The Market has it, and the guy who relieved himself in my friend's pumpkin has it as well (good aim, too).

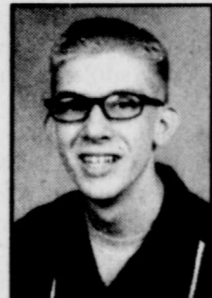
Life is just way too short not to have a little fun. I'll more than likely be criticized for this column, which is fine. I take criticism extremely well. If you've met my parents, you know why.

But I think that someone needs to step out and recognize the few, the proud, the pranksters.

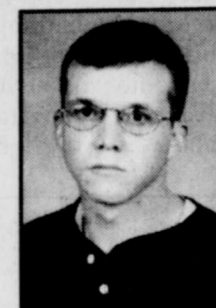
I have to think that even Montford would get a good laugh if he drove to work one day and saw Will Rogers sporting dreadlocks and a T-shirt that says, "Punk Is Not Dead!"

So to all those who look at this form of humorous expression as simple disobedience, live a little, would you? Therefore, I unofficially mark this day as National Prankster's Day. A time to recognize those who sacrifice it all, simply to entertain. I better stop here, I'm starting to get choked up.

Kenneth Strickland is a freshman political science major from Mesquite. He created Prankster's Day merely to sell it to Hallmark and make a profit.



Kenneth Strickland
Columnist



Joseph Colley
Columnist

I have to remind those Republicans, and others who claim this is a swell idea, that we have this principle we are supposed to abide by that says we are innocent until proven guilty. Is everyone in the Lockney School District guilty? No, but they must prove their innocence by taking a drug test. Well, what do you know? We have guilty until proven innocent.

The difference between America and some of the more coercive countries is that we are a nation of principles. Guilty until we prove ourselves innocent is not one of those principles.

Another hindrance to this despotism is in that document I'm always alluding to, the Constitution. The Fourth Amendment in the Bill of Rights protects us from unreasonable searches.

Mandatory drug testing is an unreasonable search for drugs in the body. On the other hand, if there were probable cause to believe that a specific student was on drugs and this drug use was affecting others' safety, then he or she could be tested. What have all these teachers and students done to be suspected of drug use? Nothing.

And then we have the Fifth Amendment. This one states no person can be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process. Those who refuse to take the test because it is unconstitutional are punished as though they took the test and it came back positive for drugs.

They are deprived of their liberty without due process. It looks like the Lockney School Board members need to be hanged for treason.

I know some of you think, "Drugs are so bad. We have to get rid of all the drugs at any expense." Maybe drugs are bad, but where is the stopping point in this so-called war on drugs? Do you want to have everyone who gets pulled over by the cops to take a drug test? Or how about having mandatory police searches on all our homes once a month? We could require drug testing as a prerequisite to vote, be on a jury or to get your driver's license renewed.

All of this would reduce the drug use, but there is one problem. It's unconstitutional! I ran across an interesting statistic the other day. It said that China executes an average of 34 people a week by a firing squad for the crime of drunken driving.

Needless to say, they have very few drunken drivers. I think the Chinese government is on to something. We could nearly eliminate drug use completely if we give those who are caught with drugs the death penalty. Is this what you want, people?

Putting the Constitution and principles aside, it's pretty much a fact of life that most people in their younger years are going to try at least some minor drugs. Some will try them only once, some in moderation throughout high school and college, and some even will abuse them and die from them. Deal with it.

Ever since the beginning of time, there has been vice, and there has been differences of opinion for morality. Just let people live their lives like they want to until their actions interfere with your life. And if all you do-gooders out there want to do something about the moral crisis in America, then try parenting.

Parents and future parents should at least attempt to teach their children right from wrong instead of letting Big Brother (this means the government, for those of you of less erudition) shape them into obedient, brain-dead little comrades.

It is not any school district's duty to raise your children, so get off your indolent butt and stop approving of unconstitutional actions that take away our freedom to be free-thinking individuals.

Benjamin Franklin stated it with eloquence when he said, "If you sacrifice liberty for security, you will end up with neither." Just ask China. Their crime rate is really low, and the people have no liberty.

It looks as though the Lockney School District and those of you who support mandatory drug testing are headed straight for Totalitarianism, USA.

Joseph Colley is a Junior English major from Mount Pleasant.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We're drained

To the editor: I am writing to express my continued disgust and dismay at what only can be described as chronic fiscal irresponsibility and general shortsightedness on the part of Gene West, vice president for Operations, and the Texas Tech Board of Regents.

History majors should take heart, as we have our own modern day Tammany Hall right here on campus. I do not need to belabor the point regarding Tech's abysmal record of financial mismanagement. The awe-inspiring cost overruns on the United Spirit Arena and the hushed-up shady dealings surrounding the English/Philosophy/Education Complex project's contract bidding all will make wonderful B-school case studies in fiscal misfeasance some day.

The issue now at hand is the latest propose debacle — charging after-hours parking fees. The Powers That Be (PTB) has issued another dictum that is untenable, impractical and non-workable from any rational point of view.

The stated reasons for this policy appear to be two-fold: First, the PTB have decided that after-hours users cause too much wear and tear on the parking lots, so we have to charge them to pay for the upkeep. Second, the PTB want to raise more money for their parking garages. The proposed solution for these reasons does not stand up to scrutiny.

1.) Cost of implementation: We students are going to have to foot the bill for these parking ticket machines. They're going to be pretty expensive, since apparently they can tell which cars have park-

ing permit stickers and which cars do not. In the alternative, they are going to have to spend a large amount of money on parking attendants to monitor the machines and decide who has to pay and who does not.

2.) Practicality of implementation: Let's use the parking lot across from the University Center as an example. There are at least six entrances in and out of that lot. Are they going to put a machine in each entrance, or are they going block off all but one or two entrances? No answer has been given on this. I seriously doubt the issue has been discussed. Either way, we are going to have to pay for either multiple machines per lot (and hence multiple attendants) or foot the bill for all the construction that will be necessary to block off all those extra entrances.

3.) Fairness: Again, using the UC lot as an example, what about the two rows of parking on the west and east edges of that lot that are accessible without entering the lot? Do those people get off without paying?

4.) Fiscal irresponsibility: Under all of this, we must look at the inherent fault in the system that makes this policy theoretically necessary, and that is the inability of the PTB to properly manage their funds and establish a budget.

More fundamental than this is the fact that because there is no accountability in the system, the PTB are free to be as irresponsible as they please. There already is a budget in place and money set aside for parking lot and other infrastructure repairs. There already is a budget and money set aside for these parking garages that none of us will likely ever see.

The problem is the administration chronically mismanages and wastes this money, and so they are forced to come up with these half-cocked plans to make up the difference.

In the two UD articles on this issue, it stated that the average amount collected by

other schools is 91 cents an hour. This is misleading in that the University of Texas-Austin does not charge for parking generally after 5:30 p.m. Their administration apparently is financially responsible enough to handle the extra wear and tear on the lots without charging visitors.

I cannot speak for any other schools. There was clearly little thought put into the workability of this policy. The expenditures required will likely far exceed any revenue that will be generated. How much more of this are we willing to endure?

I encourage all students to write to their state and federal elected officials as well as the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and demand outside oversight on what is becoming an entrenched cycle of fiscal irresponsibility on the part of the Tech administration. Until something is done, it's our pocketbooks that are going to be continually and increasingly drained.

J. David Leamon
first year law

Thanks

To the editor: I am writing to express thanks to Cameron Graham for his column about Ronald Reagan. Graham's skillful use of facts lends validity to the view that sees Reagan as one of our great presidents.

Of course, some still prefer to criticize and underappreciate Reagan, but I think history will confirm the value of his contributions. Most of all, thanks to Cameron for courageously expressing what is sure to be, in some quarters, an unpopular view.

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'Magnolia' competes for Golden Bear

BERLIN (AP) — "Magnolia" star Julianne Moore received a heart-shaped balloon from an admirer Monday at the Berlin International Film Festival and admitted, "You're my first Valentine of the day."

"Magnolia," an epic tale of a day in the life of residents of the San Fernando Valley in Los Angeles, is among 21 films competing at the festival for a Golden Bear. Its official screening was Monday.

Though much of "Magnolia" portrays the darkness of dysfunctional and abusive families, director Paul Thomas Anderson said the movie's message is optimistic.

"I think you have to show the darkness to show hope," Anderson said. Moore, who won a Golden Globe for best supporting actress in the movie, said the film reflects American attitudes. "Our land is predisposed to optimism," she said. "Our country was founded on the idea that anything here is possible."

Tom Cruise, who also won a Golden Globe for his role in the movie, is not attending the festival, which runs through Saturday.

Prince Rainier recovering from operation

MONTE CARLO, Monaco (AP) — Prince Rainier's heart and lungs were in good shape Monday as he recovered from his second operation in two weeks, his doctors said.

The emergency surgery was ordered Saturday after air was discovered escaping from a lung and building up in his chest cavity. The condition, known as pneumothorax, can cause the lung to collapse if left untreated.

Two drains were inserted into the prince's rib cage to aid his breathing.

A statement from the prince's doctors said his recovery was "satisfying with, notably, a very good cardio-respiratory state."

Before the latest surgery, Rainier, 76, had been hospitalized while recovering from a Feb. 2 operation. Doctors removed part of his lung to examine a small growth.

Doctors said the growth was no cause for alarm. They have not said whether it was cancerous.

The prince, who has ruled Monaco for the past 50 years, also had an operation in December to repair an aneurysm in his abdominal aorta.

'Big Daddy' named worst movie of year

LOS ANGELES (AP) — On the eve of Hollywood's second-most anxious moment — the announcement of Oscar nominees — the Golden Raspberry Foundation nominated "Big Daddy" and "The Blair Witch Project" for 1999's worst movies.

"The Haunting," "Wild Wild West" and "Star Wars: Episode 1, The Phantom Menace" also were nominated for dis-stink-ition by the group, which spoofs the Academy Awards by honoring movies it deems the worst.

"I think this is the first time that major, major box office hits have made the list," said foundation president John Wilson.

Nominees and winners of the Razzies are picked by 475 foundation members — industry workers, journalists and moviegoers in 35 states and eight foreign countries.

Among the nominees for worst actor or worst actress: Kevin Costner ("For Love of the Game," "Message in a Bottle"), Adam Sandler ("Big Daddy") and Catherine Zeta-Jones ("Entrapment," "The Haunting").

Rising star stops in Lubbock

Some artists are good for their age. Others are just good. Shannon Curfman is just good. Even though she is 14 years old, Curfman's music demonstrates talent beyond her years.

Curfman will headline a show tonight in Lubbock at Liquid 2000, 1812 Ave. G. Tickets cost \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door and are available at both locations of Ralph's

Records, 909 University Ave. and 3322 82nd St., and at Liquid 2000, Fairweather Tempest and Crave will open the show. Doors open at 8 p.m.

The young blues artist is raising eyebrows nationwide live and on television. Curfman has appeared on "The Late Show with David Letterman," "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno" and "Good Morning America" and has been the subject

of rave print reviews nationwide. She was named Gavin's "1999 Breakout Artist." Reviews have brought comparisons to Bonnie Raitt and Melissa Etheridge.

In December, Curfman opened for John Mellencamp before performing with Matthew Sweet on New Year's Eve. Now, she is on her own and headlining her "Loud Guitars, Big Suspi-

cions" tour. She sings, songwrites, plays guitars and even co-produced some of the tracks on the album. Listening to her work, like her first single "True Friends," people cannot tell that Curfman is not even old enough to drive. But when she drives into Lubbock, Curfman will bring a mature sound with her young age.

Letterman back from heart surgery Feb. 21

NEW YORK (AP) — David Letterman is returning to television after heart surgery on Feb. 21 initially as a part-timer, mixing in his own appearances with guest hosts as he continues to recover.

His first "Late Show" guest will be Regis Philbin, Letterman's on-air conversation partner when he revealed his medical problems. He underwent an emergency quintuple bypass operation on Jan. 14 after a test revealed a blocked artery.

"I imagine Dave, as usual, will have a lot to say," executive producer Rob Burnett said Monday.

Letterman will tape his first show Friday, then work once more next week, on Feb. 23. Bill Cosby will be a guest host of CBS' "Late Show" on Feb. 22, and Philbin will fill in for Letterman on Feb. 24.

Some subsequent weeks will also likely be a combination of Letterman and guest hosts, Burnett said. That's a first for Letterman, who hasn't used guest hosts since he began in late-night television for NBC in 1982.

"As early as two weeks ago, I think he was ready and raring to go," Burnett said. "Dave, I think, got a rare opportunity to experience what it would be like not to do this... The experience has absolutely made him miss the job completely."

Letterman's return is likely to draw a big audience and the timing, in the midst of a ratings sweeps month, couldn't be better for CBS. His ratings have been up this season and late-night competitor Jay Leno is down, but Leno's average audience each night on NBC is still 35 percent bigger.

"I still don't think he's going to beat the 'Tonight' show regularly, but he will get a boost," said Marc Berman, a television analyst for Mediaweek.com.

Last week, when a series of celebrities were interviewed reminiscing about their appearances with Letterman for "Late Show Backstage" specials, it was the third highest-rated week of the year for "Late Show."

"Backstage" continues this week with Kathie Lee Gifford, Robin Williams and Mike Myers among the guests. Tom Snyder comes out of retirement Wednesday to interview Don Rickles and Norm McDonald.

Burnett said he hadn't talked with Letterman about ways to cut back his workload. One possibility is working four shows a week with one guest host, as Johnny Carson did on his later years on the "Tonight" show.

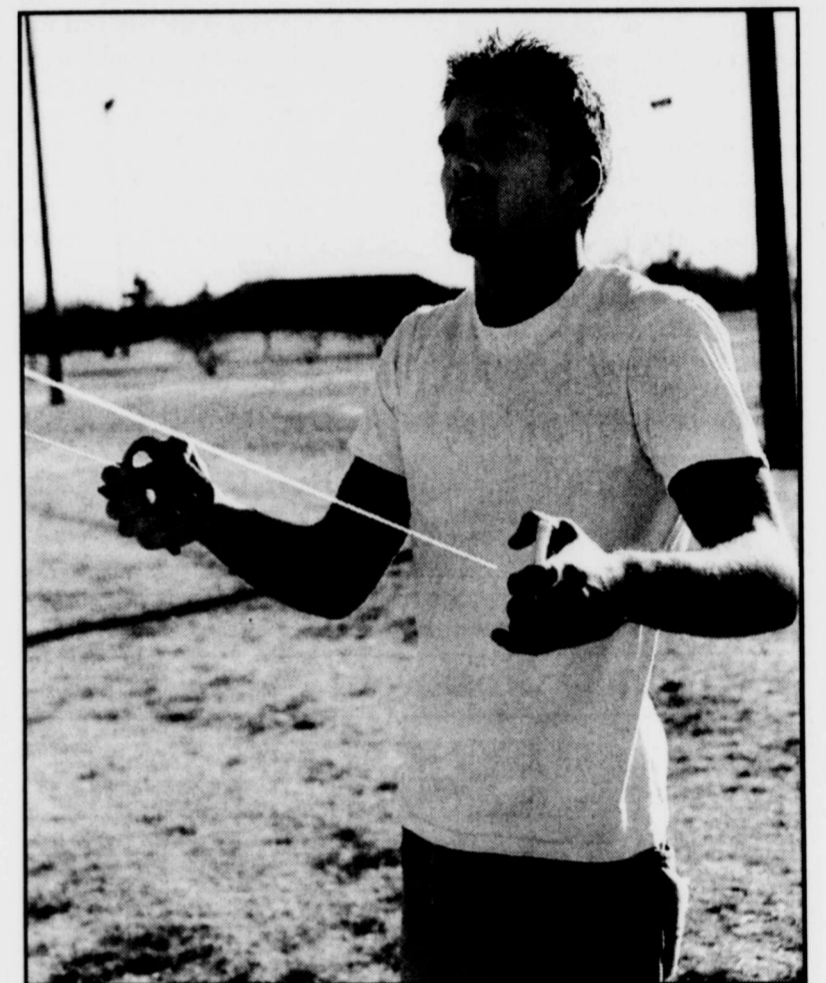
"I think Dave will ultimately be able to do five nights a week again," he said. "It's just a question of whether he wants to do it."

Burnett said there was "no shortage of volunteers" to be Letterman's guest on the first show back, but that Philbin seemed to make the most sense.

Letterman disclosed his heart problems after asking Philbin about his own successful emergency angioplasty in 1993.

"He's a friend and he's tied to this experience for us," Burnett said.

I just wanna fly



Hunter Bailey, a freshman MIS major from Lewisville, flies a kite in the student recreational soccer field.

Insane Clown Posse reschedules show

Monday night's Insane Clown Posse show was rescheduled for March 1 at Liquid 2000. People who already had tickets to the event can use those for the rescheduled show. The band canceled Monday afternoon with no reason.

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'Muench Notes' makes debut

Welcome to the inaugural edition of "Muench Notes." These are just little things about different sports that have been stuck in the back of my mind. Read, learn, don't complain and don't worry, there is no need to take your own notes.

Something that makes me wonder: Did anyone recognize the voice doing the public address for the men's basketball game during Saturday's victory against Baylor?



Matt Muench
Staff Writer

The extravagant voice was from the mouth of Texas Tech student and weekend weatherman for KCBD-TV Channel 11, Brian Hughes. Hughes and radio personnel for KLLL-FM, Rick Gilbert, are the two candidates for the job to replace present PA announcer Gerald Rogers who is retiring after this season.

According to Hughes, Rogers mentioned to Myers that he would be a good fit for the job. Myers and a selection committee have yet to announce who will get the job.

This just makes me wonder how Hughes will adjust from the boring weather talk to the exciting sports talk if he gets the job. What if the mixers the two up one day and says, "Starting at guard standing at 6-feet-4 de-

grees Fahrenheit, Moses Malone JUNIOR!"

Something that I realized: I always have been told that older people are wiser than younger people. I just thought that was a phrase my parents would say when I was beating them during a debate.

Now, I know the phrase is true. Just look at Raiderland. Older people pack the stands at the Lady Raider basketball games, while younger people try and pack the stands at the men's games. It looks like the older fans realize what is better to watch this season.

Something that makes me mad: The United Spirit Arena is the nicest basketball arena I have ever been in. But one thing that makes the arena less great are the people that work there — not the concessions people (I like the hot dogs) — but the seat ushers. They are everywhere. It seems like there are more of those ushers in the arena than what the men's basketball points-per-game average is. The ushers get in the fans' way, and they continuously check people's tickets even if the second half has started. I saw a guy holding nachos and a drink, and the usher made him put his food down and grab his ticket. I would have spilled the drink on her. I also noticed some of them wearing a microphone and ear plugs like they are secret agents. What are they saying to each other? "Hey Bob, I have some trouble here in section 210. Two kids are sitting two seats over from where they are supposed to be sitting."

Bob replies, "Don't you worry,

Dave, I will get you some backup as soon as possible."

Something that makes me feel pity: I feel sorry for the Red Raider softball team. One reason is that no one ever talks about them because they are in the shadows of Tech's baseball team. But I really feel sorry for them because they play their home games at the intramural fields. Come on, even high school teams have a real diamond with dugouts.

The team was supposed to have a new stadium open this season. In last year's media guide, the second page had a story headlined, "A new home in 2000 for Red Raider softball." This year's media guide says, "A new home in 2001 for Red Raider softball." Stay tuned for updates on the stadium in next year's media guide.

Something that is sad: Over the weekend, Dallas Cowboys' legendary coach, Tom Landry, and inventor of the "Peanuts" comic strip, Charles Schulz, passed away. That is sad, but what is more sad is I heard more people talking about the death of Maude Flanders during Sunday's episode of "The Simpsons" than Landry's and Schulz' death.

Something that makes me sleep:

Go to a men's basketball game and watch the offense. Too much passing around the perimeter. Let's see some run-and-gun.

Something that worries me: Tech's future in the Big 12 makes me worry. Are they bringing in enough money for the conference? If not, could they get the boot? It looks like the Red Raiders and the Baylor Bears will be

crossing their fingers when it is time for new television contract negotiations to come up. What worries me is I won't get to cover games against teams like Texas and Nebraska. What sports-writer would want to see North Texas or Utah State every year? Hey, wait a minute. Those teams are on Tech's football schedule next year. Well, at least they are trying to get wins.

Something that makes me laugh: I got an e-mail from someone asking me if coach Dickey and I are going to be on "The Jerry Springer Show" because of my columns. My reply was (add sarcasm) I think the coach would rather settle it at Madison Square Garden on Pay-per-View.

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Big 12 Players of Week announced

baseball

DALLAS (AP) — Kansas junior second baseman Doug Dreher was named Big 12 Conference Player of the Week and Texas junior Beau Hale was named Pitcher of the Week Monday by a media panel for games last week.

Dreher had been a utility player, but became the Jayhawks' starting second baseman because of a preseason injury to Ryan Baty.

He was 7-for-12 (.583 average) for the week in leading Kansas (3-0) to its best start since 1987.

He had three doubles, drove in five runs, scored four runs and had a .833 slugging percentage during a three-game sweep of Texas-San Antonio.

Hale recorded the 18th no-hitter in Texas Longhorns' history Friday when he struck out 13 in a victory over Sam Houston State.

He came within two batters of a perfect game in what was the first no-hitter in Big 12 history.

It was Hale's first win of the year after two starts despite a 0.00 ERA, 17 strikeouts and one walk in 15 innings.

women's basketball

DALLAS (AP) — Nebraska senior guard Nicole Kubik was named Big 12 Conference Player of the Week by a media panel Monday for games from Feb. 7-13.

Kubik averaged 26.5 points, 7.5 rebounds, 4.0 assists and three steals in two games last week, including a win over No. 23 Kansas.

Kubik had 29 points and nine rebounds against Kansas, hitting 10-of-22 shots all eight of her free throw attempts.

She also was honored as one

of five Nebraska players of the century at halftime. She had 24 points and six rebounds against Colorado.

Oklahoma State freshman guard Chantoya Hawkins was named Rookie of the Week after averaging 14 points, 3.0 rebounds, 2.5 assists and two steals in two games last week.

Hawkins had 11 points, four steals and three assists against Kansas State.

She had 17 points on 6-of-13 shooting and four rebounds against Oklahoma.

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Tech hosts pool tournament in UC

Texas Tech is hosting a 9-ball pool tournament at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the University Center Game Room. Sign-ups up for the tournament are from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. today and Wednesday in the UC Game Room.

There is a \$5 entry fee for the tournament. The first place prize is a \$30 gift certificate to the food court in the UC, and second prize is a \$15 gift certificate. For additional information, call the UC at 742-3636.

Woods' success sells golf

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Jon Eikel's golf shop is a long way from the glamour of the PGA tour, but both have one thing in common: They've benefitted from Tiger Woods' winning streak.

Eikel figures sales at his used-club store, Jon's Golf Shop, will drop now that Woods' streak of winning six straight tournaments is over, having ended Sunday in the Buick Invitational in San Diego.

"When he wins, sales go up," Eikel said. "It's great for the golf business. It's helping every course, range and golf shop."

Woods, 24, is starting just his fourth year on the pro tour, but he has become the biggest money winner in the sport and has spread its popularity among younger people and minorities.

The National Golf Foundation reports participation is at record highs,

with 26.4 million golfers age 12 and older in the United States. While still a disproportionately small share of the golfing population, the number of black golfers has jumped 30 percent since 1996, when Woods joined the PGA Tour, according to the foundation.

"Golf has become cool," said D.J. Flanders, head pro at La Cantera Golf Club in San Antonio. "He's made it more socially acceptable to play golf."

"I'm finding that it's kids who are younger and younger, in part because of what happened with Tiger," Todd McCabe, head pro at The Quarry said.

"There's no question that he's generated more interest," said Mark DeWall, head pro at the Dominion Country Club Golf Center. "You see a lot more people playing golf, and you hear a lot of people talking about golf."

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8:00	Sesame Street		Early Show	Sabrina Doug		Dr. Joy Brown	
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6:00	NewsHour	News Extra	Jeopardy! CBS News	Judge Judy Judge Judy	News W/ Fortune	Voyager	
7:00	Lost Empire	Shoot Me PG	JAG	I Dare You	Millionaire	Who Wants to Marry a	
8:00	NOVA	W/ Grace W/ Grace	60 Minutes II	Sheets Dilbert	Dharma/Greg Sports Nite	Multi-Millionaire?	
9:00	Frontline	DeLine	Judging Amy	Jerry Springer	NYPD Blue	Cope Cope	
10:00	Nightly Bus.	News Tonight Show	News David	Joe Brown Joe Brown	News MASH	Simpsons Fraiser	
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Thousands attend Thomas' funeral at Arrowhead

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Derrick Thomas' open casket lay in the Arrowhead Stadium end zone, near the spot where he once sacked John Elway and recovered a fumble for a touchdown that won a playoff game.

Bundled against a cold February wind, thousands of fans filed past the coffin Monday in an outpouring of grief for the star linebacker of the Kansas City Chiefs.

In honor of this son of an Air Force pilot who never returned from Vietnam, a B-2 Stealth bomber came in so low its belly almost seemed to scrape the scoreboard.

Almost everyone who works for the Chiefs — owner Lamar Hunt, general manager Carl Peterson, coaches, secretaries and mainte-

nance men — stood silently on the field.

The fans walked single file and two-by-two down the stadium steps, into a white tent where the body lay dressed in a light gray business suit.

Many dabbed at their eyes and hugged. By noon, almost 5,000 people had walked past the casket.

"This is the saddest day in Kansas City sports history," said Steve Warczakoski of Kansas City, Kan. "My favorite football player of all time."

One woman carried her 9-month-old daughter down the steps.

"Someday she'll be able to say she was here," the woman said.

The Chiefs have led the NFL in home attendance for five straight years. It is a town that loves its foot-

"This is the saddest day in Kansas City sports history."

Steve Warczakoski
Kansas City citizen

ball players.

"I've been a season-ticker holder since Arrowhead opened," said Connie McQuain of Independence. "I saw Derrick his entire career and like everybody else in town, I feel like I knew him."

Thomas was just a few weeks past his 33rd birthday when his Chevrolet Suburban skidded on an icy highway and flipped several times. The Jan. 23 crash killed his best friend and left

Arrowhead's iron gates and donated more than \$25,000 to his Third and Long Foundation, which encourages youngsters to read.

"It wasn't enough that he became a great football player," said Barbara Arttelle of Lee's Summit. "I felt it was the other things that he did."

On Monday evening, a private viewing was scheduled for family, friends and Chiefs players. Another service was set for Tuesday in Kemper Arena, where speakers will include NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue and Hall of Fame quarterback Joe Montana.

Among the mourners Monday was Fred Patek, the Kansas City Royals' star shortstop during much of their glory years in the 1970s.

His daughter Kim was paralyzed in an accident in 1992 not far from Thomas' crash. Kim Patek had no insurance and a big part of the expense was paid for by fans' donations and events like charity basketball games between Chiefs and Royals players.

"What I think back to most of all is how this community comes together and all the beautiful people there are in this town," Patek said. "All the things they did for me and all the things you see now, what's happening?"

He stopped to wipe a tear.

"It kind of stirs up a lot of things in my past. But I guess the thing most of all — it really hit me — you can't believe."

Unable to continue, he apologized and hurried away.

Sports transactions recap — compiled by The AP

BASEBALL

American League
BOSTON RED SOX—Agreed to terms with RHP Bryce Florie on a two-year contract.
CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Agreed to terms with RHP Bill Simas on a two-year contract.
SEATTLE MARINERS—Agreed to terms with OF Mike Cameron on a one-year contract.
TEXAS RANGERS—Agreed to terms with RHP Jonathan Johnson and INF Scott Sheldon to one-year contracts. Named Les Parker scout.

National League
CINCINNATI REDS—Agreed to terms with OF Alex Ochoa on a one-year contract.
MONTREAL EXPOS—Agreed to terms with 2B Wilton Guerrero on a one-year contract.

FOOTBALL

National Football League
ATLANTA FALCONS—Claimed LB Chris Draft off waivers from the San Francisco 49ers.
DETROIT LIONS—Signed RB James Stewart to a five-year contract.
NEW YORK JETS—Re-signed CB Marcus Coleman to a multiyear contract.

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES—Signed OL Jon Runyan to a six-year contract.
PITTSBURGH STEELERS—Named Irv Eatman assistant offensive line coach and Willie Robinson secondary coach.
SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Named Johnny Holland assistant coach for special teams and strength and conditioning.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League
NHL—Suspended San Jose D Jeff Norton four games for a stick-swinging incident on Sunday.
DALLAS STARS—Assigned LW Jamie Wright to Michigan of the IHL.
PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Recalled F Stephen Leach and F Martin Sonnenberg from Wilkes-Barre-Scranton of the AHL. Assigned D Sven Butenschon and D John Slaney to Wilkes-Barre-Scranton.

COLLEGE

FORDHAM—Suspended men's basketball F Steve Canal for one game for actions unbecoming of a student.
SYRACUSE—Named Reggie Terry director of football operations.

Jackson returns to Chicago with L.A. state of mind

CHICAGO (AP) — Phil Jackson will stroll across a familiar floor and take a new seat. From the visitors' bench at the United Center, he can twist his head to the right and see the large banner bearing his name and accomplishments.

"It's going to be a different thing," Jackson says.

The man who orchestrated six championships for the Chicago Bulls — blending the skills and egos of Michael Jordan, Scottie Pippen and a supporting cast — returns to the city happy and California cool. He is content with his new life and looking to win more titles as coach of the Los Angeles Lakers.

On Tuesday night, he will be coaching a Lakers team that is 37-11, the second-best record in the league. The Bulls are another story. They have made a ghastly reversal since Jackson left, holding the NBA's worst record at 10-37.

Before he rode off that June day in 1998 on his motorcycle, along with the best winning percentage in NBA history for the playoffs and regular season, Jackson's coaching achievements were among the greatest in the game.

But after his "last dance" Jackson said goodbye, ending his strained relationship with general manager



Jerry Krause. Jackson did return briefly last May for a ceremony where his banner was raised to the rafters. It hangs close to others for Jordan and the six titles.

"It was nice to be honored in that ceremony. But now for the actual coaching of the game, I'm going to be the opposing coach," Jackson said.

"We're the dark team and they're the light team out there on the floor. The calls are going to go their way and the crowd's going to yell in their favor and I'm going to get heckled by the fans in the stands."

Probably not. Chicago can't forget what Jackson brought the city with his unorthodox coaching style. He espoused Zen, urged his players to meditate and bought them books for long road trips.

And Jackson hasn't forgotten what the city meant to him. Although now, after a year away from the game, he's moved on. He landed in the Southern California sunshine, refreshed by a new challenge from a team brimming with talent and potential.

Some say he needs to show he can win a title without the incomparable Jordan.

"That's all right. It's a great life, I'm just glad I'm here," Jackson said. "It's not always the winning, it's the way you play, too."

What he remembers about Chicago is the people.

"That grist," he said. "It's not only a great city to live in, but the energy and the work ethic of the people who inhabit the city. In L.A., you don't have that feel of who everybody is because they're all out on the freeway."

Those holding clipboards and offering advice on the Lakers bench Tuesday night will make it seem even more like a flashback.

Tex Winter, the architect of the triangle offense the Bulls and Lakers run, will be there along with fellow former Chicago assistants Frank Hamblen and Jim Cleamons and trainer Chip Schaefer. And the sore-kneed guard Ron Harper, who played the straight man to Pippen and Jordan on three title teams, will be in Laker garb.

All tasted championship champagne, all rejoiced in a Grant Park tribute and all have rejoined Jackson, hoping they can teach that championship ethic to Shaquille O'Neal and

Kobe Bryant.

"It will be like going home. I still have a home there. It's still for sale," said Winter, who spent last season helping new Chicago coach Tim Floyd learn the NBA ropes.

"I still follow them real close. I think an awful lot of their coaching staff," Winter said. "They were good to me and now they're the enemy."

With Pippen, Jordan and Jackson gone — some say they were chased out before their time — the Bulls have taken a new path with young players and a bundle of salary cap money. Getting back to championship form will take time, perhaps a long time, perhaps never.

"They sculpted this," Jackson said. "This is where they want to be so they can get picks and the growth they want to have. This is the process that they chose. That's all right. It's their team. If they can do it, more power to them. And a real feather in their cap."

Still, the shadows of the past are always there, especially Tuesday night. Jackson and the Lakers beat the Bulls 103-95 back in November, in Los Angeles.

"Tex has to buy me breakfast if they don't win 18," Jackson said earlier of the Bulls. "He roots for them. I've had my postpartum."

Big 12 Conference loaded with deserving player of year candidates

(AP) — Although Iowa State's Marcus Fizer is the front-runner for Big 12 player of the year, there is no shortage of challengers.

Desmond Mason of conference-leading Oklahoma State, Chris Mihm of Texas and Eduardo Najera of Oklahoma all were touted as the top player during

Monday's teleconference.

"It's going to be a tough call this year," Colorado's Ricardo Patton said.

All four play for contending teams, with Oklahoma State and Iowa State tied for the conference lead at 9-1. Texas a game back and Oklahoma at 7-3. Fizer (21.1 points), Najera (19.4), Mason (19.0) and

Mihm (18.2) are also the conference's top four scorers, and Mihm and Najera are 1-2 in rebounding.

James Dickey of Texas Tech likes Mason, who has developed into one of the Big 12's top 3-point threats with 47.5-percent accuracy.

"He has that warrior mentality," Dickey said. "He's their heart and soul."

The first name Nebraska's Danny Nee threw out was the 7-foot Mihm, although he proceeded to rattle off the names of the other usual suspects.

"He does so much to affect a game," Nee said. "Truthfully, I think any coach in the league would love to have him."

Chicago, Wood begin Spring workouts

MESA, Ariz. (AP) — Don Baylor wiped his brow after overseeing his first official workout as manager of the Chicago Cubs on Monday.

"I'm relieved," Baylor said. "I've had this pressing headache for 36 hours of waiting for this day of opportunity. It was a good day. It was a good sweat day, a good work day."

Baylor had a busy first day on the job. His first task was to monitor pitcher Kerry Wood, who took part in drills with the rest of the pitchers.

Wood threw 42 pitches in five minutes to catcher Joe Girardi. Although he finished before the other pitchers in his group, Wood appeared fine afterward.

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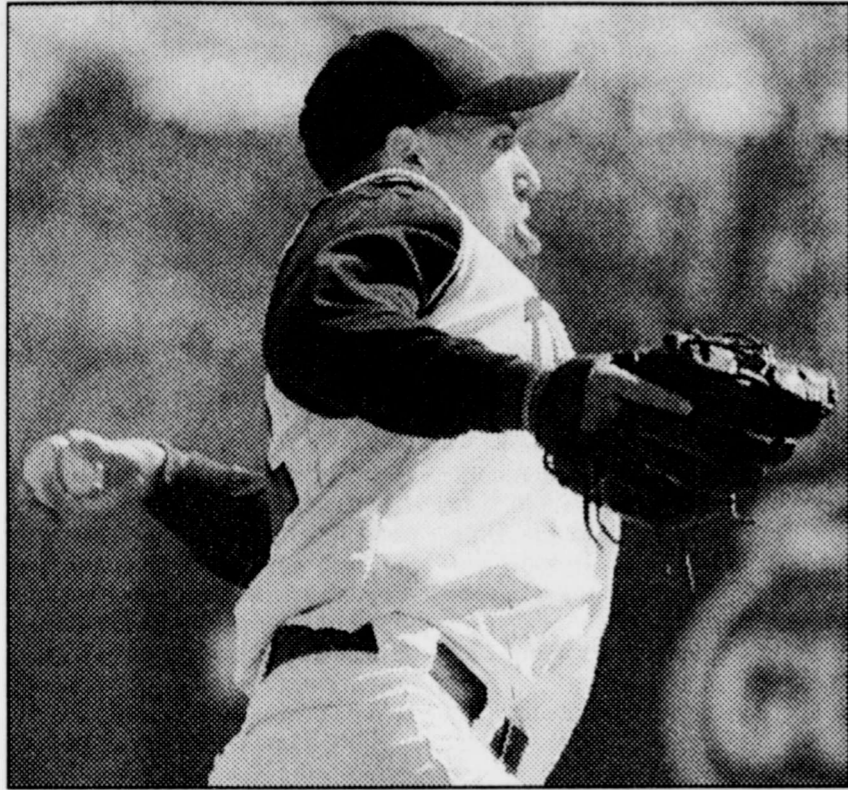
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ATTENTION COMMUTERS
 Due to University Day activities taking place in the Lubbock Auditorium on Friday, February 18, the auditorium Coliseum parking lot (C1) will be closed until 12:00 noon (Section W/D 2 in the traffic and parking regulations). Please allow additional time on that day to find parking. There should be plenty of available space in the parking lots west of Indiana Avenue.

Tech baseball hits road to face Horned Frogs



Greg Kreller/The University Daily

Tech's baseball squad will play five straight road contests beginning with Texas Christian today at 2 p.m. in Fort Worth.

by Patrick Gonzales
Sports Editor

The Texas Tech baseball club will have little time to savor its series victory against No. 6-ranked Southern California as it hits the road for five-straight contests in three different states.

The Red Raiders (6-2 overall) will begin their stretch at 2 p.m. today, when they face Texas Christian (3-6 overall) at the TCU Baseball Diamond in Fort Worth.

Tech then will travel to California on Friday to battle Long Beach State for a three-game series and then to Albuquerque, N.M., on Feb. 22 to face the Lobos.

The Red Raiders won't return to Dan Law Field until Feb. 25, when they begin Big 12 Conference play against Missouri.

Tech faced the Horned Frogs three times last season and won each contest.

However, this year, the Red Raiders enter the game with two starting pitchers out with injuries.

The most recent came in Sunday's

contest against USC when Chaz Ackerman hurt his right elbow in the top of the fourth inning during warm-up tosses.

Tech lost its No. 1 starter in Brandon Roberson in the season opener against West Texas A&M.

"Our big concern as we head into this road trip is going to be pitching," said Tech baseball coach Larry Hays.

"We've got five pretty tough games. Without Roberson in the mix and possibly Ackerman ... the injuries continue to mount up."

At the earliest, Roberson could return Feb. 23, Hays said.

Despite losing the duo, Tech relievers have stepped up and helped

the squad, he said.

In the three games against the Trojans last weekend, Tech relievers pitched more innings than the starting pitcher.

One of the hurlers was J.J. Newman, who pitched six innings of work on Sunday.

"We just look forward to keeping it rolling because we have the momentum on our side," Newman said about Tech's upcoming contests. "We just beat one of the top teams of the country, two out of three times, and our team is just ready to bury some people."

With the lack of pitching, the Red Raiders will look to rely on their offensive output.

Through its first eight contests, Tech is averaging 14 runs-per-contest, with a team batting average of .362.

Leading the way for the Red Raiders is designated hitter Chaz Eiguren who leads Tech starters with a .481 batting average, including two home runs and 15 RBIs.

Hays said he will look for his team to play better defensively.

In last weekend's series, the Red Raider defense committed five errors, including four in their 9-4 loss Saturday.

"Hopefully, it's not something that we're going to have all year," Hays said. "I'd like to see improvement on this road trip."

This is Tech's first road trip of the year as their first scheduled trip to face Texas-Pan American in Edinburg was postponed due to bad weather.

The Red Raiders went 12-10 in games played away from the confines of Dan Law Field a season ago.

Overall, under Hays, the Red Raiders have battled their way to a 346-117 record against non-conference opponents.

"We just look forward to keeping it rolling because we have the momentum on our side."

J.J. Newman
Tech pitcher

Men's hoops look for two straight against Mizzou

by Jeff Keller
Assistant Sports Editor

For the first time in more than a month, the Texas Tech men's basketball team will be coming off of a win heading into their next contest.

Tech will try to make it two wins in a row when it takes on Missouri at 7 p.m. today at the United Spirit Arena.

The Red Raiders are coming off an 11-point win over Baylor, putting an end to an eight-game losing streak for the Red Raiders.

The win was Tech's first Big 12 Conference victory of the season and improved the Red Raiders' record to 10-11 overall and 1-9 in the Big 12.

Missouri comes into the matchup with a 14-8 overall record and a 7-3 Big 12 mark.

The Tigers are tied for fourth in conference action while Tech is alone in 11th place.

Mitchell, who scored 20 against Baylor, only was averaging 6.6 points-per-game heading into the contest, said he goes into each contest just looking to play his hardest.

"I think the points just came against Baylor," Mitchell said. "I'm

basically just looking to play hard and get this team a win. That's the most important thing to me. I don't care how many I score, and I don't care who scores."

Mitchell has missed some action during conference play due to an injury to his right ankle which he suffered against Baylor in Waco on Jan. 26.

He said he tries as hard as he can to put the pain out of his mind when he is on the court.

"It's in the back of my mind when I'm out there," Mitchell said. "I think I kind of favor it a little bit more. I don't want to think about it, but if it gets to the point where it's just unbearable, then I tell coach to take me out for a little bit and rest me. Other than that, it's not a very big factor for me right now."

Tech basketball coach James Dickey said he was pleased with Mitchell's effort against Baylor and said Mitchell will see more action against Missouri if the injury allows.

"Jayson's played a lot all year, and he'll play as much as his ankle allows him against Missouri," Dickey said. "He played super against Baylor with 20 points in 23 minutes. But he'll

probably have to play more minutes against Missouri if his ankle allows that."

Missouri has the No. 1 scoring offense in the Big 12, averaging 79.7 points-per-contest in Big 12 action while Tech is averaging 63.7.

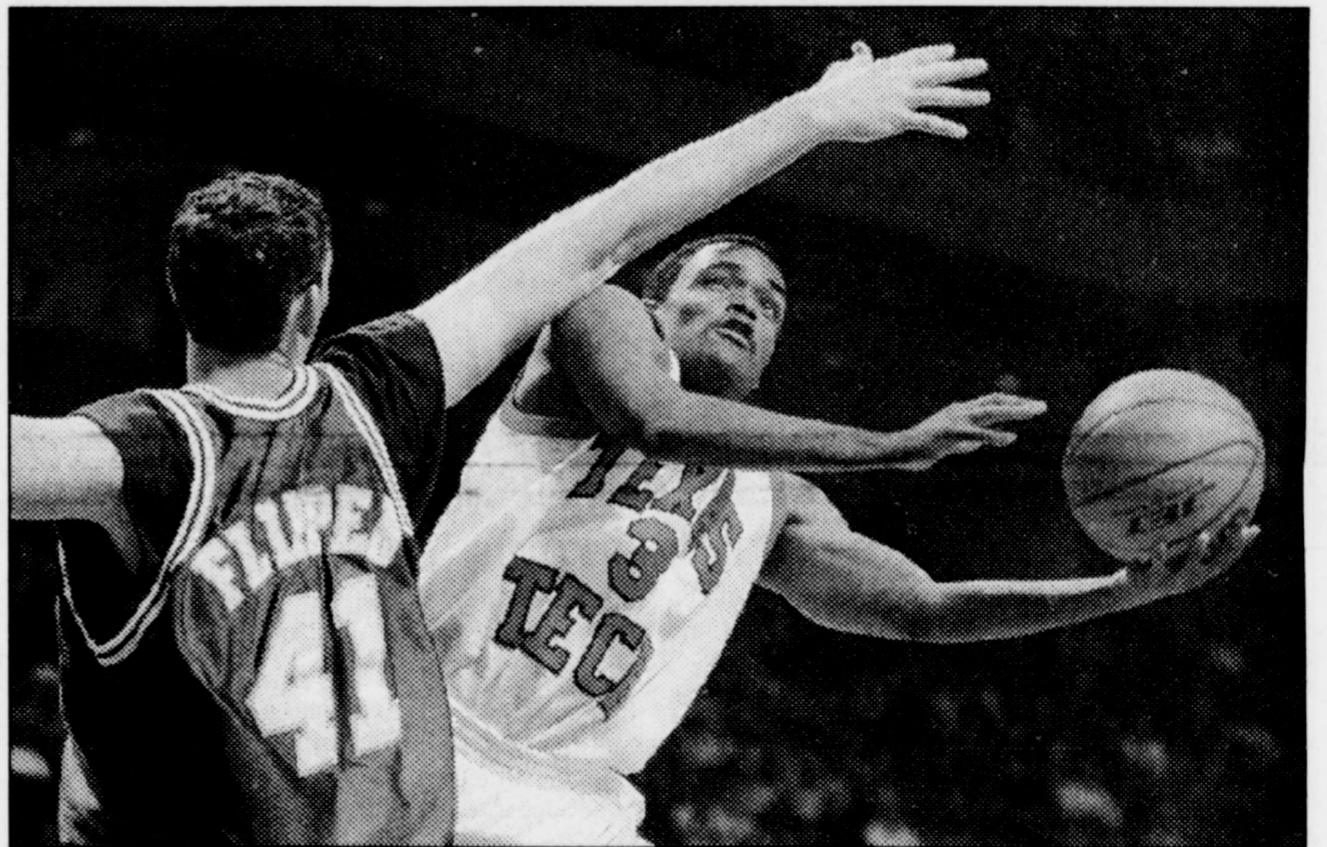
Tiger guard Clarence Gilbert is eighth in the conference in scoring, averaging 15.9 points-per-contest.

Tech guard Rayford Young said shutting down the perimeter will be key if Tech is to make it two straight conference wins.

"We have to try to limit their perimeter guys," Young said. "They have three good perimeter players. It's going to be important for us to go out there and play with confidence and feed off of our crowd because I know they are going to give us some great support."

Young said with the losing streak behind them, the Red Raiders hope to get a winning streak going with the conference season winding down.

"I hope we can get a winning streak going," he said. "We want to get a good seed in the conference tournament. We don't want to be the 11th or 12th seed and have to play the two top teams who didn't get a bye."



Greg Kreller/The University Daily

The Tech men's basketball team will look for its second-straight victory when it faces Missouri today at 7 p.m. at the United Spirit Arena.

Lewis granted bond to remain home while awaiting trial

ATLANTA (AP) — A judge granted Ray Lewis a \$1 million bond Monday, saying the Baltimore Ravens linebacker could stay at his home in Maryland while awaiting trial on murder charges. Defense attorney Max Richardson said he would try to get Lewis out of jail later Monday night or early Tuesday. Various NFL figures, including team owner Art

Modell, testified for Lewis at the day-long hearing, calling him "dependable" and a "good citizen."

The 24-year-old Ravens star and two companions are charged with murder in two stabbing deaths during a brawl at a post-Super Bowl party Jan. 31. Lewis did not speak at the hearing but shook hands with his lawyers before he left the

courtroom. He has been held without bail since his arrest the day of the slayings. One of his two codefendants turned himself in Monday; the other is at large. Superior Court Judge Doris Downs said she found no evidence that Lewis, who had no prior felony convictions, poses a significant threat to flee the charges or to intimidate any witnesses.

Former car racing great dies in plane crash

LEESBURG, Ky. (AP) — Tony Bettenhausen, the youngest son in a famous auto racing family who drove Indy cars before becoming a team owner, died in a plane crash Monday. He was 48.

Bettenhausen, his wife, Shirley, and two men were killed

when the plane crashed about noon on a farm some 30 miles from Lexington, said Brad Stevens, an executive with Bettenhausen Motorsports in Indianapolis.

Shirley Bettenhausen was the daughter of longtime Indy car driver Jim McElreath. The two men killed

were identified as Russ Roberts, a partner in Bettenhausen's racing team, and Larry Rangel, an Indiana businessman.

The plane took off from Tri-City Airport in Blountville, Tenn., for Indianapolis, the Federal Aviation Administration said.



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