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# SG inauguration ushers in new blood, ideas

## Whitley faces new round of tough problems

Amidst the handshakes and back-patting following the SG inauguration, rookie Marlen Whitley said that when he accepted the position, he inherited more than the usual appointments and adjust-

"I look at it as a challenge, but it will be rewarding," Whitley said. "We need to take it one step at a

Aside from settling in, learning the ropes and prioritizing his campaign promises, a new SG president typically battles to double the size of the assembly in just three months by appointing 41 additional students to UT and SG standing

Student Government has been accepting applications to fill the vacancies for one week, Whitley said, but he is still looking for candidates to fill the executive director, attorney general and financial director positions. The deadline for students to submit applications is Monday

But Whitley also has to look

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Above: Jeff Tsai congratulates and offers words of wisdom to Marlen Whitley following the inauguration. Right: Whitley and his girlfriend Erika Houston, a business administration senior, applaud other SG members.

## Event brings emotion, advice

MICHAEL CRISSEY
Daily Texan Staff

Former Student Government President Jeff Tsai ushered in a new administration Tuesday and passed the torch to Marlen Whitley, the 97th SG president, in an inauguration ceremony commemorating the 95th year of UT student government.

Whitley and 40 other elected officials took their oaths of office and the advice of those stepping down.

"I am extremely honored to stand before you as the SG president," Whitley told an inaugural ceremony crowd of about 200. "But the real honor is due to the special people who are here to share this occa-

Whitley's mother and father, whom Whitley called his "source of support and encouragement," said

their son has always been a leader. "We are very proud," Jack Whitley said. UT students "are in capable hands."
His mother, sniffling and fighting

back tears, said affectionately, "He is my only son." Whitley then offered the 41 fledg-

ling assembly members inspirational words for the coming year. "The relationship we develop

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# New immigration laws take effect despite controversy

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - A new law that makes it easier for the government to deport illegal immigrants and block the entry of others took effect Tuesday after a federal court turned back a challenge by immigrant-rights groups.

'We're going forward. The law and accompanying regulations are being implemented as originally planned," said Andrew Lluberes, a spokesman for the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

But the law has thousands of illegal and legal immigrants fearing the

Several hundred people, many of them Haitians, took to the streets Tuesday near an INS office in Miami to vent their frustrations. Many of the immigrants had come to the United States in search of

"Now all of a sudden they've changed the rules. They're telling them to go back home," said Cheryl Little, executive director of the Florida Immigrant Advocacy

In Washington, both sides returned to court Tuesday as the American Civil Liberties Union and the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights pursued another part of their complaint.

A judge scheduled a hearing on that issue for Friday.

Having lost their bid to delay the law's starting date, the groups want U.S. District Judge Emmet Sullivan to issue a temporary restraining order blocking provisions that deal

... They're telling them to go back home." — Cheryl Little, executive director of FIAC

with political asylum for immi-

Under the new law, INS officers may refuse entry to anyone bearing invalid or fraudulent documents unless a credible fear of persecution or asylum claim is made

It also reduces the rights of federal courts to review decisions about deportation and exclusion.

Advocates for immigrants maintain the INS is violating the law and the intent of Congress by not ordering immigration officers to inform people routinely of their right to apply for asylum and consult with

an attorney

INS says immigrants will be told of that right at a point in the process

called "secondary inspection." If the initial INS agent isn't sure how to proceed, the immigrant is sent to another agent. If the second agent denies admission, the individual must be told of the right to apply for asylum.

But advocates say they should be informed much earlier in the

Robert Rubin of the Lawyers' Committee said that under the law, immigrants with valid reasons for

fleeing their homelands are being failed to publish regulations implesummarily denied admission menting the provision 30 days

Previously, such decisions could be appealed to an immigration judge.
''If that is not immediate and

irreparable harm; I don't know what is," Rubin said in court, arguing for an injunction.

Linda Wendtland, a lawyer for the Justice Department, which oversees the INS, said an injunction would be moot because the complaint doesn't name specific individuals or make a "concrete showing of injury.

On Monday, the groups scored a brief victory when Sullivan decided that the law shouldn't take effect

They argued that the government

But an appeals court overturned Sullivan early Tuesday Other provisions of the immigration law, signed in September, will:

administrative law requires.

■ Make it easier to deport illegal aliens unless they can prove their

removal would cause "exceptional and extremely unusual hardship" to a close relative who is a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident. ■ Bar aliens seeking to re-enter the

country after living here without authorization.

■Undocumented immigrants who spend 180 days here unlawfully after April 1 will face three years of banishment, or 10 years if they stay a year or more.

# Austin area has lowest poverty rate

JAMES WILLIAMSON Daily Texan Staff

Residents of Austin and outlying areas are reaping the economic benefits of the city's political, academic and high-tech communities, according to analyses by experts of recently-released census data.

According to census data from 1993 released last month, Travis County has the lowest poverty rate of any metropolitan county in Texas.

Travis, Hays and Williamson counties all have lower poverty rates, higher median incomes and higher education levels than the state averages

Steve Murdock, chief demographer of the Texas State Data Center at Texas A&M University, attributed the area's favorable statistics to the presence of state government and the University

'Austin has the State Capitol and the University, and that is going to attract higher proportions of professionals, and they are going to have higher incomes," Murdock said. Daniel Hamermish, UT professor of

economics, said Austin's aggressive attempts to solicit high-tech industries were also a factor in attracting well-paid people to Travis and surrounding coun-

"Austin has been growing in hightech, high-wage industries," Hamermish

"The people coming to the area are educated and able to make a good living,"

Councilmember Ronney City Reynolds attributed Austin's success to the city's consistently low rate of unem-

"We've been very fortunate to have unemployment hovering at 3 percent," Reynolds said. "Anytime you can do that, you're going to increase wages, because

Poverty in Texas counties	below poverty line	median household income	college graduates
Travis Co.	14.3%	\$34,080	34.7%
Hays Co.	15.3%	\$30,645	26.4%
Williamson Co.	9.8%	\$40,500	24.6%
State of Texas	19.6%	\$28,803	20.3%
SOURCE: U. S. Census			

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employers have a smaller pool of applicants to draw from."

Travis County was also the only metropolitan county in the state where the poverty rate did not increase between 1990 and 1993.

But as poverty statistics for Travis and surrounding counties improved between 1990 and 1993, statewide poverty statistics worsened.

Texas had the fifth highest poverty rate in the nation in 1993 compared to the eighth highest in 1990. Approximately one in five Texans lives

below the poverty line, compared to only one in seven people nationwide. Texas is also home to 10 of the 50 poorest counties in the nation, including Starr County on the Texas-Mexico bor-

Starr has a 51 percent poverty rate, second only to Louisiana's East Carroll Parish as the poorest county in the

Murdock attributed Texas' growing poverty rate to what he called disproportionate population growth "among groups without the socioeconomic resources necessary to stay above poverty

Murdock added that Texas would have to address those socioeconomic disparities, especially prevalent among growing minority populations, to change the long-term trend in the state's

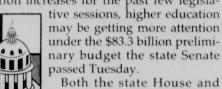
The poverty rate measures the percentage of the population whose income is less than what the federal government believes is necessary to maintain the minimum level of food, shelter and

The current federal poverty line is approximately \$15,600 for a family of

# Higher education may receive increased funds over past years

DAN CARNEVALE Daily Texan Staff

After being left out of significant appropriation increases for the past few legisla-



Senate have passed preliminary appropriations bills to fund the 1998-99 biennium that include substantial funding for the higher education

"Back to Basics" initiative. Created by a coalition of the Texas public university chancellors, the Back to Basics program is an attempt to increase minority retention rates in college.

The program would concentrate on areas including reading classes for elementary students, college preparatory classes for high school students, financial aid for college students and university faculty salary raises.

Both versions of the budget passed are considered bare-bones, providing funding only for the state's basic necessities.

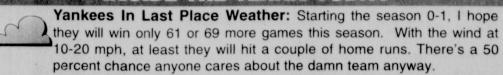
The version passed by the House, which has a reputation of initially appropriating too much money, sets aside the full \$926 million requested by higher education officials for Back to Basics The version passed by the Senate, which

has a reputation of initially appropriating too little money, sets aside \$501.7 million for the program. The House and Senate will meet in con-

ference committee to work out the funding differences for this program and many other funding requests which will make up most of the budget, called Article XI

The compromise between the House and Senate will likely create funding for the program somewhere in between the two figures — about \$700 million. But Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, said the proposals will

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not guarantee funding.

"It doesn't mean anything," said Bivins, chairman of the Senate Education Committee and a member of the Senate Finance

The Senate version of Article XI, which contains scaled-back funding compared to all the requests that were made, would cost the state about \$3.87 billion. Sen. Bill Ratliff, R-Mt. Pleasant, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, said the state could afford \$1.5 billion at the

UT System Chancellor William Cunningham declined to comment except to say, "We greatly appreciate the support the Senate and the House have shown toward our Back to Basics program."

Legislators said not every entity seeking funding will get money.

"The reality is we cannot fund a majority of those items," said Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, a member of the Senate Finance

Other requests that legislators have said are important in the next biennium include \$425.6 million for an across-the-board pay raise for state employees, \$206 million for technological improvements and

\$393.4 million for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families pro-

Ratliff said higher education "has taken a back seat" to other funding issues during the past legislative sessions, but it may receive a substantial amount of money this ses-

Even then, Back to Basics would compete for funding with other higher education programs needing \$1.4 billion and a Texas HOPE scholarship program needing \$134

Nothing in the budget will be appropriated until the new tax system is determined, Bivins said.

Gov. George W. Bush has asked for \$1 billion in property tax relief and a restructured tax system. A House select committee has been grappling over the issue of how to devise a fair tax system without sacrificing state funds.

Barrientos said those individuals requesting state funds may have to settle for less than desired.

"The fact is most people want to go to heaven, but none of them want to die," Barrientos said.

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beyond Student Government's internal affairs.

Both Vice President Randy Cooke and Whitley said they will move Student Government to its new offices in the Student Services Building this summer and select two students to serve on the Presidential Search Committee.

Whitley said he would likely serve as one of the student members on the Presidential Search Committee, but he has not selected

Both Cooke and Whitley said they are awaiting the move to new offices. When Student Government moves its offices to the Student Services Building, it will be the first time it has moved in more than 50

Cooke said although he and Marlen are looking forward to their new offices, that will not be the only move they make.

"One question that every single rep has asked is, 'Are you and Marlen really going to implement that mobile office idea?' "Cooke said. "Yes, we are."

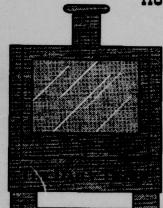
Cooke and Marlen campaigned that their "mobile office" would increase involvement in Student Government by regularly visiting

"We are looking forward to a year of mobile office stops where we will have a decorum of open dialogue to discuss issues and concerns with students," Cooke said. "It is all a part of our efforts to restore students' faith in Student

Government."

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# **Another Army instructor** charged in sex scandal

**ABERDEEN PROVING** GROUND, Md. - Another instructor at the Aberdeen Proving Ground was charged Tuesday with sexual misconduct involving female subordinates, making him the 11th man charged in the ongoing sex scandal.

Staff Sgt. Marvin Kelley, 33, had improper relationships with six trainees and one female soldier stationed at Aberdeen, the Army said.

Kelley was also charged with two counts of obstruction of justice, five counts of failing to obey an order prohibiting such relationships, one count of making a false statement and three counts of adultery, the Army said.

No further details on the charges were released. An Army spokesman Tuesday night did not know Kelley's race. The other 10 men charged with sexual misconduct at Aberdeen are black;

Also Tuesday, the judge in the court-martial of a drill sergeant facing 25 charges of rape denied a defense request to interview highranking Army officials who last fall called for "zero tolerance" of sexual

Lawyers for Sgt. Delmar Simpson argued during a pre-trial hearing that comments made by Secretary Togo West and other Army officials made it impossible for Simpson to receive a fair court-martial and led Aberdeen commanders to charge him with rape when he may have had consensual sex.

"It is our sense that the Army needs somebody to hang rape on,' said defense lawyer Frank J. Spinner

But the judge, Col. Paul Johnston, said he reviewed newspaper clippings and broadcast news reports and did not believe they showed Army officials unduly influenced Simpson's court-martial.

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over the next academic year must be such that we work together on all matters related to student welfare and interests," Whitley said. "We have to change our attitudes and expectations about our own

He warned that without teamwork the SG would become "nothing more than a masterpiece of minimalism.

Whitley added he would work with the administration to help select a new president and provost and determine the future of a post-Hopwood University.

The decisions we make this year will have a lasting effect on the University," he said.

SG Vice President Randy Cooke told the assembly in his inaugural speech that he will encourage student involvement in the SG, maintain the success of the Designated Drivers program and promote safety on campus.

Tsai and Brian Feld, outgoing SG vice president, opened the ceremony with farewell speeches to the outgoing assembly and words of advice to the incoming.

"As I step down from this position that I have been so honored to hold, I encourage the new leaders of our organization to understand the immense responsibilities of their offices," Tsai said.

"The Student Government stands at the edge of a new opportunity," he added. "It could sink in what seemed to be interminable student skepticism or it could persevere."

He advised the assembly to continue advances made in student health care, stay involved in the Student Service Fee Committee and fight to keep the Undergraduate Research Fellowship program.

Tsai touted these programs because he said they improved the quality of student life, empowered students and demonstrated the administration's commitment to

Feld said in his final address to the assembly that he supported the Volunteer Center, the UT Designated Driver Program and the Student Services Fee Committee because "they are programs the students deserve to have.

Feld warned the new assembly against both apathy and too much

"Basically the clock is ticking. If you don't get on the ball, you are going to regret it," Feld said. "But do not take on too much Sometimes the assembly spreads itself too thin.'

Feld advised the new administration to use the summer to assemble their staff and learn the ropes.

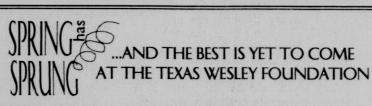
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# April Fools' snowstorm ravages East Coast

Associated Press

BOSTON - New England towns had begun putting their plows away after a winter of below-average snowfall, and hardware stores had set up their displays of patio furniture. Then, April Fool!

Boston started digging out Tuesday after its biggest snowfall ever in April, a Nor'easter that blew away the tip of one of the masts on the USS Constitution, the sturdy frigate known as Old Ironsides.

A man shoveling snow complained of chest pains and was taken to a hospital, where he later died. His name was not released.

Snow piled up nearly 3 feet deep from New Jersey into Massachusetts, shutting down air-Jersey into ports, closing schools and knocking out electricity to hundreds of thousands of people, some of whom won't see their power restored for

days.
"It's a practical joke. It's April Fools' Day," Christie Humphrey told her astonished 2-year-old son, Sam, as he looked at the snow in North Andover.

Strangers to the area thought differently

"This is what I think of in a Currier and Ives print. It's just beautiful," said Joe Moore, a visitor from Oklahoma City enjoying Boston's Lexington Square.

Forecasters said the snow probably will melt gradually without causing any serious flooding when temperatures climb into the 50s and 60s by the weekend.

Most of the winter's snow had already melted, and there has been little spring rain to soak the ground.

The huge storm blew rain, sleet and snow from Maryland to Maine beginning Monday. By Tuesday afternoon, 33 inches of snow had fallen at Milford, Mass.; 32 inches in upstate New York; 30 inches at Hopkinton, Mass., and High Point, N.J.; and 27 inches at Jaffrey, N.H. The Baltimore Orioles postponed

their opening day baseball game against the Kansas City Royals because of wind gusting to 33 mph. Ground crews shoveled snow off the field. Boston's trolley lines were closed

for the first time in nearly two

Many colleges also were closed - including Harvard Law School, shut for the first time in nearly 20 years. Harvard students used cafeteria trays to toboggan down the snow-covered stairs of Widener

"I love it when the weather forces people out of their routine,' said Andrew Latimer, a Somerville lawyer who played hooky from work to go cross-country skiing in Cambridge.



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"For the last 24 hours, we've become very intimate. If you can't do that, then you've lost something somewhere," said Susan Tremblay, 32, who was trying to get home to her family in Atlanta.

Connecticut's Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks, near Hartford, was closed overnight.

'The airplane don't want me. The hotels are full. Nobody wants me," lamented Vincent Mule of Meriden, Conn. Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Ridge

sent the National Guard to help dig out cars stalled in the middle of highways. About 1,000 Pennsylvania motorists spent Monday and

Tuesday in their cars, and 4,000 others stayed in shelters. The 24 inches at Logan Airport made it Boston's third biggest snowfall on record, and the largest

ever in April, the National Weather Service said. Until Monday, Boston had received just 26.5 inches of snow for the winter, well below the 43inch average and last year's record

107.6 inches. Across the region, wind gusted to nearly 70 mph during the night. In Boston Harbor, gusts to 50 mph sheared off the top of the USS Constitution's foremast, echoing damage caused by cannon fire dur-

ing the War of 1812. The biggest problem was downed trees and utility poles.

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# **NEWS BRIEFS**

#### Spain defends national rail system after 20 die in train accidents

■ HUARTE ARAKIL, Spain — The Spanish government defended the country's rail system Tuesday after two passenger trains derailed within 10 hours, killing 20 people and injuring dozens.

Deputy Prime Minister Francisco Alvarez Cascos described the derailments as a "dramatic coincidence."

In the more serious of the two accidents, 18 people died and about 90 were injured Monday when a four-car train with 248 passengers traveling from Barcelona to Irun left the tracks as it entered this tiny northern farm town.

Miguel Corsini, chairman of the state rail company RENFE, said investigations showed the train had been traveling at 82 mph when the derailment occurred.

The train toppled over as it switched tracks to let another train pass. As it switched tracks, its speed should not have been above 18 mph, Corsini said.

RENFE engineers and police were to investigate whether excess speed was the only cause of the derailment. A judge ordered the driver's blood be tested to see if he had been fit to run the train.

In the second accident, 20 passenger cars ran off the rails near Madrid early Tuesday, killing a French woman and a train employee and injuring 16 people. The cause of the derailment was being investigated.

#### Bomb shatters statue of Russia's last czar

■ MOSCOW — A bomb exploded atop Moscow's only monument to Russia's last czar on Tuesday, destroying the copper statue and spewing fragments over a snowy field.

The 36-foot-high monument was installed last May in the Moscow suburb of Taininskoye to mark the centenary of the coronation of Nicholas II, who abdicated in 1917 and was executed by a Bolshevik firing squad the following year.

Moscow regional police spokesman Gennady Melnik said the statue was made of thin copper sheeting and was easily destroyed by the bomb, which exploded around dawn.

He said wires were found running from the statue to a car battery, which investigators believe was used to detonate the bomb.

The statue, by sculptor Vyacheslav Klykov, depicted the czar during his coronation, an ermine mantle on his shoulders and holding the state scepter and orb in his hands.

#### Father of the Hubble Telescope dead at 82

■ TRENTON, N.J. — Lyman Spitzer Jr., a pioneer in astrophysics and plasma physics who is credited with conceiving the Hubble space telescope and launching research in fusion aimed at developing a cheap, inexhaustible fuel supply, is dead at 82.

Spitzer died Monday evening at his home in Princeton, said Princeton University officials.

The cause of death was not disclosed

He served as a Princeton University professor, researcher and chairman of the department of astrophysical sciences for more than three decades.

He continued work in his office there analyzing results from the spacebased telescope until the day of his death, the university said.

#### **Brazil's Avon women** offer more than blush

■ SAO PAULO, Brazil — Brazil's Avon ladies are about to offer more than makeup and perfume when they go door-to-door.

The cosmetics manufacturer has signed an agreement with the federal government and state of Sao Paulo to provide information about women's health issues, Avon spokeswoman Rosa Alegria said Tuesday

The National Council of Women's Rights and the Government of Sao Paulo state signed the agreement with Avon on March 25.

Under the program, each member of Avon's half a million-strong Brazilian sales force will undergo a two-day training program to better inform their clients about infant mortality, family planning, cancer and other issues affecting women.

The program expects to reach 13 million Brazilian women.

The company began the program in 1994 on an experimental basis.

It has similar programs in the United States, England, Japan, the Philippines and Venezuela.

Compiled from Associated Press

# 4 bombers die attacking Netzarim

NETZARIM, Gaza Strip -Israeli troops shot and killed two Palestinians and two others blew themselves up in bungled suicide bombings Tuesday, one of the deadliest days yet in a growing crisis in Middle East peacemak-

The bombers apparently had meant to destroy Israeli school buses outside Jewish settlements in the Gaza Strip, Israelis said.

The attacks come during a deadlock in Israeli-Palestinian peace talks, which broke down last month over new Israeli construction in disputed east Jerusalem, and triggered new accusations from both sides.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu insisted that the suicide bombings showed that Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has sanctioned attacks by

Tuesday's first explosion went off about a mile from the Jewish settlement of Netzarim, south of

A Netzarim school bus was running late, which meant it was away from the site when the bomb exploded.

Palestinian police disputed Israeli allegations that the other explosion, at Kfar Darom, was a suicide bombing.

They said Israeli troops threw explosives at a taxi and a donkey cart, killing a Palestinian bystander and wounding seven taxi passengers. But Israel's military chief, Lt.

Gen. Amnon Shahak, said Islamic militants set off both blasts.

He said the suicide bombers wore Palestinian police uniforms and were Islamic militants belonging to either the Hamas or Zaro, 21.

Islamic Jihad groups.

North of the West Bank city of Nablus, about 1,000 Palestinians clashed with troops at an Israeli army checkpoint.

Israeli troops there shot and killed a plainclothes Palestinian policeman, Haitham Mansour, Palestinians said.

Hospitals treated 32 protesters for wounds from rubber bullets and for tear gas inhalation.

Mansour had been sent to the scene to try to subdue the protesters, said a colleague, Mohammed Abu Sanfa.

Israeli soldiers fatally shot another Palestinian as he tried to flee a car theft near the Jewish settlement of Kiryat Arba in the West Bank, the army said.

He was identified as Kamel



A Palestinian youth hurls rocks at Israeli soldiers during clashes in

#### DISASTER



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kers inspect the wreckage of a U.S. military cargo plane which crashed and caught fire on an Embassy said three people died and seven were in the oily street while trying to land at the Toncontin Interna- crash. No one on the ground was hurt.

tional Airport in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. The U.S.

# Clinton: End TV liquor ads

WASHINGTON - President Clinton, who scored political points in taking on the tobacco industry, targeted liquor distillers' TV ads Tuesday.

'Liquor has no business with kids," he said.

But even as Clinton argued he was protecting children and helping parents, he struggled to explain why his move against liquor ads — which stopped just short of recommending a regulatory ban — did not touch the far more pervasive television advertising for beer or wine.

He acknowledged that his aim, for now, is a return to the status quo last fall - before distillers lifted their 50-year, selfimposed ban on radio and TV ads.

I think we ought to start with the principle of no backsliding," Clinton said in outlining his request that the Federal Communications Commission study the impact of lifting the ban and make recommendations for possible federal action.

Distillers voted in November to end the ban after Seagram's ran a limited number of ads in Texas.

Ever since, FCC Chairman Reed Hundt has sought an official inquiry, but the commission remained deadlocked 2-2 on the

While saying he hoped the industry would agree voluntarily to stay off the airwaves, Clinton said that if the agency finds liquor ads harmful to youngsters, "I think the FCC has grounds to act." But distillers were quick to cry hypocrisy Tuesday.

And some groups denounced any distinction between hard liquor's harm and the dangers of beer drinking.

Elizabeth Board, spokeswoman for the Distilled Spirits Council of the United States, noted that the major national networks still refuse to run liquor ads and only 50 of some 1,000 cable stations have accepted ads since November.

By contrast, she said, beer commercials saturate the airwaves \$2.5 billion worth since Clinton took office.

# China to foreigners: Stay out of our affairs

Associated Press

BEIJING — The United States should keep its nose out of China-Taiwan relations, China said Tuesday in an attack on Newt Gingrich's promise that Washington would defend the island against Chinese attack.

'We don't need any foreigner making indiscreet remarks on this question," Foreign Ministry spokesman Shen Guofang said.

Gingrich, who is wrapping up a four-nation tour of Asia, was in Tokyo on Tuesday where he met with the head of the powerful Ministry of International Trade and Industry.

He was to visit Taiwan on Wednesday.

China regards Taiwan, which the Nationalists have ruled since they fled the advancing Communists in 1949, as a breakaway province.

Beijing has not ruled out using force to retake the island.

Gingrich told a senior Chinese official Sunday, the final day of a three-day stay in China, that the United States would defend Taiwan if China launched an offense.

Asked about Gingrich's comments, Shen said Beijing wants Taiwan to reunify peacefully with

If Taiwan declares independence or foreign forces interfere on the island, "then of course we will take other necessary measures," he said.

'Whatever method is used to resolve the question of Taiwan is an internal affair of China," he said at a twice-weekly briefing,

Whatever method is used to resolve the question of Taiwan is an internal affair of China."

> - Newt Gingrich, Speaker of the House of Representatives

restating Beijing's long-held posi-

Shen accused the United States of supporting pro-independence forces on Taiwan and hindering peaceful reunification with China

by "selling large amounts of advanced weapons" to the island.

The United States says its sells only defensive weapons to Tai-Washington has recognized

China's claim over Taiwan since President Richard Nixon's historic opening of ties in 1972.

But a 1979 law, passed after Washington switched formal diplomatic recognition to Beijing, requires the United States to aid in the defense of Taiwan, a staunch Cold War ally.

Gingrich's visit to Japan — he arrived on Sunday — came just days after the Cabinet approved a sweeping reform package aimed at overhauling the troubled financial system and cutting government regulation.

During a luncheon speech Tuesday at the Japan National Press Club, he said Japan can both strengthen its economic recovery and soothe trade troubles with Washington with a single policy: deregulation.

Reliance on rising exports or government spending will only weaken the economy, he said.

He said the key to opening the economy is transferring power from bureaucrats to Parliament.

'Any move toward deregulation must involve increasing the influence of directly-elected representatives at the expense of an unaccountable bureaucracy," he said.

In Japan, bureaucrats write the country's laws and are credited with engineering Japan's rise to affluence after its defeat in World

# USDA retaliates against Europeans over food safety

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman announced retaliatory action Tuesday against the European Union for imposing food inspection standards that threaten as much as \$700 million in American meat, dairy and poultry exports.

U.S. and EU negotiators, meeting in Washington, failed to reach agreement on common food safety criteria by Tuesday, when the new European standards took effect.

As a result, U.S. exports will have to pass more rigorous inspections.

A USDA official said it was too early to determine the overall

He said \$50 million in poultry, \$6 million in egg products and \$30 million in dairy commodities like-

ly will be affected immediately. EU spokesman Gerard Kiely said in Brussels, Belgium, that as much as \$700 million a year in

exports eventually could be disrupted by the new European food safety criteria, which are more strict than U.S. standards. "If they can't meet our stan-

dards, trade will be affected," he

U.S. officials contend USDA standards are just as safe as those

Glickman acknowledged the new European requirements will hurt U.S. exports.

"In addition, any opportunity to expand U.S. red meat exports .. has, for the time being, been lost," he said. '

Under these circumstances, as previously announced, the United States as of April 1 will begin to implement a system that will require EU meat exports to comply with U.S. inspection require-

'This may have an adverse affect on EU meat exports to this market," Glickman said.

A USDA official said as many

American animal product as 100 EU processing plants may be subject to U.S. inspections before their products are permitted to enter the United States. Exports by the 15-nation EU to the United States exceed \$300 million annually.

During the nearly three years of negotiations on a common inspection standard, the United States unilaterally extended recognition to EU products inspected by European officials.

"It is unfortunate that, despite this intensive effort, we were unable to finalize an agreement that would have permitted mutual recognition of our respective inspection systems as 'equivalent' for red meat, poultry, eggs, dairy products, fish and certain other products," Glickman said.

Members of the European Union are Austria, Belgium, Britain, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Spain and Sweden.

# Casualties of war

Associated Press

TIRANA, Albania - "Papa, it hurts!" the 13-year-old moans. His father tells him to stop crying and act like a man - but the boy screams as a nurse slowly moves his arm from his scorched side.

Bektash Misja is a victim of Albania's turmoil, one of hundreds of children injured by the arsenal of guns, grenades and ammunition in hands that don't know how to use them.

Some of the children got in the way of bullets; gunmen let off steam when night and curfew fall, shooting randomly into the

Others hurt themselves playing with cartridges, grenades and even submachine guns looted over the past month from government armories as public anger over failed investment schemes turned into armed insurrection.

Kids tag along when parents strip weapons from warehouses. Or they play with guns and ammunition brought home by

In the rebel-controlled south and in northern towns run by gangs, boys hardly old enough to

walk have pockets stuffed with ammunition, and 13-year-olds squeeze off bursts of submachine-gun fire into the air to impress visitors.

There is no official tally of how

many children have been killed or maimed since the violence began in earnest a month ago. Bektash, the slim 13-year-old,

picked up a canister lying on the road in his village of Maminas, west of Tirana, 15 days ago. Other children tried to take it away from him, so he pinned it between his arm and his right

side and started running. Then the smoke grenade exploded.

Eleven-year-old Albana Meshi smiles as a nurse lifts a worn blanket to reveal a stump where her right leg used to be

Mangled by four bullets, the leg had to be amputated above the knee I was taking care of our cows

when a neighbor started shooting," said the girl from the northern town of Kukes.

The neighbor shot in the air, the cows started to stampede, I tried to climb over the fence and that's when I got hit."

# Control strengthens students' ties with 'The Texan'

The Daily Texan's elected editor should have editorial control over both the news and editorial sections. Forget tradition — the important consideration is *The Texan's* financial and political relationship with University students.

The Texan is our student newspaper. By accepting student fees, we tacitly agree to serve you. If students stage a protest, The Texan should be there. If students care about an issue, *The Texan* should care. There can be no debate about this. The Texan is your paper. If you feel an issue is important, it is newsworthy for this paper, even though it might not be

#### Hunter Stanco **TEXAN COLUMNIST**

the nation.

It follows, then, that we should maintain the power structure which best serves you. If an elected editor can make news decisions that better represent the student body, she should have that power.

The editor interacts with student leaders every day. The managing editor lives in the basement — she's lucky to see sunlight, much less interact with students.

The distinction between the mannewsworthy for any other paper in aging editor and the elected editor

really surfaces here. The editor might put something on the front page because she knows it's important to the students. The managing editor might not run that story at all; she might not know what the stu-dents want and might not care she is appointed. Unless it runs stories that are important to students, The Texan fails to represent you, failing to provide what you pay for.

On a more political note, proponents of the changes assert that editors of professional papers are not elected. That is not entirely true. They may not be subject to an election, but their jobs are highly dependent on public approval. If no one likes the paper, no one buys the

paper and the editor loses his job. But *The Texan* is "free." So, this

structure simply does not exist. We have to come up with another to ensure the students are satisfied. The simple answer: We elect an editor and give her editorial control.

An appointed editor answers to no one. If people only read the comics, it's no big deal. She quits a semester later and puts the job on his résumé. Meanwhile, the paper sucks, and you're dissatisfied with the way your student fees are spent. An elected editor, on the other hand, will be chastised, asked to resign and accountable to you for the quality of this publication.

In this sense, The Texan is similar

to the federal government. You pay fees and therefore expect something in return. But it is not like buying a paper, since you have to pay even if you don't want to. This situation creates a big problem — accountability.
Our government maintains intricate checks and balances and gives elected, not appointed, officials the majority of governmental power.

You would be enraged if final power to declare war were given to

a general instead of the president. Why? Because you cannot fire the general; he is not accountable to you. The relationship between the managing editor and the elected editor is the same. Even though the managing editor may have more news

experience, just as a general may have more military experience, the elected editor should have control because you are his boss.

Tara Copp proposed a check on the editor's power. With a 2/3 vote of permanent staff members, the managing editor could overrule the editor. This system is similar to the legislature's ability to override a veto. The TSP Board voted this proposal down.

You should consider the implications of giving the appointed managing editor control. It will weaken your influence on The Texan — it matters to you.

Stanco is an economics senior.

# Gangsta rap must chill or be chilled

Rap is becoming a blemished art,

Drew Harris Rap is becoming a blemished art, dragged down from the popular hiphop trend by violence. While rap lyrics have always spoken of street violence, the bloodshed has spilled into the industry itself. Now, the gangsta rap world faces the possibility of vendetta killings.

The recent death of the Notorious B.I.G., a popular East Coast rapper, has some in the industry scared a feud between East Coast and West

feud between East Coast and West Coast rappers will turn musicians into bloody targets of drive-by shootings. The nature of the feud, and perhaps the culture itself, is such that the violence will not stop anytime soon.

Like the feuding Hatfields and McCoys, two families of rappers have been sniping at each other for years—with taunting lyrics and accessionally.

with taunting lyrics and, occasionally,

While there are overarching tensions between the older, East Coast establishment and the brash upstarts from California, the main conflict is between Death Row Records of Los Angeles and New York-based Bad Boy Entertainment.

Like Mafia families, these record companies jealously protect their turf and make it difficult for rappers to leave. Even rap superstar Dr. Dre had a tough time leaving Death Row due to company owner "Suge" Knight's strong-arm tactics.

Rappers for the two rival record companies, Tupac Shakur and the Notorious B.I.G., escalated the tension by publicly mocking one another. Now, both are dead.

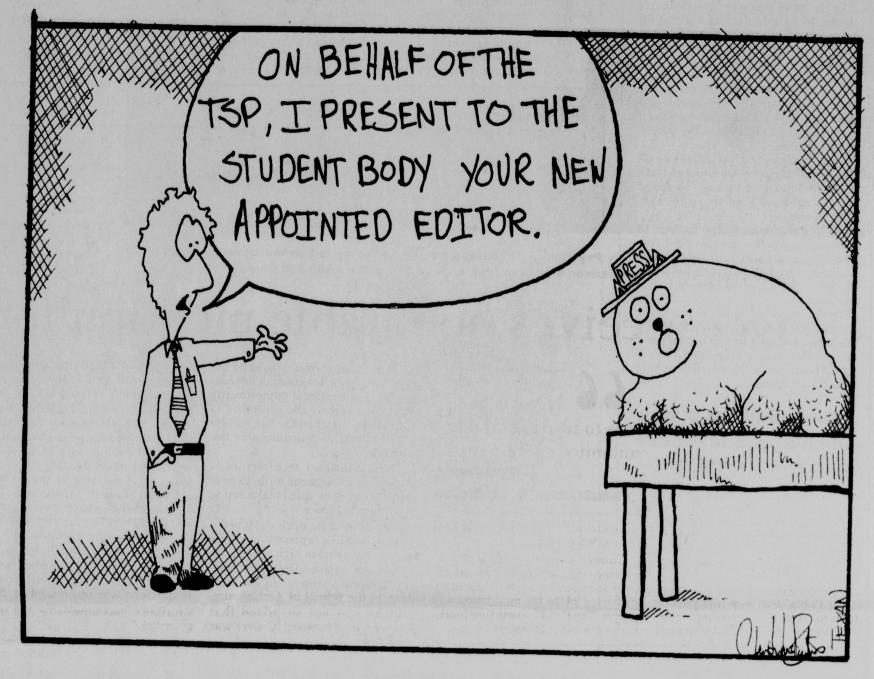
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Meanwhile, the posthumous releases of Shakur and his East Coast adversary's albums have sold incredibly well. Rap magazines like *The* Source and Vibe have capitalized on this publicity, fueling the rivalry's dangerous flames. Record executives are now more willing than ever to deal with people of questionable background and watch greedily while profits increase in direct proportions to the leaders of the profits of the leaders of the leaders. portion to the body count. While this market is not directly responsible for the rappers' deaths, it caters to the mentality that creates vendetta

Gangsta rap's roots are in street violence; rappers like Shakur became popular by "keeping it real." In the rap culture, this means dodging bullets while rapping about sex with a rival's wife. However, this might also mean avenging the murder of "family" members. It would not be surprising if other rappers join the fray, both verbally and through violent means.

Some say such violence and feuding is just hype, necessary for gangsta rap's image. However, the culture of street violence is inevitably selfdestructive. As these two recent killings remind us, the genre will have to pacify or perish.

Harris is a Plan II sophomore.



# Mainstream media shouldn't blame religion and the Internet

Christians worldwide celebrated our holiest week against the backdrop of the Heav-en's Gate cult suicides in California and an unseemly attack upon our faith by the seemingly hellbent secular media.

Of course, neither Christianity nor the Internet had anything to do with the profound human tragedy in San Diego. But it's becoming part of our national culture of denial to impulsively blame others when we

see symptoms of spiritual decay.

America's churches — which donate selflessly to make this a better place to live — are increasingly becoming our society's safety net, as the government gradually abandons its commitment to the poor and the weak.

Thus, churches are a national asset. But leave it to the sun-baked Los Angeles Times to make the denialist's case. In an editorial, the Clayton Vernon

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In churches across America this Easter, our thoughts and prayers were not far from San Diego.

Times appealed directly to the despondent to simply reach out their hands, assuring somebody would be there.

But who? Senior executives at Times-Mirror? No, in America, that somebody is our churches on Sundays and, perhaps, Internet chat rooms weekdays. Occasional loneliness should be nothing to be ashamed of. After all, only on television and in the movies are all people beautiful and popular — rarely

Out of all of the cults' potential critics, TV journalists have no credibility to promote the leftist academic psychobabble emanating last week - specifically, equating one of the largest faiths in the world with the Heaven's Gate cult.

Television has contributed to the dulling of our instinctive and collective compassion as much as, if not more than, any institution. Viewers are bombarded with the material virtues of profligacy and deviancy. Media tycoons value the common man only for his

It's understandable that the television industry ridicules Christians and the Internet. Many devout persons of faith reject the Hollywood version of an America as Sodom, and many thoughtful persons would prefer to get their news and information off the

Web. In fact, the network nightly news rat- Simpson and Ronald Goldman. For CNN to ings have never been lower. These organizations are becoming irrelevant, and they

Christians have, in fact, almost always been a part of the solution and almost never a part of the problem. As for the Internet, the Web brings information into our homes and schools to help us attain our dreams.

America's problem isn't that too many people go to church on Sundays, or that we are too highly informed or educated. To the contrary, our problems often involve the duplicity of those who negotiate in virtues for profit and who use the airwaves to

spread their propaganda.

Idiots like Ted Turner joked last week about the 39 "kooks" who committed suicide. Turner, of course, made his every dime from dead Iraqis and the dead Nicole Brown

simultaneously ridicule and profit from the deaths of the Heaven's Gate cult members is equally as irresponsible.

Meanwhile, in churches across America this Easter, our thoughts and prayers were not far from San Diego. Here in Austin, speaking at the University Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Sam Williams gave a passionate sermon, reminding us that those lost in cults fail to hear the trumpet of true Resurrection and eternal life.

It is a remarkable testament to the ongoing battle between right and wrong that messages such as Williams' somehow threaten so many of our nation's cultural and academic

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#### Insufficient evidence

I am writing to criticize the Hopwood plaintiffs and their damage claims totaling \$5.5 million for, among other things, "substantial personal insult" and the income they lost from not being lawyers.

The plaintiffs base their damages in part on what they claim is the average salary for a lawyer, \$53,000 a year. Well, I have got news for them. At least one-half of the graduates from UT Law are not going to make that much their first year out. A lot are still scrambling for jobs in the still-tight legal market. Not everyone gets a high-paying job, and, frankly, the Hopwood plaintiffs are applying a "substantial per-sonal insult" to the half of UT Law's student body who will not make

They haven't faced the tough grade curve (roughly 25 percent

A's, 50 percent B's, 25 percent C's) in a school full of brilliant, driven people that determines who gets the first shot at those jobs making over \$53K. They haven't incurred a substantial amount of federal educational loan debt (which can easily approach the \$53K range) to pay for law school. They haven't studied for five comprehensive exams over roughly 15 days that determine your grades in courses that could have lasted all school year. They don't know law school pressure. Especially managing a "Relax the Back" store as David Rodgers, one of the plaintiffs who likes to shoot his mouth off, does.

David Rodgers, Hopwood plain-tiff, says in The Dallas Morning News (Tuesday, page 19A), "We (referring to the plaintiffs in Hopwood) were damaged, and we have lost years of our lives." Well, many law students would claim the same. He also complains (page 17A), "the average lawyer makes \$53,000 and I haven't cracked 26 yet." Boo-hoo.

At least he is turning a profit.

I in no way hold against the plaintiffs their right to make a legal claim; I myself am wary of affirmative action. But it is absurd for taxpayer money to be used to compensate these plaintiffs for not getting to be an attorney when we have no indication as to how good an attorney or law student they would have been. Some damages may be appropriate, but \$5.5 million is not.

Law school is a demanding yet rewarding experience. It requires sacrifice and hard work. If the Hopwood plaintiffs are in fact rewarded damages, they should be adjusted to account for the sacrifices, both financial and mental, a law student makes to gain a law degree at UT

> Andrew Piel Third-year law student

#### **Patently vicious**

In response to the editorial "Welfare program scapegoats poor" (3/1), I could easily counter many of Miss Triece's claims concerning unemployment (mass unemployment is created by such governmental interference in the labor market as "pro-labor" legislation and minimum wage laws), falling wages (she undoubtedly forgot about rising employee benefits such as employer-provided medical insurance), the arbitrary way in which the term poverty can be used (by what standard is someone determined to be impoverished?), the fact that legislators such as Republican John Kaisich are pushing for the elimination of corporate welfare (i.e., subsidies to business) as well, and the fact that the banking and telephone industries, where a lot of corporate down-sizing is occurring, were granted virtual monopoly power by the government for the past 50 to 100 years (monopolies are notorious for creating inefficiency, such as unnecessary jobs).

But all of that is inconsequential in comparison to the total lack of morality exhibited by Triece's editorial. Triece seems to be living under the delusion that "need" constitutes a claim on the lives of others and that government should use physical force or the threat of it against some for the alleged benefit of others. I categorically reject such a notion as patently vicious. Make no doubt about it, advocates of the welfare state are advocates of slavery, which is work done for the coerced benefit of others. Voluntarily giving to the poor (by the way, Americans voluntarily give more to the poor than any other nation) when one can afford it is certainly one's prerogative; but I would appreciate it if Triece and other totalitarians would not come look-

ing to enslave me for even one sec-

ond of my life. Now it should be clear that, rather than going to far, Congress has not gone far enough in eliminating welfare.

> Dean Cook Economics Senior

#### Inadmissable

Hopwood and Carvell were 'emotionally damaged" simply from being turned down by the UT Law School? Considering the rigor of the program - late nights, demanding professors, intense schedules — emotional fragility is clearly an impediment. (And I'm not even a big fan of law schools or lawyers - or tort cases, for that matter.) Clearly, they were not viable candidates for the school, bolstering Professor Wellborn's assertion that they would not have been admitted even if race had not

> Matt Beyers Master's candidate, Institute of Latin American Studies and Community and Regional Planning

#### Back it up

Ben Bateman ("Back for more," 3/2/97), takes issue with Roahn Wynar's assertions that chiropractic medicine is "evidence-free." He goes on to say that, in a study on

1,500 patients being treated for back pain, those who were treated by chiropractors were most satisfied.

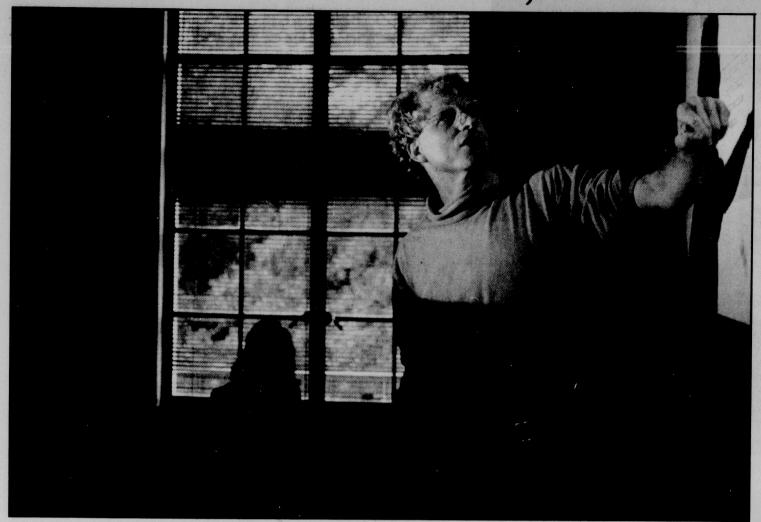
Mr. Bateman, no one is denying that seeing a chiropractor may help with your back pain. Everyone likes a good back rub. What the scientific community questions is the reasons put forth by chiropractors for their supposed success. It is palpably untrue that chiropractors realign the vertebrae. Their assertions of curing other illnesses by manipulating bones of the spine are demonstrably false. Until they are able to come up with the real reasons that patients feel relief from their treatment, scientists will treat them with the disdain they deserve.

> Thomas Kite Doctoral candidate, electrical engineering

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# Buss discusses love, standard of attraction on PBS



SARAH SUDHOFF/Daily Texan Staff

David Buss, a professor of Evolutionary Psychology, discusses a study he conducted on the universal standard of attraction. He did a cross-cultural comparison with countries such as Africa, Germany and China.

#### MICHELLE HILLEN

Daily Texan Staff

Love, desire and the evolutionary processes behind human emotions are a few of the topics a University professor will discuss on *Straight Talk with Derek McGinty*, a Public Broadcasting Service panel show in its second season.

David Buss, a professor of evolutionary psychology, recently taped an episode on *The Chemistry of Love*. The program will be aired at 10 p.m. Monday.

Buss used data from his recent book, *The Evolution of Desire*, to field questions about the scientific basis of love.

Pinpointing the evolutionary basis of love as the most important topic discussed on the show, Buss said mating adaptations strongly affect male and female perspectives on commitment in relationships.

"Evolution is always going to play a part," Buss said. "People like to believe that you can somehow change society with the flip of a switch, but desire is a very difficult thing to switch."

Buss said after collecting data from 37 different cultures for his book, one of the most surprising things he found was a "universal standard of attraction."

Some other findings Buss discussed on the show were different types of sperm and how they have affected mating strategies, desire as the foundation of the mating system and the universal tendency of financially stable women to desire financially stable men.

"Women want a guy who has the ability and willingness to invest in themselves and their children," Buss said.

Buss shared the panel with four other sal relevance, and I just hope vi experts, including Helen Fisher, a research curious enough to read up on it."

associate in the department of anthropology at Rutgers University; James Weinrich, a professor of evolutionary biology at the University of California at San Diego, and Cynthia Heimal, a humorist and columnist who writes about relationships.

Laurie Fry, publicist for WETA, the production company which produces the show for PBS, said panelists were chosen because the host and producers were familiar with Buss'

"Basically they were looking for knowledgeable people in the field and a mix of expertise," Fry said. "Buss' field gave them a different spin on the topic."

Derek McGinty, the show's host, said the panelists did a good job of discussing different

"I thought they seemed to do very well," McGinty said. "There were some interesting disagreements between Heimal and Buss, but I thought [Buss] held his own very well. They all had a different view, but they all had something to contribute."

McGinty said he hoped the show provided a balance of entertainment and information with the balance of expertise.

"The question is whether we provided enough substance," McGinty said. "You are always trying to walk the balance of having a good time and adding some substance. I think we accomplished that."

Buss said he hopes *The Chemistry of Love* will peak the interest of viewers.

"I take very seriously the idea of sharing with the public information on scientific research," Buss said. "This is a topic of universal relevance, and I just hope viewers will be curious enough to read up on it."

# Coover receives honorable mention for spiritual structure

#### MIMI BYUN

Daily Texan Staff

Six months of reading and drawing paid off for UT architecture graduate student Ryan Coover.

He entered the 1997 International Membrane Structure Student Design Challenge where his miniature model of a 70-foot place of worship won honorable mention. It was announced in the March/April issue of Fabrics & Architecture Magazine. Coover also plans to compile a book about the structure.

The contest, sponsored by Fabstruct Publishing, required participants to create a structure representing a landmark that could be used It has to be able to take you to this unlimited space."

— Ryan Coover, graduate student in architecture

for social gatherings and could hold at least 500 people.

Coover's model features an entrance gate where worshipers are prepared for entry into the main gathering place for meditation and prayer. The tent-like structure touches the ground at 16 points.

Coover said Hawaii would be the ideal setting for his creation because its temperate climate compliments the canvas fabric the structure is built from, "so when the sun reflects off the Pacific, it illuminates the structure."

The purpose of architecture is more than an aesthetic form, Coover said. "It has to be able to take you to this unlimited space."

Coover said he once designed a similar tent-like representation of a house of worship in high school.

Coover's independent study advisor Andrew Vernooy, an assistant dean in the Schoól of Architecture, said he was not surprised that Coover won the award. Coover was

diligent in "translating emotional feelings and spiritual goals into physical form," Vernooy said.

Coover, who credits his Baha'i faith as the chief influence for his structure, presented his model to the UT School of Architecture Monday in the Asian Culture Room of the Texas Union at a meeting of the Baha'i Religious Students' Association. He addressed the space between Earth and infinity and the way humans act as the mediators of this space.

"It definitely keeps with the tradition of the Baha'i Temple," said Asad Siddiqui, an architecture senior who was impressed by the structure's "monumentality and star geometry."

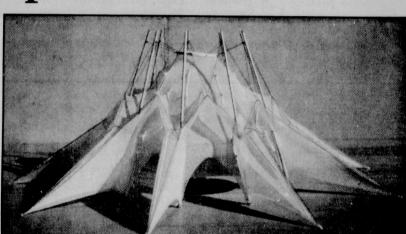


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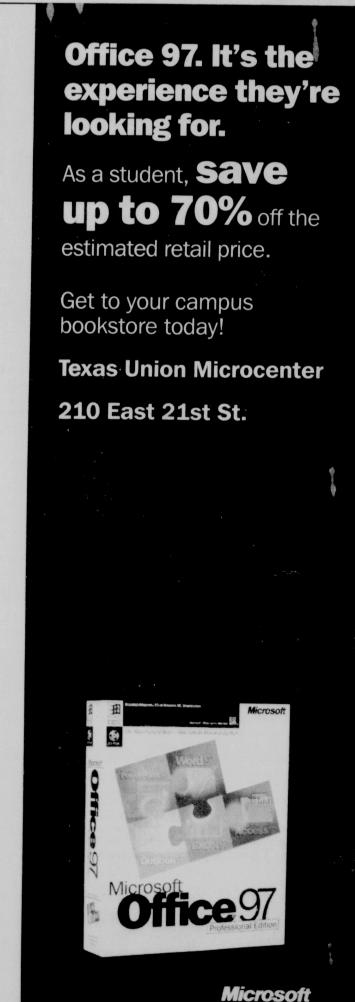
Graduate Student Ryan Coover created this scale model of a temple for the International Membrane Structure Student Design Challenge.



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#### **SCULPTING THE FUTURE**



Bob Brooking, ex-WW II and Vietnam fighter pilot, sculpts his friend the University of Texas at the age of 70. Kocurek also works as a conand Austin icon Willie Kocurek. Kocurek acquired his law degree from sultant for Bank One and is one of Austin's great philanthropists.

# Slackers, beware

Bill proposes tuition hikes for 'professional students'

**BETH WAWERNA** 

Students with more than 170 semester credit hours may be required to pay higher tuition fees if a recently proposed bill

becomes law. A bill proposed Tuesday by State Rep. David Swinford, R-Dumas, would eliminate state funding for

semester credit hours earned by a Texas resident undergraduate who has acquired more than 170 credit hours without obtaining a degree.

Individual institutions could also decide to raise tuition fees for such students as long as they do not exceed the rates charged to nonresident students, Swinford said.

These long-term students take up valuable space at universities, making freshman admissions difficult, Swinford said. "The bill saves the state money and rewards those who come in and get out in a hurry."

Students who complete their degree program within six credit hours of the program's requirement would receive a \$1,000 tuition rebate when they graduate.

"We have these 'professional students' who deny space to other students coming in, especially at major universities," Swinford said. "The bill is set up to save the state money and reward students that progress at a reasonable rate."

Currently, the state will continue to provide funding to institutions for continuing students regardless of how long they are in school.

The bill was proposed in response to State Comptroller John Sharp's December proposal to decrease state expenditures for undergraduates with more than 170 semester credit hours, Swinford said.

Sharp's proposal was a part of his office's Performance Review Report universities so far.

titled Disturbing the Peace, a set of recommendations to cut the state budget by more than \$1.2 billion.

According to Sharp's survey, Swinford said, more than 17,000 of an estimated 96,000 seniors at Texas public institutions of higher education have

more than 170 hours credit. Students think they pay for the cost of their education themselves, Swinford said. But in reality, he said, they pay only 25 percent of the total cost and the rest comes from taxpayers.

Swinford said if his "money-saving, pro-active, encouraging bill" becomes law, the state would save an estimated \$4.5 million every fiscal year starting

Exceptions to the bill include semester credit hours a student has earned before receiving a previously awarded degree, hours earned by examination in which credit is earned without registering for a course requiring tuition, and hours earned in remedial courses not counting toward a student's degree program.

Swinford said his bill would also limit undergraduate credit hour requirements to 120 hours for any given degree program. If an institution offers a degree program requiring more than 120 hours credit, that body must go to the coordinating board and explain why the major should require more hours.

If passed, the bill would take effect in fall 1997.

Terry Flack, director of governmental relations of the Higher Education Coordinating Board, said delaying implementation of the tuition rebate would save the state more money.

But Swinford believes it would be smarter to start the program as early as possible and "get the ball rolling."

Flack also said the board has not received any reactions from public

# Senate passes 'bare-bones' budget, leaving some programs in limbo

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Will Texas fund a program to give youngsters extra help in reading? How about a proposal by universi-

ties to produce more college graduates? Should state government employees get a pay

Those questions were left unanswered Tuesday as the Texas Senate approved a pro-

posed \$83.3-billion-"bare-bones" budget to fund education, prisons, welfare and other rams from Sept. 1, 1997, through Aug. 31, 1999. The vote was 30-0.

The reading, higher education and payraise proposals are among items on a separate \$5.5-billion wish list that lawmakers will pay for if money is available.

The House earlier passed its own budget, which has a bottom line almost identical to that of the Senate and also includes an unfunded wish list.

What items get financed from that list will be determined by a budget conference committee composed of lawmakers from the House and Senate

Senate Finance Committee Chairman Bill Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant, said only up to \$600 million in state general revenue money may be available for wish-list proposals.

Budget writers have left on the table another \$1 billion that Gov. George W. Bush has proposed using for property tax relief. Lawmakers are working on a separate taxrelief proposal.

"You can see that the conference committee has a formidable, formidable task if what we're talking about is \$600 million in

available general revenue," Ratliff said. "Conference committee is going to be a very agonizing, priority-setting process."

The proposed \$83.3 billion budget for fiscal years 1998-99 represents an increase in total state funding of \$2.6 billion, or 3.3 percent from the previous two-year budget

It covers expenses for increasing school enrollment and provides for growth in criminal justice and welfare programs while holding spending below projected inflation, said Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who presides over the Senate.

"The budget keeps the scales balanced between the state's most critical services and the taxpayers' demand for leaner government," Bullock said. "And it focuses on the idea that the state's job begins in the

Education-related programs would get about \$1.7 billion in additional funds under the proposal, including more than \$1 billion to pay for an estimated 141,000 new public school students.

The Senate measure also would change

the way universities are funded, in part to encourage the teaching of undergraduate courses by professors instead of less experienced instructors. Currently, a dozen funding formulas are

used in appropriating funds to universities. Four separate formulas are used to pay for facilities operations and maintenance. The Senate proposal, developed with

input from university officials, would reduce the number of formulas used and would gear them to promote certain priorities.

For example, Ratliff said, a university now loses money if it puts a professor in the classroom because funding formulas are based on an average salary of graduate students and professors. The budget proposal would give universities a bonus if they have a professor teaching. In other areas, Ratliff said a university

that constructs a new building currently gets more funding than one that uses existing buildings more efficiently by scheduling

Ratliff said he would prefer to give universities a particular amount of money based on semester credit hours taught and on the building space that the state determines they're entitled to have. If they could teach classes using fewer facilities, they could keep the extra money.

The budget includes \$25 million to ensure universities wouldn't lose money under the funding change.

# House bills proposed to make Capital Metro more accountable to public, state

**LEE SIMMONS** 

Daily Texan Staff

Legislation that would give citizens a vote on the light rail transit system and require an audit of Capital Metro was left pending Tuesday by the House Urban Affairs

House Bill 2445 would give Capital Metro the ability to hold a public referendum on the

Committee.

proposed light rail system, while House Bill 2446 would authorize State Comptroller John Sharp to conduct a performance audit of the transit authority. Both bills were coauthored by Reps. Sherri Greenberg, D-Austin, Mike Krusee, R-Round Rock, Dawnna Dukes, D-Austin, Glen Maxey, D-Austin, and Elliott Naishtat, D-Austin.

Greenberg said the light rail bill would be an important piece of legislation as Austin's traffic continues

"It is really growing to epidemic proportions," Greenberg said. "We must have the public trust if we are going to move forward in addressing the traffic problems."

becomes law, it would ensure that debt would not be incurred for construction of the light rail system until citizens are given the chance to vote on the proposal.

Bruce Byron, director of governmental relations for the Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce, said

led him to believe that the community must support any future action taken by the transit authority regarding light rail.

But Dave Dobbs, executive direc-Greenberg added that if the bill tor of the Texas Association for Public Transportation, said he opposes any kind of election until people have a chance to see how the proposed system works.

> Tom Stacy, chairman of the Downtown Austin Alliance, said the city is at a crossroads between whether light rail is necessary, but he stressed

the credibility of Capital Metro has that a light rail system would make downtown safer and cleaner and decrease traffic congestion.

The second bill, HB 2446, would allow Sharp to conduct a performance audit of Capital Metro, a procedure he currently has no authority to carry out under state law, Greenberg said. The audit would be paid for by Capital Metro, she said.

"The choice of the comptroller was based on [his] experience," Greenberg said. "The whole intent is that there be no cost to state taxpayers."

Since Sharp can't conduct the audit at this point, Dobbs said Capital Metro recently hired an outside consulting firm to perform the task. He added that a separate audit done by Sharp would waste the transit authority's money.

But Greenberg argued that Sharp would act as a crucial third party to the agency.

"It is important to have an arm's length type of audit where perhaps it is not thought that Capital Metro is affecting the scope or objective," Greenberg said.

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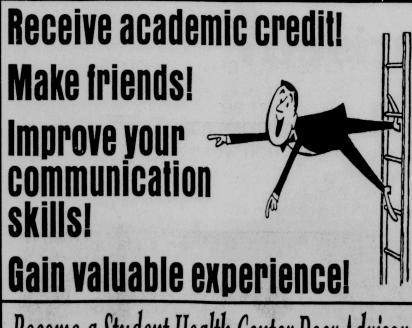
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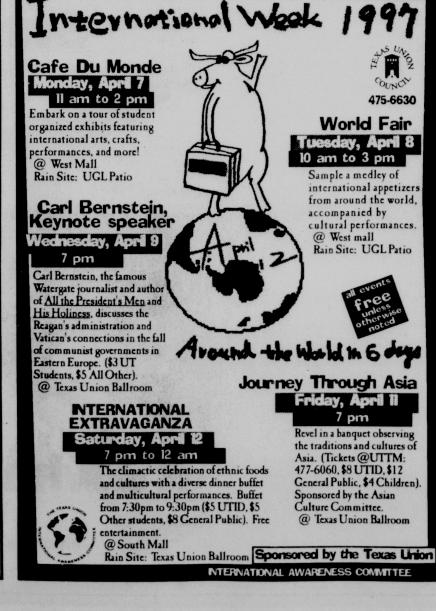
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#### BRIEFS

#### Former champion McCall ordered to mental hospital

MARTINSVILLE, Va. — Former world heavyweight champion Oliver McCall was ordered to a mental hospital after his wife took out an emergency custody order against him

Documents released Tuesday said McCall "presents an imminent danger to [him]self or others as a result of mental illness or is so seriously mentally ill as to be substantially unable to care for [him]self."

McCall was evaluated by a mental health expert, who testified at a detention hearing Saturday night that McCall was mentally ill and in need of hospitalization. He was sent to the Southern Virginia Mental Health Institute in Danville.

An involuntary commitment hearing is planned to determine whether he should be held for further observation and evaluation.

McCall was placed on 18 months probation in December after pleading guilty to possession of marijuana and cocaine in Cook County, Ill. He was also arrested in Winston-Salem, N.C., in early April 1996 and charged with marijuana possession.

McCall spent time at a North Carolina drug rehabilitation center in August. At the time his manager, Jimmy Adams, said McCall was being treated for marijuana and cocaine

"Drugs took over his life, and now he's trying to take his life back," Adams said in August.

In February, McCall broke into tears during a WBC heavyweight title fight with Lewis. His \$3,075,500 purse from the fight is still being held in escrow in a New Jersey bank, pending an investigation into why he stopped throwing punches and defending himself in the fourth round.

#### Horns finish 20th

■ The Runnin' Horns capped its NCAA Tournament "Sweet 16" season with a No. 20 rank in the final CNN/USA Today coaches poll released Tuesday.

It marked the third time in the last four seasons Texas has earned a spot in the coaches final poll. CNN/USA Today in the only recognized outlet that produces a poll after the NCAA Tournament.

- Compiled from Associated Press reports

#### **WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY**

#### TRACK & FELD The Horns host the Texas Relays at Royal-Memorial Stadium.

#### **SATURDAY**

■ MEN'S TENNS The Horns host Texas Tech at the Penick-Allison Tennis Center.

# Unsung heroes lead Rangers to win

ARLINGTON, Texas — The Texas Rangers' first win of 1997 mirrored their first victory in '96.

Lee Stevens hit a three-run homer, Damon Buford hit a two-run drive and World Series MVP John Wetteland survived a 30-pitch ninth inning in his Rangers' debut Tuesday as Texas beat the Milwaukee Brewers 6-2.

Last year Craig Worthington, starting for the injured Dean Palmer, hit a homer off Roger Clemens, and Ken Hill pitched effectively for a 5-3 victory.

"This was like last year with Worthington hitting the homer off Clemens and Kenny winning," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "Lee stepped up for us today. We

had to have somebody come off the bench." Stevens, who had three homers in 27 games last year, was starting because Clark fractured a finger chasing a pop-up Saturday. Rusty Greer and Palmer singled off Ben McDonald with two outs in the first

and Stevens hit a 433-foot drive into the upper deck. "Will's job is safe," Stevens said. "I wasn't even sure I was going to make the team. You have to make the most of your opportunities. I did my job."

Buford, filling the spot in center vacated when Darryl Hamilton signed with San Francisco, homered off McDonald in the sixth following a two-out single by Warren Newson. Buford also doubled in a run in the fourth.

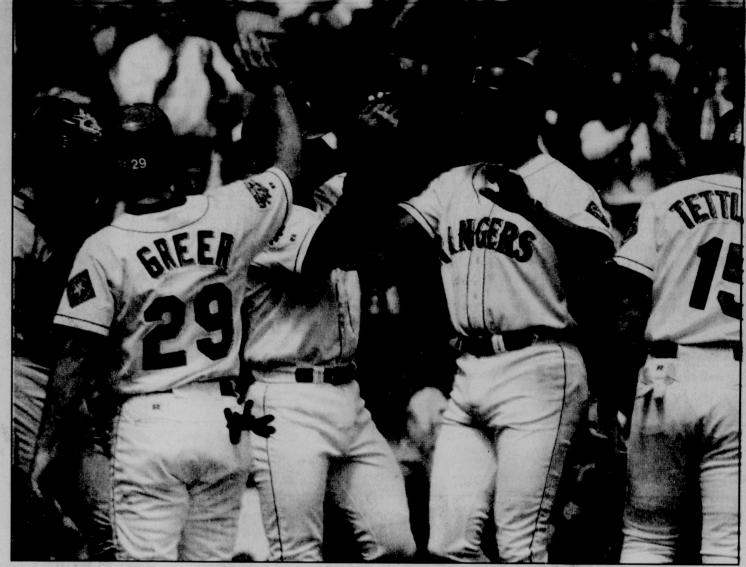
"This is just a tribute to the depth of our ballclub," Buford said. "Only time will tell, but this is a good start. I don't know if this puts to rest the comparisons with Hamilton. They are going to be there all year."

Wetteland, who saved all four Yankees victories of the World Series, was signed to a \$23 million, 4year contract by the Rangers, who blew 17 of 60 save chances last season.

"I was extremely nervous," Wetteland said. "There

Chipper Jones (10) tags out Pat Listach at third base.

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The Rangers' Lee Stevens is greeted by teammates after his three-run homer. Stevens is playing for the injured Will Clark.

# Astros roll past NL champs

Associated Press

HOUSTON - Kenny Lofton wasn't enough to spark the Braves as they began the defense of their NL pen-

Shane Reynolds shut down Atlanta, fanning Lofton three times, as the Houston Astros won the season opener 2-1 Tuesday night.

Jeff Bagwell hit an RBI groundout and Pat Listach had a sacrifice fly for the Astros, who lost 17 of their final 25 games last season and finished six games behind St. Louis in the NL

"It's great to win the first one," said Larry Dierker, a rookie manager following 17 seasons in the broadcast booth. "I wasn't nervous. When you have pitching like we did tonight, all you have to do is stand around and



NL Cy Young Award winner John Smoltz, coming off a 24-8 season, allowed eight hits, struck out six and walked one in the first complete game of the 1997 season. He lost to San Francisco in his first start last year, then won 14 in a row

"I feel I've had this kind of game in the Dome before," Smoltz said. "It's a great pitcher's park. He [Reynolds] got away with a couple of mistakes and I got away with a couple of mistakes, but I came away with a loss. All in all, I'm really satisfied with my effort. I made two bad pitches and it cost me two runs."

Lofton, acquired along with pitcher Alan Embree from Cleveland last week for David Justice and Marquis Grissom, singled in the third inning and struck out in the first, fifth and seventh. The outfielder, dealt from the Astros to the Indians in 1991, provided a defensive thrill when ran down Luis Gonzalez' deep fly in seventh and then crashed into the center-field

"We came up together," Lofton said of Reynolds. "He threw the ball well. You've got to give him credit. We didn't hit well. I've got to learn from

Reynolds, winless in his final six starts last season, allowed seven hits in eight innings, struck out seven and walked two. Reynolds is 4-0 against

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# Bats finish season with 7-3 defeat

MARK GOLDENBAUM Daily Texan Staff

With 9:10 left in the Austin Ice Bats' 7-3 playoff elimination game to the El Paso Buzzards, Jim Morrison's prophetic "show me the way to the next whiskey bar" appropriately found its way into the speaker sys-

The Ice Bats have concluded their inaugural season in the Western Professional Hockey League by losing their semifinal playoff series 4-2. El Paso now moves into the championship round to face the Central

Texas Stampede for the WPHL title. For the next five months you will be more likely to see festive hockey players at local bars and golf courses

rather than hanging at the Bat Cave. The thirtysomething-year-old legs of Austin eventually gave way to a team whose average age is somewhere around 22, though the Ice Bats never simply rolled over.



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"I think we had enough here to win. Sometimes in the playoffs the chemistry just doesn't work," said Ice Bat's head coach Blaine Stoughton.

SOURCE: WPHL

"They have a grittier team than us.

We might have had more skill, but the playoffs are a different concept than the regular season. You have to play with

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# Ice Bats' success may lure teams to Austin

Austin Ice Bats hockey is about as far from big-time sports as you can get. From the hay barn-like atmosphere of the Travis County Exposition Center to the local guitarists who butcher the national anthem to the post-it-note information system in the press box, it's probably a safe bet that the Dallas Stars won't be making many serious inquiries about moving to Austin.

But to the ticket-buying public of the capital city, the Ice Bats are the only pro alternative there is. And surprisingly, thousands of Austin residents have genuinely embraced the WPHL team despite its aesthetic shortcomings.

If you can pardon the pun, the only way many Bats' fans can be described is rabid. The Expo Center has been filled by as many as 7,000 patrons during certain games in the team's inaugural season, and the enthusiasm was still brimming on Tuesday night when Austin was eliminated from the playoffs by El

#### **Mike Finger TEXAN SPORTS COLUMNIST**

And although the only experience most locals have had on the ice is trying to keep their cars from sliding across Interstate 35 one day a year, it is apparent that the majority of the Bats' followers have developed an adequate understanding of the intricacies of hockey over the past few months.

Which isn't to say that fans at the Expo Center don't still enjoy a good round of fisticuffs; it's just that they now take pleasure in goals just as much as black eyes

But even though the this area seems to be a brimming sports market, the fact remains that Belton has as many professional teams as Austin does. Claiming San Antonio as part of the metropolitan area doesn't help much either, as the Alamo city can boast of only a

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Patrick Walsh slaps a two-RBI double off Dallas Baptist pitcher Ryan Natividad during the third inning.

# DBU continues Texas' troubles

**BRIAN DAVIS** 

As the Dallas Baptist Patriots ran off the field Tuesday night, they were jumping for joy as they had knocked off the Longhorns on the road in heroic fashion.

Memo to DBU: Don't get too excited. Everyone has beaten Texas this

After committing four errors and leaving a small village on the base paths (15), Texas (20-14) continued its downward spiral with a 7-6 loss to the NAIA-based Patriots (31-7) at Disch-Falk Field.

If anything, the Longhorns can look

forward to a prosperous April after posting a 7-9 record in the month of March. But after dropping Tuesday's one-run decision to Dallas Baptist, Texas is now 0-3 against NAIA teams. Earlier this season, UT fell to Texas Lutheran and St. Mary's.

The Longhorns, who stranded a runner in every inning, left the winning run at first base with one out. Trying to mount the second consecutive ninth-inning win, UT's Patrick Walsh struck out and Kip Harkrider

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# Drexler's 24 points takes Rockets to win

Associated Press

DENVER — For the first time in four meetings, Houston's Hakeem Olajuwon didn't personally dismantle the Denver Nuggets. He left that task to his teammates.

Olajuwon, who averaged 43 points and 10 rebounds in the three previous games against the Nuggets, played only 26 minutes and scored 12 points. He wasn't missed, and neither were the injured Charles Barkley and Kevin Willis, as the Rockets cruised to a 116-99 win Tuesday night.

Clyde Drexler scored 24 points on 10-for-15 shooting as the Rockets posted their fourth straight victory and remained tied with the Los Angeles Lakers for the third-best record in the Western Conference (49-23), just a half game behind second-place Seattle.

Mario Elie and Matt Maloney each scored 19 points and Eddie Johnson had 17

The Rockets, who shot 54 percent, built a 19-point halftime lead and extended it to 29 in the third period. The Nuggets got no closer than 16 the rest of the way.

"We really did shoot the ball well,"

Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich said. "Clyde was phenomenal, and we didn't have to extend his minutes." Drexler played only 27 minutes.

"Everybody played well," Tomjanovich added. "Mario was solid, Matt was shooting the ball well, Eddie Johnson has a knack for getting the ball in the basket.

"We gained a game on Seattle and are still holding off L.A. I could see it [playoff race] getting even more interesting."

Drexler admitted he "had a hot hand. It was one of those nights. It was fantastic to get a lot of rest. If we can get healthy, I like our chances."

Antonio McDyess had 27 points and 10 rebounds for Denver, which shot 47 percent. LaPhonso Ellis added 25.

"We planned to trap down on Hakeem," McDyess said, "but they had so many open outside shots. Even their guys off the bench were hitting."

The loss was the Nuggets' 25th at home this season, assuring them of the worst home record in franchise history. The 1990-91 team was 17-24 at home.

Barkley missed his 14th straight

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game because of a lacerated and bruised left pelvis, and Willis was sidelined with a muscle strain in his

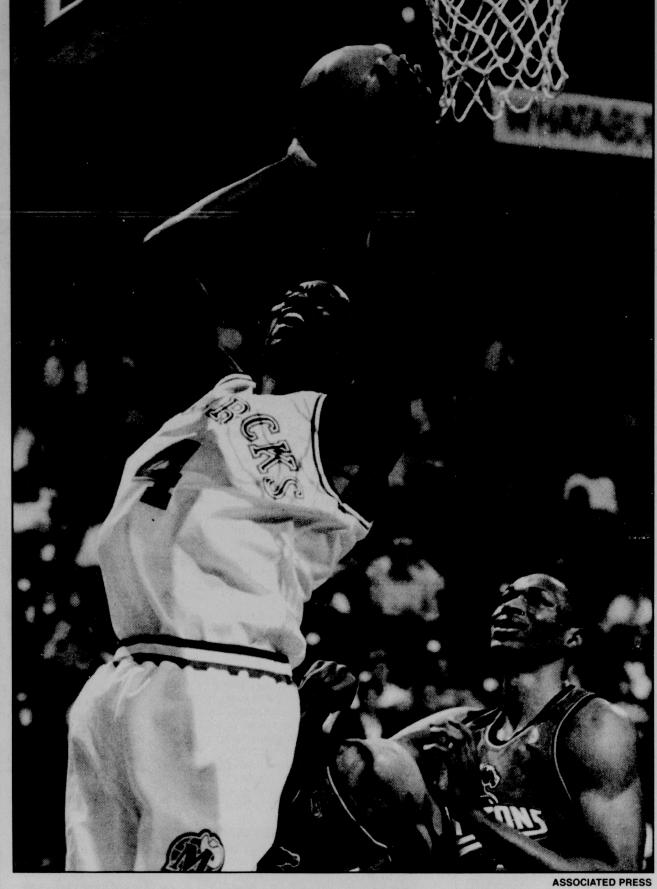
Drexler hit seven of 10 shots and scored 15 points in the first half as the Rockets shot 56 percent in taking a 59-40 halftime lead.

Denver, which shot only 33 percent in the half, jumped out to a quick 6-0 lead while Houston was missing its first five shots. But the Rockets promptly hit eight of their next 11 and used a 19-5 run—capped by Drexler's fastbreak layup and 3-pointer—for a 10-point lead.

After a jumper by McDyess cut the Rockets' lead to 38-33 midway through the second quarter, Houston had a 21-7 flurry fueled by Maloney and Sedale Threatt to take its biggest lead of the half, 19 points, at the break.

Drexler hit a pair of 3-pointers and Maloney a trey of his own as Houston expanded its lead in the third quarter. Othella Harrington's short jumper with 4:57 left in the quarter produced a 29-point advantage. To that point, the Rockets had hit 9-of-12 field goals in the quarter.

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Michael Finley scores two of his 15 points in front of Grant Hill and Theo Ratliff (right).

# Mavs sputter vs. Pistons

Associated Press

DALLAS — The Detroit Pistons have a number they can wear as a badge of honor — 50 victories.

Two years ago, the Pistons were one of the NBA's bottom-feeders, limping to a 28-win season. But Detroit has managed to turn things around in a hurry.

Grant Hill had 35 points and 18 rebounds, matching his career high in both categories, as the Pistons reached the 50-victory mark for the first time since 1990-91 with a 100-82 victory over Dallas Tuesday night.

"What a fantastic achievement for this team to go from 28 wins to 50 wins in such a short period of time," Detroit coach Doug Collins said. "I can't tell you what a feeling it is for me and these guys, especially the guys who have been here through a lot of losses."

It was an especially gratifying night for Hill, who added six assists, two blocks and two steals in the city where he was born, in front of a crowd that included his father, Calvin, and his dad's former Dallas Cowboys teammate, Roger Staubach.

"It was nice to have a good game with my father in the crowd," said Hill,

who was bypassed by the Mavericks in the 1994 draft in favor of Jason Kidd. "I haven't played well here the last two years, and I just wanted to come out and play hard. Two years ago it felt impossible to get 50 wins. So it feels good to just improve and get the franchise headed in the right direction."

Joe Dumars scored eight of his 18 points during a decisive 17-2 second-quarter run for the Pistons, who had dropped five of their previous seven games.

Michael Finley and Robert Pack scored 15 points each for the Mavericks, whose losing streak was extended to a season-high eight games. Dallas' offensive ineptitude continued with the Mavericks failing to reach 90 points for the ninth time in their last 10 games.

Dallas held a 34-33 lead with 5:27 left in the second quarter, but the Mavericks' offense ground to a halt from that point until late in the fourth quarter.

fourth quarter.

Dumars gave Detroit a 36-34 lead with a three-point play, then added an 18-foot jumper on the Pistons' next possession for a 38-34 advantage. Dumars contributed a 3-pointer later

in the run as Detroit surged to a 50-36 halftime edge. Dallas was outscored 23-10 in the second quarter.

"We broke it open there in the second quarter," Collins said. "We were really active. Our energy level was as high as it's been in a while."

The Pistons opened the third quarter with a 19-6 spurt to increase their lead to 69-44.

Dallas pulled to 92-82 with 1:38 to

Dallas pulled to 92-82 with 1:38 to play behind an energetic performance by their reserves, but that was as close as the Mavericks could come.

"I was looking for some energy out there," Cleamons said. "We are a tired bunch of basketball players. When you're down like that, you're trying to grasp for straws. You don't quit. You scratch, you kick, you claw."

■ Notes: Calvin Hill said after the game he is close to accepting a front-office job with the Cowboys. "We still have to dot some i's and cross some t's, so as they say in Washington, 'I'll neither confirm nor deny," said Hill, who has previously discussed a job with Cowboys owner Jerry Jones. Jones is trying to clean up the Cowboys' image, and Hill would bring a spotless reputation to the franchise.

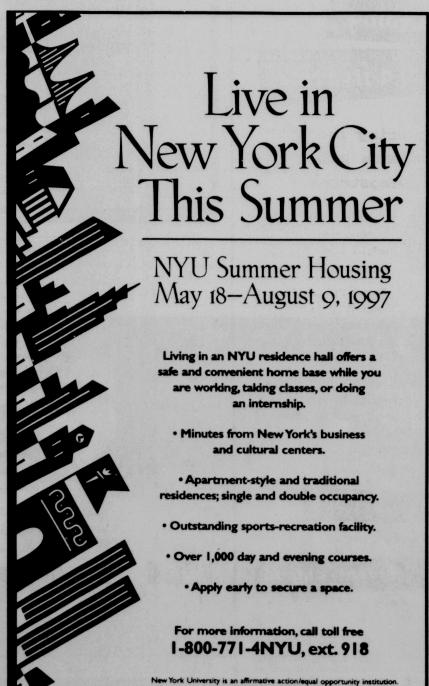
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The Texas women's track and field team, currently ranked first in the nation according to Track and Field News, will have its first major outdoor competition of the season in the Texas Relays, and will host none other than the team that burst the Longhorn's indoor championship

hopes: Louisiana State.
"We're really psyched going into this meet," sophomore long jumper Kim McGruder said. "The way that we have been training, we know that we can compete and dominate."

Texas was favored to win last month's indoor championship but was upset by the second-ranked LSU Tigers. The team will have that upset on their minds when they meet the Tigers once again at the

"Nationals didn't go the way we planned, so now we're going to

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flied out to third to end the game.

Harkrider, without hesitation,

headed straight for the locker room

while Texas head coach Augie Garri-

do sat motionless in his dugout chair

in disbelief as DBU passed around

"He overreacts," Garrido said. "That's what the others are doing, too."

been at the plate more than his fair

share of times recently with the

game on the line. But just like his

burnt orange counterparts, Garrido

feels that his players either get ner-

vous or simply cold feet when run-

"The biggest issue during this

whole run of things has been the

inability for our hitters to hit the

ball, take quality at-bats and hit the

ball with runners in scoring posi-

tion," Garrido said. "Their at-bats

changed with runners in scoring

position. I don't know why. I'm just

Everyone in the Texas dugout had his chance. Walsh, UT center fielder

Brett Loeffler and right fielder Mark Cridland all went 2-for-5 and com-

bined for four RBIs. Batting at the No.

5 slot, Texas third baseman David

Johnson batted 3-for-4 with two RBIs.

But after that, the Longhorns bat-

ted a combined .186 in the No. 6

through No. 9 positions. In the other

dugout, the Patriots scattered

around 11 hits to six different play-

ers. The decisive run was a towering homer by DBU right fielder Cade

Griffis, who finished 2-for-5 with

Texas' biggest chance to regain con-

trol of the game and take a command-

ing lead came in the fifth. With the bases loaded and one out, catcher Seth

Spiker struck out and second baseman Camilo Gutierrez grounded back to the pitcher to help DBU's Ryan Natividad escape the inning unharmed after

The Longhorns also left the bases loaded in the eighth. This time, designated hitter Brock Rumfield struck

out, and first baseman Charley Carter flied out to end the rally.

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telling you what I see.'

Harkrider, who is batting .402, has

congratulatory high-fives.

Texas

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come out in full force," McGruder said. "As far as LSU is concerned, they had better be ready because we're going to be. We really like the level of competition at the Relays. In order for us to be successful, everybody has to step up and get the job

The Relays will host the top three women's teams in the nation in Texas, LSU and Southern Methodist. Because of this powerful lineup, many say that the Relays will be a preview for the NCAA Champi-

Making another appearance at the Relays is one of the greatest athletes in track and field history, Carl Lewis. Lewis won a gold medal in the long jump at the Summer Olympics in Atlanta last year and the 100-meter invitational at last year's Relays. Lewis beat out fellow Olympian Jon Drummond in the sprint by .01 second.

"This will be a great chance for us to compete against athletes from across the world," sophomore discus thrower Gabriel Baldwin said. "We're normally used to dealing with athletes from Texas and our

The Texas men's track and field team will also have its hands full as three of the nation's top five teams will be on hand at the Relays. Arkansas, LSU and the University of Texas-El Paso, ranked No. 1, No. 3, and No. 5 respectively by Track Wire, are all set to compete throughout the

The men's team is looking to use the Relays to prepare themselves for

the upcoming spring meets.
"This will basically be another track meet and another step to get ready for conference and the national championships," Baldwin said.

In addition to the Texas Relays being a meet for the UT track teams, both high school and professional athletes alike will be competing in the four-day event. More than 3,500 athletes and 300 teams will participate in the Relays, which is recognized as one of the top five collegiate-hosted meets in the nation.

Wednesday will see the opening rounds of the women's heptathlon invitational and men's decathlon invitational. University and collegiate events begin on Thursday.

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couple of minor-league hockey squads and a basketball team that would be fortunate to compete in the CBA.

San Antonio is the largest city in the nation without a Triple-A baseball affiliate, but a group of businessmen is currently making strides in their effort to bring such a team to Austin. That would be a great development for local sports fans, who are knowledgeable aficionados who are simply searching for a franchise to call their own.

But at least for now, that franchise will have to be a hockey team. And since Austin fans have shown that they can successfully rally behind the Ice Bats, it's time that they set their sights a little bit higher. Slumming with the likes of Buzzards and Scorpions was fine for a year, but those players are so far from the NHL that even team owners suit up now and then.

Austin should use the next few months to actively pursue a higherlevel hockey club, and there is a good chance that the Bats' attendance record will be enough to lure a better team in time for next season. Sure, the location of the Expo Center is less than ideal, but the city's quest for professional sports has to begin somewhere.

And after witnessing the way droves of die-hard fans braved rainy conditions and a country drive on a weeknight to venture into the "Bat Cave," it looks like we're off to a pretty good Series lead against the New York Yankees last fall, once again had problems scoring runs.

Before 44,618, the largest crowd ever for an opener at the Astrodome, Craig Biggio singled leading off the first, took third on Listach's single and scored on Bagwell's grounder to

Houston got its second run in the third, when Brad Ausmus singled, took second on Reynolds' sacrifice, third on Biggio's single and scored on Listach's fly.

Michael Tucker started in right field in his first game with the Braves since he was obtained from Kansas City last week for outfielder Jermaine Dye and Jamie Walker. Tucker went 1-for-3 with a fourthinning single.

take. Two pitches hurt Ben. We gave

McDonald, who now has a 7-3 career

record against Texas, said, "It was a

game where they scored off every one

of our mistakes. I made two mistakes

and both of them went over the fence."

a sellout. It was the second highest

crowd for a home opener in Rangers history, behind 46,056 in 1994. ...

Juan Gonzalez, the AL MVP, is on

the 15-day disabled list because of

an injury sustained in winter ball. ...

Carr played for the first time since

May 30, when he hurt his knee while

making a catch against Cleveland.

Notes: The game drew 45,098,

up too many runs with two outs

"It was two outstanding-pitched games, kind of what I expected," Atlanta manager Bobby Cox said. "He [Reynolds] is an outstanding pitcher, for some reason nobody's

## Astros: Lofton strikes out 3 times in debut

"I knew I was done after eight

innings because we have John back

there now," Hill said. "Last year I

might have tried to pitch the ninth inning, but I was right on my pitch

Milwaukee got its runs in the fifth

McDonald gave up six runs and

seven hits in seven innings, walked

"Ben got some pitches up but had a pretty good outing," said Milwau-

kee manager Phil Garner. "He usual-

ly has good luck against Texas, but

Stevens took advantage of his mis-

on Nilsson's sacrifice fly and Jose

count of 120."

Valentin's RBI single.

three and struck out two.

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seven and walked four.

was a lot going on out there. It was opening day and the team had a win in mind. I had a lot of adrenalin going.

I was fighting myself a little. I really

He entered in the ninth and quick-

ly got into trouble. Chuck Carr sin-

gled with one out and Jesse Levis

walked. Fernando Vina flied out and

Jeff Cirillo got his fourth walk of the

game, loading the bases. Wetteland got out of it when Dave Nilsson hit a

Hill, just 1-3 against Milwaukee last year, allowed both runs and six

hits in eight innings, struck out

game-ending popup to shortstop.

never gave myself a chance."

'I don't have anything on them. They're a great team," he said. "I just had good defense and offense behind me and I've had some breaks, that's all it's been."

Billy Wagner followed Reynolds and pitched a one-hit ninth for the save, striking out two.

Atlanta, which had won five straight opening-day games, got a solo homer from Chipper Jones leading off the third inning — his first hit in 11 career at-bats against Reynolds. The Braves, who blew a 2-0 World

### ever written about."

#### Bats: Austin ends season on sour note

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more grit and determination, and I think they had more of that than we

The first period brought Austin quality scoring chances of which they seldomly capitalized.

Buzzard defenseman Derek Riley would go to the penalty box on two separate occasions, roughing at 2:22 and hooking at 16:46, and Austin's sparked-up power pla°y would capitalize on both, with goals by Bobby Wallwork and Troy Binnie.

With the score knotted at two during the first intermission, there were rumors of forthcoming heroics and talk of wounded animals in corners. Unfortunately for Austin, there was not enough gas in the tank, as they had surrendered their last lead of the 1996-97 postseason.

The Buzzard's game plan was adjusted before Tuesday's game with an emphasis on pesky crease play.

We got in front of the net more often for deflection and screens and it worked out for us," said El Paso captain Brent Scott.

We've been crashing the net a lot looking for rebounds. The other night we had a lot of two-on-ones, a lot of shots out front and Erickson did a great job, so tonight the game plan was to

screen him, get reflections and rebound goals. I think five of our six goals were deflections which is tough for any goalie to stop."

The strategy created four unanswered goals by Martin Balleux, Chris MacKenzie and a pair from Billy Trew.

Scott Shaunessy would add a third-period goal, though El Paso winger Jason Welch refused to allow the 4,666 Ice Bat fans any pleasure at all, netting the final goal one minute and 42 seconds later.

"It's a shitty way to go out, but that's hockey," said Ice Bat Troy Binnie. "The fans were great. They gave us an ovation after the game. It's a great city. I'd like to come back and get in another organization like this. Eight years pro now, and this is the best organization I have ever played for."

Regardless of the loss, the season was successful from many standpoints — especially financially — assuring the continuation of the Texas hockey experience.

"It was a great year," said Scott Shaunessy, an Ice Bats executive as well as their most reliable playoff defenseman. "From a business standpoint, what can you complain about? Seventeen sellouts, a team that made the playoffs and finished second place, forcing six games out of the leagues hottest team.

The only negative is that we didn't win it, but it will be that much better when we win it next year."

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we just didn't hit the ball - period." On the bright side, Johnson has been a textbook example of a person who doesn't allow his defensive miscues to carry over to the plate. In the past two games, Johnson has committed five errors at third while batting a team-leading .426. "One problem leads to another," Garrido said. "What we want to do is try to help them get that out of their

"The real difference in this ball game was that we were unable to hit the ball

with runners in scoring position," Gar-

rido said. "Our at-bats changed, and

mind, but my opinion is that when something goes wrong, it stays with them and it has a negative effect on them. It continues to grow, and it continues to develop in a negative way."

■ The Longhorns continue their Big 12 schedule with a three-game series against Oklahoma State in Stillwater, Okla., this weekend. Friday and Saturday's games will be at 6 p.m., and Sunday's finale is slated for 2 p.m. All games can be heard on KVET 1300 AM.

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# McSherry honored before Reds game

CINCINNATI — Exactly one year after umpire John McSherry collapsed on the field and died of heart failure, the Cincinnati Reds dedicated a room in his memory and eulogized him as "an umpire's umpire."

McSherry was stricken seven pitches into the Reds' opener at Riverfront Stadium last April 1 and died a short time later at a hospital. His death prompted umpires to pay more attention to their conditioning.

Owner Marge Schott's reaction - saying she felt cheated because the game was canceled - also

drew attention and started her slide toward relinquishing day-to-day control of the club.

John Allen, who is running the Reds for the next two years, had a plaque made in McSherry's honor. It will be displayed in the umpires' dressing room, which was dedicated to his memory.

was an umpire's umpire," the Catholic priest said.

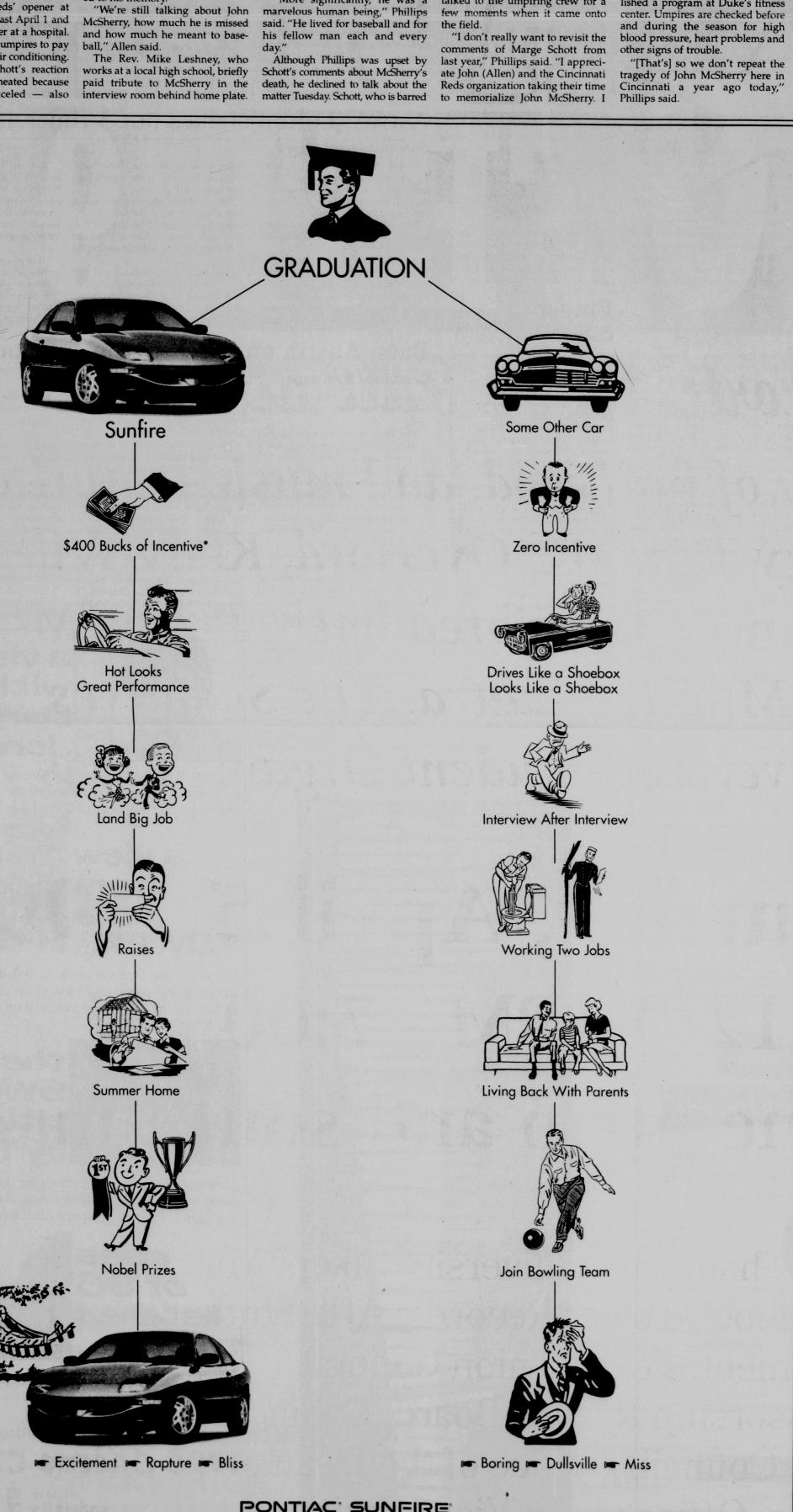
Richie Phillips, head of the umpires' union, accepted the plaque and thanked Allen for the tribute. Phillips called McSherry a good umpire.

"More significantly, he was a marvelous human being," Phillips said. "He lived for baseball and for his fellow man each and every

"It can be said of John that he from taking part in day-to-day matters, did not attend the ceremony.

Later, she went onto the field and watched two camels and an elephant walk into the stadium as part of the pregame festivities. There was a moment of silence for McSherry before the game, and Schott talked to the umpiring crew for a don't think that I ought to denigrate this organization because of some comments that were spoken a year ago at this time. I think the organization is doing a great job

In conjunction with major league baseball, the umpires have established a program at Duke's fitness



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# Mesa trial starts with prosecution

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — A 26-year-old woman testified Tuesday that Cleveland Indians pitcher Jose Mesa struck her in the mouth with a bathroom door and fondled her against her will in a motel room.

The judge would not allow the woman to testify about what happened to her friend, whom prosecutors say was raped by Mesa during a separate car ride from a nightclub.

Mesa's wife, Mirla, and team owner Richard Jacobs were in the courtroom. Mesa, 30, sat quietly as the woman sobbed during her testimony.

"He came up to me and kept grabbing me," the woman said. "He grabbed my breasts. He kept putting his hand around my waist and kept trying to kiss me."

The woman, who had been out celebrating her birthday with friends, testified that she called Mesa on his cellular phone and arranged a meeting Dec. 21. The woman said she and her friends drank and talked with Mesa and several friends, including his brother Manuel and teammate Manny Ramirez.

She testified that Mesa lured her girlfriend outside the bar by placing her purse around his neck.

Assistant prosecutor Mike Nolan argued in opening statements that Mesa forced his hand into the friend's pants during the drive to the motel. Jose Mesa restrained her of her

liberty, unzipped her pants and inserted his hand while forcing her back," Nolan said.

Cuyahoga County Judge Thomas Curran allowed the witness to testify about her friend's demeanor when they arrived at the motel.

"She was scared," the woman said. "It was strange. She didn't respond to anything. She looked like she was in some type of trance."

The woman testified that she and her friend entered a motel room rented by Mesa's friends to use the bathroom. She said Mesa forced the door open, hitting her in the mouth with the doorknob, causing her to bleed. She testified that Mesa fondled both women while in the motel room.

Defense lawyer Gerald Messerman said in opening arguments that Mesa received a call from his wife shortly after arriving at the motel and went home.

"Mr. Mesa engaged in no sexual activity or contact," Messerman said. "He was driving a GMC Jimmy, a truck-like vehicle. When they stopped, he engaged in no sexual activity. When they got to the motel, he engaged in no sexual activity."

Curran sent the jury home after a break in Messerman's cross-exami-

The judge then agreed to allow Messerman to question the woman Wednesday about how she allegedly emptied a co-worker's bank account, then lied about it before signing a written admission.

Prosecutors did not object.

"It's relevant because she's a liar," Messerman said.

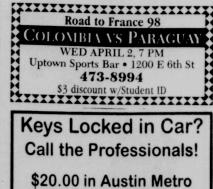
Curran ruled that defense lawyers will not be allowed to ask the woman questions about whether she legally receives welfare and food stamps.

The judge said he would allow lawyers to question the witness outside the presence of the jury Wednesday on a third matter. Messerman said the woman falsely accused a police officer of assault in July 1996. Curran said he will decide whether the matter may be pursued

in open court. One camera is in the courtroom, but witnesses who request privacy cannot be filmed or photographed, according to an order issued by Cur-

Mesa, a native of the Dominican Republic who is not a U.S. citizen, is charged with rape under an Ohio law that expands the definition to include penetration other than intercourse. He also is charged with two counts of gross sexual imposition, felonious assault and theft.

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#### ANDREA WERZNER

Daily Texan Staff

aggedy Ann sports a large bare chest while bright papier maché masks line the walls near a latex teddy bear sprawled across the floor.

This fantastic assemblage is part of the Student Art Exhibit on display at the Archer M. Huntington Art Gallery through Sunday.

More than 100 students contributed sculpture, performance art, painting and stenography, filling the gallery's floors and walls to capacity.

Jimmy Rodriguez, a studio arts senior, had three pieces selected for the exhibit. His untitled lithography piece is part of a series he's been researching and compiling for more than a year.

"I went to the biology labs on campus and found image ideas looking at amoebas and molecules," he said.

Rodriguez said the exhibit also helps him find new possibilities through the work of

"We art students are always interacting and looking to one another for ideas,

Rodriguez said. Students used metals, paints, plastics, even Vaseline to create contemporary

Jessica Wood, a fine arts senior, used cast aluminum, Vaseline and pink pigment to create portions of the human body. Wood created a metal pelvis and neck lined with a pink layer of Vaseline flesh

"I like to contrast hard and soft elements," Wood said. "The cast aluminum forms shapes easily, and the inside — that's all Vaseline.

Some pieces show more traditional materials used in new and innovative ways.

Linda Montano, an assistant professor of art, submitted several papier maché masks from her three-dimensional design class.

Montano said she wanted the pieces to show that there's more to art than the

"Students in the class are mostly from art history and interior design and have a phobia about whether or not they're artists," Montano said

The mask project was created to deemphasize the everyday aspect of papier maché and address its meaning to folk culture, Montano said.

"I wanted them to appreciate the folk art," Montano said. "Then they can go into a Fiesta supermarket and appreciate the folk aspect of the piñatas."

Montano also submitted a performance art exhibit representing the History of Performing Arts class. The exhibit includes daily performances by students in front of an empty gold frame.



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Jeannie Crosby's Panier is made of paper, shellac, steel, mesh and gold leaf.

I'm more impressed with what I see here than in the faculty show. The students seem to have more time invested in their work."

> — Dyan Dahlberg, Austinite and visitor to the museum

Montano said there are often misconceptions about performance art. She said people often think performance art must be controversial and involve someone being violent or lewd.

"Students chose safe, non-disruptive performances that do not include blood or urine," Montano said.

She said the medium has ranged widely throughout history from self-mutilation to

"The exhibit's supposed to be entertaining, self-reflective and non-regressive," Montano said.

Gallery visitors have found the student art diverse and innovative.

Austinite Dyan Dahlberg said the pieces show great diversity and hard work.

"I'm more impressed with what I see here than in the faculty show," she said. "The students seem to have more time invested

Dahlberg also found the work contemporary and expressive.

"It's not just standard stuff; it's an examination of mediums and techniques, and it's self-examination," Dahlberg said.

# Airi works

Students display their projects at the Huntington Gallery

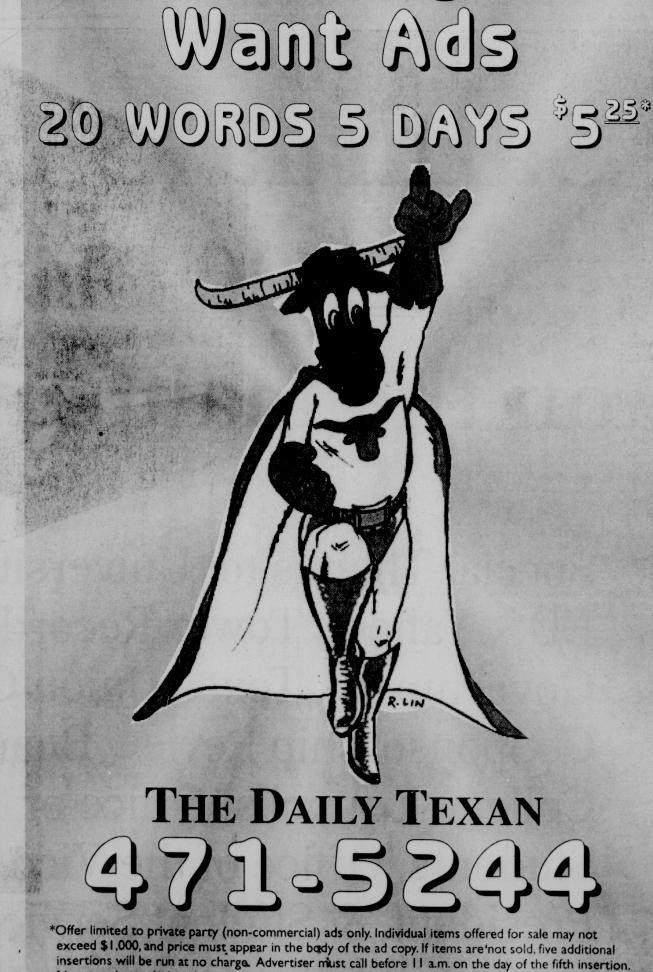


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Stacey Franklin, an ACC studio arts student, reflects on a painting during her visit to the students' exhibition at the Huntington Art Gallery.

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# Musician Peter Jefferies chills in Austin

JOE SEBASTIAN
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When thinking about musical hot spots, New Zealand may not be the first thing that pops into anyone's mind, but that decision might sadly undermine anyone's attempts to find great music. San Francisco,



New York or London might seem like more obvious spots, but there have been some mighty impressive musicians creating all sorts of sounds in New Zealand. And, through a strange set

of circumstances, one of these erstwhile fellows has ended up in Austin.

Peter Jefferies, who has ended up spending some time (and gaining some notoriety) in North America through not only his solo work but also his efforts with bands like Mecca Normal and Two Foot Flame, has been spending the last few weeks in Austin. During the remaining few months of time he has decided to spend enjoying whatever benefits he's found here (Is it the music? The weather? Lone Star beer?), Jefferies will be performing a few more shows of his quirky pop music all over the place.

Those who may know a bit about some New Zealand artists may expect people from that country to play the droning experimental pop exemplified by the artists of the Flying Nun record label, but that wouldn't be the most valid description of Jefferies. While he has actually been in that camp before (as a Flying Nun artist, sometimes), Jefferies' current style brings him, his lyrics and his piano-and-drum sound (more on that later) into a realm all its own. And until you've seen him grinning like a fool while pounding out songs, you haven't really seen interest not only in that band but in



In solo performances, Jefferies displays his ability to play both piano and drums, and sing at the same time.

anyone really having fun — except maybe Jad Fair of Half Japanese, though the joy factor there is only marginally higher than Jefferies'.

"I've really been enjoying myself in Austin," says Jefferies, whose slight case of that flu bug that's been going around hasn't dampened his enthusiasm one iota. "How I first ended up finding out about coming down here or considering coming down here was that Two Foot Flame did a show in New York and King Coffey [Butthole Surfer and head of his Trance Syndicate record label] came to the show and expressed an

the other stuff we were doing. He was very enthusiastic about us com-

ing south.
"During that time I found out that the label I was on, Ajax, was stopping making records or CDs. When I came down here [during the Mecca Normal/Two Foot Flame tour last May], I did my solo thing, and after that I asked Craig [Stewart, Emperor Jones head honcho] if he would do my next record, and he said 'Yeah.' "

While the differences between Trance Syndicate and Emperor Jones are, as Jefferies described them, the differences between "a rabbit and a hare," Jefferies' most current solo album, Elevator Madness, came out on Emperor Jones this fall. But with Emperor Jones being distributed by Trance and Stewart and Coffey working hand-in-hand on most things, it's not terribly important as to which logo is on the CD. Both Stewart and Coffey have been enthusiastic about Jefferies' work.

"I've been treated so well since the moment I got here," says Jefferies. "King Coffey lent me drum equipment - there's more of King Coffey's equipment on stage than there is of mine. The whole process of working with a label is always 'How well am I relating to these people

#### PETER JEFFRIES

Playing with: The Pilot Ships Where: Ritz Lounge, 320 E. Sixth When: Wednesday, 10:30 p.m.

who are putting my stuff out?' King and Craig have been right there from the start.'

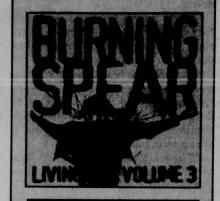
In the long line of shows Jefferies has performed in town since he arrived (some quite impromptu, some as big an event as opening for John Cale), he will be playing Wednesday night at the Ritz Lounge with the Pilot Ships.

The show is going to be a bit special because I'm doing two sets," says Jefferies. "I'll do the electric piano-drum bit that I've been doing on this tour - that'll be at the end of the night, then the Pilot Ships will play in the middle, and to start the night off I'll do eight or nine songs with just the piano and voice, songs I don't do anymore. It'll be the one time on the tour that I'll do that, so that's the special show."

In addition to the entertainment value of his lyrics, one of the big draws for Jefferies is his unique playing method, in which he plays both the piano and drums at the same time, in addition to singing. It's been a technique he's had to work on for quite some time.

"When I was first rehearsing it, figuring it out, I wasn't really singing — I was just doing the drums and piano, seeing if I could get it to work," says Jefferies. "That was hard. The first live performance I did, playing piano and drums and singing as well, I had a totally splitting headache. The first four or five shows, I'd do things like miss a note on the piano and I'd go to take my

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LIVING DUB, VOLUME & Artist: Burning Spear Label: Heartbeat

Rating: \*\* 1/2 (out of five)

Winston Rodney (a.k.a. Burning Spear) and his band are among the most talented reggae artists performing today. Although Spear's vocals are certainly above average, it's the band behind him that really sets him apart.

Living Dub Volume 3's 13 instrumental cuts offer up the band and little else. With Spear's vocals largely dropped out of the mix, the band's smooth-as-silk rhythm section comes to the fore. Paul Beckford (bass) and Nelson Miller (drums) lay down a framework upon which deep horn lines and vocal selections are draped.

Despite the album's obvious lack of vocals, Spear makes his presence known by producing the dubs, taken from his last Heartbeat releases.

The producer is responsible for the rhythmic way tracks are added to and dropped from the mix. Rodney takes his reggae tunes and makes them into something more by paring them down. New levels are added to the music by creatively removing tracks, teasing those who know the original versions and tempting those who don't.

The problem with this album is that there's such an incredible catalog of Spear dubs already out there, this one hardly stands apart. After Blood & Fire's release of dubs from Spear's old Social Living and the time-tested Garvey's Ghost, it's hard to improve. But it has been a while since Spear's last adventures with the mixing board, and Living Dub Volume 3 is a more than adequate welcome back.

-Eric McKinney

# 'Craving Gravy' displays appetite for bizarre comedy

**SERGIO CHAPA** 

Daily Texan Staff

A couple have a picnic in the desert. There is an argument over the lack of napkins. refuse

regress!"

exclaims Delroy. "Napkins are what separate us from the animals." His companion makes napkins from

the picnic cloth to ameliorate him. They finally sit down to dine on the bones of Leroy, their former companion who died of a rattlesnake bite.

Craving Gravy or Love In The Time of Cannibalism is the original work of John Walch, a UT master of fine arts candidate in playwriting. Set in a future five days, five weeks or five eons from now, the Earth has become a wasteland ever since a cataclysm turned the rain into salt.

Gravy is a work (pardon the pun) made from scratch. For ingredients Walch used the magical realism of Marquez and Borges, the absurd existentialism of Beckett, creation mythology of the Greeks and Native Americans and gratiutous and postmodern use of gravy.

Walch's protagonists, Delroy and

#### CRAVING GRAVY

Directed by: Kati Koerner Featuring: Amy L. Washburn, Michael Arthur, Chris J. Moreland Where: Theatre Room, Winship Drama Building

When: Wednesday-Saturday, 8 p.m., Sunday, 2 p.m. Price: \$7

search of food and water. They and digested Leroy. Immediately their friend Leroy, whom they dine doppelganger will seek revenge.

on so that his meat won't go to waste. And Delroy awaits a sign ,whereupon they will bury the cof-

Meanwhile the spot they choose for their carnivorous picnic is no place special until a snake turns into a rope. And there a chain of magical and surreal events begins.

"This is it! This is the sign!" exclaims Delroy

Pulling on the rope releases the Charmer, who bears a striking Gilroy, wander the wasteland in resemblance to the dearly departed carry a coffin that has the remains of Delroy and Gilroy fear that this

But their fears are laid to rest when a barren bush grows magical and colorful berries. Every time a berry is picked, two more grow in its place. The bush is enthusiastically received by a grateful Gilroy. The charmer creates a magical tree that gives away to the heart's desire. The first thing Delroy and Gilroy wish

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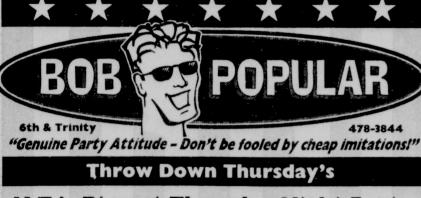
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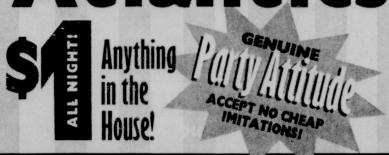


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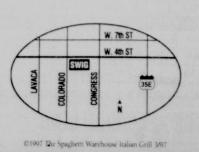


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#### Jefferies: Kiwi artist brings unique piano-drum style to U.S.

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hand off the keys and my left foot would stop playing the kickdrum instead. My body didn't quite know how to go about doing what I was

"Every limb is involved — my left foot's on the kick-drum and my right foot's on the sustain pedal of the piano, my arms are doing the drums and there's a mike sticking over my left shoulder that I'm singing into. So these first four or five shows I got these headaches, diminishing a bit each time, but it was a total brain-strain.

"Then I finally figured out that what I was playing was a new

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whole thing as one instrument. It wasn't my piano and my drum and a microphone with it. The whole setup was a new instrument, that as far as I knew, no one else was playing - maybe I'd just invented it. Maybe one day we'll be able to go out and buy a piano-drum and it'll look like what I'm playing. When I figured that out, the headaches stopped."

Prior to inventing his new style due to the necessities of solo work, Jefferies had played with a long string of New Zealand bands. Groups like Nocturnal Projections, This Kind of Punishment, Plagal Grind, Cyclops and King Loser all

instrument," says Jefferies. "It was a

piano-drum, and I should look at the

featured Jefferies in one position or another. The fact that they never made it outside of their native island(s) means that they may be virtual unknowns in America or elsewhere. To Jefferies, who worked with these groups in the '80s and only now has attracted a bit of attention a decade later, the fact that some New Zealand groups are now known across the world seems good, even if it came a bit later than

"There's a lot of talent in New Zealand — out of proportion to the population, actually. The population is very small," says Jefferies, who has actually spent the last two years in Vancouver. "New Zealanders do have their own approach to playing

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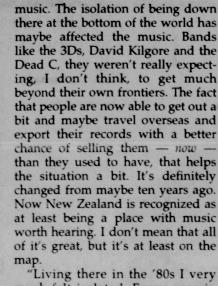
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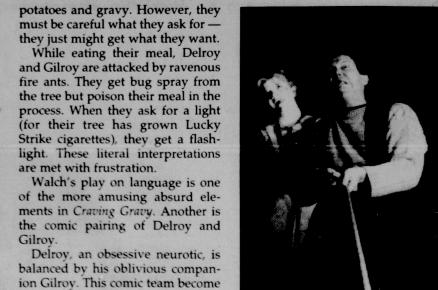
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music. The isolation of being down there at the bottom of the world has maybe affected the music. Bands like the 3Ds, David Kilgore and the Dead C, they weren't really expecting, I don't think, to get much beyond their own frontiers. The fact that people are now able to get out a bit and maybe travel overseas and export their records with a better chance of selling them - now than they used to have, that helps the situation a bit. It's definitely changed from maybe ten years ago. Now New Zealand is recognized as at least being a place with music worth hearing. I don't mean that all of it's great, but it's at least on the



much felt isolated. Every once in a while you'd hear that a record of yours turned up in a shop in London, like just one copy -

In addition to Wednesday night's show, Jefferies will also soon be kicking off a tour with Jean Smith, his bandmate from Mecca Normal, in support of the release of the latest record by Two Foot Flame. There will also be a rerelease of a record he recorded with violinist Jono Lonie, At Swim 2 Birds, available soon from Drunken Fish records.



Gravy

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a post-apocalyptic Cousin Larry

and Balky (from television's Perfect

Drama graduate student Michael

Arthur (Delroy) is obsessed with

word games, keeping himself above

the animals and honoring the mem-

ory of his pioneer ancestors. Delroy

is a bossy, loud and overbearing

know-it-all. Arthur sweats, spits

when he talks and bugs his eyes.

As Gilroy, drama graduate stu-

dent Amy L. Washburn is delight-

fully flaky. Gilroy goes on and on

about her mother's cooking, espe-

cially her gravy, which was made

"with a pinch of love." Washburn's

sense of Gilroy as a character is

strong. As Gilroy Washburn is the

The glue that holds Delroy and

Gilroy together is drama under-

graduate Chris J. Moreland. As the

epitome of a sidekick.

(The first four rows will get wet.)

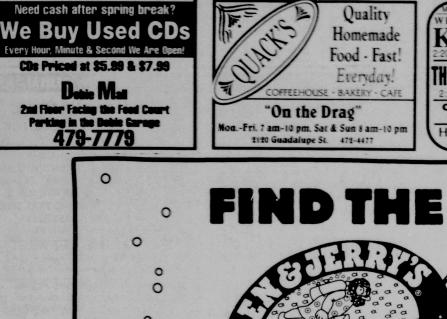
Strangers).

Michael Arthur and Amy L. Washburn pull some dead weight in the new comedy Craving Gravy.

Charmer (Leroy), Moreland teaches Delroy and Gilroy the power of their words, and he helps them realize that they love each other.

With no speaking parts, Moreland's role as the Charmer relies completely on physical expressionism. "He was chosen because he's one of the best physical actors I've ever seen," said directing graduate student and Craving Gravy director Kati Koerner.

Koerner's direction maintains the surrealism of Walch's play. Her research into creation myths of ancient cultures and burial rites of the Ga people of Ghana (who bury their dead in bizarre, custom-made coffins) become motifs in the action of the play.



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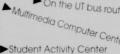
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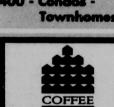
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# Republic of Texas continues to defy contempt citations

MARK MCKENZIE

As the Republic of Texas continues to defy contempt-of-court citations, fines against the rogue group double for every day they refuse to appear in state district court and promise to stop filing frivolous

Ron Dusek, a spokesman for the Texas Attorney General's office, said as of last week, the fines against the Republic of Texas amounted to an approximate number beginning with "5" and followed by 27

"Every day they do not bring themselves out of contempt and promise to stop, the fine doubles," Dusek said. "The court would not issue a fine for that much of an outrageous amount, so we're going to give the court a different number to deal with.

Currently there are three factions of the group, but Dusek said, "... it does not matter which faction; these members' properties can be seized to pay off the fines.

Dusek said the Republic of Texas was brought to court for conducting a war of 'paper terrorism" on the State of Texas, the governor, the chief justice, and numerous other government officials and private citi-

The group, which claims the state of Texas was not properly annexed to the U.S. government in 1845, has filed thousands of frivolous liens issued by bogus courts, thus hampering the property owner's ability to obtain credit or sell their property.

Richard McLaren, the leader of the main faction of the Republic of Texas, located in Jeff Davis County near Fort Davis, was the focus of the state district court action.

Dave Carney, a "citizen" of McLaren's faction, called Dan Morales " ... a liar; he doesn't have jurisdiction.'

"The Republic of Texas is a higher being than the State of Texas," Carney said. "All [Morales] is doing is he's spending a lot of dollars that could be spent a lot better. The Republic of Texas has done nothing unlaw-

But Dusek said the attorney general's

efforts to stop the filing of the frivolous liens have curtailed McLaren's efforts "drastical-

Dusek said McLaren is "virtually selfincarcerated," adding, "We don't care if he stays there forever. He can't do much. He's holed up in a tin shack out in the desert in West Texas. If he steps off, he'll get arrest-

Jeff Davis County Sheriff Steve Bailey said McLaren "... mouths off every now and then, but it's pretty quiet."

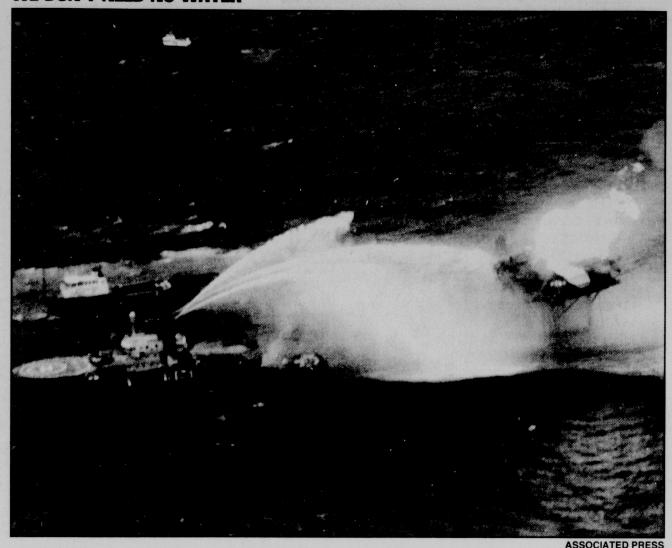
Bailey said since the court order, the group has not been able to file any more

Meanwhile, the Texas Legislature is working on passing laws to impose stronger penalties on groups and individuals who file fraudulent liens, as well as giving private citizens the opportunity to have those liens removed without having to pay attor-

A bill sponsored by Rep. Allen Hightower, D-Huntsville, has been passed by the House, while a slightly different version sponsored by Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, has passed the Senate.

Debbie Head, a spokeswoman for Gov. Bush's office, said the governor supports legislation on dealing with the problem of frivolous liens, but he is waiting to see which bill comes out of the Legislature.

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# Several bond propositions to appear on May 3 city ballot

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In addition to electing three new City Councilmembers and a mayor May 3, Austin voters will also be charged with deciding on several bond propositions.

Randy Goss, director of Austin's Water and Wastewater Utility, reviewed Propositions 2 through 6 at a news conference Tuesday.

Proposition 2 requests \$35 million to build a water transmission main and associated pump station from the Ullrich Water Treatment Plant to the water system on the north side of Town Lake, Goss said.

Currently, the Ullrich treatment facility is capable of producing 100 million gallons of water per day, Goss said, but he added that the plant is able to produce only 65 million gallons per day because of limitations from the transmission lines that leave the plant.

Operating at current full capacity, Austin's water treatment plants are able to produce only 10 million gallons per day more than peak day water usage, Goss said. If anything breaks, water conservation measures will be forced upon citizens,

A new water main would alleviate the problem and allow the utility department to continue to meet peak day water demand in the sum-

Mayor Bruce Todd said, "This is not a new growth issue; it's a past growth issue."

To pay for the new main, the staff of the utility department proposed the revocation of former propositions 3, 4, 5 and 6, approved by Austin voters in the mid-1980s. The propositions were designed to extend water services to parts of South and East Austin.

More growth was initially expected in those areas during the last 10 years, but at current growth rates, the City of Austin has projected that the propositions will not be needed for another 10 years, Goss said.

The revocation of propositions 3 through 6 would provide the \$35 million needed to build the new water main.

Among other bond propositions to be decided by Austin voters is a \$38 million initiative seeking funds for new communications equipment that would connect all city departments, including public safety, by allowing them to communicate using mobile and portable radio units.

The project would cost approximately \$62 million, with \$38 million of the funding provided by the City

Departments such as fire, police, EMS and local sheriff's departments would all be on the same radio frequency, rather than each department using a different radio wave, said Ken Williams, deputy chief with the Austin Police Department. The radio link would also include law enforcement and paramedics from surrounding counties, who would be charged with providing the remaining \$24 million necessary to finance the project.

Williams said current radio problems include "maxed-out" channels that have no room for growth, as well as frequency interference, which causes a lower quality of radio communication.

Radio systems that are more than 10 years old and some equipment that is more than 25 years old would be replaced with the new and more efficient system if the bond proposal passes. The new system would operate on a single frequency with compatible equipment that would facilitate better interagency communications, Williams

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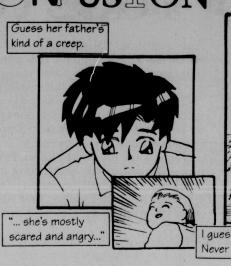


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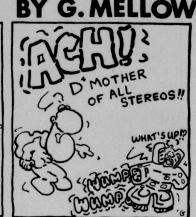


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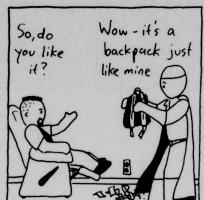














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Around Campus is a daily column listing University-related activities sponsored by academic departments, student services and student organizations registered with the Campus and Community Involvement Office. Announcements must be submitted on the proper form by noon two days before publication.

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#### **MEETINGS**

The UT Billiards Club meets at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the Texas Union Building Underground for its weekly tournament. For more information call James Delgado at 495-5411.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets from 9-10 p.m. Wednesday in L. Theo Bellmont Hall 328. All varsity athletes, trainers and coaches are welcome. For more information call Josh at 453-3964.

Students for Earth Awareness http://connections.e-mail.net/~utsc/.

meet at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday in Parlin Hall 208. For more information call James Savage at 472-2653.

The Faculty/Staff Christian Fellowship meets for prayer and fellowship at noon Wednesday in College of Business Administration Building 4.340. For more information call J.R. Cogdell at 471-6761.

The Orange Jackets meet at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Texas Union Building Battle Oaks Room (2.404). For more information call Kat at 495-

Students for Non Violence meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Texas Union Building Texas Governors' Room (3.116). For more information call 459-

The Texas Union Distinguished Speakers Committee meets at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Texas Union Building Chicano Culture Room (4.206). Help us bring the world to UT. For more information call Irfan at 302-

The UT Sailing Club invites beginners and experienced sailors to sail on Lake Travis. The car pool meets at 10 a.m. Saturday at the northwest corner of 26th Street and Speedway. Everyone is welcome. For more information call 258-5770 or visit web site

The University Democrats meet at 7:30 p.m every other Wednesday in Pharmacy Building 2.114. For more information visit the group's table on the West Mall.

University Filmmakers Alliance meets at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Pharmacy Building 2.110. Career Services, ACAC will speak. For more information visit web site at http://www.utexas.edu/students/uf a or e-mail ufa@www. utexas.edu.

University Alliance for Gay, Lesbian, Bi Concerns meets at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Texas Union Building Eastwoods Room (2.102). Gay Cuba, a video documentary by Sonja DeVries, will be shown followed by a short discussion. For more informaalliance e-mail at @www.utexas.edu.

#### **SHORT COURSE**

The Student Health Center sponsors an Eating Well, Feeling Well workshop 2-3 p.m. Wednesday in Student Health Center 450. For more information call 475-8252.

The Student Health Center Health Education Department offers a free "Cholesterol Check Educational Class" 2-3:30 p.m. Wednesday in Student Health Center 450. The class will help develop skills to reach or maintain a healthier cholesterol level.

For more information call 475-8252, or go to Student Health Center 459.

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

The Texas Union Multiculturalism Task Force presents West Campus Story, an interactive play addressing campus diversity, at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Texas Union Ballroom (3.202) For more information call 475-6630.

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

The Neighborhood Longhorns program seeks volunteers to tutor third- through fifth-grade children in South and East Austin communities. Tutors are asked to volunteer one day a week for two hours. For more information call 474-0897.

The University Volunteer Center hosts Project Reach Out, a day of onetime service projects throughout Austin, on April 12. All UT students, organizations, staff and faculty are invited to participate. Sign up at the UVC in Texas Union Building 4.300A or call 471-6161 for more information.

#### FILM/LECTURE/ DISCUSSION

The Archer M. Huntington Art Gallery sponsors "Print Room as Classroom: A Few Lessons," a gallery talk with Johnathan Bober, curator of prints and drawings, at noon Wednesday in the Art Building and Gallery location. For more information call 471-1902.

UT President's Office hosts a celebration of educational excellence for the Texas Education Agency 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday in the Main Building 400 (G3400). For more information call 471-1241.

Students for Nonviolence present 'A Discourse on International Violence," part of a weeklong discussion on violence 2-4 p.m. Wednesday in the Texas Union Building Santa Rita Room (3.502).

Texas Libertarians host "The Right to Bear Arms," a lecture by Paul C. Velte IV, president of Peaceable Texans for Firearms Rights, at 8 p.m. Wednesday in Batts Hall 202. For more information call Adam Dick at

Eta Sigma Phi hosts a brown bag lunch lecture "Earliest of the Greek Gods" with Dr. Tom Palaima, chair of classics department, 1-2 p.m. Wednesday in the Waggener Hall second floor lounge. For more information call Rob Halsey at 912-9032.

The Center for Middle Eastern Studies sponsors a screening of Saint Clara at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Dobie Theater on the corner of 21st and Guadalupe streets. This screening is part of the 1997 Israeli Film Festival, which runs until April 24. For more information call 471-1365.

Il Circolo Italiano sponsors a screening of Roma, cittá aperta at 8 p.m. Wednesday in Batts Hall 12. For more information call James Fowler at 442-7145.

#### **OTHER**

UT Tukong Moosul martial arts club meets at 6 p.m Monday and Wednesday and at 5 p.m Wednesday in Anna Hiss Gymnasium 39. Everyone is welcome. Call 329-6450.

The Student Health Center Health Education Department is providing free diet analysis and nonclinical, individual nutrition education from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information call 475-8252.

The Liberal Arts Career Services host "Better Late Than Jobless: A Career Seminar" noon-4 p.m. Wednesday in the Undergraduate Advising Center Atrium fourth floor. Gary Hoover, president/CEO of Travelfest, will speak on "Marketing Your Liberal Arts Degree." This program is free and open to all majors. Students may come and go throughout the afternoon. Dress is casual. For more information call Karen Julian at 471-7900

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