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Officials suspect arson in Tech fire

Students injured in residence hall blaze

BY CAREN CARNEFIX
The University Daily

A fire in Texas Tech's Coleman Residence Hall sent six female residents to the University Medical Center emergency room to be treated for smoke inhalation early Sunday morning.

A University Police Department officer quickly put out the fire, which may have been started intentionally, with a fire extinguisher, after the fire was reported about 12:30 a.m. Sunday, said James Burkhalter, director of Housing and Dining.

"We're not sure exactly how it started, but it appears to be arson of some type," Burkhalter said.

The fire began on a papier-mâché Double T located in the lobby of the residence hall, but it soon spread to a column holding the Double T and later to the ceiling, Burkhalter said. Pieces of lobby furniture were damaged by smoke, though some pieces caught fire.

Housing and Dining officials do not have an estimate for the cost of the damage because it is too soon to determine if the smoke-damaged pieces can be cleaned or if they need to be replaced, Burkhalter said.

Two fires had been reported previously this semester in the trash chute of the residence hall, one of which is believed to have been intentional, Burkhalter said.

The sprinklers in the chute extinguished the fires, and no one was injured.

"We've increased the security in the building, and we are educating the students more about fire safety," Burkhalter said. "It's always terrible when one person can create so many problems for people. We were lucky. It could've been bad. People need to think about the consequences."

The women injured in the fire were treated with oxygen and released from UMC by about 3:30 a.m., said Lacy Palmieri, one of the victims.

Because of the recent fires and the

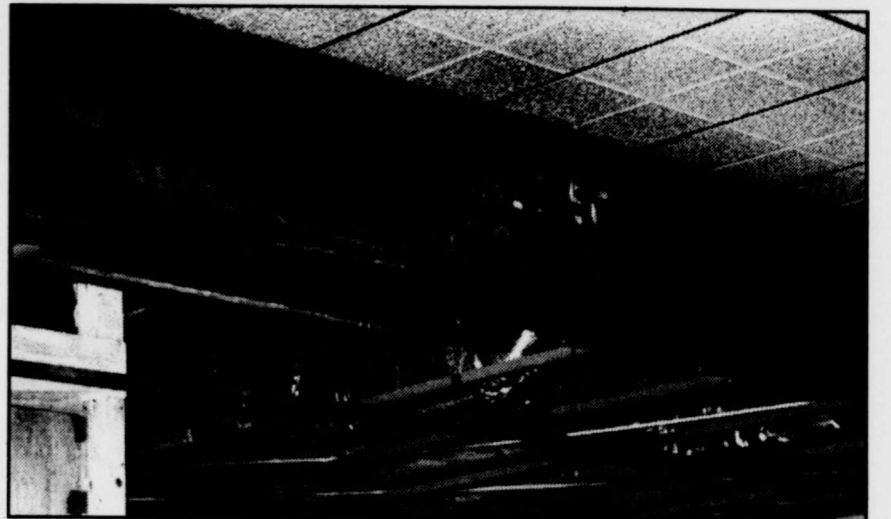
manner in which the residence hall officials handled security issues, Palmieri, a sophomore journalism major from San Antonio, is moving out of Coleman for the next semester.

"I feel like our security is threatened, and Housing and Dining is not taking it seriously," Palmieri said. "You could smell smoke on the ninth floor, and the alarms hadn't gone off. If we'd been educated, it would've occurred to us to cover our mouths, and we would've taken a different stairwell. Our escapes led to the fire."

Palmieri wanted to move to Horn/Knapp Residence Complex because there are external fire escapes.

Other victims were Katie Barabe, Gina Hall, Stacy Stuck, Misty Delancy and Jennifer Yorek.

UPD officers and officials at the Lubbock Fire Marshal's office are investigating the arson-like aspects of the fire, though there are no leads thus far, said UPD Sgt. Dan Hale.



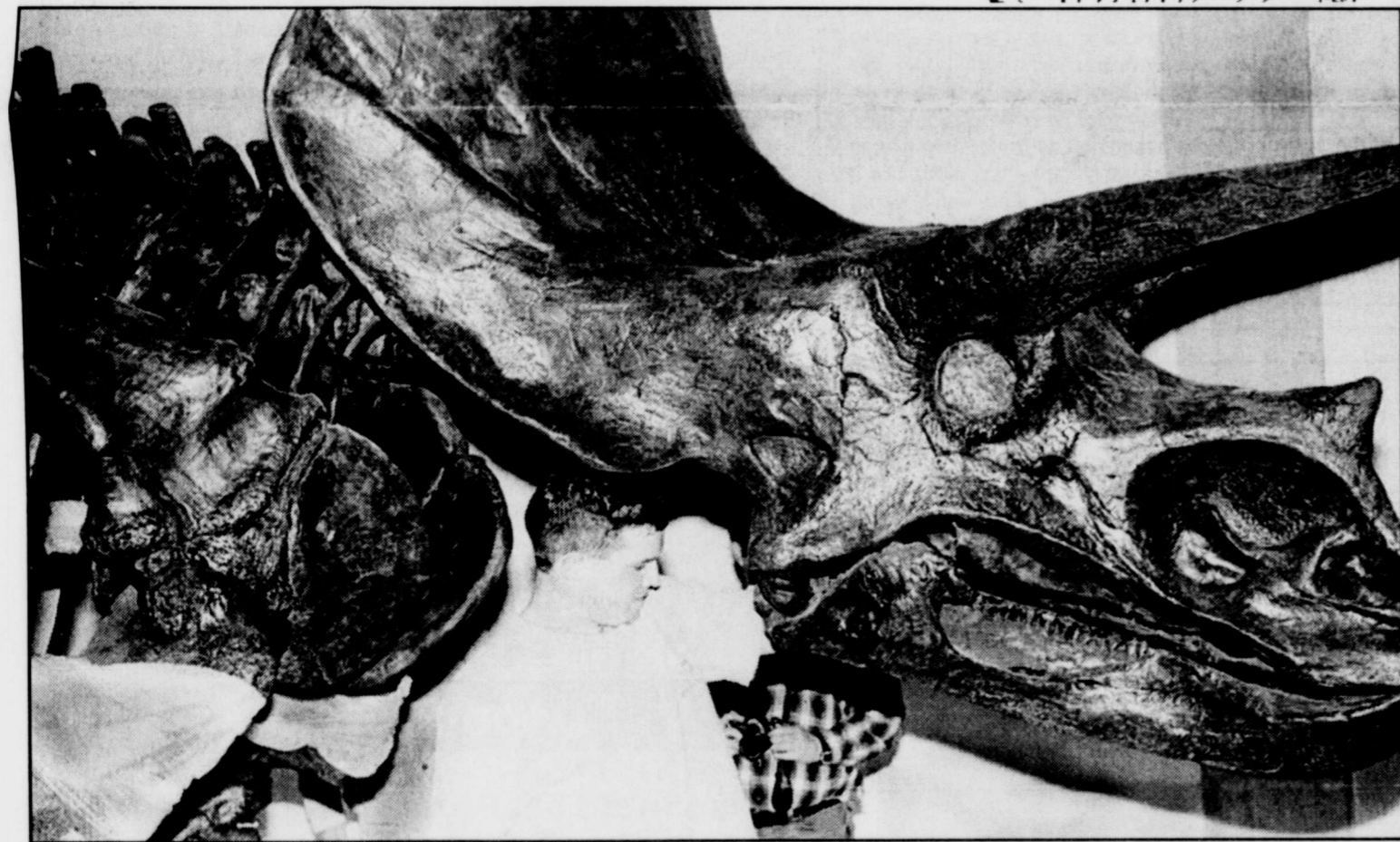
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Burned: Sunday morning's fire in Coleman Residence Hall damaged the ceiling and furniture. The total costs of the damage is unknown.

"There will be a thorough investigation to locate the persons who did that," Hale said.

"I would assume significant manpower would be allocated to this investigation."

Hale anticipated fire marshal officials and UPD officers would conclude the investigation before the end of the semester.

Dino-mite



Jurassic cast: Matt Fair, from Oakville, Ontario, Canada, helps assemble the Texas Tech Museum's new Triceratops model.

Wes Underwood/The University Daily

Tech museum unveils Tyrannosaurus Rex, Triceratops models

BY JONATHAN CARROLL
The University Daily

The Museum of Texas Tech added two additions to its permanent exhibits last week.

They are two full-scale, scientifically accurate skeletal casts of the Tyrannosaurus Rex and Triceratops.

"This holiday season would be a great time for families to come to the museum and take a look at the two dinosaurs," said Elizabeth Locke, education program manager for the museum.

Both of the skeletons were fabricated using the original fossil bones by Researching Casting International, Ltd., of Ontario, Canada. Using original fossils is rare due to the stress on

the delicate fossilized materials and their lack of availability to researchers while on display.

They are mounted in the museum in lifelike, interactive poses. The T. Rex is in attack mode, and the Triceratops is in a defense posture.

Tyrannosaurus Rex stands 15 feet tall and is 40 feet long. It was one of the largest land predators that ever lived, and it hunted such animals as the Triceratops.

Triceratops horridus is 20 feet long and has the characteristic skull frill and three-foot-long horns. The animal was a plant eater and weighed 5 tons.

The introduction of these dinosaurs will help highlight the new Paleontology Hall being developed, said

Sankar Chatterjee, curator of paleontology at the museum.

The hall is being developed over the next two years. The area near Lubbock, especially around the edge of the caprock, is rich in fossil remains of animals that lived long ago in the Triassic Period, which was well before the time of T. Rex and Triceratops, Chatterjee said.

The museum's new gallery will be the only one in the world to emphasize this period, which was when dinosaurs first existed.

"This is a very well-known location for early dinosaurs, just in our backyard," Chatterjee said.

"This is the place where you get the finest, earliest dinosaurs anywhere in the world. Our museum had spec-

tacular specimens, nobody can match us as early dinosaurs are concerned."

The T. Rex and Triceratops display will not be complete until after the first of the year, but the two dinosaurs will be available for viewing throughout the holiday season. The public is invited, and there is no admission charge.

The museum is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday (extended hours until 8:30 p.m. Thursday); Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and closed on Monday. The museum will be closed on Christmas Eve and Day, and New Year's Eve and Day.

"We're hoping it will just get everyone excited about what's to come," Locke said.

City halts plans for coliseum

BY APRIL CASTRO
The University Daily

With revenues lost to the United Spirit Arena, the future of the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum remains uncertain, nevertheless, several possibilities still are being considered.

A task force designated by Lubbock Mayor Windy Sitton now is putting its priorities on hold at the request of Texas Tech Chancellor John Montford.

"Chancellor Montford is requesting more time to consider his options and study the issue,"

said first assistant city manager Debra Forte. "So, the task force hasn't done anything for the past two months."

Currently, the facility is continuing standard operation.

"Right now, we are continuing to operate as usual," she said. "Tech is a major tenant, so right now, we are considering other tenants to inhabit (the coliseum)."

The goal of the task force is to determine three major questions, Forte said.

"First, can the community support multiple facilities, in attendance and financially?" she said. "What will be the guidelines for the use and schedule of the United Spirit Arena, and how will it affect the coliseum? And

third, what will the alternative uses be for the coliseum with the loss of Texas Tech?"

In addition, the committee will determine how the master plan of the South Plains Fairground will complement and coordinate with the other facilities in town, she said.

Co-chairman of the mayor's task force David Sharp said other possibilities include making improvements to the facility to lure other shows, and the option of turning operation over to Tech.

The possibility of demolishing the building, as discussed earlier this year, is not yet an option.

"I don't think that decision has even been discussed," Sharp said. "It is still way too early to say."

The possibility of a major tenant to pick up after Tech leaves is a minor league hockey team in Lubbock, said Tommy Gonzalez, director of culture and leisure services in Lubbock.

"At the present time, we are discussing options with some hockey league officials," Gonzalez said. "We have been talking about what they are willing to offer and what they are willing to pay for as far as improvements to the coliseum."

No specific numbers have been

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Debra Forte, first assistant city manager

Supreme Court rules against female death row inmate

HOUSTON (AP) — An execution date is imminent for Karla Faye Tucker, one of seven condemned women in Texas, now that the U.S. Supreme Court has rejected what could be her final appeal, Harris County prosecutors say.

The high court decision Monday, without comment, paves the way for the first execution of a woman in Texas since 1863 and only the second in the nation since the court in 1976 allowed the death penalty to resume. Texas, the nation's most active capital punishment state, has admin-

istered lethal injection to 143 inmates since executions resumed in 1982, but none has been a woman.

According to Texas records, Chipita Rodriguez was the last woman to be executed in the state, hanged in 1863 for the murder of a horse trader. Tucker and some of the other condemned Texas women have had previous execution dates but all have been halted by court reprieves.

"We're going to ask for something for the end of January or the first part of February," Roe Wilson, an assistant district attorney in Harris County,

Star witness attacked in Oklahoma City bombing case

DENVER (AP) — Terry Nichols' lawyers attacked the credibility of star government witness Michael Fortier in the Oklahoma City bombing case Monday, calling to the stand a doctor who testified that methamphetamines can cause paranoia and memory blackouts.

Fortier, who previously testified that Nichols was present when Timothy McVeigh took Fortier to a storage shed containing explosives, has

admitted using the illegal drug regularly.

Defense lawyers contend that because of his methamphetamine use, his testimony cannot be trusted.

Dr. Michael Abrams of the Broadlawn Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa, testified that sustained use of the drug causes users to become suspicious and to suffer mood swings as well as memory gaps similar to alcoholic blackouts.

Users can even reach a point where they kill themselves "or they kill other people," he said.

Prosecutor Patrick Ryan noted that out of an estimated 4 million users nationwide, only 10 percent to 20 percent suffer serious problems.

In his testimony, Fortier said that McVeigh took him to the storage shed outside Kingman, Ariz., prior to the bombing and that Nichols was present, loading something into a

truck.

Fortier said McVeigh had told him about his plan to bomb the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building to avenge the 1993 government siege at Waco.

McVeigh said someone else was in on the plan, but did not say who, according to Fortier. Fortier also testified that McVeigh and Nichols appeared to have disagreements shortly before the April 1995 bombing, which killed 168 people.

Actor gets six months for violating probation

MALIBU, Calif. (AP) — Robert Downey Jr.'s next two movies will be out before he is.

After a string of drug arrests and second chances, the Oscar-nominated actor was slapped in handcuffs and led off to jail for six months Monday for violating probation by failing to stay clean and sober.

"I am running out of ways to rehabilitate you," said Municipal Judge Lawrence Mira, who in the past avoided giving Downey jail time and altered the actor's probation schedule so he could keep making movies.

"I'm going to incarcerate you, and I'm going to incarcerate you in a way that's very unpleasant for you," the judge said.

"I don't care who you are.

What I care about is that there is a life to be saved from drugs."

Downey, who received an Academy Award nomination for his starring role in the 1992 film "Chaplin," had been sentenced last year to three years' probation after pleading no contest to drug and weapons charges.

He spent about three months in a live-in rehabilitation program.

But the probation was revoked Oct. 17, when his drug counselor told authorities that the 32-year-old Downey had used drugs and alcohol in September.

The judge could have given Downey to up to three years in prison or allowed him to remain free in a rehab program.

Exhibit shows teens' friendships

BY JONATHAN CARROLL
The University Daily

Using photographs and writing, local high school students made artwork describing one of their friends.

Sunday, the "Friends in Focus" exhibition premiered at the Museum of Texas Tech in Gallery 5. The museum is located at Fourth Street and Indiana Avenue and is open to the public free of charge.

"We are excited about the 'Friends in Focus' exhibit because it will allow for one part of the community, high school students, to show local,

regional, national and international visitors the importance of friendships," said Elizabeth Locke, museum education manager.

"In this way, the 'Friends in Focus' exhibit is a window on and a service to the Lubbock community."

The display was created by pairs of high school students. Museum educators gave each pair of friends instructions and disposable cameras, which were donated by the Wal-Mart located on West Loop 289.

The friends took pictures of each other in a variety of settings.

Additionally, participating friends

also submitted a short essay about their relationship to accompany each photograph.

"I think they really were forced to verbalize that relationship, really explain why their friend is their friend and what qualities they like most in that person," Locke said.

"It really allowed them to be creative with the camera and really express themselves."

The photos were judged by Darrel Thomas, photography adviser for student publications. The winning student was awarded a new Cannon camera Sunday during the premiere of the

exhibit. "Our goal is multi-purpose," said Gary Edson, executive director of the museum.

"We wanted the students to appreciate their friends and look at them a different way by using a different visual device."

The exhibit is being displayed in Gallery 5, which is the designated gallery for student artwork. Student products for the Museum's "Saturday at the Museum" workshops are there, and most recently, artworks by Lubbock High School students have been on view.

Inmate with death sentences in three states headed for lethal injection today in Texas

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Michael Lee Lockhart has been compared to serial killer Ted Bundy, a comparison Lockhart denies.

What they likely will share is a common fate, their lives ended by execution.

Lockhart, 37, who at one time claimed to have murdered more than two dozen people, now acknowledges three murders — in Texas, Indiana and Florida — and has death sentences to show for them in each of those states.

Today, the drifter from Toledo,

Ohio, is set for lethal injection in Texas for killing a police officer, Paul Hulsey Jr., while Hulsey was on patrol March 22, 1988 in Beaumont, about 85 miles east of Houston.

"The man was doing his job," Lockhart said in an interview last week.

"I wish I could give my life in place of theirs."

Micahel Lee Lockhart, death row inmate

"And I'm responsible for his murder."

And the murder of Windy Gallagher, 16, of Griffith, Ind., tortured and fatally stabbed at her home in 1987.

Eight months after his Texas conviction, a jury in Indiana sentenced him to death.

And the murder of Jennifer

Colhouer, 14, of Land O'Lakes, Fla. A judge in Dade City, Fla., gave Lockhart his third death sentence in December 1989 after he pleaded guilty to a similar mutilation slaying at the victim's home in January 1988.

The self-described smooth-talking con man was once a door-to-door salesman and had a knack for getting unsuspecting young girls to allow him into their homes.

"I am guilty for those three cases and take full responsibility for those cases," Lockhart said. "I wish I could give my life in place of theirs."

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discussed, but city officials are awaiting a proposal from the hockey league, he said.

However, Gonzalez said, the city is not waiting around to see if it all works out.

"We are aggressively pursuing all revenue options," he said. "We want to make sure we do whatever we can to keep all other options open."

Without Tech in the coliseum, the facility will be open to numerous other events, he said.

"We will be open to more concerts and more dirt events and high

school tournaments," he said. "We will be open more dates, so we'll have more opportunity for different types of revenue."

Gonzalez said it will take a lot to make up the revenue lost with Tech's absence.

"We might actually lose to the United Spirit Arena," he said. "If there were no other coliseums in town and the arena were closed to everything, we might could get closer, but it will be difficult to get back to what we had. We'll just have to go out and do the best we can to secure revenue so we will be in a better position. It doesn't mean we're going to make up the loss, we'll just be in a better position."

University loses bid to shield some student discipline records

WASHINGTON (AP) — An Ohio university seeking to shield its student disciplinary records from public scrutiny lost a Supreme Court appeal Monday.

The justices, without comment, let stand a ruling by Ohio's highest court that forces Miami University to release the records to the student newspaper.

The paper, *The Miami Student*, wants to use the information to track student crime trends on campus.

"Crimes and other student misconduct are escalating at campuses

across the nation," the Ohio Supreme Court said in July.

"For potential students and their parents, it is imperative that they are made aware of all campus crime statistics and other types of student misconduct in order to make an intelligent decision of which university to attend."

The state court added: "Likewise, for students already enrolled in a university, their safety is of utmost importance. Without full public access to disciplinary proceeding records, that safety may be compromised."

The Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Student Senate is hosting its annual Christmas party Friday from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the McInturff Center. There will be an assortment of entertainment, food and door prizes. Admission is a canned good that will be donated to local families in the Lubbock community.

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'Rage' style not sacrificed in video

BY BRYAN GUTIERREZ
Contributing Writer

In 1992, Zach De La Rocha and Rage Against the Machine released its first album containing a unique mix of hard hitting, rap-like vocals and massive bass riffs.

Its second release in 1996, *Evil Empire*, also stayed true to this formula. The group released a 76-minute video Nov. 25 of concert footage and uncensored music video clips. And unlike many mainstream acts, Rage has not sacrificed its style.

This video contains clips from concerts in Europe and the United States. The concerts showcase the group's wild style and intricate instrument work. Fans of the band will appreciate scenes in which lead guitarist Tom Morello pushes his guitar to



its limits to create his famous sound.

The band's strong political passions and beliefs are evident in the way De La Rocha screeches his vocals and moves across the stage. The producers of the concerts' clips also succeed at incorporating the massive crowds, creating a more authentic experience for the viewer.

An added bonus at the beginning of the video is a clip from a live show in which Rage performs a remake of the Bruce Springsteen tune "The Ghost of Tom Joad." What makes the footage interesting is the way the band makes the song into one of its own.

Rage is successful at adding its

own unique sound to the ballad without losing Springsteen's intended vision for the song. A single compact disc version of the song also comes with purchase of the video as an added bonus.

The second part of the video is a collection of all of the band's music videos including rarely seen earlier clips, "Freedom" and "Killing in the Name."

Some of the video clips also include Rage's popular songs "People of the Sun" and "Bulls on Parade." The only blaring fault with the video is the lack of behind-the-scenes clips and more intimate scenes of the band. Many artists who were successful with this type of video include these types of scenes.

Overall, the video accomplishes what its obvious purpose is — to sat-

isfy fans without sacrificing integrity. The video is like Rage's earlier works because it entertains as well as educates about the band's strong feelings of injustice and hypocrisy in society. Even though the work contains few new offerings, it is still able to please even the most fickle fan.

Another part of Rage Against the Machine's unique style is the band prides itself on never using any synthesizer equipment in the music. In the age of conformity and simulation, it is refreshing to know there is still a band going strong like Rage Against the Machine.

The new video stays true to their lasting style. And as always, with any "Rage Against the Machine" work, "all sounds (are) made by guitar, bass, drums and vocals." We wouldn't want it any other way.

Hub City offers music entertainment during break

BY SEBASTIAN KITCHEN
The University Daily

The Iridium, 1812 Ave. G, will present a series of five concerts to benefit Toys For Tots.

Over the course of five nights, Dec. 17 through Dec. 21, there will be 25 bands playing at the music venue. Every night, the toys are gathered will be given to Toys For Tots.

"I have been doing this for nine years, and we always have a good response," said promoter Lane Arnold. "This year we have good, quality bands. All people have to do is bring a new, unwrapped toy, and they get in free. With the bands we have lined, that is really a good deal."

The first night presents two national bands, The Hunger and Piston. The Hunger is from Houston, and the band gained popularity all over the United States with its album *Devil Thumbs a Ride*.

Piston is from Brooklyn, N.Y., and has recently achieved success from its album *Number One*. The other bands on the bill include Bobgoblin, Maraya and Itch.

Black Obsidian will headline a

show Dec. 18, and will be supported by Tuskaria, Torn, Mute

Mike Pritchard's Cathouse Blues will headline a show Dec. 19 and will follow Ground Zero, John Ellis Group, Dan Earnest Band and Robin Griffin. Charlie's Backyard Planet, Mojo Hand, Plaid Joe, The Buddy Simmons Band and High Stroud will play Dec. 20.

Slated for the following night, Dec. 21, is Electric Gypsies, Spilling Poetry, Flywater Washington, Intake and Bad Opie.

Megadeth will headline Jan. 3, being the second major metal concert to make its way through the city. Machinehead and Life of Agony will open the show.

"They (Megadeth) have sold a lot of records," said Keith Welch of Stardate Concerts. "Their last album is a lot more mellow than former albums, but it has sold several hundred thousand copies."

Between Megadeth and the Toys for Tots series, several types of music and many bands will make it through the Hub City for music listeners to enjoy.

Marriage, commitment means more than monetary value



Laura Hensley
A & E Reporter

Last Wednesday, Lorna Wendt, wife of Gary Wendt, chairman of General Electric Capital Services, received just that for her duties as a housewife.

The couple had been married 31 years, and the divorce settlement, about half of Gary's hard assets, was supposed to compensate for the years of marriage to him.

Lorna Wendt testified she was a very important part of her husband's work by organizing huge company parties and traveling with him. She also said she helped him through college and raised their two children. All of this with a \$20 million price tag.

Lorna Wendt earlier had refused her husband's offer of \$11 million. That wasn't quite enough; she wanted more.

I'm sure Lorna Wendt's life as a stay-at-home wife of a powerful millionaire was very gruelling. She had to travel around the world, attend parties and have an endless credit limit on her gold card.

My mother is a housewife. My par-

ents have been married for 25 years and have raised my sister and I (and let me tell you, I haven't been the easiest child to raise).

I have never heard my mother verbally complain about not being paid for doing her motherly duties. She accepts the fact her pay comes in the form of priceless rewards such as being surrounded by people who love her.

Lorna Wendt justifies her greed by saying marriage is a partnership between equals, and both spouses contribute valuable assets to a marriage. That's just a sugar-coated way of

saying "I don't love you any more, and I want as much money as I can get out of you."

Although I come from a very stable family, I do understand people fall out of love with each other or other circumstances arise, promoting divorce, but not everyone walks away with \$20 million in their pockets.

People should realize marriage is not a contract or a business deal, but a commitment between two people who love each other.

Laura Hensley is a sophomore journalism major from Gail.

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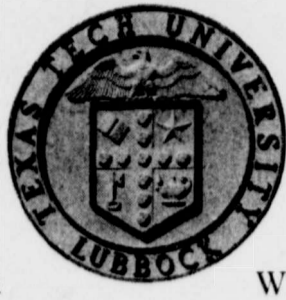
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Arena board members looking out for students



RUSSELL THOMASSON/
SGA PRESIDENT

Many students have expressed concern about seating in the United Spirit Arena. There has been conflicting information in regards to the specifics of the original agreement voted on by the student body. The students of Texas Tech University should be reminded that they have a voice on arena issues.

The United Spirit Arena Student Advisory Board was established more than a year ago to address student ideas and concerns in regards to arena issues. This board is composed of 30 students representing different interests from all over campus. The advisory board has worked all semester to construct a contractual agreement outlining the items promised to the students. We have asked that Chancellor John Montford, President Donald Haragan and Athletic Director Gerald Myers all sign this document to secure in writing the promises made to the student body.

The written arena agreement will be used in years to come to ensure the integrity of the athletic department's obligation to students. At the beginning of the 1998 spring semester there will be a signing ceremony with local media and students to publicize this event. Listed below is an overview of the main items that the administration and the athletic department are responsible for:

1. The permanent availability of a minimum 3,600 seats at men's basketball games and a minimum of 2,850 seats at women's games.
2. Student ticket prices will not increase until after the 2000-2001 season, and after that point, any increase in basketball ticket prices shall be discussed with the arena board.
3. Registered student organizations will be able to use meeting spaces in the arena at a reasonable fee based on operational costs.
4. All displaced parking will be replaced on a temporary basis.
5. There will always be a student arena board in place to represent student concerns.
6. Texas Tech University shall provide the highest priority to the students at Texas Tech in regards to scheduling commencements, concerts and other events. An arena scheduling subcommittee will be created when scheduling of events for the arena commences. The scheduling subcommittee duties will include, but are not limited to:

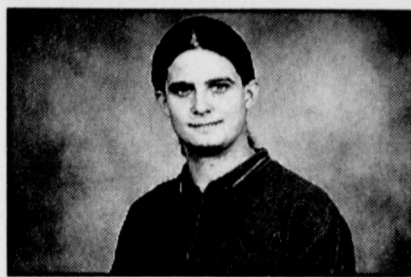
1. Coordinating and working with the Texas Tech University athletic department in conveying students' input.
 2. Participate in the annual revision of the planning of arena events.
- These are the original items students agreed to, and we assure everyone the arena board will continue to insure that student interests are never compromised.

Having an agreement in writing will better perpetuate a mutual understanding of the student directive pertaining to arena issues. The agreement also allows Texas Tech students to hold current and future administrations accountable for their promises. It is the responsibility of the arena board to keep students abreast on current arena issues and the board welcomes any input to insure the best representation on all arena issues.

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Russell Thomasson is a senior accounting major from Lubbock.

Death no respecter of gender



DANIEL KERR/
REPORTER

When did gender become an issue in capital punishment?

Texas has proven to have no qualms with the death penalty by leading the nation in executions, more than 35 this year alone. So why are some of the hardened guards in Huntsville, a prison where more executions take place than anywhere in the country, reluctant to follow through with a jury's orders to execute a pick-axe murderer convicted of a double homicide who just happens to be a female.

Do I smell a double standard?

You tell me.

Out of the 36 executions in Texas this year, more than half the total executions that have occurred in the United States in 1997, not one has been a woman. In fact, Texas hasn't executed a woman since 1863.

Does this mean that women do not commit murder? Obviously not, because Texas currently has seven women on death row facing execution. It means capital punishment in Texas is sexist and inequitable, which would not surprise many race-relation leaders who have been complaining for years that capital punishment is racist as well.

A report on television magazine

"20/20" reported that even the detective who gathered the evidence to convict Karla Faye Tucker, the "pick-axe murderer of Houston," is having second thoughts about her execution, primarily because she is a woman.

One of her victim's sisters also has changed her mind about her brother's murderer's execution.

Granted, the detective and the victim's sister cite the fact Tucker has found God while on death row and is

now a completely different person, for their change of heart about her execution.

The fact of the matter is that almost every person faced with their own mortal demise, whether it be

from a fatal disease or a pending death sentence, seems to find God. Lets face it, the jail house is probably accountable for more souls saved throughout history than churches. When a male convicted of murder finds God and undergoes a 180 degree transformation, do his victim's relatives and the detectives who gathered the evidence that convicted him proclaim him a changed man, undeserving of his "punishment?" Simply put — no.

Why is one murderer's life worth more than another's?

Why is any life worth more than another?

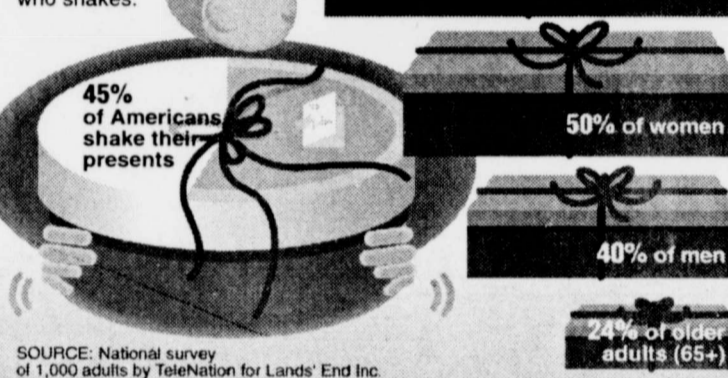
It should not be.

If the citizens of Texas deem capital punishment morally correct by allowing their government to practice such an outdated and uncivilized law, the least they could do is ensure that it is administered equitably, regardless of race or gender.

Daniel Kerr is a senior journalism major from Borger.

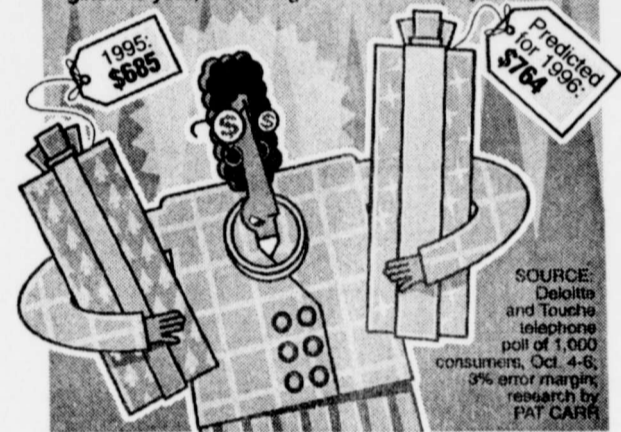
To shake or not to shake?

Almost half of Americans admit that they sometimes shake holiday presents to see what's inside. Here's who shakes:



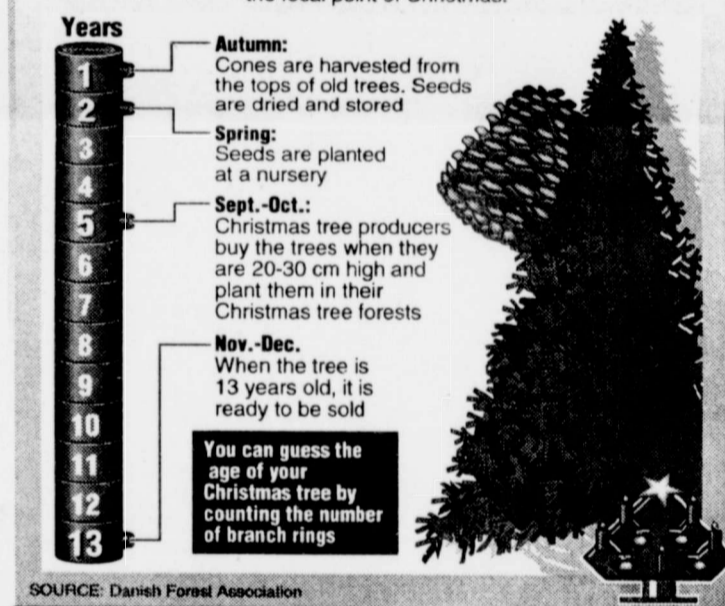
Happy holidays for retailers

Consumers expect to spend 12% more on holiday gifts this year, according to a recent survey.



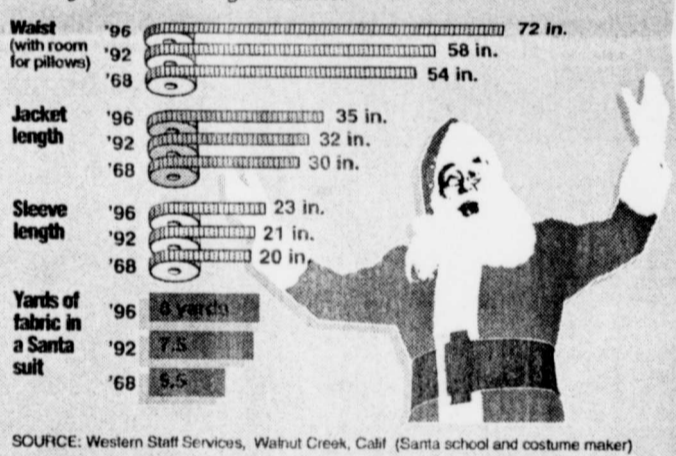
From cone to Christmas tree

The tiny seed's long way to becoming the focal point of Christmas:



The incredible expanding Santa

Santa Claus has been gaining weight since the 1940s — or at least Santa suits have. In the 1970s, costume makers started letting out Santa waists. Saint Nick got taller in the 1980s, and by the '90s, Santas are asking for extra large costumes.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Williams should stop damage control

To the Editor: The Greek Spotlight column by Stefani Williams is yet another in a seemingly endless supply of pitiful attempts at "spin control" that are the inevitable result of news stories which occasionally cast aspersions on the poor, defenseless "Greeks."

To say that the "Real Issue" is that there was one individual who committed a rape and should not be associated with his organization is to ignore a substantial part of the problem in this case.

If there really is a "Pullout Club" involved in even a peripheral way in this crime, why are you afraid to have it exposed for the contemptible bunch of twits that it is?

Using the corporate analogy as

rationale for not holding the organization accountable is not only a bad comparison, it is plainly wrong.

If you think a corporation wouldn't be held responsible for an office party rape, you need to wake up and smell the lawsuit.

The first rule when considering who to punish in civil court is to look at who has the deepest pockets.

If you think it is unfair that an entire organization may get some bad press because of the irresponsible actions of a relative minority of their membership, too bad.

Pick your members more carefully if you want a cleaner image.

It is ironic that only recently we heard how Lubbock's district attorney declined to prosecute the several individuals who were caught red-handed stealing a large amount of lumber from a construction site because they were not acting of their own volition, and there was no way

to prosecute the entire fraternity.

Now you tell us that this is a bad individual and shouldn't reflect on the entire fraternity.

I agree that fraternities and sororities perform a vital function in the college environment, and generally deserve (and get) favorable press. They also are accorded special treatment.

Along with that comes responsibility, and it is much more constructive to accept responsibility as an organization when things go wrong, if you are going to expect credit as an organization when you do things right (and it is clear that you do).

To spend time publicly whining about things like the press attendant to this crime doesn't help your image. Just the opposite.

Neel McDonald
third year
law student

Fraternities need to be punished

To the Editor: I am sick of the fraternities doing illegal things and not getting punished. There have been three different fraternities that have been caught doing illegal things such as stealing, raping and now destruction of other people's property.

This is ridiculous. If any other student organization on this campus participated in activities like these, they would be kicked off campus, and the students would be kicked out of school never to return, as well as sit in jail. It's time to nip this in the bud Texas Tech. I am proud to be a Tech student, but these fraternities are beginning to change my mind in a hurry.

Brady Tidwell
sophomore
wildlife management

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Tech goes for three straight wins

BY KRISTIE RIEKEN
The University Daily

After coming off of a game where they scored 106 points and gave up 97, the Texas Tech men's basketball team looks to retain its offensive power while increasing its defensive effort.

The Red Raiders (2-3 overall) will have a chance to put that plan in action when they meet Southwest Missouri State at 7:05 p.m. today at the Hammons Student Center in Springfield, Mo.

Tech coach James Dickey said the entire team was strong offensively against Southwestern Louisiana, but not one player had a strong defensive game.

He said in order to defeat the Bears (3-3 overall), the Red Raiders will have to play a more balanced game.

"I was impressed with everyone on our team offensively (against USL)," Dickey said.

"I was not impressed with anyone defensively. We will have to pick up our defense if we expect to continue to win games."

The Bears are led by junior forward Danny Moore, who has averaged 17 points per game and 6.7 rebounds per game through the first six contests.

The 6-foot-11-inch, 243-pound Moore also has four blocked shots and

four steals thus far this season.

With Moore and starting center John Paul Nelson, at 7-feet, the Tech big men, forward Cliff Owens and center Ross Carmichael, will have to battle under the basket for rebounds.

Against Southwest Louisiana, Owens and Carmichael finished with five and four rebounds, respectively, and Dickey said rebounding is an area the team needs to work on.

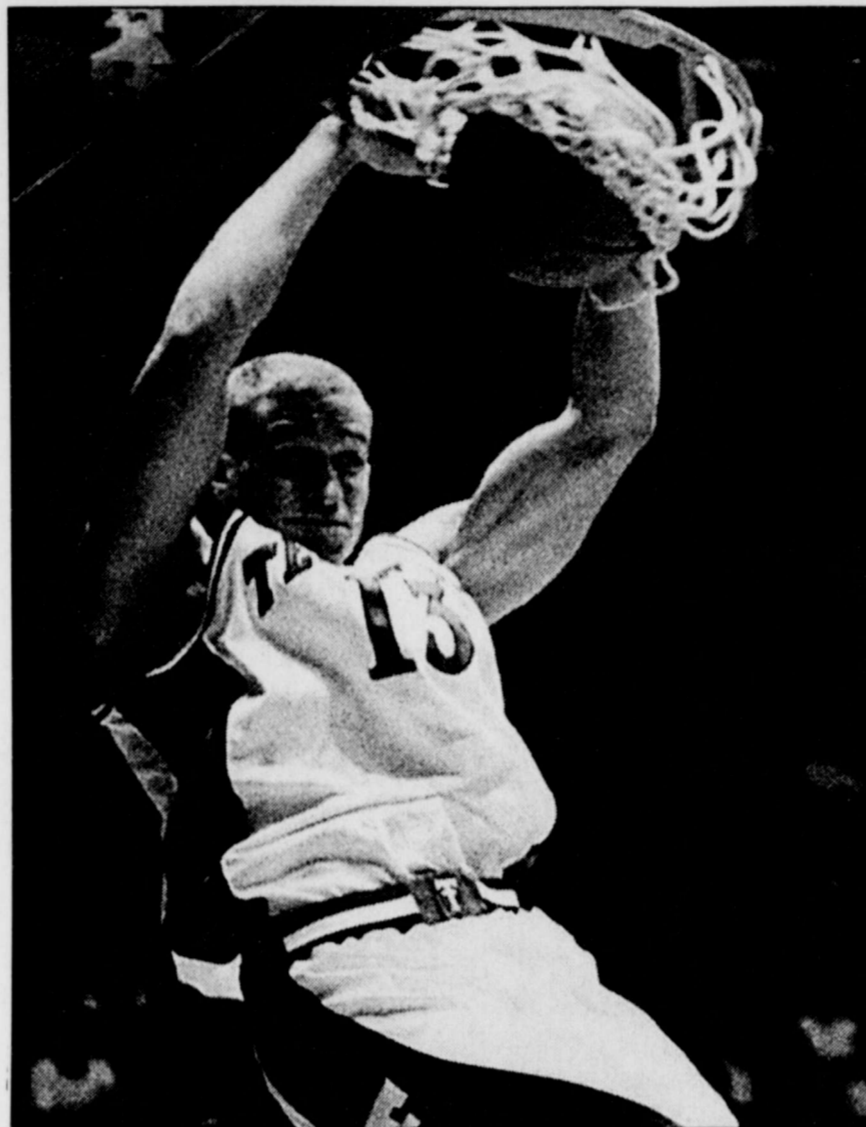
"Cliff and Ross have got to start giving us something we are not getting, and that is boards," Dickey said. "Cliff is a good leaper, and he is not the only one."

The play of the Tech bench continues to be a strong suit of the team with senior guard Archie Myers contributing 11 and 10 points against George Washington and Southwestern Louisiana, respectively.

Also important in the Tech rotation has been senior guard Brock Barnes, who is averaging two points and two rebounds per game thus far and has five assists for the season.

Myers said it is important for the team to pick up a win on the road, and the Red Raiders are focused to do just that.

"We need to win a game on the road since that is something we have not done," Myers said. "Everyone on the team knows that, and we just have to play good defense and work to maintain our offensive output."



Suzanne Schnelker/The University Daily

Slam: Tech forward Cliff Owens stuffs the ball in the Red Raiders 106-97 victory over Southwestern Louisiana Saturday.

Cornhuskers still in pursuit of national title

(AP)—For four of the five Big 12 teams advancing to the bowl season, it's just a joy to be there. For No. 2 Nebraska, it's about a national championship.

The Cornhuskers will challenge No. 3 Tennessee in the Orange Bowl New Year's Day, retaining hopes of overtaking Rose Bowl-bound No. 1 Michigan for a national title.

"They (Tennessee) are the No. 3 team and that was the highest ranked team available to us," Nebraska coach Tom Osborne said. "Now we have a chance to get something done nationally."

Michigan will play No. 8 Washington State in the Rose Bowl while the Cornhuskers travel a familiar path to the Orange Bowl.

While the Cornhuskers try for a national title, No. 20 Texas A&M also will return to familiar ground against No. 5 UCLA in the Cotton Bowl, formerly tied in with the defunct Southwest Conference; No. 10 Kansas State will play No. 14 Syracuse in the Fiesta Bowl; No. 19 Missouri will play No. 18 Colorado State in the Holiday Bowl; and No. 24 Oklahoma State will play No. 17

Purdue in the Alamo Bowl.

The Aggies lost big to the Cornhuskers (54-15) Saturday in the Big 12 championship game, but coach R.C. Slocum doesn't think that will affect his team.

"I think sometimes, those really heartbreaking losses where you're right on the brink of winning except for a turnover or missed pass, those are the hardest to deal with," Slocum said.

"But you take a game like the other night, we played hard but we played a team that was better than us on that night."

Oklahoma State is advancing to a bowl game for the first time in nine seasons. The Cowboys lost three of their last five games, two in overtime, but that doesn't cloud coach Bob Simmons' view.

"I don't have any regrets how we finished the season," Simmons said.

"I thought we played well down the stretch. We started out 6-0 and then got in some tough games that could have gone either way, so I don't see that as a team backsliding."

"We finished up with a win over Baylor. I feel good about this football team."

Despite gaining Alou, losing star pitcher Kile upsets Astros' Bagwell

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Astros gained Moises Alou but they lost Darryl Kile, and that's got Astros first baseman Jeff Bagwell upset.

Bagwell is disputing claims by the Houston Astros that they offered a three-year \$21 million contract to teammate Kile before Kile signed with the Colorado Rockies.

Kile, the ace of the Astros staff with a 19-7, 2.57 ERA last season, got a three-year, \$24 million deal

from the Rockies.

The Astros signed free agent left fielder Alou away from the Florida Marlins.

"If they (Astros) claim they offered him \$21 million for three years, that's a lie," Bagwell said of the situation.

"My understanding is Darryl was offered \$18 million for three years with an option year with a \$2 million buy out which would bring it to three years at \$20 million guaranteed.

"Darryl didn't want the option year and those things. He told them three weeks ago, 'if you guys change it to a signing bonus of \$3 million and then three years at \$6 million, we'll sign it.'"

Astros general manager Gerry Hunsicker stuck by his figures that the Astros did offer Kile a three-year, \$21 million deal and remained mystified about what went wrong.

"I've got a lot of unanswered questions about it myself," Hunsicker said

Monday.

"I would like to sit down with Jeff and Darryl, too, to see what happened. I've always been in Darryl's corner."

Hunsicker said the confusion started Thursday.

"For some reason, the pace really quickened Thursday," Hunsicker said.

"There appeared to be a sense of urgency on their part, and I'm not sure why. We conferred and there were several different offers and every time

we upped the offer.

"We made the offer of \$21 million late in the day and there was no acknowledgment from them at the time that it was too late."

Barry Axelrod is the agent for both Bagwell and Kile.

Hunsicker is strapped with a \$37 million budget that negotiations with Kile had severely strained.

"We went farther than we really could," Hunsicker said.

"That's the really frustrating part.

Then to lose Darryl and on top of that have this other sequel (Bagwell's complaint)."

Hunsicker said he didn't think the incident would cause any long-lasting problem.

"Things are often said in the heat of battle but aren't really meant, and I hope that's the case here," Hunsicker said.

"Both sides worked so hard to get this deal done and it just didn't work out."

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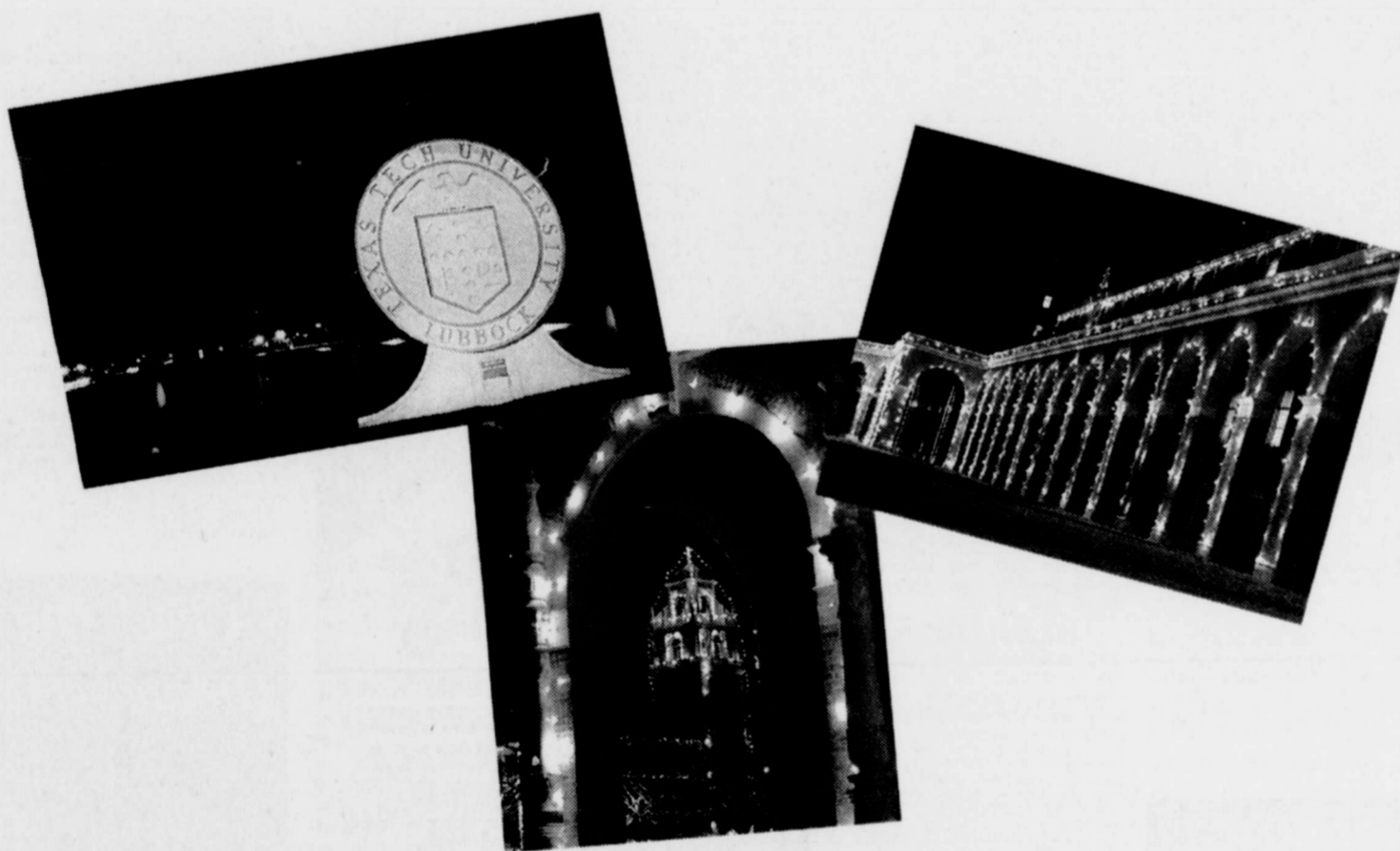


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