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STATE

Police say 3-year-old described slayings

FORT WORTH (AP) — A 3-year-old girl who was covered in blood when her father dropped her off with a relative after fatally shooting his estranged wife and her two children inside their Fort Worth home described the shootings, police said.

In a brief interview with Child Protective Services, the child indicated that she had likely witnessed her mother and siblings get shot. Her father, 32-year-old Arthur Jackson, later shot himself after a nearly seven-hour standoff with police Friday.

NATION

Hearings to touch on 'terror policy'

WASHINGTON (AP) — As the chief federal trial judge in Manhattan, Michael Mukasey approved secret warrants allowing government roundups of Muslims in the days after the Sept. 11 attacks.

Six years later, the man President Bush wants to be attorney general acknowledged that the law authorizing those warrants "has its perils" in terrorism cases and urged Congress to "fix a strained and mismatched legal system."

WORLD

Rice expects peace talk 'breakthrough'

TEL AVIV (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice played down expectations for breakthroughs as she opened a critical round of Mideast shuttle diplomacy here Sunday and warned Israel against moves that might erode confidence in the process.

As she flew into the region from Russia, Rice said she hoped to help narrow gaps between the Israelis and Palestinians, who are trying to forge an outline of an eventual peace deal in a joint statement to be presented at a U.S.-hosted international conference next month.

DEATH TOLL

3826

U.S. Military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

SOURCE: Associated Press, confirmed by the Department of Defense

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Genocide bill threatens US, Turkey relations

By C. ONUR ANT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) — Turkey's top general warned that ties with the U.S., already strained by attacks from rebels hiding in Iraq, will be irreversibly damaged if Congress passes a resolution that labels the World War I-era killings of Armenians a genocide.

Turkey, which is a major cargo hub for U.S. and allied military forces in Iraq and Afghanistan, has recalled its ambassador to Washington for consultations and warned that there might be a cut in the logistical support to the U.S. over the issue.

Gen. Yasar Buyukanit told daily Milliyet newspaper that a congressional committee's approval of the measure had already harmed ties

between the two countries.

"If this resolution passed in the committee passes the House as well, our military ties with the U.S. will never be the same again," Buyukanit was quoted as saying by Milliyet.

"I'm the military chief, I deal with security issues. I'm not a politician," Buyukanit was quoted as saying by Milliyet. "In this regard, the U.S. shot its own foot."

President Bush has said the resolution is the wrong response to the Armenian deaths, but House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said the measure's timing was important "because many of the survivors are very old."

"It is a statement made by 23 other countries. We would be the 24th country to make this statement. Genocide still exists, and we saw it in Rwanda; we see it now in Darfur,"

she told ABC's "This Week" in an interview broadcast Sunday.

But Rep. John Boehner, R-Ohio, said the measure was "irresponsible."

"Listen, there's no question that the suffering of the Armenian people some 90 years ago was extreme. But what happened 90 years ago ought to

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GUARANTEED

Red Raiders defeat Aggies 35-7 despite Jorvorskie Lane's promise of win



PHOTO BY COLEMAN MOREFIELD/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH DEFENSIVE END Brandon Williams, helps tackle Jorvorskie Lane, after losing his helmet earlier in the play in Saturday's 35-7 win over Texas A&M.

By BEN MAKI
SPORTS EDITOR

As the final whistle blew to end a 35-7 Texas Tech victory over Texas A&M, the student section began chanting Ruff-in ... Ruff-in Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

No, Ruffin McNeill is not a player nor a head coach. He is the interim defensive coordinator of Tech, who held the Aggies scoreless for the final three quarters of the game.

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US Embassy may cut Blackwater ties in Iraq within 6 months

BAGHDAD (AP) — U.S. and Iraqi officials are negotiating Baghdad's demand that security company Blackwater USA be expelled from the country within six months, and American diplomats appear to be working on how to fill the security gap if the company is phased out.

The talks about Blackwater's future in Iraq flow from recommendations in an Iraqi government report on the incident Sept. 16 when, Iraqi officials determined, Blackwater guards opened fire without provocation in Baghdad's Nisoor Square and killed 17 Iraqi citizens.

The Iraqi investigators issued five recommendations to the government of Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, which has since sent them to the U.S. Embassy as demands for action.

Point No. 2 in the report says:

"The Iraqi government should demand that the United States stop using the services of Blackwater in Iraq within six months and replace it with a new, more disciplined organization that would be answerable to Iraqi laws."

Sami al-Askari, a top aide to al-Maliki, said that point in the Iraqi list of demands was nonnegotiable.

"I believe the government has been clear. There have been attacks on the lives of Iraqi citizens on the part of that company (Blackwater). It must be expelled. The government has given six months for its expulsion and it's left to the U.S. Embassy to determine with Blackwater when to terminate the contract. The American administration must find another company," he told AP.

In talks between American diplomats and the al-Maliki government, al-Askari said, the U.S. side was not "insisting on Blackwater staying." He was the only Iraqi or American official who would allow use of his name, others said information they gave was too sensitive.

Al-Askari said the Americans have been told that another demand, Blackwater payment of \$8 million in compensation for each victim,

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Regents decide on location for business college

By MAGGIE KIELY
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Board of Regents approved Thompson/Gaston Hall as the new location for the \$60 million Jerry S. Rawls College of Business building at a meeting Friday.

Mike Ellicott, vice chancellor for facilities planning and construction, presented the plans for the new building, which will create a North Campus Gateway.

The site was chosen while keeping the master plan for the university in mind, he said.

"What we're looking at, about the master plan, is really future growth," Ellicott said. "Because Tech is a very compact campus, we want to keep building buildings close in so we can keep ten minutes in between classes."

The site extends the already designed pedestrian green mall.

"We have planned a large pedestrian mall that extends from the English/Philosophy/Education complex through what's now parking, to the clock tower at Murray Hall, and we propose to continue that pedestrian mall further to the north," he said. "We need to make sure we save the green space, otherwise it kind of feels like downtown New York instead of Texas Tech."

The architecture for the building will have a Spanish Renaissance theme, matching already constructed buildings such as the English building.

"Obviously we want to have some sort of open reception area," he said. "We want to have a lot of soft student space, which is where students can informally get together with themselves, and then a lot of faculty offices and a lot of high tech classrooms."

Looking toward the future, Ellicott said eventually R.P. Fuller stadium will be relocated for construction of research and engineering academic buildings.

"The coliseum and auditorium are approaching the end of their useful life, and so we have to start planning and redesigning the North of the campus to create a significant entrance," he said.

By extending the Murray/Carpenter Wells north parking lot, Ellicott said about 250 parking spaces will be added.

Demolishing the City Bank Auditorium/Coliseum and creating more parking is something he said is in the master plan.

He does not expect the construction to start for about 18 months and said it will take about two years to complete the project.

"I think a lot of that is a function of the time it takes to do the master plan," he said, "because we want to get that building right, so that when we finish that building, and move the track and the coliseum and auditorium go away, then we've got a good looking place."

Regent Mark Griffin said now

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Division of Personal Financial Planning receives award, grant

By **MATT MCGOWAN**
STAFF WRITER

Both the Dallas/Fort Worth chapter of the Financial Planning Association and Charles Schwab Corporation recognized the accomplishments and efforts of Texas Tech's Division of Personal Financial Planning Oct. 3.

Charles Schwab awarded Tech's personal financial planning program \$1 million, half of which will fund the construction of a technology complex in the Human Sciences building. The other \$500,000 will go toward various research projects and a doctoral scholarship, said Vickie Hampton, a program director for the division.

Additionally, the Dallas/Fort Worth Chapter of the Financial Planning Association honored the program with this year's Chairman's Award in recognition of the program's contributions to the industry through education,

research and collaboration with the chapter.

"When we presented the award, we explained everything from how Tech had the first program to the quality of that program," said Trudy Turner, the chapter's chairwoman. "All of these things, all together, show Tech's commitment to the profession and, ultimately, that is what the award is all about."

Mike Cianfrocca, a company spokesperson for Charles Schwab, said the company awarded Tech the \$1 million grant and another \$250,000 to the University of California-Irvine, because it realizes there is a need to bolster the number of professionals in the rapidly growing independent financial advising industry.

Charles Schwab conducted a study to better understand the needs of independent financial advising firms, Cianfrocca said, in which 35 percent of the participating firms said hiring new talent

is the second largest roadblock on the road to growth.

"That's a big chunk," he said. "What this all tracks back to is that the industry is growing up to 20 percent in terms of the assets independent advisors manage nationwide. It's the fastest growing financial management sector. Finding talented staff is essential to being able to maintain and support that sort of growth."

The industry's breakneck growth, he said, has created a need for more college-educated professionals. This is the first of two issues Schwab geared the grants to address.

"The second thing we want to do is let this young talent know there are a lot of firms looking for them," Cianfrocca said. "It's not just the large firms, but smaller independent companies who are in need of advisers. A lot of graduates don't even realize there is that much demand out there."

An associate professor within

the program, William Gustafson, said the award and the grant attest to the top-notch nature of the program, which was one of the first 20 financial-planning degree programs in the country at its inception more than 20 years ago.

The award, he said, is indicative of the rewards from collaboration between the financial planning industry and educational institutions. The award acknowledged the success of Tech's financial-advising division, from which they draw many of their young professionals

"And likewise, the industry is turning around and they're capitalizing on their relationship with us by trying to come in to hire our students," Gustafson said. "It's kind of a symbiosis. It's been a success for Tech. It's led to success for our grads; it's led to success for those in the industry who have hired our grads."

Additionally, Tech's program

has one of the most sophisticated and comprehensive collections of financial-planning software, he said, which is worth \$1.5 million in annually donated software licenses. Combining the software collection with the new technology center will only further augment the prestige and notoriety of the program.

"You're talking about something that makes us a very visible program nationwide," Gustafson said. "The technology complex is going to let us enhance that and make it more prominent than it already is, and it is already the most prominent. That technology lab is actually part of an effort to really put an addition, or we can say, wing, on the building. It will allow us to grow."

Gustafson attributed the industry's growth and shortage woe to the high rate of retirement among baby boomers, a large demographic looking more and more to certified advisors as they

prepare financially for the end of their careers.

"What you're seeing is a societal demand in that the baby boomers are retiring," he said. "Then you're seeing financial planning industry demand in that the baby-boomer financial planners are wanting to start stepping out, and they're looking for the next generation to replace them."

The overall financial industry will continue to need more financial advisers, said Gustafson, because everybody must face financial-planning issues throughout their life, and they have three ways to do so.

"You can study it yourself, make a hobby of it; hire somebody to do it for you — hire a Tech graduate; or you can have financial planning done to you. Of the three, the one that is going to hurt the most is the last one," he said.

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Ag college raises awareness about consumer products

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Texas Tech students will have opportunities this week to deepen their understanding and appreciation for where clothes and food come from during Agriculture and Natural Resources Awareness Week.

Rachel Bobbitt, coordinator of student activities in the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, said the college is organizing events and exhibits, including a week-long poster and information display in the University Library, and Ag-In-The-Bag — a food and resources awareness event aimed at fourth graders, in the Tech Livestock Arena Tuesday through Thursday.

"Agriculture touches everybody's lives, whether they think it or not," she said, "and this is just a way to educate people about agriculture sciences and natural resources from the basics that cotton makes the clothes that they wear, milk comes from a cow and that's what they drink and things like that."

In a nation of supermarkets and

instant gratification, Bobbitt said Ag Week will serve as a reminder of behind-the-scenes work that goes into the production of items like T-shirts, beef and dairy products.

"I think (agriculture is) just one of those things that a lot of people take for granted because they don't think about where their food comes from," she said. "They just know that it's there, and they don't think about all the work and the things that go into it."

Agriculture has been characterized by stigmas in the past, something Bobbitt said she hopes Ag Week can help correct.

"People think agriculture is just cows, sows and plows, and it's so much more than that," she said. "While many of our graduates do go back to the farm and production agriculture, many of them go on to do other things. We've had politicians that are graduates of our college, and we have people that go on to run companies and invent things."

Bobbitt said because only 2 percent of people who work in agriculture are involved in production agriculture, Tech

also prepares students for careers in processing, communications and business.

"We also are very technologically advanced, and we have biotechnology programs, and we do a lot of advanced things that students might not necessarily right away associate with agriculture," she said.

The week's theme of Global Growing Careers was chosen because of an increasing demand of international opportunities in agriculture and natural resources over the past decade, said Jeff Johnson, chairman of the college's marketing and outreach committee and an assistant professor in the college.

"It's an interesting field because there are so many opportunities," he said. "There's just been a huge surge in opportunities that are international in nature, especially from many of the large multinational companies, and we want to present students with interesting opportunities and prepare them for the requirements of these jobs."

As part of the week, Johnson said a poster display in the University Library Croslin room will showcase the work

and careers of graduates of the college, which he hopes will provide information and direction to Tech students who are undecided about their majors or looking for a minor.

"We're not trying to steal people from other majors," he said, "but we want to show opportunities for folks who are not sure exactly what they want to do."

More than 1,300 students from Lubbock-area public schools are expected to participate in the Ag-In-The-Bag event, where they can walk through eight information stations on the topics of cotton, corn, peanuts, wheat, food science, beef, water and the Mobile Dairy Classroom.

Johnson said the event takes its name from free lunch bags students are provided and is co-sponsored by the Lubbock Chambers of Commerce and Cooperative Extension Services.

"The focus is to talk about where your food comes from," he said. "They'll talk about the different food articles in their lunch bag and how it's produced and how it's processed and how it's brought from the fields to your lunch bag."

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Fiery pileup in Los Angeles-area freeway tunnel kills 3

SANTA CLARITA, Calif. (AP) — Firefighters finished removing charred debris Sunday from a freeway tunnel where three people died in a fiery, 29-vehicle pileup that could keep a major interstate shut down for days.

Investigators determined 28 commercial vehicles and one passenger vehicle were involved in the crash late Friday that killed three people and injured at least 10, Deputy Fire Chief John Tripp said. The search of the debris ended Sunday morning and confirmed no more fatalities.

With the large numbers of vehicles trapped inside the tunnel, "there was a potential for a greater number of critical injuries, let alone fatalities," Tripp said.

Officials hope to reopen the southbound lanes of the closed freeway by Tuesday morning, but they have been hampered by concern about how many repairs will have to be made for the tunnel to be safe.

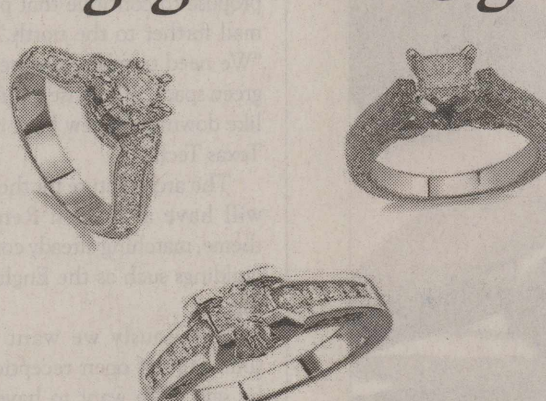
"Our goal is to get the roadway open as quickly as possible," said Will Kempton, director of the California Department of Transportation.

At least five big rigs burst into flames that spread to other vehicles and burned a full day after the crash on a rainy Friday night. At the height of the fire, flames shot out of both ends of the 550-foot-long tunnel, rising as high as 100 feet, firefighters said.

About 300 firefighters were fighting the fire early Saturday, and the intense heat caused concrete to crack and melt, sending chunks falling onto a road below. Small fires lingered even as debris was being removed Saturday afternoon.

The bodies of two crash victims were found early Saturday and a third was found later in the day, authorities said. The dead were two adult males and one child, Los Angeles County Fire Inspector Jason Hurd said Sunday.

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Saddle Tramps unsuccessful in 'Vick 'Em' T-shirt collection

By MATT MCGOWAN
STAFF WRITER

The Saddle Tramps, a Texas Tech spirit organization, unsuccessfully attempted to collect as many of the much-publicized "Vick 'Em" T-shirts as possible Thursday outside the Student Union Building.

The Saddle Tramps' effort came one day after Tech administrators placed the sponsors of the shirts, Theta Chi, on disciplinary probation for its role in the prohibited, on-campus sale of the shirts.

Jonathan Merritt, president of the Saddle Tramps and a senior personal financial planning major from Corpus Christi, said the Saddle Tramps initially had planned to trade out the organization's "Wreck 'Em, Tech" T-shirts for the controversial "Vick 'Em" shirts.

After sitting outside of the SUB for several hours without a single trade, he

said, the Saddle Tramps began giving their shirts to anybody who could recite Tech's fight song.

"We were trying to offset what happened and make this a little better situation," Merritt said. "It really hasn't made the best headlines and press. We think it will be best if nobody ever wore them, because all that's going to do is create more scrutiny over our school, and it's something that is unneeded."

It is not surprising nobody wants to trade in the increasingly valuable shirts, he said, because after all the recent press coverage, the shirts are selling for hundreds of dollars on eBay.

"People are keeping them. People are selling them," Merritt said. "There were only 300 of them that were made, and so people who have them, I guess, are pretty fortunate with all the people that want them. If they're going to keep them, I'd rather them not wear them. But, I mean, they're already out

there. Like I said, they're definitely collector's items."

Amy Niezgoda, a junior photo communications major from Rowlett, said she wore her friend's "Vick 'Em" shirt yesterday around campus, and several people asked her if she knew where they could buy one.

"I was in McAllister's yesterday, and an alum asked if they were still selling them. He really wanted one," she said. "More people are liking the shirt than calling it trash. I wouldn't trade it in. Since it's banned, I think it's just something that is, you know, limited edition."

Few people criticized her Wednesday when she wore the shirt, Niezgoda said.

"A couple of my sorority sisters said something to me," she said. "One of them was like, 'That's just tasteless, but it's funny.' A lot of people think it's just funny."

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Blackwater

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was negotiable.

"With the investigations and reviews ongoing, it would be clearly premature to say that any definitive determinations have been made about the future of the Blackwater contract," a senior U.S. official in Baghdad said.

Another diplomat, speaking privately, said he did not see how the State Department could insist on keeping Blackwater in place given how "tainted" it had become after the Sept. 16 incident and several others.

In an interview to be broadcast Monday on PBS, Charlie Rose asked Blackwater chief Erik Prince about the issue.

"We'll do what we're told and, you know, make the transition as smooth as possible," Prince said.

A Shiite lawmaker who sits on parliament's security and defense committee said al-Maliki has complained that the United States embassy had not briefed the Iraqis on what was learned when Blackwater guards were questioned.

He said two Iraqi security officials were briefly allowed to sit in as observers on two questioning sessions of the Blackwater guards.

The Iraqi government investigative report said Blackwater guards had killed 21 other Iraqi citizens and wounded 27 in a total of seven previous incidents, including a shooting by a drunk Blackwater employee after a 2006 Christmas party. Congress is investigating whether the government relies too heavily on private contractors who fall outside the military courts martial system.

While the Blackwater name may be removed from security operations surrounding U.S. diplomats in Iraq, American officials and members of the security community in Baghdad said the company's men and other assets in Iraq would likely be taken over by one of the many security companies currently working in Iraq.

They said DynCorp, which already has security contracts with the State Department to guard officials working outside Baghdad, appeared poised to take over the Blackwater role.

Under the terms of the department's Worldwide Personal Protective Security contract, which

covers privately contracted guards for diplomats in Iraq, Blackwater, Dyncorp and Triple Canopy are the only three companies eligible to bid on specific task orders there. Dyncorp and Triple Canopy are both based in Washington's northern Virginia suburbs. Blackwater works from a huge complex in Moyock, N.C.

While DynCorp and Triple Canopy already work in Iraq, neither company is believed to have the infrastructure in place to take over Blackwater's responsibilities in the six-month period demanded by the al-Maliki government.

The FBI has taken over an investigation of the Sept. 16 shooting and questioned Iraqi witnesses to the shooting Saturday at the Iraqi National Police headquarters about 500 yards from Nisoor Square.

Prince says reports he has indicated one of the four Blackwater gun trucks involved in the shooting came under fire. He said the company reports say the truck had bullet pockmarks and was damaged badly enough that it had to be towed. No other witness, those interviewed by AP or Iraqi government investigators, told of gunfire on the Blackwater vehicles or of one being towed.

Business

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that the site has been chosen, regents need to start thinking about what will go on inside the building.

"We've got a beautiful building, and we need to make sure what is inside is worthy of the building," he said.

Regent Wendy Sitton said she was not originally on board with Thompson/Gaston Hall being the new site for the business building, but after being presented the master plan, she believes it is the best choice.

Mason Moses, president of the Student Government Association, said although originally the SGA campaigned Broadway Avenue and 18th Street as the location for the new building, he believes the chosen location is more appropriate in the long run.

"SGA was very involved," he said, "thinking about how this is going to affect students, and I think as far as the master plan goes for the university it's going to be a good one."

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Rice criticizes Putin's concentration of power

MOSCOW (AP) — The Russian government under Vladimir Putin has amassed so much central authority that the power-grab may undermine Moscow's commitment to democracy, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said Saturday.

"In any country, if you don't have countervailing institutions, the power of any one president is problematic for democratic development," Rice told reporters after meeting with human-rights activists.

"I think there is too much concentration of power in the Kremlin. I have told the Russians that. Everybody has doubts about the full independence of the judiciary. There are clearly questions about the independence of the electronic media and there are, I think, questions about the strength of the Duma," said Rice, referring to the Russian parliament.

Telephone messages left with

Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov were not immediately returned Saturday evening.

The top American diplomat encouraged the activists to build institutions of democracy. These would help combat arbitrary state power amid increasing pressure from the Kremlin, she said.

The U.S. is concerned about the centralization of power and democratic backsliding ahead of Russia's legislative and presidential elections in December and March. Putin will step down next year as president. He has said he would lead the ticket of the main pro-Kremlin party in the parliamentary elections and could take the prime minister's job later.

Rice sought opinions and assessments of the situation from eight prominent rights leaders.

"I talked to people about the coming months and how they see the coming months. How these two elections are carried out will have an effect on whether Russia is

making the next step on toward democracy," Rice said after the private sessions at Spaso House, the residence of the U.S. ambassador in Moscow.

Rice and Defense Secretary Robert Gates on Friday received a chilly reception from Putin and senior Russian officials on U.S. proposals for cooperating on a missile defense system in Eastern Europe that Russia vehemently opposes.

But as she has in the past, Rice declined comment on Putin's possible political future and said she did not raise the matter in her official discussions.

Although she would not speculate about Putin's ambitions, Rice said there were signs that whatever transition occurs could be smooth.

"To the degree that anyone can predict, it looks like it will be fairly stable," she said. "But, I would just caution that change is change."

TECH TAILGATERS TALK ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCES BEFORE SATURDAY'S GAME

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By **BILL ANDREWS**
THE DAILY CARDINAL (U. WISCONSIN)

(U-WIRE) MADISON, Wis. — For some of my nerdy friends, it appears that wishes do come true.

Now, to ensure we get off on the right foot, I don't mean "nerd" as a pejorative, just as a casual description. For as long as high school movies have existed, nerds have been the object of fun, but recently many have started being proud of their skills, and even their ineptness. As I said, they got their wish: somehow, against all odds (and definitions), nerds are becoming popular.

To find proof of the rising status of nerds, you only need to direct your attention to TV shows like "Beauty & the Geek," "Chuck" and "The Big Bang Theory." (On second thought, don't really watch them; they're not all that good. But, you get my point.) In each show, nerds are depicted with reasonable accuracy, as is whatever obscure nerdy topic they're discussing, usually physics. ("The Big Bang Theory" is the best at this, seamlessly weaving Oppenheimer, Mandelbrot and Klingon phrases into the punchlines.)

As TV nerds rise to the occasion,

“...seamlessly weaving Oppenheimer, Mandelbrot and Klingon phrases into punchlines.”

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the public also appears to be growing a bit nerdier. The Sept. 25 release date of Halo 3 saw \$170 million worth of sales, according to MS-NBC, more than any opening day for anything in history. Now, it might be hard for some younger readers to believe, but not too long ago video games were considered extremely nerdy; the fact that one could outperform the film industry so decisively would have been considered shocking.

Could it be that, just as nerdy activities become increasingly mainstream, so could other currently unpopular activities? Is it just a matter of time before a show like "Who wants to be a mathematician?" becomes a hit? Are Dungeons & Dragons matches going to replace clubs (or wherever you kids meet nowadays) as the new hip places to be? Will plaid become the new black?

Probably not. For one thing, D&D will never, ever, become hip. But, for another, nerds aren't being assimilated into society, they're just becoming more visible. The shows I mentioned above, while doing a nice job (certainly better than past shows) of portraying nerds as real people

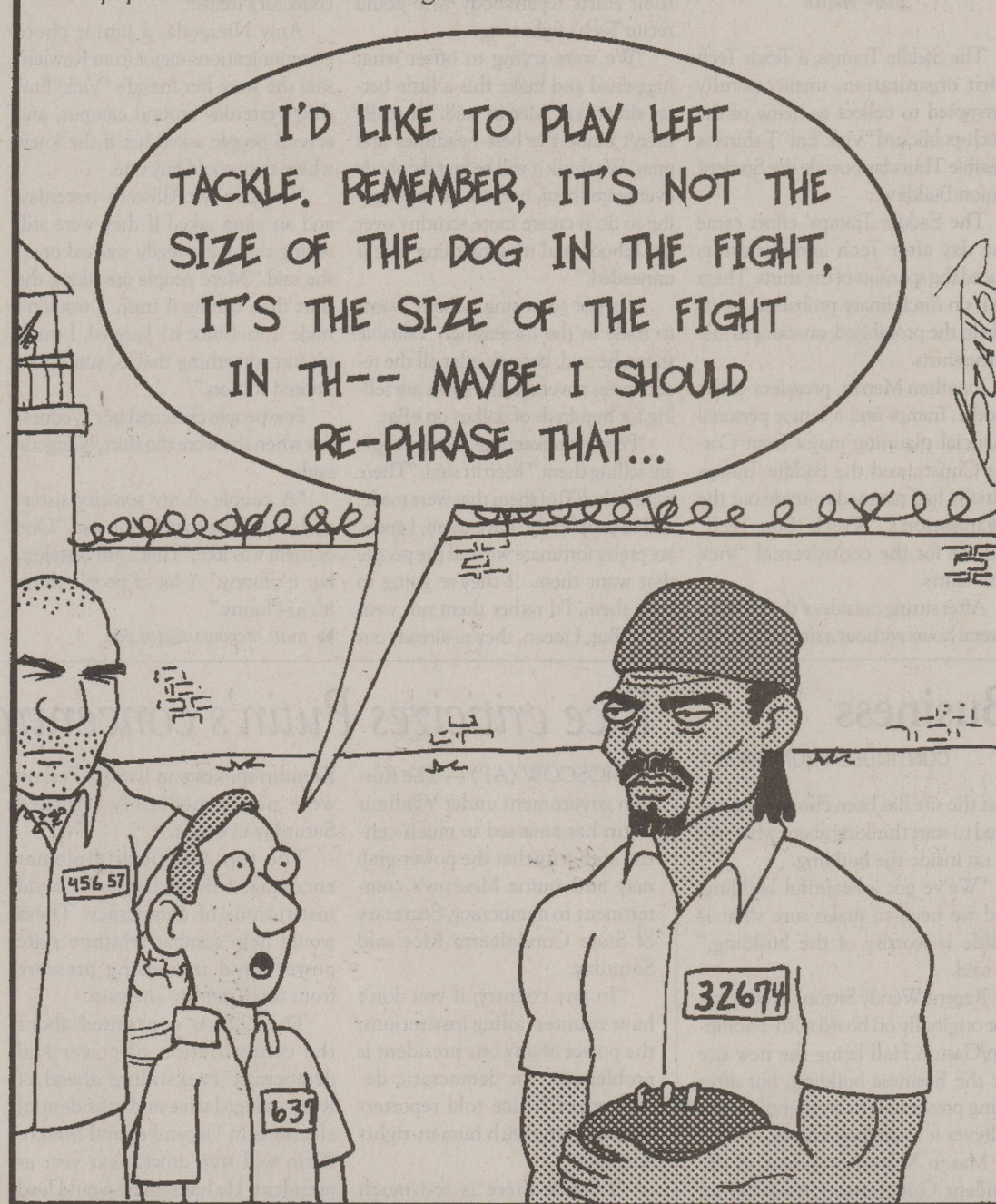
with emotions and all that, still paint them primarily as one-dimensional nerds. They're good at math, computers and physics, but bad at talking to others, especially girls. I mean, heck, that's the whole point of "Beauty & the Geek" (and what makes it so entertaining). It's nice to see more nerds taking center stage, but it'd be even nicer if they didn't perpetuate the existing stereotypes.

As for Halo 3, well, it's what some hard-core gamers refer to as a "frat video game." To hope that Halo 3's success is an indication that nerds will be better accepted would be like hoping that football players' popularity will rub off on the marching band. It's not really how things work.

So, what are nerds to do? Are they doomed forever to toil as unpopular and unhappy mental laborers? Again, probably not. Most of the "nerds" I know (and it's a lot) aren't really as nerdy as you'd think. UW-Madison math professor Joel Robbin, a person knowledgeable (and connected) in one of the nerdiest fields, agrees. "There's a whole gamut of human personalities," he said. "And I'm not aware that we're all viewed as nerds." The classical nerd portrayal, as seen in "Beauty & the Geek" or "The Big Bang Theory," "is not true."

For most nerds, it's not so much a choice between smarts or popularity, but achieving a comfortable balance. Some of us prefer sucrose with our C8H10N4O2, and others just want sugar with our coffee. The fact both are easy to get is just more proof that wishes can come true after all.

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Try-Outs for Michael Vick's
Prison Football Team

Protecting young women from diseases and parents

By **MARGARET SESSA-HAWKINS**
CAVALIER DAILY (U. VIRGINIA)

(U-WIRE) CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — In case you were buried in the depths of Clemons Library last year and missed it, a vaccine for HPV — Gardasil, manufactured by Merck — was approved by the Food and Drug Administration, and recommended for girls ages nine to 26 by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. And so the controversy began.

Soon after the CDC recommended the vaccine, states began considering legislation that would make the vaccine mandatory for girls entering middle school. Michigan was the first state to introduce such legislation. It failed. In February, the governor of Texas issued an executive order mandating that girls entering the sixth grade get the vaccine. The order was overridden by legislators. This meant that in March, when Virginia (yes, Virginia) passed legislation requir-

ing the vaccine for girls entering middle school, it became the only state to have a school requirement for the vaccine. Currently 41 states and the District of Columbia have legislation dealing with the vaccine on the docket, and in every single one of these states — Virginia included — parents have the right to exempt their daughter from getting the shot should they so choose.

Now I'm a little confused. School mandated shots serve two purposes: Firstly, to protect the child themselves from said disease, and possible effects of the disease, including permanent health complications or death, secondly to protect other children who would come into contact with the child from said disease. For this reason, parent exceptions are rarely allowed. Denying a child a vaccine could endanger not only them but also the children around them. Yet with the HPV vaccine, exemptions are not only allowed, they are necessary in order for legislation to even have a chance at passing.

HPV is a sexually transmitted disease, certain strains of which can cause cervical cancer. The HPV vaccine guards against strains six, 11, 16 and 18, which are linked to almost 70 percent of cancer cases. The point of mandating the vaccine for middle school girls is to guard them against the disease before there is any chance of them contracting it.

It would be different if there were a concern about the safety of a new vaccine. There isn't. Gardasil is made from the protein coating of HPV, so no actual live virus ever enters girls' bodies. This is about the increasingly antiquated, yet ever-persistent idea that the more protection is offered against sexually transmitted diseases even STDs that were until recently unidentified — the more kids will have casual sex.

Here are some statistics. According to a survey by the Guttmacher Institute as reported by NBC, 95 percent of Americans report having had pre-marital sex.

By the time they are 60, more than 80 percent of women will have contracted HPV, and cervical cancer is the second-leading killer of women worldwide.

So, should girls get the vaccine to prevent themselves from HPV and possible complications of HPV, one of which is death? I'm going to go with yes. And should girls get vaccinated against HPV to avoid spreading the disease? Again, yes. And, just because the manner the

disease is spread has a social stigma attached, does that make it any less of a danger to women's health, or any less imperative that children get the vaccine when recommended by the CDC? Definitely not. Parents who do not have their children vaccinated are being recklessly irresponsible.

Meanwhile, we are all (for the most part) over 18 and responsible for our own health now. I personally had my third and last Gardasil shot

just a month ago. My insurance, BlueCross/BlueShield, now covers the shots, as do Aetna and GHI. The gynecology clinic will provide the shot, and student health also runs HPV shot clinics Monday through Friday, nine to noon, and again from two to four. The vaccine is not a particularly painful one, and I have to say, looking at my arm and realizing that, thanks to a shot I am now 70 percent less likely to get cancer is not something that,

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I have never been treated so poorly as I was treated in Lubbock.

I originally wanted to sit in the student section, but everyone told me that it wasn't safe. I didn't believe them. After all wasn't it just a football game? So I sat on the edge of the student section, wearing a maroon shirt and hat. I was spit on, punched from behind, called many derogatory names and hit over the head with a Reveille doll. I had to take off my hat because everyone kept trying to take it from me. I saw bleachers get ripped from the stands and an Aggie was escorted out of the section because he or she was being antagonized.

When the Aggie band went out the field, Raiders called them "Nazis" and "a fake military" and used the Nazi salute towards the Corps, which I find to be ironic since the Corps wears the same uniform as

the soldiers wore in World War II against the Nazis. And more than half of the Corps is in the military or are training to be officers in the military. The Corps is not fake; it is a military training equal to that of any of the military academies.

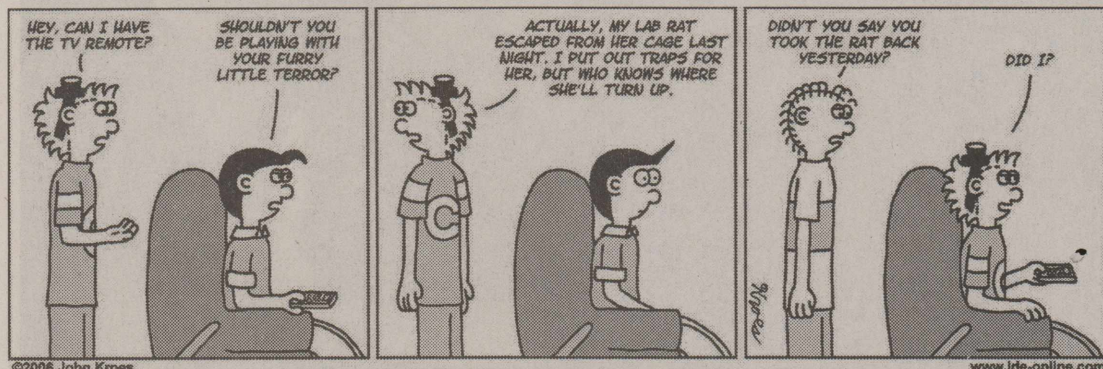
This would not have bothered me if the Raiders around them didn't say a word. Raiders have promised me that these antagonists are a minority, but I will not go to Lubbock ever again, since the majority was silent while the minority did these things to me.

Last year in College Station, Texas Tech guests were treated like actual people. Only one drunken Aggie said anything antagonistic to the guests, and the people around him told him to be quiet. There were Raiders throughout the entire Corps block and the student section, and no Aggie tried to kick them out.

It wasn't the game; I couldn't care less about scoring or winning. I just wanted to have a good time with my friend, who is a freshman here at Texas Tech. But he had to split up from me because people were insulting him for bringing me to the game. I was shocked and saddened. I will never come back here. And why would I? So I could be treated like trash?

If Raiders truly follow the words "honor, respect, pride and tradition," then they need to treat their guests like people, and encourage others to treat guests with respect. There needs to be open discouragement for those minorities who would act so rude and antagonistic. I am ashamed they call themselves Texans. I am embarrassed for Texas Tech University.

Gerald Spencer, freshman,
Texas A&M University



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New vice chancellor hired to raise funds for Tech growth

By **MAGGIE KIELY**
STAFF WRITER

In an effort to raise more capital for future projects, Texas Tech hired a new vice chancellor to head up fundraising.

Tech Chancellor Kent Hance announced the hiring of Kelley Overley as vice chancellor Thursday.

Hance said the search for a new vice chancellor has been in the works since January, and he believes Overley exceeds the job qualifications because of her work in fundraising.

"She worked for Texas Tech in El Paso, and she had head up our development," he said. "They set up a goal to raise \$25 million in five years, and she finished the campaign in two years and raised over \$82 million."

Overley, who previously served as senior director of development for the Paul L. Foster School of Medicine at the Tech Health Sciences



KELLEY OVERLEY

Center at El Paso, said she raised the money by contacting those who had connections to the university or El Paso. All the money was raised in El Paso, most of it coming from private donors, she said.

"I think it's just because we have a great project," Overley said. "It's

the first medical school on the Mexican border; I just think it's something everyone wants to get on board with."

A Tech public relations graduate, Overley said she is excited about coming back to Lubbock. In addition to her bachelor's degree, she holds a master's degree in educational administration from the University of Texas at El Paso, where she also earned her doctorate in 2006.

Hance said Overley will be in charge of the capital campaign and all fundraising. She also will help select a director of communications for the Tech system.

"My role is to assist (Hance) to launch a capital campaign, the biggest one at Texas Tech," she said. "We still need to sit down and assess the areas in need, the monetary goal has not been determined."

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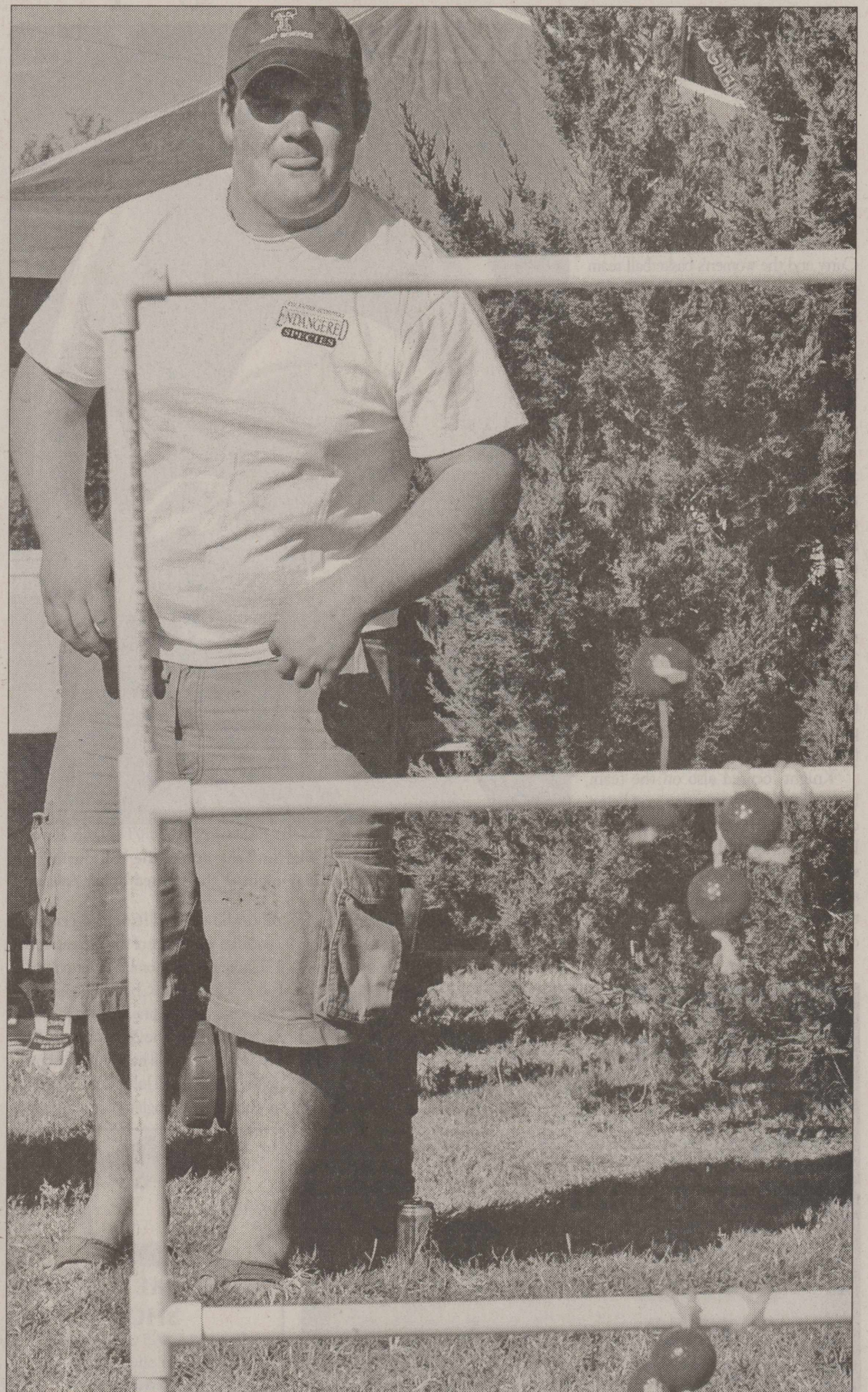


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MATT SELLERS, A senior agricultural education major from Sherman, watches his toss during a game of Ladder Ball while tailgating before the Texas A&M football game Saturday morning in the commuter west parking lot.

Democrats pledge new bill should veto override fail

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Democratic leaders said Sunday they were working to gather votes to override a veto on a popular children's health program, but pledged to find a way to cover millions without insurance should their effort fail.

In talk show interviews, Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Majority Leader Steny Hoyer did not dispute claims by Republican leaders that the GOP will have enough votes to sustain President Bush's veto when the House holds its override vote on Thursday.

Pelosi and Hoyer promised to pass another bipartisan bill if needed.

"Isn't that sad for America's children?" said Pelosi, D-Calif., when asked about the GOP's assurances the override vote will fail. "It doesn't mean we aren't working hard throughout the country: governors, mayors, people who deal with children on a regular basis.

"We'll try very hard to override it. But one thing's for sure: We won't rest until those 10 million children have health care," she said in an interview broadcast Sunday.

Hoyer, D-Md., declined to predict Thursday's vote.

"This is a defining moment for the Republican Party, in my opinion," Hoyer said, before adding later: The program is "not going to die. We're going to go back and we're going to pass another bill."

House Democrats scheduled the vote after Bush earlier this month vetoed legislation that would increase spending for the State Children's Health Insurance Program by \$35 billion over five years. Bush has called for a \$5 billion increase.

An override requires a two-thirds majority in the House and Senate. The Senate approved the increase by a veto-proof margin, but the earlier House vote fell about two dozen votes short.

The program provides health insurance to children in families with incomes too great for Medicaid eligibility but not enough to afford private insurance. Bush has said the bill is too costly. The president now says he might be willing to provide more than \$5 billion originally offered but that the current proposal shifts too much insurance burden onto the government rather than private providers.

On Sunday, House Minority Leader John Boehner, R-Ohio, said he hopes that Democrats will agree to negotiate once the veto is sustained so that the children's insurance program can be reauthorized.

"We will have the votes to sustain the president's veto," Boehner said. "And I think the differences are resolvable, but we're standing on our principle that poor kids ought to come first."

Turkey

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be a subject for historians to sort out, not politicians here in Washington," he told "Fox News Sunday."

About 70 percent of U.S. air cargo headed for Iraq goes through Turkey as does about one-third of the fuel used by the U.S. military there. U.S. bases also get water and other supplies carried in overland by Turkish trucks who cross into Iraq's northern Kurdish region.

In addition, C-17 cargo planes fly military supplies to U.S. soldiers in remote areas of Iraq from Incirlik, avoiding the use of Iraqi roads vulner-

able to bomb attacks. U.S. officials say the arrangement helps reduce American casualties.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice has "urged restraint" from Turkey and sent two high-ranking officials to Ankara in an apparent attempt to ease fury over the measure which could be voted on by the House by the end of the year.

Buyukanit's remarks were published a day after a visit by Dan Fried, assistant secretary of state for European affairs, and Eric Edelman, who is the undersecretary of defense for policy.

"Secretary of State Rice Condoleezza Rice asked us before we came here to express that the Bush admin-

istration is opposed to this resolution," Edelman said Saturday.

At issue in the resolution is the killing of up to 1.5 million Armenians by Ottoman Turks. Many international historians contend the World War I-era deaths amounted to genocide, but Turkey says the mass killings and deportations were not systematic and that many Turkish Muslims died in the chaos of war.

The congressional resolution comes as the Turkish parliament debates authorizing a military campaign into northern Iraq to root out rebels who seek a unified, independent nation for Kurds in the region.

U.S. officials have urged Turkey

not to send troops and appealed for a diplomatic solution with Iraq. The Kurdish self-rule region in northern Iraq is one of the country's few relatively stable areas and the Kurds here are also a longtime U.S. ally.

A Kurdish rebel commander on Saturday said Turkey would face a long and bloody conflict if it launched a large-scale offensive in northern Iraq.

Speaking to The Associated Press deep in the Qandil mountains straddling the Iraq-Turkish border, some 94 miles from the northern Iraqi Kurdish city of Sulaimaniyah, Murat Karayilan, head of the armed wing of the Kurdistan Workers' Party, or PKK, warned

that an eventual Turkish incursion would "make Turkey experience a Vietnam war."

The PKK has been fighting for autonomy in southeast Turkey since

1984. The conflict has claimed tens of thousands of lives. Turkey says the rebels use Iraqi Kurdish territory as a safe haven. Iraqi and Kurdish authorities reject the claim.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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Texas Tech basketball teams begin preseason practices

By ALEX YBARRA AND ADAM COLEMAN
STAFF WRITERS

Texas Tech basketball fans had a chance to see a preview of the 2007-2008 basketball team Friday as practice was open to any fan at the United Spirit Arena.

Tech women's basketball coach Kristy Curry and the women's basketball team were in attendance as the Red Raiders and the Lady Raiders were introduced to the crowd.

Before the practice, Knight greeted the crowd and explained how the Red Raiders run their practices before the season starts.

"We really appreciate you coming to see us," he said. "I'm not really sure you'll appreciate what you'll see. But if I appreciate it, I know you will. What you will see tonight is us working on both ends of the floor, both on the offensive end and defensive end."

Practice originally was set to last for two hours, starting with shooting drills. The Red Raiders then focused on two-on-two and three-on-two drills at each end of the court. Both of these drills focused on passing, rebounding, transition defense, fastbreaks and driving to the basket.

Knight focused also on the team being alert in key situations and being quick. In between each session, the Red Raiders focused on free throw sessions. Other team workouts included a five-on-four full court session and a three-minute half including all players of the team.

The Red Raiders are welcoming back

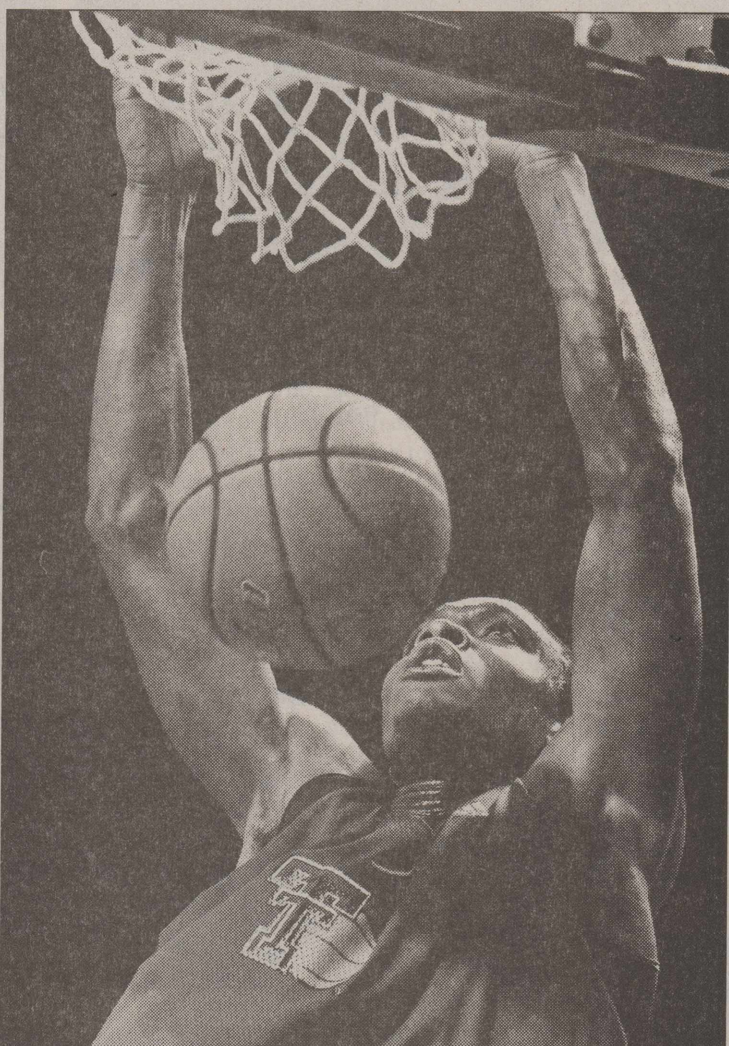


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TEXAS TECH SENIOR guard Martin Zeno dunks the ball during the mens basketball open practice Friday night at the United Spirit Arena.

10 players from the 2006-07 team, which had a NCAA Tournament berth. Among those players are senior guard Martin

Zeno, who averaged 16.6 points per game. Zeno also was a part of the preseason Big 12 Conference honorable mention team. Fellow senior guard Charlie Burgess averaged 9 points per game and was the third leading scorer on the 2006-07 team. The Red Raiders also will have three freshmen on the roster: guard John Robertson, and forwards Mike Singletary and D'wayn

Roberts.

Senior Lady Raider basketball player Erin Myrick told coach Kristy Curry this offseason she wants to finish her collegiate career the same way she started as a freshman, with a trip to the NCAA Tournament.

This year's motto, "Find a way," puts the plan into action.

"It's about finding a way to get back to the NCAA tournament," Curry said, "and if we can find a way to do that, that's what it's about."

With four starters gone from the 2006-07 team, including Alesha Robertson, who averaged 13.2 points per game in 2006, Tech brought in a top-10 recruiting class including seven junior college transfers.

"We have more athleticism, more quickness, more size," Curry said. "Each one of them brings something unique, and I think they all have a chance to contribute."

Players from the recruiting class include Stancia Graham and Dominic Seals, who has been named the preseason Big 12 newcomer of the year.

Seals originally signed with Tech out of Dallas Lincoln High School, but has played the previous two seasons at South Plains College, where she helped lead South Plains to a 31-2 record as a sophomore Kodak All-American and the State Farm/WBCA National Player of the Year.

"Being honored is just being honored," Seals said of being named newcomer of the year, "but to keep that for the rest of the year is the challenge."

Seals will transition to Tech basketball with two teammates from South Plains College, guard Alana Rumph and forward Ashlee Roberson.

Tech returns two players who saw action as a starter in Jordan Murphree, who averaged 9.1 points and 3 assists per game at guard, and Myrick, who averaged 8.5 points and 7 rebounds per game at center.

Senior Tawanna Flowers said the athleticism and depth of this year's team gives Tech the opportunity to play a more fast-paced style.

"We're going to run a lot more," she said. "In the past we've been more structured and slowed the game down. We ran when we could. It's going to be a lot of up-and-down game this year, because our guards are awesome. They're going to push the ball."

The Lady Raiders will play an exhibition game against the Houston Jaguars at 1 p.m. Nov. 4 at the United Spirit Arena.

The Red Raiders will kick off their season against UC-Riverside at 1 p.m., Nov. 10 at the United Spirit Arena.

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Women's soccer wins back-to-back conference games at home

By ALEX YBARRA
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of the net, just out of Tech goal keeper Tina Rincon's reach.

The Texas Tech women's soccer team won back-to-back conference games for the first time since 2000 after beating Iowa State and Nebraska over the weekend at R.P. Fuller Stadium.

The Red Raiders scored three second-half goals within 10 minutes to erase a 1-0 Iowa State lead and snap a three-game losing streak with a 3-1 victory.

Tech had not won against the Cyclones in 10 years.

Tech tied the game 1-1 off a set piece in the 60th minute when Sarabeth Clopton put the ball deep inside the box, which defender Brittney Harrison headed through the defense for her second goal of the season.

Six minutes later, Harrison passed to midfielder Zhaleh Rezaie on the left side of Iowa State's goal, and she then sent a line-drive shot across the goal and into the right side of the net.

Freshman defender Halie Cdebaca scored three minutes later when her shot hit the goal post and bounced in.

"I've had some shots way out there, and they all hit the cross bar," Cdebaca said of her first career goal. "Finally one hit the cross bar and actually went in. It was a great experience going up 3-1 on a team that we haven't beat in a while was great."

Up to this point, all of the Red Raiders' goals were scored in the second half.

"We've been great all season in the second half, we've put the hammer down and every game — even when we've lost — we've been a second half team," Tech coach Tom Stone said. "If that will just continue with the wind (in the second half), we knew we had a shot. I feel like late in the game there was no chance of us letting that get away."

The Cyclones scored in the ninth minute when forward Stephanie Kaphingst scored off a set shot that went in the upper-right corner

"Once the first one went in, you just got a feel it wasn't going to stop," Stone said. "I thought (Zhaleh's) goal was phenomenal. She had probably her best game of the season (Friday), and then Halie Cdebaca's goal — what a bomb."

Tech outshot Iowa State (6-3-3, 2-2-1 Big 12) 26-14, but managed to win one corner kick to the Cyclone's four. After Tech's first 19 shots of the game, the Red Raiders scored on three out of their next five shots.

Tech (5-6-1, 3-3) came from behind for the second straight game and defeated Nebraska 2-1 Sunday at R.P. Fuller Stadium.

Nebraska (5-5-3, 1-2) scored five minutes into the first half when midfielder Sari Raber scored off a ball that was crossed in front of Rincon.

Tech midfielder Maegan Wilber tied the game 1-1 in the 21st minute after she tapped in a loose ball that came off the head of Clopton.

Tech took the lead in the 52nd minute when Rezaie headed the ball into the net before Nebraska goal keeper Jessica Mills could get her hands on it.

"The test for this team was really the last 20 minutes," Stone said. "Holding on to a lead against a great team that knows how to win. I'm so proud of the girls for doing that (Sunday)."

Stone said his players deserve the credit because they worked hard on putting the ball in the net during practice.

"Goals haven't been easy for us the whole season," he said. "We just haven't gotten away from it, and the girls haven't beaten themselves up about it."

Rezaie, who leads the team with three goals, became the first player to score in consecutive games since Harrison did it in 2006.

"I've been really frustrated with my play lately," Rezaie said. "I just felt like I was kind of off, and I knew what I had to work on. I talked to coach Stone multiple times this week, and he just told me what I needed to do. So I worked on it all week, and it paid off."

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Lane, Texas A&M fail to deliver on promise

By ADAM COLEMAN
STAFF WRITER

Texas A&M running back Jorvorskie Lane's words do not carry much weight.

Lane has guaranteed a win over Miami and Texas Tech this season. Both have been incorrect.

"That's just a confident young man, confident in his team, and you can never fault a guy that is confident," Texas A&M coach Dennis Franchione said. "You want guys that are confident on your team, especially when you come (to Lubbock)."

The Aggies rushed for 233 yards and one touchdown by Lane, the only score of the game for Texas A&M.

Lane finished with 13 carries for 48 yards. A&M quarterback

Stephen McGee had 14 carries for 89 yards and running back Mike Goodson had 13 carries for 70 yards.

The 1-yard rushing touchdown by Lane came on the Aggies first possession with 6:57 left in the first quarter. Lane also had two receptions for 12 yards.

"We came out and ran the ball well," Lane said, "but we got behind and had to throw the ball. We made a lot of mistakes. Tech's offense does a real good job at what they do. The mistakes we gave away, the fumbles we could have had and lost — the final score was devastating."

The Aggies had 14 combined carries in the first quarter from Lane and Goodson, while the A&M running backs rushed the ball twice in the fourth quarter for 13 yards.

While giving credit to the

Tech defense, Goodson said the change in carries from the first to the fourth was the team following Franchione's orders.

"I don't think anything changed," he said. "I think those guys made a couple of nice plays. They had a great game — you can't take anything from them. We did run it four times in the fourth quarter, that's a big change from the first, but if coach thought that's what we needed to do them."

Based on cumulative opposition, The Aggies have the No. 2 toughest schedule in the nation. Texas A&M's opponents' combined record is 24-7, which is the best in the nation.

Saturday's loss against Tech was the Aggies' third straight to the Red Raiders and their seventh

straight in Lubbock.

Lane said he has no remorse in saying anything he said prior to the Aggies' game against Tech Saturday and is looking forward to A&M's remaining schedule.

"No, I don't regret anything," he said. "It was a guarantee; it was a motivational thing for my team. We lost. What can I say? We start practice back tomorrow and we get ready for Nebraska. We win together and lose together."

Out of the five remaining conference games for the Aggies, three are on the road. They will face Nebraska, Missouri and Oklahoma on the road with Texas and Kansas at home. Texas A&M is undefeated at home in 2007, but has been unable to manage a win in two games on the road.



PHOTO BY KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS A&M RUNNING back Jorvorskie Lane failed to deliver after guaranteeing a victory over Texas Tech.

Tech utilizes ground game to overcome Aggie defense

By ADAM COLEMAN
STAFF WRITER

The Texas A&M Aggies saw Texas Tech running back Shannon Woods do more than catch balls out of the backfield.

Woods posted a season-high in yards on the ground with 93 and a career-high in carries with 21. He also found the end zone on a 1-yard sweep to put Tech up 21-7 with 25 seconds remaining in the second quarter.

Tech coach Mike Leach said it eased him to see other ways the Tech offense could score besides through the air.

"It was a little disturbing," Leach said. "We will have to throw the ball a little more next time, but it was good to see other people stepping up

and making plays when they have the opportunity."

The Red Raiders finished with 108 yards rushing on 29 attempts. Tech running back Kobey Lewis contributed with three carries for 22 yards. Along with Shannon Woods' touchdown, Harrell also had a 1-yard rushing score in the fourth quarter. Woods finished the game with 126 all-purpose yards, including five catches for 33 yards.

"A lot of times we were trying to take advantage of them playing not too many guys in the box," Tech quarterback Graham Harrell said. "We did discuss, in preparation all week, that they are going to give us some fronts we can run at."

Prior to Saturday's game with Texas

A&M, Woods season-high in rushing yards was 75 yards against UTEP.

The Red Raiders attempted 37 passes, the lowest total this season. Tech put up 533 yards of offense on 66 total plays, while averaging 8.1 yards per play, including 3.7 yards per gain on the ground.

Texas A&M defensive back Devin Gregg said the difference between the first and second quarters showed how Tech was able to overcome the Aggie defense.

"First quarter we came out and played (well)," Gregg said. "We had momentum and we were playing well and a couple of plays changed it, and their offense started clicking. I think they found a rhythm, and we were off balance in our coverages."

Woods has 74 carries for 409 yards and eight touchdowns this season while averaging 58.4 yards per game.

Prior to the Texas A&M game, Tech ranked last in the Big 12 Conference in rushing offense averaging 77.2 yards on the ground per game. The Red Raiders are now averaging 81.5 rushing yards per game. A&M had the No. 8 rushing defense in the conference heading into its game with Tech Saturday.

"I wasn't surprised," Texas A&M linebacker Mark Dodge said. "Coach said they probably come out and run the ball the first play of the game, and they did exactly that. They were able to move the ball a couple times."

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TEXAS TECH'S SHANNON Woods carries the ball against Texas A&M Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

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