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Candidates prepare for runoff election

by Tomi Rodgers/UD

For the second consecutive year, students must cast votes twice to determine who will lead the Texas Tech Student Association.

Wednesday's presidential runoff is between the two candidates who earned the most votes in last week's general election, Russell Thomasson, a senior accounting major from Lubbock, and Clint Freeman, a senior engineering major from Farmington, N.M.

Freeman earned 49.59 percent of the votes in the general election,



★ Student Association

Thomasson earned 45.22 percent, and David Scott, who was on the ballot as Inky, earned 5.18 percent.

Because no candidate earned the required 51 percent to be eligible for the presidential position, a runoff election is necessary.

Many students also will have the

chance Wednesday to vote in a runoff election for a College of Arts and Sciences senator, between Jay Mac Davenport, a sophomore pre-med major from Fort Worth, and Misty Scribner, a sophomore pre-optometry major from Pampa.

Because only students in the College of Arts and Sciences can vote in the senator runoff election, two separate ballots will be issued — one for students in the College of Arts and Sciences, which will include a voting slot for senator and SA president, and a regular presidential ballot for stu-

dents of other colleges.

Campaigning efforts by Freeman and Thomasson continued this week, as candidates encouraged students limit the trash created by campaign fliers.

Freeman said he encourages students to vote and stressed the importance of learning about what candidates stand for and what they can do to benefit the student body.

"Students need to realize the importance of what the position does and need to choose the person they best think will represent them," he said.

Thomasson expressed similar concerns about the importance of students becoming involved and making an educated vote.

"I would say to definitely look over the material you're given and to ask the tough questions you want answered of the candidates or members of their campaigns," Thomasson said.

Students can vote at any one of 10 locations Wednesday — the agricultural sciences building, the architecture building, the math building, the engineering building, the human sciences building, the mass communica-

tions building, the law school building, Holden Hall, the business administration building and the University Center.

A Tech student ID card or driver's license is required to vote.

Dan Burns, assistant UC director and adviser of the election committee, said it is important for students to vote Wednesday because the people elected truly will be representative of the students, not just a select group who vote.

"The more people we get to vote, the broader the base you're drawing from," Burns said.

UT officials gave Bullock donations

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Seven presidents of UT System campuses were driven to a fundraiser for Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who received checks from many of them during the final stretch of his 1994 re-election campaign.

The presidents were transported from a two-day retreat near Austin to attend the event at the Waco home of then-Board of Regents Chairman Bernard Rapoport, the *San Antonio Express-News* reported in Monday's editions.

UT Chancellor William Cunningham also attended the event. Five days after Rapoport's Aug. 12, 1994, fund-raiser, the Bullock campaign recorded \$47,225 worth of checks from 46 high-ranking UT administrators, according to campaign finance reports. In recent weeks, University of Texas officials have acknowledged contributing to campaigns while at work, in apparent violation of finance laws. Cunningham last month reminded employees not to handle political affairs on state time.

UT regulations prohibit involving "the System or a component institution in partisan politics."

State law also prohibits the use of "official authority" to influence an election or "achieve any other political purpose."

In the 1994 case, UT System Vice Chancellor James Duncan told the presidents a van would be provided for them to travel to Waco together and then return to Austin, the news-



Bullock

All of the presidents at the retreat — from UT Arlington, Austin, Brownsville, Dallas, El Paso, Edinburg and San Antonio — went to the house of Rapoport, a major contributor to the Democratic Party who was among the 938 house guests who spent a night in the Lincoln Bedroom at the White House.

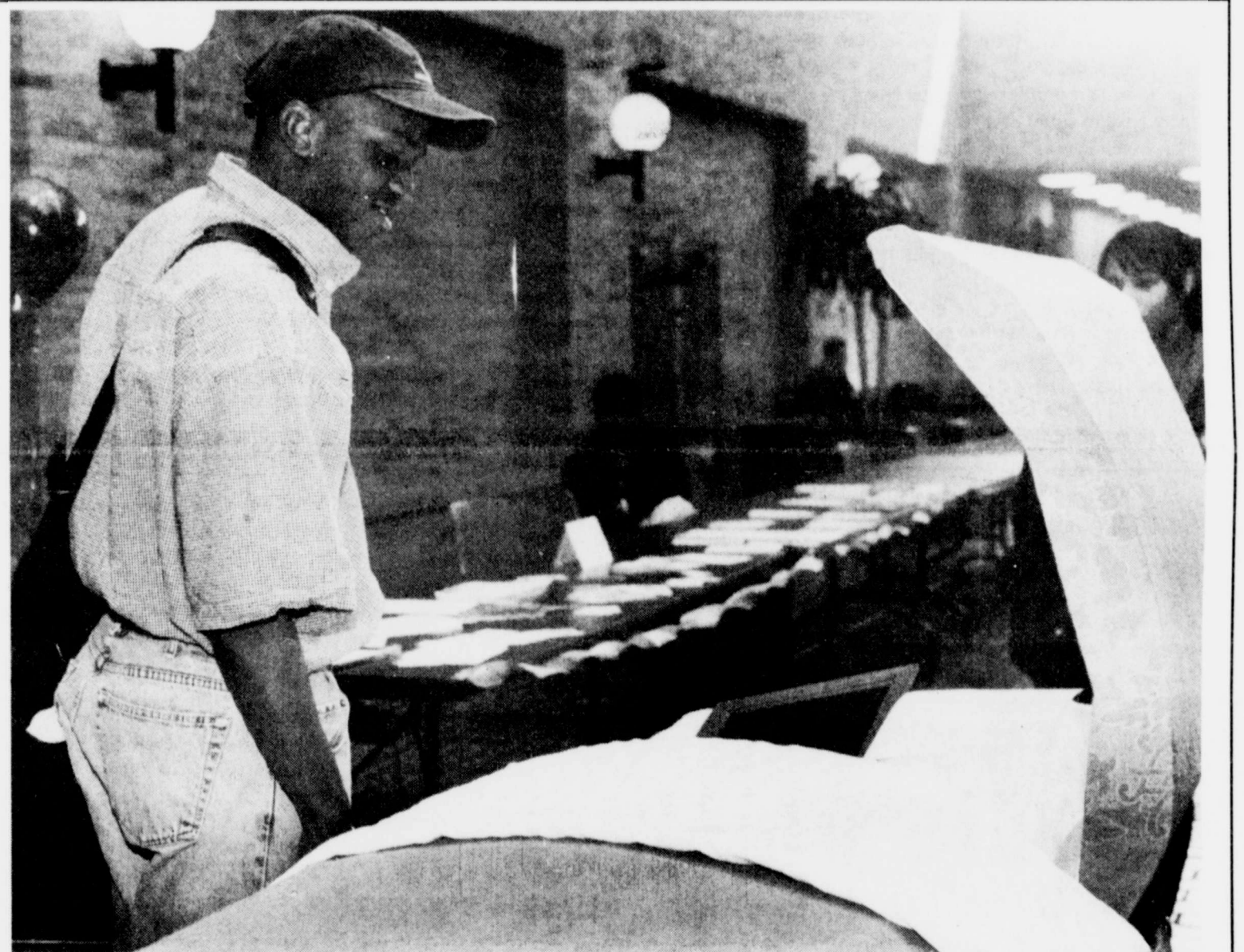
UTSA President Samuel Kirkpatrick attended and gave \$250. Checks from five other campus officials, totalling \$1,100, were accepted by Bullock at the same time, according to finance records. Friends of the University Political Action Committee, a group affiliated with the UT System, gave Bullock a \$7,500 check on the day of the party.

"This is where some of those contributions that were bundled together were handed to Bullock or whoever was there from his campaign," said university spokesman Monty Jones.

Critics say that honoring politicians with bundled donations demonstrates how higher education officials were actively involved in partisan politics.

paper reported.

Vice Chancellor Dan Bullock said the trip was paid for with "third-party gift dollars," and didn't involve taxpayer money.



Staring death in the face: Manu Newkirk, a senior vocal performance major from Bedford, stares at his reflection in an open casket. The Delta Sigma Theta sorority set up the casket in the University Center to inform students about alcoholism dangers.

Stacey C. Brooks/UD

Citadel hazing results in punishment for ten

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — A male cadet at The Citadel was thrown out of school and nine others were given lesser punishments in the hazing and harassment of two female cadets, the military school said Monday.

One cadet was cleared, and the FBI and state investigators continue to look into the women's allegations for possible criminal charges.

"The college made mistakes and individuals broke rules," interim President Clifton Poole said. "We have gotten the facts. We have heard the evidence, and we have punished those cadets who have violated regulations."

Of 15 male cadets who faced discipline, one was dismissed and one was given the next-most severe punishment: He is restricted to campus for the rest of the semester and must do 120 hours of marching with an unloaded rifle in the barracks courtyard. Eight of the cadets received lesser punishments,

ranging from shorter marching tours and demerits to confinement to the barracks.

Previously, three implicated cadets left school and one received marching and demerits.

Cadets Jeanie Mentavlos of Charlotte, N.C., and Kim Messer of Clover said their clothes were set on fire and cleanser was put on their heads. They also said they were forced to drink tea until they became ill, made to drink alcohol and forced to stand in a closet while being shoved and kicked last semester.

They didn't return to the state military school for the spring semester. The Citadel still has two female cadets. It began accepting women last June after a court battle.

"Hopefully this will bring to a conclusion a most painful chapter in our history," Poole said. "With these punishments, The Citadel has exhausted the remedies available to it under the college's published rules."

Gore promises cities help with welfare reform

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vice President Al Gore promised city leaders Monday that the Clinton administration will help them manage the aftermath of the welfare overhaul bill the president signed into law last year.

"We recognize that you cannot and should not do this alone," Gore told hundreds of officials at the National League

of Cities annual conference.

The bill ended the federal guarantee of aid to the poor, put five-year limits on benefits, reduced food stamps, cut off aid to legal immigrants and gave states responsibility for the welfare program. Many city officials fear being asked to pick up the slack without additional resources to do the job.

Gore said the bill was "a be-

ginning, not an end."

He noted President Clinton's call on churches, nonprofit groups and private businesses to "step up to the plate" and hire welfare recipients. Clinton's budget proposal also includes tax incentives for businesses that cull some employees from the welfare rolls, he said. Gore also told the officials that Clinton recently named him to oversee an

effort within the federal government to begin recruiting and hiring qualified welfare recipients.

"We in the federal government will do our part," the vice president said. "We will lead by example."

He criticized the denial of benefits to legal immigrants as "just plain wrong," and said the administration will try to change it. Congressional Republicans

have shown no interest in amending the law.

Gore promised continued support for efforts to fight juvenile crime, and to encourage urban renewal through a new round of empowerment zones and tax breaks to help clean up abandoned industrial waste sites.

He said the administration will propose an increase in transportation spending.

Students, administration discuss parking situation

by Tomi Rodgers/UD

An open forum was conducted Monday for Texas Tech students and faculty to comment and learn more about the parking changes scheduled to occur during Spring Break.

Beginning March 24, the C-4 parking lot located west of the Student Recreation Center will be closed for the remainder of the spring semester because of United Spirit Arena construction.

Robert Ewalt, Tech's vice president for student affairs, said the lot's closure will most likely cause the most concern and disturbance among students when Spring Break is over.

"Many students will not have much comment until they experience the inconvenience," Ewalt said.

To compensate for the loss of parking, a temporary 800-space parking lot will be built west of Indiana Avenue, and an additional 200 spaces in the Naval Reserve Center located at Brownfield Highway and Fourth Street will be available.

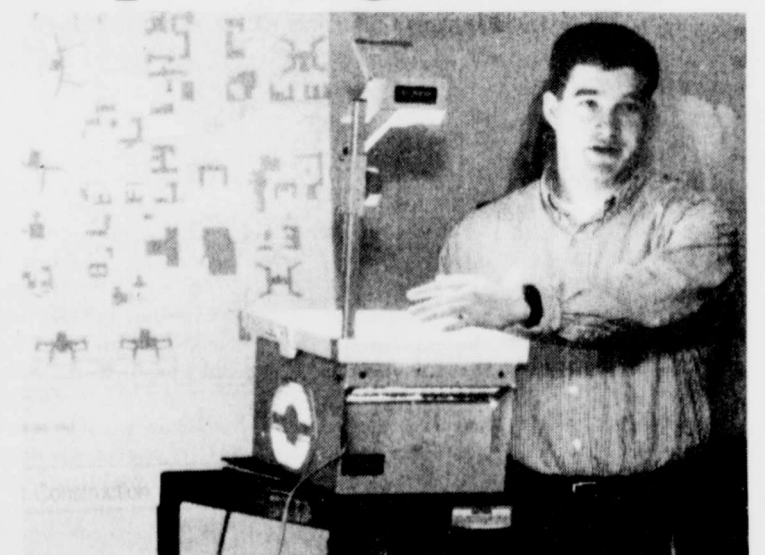
Two shuttle buses will be added to run in five-minute intervals between the west commuter lots to the business administration building, with no stops in between.

Red and green bus routes will continue regular courses, circling clockwise and counterclockwise around the campus.

A small group of students gathered at noon Monday in the University Center Double T Room to express opinions and learn about alternatives to the current parking situation, where the plans were illustrated and explained.

Student Association President Geoff Wayne, a senior finance and accounting major from Lubbock, said SA officials and Tech administrators have tried to prepare students as best as possible for the parking situation and plan to continue, with advertising efforts to inform students about the change.

"A lot of times it's hard to understand a situation until it happens," Wayne said.



Stacey C. Brooks/UD
Redirecting traffic: Student Association President Geoff Wayne speaks at a forum to address concerns of students and faculty about the closing of the C-4 commuter lot.

Their View

Tech athletics reveal pathetic administration



Brooks Boyett/columnist

How embarrassing. How ridiculous. How appalling. How pathetic. I just can't get over the stuff that went down with the men's basketball team this weekend. This whole thing is just sad. I heard the news on TV as I was preparing to watch the Kansas vs. Iowa State game.

When the announcer revealed that Tech was in trouble for playing academically ineligible players, I was furious. I love March Madness. And I badly wanted Tech to be there.

But was I surprised? Sadly, not one bit.

It's almost like I half-expected it. How could whomever was responsible actually let Gracen Averil's and Deuce Jones's grades just slip by them like that? Do they have some secret vendetta against our school?

Or are they just plain stupid?

Sure, the two players should have done a better job in the classroom. It's really not very difficult to get at least a C in a class.

But where in the world was the person who says to Coach Dickey, "Averil is ineligible to play because of his grades. So is Jones."

How hard is that? Had neither player been allowed to suit up this season, we probably would have done just as well. Maybe one or two games might have been lost, and we might have missed out on an NCAA berth. But at least we wouldn't have lost what last shred of decency our athletic program still has.

The worst part of this whole deal is the fact that the rest of the players on the team have to suffer — Stanley Bonowitz, Cory Carr, Tony Battie, Gionet Cooper, Brock Barnes and all the others. Each and every one of those guys has worked his proverbial tail end off. They've made their grades. They've practiced every day. They've done everything they could to make it to the NCAA's.

But they failed. Not because they lost too many games or because the tournament selection committee thought they weren't deserving.

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No, they missed the berth because of some stupid oversight by someone in the athletic administration.

This just makes me sick.

I got to know Carr last spring. We had a class together. I studied with him and took notes for him on days that he had to miss class for basketball games. I have nothing but respect for this guy. He always made it to class (unless he was out of town for a game). He studied hard. He didn't seem to expect a single thing from our professor. And he's a genuinely nice guy.

Carr is an example what a student-athlete is supposed to be. But he's being punished for someone else's screw-up. I feel sorry for him. I feel sorry for those teammates of his who haven't done anything wrong. And I feel sorry for Tech fans everywhere. I believe we would have made quite a showing in the NCAA tournament. We would have surprised some people.

Instead it's just another day at the office for Tech athletics.

That's too bad.

Brooks Boyett is a junior advertising major from Amarillo.

State View

Houston Chronicle on welfare reform:

The welfare reform bill signed into law last year was hailed as an opportunity for states to tailor their assistance programs to the particular needs of their populations.

Many states, including Texas, began immediately putting together plans that would provide a safety net for poor families, move people off the dole and into the work force and trim costs. For its part, the federal government promised to respond to such proposals within 60 days of their submission for review.

Instead, Washington has made Texas wait three months and still has not responded to its proposal to privatize the screening of welfare applicants. Taking the lack of a response as tacit approval of the program, Gov. George W. Bush and Mike McKinney, Texas' commissioner of health and human services, were preparing to go ahead with letting bids for the five-year, \$2 billion contract.

Much to their shock and ours, however, federal officials are now saying that Texas could be risking billions in federal welfare funding by going ahead with the project without explicit approval.

It is bad enough that the government is not upholding its end of the bargain by reviewing welfare proposals in a timely fashion, their threatening a loss of funding is doubly galling.

Worse still is the fact that the delay may be for purely political reasons. Because the Texas plan is a precedent-setting privatization effort that could cut thousands of government employees from payrolls, labor unions are reportedly applying pressure to stall the plan.

The federal government has no business keeping Texas in limbo. Washington officials must express concerns if they have them or let Texas move ahead with its welfare plan.

A deal is a deal, and Texas has upheld its part.



Your View

SA works for benefit of every Texas Tech student

To the editor: In opposition to the recent put downs of the Student Association and its election process, I would like to clear up a few errors and stereotypes many of you have about the SA. First off, as a member of the 1996-97 Freshman Council and a newly elected member of the Student Senate, I wanted to address the issue that some of you think the SA elections are a popularity contest. This is a gigantic misconception. The reason we are elected to the SA is because of hard work, determination and dedication, not because we are popular.

I personally spoke to as many as 10 student organizations across Tech, telling them what I am presently doing, and what I would like to do in years to come. I am not the only one doing this, numerous other candidates were right there beside me doing an even better job than I was. Of course, you need your friend and your friends' friends to vote for you, but that is merely a part of the political process that you need more votes than the other candidates to win the election.

I was also out there on election day from 7:30 a.m. in the morning to 7 p.m. at night on handing out my fliers. I was not out there to freeze or even be cursed at, but rather to get my name out to as many of you as possible in the hopes of being elected. Another reason I was out there was to answer questions any of you might have had for me concerning my agenda for the upcoming year. Since only one out of the hundreds that I handed my fliers to asked me a question, I don't think it's fair for people to complain about the election process. I understand that many of you are pressed for time, but in order for Tech to be successful, we need a productive SA whose main focus is to represent the students. I just don't know how that is possible if you don't ask questions or don't vote at all.

I also would like to address the condemnation of the SA this year. Since I am on Freshman Council, it is my privilege to be at every senate meeting held. I just wanted to let all the students out there know that this year's SA has been very effective, productive and had represented the students to the best of their ability. The SA has covered such things as Financial Aid Office reform to teacher evaluations. They have stayed extremely busy, but you as a

student must remember it is partially your duty to make the appropriate senator of your college aware of your particular concern. Senators are always looking for more input to represent the students more productively.

Lastly, I would like to encourage all of the people condemning the SA and its election process to give us a break. We work extremely hard for this university and receive little or no credit for the positive things we accomplish. I sympathize with all of you who have to put up with us on election day, but I encourage you to take a few minutes of your day to actually ask why you should vote for us. I think you will be pleasantly surprised to content of our response. If not for that reason, do it for the benefit of your university and Tech students.

Austin McWilliams, freshman political science major

Athletes get burned in newest Tech fiasco

To the editor: Over the past one and half to two years, allegations of impropriety have surfaced against Texas Tech's athletic program. Some have proven to be false and some have simply indicated flaws in the system that show a lack of emphasis on academics. The most recent development is the most troubling to me because it blows my mind that something was not done about it prior to the time when the allegations surfaced. The lack of academic progress being made by two of Tech's men's basketball players was discovered as the men's basketball team participated in the Big 12 tournament. With the semester nearly halfway over, it is disturbing that no one would have been aware of these circumstances until this point in time. Obviously, a lack of communication existed between the athletic academic advisors and the men's coaching staff. If this is not true, then higher ranking officials knew of the situation and did nothing about it.

As a student-athlete at Tech, I would hope that the officials associated with the athletic program are not knowingly committing NCAA infractions. However, I must admit that I would not be completely surprised if some of these allegations are proven to be true. Logically, after the first accusations versus the athletic department surfaced, I would expect that the policies of the athletic department would be more heavily scrutinized to

prevent further developments. In contrast, the accusations have continued to mound up.

This morning I spoke with other athletes who expressed concern that because of all the academic allegations, employers may not believe that the academic achievements of Tech athletes who worked hard in their quest for an education are valid. Those employers who are knowledgeable about the questions surrounding Tech athletics may assume that the possible impropriety occurred in all sports. Student-athletes who played by the rules and sacrificed their time to represent Tech, while earning their college degrees, will be unjustly punished.

The decision made this weekend by Chancellor John T. Montford, President Donald Haragan, Athletic Director Gerald Myers and other Tech officials to remove Tech from consideration for the NCAA tournament and forfeit all Big 12 victories this season should be commended. I, for one, am disappointed that the men's basketball team will not be able to showcase its talent during March Madness after all of the hard work that they put into this season. However, although the decision to remove Tech from consideration for the tournament may not be the popular choice, it is the right thing to do. Above all else, we must ensure that the academic integrity of Tech, that has gained increasing attention in the past few years, be kept intact.

Andrew Schoppe, freshman business management and broadcast journalism major

Students should make educated voting choice

To the editor: This past Wednesday night I was shocked after hearing the results of the Student Association president election. Not only did it result in another runoff, but Russell Thomasson was not the victor. The difference of votes between the two candidates was so close that there was no choice but to have a runoff election. I am writing this letter to help inform the student body of who the most qualified and experienced candidate is. This way Texas Tech students can cast an educated and informed vote Wednesday.

Thomasson's experience is vast and diversified. He has been a student senator for the past two years from the College of Business Administration. Thomasson also has served on a count-

less number of committees and councils which help make informed decisions for the Tech student body and the administration. Thomasson cares about the views and interests of the students. He wants to ensure the students that their interests will be represented and heard. Thomasson will work endlessly to see that his job is done, and that the voice of the students at Tech is heard with extreme importance. Thomasson cares about Tech and the Lubbock community as a whole. He wants to continue the standard of excellence that is a trademark of Tech, and to help lead the students of Tech into the 1997-98 school year. So, Wednesday when you make your choice for SA president, make the educated choice. Choose Thomasson for SA president.

Zack Rogers, junior restaurant, hotel and institutional management major

Athletes should excel in classrooms, on courts

To the editor: I am continually amazed at how nobody ever wants to take responsibility for their actions. All day today, I have heard that the withdrawal of the Red Raiders from the NCAA tournament is the fault of the administration. Namely, that requiring students to receive a C is just too demanding. Nobody seems to care that rules were broken.

With all of the money spent on athletics, surely one of the assistant coaches or one of their assistants could spend a weekend getting familiar with the rules of NCAA basketball and let everyone on the team know what they have to do to stay eligible. Clearly, this person did not do their job.

Perhaps it is not the student's responsibility to actually be aware of the classes he or she is taking nor those classes they will have to repeat, but by no means can the administration be blamed for implementing poor rules long ago when the rules are just now being broken. The time to complain about unfair policies is before they are disobeyed, not after. Finally, I have to disagree with the argument that demanding a C is too much to ask of our students. Perhaps we should ask our bosses to quit demanding quality work from us. The rebuttal, of course, is that we all have jobs to do and acting like an adult is one of them.

Thurman Harrell, mechanical engineering major

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Emergency preparedness

Texas Tech officials plan test of updated warning system Wednesday

by April Castro/UD

As spring approaches, the South Plains "tornado season" is fast approaching.

In preparation for emergency situations that may arise during the spring months, Texas Tech safety personnel will conduct a campus-wide emergency weather alert system test at 10 a.m. Wednesday.

The one-minute test will use fixed-tone sirens and University Police Department vehicle "hi-lo" sirens placed across campus.

The annual test, which was enhanced last year when the "hi-lo" sirens were adopted as the standard warning of dangerous weather conditions, ensures that the sirens and warning systems are in proper working order and effectively cover the campus.

"We've had emergency systems of some sort for 20 years," said UPD Captain Eddie Huckabee.

"We put in a larger, stronger system last year to make sure we reach all parts of campus."

No tornado has touched down on campus for more than 25 years, Huckabee said.

"It (the alert system) is used when it looks like we're about to have a problem," he said. "We haven't had a tornado on campus though since May 11, 1970, when a tornado did a lot of damage to the stadium."

Huckabee advises students to learn the location of the shelters nearest them to be prepared for emergency weather.

Police Chief Jay Parchman said a

combination of sources are necessary before the sirens are used.

"We interface with a network of weather spotters, and if it looks like the university is under eminent threat, we consult with President Haragan and he makes the ultimate decision," Parchman said. "The last time it was used was when we tested it last year."

Even though Parchman said he has never seen a tornado touch down on the Tech campus, the threat of dangerous weather is always there, and no one knows when one could arise, he said.

Parchman said that when a siren sounds, students need to find protective shelter.

In case of an emergency weather situation, Tech residence hall staffs are prepared to lead occupants to safety, said Mark McVay, manager of housing services for Tech's Housing and Dining Services.

"Most of the halls have basements, and the students are told to go there," McVay said.

"No building can stand up to strong tornado — it's not like California where the buildings are built to withstand earthquakes."

Last year the system was used when a "dirt devil" was seen at Methodist Hospital, and police had to make the decision to alert the campus, he said.

"They spotted something that was not a tornado, but it looked like one," McVay said. "They had to make the decision right then."

It (the alert system) is used when it looks like we're about to have a problem.

Eddie Huckabee, UPD captain

Law students excel in client-attorney competition

by Jason Cox/UD

A team of Texas Tech law students experienced a taste of their future careers during the national finals of the American Bar Association's Client Counseling Competition Friday and Saturday at the University of Montana School of Law.

The Tech team qualified for the national finals by winning the regional competition Feb. 22 in Oklahoma City, placing ahead of teams from Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Kansas, but failed to make it to the final round.

Team members include Allen Ahlschwede, a second-year law stu-

dent from San Angelo; Debra Thomas, a third-year law student from Lubbock; Lori Gruver, a second-year law student from Austin; and Neel McDonald, a second-year law student from Huntsville.

Charles Bubany, a professor of law at the Texas Tech School of Law and a team adviser, said the competition involves two students role playing as lawyers interviewing a person acting as a "client."

The Client Counseling Competition consists of three preliminary rounds and a final round, Bubany said. In each preliminary round of competition, three teams interview

the same client, and a panel of three judges awards points based on the teams' interview performances.

Each team interviews the same client for 30 minutes, evaluates the situation, and suggests a course of action for the client to take. Each round has different clients with different problems.

"Basically, they are compared with the other teams interviewing the same client," Bubany said.

The two teams that make the finals compete head-to-head, interviewing the same client.

The winner of the final round wins the competition.

Bubany said the purpose of the competition is to simulate real world situations.

"It (competition) was designed to replicate what interviews in a law office would be like," Bubany said.

Ahlschwede said the competition is important because the first interview with a client is the key to establishing a good relationship.

"Competing in law school competitions includes getting hands-on experience and learning practical skills you need as an attorney," Ahlschwede said. "All the competitions I've been in during law school have enhanced my education at Texas Tech."

Cambodia hands over possible remains of U.S. serviceman

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) — Remains believed to be those of an American airman who disappeared on a mission over Cambodia were given to U.S. officials Monday for possible identification.

An American flag was draped over the casket carrying the remains.

"The recovery and return of the remains would not be possible with-

out the support of the Cambodian government and the people," said U.S. Embassy official Robert Porter.

The U.S. military dropped more than a half-million tons of bombs on Cambodia as the war in Vietnam spilled into this neutral neighboring country in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

Since 1991, Cambodian-U.S. op-

erations have recovered and identified the remains of five American servicemen. There are 2,128 Americans unaccounted for in Southeast Asia, 76 of them in Cambodia.

The remains transferred Monday were recovered in recent searches of six eastern Cambodian provinces, on the Vietnamese border.

A woman who lived in the area led

investigators to the crash site, which had never been excavated. The remains are suspected to be those of an airman who disappeared in 1971.

Rapper's murder creates questions

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Industry leaders long tried to dismiss a simmering feud between West Coast rapper Tupac Shakur and his East Coast counterpart The Notorious B.I.G. as just an overblown publicity stunt.

Now both are dead, victims of almost identical drive-by shootings six months apart, leaving fans and investigators wondering if the coastal rivalry is more than an act.

No arrests have been made in the September shooting of Shakur, 25. The Notorious B.I.G.'s killing Sunday morning also shows little promise of a quick arrest.

Shakur was in Las Vegas with Death Row Records founder Marion "Suge" Knight Sept. 7 when he was shot while sitting in the passenger seat of Knight's car. He died in the hospital a week later.

Knight, who was slightly injured, has been described as uncooperative by Las Vegas police.

The Notorious B.I.G., whose real name was Christopher Wallace, had just left a party celebrating the Soul Train Awards when he was shot by someone in

a passing car as he sat in a parked GMC Suburban. The 24-year-old was pronounced dead at a hospital.

Las Vegas police say they have no indication the two shootings are related.

"We really can't say because we haven't spoken to anyone from Los Angeles," homicide Sgt. Kevin Manning said.

"We don't know if there's any linkage."

Some have said the artists were victims of gang violence, while still others say the deaths were the culmination of a growing East Coast-West Coast rivalry that typifies the violence of so-called "gangsta rap."

"I think that it's time that the authorities got serious about recognizing that the East Coast-West Coast thing is dangerous, and it's legitimate," said Don Cornelius, creator and executive producer of television's "Soul Train" music show.

But Phyllis Pollack, a publicist with Def Press in Los Angeles who has represented several rap stars, said it's unfair to speculate that the deaths were the result of a feud.

Tech professor receives recognition

Texas Tech's first Caesar Kleberg Wildlife Management Professor will be announced by the department of range, wildlife and fisheries management at 3 p.m. today in the University Center Matador Room.

Loren M. Smith will be honored at the reception, at which Tech Chancellor John T. Montford is scheduled to speak.

The professorship was established in memory of Caesar Kleberg by the Caesar Kleberg Foundation for Wildlife Conservation, as one of the

country's earliest conservationists.

Smith has been a professor at Tech since 1984.

Smith was editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Wildlife Management* in 1994 and 1995 and is the author of numerous publications.

He received a bachelor's degree in zoology in 1977 from Northeast Missouri State University, a master's degree in wildlife science in 1980 from South Dakota State University and a doctorate in wildlife ecology in 1983 from Utah State University.

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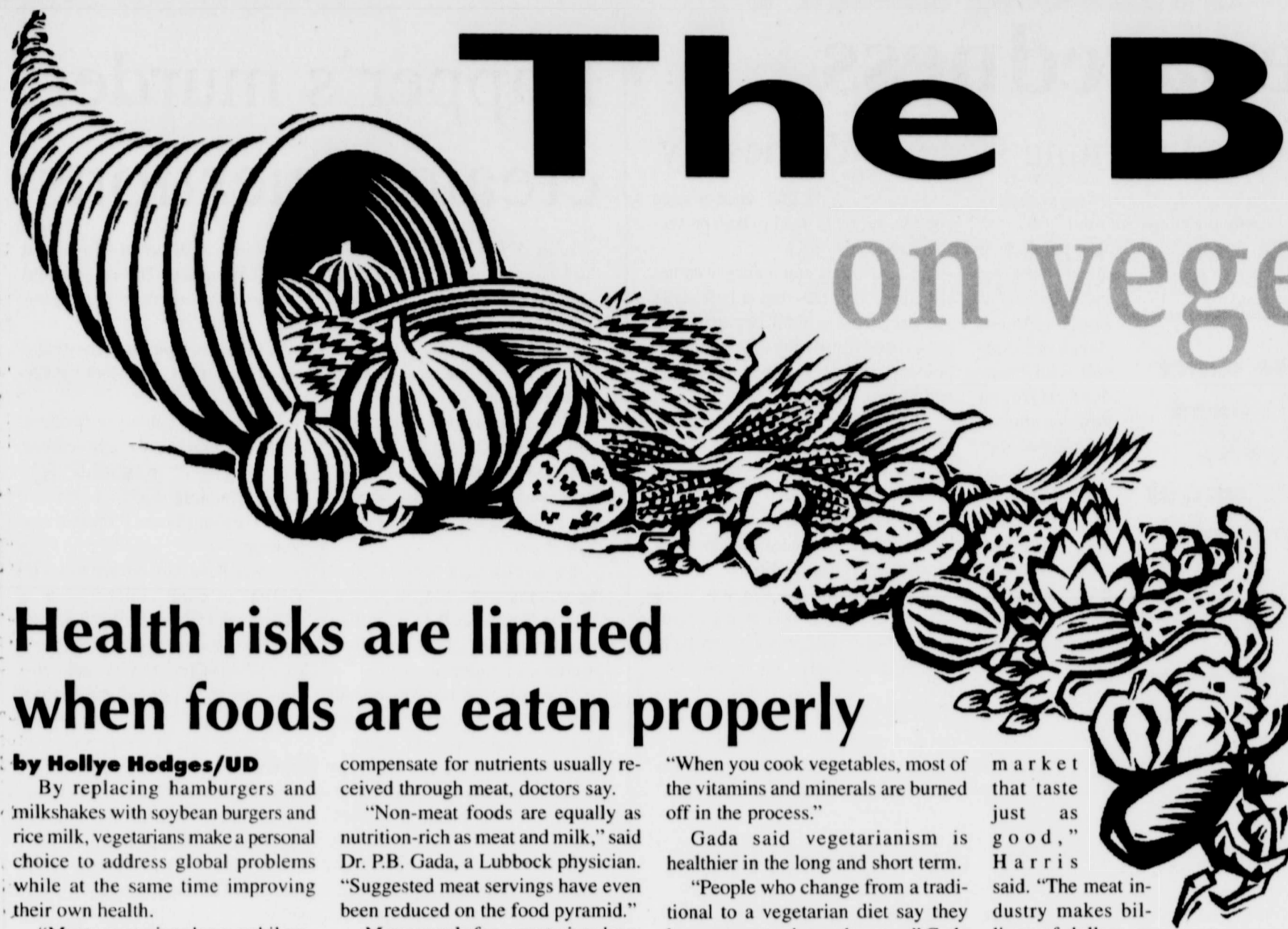
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The Beef on vegetarianism

Vegetarians face many social myths, stigmas

by April Castro/UD

As vegetarianism continues to be an increasingly popular trend, many local vegetarians say they face social stigmas that affect almost all aspects of their lives.

The growing number of non meat-eaters nationwide has resulted in a growing number of vegetarian stores, said Andrea Cummings, a vegetarian and manager of Well Body Natural Foods, 3651 34th St.

However, few restaurants in Lubbock are vegetarian-friendly, and people have to be extremely careful when eating out, Cummings said.

"Most vegetarians go to places they know, like Well Body, the Delhi Palace, Bless Your Heart, Zookini's, Souper Salad, and Chili's even has a few dishes," Cummings said. "Not many people cater to it (vegetarianism) in Lubbock — Lubbock is cattletown, and people expect that."

Eddie Behrends, manager of Texas Tech's meat laboratory, said he doesn't have a problem with vegetarians as long as they don't force their values on anyone else.

"I don't have a problem with these kind of people, but I don't appreciate them forcing their values on us," Behrends said. "We sometimes get flack from PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals), and I don't appreciate that."

Behrends said he would prefer to not deal with vegetarians at all.

"I'll leave them alone if they leave me alone," Behrends said.

"But personally, I think they don't

know what they're missing."

Crystal Rushing, co-president of the Vegetarian Society of Lubbock and a senior education major from Plainview, said she has experienced a very negative attitude from many Lubbock residents and Tech students.

"They misunderstand and feel personally insulted because agriculture is the basis of their way of life," Rushing said. "Most of the negative response is in ignorance."

Lubbock is not a viable market for vegetarianism, she said.

"Vegetarians are more accepted on the West Coast and in larger cities than in West Texas," she said.

Many vegetarians say they encounter the myth that non meat-eaters are not healthy and lack the proper nutrients for a lifestyle in good health.

"I've heard a lot of controversy, but I've never had a problem," she said. "We must balance out grains, starches, and amino acids, and we need to eat dark leafy greens, salads and raw fruits to balance it."

Parents of young vegetarians frequent Well Body to learn more about their children's lifestyles, she said.

"Parents come in trying to find out why," she said. "It's hard for them to incorporate it into their meals at home."

Stigmas surrounding vegetarianism involve ignorance rather than a negative attitude, she said.

"It's not so much a negative attitude, but more as not understanding why people choose to do it," Cummings said. "Some try to force it (vegetarianism) down people's throats — we don't need to do that."

“Not many people cater to it (vegetarianism) in Lubbock.”

Andrea Cummings, Well Body manager

Health risks are limited when foods are eaten properly

by Hollye Hodges/UD

By replacing hamburgers and milkshakes with soybean burgers and rice milk, vegetarians make a personal choice to address global problems while at the same time improving their own health.

"Most vegetarians have a philosophy in which food has implications beyond personal gratification and taste," said Vinnie Harris, co-president of the Vegetarian Society of Lubbock. "We are concerned with other beings and environmental issues related to a meat-based diet."

Vegetarianism is differentiated by three degrees of animal products consumed, said Harris, a communication studies graduate student from Grant's Pass, Ore. Ovo-lacto vegetarians eat eggs and dairy products but no meat. Lacto vegetarians eat dairy products, but no meat or eggs, and a vegan's diet consists of no animal products at all.

"Our theme relates to how our food choices affect others," Harris said. "We consider animals, the environment and other humans."

However, medical professionals agree the vegetarian lifestyle can be dangerous if not carefully approached. Problems associated with eliminating meat and animal-derived products like milk and eggs from daily diets lead to concerns of malnutrition because animal products are common sources of protein and essential vitamins.

To combat this problem, vegetarians must eat a completely balanced vegetable- and grain-based diet to

compensate for nutrients usually received through meat, doctors say.

"Non-meat foods are equally as nutrition-rich as meat and milk," said Dr. P.B. Gada, a Lubbock physician. "Suggested meat servings have even been reduced on the food pyramid."

Many people fear vegetarians have a do not obtain enough protein in their diet, but doctors say this theory has been disproved with time.

"About 20 or 30 years ago, the meat industry claimed that not eating meat resulted in a lack of amino acids in your diet," Gada said. "But if this were true, vegetarians like me wouldn't be alive today — I have never eaten meat."

Research has proven that vegetarians have a reduced risk of suffering a heart attack.

"An average American male meat eater has a 50 percent chance of dying from a heart attack," Gada said. "However, vegetarians have only a four percent chance."

Vegetarians say they get all the vitamins and minerals they need through fresh foods.

"There are no health risks associated with being a vegetarian if you are educated," Harris said. "Actually, we get more from our food because we eat a lot of fresh foods where the vitamins and minerals aren't destroyed."

Professionals agree that cooking harms the nutrient content of many foods.

"Even though cooked vegetables are better than no vegetables, raw ones are the most healthy," Gada said.

"When you cook vegetables, most of the vitamins and minerals are burned off in the process."

Gada said vegetarianism is healthier in the long and short term.

"People who change from a traditional to a vegetarian diet say they have more stamina and energy," Gada said. "In the long run, vegetarians rarely have colon cancer, high cholesterol and don't have to worry about poultry diseases like salmonella."

To stay balanced, vegetarian diets are composed of a combination of fruits, vegetables, grains and legumes.

"There are vegetarian substitutes for every meat-based product in the

market that taste just as good," Harris said. "The meat industry makes billions of dollars on the misconception that you have to have meat — vegetarians don't buy into that idea."

Harris said vegetarians think beyond the grocery store.

"For us, it is not about going to United and getting food off the shelf," Harris said. "It is about a rational, emotional way of eating."

Vegetarian Categories

- Lacto-ovo vegetarians: eat eggs & dairy, but not meat
- Lacto vegetarians: eat dairy, but not meat & eggs
- Vegans: do not eat eggs, dairy or meat

source: Vegetarian Society of Lubbock

Organization provides meat-free environment

by Hollye Hodges/UD

The meeting begins while the cook prepares the food. The agenda consists of topics ranging from organically grown food to recipes consisting of leeks and basil.

Members come from different backgrounds, but share a common philosophy based on food having implications beyond taste.

The Vegetarian Society of Lubbock was founded in July by co-presidents Vinnie Harris and Texas Tech student Crystal Rushing as a networking system for Lubbock area vegetarians.

"We try to give people a greater variety of ideas on what to eat," said Rushing, a senior education major from Plainview.

The VSL is an independent organization of about 100 members who meet the last Friday of every month at local restaurants that offer vegetarian dishes.

The group publishes a monthly

newsletter that includes news, recipe suggestions, sources for vegetarian meals and a network service that lists phone numbers of VSL members who offer professional services.

"It is hard to be a vegetarian in an agricultural community like this one because people take your choice not to eat meat personally," Rushing said.

Not all members of the VSL are vegetarians, she said. Anyone who would like education about vegetarianism is welcome to attend a meeting.

The group also helps members decide what degree of vegetarianism is right for them.

"I wanted to get involved in an organization that was concerned with animal rights," said VSL member Nathan Dinenne, a freshman philosophy major from Lewisville.

"Going to VSL meetings inspired me to become a vegan."

Texas economy directly affected by meat industry

by Ginger Pope /UD

In a land of chicken fried steaks, Angus beef and fried chicken, there is hardly enough room for vegetarians.

The Texas economy is largely based on the production and sale of meat, said Beverly Boyd, spokeswoman for the Texas Department of Agriculture. In 1995 cattle were responsible for almost 50 percent of all of the state's agricultural sales, Boyd said. That year, the cattle industry earned almost \$6 billion and had an \$18 billion impact on the economy.

"You have to take into account everyone who is impacted," she said. "The buying of seed, veterinarian services, processing and those earning a paycheck at the slaughterhouses."

Vegetarians can find a diet more appealing to them, but they may have to look a little harder for what they

want because livestock production in Texas is so prevalent, Boyd said.

Wheat farming is most popular in the High Plains area, rice is found on the coastal area and various vegetables are grown in the San Antonio Winter Garden area or in the lower Rio Grande Valley, she said.

Fruit production can be found throughout Texas, Boyd said. Locations of food production depend greatly on what resources — water and soil — are available.

Debbie Winters, an administrative assistant for the Humane Society of the United States' regional office in Dallas, said the primary reason people become vegetarians is because of the cruelty to animals during food production.

"We serve eight states, and we get calls everyday in relation to cruelty to animals," Winters said.

"The calls predominantly come

from Texas."

Cruelty to animals occurs everyday in livestock production, she said. In veal markets calves are placed in stalls so small they cannot move at all, and a similar situation occurs with chickens.

Many of the animals die from struggling, and chickens are debeaked so they will not peck each other to death, she said.

"A lot of people are getting involved with the sale of animals for money because it's a way to make a fast buck," Winters said.

Kary Mathis, a Texas Tech professor of agriculture and applied economics, said cattle is the single largest agricultural category sold in Lubbock.

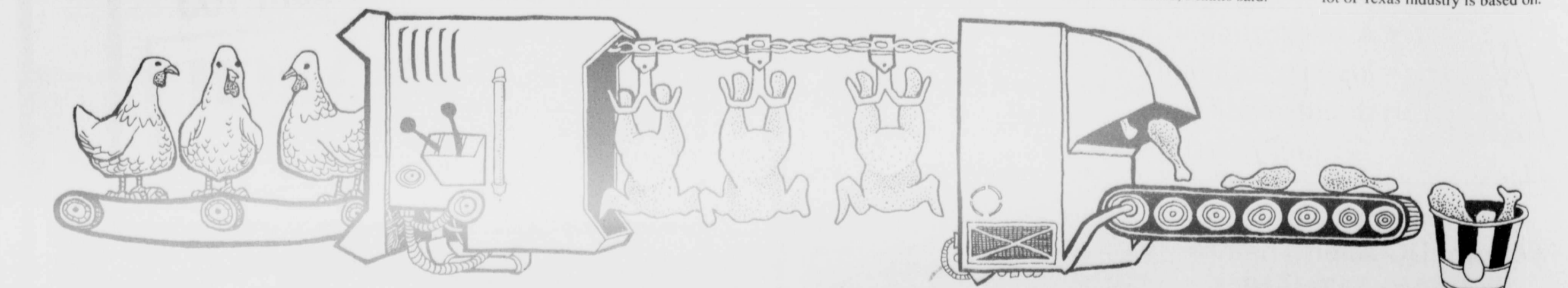
Animal producers probably feel threatened by vegetarians because raising livestock is a part of the producers' livelihood, Mathis said.

Texas agriculture

- The state's economy is primarily based on meat production
- Cattle production accounted for half of all Texas ag sales in 1995
- The Texas industry has a \$18 billion impact on economy
- Cattle is the largest ag commodity sold in Lubbock

Boyd does not foresee any economic problems because of vegetarians' choice not to eat beef or any other meat.

"Even if the number of vegetarians doubled it still wouldn't be a problem," Boyd said. "Just look at what a lot of Texas industry is based on."



Stern shows off 'Private Parts'

**by Chris Searight/
contributing writer**
The "King of All Media" has done it again. Howard Stern exposed his "Private Parts" to theaters all over the country Friday.

OK, for those who hate him, just for a minute, picture the movie without Stern. Would this make people want to see "Private Parts"? Maybe, but that's not the point. The point is simple — Stern's "Private Parts" is one of the funniest movies to hit the big screen in a long time.

Even though people seem to hate him because he is honest, rude, disgusting or whatever, there are sides to Stern that people are not aware of, and "Private Parts" exposes them.

The acting is excellent, the humor is never-ending, and the soundtrack rocks. More than a dozen scripts were tossed around, and the final one shows the effort put into this movie, thanks to screenplay writer, Len Blum. During test audience screenings of "Private Parts," Stern said, "Run, Forrest, run!" because "Private Parts" scored higher in a test audience screening than "Forrest Gump." In fact, Paramount Pictures was pleased to tell Stern that "Private Parts" was one of the highest-rated test audience movies of all time for the company.

George Lucas and 20th Century Fox must have felt the force of Stern as well. "Return of the Jedi" reportedly was pushed back from its original release date, March 7 to Friday, so as not to compete with Stern's movie.

What's going on? Is "Private Parts" really that good? The answer — yes. Enough of the statistics, here is a brief breakdown of this well-developed movie.

Stern and Director Betty Thomas take the audience back to the days when Stern was a child. Even though his father always told him to shut up, Stern kept on striving toward his goal of being a radio disc jockey.

While looking for a job, he meets his future wife, Alison (Mary McCormack), at a friend's



house and asks her to star in a film for a class project. After winning an award for the movie, Stern and Alison hit it off and become lovers.

He soon gets a break and fulfills his dream of being a radio DJ, but there's a problem — his voice has a tendency to get high when he is on the air. As a result, the station manager says he is terrible as a DJ and insists Stern become a program manager for the station.

He accepts, and soon realizes he has enough money to marry Alison.

The rest of the movie shows his jump from station to station, and along the way he meets his sidekicks Robin Quivers, Fred Norris and Jackie Martling. Once their show becomes popular, the raunchy Stern takes over. This is a very brief summary of the well-written story, which all should see to experience the full meaning of Stern's life.

Many more things happen along the way, but if they were printed here, there wouldn't be any motivation to see the movie, right? Those who love Stern will see the movie, and those who hate him should see it anyway.

If everyone sees this movie, Stern will earn an additional title as, "King of All Box Office Receipts." Oh, by the way, be sure to stay and watch the credits for some extra goodies.

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A whop bam boo

Lubbockites, Tech students visiting 1970s with today's 'Grease!'-craze

by Laura Hensley/UD
The 1972 Broadway hit that revived the '50s is back and taking the '90s by storm.

"Grease!" craze has hit Lubbock and can be heard anywhere from dance clubs to the Texas Tech Residence Halls. There even is a remix on the radio featuring a variety of songs from the popular musical.

Tech Resident Assistant Hollie McLaughlin, a sophomore undecided major from Corsicana, said her hall definitely is going "Grease!"

"It's like a cult here at the dorms," McLaughlin said.

"Everyone knows the songs and dances. It's kind of like we grew up with it."



'Look at me, I'm Sandra Dee...'
'You're the one that I want...'
'Why, it's Grease Lightnin'...'
'Summer lovin' had me a blast...'

The "Grease!" craze on the fourth floor of Wall Residence Hall hit a pinnacle last Halloween when the residents dressed up as the Pink Ladies.

"We all really liked the movie, so we decided to dress up," said Holly Major, a freshman psychology major from Edmond, Okla., who dressed as Frenchy.

"I don't know why we like it so much. It's so cheesy. It's just that all

of the songs put you in a good mood."

These "Grease!"-crazed girls and others from Lubbock will have the opportunity to see the Broadway musical this week at the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium.

A national touring group will perform four performances of the fifth-longest-running musical in Broadway history beginning tonight.

"Grease!" is a classic story," said Deana McCormack of Celebrity At-

tractions. If you have a chance to go, you will have a great time."

McCormack said the play version differs from the movie version considerably.

Four songs were added for the movie — "Hopelessly Devoted to You," "You're the One That I Want," "Sandy" and "Grease" are not in the Broadway version.

"I'm amazingly excited to see 'Grease!,'" McLaughlin said.

"All of the songs and jokes are pretty catchy, and it just makes you feel good."

Although all evening shows are sold out, tickets still are available for the matinee showing Thursday at 3 p.m.

"Grease!" is the final production of the 1996-1997 Give Your Regards to Broadway season, which featured past performances such as "Cats," "The Sound of Music" and "Hello Dolly."

Tickets are available at Tech's University Center ticket booth and all other Select-A-Seat locations. Ticket prices are \$32, \$26, \$20, \$16 and a special student discount of \$10.

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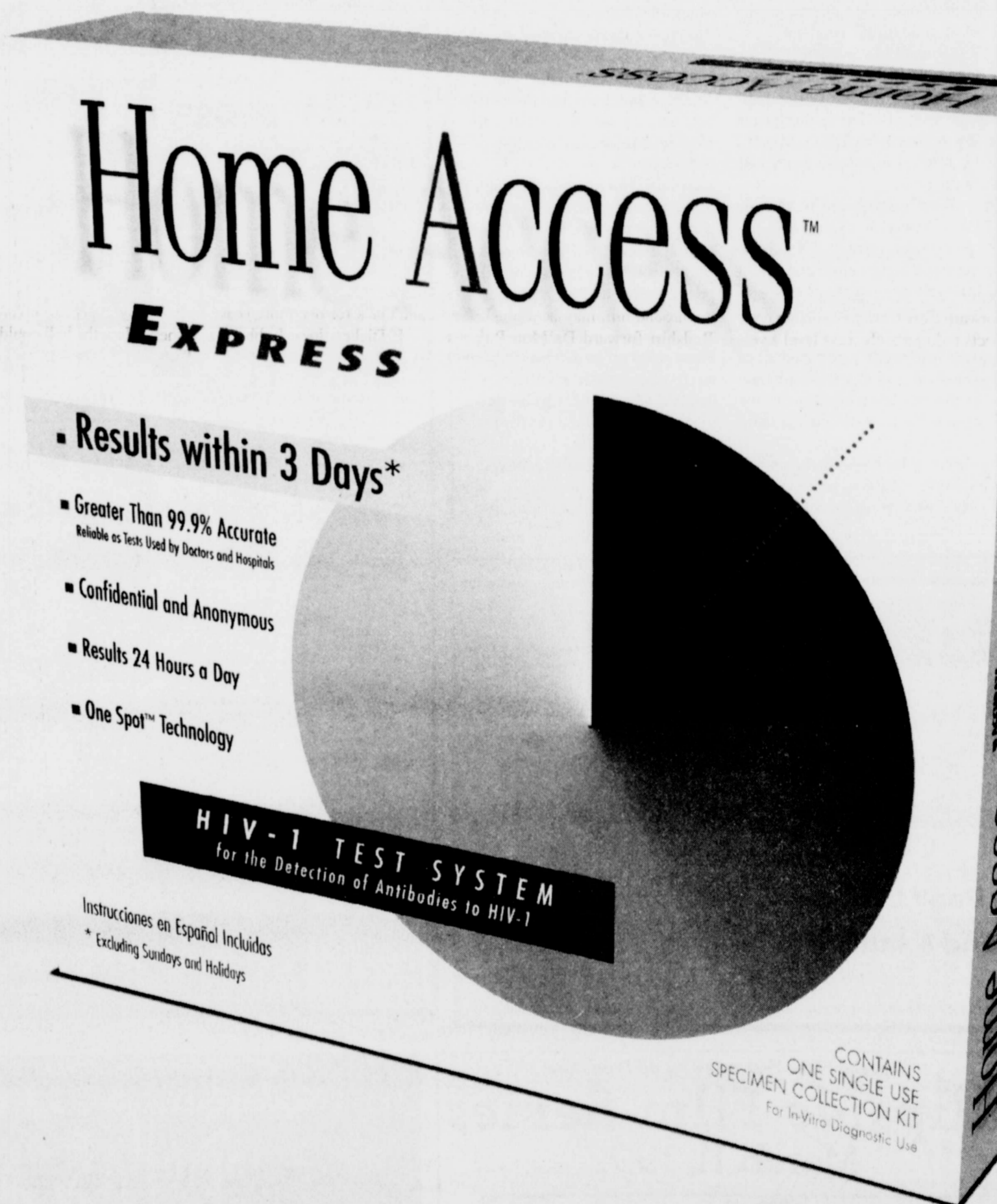
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Tech baseball uses weekend momentum to notch 7-2 win

by Christy Apple/UD
The momentum the Texas Tech baseball team gained in taking 2-of-3 games from Texas this weekend carried over to Monday's game against West Texas A&M as the Red Raiders won 7-2 at Dan Law Field.

After the win in Austin, Tech (15-2, 2-1) moved to No. 14 in *Collegiate Baseball's* top 25 and No. 22 in *Baseball America's* top 25. Tech coach Larry Hays said he had no doubts this would happen.

"I figured this would happen," Hays said. "We are coming off a big win."

The Buffaloes scored the first run of the game in the first inning, but Tech answered by scoring in each of the next four innings. The four-inning outburst was highlighted by senior right fielder Brandon Toro's second home run of the year in the fourth.

Tech scored three of its seven runs in the fifth inning when senior design-

nated hitter Joe Dillon hit a three-run home run.

Hays said the players are beginning to feel comfortable in their respective positions, but now it is time to see which players are going to step up and be leaders.

"We are to the point now to know who does what," Hays said. "It is just a matter of who is going to do it."

Senior right-hander Jimmy Frush (1-1), who faced West Texas A&M in the teams' last meeting a week ago, lowered his ERA from 12.91 to 6.75 Monday.

"I threw one inning against them last time," Frush said. "I am in the right frame of mind and looking to keep the same attitude."

Frush allowed one run on four hits and struck out 10 in seven innings of work.

"We had good pitching tonight," Hays said of Tech's staff. "Frush started off good for us, and (Jimmy)

Hooper did a good job closing."

Junior second baseman Keith Ginter went 2-for-3 with two stolen bases. Ginter said the momentum from the Texas win carried over into Monday night's game. Ginter said the Red Raiders were forced to adjust to the pitcher more than they had expected coming into the game.

"At Texas we faced a different level of pitching," Ginter said. "It was really smart for them to put in this pitcher. By the second time around in the lineup we were able to adjust to it."

Ginter said the team is much better after playing Texas but said the Red Raiders are gaining more confidence in their play.

"I think we are still molding," Ginter said. "We can be better — it just all comes with more games."

Tech wraps up its two-game series against West Texas A&M at 7 p.m. today at Dan Law Field.

Spurs suspend Maxwell for one game

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — San Antonio Spurs guard Vernon Maxwell, who has been on his best behavior most of this season, was suspended without pay for one game by the team Monday for an incident during Saturday's victory over Indiana.

The Spurs said Maxwell made gestures and body language that were not appropriate. His taunts apparently were aimed at the fans in Market Square Arena.

"His conduct did not coincide with the standards we have set for this basketball team," said Gregg Popovich, San Antonio's coach and general manager.

Maxwell, who already is guaranteed \$750,000 this season and could make another \$250,000 if he's on the Spurs' roster at season's end, will miss tonight's home game against Houston. The absence will cost him \$9,146.

This isn't the first time Maxwell's behavior with fans has

gotten him into trouble.

In February 1995, while with Houston, he charged into the stands in Portland and punched a heckling Trail Blazers fan. He was suspended for 10 games and fined \$20,000.

Maxwell's outbursts this year have been limited to the court. The night before the Pacers game he tied his season high with 34 points — six in the final 92 seconds — in a 106-103 victory over Toronto. The win ended a seven-game losing streak for San Antonio.

Maxwell has averaged 13.5 points, 2.4 rebounds and 2.2 assists in 30.4 minutes this year.

He's played in 54 games for the Spurs, whose season has been ruined by injuries, especially to David Robinson and Sean Elliott.

Although "Mad Max" has toned his act down this season, his volatile past has haunted him lately.

When he missed a recent two-game road trip to Florida because of what the team said was anemia, the

Orlando Sentinel reported that Maxwell may have avoided Orlando and Miami because police were prepared to arrest him for failure to pay child support in Alachua County.

Maxwell denied staying away on purpose, adding that he makes his child support payments every month.

A sergeant in the Alachua County sheriff's department said Maxwell owes a substantial amount.

Last month, a judge in Houston last month ordered Maxwell to pay \$592,000 to a woman who claimed he knowingly exposed her to the herpes virus. Maxwell did not attend the hearing and had no attorney present.

Maxwell, 31, signed with San Antonio as a free agent in August after being released by Philadelphia. At the time, Popovich said: "If he gets in any trouble I'm going to kick his butt."

Red Raiders' forfeiture of games impacts more than just this season



Brent Dirks/sports reporter

After the Texas Tech men's basketball team was forced to forfeit all 10 Big 12 Conference wins and withdraw from postseason play this weekend, one must ponder the Red Raiders' future.

In the short term, the well-being of the team depends on two little words — the draft.

Tech's two best players, junior center Tony Battie and junior guard/forward Cory Carr, are both hot prospects to jump to the next level a year early in June's NBA draft. Battie is a probable lottery pick while Carr looks to go later in the first round.

Both never have shut the door

completely on the NBA this year, saying they would decide after the end of the season. Now after the season has shockingly come to an end, their decision is humongous for the program.

Conventional wisdom around Lubbock is they both will go to the NBA or they both will stay in college.

Who could blame them for turning pro after what has happened this year? And if they do, Tech fans may have to prepare for the worst.

With Deuce Jones and Gionet Cooper gone because of expired eligibility coupled with the fact that Gracen Averil may never play in a Tech uniform again, the Red Raiders will be left with one starter from this year, guard Stan Bonewitz.

Bonewitz is a great player, but assembling four more competent players around him may be a tough job. Redshirt forward Da'Mon Roberts along with Rayford Young, Archie Myers and forward Cliff Owens, are left if Battie and Carr leave.

With the exception of Young, all

these players saw limited playing time this year and all need one or two more years of strong, on-the-court leadership to become great players. That's where the leadership corps of the team, Carr and Battie, come in.

Both members of the dynamic duo are fiercely loyal to Tech coach James Dickey. After Dickey said this weekend he was completely loyal to the Red Raiders, he may just have to keep one of the deadliest combos in basketball wearing red and black for one more year.

If Dickey does, Lubbock and the Big 12 which now considers Tech dead, may just have to watch out next year. After the shock has worn off, Tech's team may become so mad that

it will do anything to win and show the world what it would have done this year.

But before the next basketball season starts, a little more than nine months from now, the Red Raiders' more pressing matter is to clean up their internal house and the fans' perception of Tech's basketball program.

First, the internal house and more specifically the athletic department.

The first question that was almost universally asked by everyone involved with Tech is: "How the hell could this happen?"

Is this mess Gracen and Deuce's fault? No way.

Unlike other allegations involving Tech, these guys had no idea this was

coming. They went through the season like everything was fine.

For both parties concerned, they thought they were 100 percent eligible until on one of the most important days of the season somebody came in and said, "Oops, sorry, we had a 'compliance oversight' involving your grades. You're not eligible to play with the team."

Like every other athlete on this campus, they rely on academic services and other facets of the athletic department to interpret the NCAA eligibility rules, which are harder than the tax code to understand.

Apparently, somebody on the administration side screwed up big time, and Tech had to pay one of the worst penalties involving athletics in school history.

Chancellor John T. Montford, Athletic Director Gerald Myers and other school officials say they are going to fix the situation and make sure it will never happen again, but that line is starting to sound really old.

If things would have been fixed

like they needed to have been so very long ago, this would have never happened.

Let's hope somebody in the administration finally has realized the severity of this situation.

Even on the same level as fixing this problem internally, is the external perception of the university and the basketball program.

The amount of bad press this university has received during the past three days is staggering. Every kind of media in this nation reported on the penalty, putting Tech in not the best of spotlights.

If the administration puts its money where its mouth is and has a swift resolution to this catastrophe, fans all around the nation will slowly begin to trust that something like this will never happen to the basketball program or any athletic program at Tech again.

The health of the university and Tech athletics depends on it.

Brent Dirks is a sophomore journalism major from Lubbock.

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Sports briefly

Tech's Gordon, Johnson all-American

Three Texas Tech sprinters traveled to Indianapolis to compete in the NCAA's Track and Field Nationals Friday and Saturday. Unfortunately for Red Raider fans, only two could claim all-American honors.

Freshman Leon Gordon placed fifth in the 55 meters with a time of 6.25, and freshman Desmond Johnson finished seventh with a time of 47.27 in the 400-yard dash. Freshman Pap Howard did not place in the 200-yard dash in Friday's preliminaries and did not compete in Saturday's finals.

Rangers use long ball to defeat Toronto

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. (AP) — Solo homers by Will Clark, Ivan Rodriguez, Warren Newson and Mike Devereaux, powered the Texas Rangers to a 6-1 exhibition victory over the Toronto Blue Jays on Monday. Toronto starter and loser Pat Hentgen 1-1, needed 75 pitches, 40 strikes, to get through his four innings of work.

"Not a good game," the Cy Young Award winner said. "I fell behind and laid it in there, you just can't pitch that way the whole game."

Hentgen allowed three runs on five hits, two of the runs came on solo homers by Clark and Rodriguez.

Blue Jays manager Cito Gaston was a bit more upbeat. "If you give up three runs a game you'll win a lot of games."

Texas starter and winner Darren Oliver 1-0 went three innings, allowing one hit, while walking one and striking out two. Toronto spoiled the Rangers shutout bid in the ninth as Juan Samual scored on Robert Perez' single off reliever Scott Bailes.

Astros benefit from late Cardinal errors

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Two errors by St. Louis third baseman Tom Nevers in the 10th inning allowed two Houston runs Monday as the Cardinals lost to the Astros 3-1.

After Cardinals reliever Blake Stein walked Ken Ramos, Billy Wagner bunted with one out. Nevers fielded the ball, but threw wildly past third, allowing Ramos to score. One batter later, Wagner scored when Nevers muffed a grounder.

Despite the loss, Cardinals left-hander Donovan Osborne was satisfied with his results. Osborne pitched five innings, giving up one run and striking out five. Osborne has allowed just two earned runs in 11 innings this spring.

Derek Bell's homer in the top of the first gave Houston a 1-0 lead. The Cardinals tied it in the bottom of the inning. Delino DeShields led off with a double and scored two batters later when Ron Gant grounded out to short.

UCLA's Harrick agrees to settle, not sue

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jim Harrick, fired as UCLA basketball coach for lying about an expense report, has accepted the school's offer to settle the remaining four years of his contract and will not sue, athletic director Peter Dalis said.

Harrick requested a meeting last week with Dalis and other UCLA officials and basically accepted the offer made by the school a few weeks after his Nov. 6 firing, Dalis said Sunday.

"In principle, it's done," Dalis said, adding that the agreement must still be cleared by attorneys. "It's what we put on the table originally — what we offered in December, with small little (changes)."

Harrick will apparently receive his \$140,000 base salary for the 1996-97 season as stipulated in his contract in the event of firing, but not the rest of his compensation package, which totaled close to \$440,000 per year.

Men's golf in 14th place after first day

The Texas Tech men's golf team continued its season-long struggle in the first round of the Louisiana Classics Golf Tournament. After 36 holes, the Red Raiders were in last place, tied for 14th with Missouri with a score of 612.

Arkansas leads the pack with a score of 580 and is followed by Texas A&M (582), Mississippi State (582), Tulsa (593) and North Texas (594) to round out the top five. The Razorbacks' Tag Ridings leads the individual listings with a two-round total of 139, five shots under par.

Senior Patrick Barley leads the Red Raiders with a five-over-par 149 for a 19th-place tie. He is followed by Chris Hill, who is tied for 44th with a 152; Tom Baldwin, who is tied for 49th with a 153; Philip Tate, who is in 72 place with a 158; and Laird Sparks, who is in 81st position with a score of 166. Tech wraps up the tournament with the final 18 holes today in Lafayette, La.

Tech without luxuries of home games

by Heath Robinson/UD

For the first time in six seasons, the Texas Tech Lady Raiders will not play host to their opening round game in the NCAA tournament.

Instead, Marsha Sharp and the Lady Raiders, the No. 8 seed in the West Region, will play ninth-seeded Montana (25-3) at 11:06 p.m. Saturday in Palo Alto, Calif. A victory over the Grizzlies would almost definitely mean a matchup with the Stanford Cardinal in the second round, on Stanford's home floor.

Stanford began the season ranked No. 1 in the country. After an early-season slip, the Cardinal finished 30-1 on the year.

Sharp said playing the first two rounds away from Lubbock will be a new experience for the players.

"It will be a big switch for them," she said. "There won't be a lot of emotion from the fans in our game. We play after Stanford, so the fans there will have already gotten what they wanted. I'm sure we'll have some fans there, but it will be different."

Sharp said she has no qualms with the Lady Raiders being named the eighth seed in the West Region.

NCAA Women's Tournament West Regional



For the eighth straight season, the Texas Tech Lady Raiders received a bid to the NCAA tournament which begins this weekend.

- Tech's first-round opponent is Big Sky Conference Champion Montana Grizzlies
- Montana finished 25-3, but has won 20 straight
- This is first time in six years that Tech has been forced to open the NCAA tournament on the road
- The last time Tech played at Maples Pavilion on the Stanford campus was Nov. 25, 1994, and the Lady Raiders lost to the Cardinal 79-60

"It's about what I expected," she said. "We had a chance to do a little better, but we lost a few games that could have put us over the top. I didn't have a problem at all with our seed."

The Lady Raiders enter the tournament knowing Crystal Boles, a junior post from Jackson, Minn., will miss the remainder of the season because of a knee injury. Boles will need up to four months of rehabilitation to prepare for next season. Sharp said the decision on Boles' replacement

will not be made until later in the week.

"We'll try some different lineups during practice this week," Sharp said. "We haven't made any major decisions just yet. I think the team has just now gotten over that initial shock of playing without Crystal."

Tech has used a four-player rotation at post all season. Sharp will decide among junior Jennifer Cockerell, sophomore Cara Gibbs and freshman Keitha Dickerson to replace Boles.

Cockerell said she is not worried about who will start the game.

"I don't think it changes anything," Cockerell said. "All the post players have had enough experience to take up Crystal's slack. I don't think it matters who starts."

Gibbs has the most starts at the post position with five. But Gibbs' foul problems have been well-documented.

Gibbs has fouled out of two games, a team high, and is whistled for a foul every 4.7 minutes she is in the game.

"We have to find players who can fill the spot," Sharp said. "Any time you lose a player it is important that you don't get in foul trouble. Our depth is lacking right now to begin with."

Cockerell said the trip to Stanford will be difficult for the Lady Raiders to escape.

"It would be tough to beat Stanford on their home floor," Cockerell said of Tech's week ahead. "But we have to worry about getting past Montana first. After that, we can worry about how good Stanford is. But we have a lot of faith in coach Sharp. She said both teams are beatable, so I have to believe that they are."

After further review, instant replay hot topic

PALM DESERT, Calif. (AP) — Reports of instant replay's rebirth may be premature: the eight votes to kill it may already be in place.

The NFL meetings opened Monday with instant replay the sexiest item on the agenda and one of the first to be discussed.

But the proposal, which will return replay to the league for the first time since 1991, already had four opponents from the seven-member competition committee.

Even its supporters conceded its chances of being approved weren't good.

"As of now, I'd say it's going down," said Ron Wolf, general manager of the Green Bay Packers. "It's my gut feeling."

"There's a continuing philosophical split," conceded commissioner Paul Tagliabue. "It fuels a good debate."

That debate is likely to come today, and will be one of the highlights of these four-day meetings.

But the owners of the 30 teams and

the 200 or so coaches and club officials were also informed Monday of issues at least as pressing.

They included expansion, ownership policy and a surprise — the disclosure by Tagliabue to the owners of an obscure portion of the collective bargaining agreement that will keep the salary cap relatively level for the next couple of seasons — even if TV money increases markedly next year.

The replay proposal that will be voted on is essentially the same one that was in use from 1986-91 — it would apply to all possession and out-of-bounds plays.

But there's a huge difference. This one would require a challenge by a

coach who thinks he has been wronged by an official's decision. Teams would get only two challenges a game and would lose a timeout for each, whether the appeal is upheld or not.

The play would be reviewed on the field by the referee, rather than by a replay official in a booth.

"We want to use it on game-or season-changing plays," Tagliabue said. "It's not designed to determine whether a

receiver's foot was on the line on a routine 12-yard out."

The proposal went to the floor without a recommendation from the competition committee.

But it's largely a proposal favored

As of now, I'd say it's going down. It's my gut feeling.

Ron Wolf, Green Bay general manager on NFL's instant replay

Southwest Texas State pulls off NCAA double play

SAN MARCOS (AP) — For schools like North Carolina, Kansas and Texas, having both the men's and women's teams reach the NCAA tournament isn't so surprising.

But that's not the case for Southwest Texas State, a university with 22,000 students in the scenic Hill Country of central Texas. The school has made history as the first in the Southland Conference to put both teams in the NCAA tournament.

Some college basketball fans prob-

ably aren't even familiar with the Southland Conference, whose members include Northeast Louisiana, McNeese State and Stephen F. Austin.

"It's not a common occurrence," said third-year men's coach Mike Miller, whose Bobcats (16-12) defeated Northeast Louisiana in the conference tournament final, earning the 16th seed in the Midwest Regional and a date with top-seeded Minnesota (27-3) Friday in Kansas City, Mo.

"For the high-profile schools like North Carolina and Kansas, it happens," Miller said. "But for us, it's a big deal and makes it really special. The people at our university are bouncing off the walls with excitement."

The women's team knocked off then No. 17 Stephen F. Austin in the league tournament championship game, earning the 14th seed in the East Regional. The Bobcats (17-11) will travel 30 miles north on Interstate

35 to play at third-seeded Texas (21-7) Saturday night.

It will mark the first NCAA tournament game for Bobcats coach Linda Sharp since leaving Southern Cal, where she coached for 13 years and won national titles in 1983 and 1984.

"I got to the national tournament in my third year at USC," said Sharp, whose eight-year record at Southwest Texas is 138-84.

"I didn't think it would take me eight years here, but it's been a step at a time and this is by far my best team since coming to Southwest Texas."

Saturday night's game will be a rematch of Sharp's duel with Texas coach Jody Conradt in the 1986 national title game, won by the Lady Longhorns, who went undefeated that year.

"It is a little ironic that my first NCAA tournament game here will be against Texas, but I don't even remember that game in 1986," Sharp joked.

"When we won the national championships, the USC program had exposure and experience," Sharp said. "Here, everything is new. I'm feeling the excitement of going to the NCAA tournament for the first time all over again."

The women's team is led by Jerri Cooper (14.6 points per game), Yolanda Wilkerson (13.3) and Sarah Wagner (11.4).

The men's team, which went 12-14 in 1995 and 11-15 in 1996, is making its second NCAA tournament appearance in four years.

In 1994, the Bobcats went 25-6 before losing to second ranked Massachusetts in the first round.

Southwest Texas men's team is led by Dameon Sansom (14 points per game), Donte Mathis (13) and Rodney Walton (11.1).

spring '97 sign-ups are February 26 to March 11

February 26 same room 10 am - 10 pm

February 27-28 new room, same hall/complex 10 am - 7 pm

March 6 Chitwood/Weymouth residents, residents of new special feature floors 10 am - 7 pm

March 6-7 new hall/complex 10 am - 7 pm

March 29 open sign-ups 8 am - 5 pm

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