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Students should allow time daily for school and leisure

By NATALIE GARDNER
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Have you ever thought you just have too much to do in a 24-hour period and don't have enough time to just experience life?

Ramsey Anderson, a junior social worker and Spanish major, said everyone needs to take time to smell the flowers.

"It's OK to want to be involved, but just make sure at the end of the day you've had time to take a break and enjoy the day," Anderson said.

Exercising, getting plenty of adequate sleep and maintaining your nutrition are a few things Jack C. Scott, director of the Counseling Center, said he suggests to all students coping with stress resulting from over involvement.

It's hard to prioritize things like studying, work, time with friends and time for yourself, when you have many activities going on at the same

time, Anderson said.

It's easy to become too structured and to not have enough time to participate in different activities, Anderson said. College is the last time in your life where you really don't have to be tied down to certain things, she said.

Scott said another technique is to save and use some "alone" time. Use the time for reflection, for single person activity or for just "doing nothing," he said.

Creating a break time or relaxation time each day is extremely important, Scott said. If you have been studying for a while, get up and do something different for a little while and then get back to your task, Scott said.

"I've realized it's nice to have time when I don't have anything scheduled," Anderson said. "Everyone needs to take time to enjoy life."

In an article to students in the Honors Program Bulletin, Akum Norder,

chairwoman of the student Honors Cabinet, warned students not to overdo getting involved on campus.

"Having your own personal life is much more important than any activity or any amount of work," Norder said.

"If you have to shave off an hour of rest to take a long bath, write in your journal or call up an old chum, so be it. You'll probably feel better for it," she said.

Norder, a senior English major, said she has enjoyed her college years even though they are filled with activities because she thrives on staying busy. She feels she does her best work when there is a lot of work to be done.

"I no longer think of myself as

being over involved," she said. "Somewhere along the line, I learned to turn people down. The work I do, I do because I love it, if I didn't love it, I would stop."



Kathleen Martin, a senior history major, said if she was not participating around campus, she would not enjoy her college years. Martin said freshmen should start slowly and only get involved with a few activi-

ties.

"If you start out slowly, you will figure out just how much you can handle," she said.

After a stressful day, Martin said she uses running as an outlet to help her clear her head and give her time to figure out what things need to be done.

Other strategies for coping with stress include planning the day's activities by using good time management techniques and pursuing interests in recreational activities such as hiking, reading, playing an instrument or fishing, Scott said.

If you have no time to take a break, then, while your in class, take three minutes and take some deep breaths for relaxation or close your eyes and think of a relaxing place, Scott said.

The first step to examining your situation is to get a perspective on what activities your time is being used for, he said.

One way to get this perspective is to sit down and write down everything you do and see where your time is spent and if it is being spent wisely, he said.

Another way to gain this perspective is to talk to others about what is bothering you, Scott said. Talk to a friend, a professor or a relative who will just listen, he said.

"One thing I like to stress is that we all have the same 24 hours in a day," he said.

Some people complain that they don't have enough hours in a day, but they need to partake in good management of their time and energy, Scott said.

First students need to examine their over involvement and change their schedules, he said. After this is accomplished, students can then work with the stress they are experiencing, he said.

'Life chain' takes to streets

More than 4,200 people line Hulen to demonstrate stance against abortion

By RICK WATERS
TCU Daily Skiff

A line of more than 4,200 anti-abortion demonstrators formed a nearly 3-mile "life chain" along Hulen Street from Granbury Road to Ranchview Drive Sunday afternoon.

Participants held signs in an effort to make a peaceful, non-confrontational statement opposing abortion, said Toni Powell, a Life Chain media spokesperson.

"We will have been successful today if we impacted the community and got the truth out about abortion," Powell said. "We want to inform the public and do so in a peaceful but meaningful way."

Life Chain demonstrators are asked to present a peaceful and pleasant image as they stand for their cause because of recent pro-

life violence at abortion clinics, Powell said.

Life Chain's goal was carried out successfully by its Fort Worth participants, she said.

"I feel that it is my right as an American to be able to hold a sign of what I believe in," said Diane Dill, who stood near an Albertson's supermarket for the 90-minute event. "I think this kind of peaceful demonstration can touch the hearts of people. If they read what's on these signs, maybe they'll realize

abortion is killing children." Participants said the signs would speak for themselves.

The printed signs carried such messages as "Abortion Kills Children," "Adoption: the Loving Option," "Jesus Heals and Forgives" and "God, Forgive our

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Tony Siguerroa (far right) from St. Patrick's Church, June Leafblad (center) of University Baptist and a man who asked not to be named (in wheelchair) make up part of the "life chain" on Saturday.

U.S. court rejects Tilton's try to stop state investigation

By LAURIE ASSEO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court on Monday rejected an attempt by television evangelist Robert Tilton to block the investigation of Texas Attorney General Dan Morales into alleged fraud in his ministry.

Tilton's attorneys argued that a federal judge had the authority to bar the state from demanding church financial documents even though the dispute already was being heard in state court. The high court offered no comment Monday in dismissing that argument.

The Word of Faith World Outreach Center Church, founded by Tilton in Dallas in 1976, grew to an organization that grossed \$65 million in 1991 and had a 500,000-person mailing list.

In late 1991, ABC's "Prime Time Live" television program reported that prayer requests mailed to Tilton were trashed and that the church falsely claimed to run an orphanage in Haiti.

Morales began investigating whether the church was engaging in

fraud. Early last year, his office sought records, including the church's membership list, list of financial donors, minutes of church board meetings and lists of church expenditures and charity donations.

Morales' office later asked a state court to order the church to produce the records.

The church countered by going to federal court with its contention that the attorney general's demand violated its freedom of religion guaranteed by the Constitution's First Amendment.

A federal judge ruled the demand for the church's membership and contributor lists was "clearly unconstitutional." The judge barred Morales from pursuing his document request, but added the state still could "appropriately" investigate the church.

But last March, the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals reversed that ruling, saying federal courts must let the state court act first. The appeals court noted that Morales had dropped some document requests that raised federal constitutional questions,

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Faculty group considers reinstating course guide

By CHRISTOPHER R. MCBEE
TCU Daily Skiff

Choosing classes may get a little easier. That is if student demand is high enough and the Faculty Senate votes to reinstate the TCU Frog Finder, an in-depth course description guide.

The Student Relations subcommittee of the Faculty Senate will meet with members of the Student House of Representatives Oct. 14 to discuss the Frog Finder, subcommittee chairman Jane Kucko said.

"We're going to listen to what the students' feelings are," Kucko said. "We will then go to the Faculty Senate and give members the students' perspective on the Frog Finder. We're basically a liaison between the students and the Faculty Senate."

Kucko said the Frog Finder will guide students through the course selection process.

"The Frog Finder will give students a thorough course description," she said. "It will list the course objectives, types of assignments, types of exams and number of papers if any."

Several Frog Finders have been attempted in the past, but didn't garner enough readership to last, Kucko said. A lack of faculty participation also contributed to their fallout, she said.

"Faculty members were responsible for submitting course descriptions, course objectives and

examination information," Kucko said. "The problem was that they had to do this frequently because courses can change drastically from semester to semester. I think a lot of them found this a bit demanding."

Kucko also said that Frog Finders of the past may not have been utilized properly. The Student Relations subcommittee and the student representatives will meet several times to make sure that this Frog Finder works, she said.

"One big question the faculty has is why a student would take a course based solely on how that teacher was evaluated," Kucko said. "This is a problem from a learning perspective."

The Frog Finder is just beginning right now, Kucko said. However, it is important to determine what the demand is for it early on rather than finding out that it isn't needed after work has been done, Kucko said.

"We haven't decided yet if it will be reinstated," Kucko said. "So it's too early to say what kind of impact it will have. First we need to determine what the demand is for it, then we'll have a better idea of the impact it will have."

The Student Relations subcommittee will determine the demand for the Frog Finder through the students, Kucko said.

"If the demand is there, we will work with the students to come to a decision about the Frog Finder."

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METROPLEX

Today's weather will be sunny with a high of 85. Wednesday will be partly cloudy and warm with temperatures ranging from 67 to 87.



Yeltsin ends Russian standoff; hard-liners surrender to army

By DEBORAH SEWARD
Associated Press

MOSCOW — Boris Yeltsin won a bloody victory in the battle for Russia's future Monday, his tanks and paratroopers flushing his hard-line opponents from a flaming Russian parliament building. Scores died as Yeltsin crushed the strongest power bid yet by remnants of the old Communist regime.

The mass surrender of lawmakers and their armed supporters seemed likely to allow Yeltsin to move ahead with plans to elect a new parliament in December, and pursue long-frustrated economic reforms. He still faced daunting challenges in his effort to transform Russia's economy and society.

Parliament leaders gave up after 1,000 soldiers raked the white marble parliament relentlessly with fire from T-72 tank cannons and heavy machine guns, but at least some holdouts remained at large.

After nightfall, red and green tracer bullets streaked across the sky as flames shot up the sides of the parliament, known as the White House. Armored vehicles and heavy trucks rumbled through the city, and Muscovites rushed home to beat a new military curfew.

Snipers continued to fire from the White House and surrounding buildings. The search for holdouts was dif-

ficult because the 19-story parliament building is an often-confusing labyrinth of twisting corridors and hidden rooms.

The storming of the White House broke hard-line opposition in parliament. The attack also could make martyrs of his opponents.

President Clinton and other Western leaders were quick to support Yeltsin.

Parliament speaker Ruslan Khasbulatov, Vice President Alexander Rutskoi and other leaders of the two-week occupation of the White House were taken from parliament to the high-security Lefortovo Prison.

Escalating their defiance of Yeltsin's dissolution of parliament on Sept. 21, armed hard-liners captured the Moscow mayor's offices and tried to take Russia's main television center Sunday. Parliament leaders urged supporters to topple Yeltsin.

Yeltsin spent the day closeted with his closest aides in the Kremlin, where he had remained overnight since rushing there by helicopter during Sunday's street fighting. Late Monday, he returned to his country dacha.

He struck back just after dawn Monday with the assault on the parliament building.

"All that was and still is going on in Moscow — was an armed revolt planned in advance," he said on

nationwide television.

"It was organized by Communists seeking revenge, by fascist leaders and some of the former lawmakers."

There can be no forgiveness, because they lifted their hand against peaceful people" in Sunday's rioting.

Authorities had no firm figures on casualties from the 10-hour battle at the White House, but soldiers stacked dozens of bodies outside the building.

Russian television reported that Sunday's battle at the TV complex alone left 62 dead and 400 wounded.

Yeltsin at first told Russians and the world he would not use force to break the deadlock with the Soviet-era parliament reforms. He changed course after the hard-liners rioted Sunday and tried to seize the television center.

The army struck the White House with deliberate and overwhelming force at 7 a.m. At least 10 heavy battle tanks, seven light tanks and 25 armored personnel carriers fired on the building while paratroopers and commandos stormed into the lower floors.

Papers floated out of windows shattered by explosions, and flames and thick clouds of black smoke soon gushed from several parts of the building.

The heavy boom of the tank attack

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CAMPUSlines

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Last day to drop classes is Wednesday in the Registrar's Office.

Cercle Francais will meet at Le Chardonay French Restaurant on Wednesday. Anyone interested should meet at 6 p.m. in the Student Center. For more information, call A.J. at 924-2717.

Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Student Network will meet at 4 p.m. Oct. 10. The topic will be "The Bible and Homosexuality." For more information, call 560-1225.

Mayor Kay Granger will speak about the city's All-American designation Oct. 14 at a Public Relations Society of America luncheon. The luncheon will be held at noon at Colonial Country Club. Lunch is

\$16 for PRSA members with reservations, or \$19 for nonmembers or PRSA members without reservations. Call 735-2552 before Oct. 12.

Psi Chi, the national honor society for psychology, is accepting applications through Oct. 15. Pick up applications from the Psi Chi bulletin board in Winton-Scott Hall. For more information, call Shannon Red at 346-2767.

Goldwater Scholarships are available to students interested in careers in mathematics, natural sciences or engineering. The scholarship covers expenses up to \$7,000 per year. Interested sophomores and juniors should contact Priscilla Tate by Oct. 15 in Reed Hall Room 111.

Chi Alpha, a Christian group focusing on worship, fellowship, evangelism, discipleship and prayer, meets at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays in Student Center Room 218.

International Students Association meets at 5 p.m. every Thursday. Check Student Center Information Desk for location.

Rape/Sexual Assault Survivors' Group is forming at the Counseling Center. The group will meet from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Fridays. For initial screening appointment, call Dorothy M. Barra at 921-7863.

Women's Eating Disorders Group is forming. The group will meet from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Fridays. Call Dr. Lisa Rollins-Garcia at 921-7863 for an initial screening appointment.

Diabetics at TCU is forming. For more information, call 560-4079.

The Butler Housing Area needs volunteers willing to tutor school-age children (grades 3 to 8) from 4 to 6 p.m. one or more afternoons per week. For more information, call Sonja Barnett at 870-2046.

Adult Children of Alcoholics groups are being organized at the TCU Counseling Center. For more information, call Larry Withers at 921-7863.

College



Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



Photo conference to display images' 'diverse directions'

By MANOJ GOPALAN
TCU Daily Skiff

Some of America's most prominent photographers will display their works Oct. 7 to Oct. 9 at the Regional Conference of the Society for Photographic Education.

The Moudy Building will be the showcase for most of the conference, which is sponsored by the Office of Extended Education, Amon Carter Museum and the University of Texas at Arlington.

The conference consists of exhibitions and speeches given by some of the prominent photographers of the United States. The exhibition is called "Diverse Directions"; its main concept is to show various styles of photography, ranging from landscapes to digital photography, which is using a computer to alter a photograph.

"It is real easy to get involved in one style or the other and to believe that it is the only one that is important, but that is not the case," said Luther Smith, professor of photography and conference coordinator.

"There are many serious photographers who work in different fields."

Some of the speakers at this conference are Holly Roberts, Terry Evans, Earlie Hundall and Paul Berger.

Roberts is a manipulative photographer and actually paints on top of her photographs to give each one of them a distinct appearance, Smith said.

Evans has been doing long-term documentation of Kansas, the state where she grew up, Smith said. He said these include portraits of people, landscapes and, recently, photographs of Kansas from the air.

Hundall has been doing portraits of people, mostly African-Americans from Houston, where he lives, Smith said. Smith said he has also done photographs from all over the United States and the Caribbean.

Berger works with the digital technology in photography, Smith said. He works with computer images produced by television or other media, processes them and uses them in his photographs, Smith said.

In addition to the speeches given

by these prominent photographers, two curators from the Amon Carter Museum, Thomas Southall and Barbara L. Michaels, will give lectures titled "Hidden Treasures and Eccentricities in the Amon Carter Museum's Photography Collection," a lecture on some of the lesser known collections of photographs in the museum.

Michaels will speak about "Corresponding Photographers: Gertude Kasebier and Laura Gilpin," which will explore Kasebier as a mentor and the parallel between these two famous photographers of the '20s and '30s.

Registration for the conference is open until Oct. 7. Register at the Office of Extended Education or by calling 1-800-TCU-7134.

The registration cost for the conference is \$35 for students, \$60 for members, \$75 for nonmembers and \$10 for a Mexican buffet dinner hosted by the University of Texas at Arlington.

Some of the programs will be held at Amon Carter Museum and the University of Texas at Arlington.

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including his demand for church membership and contributor lists.

In the appeal acted on Monday, the church's lawyers argued that the federal judge was not required to defer to the state court because the judge ruled that Morales acted in bad faith.

Waiting for the state court to act would cause a "particularly serious (delay) due to the fundamental nature of First Amendment rights involved," the church's lawyers said.

Morales replied he "has never tried to suppress Word of Faith's religious teachings. Fraud was and is the target, and the perpetration of fraud is not one of the church's religious tenets."

Tilton's lawyer has announced that television broadcasts from the Word of Faith center will no longer be shown after Oct. 29. Attorney J.C. Joyce said contributions to the ministry have fallen sharply since the ABC report.

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could be heard throughout central Moscow, and many residents stayed home to watch live television reports on the assault.

Hundreds of others rushed to the scene for a first-hand glimpse or scoop up battle souvenirs.

Soldiers and civilian medical personnel dragged dead and wounded away from parliament while machine guns blasted from a neighboring hotel and apartment house.

A U.S. Marine was hit in the neck by a sniper bullet at the American Embassy, across the street from the White House. He was in stable condition after surgery. About 400 embassy employees took shelter underground.

During a lull in the fighting, Defense Minister Pavel Grachev pulled up in a black limousine and met in the middle of the bridge with a group of hard-liners. They came out of the White House waving a white flag.

Russian TV said Grachev handed the parliament supporters a piece of paper, believed to be an ultimatum to

surrender or face destruction.

Troops loosed one last barrage of heavy fire on the parliament, and lawmakers and their supporters began trickling from the building at 4:50 p.m. Soon a steady stream of hard-liners filed between rows of soldiers to buses and trucks.

A grim-faced Khasbulatov and Rutskoi were put aboard a government bus outside the building. Khasbulatov was in a dark suit and Rutskoi wore camouflage fatigues. The bus was led away by an armored personnel carrier with a Russian flag streaming from its raised cannon barrel.

Yeltsin closed several opposition newspapers, including the former Communist Party daily Pravda. Parliament sympathizers retaliated by firing guns at pro-government newspapers, leading to street fighting in the evening.

An 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew was imposed throughout the capital, and police said 5,000 men would patrol the streets and check vehicles at random for weapons.

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Opinion

Absence of television might lead to advancement of the species



**RYAN
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I was talking to a friend of mine this summer when the topic of progress came up. In many ways we think differently, and I had a problem with her main point. She said that in order to progress as a nation, we need to let go and forget about the past.

The statement bugged me a bit because it's pretty true, but is that good? The television is an invention of progress. Where has it taken us that is so great? It occurred to me that if every television suddenly disappeared, our nation would completely change for the better.

At dinner time, families would actually talk to each other! I know it's a new concept for most of today's dysfunctional families, but hey, it just might solve some prob-

lems. Dinner is usually a time to glue your face to "Inside Edition" while eating with the plate on your lap.

Houses would have front porches again. After dinner, instead of picking up the remote, parents (and maybe even their kids) would find their way out through the front door and meet their neighbors. Crime-watch programs would love that. I would be more hesitant to mug someone if I were in plain view of people with phones (and rifles, for the many NRA members down here with collections.)

No more staying up til 3 a.m. watching reruns of "Small Wonder." Without a television, more Americans would read themselves to sleep. If they're like me, reading

would put them to sleep before they finished the third page. And whether you believe it or not, that "early to bed, early to rise" saying holds some truth.

The unemployed would have something to do. They could go to bed earlier, get up earlier and look for a job. I'm not suggesting that most people without a job are staying up late doing nothing but watching bad movies, but I can assume that many are.

What would kids do without "Streetfighter" or "Super Mario Brothers?" I know, they would actually go outside and PLAY! Wow, now this is a new idea. I'm sure a good percentage of you have younger siblings or cousins who do absolutely nothing but hone their

skills in "Mortal Kombat." The strongest part of a kid's body would become their legs, not their fingers.

I can imagine that many of us have watched Letterman instead of studying for calculus. Television isn't exactly contributing to the advancement of the human intellect.

There are some drawbacks to this hypothetical situation. It would hurt businesses like Sony, La-Z-Boy and pizza deliveries. But at the same time, businesses involved in exercise, recreational activities and sports would prosper.

Of course, without TV, America would miss the legendary sitcom "Saved By the Bell." I might go into mourning without Zach and Screech being there to cheer me up.

Among the biggest drawbacks

would be the fact that guys won't be able to ask their dates to come back to their place to watch a movie. They just might have to revert to saying, "Do you want to come back to my place and read a book?" I can't see that working.

Regardless, the pros to this situation outweigh the cons by miles. Without TV, America would be a different place. With TV, we have "progressed" in a direction that is subtly damaging to our society as a whole. It would be nice if we would think twice before inventing other entertainment devices, but with profits being the driving motive, I can't see that happening.

Ryan McCarthy is a couch potato from Leawood, Kansas.

EDITORIAL

Robert Tilton under fire

Robert Tilton's Word of Faith World Outreach Center is in a little bit of trouble.

A little bit compared to the former Soviet Union, anyway.

Texas Attorney General Dan Morales is heading an investigation into alleged fraud in the ministry. As of Oct. 29, there will be no more broadcasts of Word of Faith programming, according to the Associated Press. This is due, most likely, to a sharp decrease in contributions since ABC's "Prime Time Live" showed unopened prayer requests by the thousands in trash bins outside the ministry headquarters and reported Tilton had fraudulently claimed the ministry was running an orphanage in Haiti.

Finally, officials and the public are saying they are not going to stand for groups dishonestly making a gross profit in the name of religion. Television evangelists have been bleeding people who should know better for years. With the promise of salvation and healing hanging on the

amount and frequency of supposedly much needed donations, Tilton built an empire based on the deception of the public.

Although Morales is digging rather deep into the matter, there is only a slim chance a substantial portion of the money will ever be traced.

Tilton's divorce from his wife is also certain to complicate the paper trail even further.

People have got to realize for their own good that everyone who comes to them in the name of God asking for money might not be a direct representative, and there's a good chance the money given might not be going to feed hungry children.

It might instead be put down on a new Lexus or wired to an offshore account.

Most importantly, everyone has to realize that worship of a man rather than a faith has never been good for either party.



Choices made not necessarily your business

Lately, I've been noticing a growing trend in the world where normal everyday people have begun to let complete

DENNIS WATSON

strangers assist them, without actually being asked, in making rather important decisions.

I'm not talking about decisions like buying versus leasing a car or whether to air some idiotic police show in the Bible Belt, but really, really BIG decisions most of us will hopefully never have to make.

The most frightening example of this trend is currently taking place in England where an admitted child molester is hoping to "cure" himself by having a small, surgical separation from his "manhood."

So what? Well, God forbid the Western world would ever allow anyone to admit his or her faults and then seek to have them corrected by any means necessary!

Think about it — do we ever stop anyone from admitting that they have a drinking problem and going to rehab? No.

Do we ever stop anyone from realizing that they're so doggone HUGE that they have to buy two plane tickets just to accommodate their girth and that maybe Weight Watchers is the place for them? No.

But now, in an increasingly perverse and violent society, medical doctors from all around England are arguing as to whether castration is "ethical." The only problem with this debate is that while these doctors sit around scratching their collective chin, this "dirty old man" is constantly thinking about little children.

Folks, this man, who has admitted to molesting more than 30 children, WANTS to be castrated. It was his idea. Who cares HOW they do it, just DO IT! Because it's not the child molester with which we should concern ourselves here; it's those children who either have been or stand to be victimized by this man who obviously

is not the master of his domain.

Remove the medical profession from this situation and what remains is a man who would like to do society a favor. Is this a noble deed? You betcha!

But don't think only Brits and doctors have begun to stick their respective noses where they are not wanted because Americans are undoubtedly the forerunners in this newfound sport.

Let's take on of my least favorite factions for this example: Operation Rescue. Now, I don't care how you feel about abortion (or anything else, for that matter); that is not the issue here. The problem with Operation Rescue is that they are perhaps the most RUDE group of people in the entire country.

Oh, sure, they THINK they're doing us all a favor, but, in essence, all they're really trying to do is keep people from doing something they have every right to do.

What makes a bunch of people who have no inclination as to what sex is all about think they have the right to stop a bunch of fellow Americans from doing something that is, above all else, a deductible medical expense on form 1040, Schedule A?

Why should they be allowed to have ANY say as to what you, I or anyone else in this country can rightfully do under the law?

They shouldn't. The guy in England doesn't have the right to molest little kids, but we, as Americans, still have the right to abortion.

Do you see the difference? Geez, this is not as complex and issue as we're all making it.

I just wish everyone would learn to stay out of other peoples' business. If someone actually wanted your advice, they'd ask for it.

It's a really simple concept.

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Taxing guns to end crime: a lie people love to believe

Just admit it-complete ban on guns the real objective

The FBI announced Sunday that 14,438,200 crimes were reported to police last year. Let's party: That's down a whopping 2.9 percent from last year, the first drop since 1984.

But if you are truly concerned, Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., feels your pain. He plans to support a bill that will miraculously get guns out of the hands of criminals and even provide financial support for the president's health care plan on top of that! This wonder-bill will impose a 25 percent tax increase on handguns. And . . . that can't be it? Tell me more about the latest countermeasure to growing (though down 2.9 percent) crime problem. I wish I could, but that's it.

Bradley says the way to "get the guns away from the criminals is with this tax." Maybe increasing fees gun dealers pay to get dealers' licenses should be increased 25,000 percent as well.

Politics doesn't really matter here. Both sides of the gun-control debate see this bill for what it really is. It's not an attempt to pay for health care; it's an attempt to further the gun-control movement in this country.

To draft a bill of this nature and then have the audacity to sell it to the American public as a method of payment for the Clinton health care package shows just what kind of idiots they think we are. "What if this time we disguise it as a health care proposal?"

Why, even David Brinkley figured it out in his weekly show. "Anything you put a big tax on something you reduce the sale," he said. "Big tax on gas, you sell less gas." But why was he addressing the question to Wayne LaPierre of the National Rifle Association, and not Sen. Bradley? Why is he talking about fewer guns when the purpose of this particular sin tax is to pay for health care?

Let's just accept that we're dolts and move to the true problem with this proposal: Everyone who thinks taxing handguns will lower the crime rate is stupid. I hate to be so blunt, but this touchy-

feely crime-control discussion always turns into some sort of inquisitional persecution of law-abiding hunters, collectors and shooters, and I'm fed up with it.

The logic behind these sin taxes is, since the taxed object is related to so many injuries, it should be taxed to help pay for the treatment of those injuries. That logic demands a 25 percent tax hike on new car sales since the death rate associated with them is roughly equal to gun deaths. Think of the health care we could buy if we had to pay another \$5,000 for each \$20,000 car we bought! Heart disease kills more people than cars or guns, so let's charge a Taco Bell tax since they sell a taco salad with 61 grams of fat. What about ladders, pools and bathtubs?

A man walked into a New York underground night club with five gallons of gas and an attitude and killed 90 people, all burned to death. Where's the 25 percent increase in gas taxes, or how about a 10 percent increase in the tax for the cans he used to carry the gas? We need to make sure that never happens again — better make it 15 percent.

Where are the equal rights people on this issue? This bill will raise the price around \$100 a gun to the point that the poor and minorities won't be able to afford it. This bill discriminates against them. They're the ones who really need to be able to protect themselves. Only the wealthy will be able to afford protection. Or maybe this is best, since all the criminals are poor and minorities anyway, right? That is what this bill says.

God forgive me but I can see why you might think a waiting period would appear to be a good idea, but taxing. This plan affects me as well as millions of other Americans who apparently have some kind of problem making us less-human than others because we choose to own guns for legal and legitimate purposes.

Layne Smith is a senior criminal justice and journalism double major from Sugarland, Texas.



PURPLE POLL

Did you go to Stillwater for the game?

Yes- 11 No- 85 What Game?- 4

100 students were polled outside the Main at dinner on Monday.

News

Gingrich emerging as leader to replace GOP leader Michel

By KAREN BALL
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — House GOP Leader Robert Michel's retirement ignited an immediate race for a successor Monday, and the combative Newt Gingrich emerged as the early front-runner.

Michel, the easygoing Illinois lawmaker who has led House Republicans for 13 years, made an emotional farewell in hometown Peoria as he announced he would not seek a 20th term in Congress next year.

The announcement of his departure comes at a time when Republicans are still groping to mold an effective role for themselves now that the Democrats control both the White House and Congress.

The race to replace Michel is seen as both a contest of styles, and a battle over who can best define and develop strategy for the minority party in Congress.

"I don't know if it will be a fight for a soul of the party as much as it's going to be an issue of perceived style," said Rep. Peter Hoekstra, a GOP freshman from Michigan.

Gingrich, the outspoken Georgian who holds the No. 2 GOP job as minority whip, wouldn't comment on his intentions Monday. He scheduled an announcement Thursday and told colleagues he would be running for Michel's seat.

Rep. Gerald Solomon of New

York, aggressive and hard-charging in his own right as the ranking Republican on the Rules Committee, is considered a potential candidate and scheduled a late-afternoon news conference.

Rep. Henry Hyde of Illinois, who heads the Republican Policy Committee, has built up formidable stature with his 19 years in the House and has voiced an interest in Michel's job.

Hyde issued a statement saying he had no present plans to run, but he noted the contest was 14 months away.

Rep. Bill Archer of Texas, the ranking Republican on the Ways and Means Committee, said through a spokesman he had been approached by several colleagues and urged to run, but had not made up his mind yet.

Both Hyde and Archer would be seen as "old-bull" candidates who would be more conciliatory in working with Democrats than Gingrich or Solomon.

Rep. Dick Army of Texas, the chamber's No. 3 Republican, is not inclined to run because he is too allied with Gingrich on conservative issues, said an aide in the Republican leadership.

Gingrich starts out as the front-runner both because he's already in the leadership ranks and because of his record as an aggressive, articulate spokesman for House Republicans.

Gingrich appears to have been grooming himself for Michel's job,

and there was speculation he would have challenged Michel next year.

Gingrich has toned down his sharp wit in recent months in a calculated bid to win over more moderates and has tried to prove his bipartisanship by meeting more with Democrats.

"Newt has changed his sense of direction," said Rep. Mac Collins, a fellow Republican from Georgia. "He has guided his direction away from being more confrontational to being more diplomatic."

Many lawmakers said they were looking for a leader who could tell Americans just what it is the House's 175 Republicans stand for.

"The worst thing we can do is look like all we do is aim torpedoes at the Clinton White House," said Rep. David Levy, R-N.Y.

The election to replace Michel will probably be held in December 1994.

Michel fondly recalled the old days when there was more camaraderie in Congress and his satisfaction working under Republican presidents. He expressed frustration with a "new generation" of public officials who came to Washington "trashing the institution."

"I never went to Congress with the idea of trashing that institution," Michel said. He did not name individuals, but Republicans have reported that he was livid with lawmakers who have aligned themselves with Texas billionaire Ross Perot.

Freshman's enrollment makes her 23rd member of family to attend TCU

By VICKI LOGAN
TCU Daily Skiff

When Julia Ferguson enrolled at TCU in August, she became the 23rd member of her family to attend the university.

Ferguson, a freshman premajor, said she has always known she would attend TCU.

"When I was little, my grandfather would take me to the ex-lettermen's room," she said. "I loved the school colors, and that was when I decided I wanted to go to TCU."

Julia's grandfather, Robert E. Chappell, was the first TCU student to letter in cross country. His freshman football and basketball coach, Leo D. Meyer, later had the Daniel-Meyer Coliseum named after him. After graduating in 1934, Chappell worked as an accountant for Ed Landreth. He also worked with R.H. Foster, who was a lawyer for Ed Landreth's company.

The Fergusons can trace their TCU heritage back to their uncle, M.E.

Chappell, who

graduated in 1931, Ferguson said.

Julia is the daughter of alumni Roy and Cynthia Ferguson. Cynthia can still be found on the university's campus in the Bailey Building as the new School of Education secretary.

While Ferguson did not apply to any other schools, she said it was not because she felt pressured by any of her family members to come to TCU.

"My parents wanted me to make my own choice," she said. "They even encouraged me to apply to Texas A&M and UT, but I knew I wanted to go to

TCU."

Ferguson said some of her other alumni relatives include great uncle William Chappell, who was the student body president in 1940, and three family members who lettered in basketball, track and baseball. There are also five members of the TCU Quin Club, a group composed of alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago.

Ferguson said the main thing that drew her to TCU was the size and location of the school.

The most recent member of the Ferguson family to graduate was Julia's sister, Tammy Peden, who graduated in 1989 and was president of Delta Gamma.

Ferguson said she has no regrets about her college choice and can't imagine herself at any other university. She also said when she has her own children she wants them to make their own decisions about college.

"I just want them to be happy," she said.



School funding expert: poor districts to lose under education finance law

By PEGGY FIKAC
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Poor school districts lose money under the new education finance law, while property-rich ones maintain an advantage, a school funding expert testified as a trial on the law began Monday.

"The same general (school finance) framework is continuing to be used" as when property-poor school districts first filed their state court lawsuit in 1984 seeking financial equity, said Richard Hooker, a

University of Houston professor.

It would be possible for a wealthy school district to raise \$28 per student per penny of local property tax under the new law — on top of basic state funding — while the poorest one would raise about 95 cents, said Hooker, who was called to the stand by poor districts. That's based on a 1-cent tax per \$100 property valuation.

Assistant Attorney General Toni Hunter, defending the law, called that an unusual case. She said the law is equitable and significantly different from previous measures.

School districts rely on state aid and local property taxes. The Texas Supreme Court in 1989 ordered lawmakers to even out funding available to school districts with differing property wealth.

Two previous laws intended to meet the court order were ruled unconstitutional.

Hooker said local property taxpayers have been increasingly burdened. "There has been a very decided pattern of the Legislature

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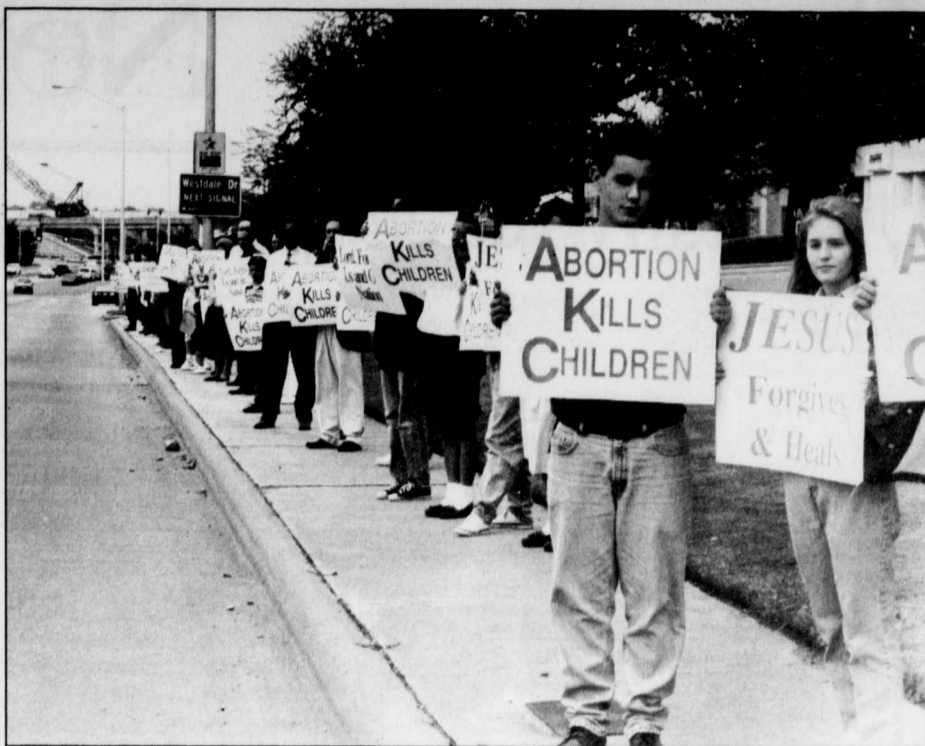
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Juan Cardenas and his son Juan Diego Cardenas, 9, participate in the "life chain."

"Life Chain cuts across the whole




Anti-abortion protestors form a chain Saturday that stretches down Hulen Street.

"Generally speaking, I don't think the public is very concerned about the abortion issue," said participant Chris Clark. "If they saw an aborted

Life Chain, founded by a small pro-life group called Please Let Me Live, began in 1987 in Yuba City, Calif., when 2,500 people lined a 3-mile route, Powell said. The second chain drew 7,500 in Bakersfield, Calif., she said.

People living in the South were poorer than in other regions. In the South, the poverty rate was 16.9 percent, compared to 14.4 percent in the West, 13.1 percent in the Midwest, and 12.3 percent in the Northeast.




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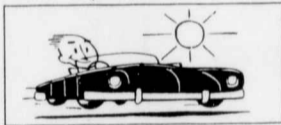
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News

University retreat prepares students for the job market

By TASHA ZEMKE
TCU Daily Skiff

More than 120 students attended the University Retreat at the Dallas Grand Hotel for a rainy weekend to network with alumni, learn about career fields and meet new friends.

Students left the university on Saturday at 10:15 a.m. and arrived at the Dallas Grand, where their first activity was a self-assessment test.

They analyzed their personalities and skills through a "self-directed search" booklet. Results told students whether they were realistic, investigative, artistic, social, enterprising or conventional in nature. Targeted mainly toward freshmen and sophomores, test results showed students how to pick majors based on their nature and were given a list of possible career choices.

Next, students attended a lecture on the future of job markets and how to prepare for the working world. Howard Figler, a licensed psychologist, national public speaker and past director of the Career Center at the University of Texas, delivered the speech.

"The job market is better than you think it is," he said.

Figler told students that the first part of their career wasn't always the

top of the heap.

"There is often nothing thrilling about first jobs, but you'll get through them," he said. "They're a place to pay your dues, and after-

"The job market is better than you think it is."

HOWARD FIGLER,
Former University of Texas
Career Center Director

wards you'll go upward and onward."

Figler told students that career results would come over time.

He also urged students to choose a career they will enjoy. It's OK to do something other people disagree with, he said. Often students are pressured by their parents to choose a career that will be profitable, he said, and those students wind up unhappy with their job choice.

"Skills are not genetic and fixed at birth," he said. "Take pride in what you want, not what your parents want."

"Follow your natural energy and be willing to take risks. Most of all, know that you are the expert on your-

self."

And it's not always what you know as it is who you know that will land you a job, Figler said. He told students to contact one of the TCU graduates already working in a particular field to find out more about that field or to network.

The next sessions of the weekend were called the Alumni Breakout sessions. Forty TCU alumni were invited to give discussions and answer students' questions about professions ranging from nonprofit human services to banking and private business. A session on interview skills was also included.

The breakout sessions taught me not to approach employers empty-handed, said Tina Jongeneel, a sophomore piano major. "You have to make things happen for yourself," she said.

The overall message students said they received from alumni was "sell yourself if you want the job." Students were encouraged by alumni to research the company and job position they will be applying for and to act positive and energetic in interviews.

"All I kept hearing all weekend was 'Sell yourself, sell yourself, sell yourself,'" said one student.

Some students found out what

they were not interested in as well after listening to the alumni.

"I realized I don't want to do business," said Heather McIntyre, a sophomore premajor. If you don't like the field, you're not going to be happy, she said.

Jennifer Shifflet, a sophomore premajor, said she found many contacts in the business world.

"I found that if you ask around, there are places to call and people to contact that can help you out," Shifflet said. "Everyone I talked to knew somebody," she said. "I don't think I could have found out this networking stuff without coming to the retreat."

Scott McLinden, student body vice president and coordinator for the retreat, said he hoped that all students benefited from the alumni, but thought that juniors and seniors who had careers in mind received more from the breakout sessions.

Students gained networking contacts, job possibilities and even set up interviews for summer jobs with the alumni they talked to, he said.

Alumni gave insight on their particular jobs, how they got their job, prior college and work experience, required skills, job demands, graduate schools and travel opportunities.

Later Saturday afternoon, a panel of five recruiters from various busi-

nesses told students what characteristics they look for when hiring.

Dubbed by McLinden as "representatives of the real world," the panelists recommended internships or volunteer work "to get a foot in the door."

Panelists said employment agencies look for a variety of things when hiring: a strong academic background, teamwork, communication and interpersonal skills, motivation, initiative, flexibility and stress management.

Panelist Robert Swanigan, a repre-

"Everyone I talked to knew somebody. I don't think I could have found out this networking stuff without coming to the retreat."

JENNIFER SHIFFLET,
Sophomore premajor

sentative of Miles Inc., said companies want to hire people who "come to the ballpark prepared to hit home runs."

After a day of valuable experi-

ences, students let loose and danced the night away in the hotel's Embassy Ballroom.

Sunday was a summation of the previous day's events, and students were encouraged to take what they had learned about possible majors and careers to the Career Planning and Placement Center to stay on the right track.

Most students gained valuable experiences and made new friends at the retreat.

"The retreat gave me something to work for, and it gave me hope for the future," Jongeneel said.

"The retreat was great because I got to meet people I share common interests with," said junior Karen Zabicki, an environmental science major.

"I feel more prepared and have a more positive outlook for the job market," said Andrea Frank, a senior English major.

The retreat enforced good points one might overlook just by being in a classroom, she said.

McLinden said he was happy with the outcome of the retreat.

"It went fantastic," he said. "Everyone said they had a great time and received a lot of information on careers and majors they wouldn't get in a classroom."

New kicker helps Dallas top Green Bay

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
Associated Press

IRVING — It's amazing what a competent placekicker can do for an NFL team.

The Dallas Cowboys, defending Super Bowl champions, are chesty, confident and a .500 team again after a stumbling 0-2 start.

The reason: They have a placekicker who can't miss.

Veteran Eddie Murray's five-for-five performance against Green Bay in a 36-14 victory on Sunday, including two long-distance shots of 48 and 50 yards, was just what coach Jimmy Johnson needed.

"Now, we get something out of drives," he said. "I decided we'd give him a game ball. Not many kickers get game balls."

It was OK with quarterback Troy

Aikman.

"This game was a great emotional lift and very important to our club," Aikman said. "It gives us a lot of confidence. Everyone on this offense has to play a part. If you take something out, the whole offense suffers. Now, we have a field goal kicker who can produce."

The only criticism against Murray was he doesn't know how to tackle. One of his short kickoffs was returned for a touchdown. Robert Brooks returned a kickoff 95 yards for a touchdown and Murray let Brooks fly right by him.

"I thought he was out of bounds and I let up," Murray said. "It was a stupid mistake on my part."

"We've got to teach Eddie to at least shove the guy out of bounds," Johnson said. "It's not his (Murray's) primary job. We can work on it."

The 37-year-old Murray, kicking for his fifth NFL team in a 14-year career, said he needed a big game for his new team.

It was only his second game with the club after Johnson fired Lin Elliott for misfires in losses to Washington and Buffalo.

"I needed to establish some respect with this team because of the goals they have," Murray said. "Now they know I'll be sure to give them a good effort. It's a nice feeling to have a game like this."

Murray, who beat out seven other kickers in a tryout on Sept. 14, has had only one other game in which he kicked five 3-pointers.

That was in 1980 for the Detroit Lions and also came against Green Bay. "It's strange it was against the same team," Murray said.

Murray tied the club record set by

Roger Ruzek in 1987 against the Los Angeles Rams.

"It makes you sleep a little better at night knowing you have a kicker," Johnson said.

The Cowboys are 2-2 going into a game at Indianapolis next weekend.

"I like our team," Johnson said. "We're not close to where we were at the end of the year last year. Now, we have to see how we respond on the road."

The Cowboys, including Aikman, have a few bumps and bruises.

"I hurt my left shoulder a little bit, my ribs are sore and I got a helmet on an elbow," said Aikman, who threw a touchdown pass and hit 18 of 23 passes for 317 yards.

Aikman said "I'll be OK. Nobody wants to miss any time playing in our offense now it's so much fun. I think we may even be more confident at this time than we were last year."

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shifting the cost of public education to the local taxpayer," he said.

The state's share of about \$15.3 billion in school funding for 1993-94 is projected to be about \$7 billion, or 45.6 percent, according to the Texas Association of School Boards. The local share is about \$8.3 billion.

The state-local share for the Foundation School Program started at 80-20 in 1949, Hooker said.

Ms. Hunter said the state-local funding split is a political issue that should be decided by the Legislature.

State District Judge F. Scott

McCown of Austin, overseeing the case, said he will consider in this trial poor school districts' objections to the way funding is distributed.

He also will weigh arguments that the state relies too heavily on local property taxes, and wealthy school districts' objections to the structure of the new system.

The new law limits school districts to \$280,000 per student in property wealth, giving richer ones several options for sharing. That restriction for equity is one of the law's major changes, Ms. Hunter said.

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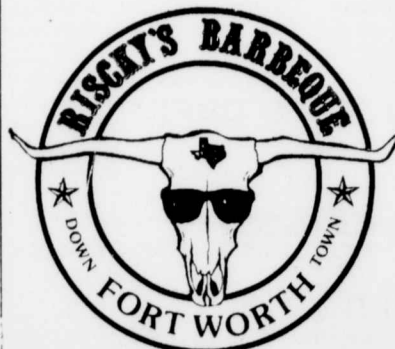
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Sports

Frogs come up empty again, lose 27-22 to Cowboys

Another rally falls short as Frogs fall to 1-3

By THOMAS MANNING
TCU Daily Skiff

For the second consecutive week, the TCU football team dug itself into an early hole. And for the second consecutive week, the Horned Frogs staged a late rally that had fans on the edge of their seats.

And for the second straight game, the rally fell short, and the Frogs lost.

The Frogs (1-3) trailed the Oklahoma State Cowboys (3-1) 27-6 in the third quarter, then rallied to within 27-22 late in the fourth quarter, only to see OSU run out the clock to escape with a win.

The Frogs had their chances to win the ball game. But missed opportunities and costly turnovers once again led to TCU's downfall.

"All you've got to do is look at turnovers," said TCU head coach Pat Sullivan. "The numbers are encouraging. But the sad thing is that turnovers and other missed opportunities did us in again. We drop three touchdown passes and fumble twice, then they get an interception return 95 yards for a touchdown. It was those things that spelled the difference."

The tone of the game was set on the Frogs first offensive possession. After taking over at their own two, the Frogs began to move the ball well. But on a first down play at the TCU 33-yard line, running back John Oglesby fumbled, and the Cowboys suddenly had the ball deep in TCU territory.

The Cowboys, as they would two other times as well, converted the TCU turnover into six points, with quarterback Tone Jones firing a 21-yard TD strike to Rafael Denson on the first play following the fumble.

Oklahoma State would eventually score three touchdowns off TCU turnovers, which was one of the keys to the game.

"We move the ball well every game, we just don't get it in the end zone," said TCU quarterback Max

Knake. "We just have some concentration problems."

Besides turnovers, the Frogs other problem on Saturday was converting drives into points. Often TCU was able to march into the "red zone", but they weren't able to convert the drives into points.

The Frogs had two quality drives in the first half, but both of them ended with Kevin Cordesman field goals, as TCU could not find the end zone.

"It all goes back to a mistake or two inside that area (the 20-yard line)" Sullivan said. "We spend a lot of time working inside the 20 at practice, and they (OSU) didn't really surprise us defensively. This area is where the talent of your football team comes in, and we just weren't quite good enough."

The Frogs trailed only 13-6 at the half, but fell behind 20-6 when OSU took advantage of another Oglesby fumble and put together another short scoring drive.

On the Frogs next possession, Knake and freshman running back Jeff Godley led the Frogs down the field, getting them to the OSU 17-yard line.

But a Knake pass was tipped into the hands of OSU's Charles Verner, and Verner ran the interception back 95 yards for the score. Once again, the Frogs were unable to convert a scoring chance, and this time it cost them dearly.

"I thought I had a chance to go all the way, and I saw all of those black jerseys, so I knew I was going to go all the way," Verner said.

With the game seemingly out of reach, the Frogs staged another late rally. On a drive in which Knake threw on 10 of the 11 plays, the Frogs finally put one into the end zone, with Max hitting Ryan Tucker for a one-yard TD.

TCU threw the ball 65 times on Saturday, a tribute to the strong OSU rushing defense.

"The way the game went really

dictated our offense," Sullivan said. "The strength of their defense is what they can do against the rush. But we had some plays that worked well, and then we had a couple of mistakes."

Although the Frogs passed 65 times, not all of those passes came from Knake.

Max went down midway through the fourth quarter with a shoulder injury (called a bruise by team officials), and Scott McLeod came in to lead the Frogs on their final scoring drive of the game.

The drive was capped off by a five-yard TD pass from McLeod to receiver Jimmy Oliver.

"Obviously I was proud of Snake (McLeod)," Sullivan said. "He came in and showed good composure, and I was happy to see the team rally around him."

But McLeod's touchdown drive, which brought the Frogs to within 27-22, would be the final scoring of the game, as the TCU defense could not stop OSU on third-and-six and fourth-and-one plays late, and the Cowboys were able to run out the clock to secure the win.

"Coming in we felt that if we were close in the fourth quarter we had a chance to win," Sullivan said. "We had the opportunities, but we just didn't capitalize on them."

"It's tough to come back, but our team thrives on the fact that when we get down we know we can come back," Knake said.

Unfortunately for the Frogs, it was a case of too little, too late. But despite the turnovers, missed opportunities and busted plays, the Frogs were in the game until the very end, a characteristic that has been with this TCU team all year.

"The encouraging thing is that they didn't quit and kept fighting back," Sullivan said.

The Frogs will look to pick up their second win and their first conference victory of the season next week as they travel to Houston to play Rice.



TCU running back Jeff Godley looks to find a hole during the Frogs 27-22 loss to Oklahoma State last Saturday.

Missed chances plague Horned Frogs

By TY BENZ
TCU Daily Skiff

It was deja vu all over again for the TCU football team last Saturday.

For the second consecutive week, the Frogs dominated play offensively, only to have turnovers and mistakes inside the opponents' 20-yard line do them in again.

One week ago, against SMU, the Frogs dominated time of possession and outgained and outplayed the Mustangs, but lost to the Ponies 21-15 because they couldn't convert touchdowns inside the Ponies' 20-yard line.

It was the same old story again last Saturday.

The Frogs controlled the ball over 33 minutes and gained 417 yards against the No. 6 defense in the country, but again self-destructed inside OSU's "red zone" and let another game slip away as the Pokes won 27-22.

"The numbers are encouraging, but the sad thing is that turnovers and missed opportunities did us in again," TCU head coach Pat Sullivan said.

TCU drove into OSU's "red zone" six times, but only came away with two touchdowns, collecting three field goals and having an interception returned for a touchdown against them.

"We moved the ball well and got down into the red zone against a very good defense," TCU quarterback Max Knake said. "But mistakes, mental errors and a lack of concentration hurt us."

In the first half, the Frogs drove deep inside OSU's 15-yard line twice, but had to settle for Kevin Cordesman field goals both times. The missed opportunities would plague TCU in the later.

The first time TCU drove inside the red zone, the Frogs were trailing 7-0. A busted play (Knake tried to hand the ball off to tailback Jeff Godley but turned the wrong way and lost three yards) and two incompletions resulted in Cordesman's first field goal.

A lack of time and two incompletions did the Frogs in the second time TCU drove into the red zone. TCU reached the OSU four-yard line with under a minute left in the first half, and chose to kill the clock by intentionally grounding the ball. Two times in a row Knake tried to hit receivers in the corner of the end zone. But due to tight coverage, he couldn't complete them. The result was another short Cordesman field goal.

"We had some opportunities and we just didn't capitalize on them," Sullivan said.

The second half was more of the same for the frustrated Frogs.

The third time TCU drove into OSU's red zone, it blew the game open... for the Cowboys.

OSU's Charles Verner intercepted Knake after his pass was tipped in the

air by TCU wideout John Washington and then Verner raced down the sidelines 95 yards for a touchdown. That gave the Cowboys a 27-6 lead, which was too much for TCU to overcome.

But it wasn't just the red zone problems that killed the Frogs Saturday. Three crucial turnovers resulted in 21 OSU points and proved to be the difference in the game.

Other than two field goals by OSU's Lawson Vaughn, all the Cowboys' points came off of TCU turnovers. So while the defense played well at times on Saturday, they couldn't stop the Pokes at the key times in the game.

"We played pretty decent on defense," TCU strong safety Greg Evans said. "The one thing we have to concentrate on is stopping them (opposing teams) after they get the ball on a turnover and shut them down."

But despite the turnovers and the red zone mixups by TCU, the Frogs still had a chance to win the game.

Backup quarterback Scott McLeod pulled TCU within 27-22 as he hit wide receiver Jimmy Oliver for a short TD with three and a half minutes left. But once again, the Frogs didn't make the critical plays when they needed them as OSU converted a third down and six and a fourth and one situation to run out the clock and left the Frogs wondering what might have been.

"We're improving as a team," TCU cornerback Rico Wesley said. "We are just one or two plays away from winning."

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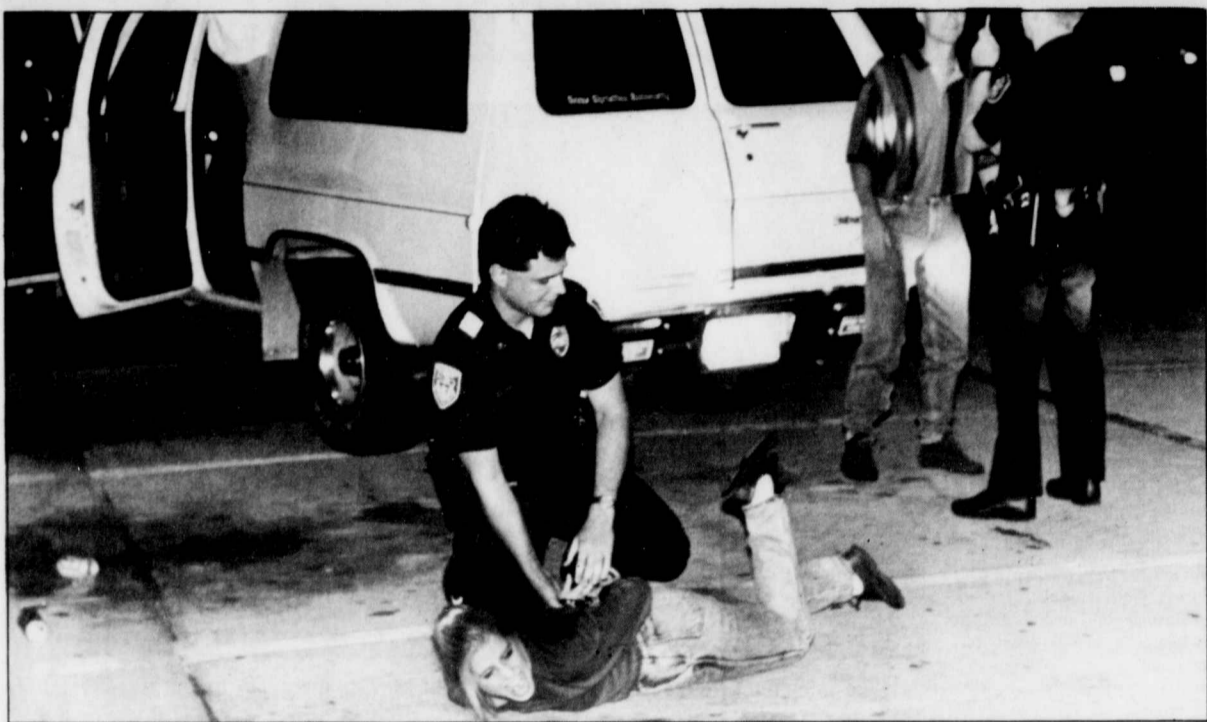
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Pope John Paul II's encyclical calls homosexuality and contraception evil

By DAVID BRIGGS
Associated Press

Pope John Paul II is drawing a sharp line separating the Catholic Church from modern morality, claiming in a new encyclical that certain acts are always evil and endanger the salvation of the church's 900 million followers.

In the 59 million-member church in the United States, some Roman Catholics are concerned the encyclical limiting dissent in areas of sexual morality and other church teachings may have a "chilling effect" on theologians. Others call it a bold challenge to keep the church's moral standards high.

"If abortion, euthanasia, artificial contraception and homosexual activity are intrinsically evil, then they are always and everywhere wrong, independent of the judgment of the individual," said Bishop John J. Myers of the Diocese of Peoria, Ill.

The 179-page encyclical scheduled to be formally released today is a powerful theological treatise expressing John Paul's concerns over moral relativism in the church and society.

Nations lacking transcendent values can easily be manipulated, the pope says in his 10th encyclical. "As history demonstrates, a democracy without values easily turns into open or thinly disguised totalitarianism," according to the encyclical entitled "Veritatis Splendor" (The Splendor of Truth).

It is to internal dissent and the "genuine crisis" in moral teaching that the pope devotes much of his attention in the document written to the bishops of the world. Most encyclicals, which are papal teachings, are addressed to all Catholics.

The pope discusses mortal sin in one section of the document, and throughout the encyclical refers to the dangers of individuals separating themselves from the promise of salvation by committing evil acts in opposition to God's law.

There is no direct list of mortal sins, but the encyclical condemns acts "hostile to life itself," including genocide, abortion and euthanasia and acts that offend human dignity such as slavery and prostitution and trafficking in women and children.

Among the scattered references to sexual sins, contraceptive practices are specifically labeled an intrinsically evil act.

Bishop Donald Trautman of the Diocese of Erie, Pa., said the encyclical will put the issue of mortal sins back on "center stage."

"There are moral absolutes in the Roman Catholic faith tradition," he said. "For many in the American culture, moral absolutes are countercul-

tural."

Lisa Cahill, a theology professor at Boston College, said some of the encyclical's goals seemed to be contradictory.

She applauded the encyclical's desire to counteract the tendency in Western culture to address issues such as abortion, surrogate motherhood and euthanasia purely in terms of individual freedom out of fear "we can't come to any more substantive agreement on the common good."

She also is concerned that in the end the search for objective values would always be defined by the

church hierarchy, an approach that would be rejected in public policy debates.

George Weigel, president of the Ethics and Public Policy Center in Washington, said no one is being "read out" of the Catholic Church by the document.

"It's a bold challenge to some dominant currents of thought in the American academy that has worked its way into the culture: namely that you really can't know the right thing to do," he said.

How will the average Catholic react?

"I suspect the pews are going to split. Some are going to say, 'Thank God, it's about time,'" said the Rev. James L. Connor, director of the Woodstock Theological Center at Georgetown University. "You're going to find people on the other side saying, 'Oh God, he's closing down all kinds of progressive developments.'"

Neither side will be right, Connor said. What he thinks the pope is really doing is discussing an issue on the cutting edge of the church and American culture: how to balance human responsibility and freedom.

West Texas residents want voice in decision on nuclear waste dump

By GLENN ADAMS
Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Maine — People in a remote corner of western Texas resent having no say in whether a radioactive waste dump is built in their region, an activist fighting Maine's proposed waste compact with Texas said Monday.

"This is a sacrifice area, and people are waking up," Bill Addington, president of Save Sierra Blanca, told press conferences in Bangor and Portland as part of the campaign against a low-level nuclear waste compact between Maine and his home state.

Maine voters are to decide Nov. 2 whether to ratify the agreement, which would cost electric ratepayers \$27.5 million, plus tipping fees estimated at \$300 per cubic foot.

Vermont also is considering joining the compact.

Addington said Sierra Blanca, a town of about 600 people, is sandwiched between the designated dump site and a sludge-dumping facility that has been in operation for about a year.

The "sludge ranch" in Hudspeth County, which includes roughly 122,000 acres for sludge applications, has met heavy opposition from county residents and officials.

Residents "see their whole way of life going down the drain," but lack political power to block the waste sites, said Addington.

He charged that the site for the nuclear waste facility was chosen before geological tests were done. Available studies are neither reliable nor credible, said Addington, who maintains that there are too many unanswered questions about the region's geology to store low-level waste there.

Designers envision a dump in

which wastes are packed inside 55-gallon drums which are cemented inside 9-foot reinforced concrete canisters and buried 40 feet underground on a bed of crushed rock.

Maine Public Advocate Stephen Ward, representing the state's Advisory Commission on Radioactive Waste, said extensive studies have been conducted over several years and that the Texas Geological Survey has certified the site as safe.

Ward, who negotiated the compact with Texas, said there is no chance of scant water falling near the site to seep into groundwater 800 feet below the surface.

Texas geologists have estimated water below the site to be 10,000 years old, he said.

Ward said Texas will build its dump whether Maine signs on as a user or not.

"We are not going to be inflicting our radioactive waste on a state where this issue has received hasty or superficial consideration," said Ward, noting that the dump plan has been supported by legislators representing the Sierra Blanca area.

Ward and Addington differ sharply on whether states, like Texas, that serve as hosts for multi-state dumps can keep states that are not members of the compacts to also dispose of their wastes there.

Addington said a 1985 law requires states with dumps to provide emergency access to non-compact states.

Ward said that provision can only be invoked in "extraordinary" situations, and that it also requires the removal of waste placed there during emergencies.

The Texas dump, which is scheduled for completion by 1996, has been challenged in court by an El Paso-based group called Alert Citizens for Environmental Safety.

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