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# Shuttle panel urges return to safety-first policy

### Group lays blame for disaster on rocket joint

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Rogers Commission said Monday a breached booster rocket joint, whose weaknesses were known but ig-Challenger and that NASA must return to the safety-first policy of the Apollo moonflight days.

of NASA only five weeks into his second stint at the helm, promised to doesn't happen again." respond to the conclusions "with an open mind and without reservations."

28 Challenger tragedy, which rooted in history."

William P. Rogers, chairman of the presidential investigative dations made by the commission. panel, said, "We know exactly how this accident occurred. I certainly hope there will be no nagging questions."

The commission was not asked to assess blame, "and we have not assessed blame," Rogers told a news conference. "Obviously, there ing to go beyond that."

President Reagan, formally accepting the report, said that meet the demands of an acbecause of the commission's work celerating flight schedule might and better prepared for the NASA if it had insisted upon the exchallenges that lie ahead."

Because Americans "don't hide our mistakes, we are not condemned to repeat them," Reagan told members of the commission and others gathered in the Rose

"There's enough blame to go nored, destroyed the space shuttle around," he said. "The fault was not with any single person or group. It was NASA's fault. I don't think we should be assigning blame. We James C. Fletcher, a former head should be assigning people to fix what went wrong, and make sure it

> Reagan had been given a copy of the report last week.

Fletcher told a late afternoon The commission called the Jan. news conference that the space agency regards July 1987 as a claimed seven lives, "an accident realistic goal - "not an optimistic one" - for resumption of shuttle flights, based on all the recommen-

One of the commission's recommendations, the appointment of an independent committee of experts to review any new booster designs, came into fruition Monday, when the National Research Council announced formation of a panel of experts in the fields of propulsion, was a serious failure. We are not go- materials, reliability and aerospace engineering.

"The unrelenting pressure to "our shuttle program will be safer have been adequately handled by actingly thorough procedures that See related story, page 5

were its hallmark during the Apollo program," the report said in a chapter titled "The Silent Safety Program."

The commission said the rocket 'joints' problems came to be regarded as "unavoidable and an acceptable flight risk," showing that safety had taken a back seat at NASA — the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Five men and two women, including schoolteacher Christa McAuliffe, perished in the accident - the first during a space mission after 55 successes.

"The NASA shuttle program had no focal point for flight safety," said the panel in its 256-page report to Reagan.

Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, the first American to orbit the Earth, said the commission showed that "the mindset of a few people in key positions at NASA had gone from an optimistic and super safety-conscious 'can-do' attitude, when I was in the program, to an arrogant 'can't fail' attitude on the day the Challenger exploded."

On Capitol Hill, the commission's report generally was well received, although some lawmakers said they felt it was up to Congress to answer any lingering questions about space

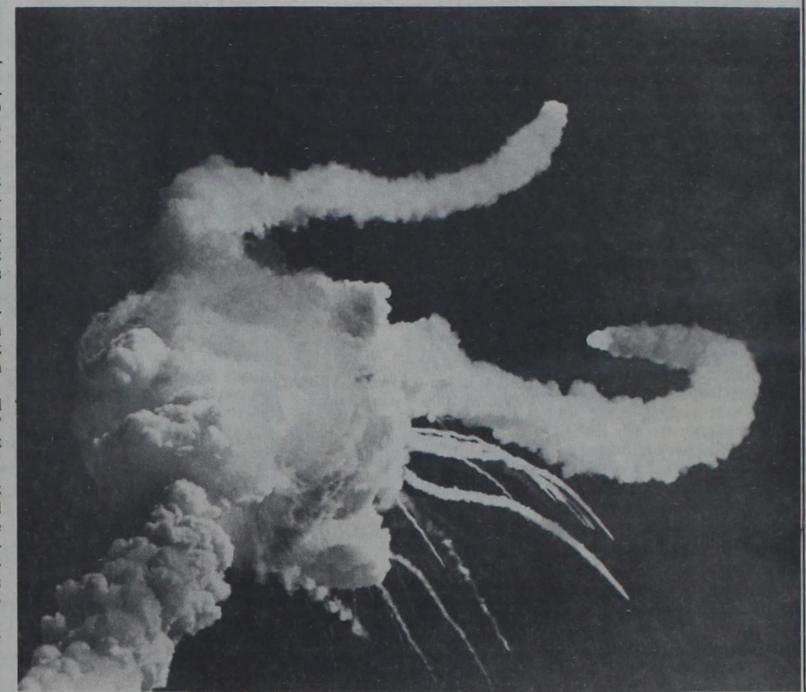


Image of history

The presidential commission on the Challenger disaster called Monday for NASA to return to a

safety-first policy after the Jan. 28 explosion of the Challenger 73 seconds into flight.

### University presidents asked to study possible mergers to cut costs

By JOHNNA BROWN

University Daily Reporter

from the Select Committee on Higher Center. study mergers with other schools.

Proposals involving the university education and to save money. suggest merging Tech with "The select committee is looking Ross University or West Texas State sities," Cavazos said. University. Another combination in- "The proposed new university subject, but many different sugges- Cavazos said. cludes Tech and the University of system would have one governing tions will be handed down between Texas-Permian Basin.

Group suggests combining Tech, other West Texas colleges

Education sent to college presidents According to Cavazos, the reason go through." around the state suggesting that they for possible university revamping for Texas universities is to provide better university merging is an ongoing eight health centers into one closing of Texas A&M University at possibility of restructuring higher

board, cutting down on expenses.

The panel also proposed merging "As of now, Texas Tech is the the eight state dental and allied largest non-system school in the

Legislature convened, but it did not for comment.

dicussion in the Legislature.

"At this stage, there are a variety Legislature has the final action on the now and the first of the year," he said.

Texas Tech President Lauro health centers into one system, which state," Cavazos said. "We tried to get universities involved in the possible train health officials for the West University of Houston and Texas Cavazos still has not received a letter would affect Tech's Health Sciences Tech into a system the last time the merging, but they were unavailable Texas area. Others schools are more Women's Houston Center with the

> Cavazos already has spoken out program.

Midwestern State University, Sul for a natural combination of univer- of different proposals. The because the strength of the health University at Port Arthur, Lamar at the Legislature," Cavazos said. center is in the university system,"

"It would not be a positive move.

The University Daily tried Monday has a different mission from the other Texas-Permian Basin at Odessa, Sul charged the panel with studying the

involved in research."

Among the proposals included in Center. Cavazos said the possibility of against the possibility of merging the the Select Committee's letter are the "That is not a good approach sion of branch study centers of Lamar proposals and have to be presented to Orange and the University of The 23-member committee, com-Houston-Victoria.

"In addition, our medical school include closing the University of the 1985 Legislature. The Legislature to reach the presidents of the other Texas health centers. We are here to Ross University at Alpine and East state's universities.

Texas State University at Commerce.

Another suggested merger involves Texas Southern University, the University of Texas Health Science

"The proposals are aimed at the Galveston and the possible conver- education, but for now they are just

posed of legislators, educators and Other proposals suggested for study business people, was an outgrowth of

# 'Baby Doe' regulations defeated in 5-2 Supreme Court decision

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court, striking down the Reagan administration's "Baby Doe" regulations, said Monday the federal government cannot challenge life-or-death decisions that parents make for babies with severe birth defects.

By a 5-3 vote, the court said the administration improperly attempted to override parental wishes and pressure hospitals and doctors to provide medical care that might extend the lives of deformed or gravely ill

The decision, sparked by highly publicized cases in Indiana and New York, will not affect existing state laws that regulate decisions made by doctors and parents in such cases. Officials in some states may override parental wishes.

Justice Department lawyers had urged the court to rule that the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 gives federal regulators the power to make sure no hospital receiving federal money denies nourishment or medical treatment to a child "solely because of its handicap."

Rejecting that argument, the court said the 1973 law does not apply - and the federal government can play no role - when parents do not consent to treatment for their child.

"The court has vindicated the position we've taken all along against government intrusion in the hospital nursery," said Richard L. Epstein of the American Hospital Association.

But Thomas J. Marzen of the National Legal Center for the Medically Dependent and Disabled said, "I think you can anticipate there will be some attempt to amend the federal law." Reaction from the Reagan administration was not

immediately available. Charles Cooper, the Justice Department lawyer who argued the case before the Supreme Court, did not return a reporter's telephone

Writing for four members of the court, Justice John Paul Stevens said the administration's view of the law amounted to a "manifestly incorrect perception."

Stevens said hospitals do not violate federal law when complying with parental wishes to withhold treatment. And he added hospitals are not required by federal law to report parental refusal of life-saving treatments for their infants.

He was joined by Justices Thurgood Marshall, Harry A. Blackmun and Lewis F. Powell.

Chief Justice Warren E. Burger voted to strike down the "Baby Doe" regulations but did not sign Stevens' opinion.



In today's UD The Boston Celtics, winners of the 1986 NBA championship with a 114-97 victory over the Houston Rockets Sunday, have the kind of team reputation that inspires players to new heights.

#### Weather

"Everyone who wears the

uniform wants to play his best

to live up to these stan-

dards," one player said. Story

on page eight.

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high near 90 and a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. The low will be in the mid-60s. Winds will out of the south at 10-20 mph.

### Witnesses recall shooting death of Tech student

By CRAIG ELLIOTT University Daily Reporter

Two witnesses to the May 31

Justice of the Peace Bill Ross conshooting deaths of a Texas Tech stu-tinued the bond of \$100,000 he initially dgun after an officer saw First and a First's companion, also of Plainview, dent and a Shallowater man said Fri- set for First after Vernon Ethan day in an examination trial that they Bartley, an employee at Lubbock bed. saw the suspect in the incident shoot Mining Co., and Pedro Zavala, a at the victims outside a north Lub- customer, said they saw First shoot at Davis, and Zavala said he saw First the victims.

Luke Davis, 26, of Shallowater were medical personnel found no vital about 1 a.m. Friday.

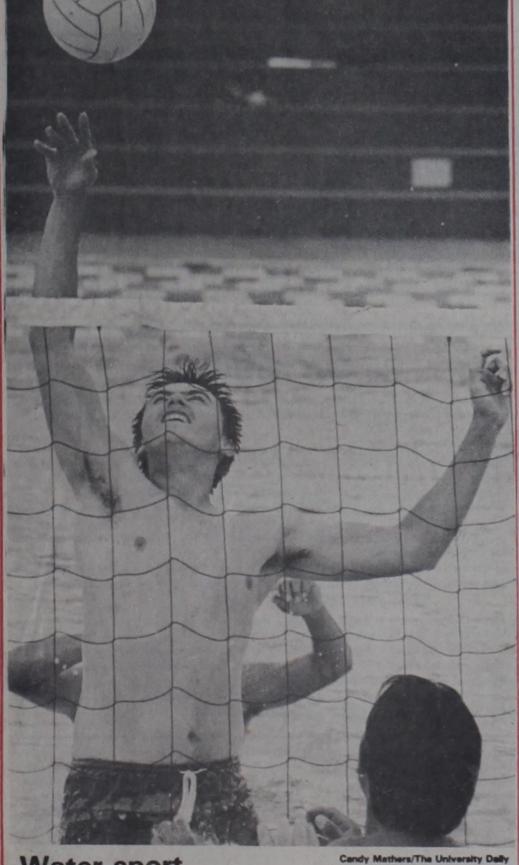
killed in the incident. Holley was signs on Holley at the scene. Davis listed as a freshman at Tech from died later at Lubbock General said Davis fought with First while Hospital.

> Police recovered a .38-caliber han- with a knife, according to testimony. companion put the gun in a flower had a large quantity of jewelry in his

Bartley said he saw First shoot at thought he was being robbed. shoot at the victims outside the Lub- Davis died from a gunshot wound to regular customers of the club. An killed during one incident. Capital bock Mining Co. nightclub. Kimberly the abdomen. Each had been shot argument reportedly began between murder is punishable upon conviction Sue Holley, 22, of 5308-A 13th St. and J. with a .38-caliber gun. Emergency First and Davis over a pool game by life in prison or death by lethal

The four went outside, and Zavala Holley held off First's companion car, police said. First reportedly

First is charged with capital fire in the direction of both Davis and murder under a recent state law that The witnesses said they saw Ken- Holley died after she was shot in the Holley. Bartley said the victims, as allows capital murder charges to be neth Wayne First, 26, of Plainview back. The bullet penetrated her heart. well as First and his companion, were filed when more than one person is injection.



Water sport

Jessie Jalamo, a freshman engineering major from Lubbock, makes a water volleyball play Monday at the Student Recreation Center.

# Tax reform debate best, worst of American politics



Damon Pearce University Daily

In some ways, the battle over tax reform on Capitol Hill represents the best and the worst of the American political process.

At the very least, the debate could be an interesting, if confusing, civics lesson for any high school student crazy enough to want to try to make any sense of the countless positions of the senators, congressmen and President Reagan.

And that's just the elected officials. Add to them an entire herd of lobbyists for multitudinous special interest groups, each with a list of demands and legislative blood in his or her eyes.

Perhaps the person in the worst position is the poor clerk who has to try to keep track of all the proceedings. Surely the only tougher job in the world would be that of Imelda Marcos's personal dress and

This vociferous debate, and the fact that it all will be conducted in public under the watchful eye of television cameras, represents the best of the American political process.

That is not the case in many nations. Elsewhere, a decision like that the Senate will make on the tax reform proposal easily could be made with no public discussion at all. It would be easy for leaders in some other nation to arbitrarily make the decision to do whatever they wanted on tax policy.

Although this may sound trite, it is something that Americans take for granted. All you have to do is look at the percentage of people voting in the last election to see how much Americans appreciate what actually is a very special governmental system.

The tragedy of the American system is that some people appreciate it more than others. That is evidenced by the fact that coveys of lobbyists for special interest groups descended on Washington in time for the debate on tax reform.

Some people know how to use the

It is the sad truth that most of the time, the people who use the political system are the people who need it the least, the wealthy and educated. Who lobbys for the unfortunate middle class taxpayer?

This dichotomy is perfectly evident in the tax reform debate. The poor and middle classes evidently would benefit from the bill, but by the time the corporate lobbyists and other special interest groups get through on Capitol Hill, many of the benefits could be erased.

However, the simple fact that a tax bill ever made it to the Senate floor, a bill that would help the individual, is encouraging. That in itself indicates somebody up there is thinking about the little man.

It also is entirely possible that the senators, never heretofore known for their resistance to lobbyists, could resist those special interests. Senate leaders all last week pleaded with their colleagues to pass the

If they do, it will be clear that the best and worst of U.S. politics still are in working order.



### Airport blues

### Airline deregulation causes assortment of problems for weary frequent traveler



vention of the electronic salami

prove what they say, and figures don't lie, so three cheers for free marketing in the sky, say I.

when I arrive at the airport?

ahead of me in line, and the flight for of 29 persons and the presence of 163 too have grown heavy upon arriving which I need a ticket is scheduled to others who will be waiting at the gate at the airport. ticket seller on duty because having run up labor costs?

and race with my suitcases to the last knapsack placed in the an exception will be made for me. faraway gate where the airplane overhead luggage racks or under the If this be so, then why does my before it leaves.

can't afford to go by bus.

heart grow heavy, for I realize that swapped fried chicken and apples for even if I trip over several such people ham sandwiches and cookies and ocand fracture them, they will not casionally even passed the time in become cross because they realize group singing? a lot of inconvenience.

have fallen, only to find that there is a sing-along. Economists always have figures to no plane because the flight has been. No, it is not knowing that the

heart grow heavy, for a flight never is heavy, for what does that tell us ex-Yet why does my heart grow heavy canceled unless there are too few cept that my fellow passengers will be passengers for it to be it profitable, my spiritual brothers and sisters, or, Is it because there are 29 customers and this flight, as indicated by the line to put it otherwise, that their hearts

Perhaps my heart grows heavy in the maintenance shop?

chapters or sleeping (possibly dead) heavy in bus-riding days long ago, possibly be a day older than 17? individuals who camp on airport when I enjoyed being packed closely Let's not think about that. Let's floors because flying is so cheap they into the human comedy because it think about how lucky we are to have seemed to create among us bus these fruits of deregulation.

No, that is not what makes my travelers a camaraderie in which we

that to benefit from the low cost of fly- Then maybe my heart grows heavy ing they must be willing to put up with because I know almost everyone on the plane will be too tense, too drugg-Perhaps, then, the reason my heart ed, too angry, too lonely, too devoted NEW YORK - Economists say grows heavy is fear that I will arrive to misery chic, too sophisticated or airline deregulation is the best thing at the faraway gate exhausted by my too sick of it all to dispel the misery to happen to customers since the in- luggage-laden race and the exertions inside this deregulated human of picking myself up from fellow transport device by offering grapes in slicer, and they have figures to prove travelers on whose sleeping bags I trade for some cheese or by joining in

> plane's cargo will be sodden with NO, that is not what makes my misery that makes my heart grow

leave in 35 minutes, and the man at to board, is going to be so packed that Could it be that my heart is made the head of the line already has spent passengers will need treaty ar- heavy by suspicion that these in-15 minutes to search his luggage for rangements among themselves to credibly cheap prices can be made his checkbook, and there isn't another determine whose turn it is to breathe. possible only by dangerous economies

two working on the same day would because a loathsome elitism makes No, this does not make my heart me dislike being squashed haunch-to- heavy, for though I have heard that No, that is not why my heart grows haunch against so much steamy the law of life requires that every perheavy, for I know I can leave this line humanity after the last seat is filled, son eventually must leave it, I believe

awaits and, there, find other seat in obedience to FAA command heart become laden when I look up authorities who will put me aboard and we all sit contained, elbows to the aisle where the pilot is entering ribs, worrying about being caught by the plane and see that he is not the Then maybe my heart grows heavy our flight attendants with our seats reassuring grizzled gray veteran of because I realize I am not so young as not in the upright position for taxiing. the TV commercials who has been fly-I used to be and, therefore, while rac- No, it is not loathsome elitism that ing since Errol Flynn sent his men up ing through the airport with my suit- makes my heart grow heavy, for if in those old crates held together with cases, I probably will trip over one of my loathsome elitism took that outlet, nothing by baling wire and chewing the family groups, college sorority why did it never make my heart grow gum, but a stripling who can't

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#### White dedicates new facility, but Mattox says funding illegal

By The Associated Press

Mark White planned Monday to we don't have the money." legally can't pay for.

site dedication after Attorney ment Act. the unit was illegal.

ward with the unit. It's just we are not intent of the Legislature." TENNESSEE COLONY - Gov. moving as rapid as we like because

torney general has ruled the state rections to use \$78 million in private originally billed as a groundbreaking bonds would have been issued under the state government to do so." ceremony, hastily was changed to a the state Health Facilities Develop-

that a proposed bond issue to finance bonds could not be used because although the prison would have some Texas prison warden for whom the Sept. 1, 1987.

said Monday. "We are moving for- method of financing would violate the from various parts of the country to

dedicate the site for a new maximum The proposal he ruled invalid would fund the units," he said Monday. "We ago of cancer. security prison — a project the at- have allowed the Texas Board of Cor- think we will find a way through a The new prison, which would house bonding process probably. It's not 2,250 inmates, is needed to meet money to build the prison, which then that we think we can figure out ways federal court orders requiring an end The event at the new Michael Unit, would be leased to the state. The to find additional funds throughout to overcrowding in Texas prisons.

Prison spokesman Phil Guthrie General Jim Mattox ruled Friday Mattox, however, ruled Friday the not scrapped because many of the the state would miss a federal court relatives of Mark Michael, the former deadline to reduce prison crowding by

"It's not just ceremonial," Mattox medical capabilities, "using that new unit is being named, had come

"We're moving ahead and we're Michael, a highly respected warden still working hard to find a way to at the Hilltop Unit, died about a year

Prison Board Chairman Al Hughes said the entire ceremony Monday was said Mattox's ruling last week meant

#### **NEWS BRIEFS**

#### Rival factions clash in South Africa

CROSSROADS, South Africa (AP) - Thousands of rival black squatters clashed in bloody battles at Crossroads and nearby shantytowns on Monday for the second time in a month, killing at least six people and wounding more than 20.

In raging, daylong fights using guns, clubs and knives, several thousand conservative vigilantes burst through police lines to charge against young anti-apartheid radicals and refugees, police said. The rampagers set fire to hundreds of the wood, tin and plastic homes in the KTC section of Crossroads and nearby Nyanga.

The structures which were burned down included a clinic and relief center housing 2,500 of the approximately 30,000 people left homeless after last month's clashes.

Five people were hacked to death and one died from bullet wounds, police said. Officers said the toll was probably higher.

Police in Pretoria, the capital, reported four more blacks slain, all burned to death, in new outbreaks of violence in eight centers around the country. Anti-apartheid unrest and spinoff violence has killed about 1,600 people in 21 months.

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# Profs 'adopt' Lubbock students

By JOHNNA BROWN

University Daily Reporter

"adopt" classes from the Lubbock In- University System. dependent School District.

ed by a team of university and public public schools and universities. school officials to encourage colinstitutions of higher education.

tion with the teachers.

Teacher Education, sponsored jointly Texas Tech University will be more by the commissioners of the Texas systems. in touch with the public school system Education Agency and the Coor-

Ishler, a member of the Coor-More than 140 faculty members dinating Board committee that plannfrom Tech's two schools and seven ed the conference, said committee colleges have signed up for "Adopt a members wanted to develop a system Classroom." The project was design- to incorporate interaction between to the public school teacher on a

Sixty-seven universities from laboration between public schools and around the state sent teams to the conference. A team of Tech President According to Richard E. Ishler, Lauro Cavazos, Vice President for dean of the College of Education, Academic Affairs Donald Haragan, faculty members will adopt LISD Arts and Science Dean Charles classes of interest to them and Kellogg, Ishler and LISD Superintendevelop individual plans for interac- dent E.C. Leslie represented Lubbock role model for students and teachers ing university and public school at the conference.

The idea for university/public According to Ishler, team members field," he said.

school interaction evolved from a listened to speakers from around the

"We were then given a homework creativity of the instructors." starting in the fall when professors dinating Board, Texas College and assignment of developing a collaborative effort," Ishler said.

> Tech's answer to the problem of an "Adopt a Classroom" project will begin in the fall and last throughout the year. Professors will be available voluntary basis, Ishler said.

teacher who are paired together will also is getting involved, with all five work out a regular schedule for visita- members joining in the adoption tion. In some cases, the professor and teacher may want to exchange teaching positions.

who are interested in the professor's resources, there can be added in-

"Collaboration between public Commissioner's Conference on nation, lecturing on ways to better school teachers and university promesh the university and public school fessors will be as open as the instructors want it to be. It all depends on the

> Ishler said the program also will help recruit students to Tech.

"It is an unstated goal, but one reason for the 'Adopt a Classroom' program is student recruitment," Ishler said.

The program has received support from a diversified group of faculty The professor and public school members. The planning committee

"The 'Adopt a Classroom' project does more than help educate future "The professor would serve as a teachers," Cavazos said. "In combinspiration for every student.



Maestro at work

Curbs on campus are getting a fresh coat of paint to remind drivers not to leave vehicles parked along the roadside. Keith Gill, a senior from Lubbock majoring in computer science, puts the finishing touches on a curb next to the baseball field. Gill works for Tech physical grounds maintenance.

### Economy, strong dollar hurt wheat prices

By KAY HOPKINS University Daily Reporter

worldwide coupled with a strong has really hurt the farmers. dollar have caused problems for the professor.

30 percent against other currencies pected to total 1.6 billion bushels, 12

already in distress," said Kary Mathis, chairman of the agricultural economics department. "Then wheat Poor economic conditions exports dropped 20 percent. All this

"Basically, the supply and demand American wheat farmer, according to is affecting the market. It's putting a Texas Tech agricultural economics everyone in equally poor shape in all major commodities in the area."

"The strength of the dollar gained U.S. winter wheat production is exwhile they (wheat farmers) were percent below production last year,

Mathis said, and the smallest crop average of 26 bushels an acre. since 1979. Most of the decrease is the result of an 11 percent reduction in tinuing dry weather in the state, he domestic harvested acreage.

"Prices are below production costs at this time because it is harvest time," he said. "But the dollar value down to Childress) grows about half has dropped some, so perhaps this of all of the Texas wheat," Mathis summer exports will pick up."

Livestock Reporting Service, Texas wheat production was down 36 per-28 percent from the April estimate.

May survey results show wheat pro- supply of wheat on hand. duction is forecast at 119.6 million bushels with a statewide yield 2.4 billion bushels."

Mathis said that because of the condoesn't see any prospects for improvement.

"The High Plains (West Texas said. "There has been a 35 percent According to the Texas Crop and drop (in demand) for plains wheat."

"There were 400 million bushels in cent from last year's record crop and storage going into this year," Mathis said. "In May 1985, we had a year's

"This year, we'll produce a total of

### SSLGF appeals judge's ruling

By CRAIG ELLIOTT University Daily Reporter

Student Services for Lesbians, Gays and Friends is continuing its fight with Texas Tech University, appealing last month's decision against the group by U.S. Judge Halbert O. Woodward.

The group is claiming civil rights violations by Tech officials. The case now will be transferred to the 5th Cir-

by the university. The group claimed it had been discriminated against when Tech

status in April 1985 after Texas A&M Larry Ludewig.

lost a similar lawsuit before the U.S. Supreme Court. Tech officials withdrew the ban on the group after that decision. SSLGF originally sought official status in July 1984. Woodward ruled that the legal standard had not been clearly established when Tech refused official status to SSLGF at that time.

Woodward said legal precedents had been more clearly established in other circuits but were not as clear in cuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans. the 5th Circuit. He said Tech officials Woodward ruled in May that the were prevented from determining a group was not entitled to any legal standard because of the confusmonetary damages or compensation ing situation and had acted for the time it was denied recognition "reasonably and in good faith" in the

SSLGF filed the lawsuit in refused to grant recognition. Wood- December 1984 against the Tech ward ruled that Tech officials were Board of Regents, President Lauro immune from damage recovery in the Cavazos, Vice President for Student Affairs Robert Ewalt and Associate The group was granted official Vice President for Student Affairs









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### Problems of shuttle not limited to ill-fated boosters, report says

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Returning the shuttle to orbit will take time and will require revitalized management at NASA and the likely redesign of not only the solid-fuel booster rockets but also the main engines, brakes and other systems.

The return to space and the flight rate will depend on a number of unresolved issues, such as the number of changes required, an escape mode for the astronauts during the critical moments of landing, new stands for testing the overhauled rockets, a replacement for the destroyed Challenger and the use of unmanned rockets to carry many payloads earmarked for the shuttle.

In its report on the Jan. 28 shuttle explosion, the Rogers commission addressed those issues Monday, making specific recommendations in some cases and leaving the solution of others up to NASA.

"We found a lot of things that need attention," Chairman William P. Rogers told a news conference.

If the space agency adopts all the commission recommendations and suggestions, its goal of flight resumption in July 1987 could be pushed back a year or

Resumption of flights could be delayed by several months if officials accept the commission's suggestion that "full consideration should be given" to test-firing redesigned booster rockets upright instead of horizontally as in the past in order to more closely approximate launch conditions. NASA said that approach would require building new test stands and would be a costly and complicated procedure.

The commission blamed the accident on a poorly designed booster rocket joint, and its No. 1 recommendation was that "the faulty solid rocket motor joint and seal must be changed" without regard to cost or time.

The report said problems with the joints were known but unsolved because of a weak management and communications structure both within NASA and the booster rocket contractor, Morton-Thiokol. It said the joints "should be fully understood, tested and verified" and their strength should equal or surpass that of the rocket casing.

In recent congressional testimony, Arnold Aldrich, manager of the shuttle office at the Johnson Space

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Center, said 44 potential shuttle safety concerns had been identified involving the orbiter, the fuel tank and the main shuttle engine. He said all of these might have to be addressed before resuming flights.

The main shuttle engines have experienced valve failures, leaks and premature wearing and cracking of turbine blades. The brakes have locked on some landings.

The report recommended an overhaul of NASA's WEEKDAYS-WEEKENDS. Typing, general, medical, management structure and said the space agency's shuttle chief at headquarters should exert more control over individual field centers.

Without being specific, the commission said the agency should make all efforts to provide a crew escape system for use during the critical moments when a shuttle is gliding back to Earth for a landing. To do so also would require a major redesign which could take considerable time.

Still to be decided is whether to build a replacement for Challenger. NASA's new administrator, James C. Fletcher, has called for one, and President Reagan is expected to ask Congress to give its approval, but he may try to pay for it with \$2.8 billion in savings from other government programs.

When flights resume, military payloads and astronauts will be dominant.

The Defense Department is expected to exercise its priority on shuttle missions because key reconnaissance and other military satellites have backed up during the grounding of the shuttle and of the Air Force's Titan 34D rocket, which has failed two straight times.

And the commission recommended expanded use of expendable rockets for satellite launches, to relieve some of the pressure for unsupportably high launch rates for the shuttle. Administration officials already are weighing such a move, now supported by both NASA and the Pentagon.

Fletcher, responding to the commission, vowed that NASA would regroup and regain the nation's respect.

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### Celtic traditions motivate players to excel

By The Associated Press

before the game. The ghosts of the these standards." Boston Celtics' glorious tradition are very real.

dominated from the opening tap to the honored today at a downtown parade

"It's a case of the standards being set high here for so long," said BOSTON - Three fans cloaked in Celtics' guard Jerry Sichting. white bedsheets drifted ominously "Everyone who wears the uniform behind the Houston Rockets' bench wants to play his best to live up to the standards of excellence rarely mination. Both assets helped the

They were set by three NBA greats - Bob Cousy, Bill Russell and John the season from the lowly Indiana The eerie welcome for the intruders Havlicek — and the teams they Pacers, found out that "the Celtics who dared threaten that tradition played on. Those same standards are have such a winning history that if preceded a 114-97 NBA title-clinching being met and enhanced by Larry you finish as runner-up, you've had a do," Bird said after Boston won the victory Sunday that Boston Bird and his teammates, who will be lousy year."

Celtics' championship team in 1957, through Bird, the leader of the team that won Boston's 16th title Sunday, ed by a sense of purpose and deter-

Sichting, who was obtained before

"The Celtics measure their success great opportunity to win it."

by winning the championship," he From Cousy, who was on the first said. "Other teams measure their success by getting into the playoffs."

> The club's tradition has been mark-Celtics respond to an embarrassing 111-96 loss in Thursday night's fifth game that got them mad at

"Everyone knows what we had to series, four games to two. "We had a

#### **Runners named All-American**

By CRAIG ELLIOTT University Daily Reporter

Texas Tech's men's 400-meter relay team gained All-America status with a time of 39.03 at the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships last week.

The team of Keith Stubblefield, Jimmy Jones, Gary Brown and Carl Carter placed fourth in the race behind TCU, Texas A&M and Southern California. Teams finishing in the first six places gain his leg of the 1,600-meter relay All-America honors.

TCU's team set the collegiate record with a time of 38.46, beating the record of 38.53, which was set by Houston in 1982. Texas A&M was clocked at 38.63, while USC finished the race at 38.90. TCU's team recorded the world's best time in the event this year.

Tech's time of 39.03 was the fastest the team had run this year and was a school record for the heat in the 3,000-meter run with a event. The team had run the relay in 39.11 earlier this season.

(39.04), North Carolina State (39.25), Mississippi State (39.37), Baylor (39.63) and Tennessee (dropped baton). North Carolina State was the defending champion in the event.

The All-America finish broke a string of bad luck suffered by Tech at the meet. Earlier in the meet, freshman Jimmy Jones failed to qualify for the 400-meter final after finishing sixth with a time of 46.91. Later in the day, Jones was running when the baton was jarred loosed by another runner.

The 400-meter relay team of Stubblefield, Jones, Brown and Carter became the first from Tech to gain All-America status in the outdoor meet since 1981. That year, James Mays placed fourth in the 800-meter

Tech's only female competitor, Maria Medina, finished fifth in her time of 9:35.17. Medina qualified for the NCAAs with a time of 9:19.60 in Finishing behind Tech were SMU the Southwest Conference meet.

### Houston fans not disappointed in Rockets

By The Associated Press

came home Monday without the NBA championship, but that did not discourage more than 500 cheering continental Airport.

"You've been the best fans in the the best-of-seven series, 42.

NBA, and next year, we will come Rockets star Akeem Olajuwon, who waved banners of encouragement. NBA championship on our minds," HOUSTON - The Houston Rockets reserve center Jim Petersen told the

from the start of the title series, won fans who greeted the team at Inter- their 16th NBA title Sunday when they

back with fire in our eyes and the had predicted victory in Houston, left the fans with one more forecast.

belong, and next year we're going to arrive. "We've been here since 10:30 The Boston Celtics, heavy favorites do it," Olajuwon said. "And we are this morning, and it was well worth still unbeatable."

Hundreds of fans jammed the airdefeated the Rockets 114-97 to capture port terminal as the Rockets deplan- city council members also were on ed. They shouted Rocket cheers and hand to welcome the team home.

"Boston's getting old and we're getting better," said Bo Farrill, 22, who "We proved this year that we had waited four hours for the team to the wait."

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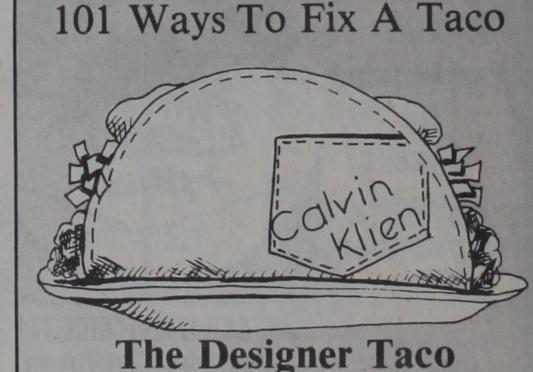
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