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STATENEWS —

No more active TB cases found at Fort Worth school

FORT WORTH (AP) — There were no more active cases of tuberculosis found among more than 525 students screened at a Fort Worth high school, but at least 41 students showed possible signs of exposure to the respiratory disease.

Dr. Alecia Hathaway, medical director of the Tarrant County Public Health Department, said Monday that the 9-percent rate of exposure found at Paschal High School was relative to that in the local region.

"The bad news is that the overall rate is a heck of a lot higher than it should be," Hathaway said.

The testing of about one-fifth of the 2,400 Paschal students was done after two sisters who attend the school were diagnosed last month as having tuberculosis. Hathaway said the sisters, 17 and 15, are receiving medication and will remain out of school at least several more weeks.

None of the 41 students who had reactions to the testing last week is being held out of classes. The doctor said some of the positive skin tests could have resulted from early childhood vaccinations.

NATIONAL NEWS —

Woman accused of killing baby to stand trial

NEW KENT, Va. (AP) — A woman accused of killing her month-old son by putting him in a microwave oven and turning it on was found competent to stand trial on murder charges Monday.

Elizabeth Renee Otte, 20, sat silently in court as the judge, her lawyers and prosecutors discussed the findings of a psychological evaluation.

Otte still is awaiting a neurological examination. She takes medication for epilepsy, which can cause seizures.

"We need to know the nature of the seizures and whether or not the seizures she suffers from could have caused memory problems or disorientation," prosecutor C. Linwood Gregory said.

WORLD NEWS —

Judge moves to try Pinochet in human rights case

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) — A judge asked a Chilean court Monday to strip Gen. Augusto Pinochet of his congressional immunity so the former dictator could stand trial for what has come to be known as "the caravan of death" — the killing and disappearance of 72 dissidents in the days following his 1973 coup.

The request by Judge Juan Guzman, the first ever filed against Pinochet in Chile, comes just three days after the army gave the retired general a warm welcome upon his return from house arrest in Britain — and gave rise to concerns the military might bring pressure to bear against any such trial.

"This is the beginning of justice, which we have sought for so long," said lawyer Hugo Gutierrez, who is marshaling several of the lawsuits pending here against Pinochet. The number of those suits climbed to 66 Monday as lawyers filed five more complaints alleging the wrongful death of a dozen people.

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Moses granted tenure in education college

by Kelsey Walter
Staff Writer

After being named deputy chancellor at Texas Tech in early September, Mike Moses said it has been nothing but a fantastic experience.

"Texas Tech is a very well-kept secret," he said.

Now his experience at Tech is growing. Moses recently was awarded tenure in the College of Education after six months on the job.

The decision was granted by the Board of Regents during their February meeting.

Tech Provost John Burns said Moses was granted tenure by appointment.

"State law says even these types of tenures must go through the same channels as all others," he said.

Burns said Moses put in his request for tenure after being hired in September by Tech, and it took time to go through the process to make it official.

While some people may think it is unusual to grant tenure to someone with limited higher education experience, Burns said it is not uncommon for this to happen when an administrator with the background of someone like Moses is considered.

Before coming to Tech, Moses was serving his second term as the state's commissioner of education.

He was superintendent for the Lubbock Independent School District from 1989-1995 and worked as a teacher and administrator throughout his career in education.

Moses said he likes working with the university and the Health Sciences Center and enjoys the opportunity to work with both present and former students.

As deputy chancellor, Moses represents Tech at the state and national levels.

His main duties include improving institutional advancement and government relations, supervising the Office of News and

Publications, a role on the chancellor's council and creating initiatives and collaborations with area public schools.

Moses said he knows he is very fortunate to be where he is today.

"I am very honored and flattered," he said. "I am deeply indebted to the faculty at the College of Education as well as the rest of the faculty and staff at Texas Tech."

Moses said he appreciates the kind manner in which he has been treated since he took the position at Tech.

Before making the decision to come to Tech, Moses was offered a position with tenure at the University of Texas-Austin. Moses is a native of East Texas but said some days he wishes he was originally from West Texas.

"The people here are independent, and I consider them good and decent," he said.

Moses has degrees in political science and history from Stephen F. Austin State University. **MOSES, p. 2**



J.T. Aguilar/The University Daily
Tech Deputy Chancellor Mike Moses has been granted tenure by the Board of Regents.

Keeping 'inline'

Students on wheels butt heads with campus regulations

by John Sawyer
Contributing Writer

Matt Maloney's transportation of choice is a pair of inline skates. Not only do they get him from point A to B, but they are his life.

Maloney, a junior mechanical engineering major from Irving, spends hours with his friends perfecting tricks and just getting outside for exercise.

But Maloney and his friends recently were reprimanded for what they love to do. While skating on a bench near Holden Hall, where no violation signs are posted, Texas Tech police told them they could not skate there. Police told Maloney he and his friends could skate on sidewalks but not on stairs or benches.

"I don't see why skating should be a problem as long as it doesn't cause problems or damage," he said.

Maloney, like many Tech bikers and skaters on campus, is responsible for understanding and following certain rules.

Violations of those rules could result in a Class C misdemeanor, which may not exceed a \$200 fine, after being warned by Tech police officers about violations, said Sgt. Dan Hale, public information officer for the Tech Police Department.

On the second reported offense, campus police will report skaters or bikers to the Dean of Students Office.

Hale said bikers or skaters often are unaware of regulations they must follow while on campus, which results in a violation and possibly a ticket.

"Tech students ride their bikes around Memorial Circle in the opposite direction of cars which is a violation of university policies," Hale said. "They also ride their bikes on sidewalks, which 23,000 Tech students use to go to classes, another violation



Greg Kreller/The University Daily
Inline skater Matt Maloney, a junior mechanical engineering major from Irving, jumps steps outside the Mass Communications building and said he disagrees with the policy regarding skating on campus.

of university policies." Special bike patrol officers are assigned during the day to deal with the influx of bike riders on campus. The officers enforce more bicycle or skating violations during the day than evening shifts, Hale said.

"On a normal shift configuration, we will have six officers, one bike-certified officer and five police officers in cruisers, including one sergeant on each of the shifts," he said.

Numerous signs that prohibit skating are posted around campus in an effort to curb

illegal skating on campus.

No skating is allowed inside campus buildings and the arena, Hale said.

Tech students who are caught skating in areas of campus where there are signs that prohibit it will have their names taken down by a Tech police officer and warned not to skate there.

Hale said the best advice for students who want to ride bicycles or skate is to become aware of rules on campus and to obey signs posting prohibited areas to skate.

Article fuels argument over exotic dancing

by Jennifer Bailey
Staff Writer

Students and faculty came to campus Monday morning not expecting to find pictures of a half-naked woman on the front page of *The University Daily*.

The feature article was about "Karma" and her life as an exotic dancer and a Texas Tech student.

"Everyone was talking about it in my class this morning," Paul Trujillo said.

Trujillo, a senior marketing major from Plano, said he thought the article would advance the exotic dancer's career.

"All I see is an advertisement for her, and I am sure she will make more money now because of the article," he said.

Reactions were mixed about the subject of the article, and the fact that it was published in *The University Daily*.

"If *The UD* was a paper that was sold, then they would make a lot of money off of this issue; however, personally, I didn't think it was front page material," said Sally Harrison, a sophomore English major from Lubbock. "It is as if *The UD* is saying this line of work is OK, when in reality, it isn't."

Gwendolyn Sorrell, Tech Women's Studies program coordinator and professor, said the fact that Karma chose this line of work gives no one the right to judge her as a person.

"This is a fact of life, and we as a culture are willing to pay for this type of service but are not willing to pay for people who teach in day-cares or schools," Sorrell said. "While I am not endorsing this, Karma has obviously realized the type of situation she has put herself in and is willing to encounter the judgments."

Wayne Hodgkin, a senior journalism and English major from Haskell and editor of *The University Daily*, said the story was different from regular stories and that is what made it so interesting.

"I definitely think the story is newsworthy," Hodgkin said. "Here you have a woman who, instead of relying on financial aid and see **DANCER p. 2**

Perry visits Hub City to discuss scholarship program

by Greg Okuhara
Managing Editor

Texas Lt. Gov. Rick Perry spoke at Lubbock High School on Monday about a scholarship program designed to persuade students to stay in Texas for their college education.

The Toward Excellence, Access and Success Grant scholarship program was created during the 1999 legislative session to provide \$100 million for in-state financial aid.

Texas Tech received \$463,799 from the TEXAS program last year.

In all, Tech, South Plains College and Lubbock Christian University was allocated \$632,578 last year to provide scholarships for 248 students.

Perry said the money has opened new doors of opportunity for local college students.

"As a matter of fact, in the Panhandle of Texas, there are a substantial number of young men and women that are in Texas Tech, ... at Wayland (Baptist University), ... that otherwise would not be in college were it not for this TEXAS Grant program," he said. At Tech, 117 students received an average

scholarship of \$2,500 for the 1999-2000 school year. Statewide, the average financial aid amount was \$1,200 for a four-year institution.

Perry said he would like to see an increase in funding for scholarship programs but also said budget restraints come into play.

"There's a substantial interest (in increasing funding)," he said. "Obviously, it's a little bit early to be talking about any expansion before seeing what our budget will be for this next session."

LHS Principal Patrick Gates said he has heard of several students at his school who have benefited from the program but did not have specific figures.

"This program ... is a major step forward in helping those kids who otherwise might not be able to afford it," he said. "I think it helps the kids in Texas two different ways. It encourages them to take the most rigorous courses. And No. 2, it makes college more affordable."

Perry said one of the goals during his tenure as lieutenant governor is to improve education across the board.

"I happen to think those of us in public service, those of us who are parents — we



Texas Lt. Gov. Rick Perry visits with Lubbock High School students before talking about the TEXAS Grant program Monday at the LHS library. Greg Kreller/The University Daily

don't have a more important job than the education of our children," Perry said. "I want that future to be better, brighter, stronger. We want to make sure you have not only the access, but you can afford to go to the institution of your choice."

Perry said one area that needed improve-

ment was the low percentage of Texans who have a college degree and the impact on income a degree has.

"Having a college education in the future is going to make a big, big difference in your life," he said. "That's one of the reasons I see **TEXAS, p. 2**

Tech electricians to test campus tornado sirens

In an attempt to keep students safe, Texas Tech will test its tornado warning system at 10 a.m. Wednesday.

Accompanying National Severe Weather Preparedness Week, Tech tests its warning system, a group of four sirens, annually to make sure there are no problems or malfunctions.

University operating procedures requires the test be conducted on the Wednesday closest to March 15, but since the date falls during Spring Break, the test was moved to Wednesday.

The switch for the siren system will be turned on for about one

minute.

Electricians from the Physical Plant will be stationed at all of the sirens' locations to monitor the electronic equipment used to run the alarms and will report their findings to the police department.

In the event there is a sign of severe weather near the Tech campus, the test will be postponed to make sure not to give off the impression of a false warning.

Even though the city of Lubbock does not operate a tornado warning system of its own, a warning also will be posted in the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, so if citizens hear the sirens, they will not panic.

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city and a doctorate in educational administration from East Texas State University (now Texas A&M Commerce).

"Tech officials are trying to build bridges between the department of education and public

schools," said Larry Hover, dean of education. "Moses has worked with various groups establishing grants and has done his job well in the past. I ultimately decided that granting Moses his tenure would definitely be good for the College of Education."

Hovey said he realized some fac-

ulty members might disagree with the decision of awarding him tenure, but he assures them the proper amount of time was spent on making the decision, and the topic was fully debated and discussed.

"A major part of discussion and research in education these days is assessment, and for the last six years,

Moses has led the state of Texas in that category," Hovey said.

Tech Chancellor John Montford is tenured in the Tech School of Law and was granted his tenure in a similar manner.

On average, it usually takes a faculty member six years to be eligible to receive tenure.

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student loans, has come up with a creative way to pay her way through college — and, from what I'm told, they can make really good money. It was out of the norm, that's why we thought it was newsworthy."

Shayla Faubas a sophomore agriculture communications major from Crosbyton said she was surprised to

see the story and pictures Monday.

"I was shocked to see this article in today's paper," Faubas said. "There are tons of other ways to make money than to strip."

Chris Ellis, a junior arts and sciences undeclared major from Tyler, had other views on the profession mentioned in the article.

"I don't see anything wrong with what she does," Ellis said. "It's not like

no one knows that people do this sort of thing. It was a bit shocking to see it in *The UD*, but it was a good article."

Bill Dean, associate director of the School of Mass Communications, said *The UD* handled the subject just fine.

"Obviously, the story about the young woman is a different story, and *The UD* handled it appropriately as an investigative story," he said.

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asked the Texas Senate to focus on

how we make our colleges, our community colleges, our technical institutions, our four-year institutions,

stronger, better, more accessible, more affordable."

Perry continued to say only 20 percent of Texans have a college degree. A person with a college degree will make more than \$1 million more than someone with only a high school degree. A high school dropout will make \$2.7 million less than someone with a degree.

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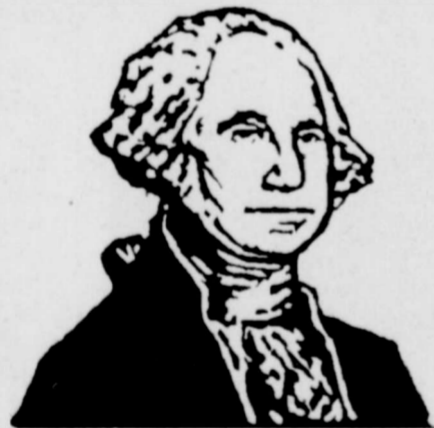
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Graham to live on through dance

by Alicia Field
Staff Writer

The Martha Graham Dance Company will perform at Texas Tech at 8 p.m. today in the University Center Allen Theatre. Founded by dancer and choreographer Martha Graham in 1926, the New York-based company has performed for audiences in more than 50 countries around the world. Awarded the Medal of Freedom by former President Gerald Ford in 1976, Graham created a new style of dance, the Graham Technique, that includes influences from Greek mythology, the American frontier, Native American religious ceremonies and modern paintings. Graham passed away in 1991, leaving her legacy well into the 20th century.

TIME magazine gave her recogni-

Jackson to build Polish theme park

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Michael Jackson is heading for Warsaw next week to meet with city officials with whom he agreed in 1997 to develop a theme park.

The two-day visit, starting March 14, comes at the invitation of Mayor Pawel Piskorski.

Jackson is believed to be searching for a site for his family theme park.

"Our main focus is to bring in once-in-a-lifetime activities to Tech students."

Trina Brown

SAB programming and marketing specialist

tion as "Dancer of the Century," and she was among the "Icons of the Century" in *People* magazine.

Organized by the Tech Student Activities Board, the theme of the 1999-2000 NightLife series is the celebration of the passing millennium.

"Our main focus is to bring in once-in-a-lifetime activities to Tech students," said Trina Brown, programming and marketing specialist.

Mary Donahue, associate director of Campus Activities and In-

volvement, said the Martha Graham Company offers a unique live experience for Tech students and that the Graham style is a good introduction into dance for first-timers.

"Dance is more than people moving on stage — it is the music, the emotions and the stories combined," Donahue said.

She said she recommends Tech students take advantage of this opportunity because of the low student ticket rate and the quality of the performance they will be seen.



Courtesy Photo

"It's more than what you see," Donahue said. "It's something to take with you."

Tickets can be purchased at the UC ticket booth or by calling 742-3610 and cost \$7.50 with a Tech ID and \$17 for the general public.

'1776' to march on stage today

The nationally-acclaimed Broadway musical, "1776," will take the stage at 7:30 p.m. today at the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium. The show will continue to run through Sunday.

When "1776" originally opened on Broadway in March 1969, America was in the midst of political turmoil. Yet, the musical struck a chord in the hearts of patriots everywhere and went on to win three Tony Awards, including best new musical, and the New York Theater Critics Circle Award.

With music and lyrics by

Sherman Edwards and a book by Tony, Emmy and Academy award-winning writer Peter Stone, the audience is able to experience firsthand the humor, passion and compromise of legendary American forefathers including Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams.

Tickets range from \$15 to \$35 and can be purchased from Select-A-Seat by calling 770-2000 (or 1-800-735-1288 outside Lubbock). Groups of 20 or more can purchase tickets at a discount by calling Celebrity Attractions at 1-800-869-1451.

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8:00	Sesame Street		Early Show	Pepper Ann		Dr. Joy Browne
9:00	Mr. Rogers Barney	Later Today	Martin Short	K. Copeland Paid Program	Regis & Kathie Lee	Leeza
10:00	Teletubbies TBA	M. Stewart	Price is Right	Donny & Marie	View	Divorce Ct. Divorce Ct.
11:00	Zoboomafoo Arthur	Ainsley Harriott	Young & the Restless	Forgive or Forget	All My Children	People Court
12:00	Hawaii Cook Motorweek	News Days of Our	News Beautiful	Jerry Springer	Family Feud Port Charies	Mills Lane Mills Lane
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5:00	Kratt's Nightly Bus	News NBC News	News CBS News	Ricki Lake	News ABC News	Home Impr. Simpsons
6:00	Newshour	News Extra	Jeopardy CBS News	Judge Judy	News W/Fortune	Voyager
7:00	Don McLean: Starry	3rd Rock 'PG 3rd Rock 'PG	JAG 'PG	Secret Agent Man	Millionaire	That '70's Family Guy
8:00	Starry Festival	Will/Grease Shoot Me 'PG	40 Minutes II	I Dare You	Dharma/Greg Sports Nite	Green: The Series 'G
9:00	Feature	Dateline	Judging Amy 'PG	Jerry Springer	NYPD Blue 'TV14	Nanny Caroline
10:00	Nightly Bus	News Tonight Show	News David	Cops Joe Brown	News MASH	Simpsons Frasier
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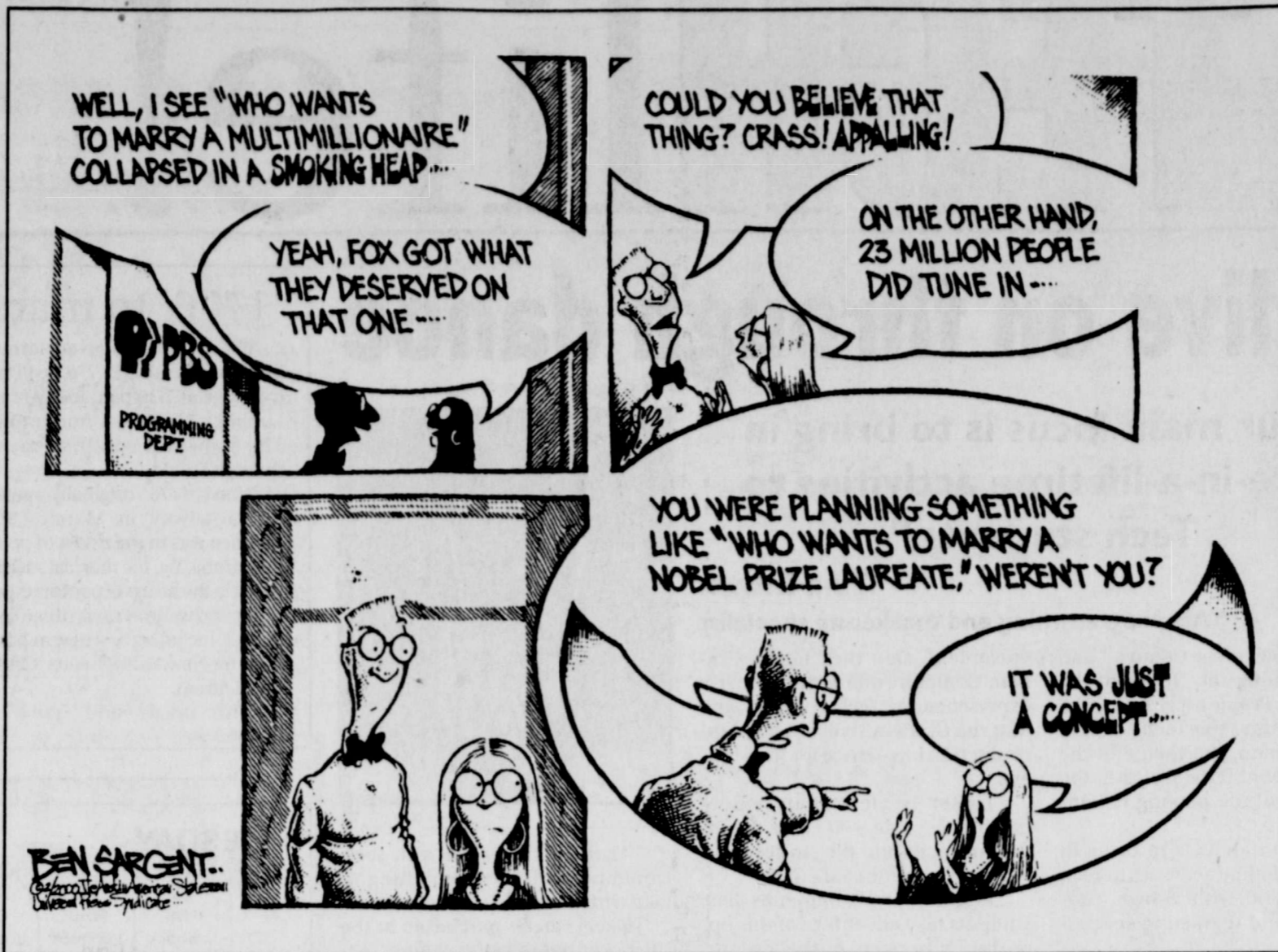
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Students silenced without votes

Thomas Jefferson once said, "The tree of liberty must have its blood shed once every 40 years in order to ensure the freedom of its citizens."

Although his statement was made nearly two centuries ago and under considerably different conditions, the statement has proven to stand the test of time considering some of the representative policies on a national and even more local level right here on Texas Tech's campus.



Apu Naik
Guest Columnist

On this Super Tuesday, as voters make their way to the polling both in New York and California for the first presidential primary of the 21st century, Jefferson must be somewhere calling for blood to be shed.

OK, so maybe he wouldn't be calling for revolution, but his patriotic vision of having equal representation in the United States would be in certain jeopardy. In California's Republican primary, Arizona Sen. John McCain could be faced with an unprecedented pyrrhic victory among the popular vote; that includes everyone in California; Republican, Democrat or Independent, who wants their voice to be represented by the Vietnam POW.

But even if McCain wins the popular vote in California, he will not be awarded the delegates of the state because only Republican votes count.

Is this the equal representation that Jefferson envisioned?

Supporters of Texas Gov. George W. Bush would argue that since it is a Republican Party primary in California, only those votes by Republicans should count.

So what happens to the votes cast by Independents who are not affiliated with any partisan party but simply want to make an educated vote on the candidate they feel most confident in? And what about the registered Democrats who would rather vote for the "Grand Old Party" this year?

According to Bush supporters and the state of California, throw those votes in the trash because they ultimately don't count.

And it doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out that this is bad politics for either candidate of either party. Political Science 101 will teach you that gaining the support of Independents and moderate members of your opposing party can only strengthen your campaign.

Without the support of moderate Democrats and Independents, in addition to his own Republican base, Ronald Reagan never would have been able to win the Oval Office in 1980.

But now consider another injustice within the representative body of this university, in which Jefferson probably would never hear about. But nevertheless, it is an injustice in which the Tech tree of liberty needs to have its Red Raider blood shed.

When Tech students logged on to the Internet last week to vote for their representatives in student government, a large number of people, myself included, were not able to cast their vote, have their voice heard and therefore, were not equally represented.

Now before you label me as an apathetic Tech student who did not take the initiative to vote, let me show you an example of how even one of the most politically-active students on this campus is pissed off because for once, he was silenced from making his voice heard.

As the news director for the campus radio station, KTX-88.1 FM, I have worked very hard over the course of the past four weeks to promote the Student Government Association elections.

At the radio station, I took on a very active

role by both encouraging students to vote and inviting the candidates into the studio for debates on several occasions.

But in spite of my diligent efforts, my vote and the votes of many other students who tried to vote were not cast.

The Administrative Information Services of Tech, who administer the TechSIS Web browser that allows students to access their personal test numbers in order to cast their vote, have admitted that the Web page was not accessible for more than 17 total hours during the three-day voting period.

But the complications did not stop there. In my personal dilemma, I entered my personal test number, which I was fortunately able to access from TechSIS, and still was not allowed to vote.

Whether or not you agree with the outcome of last week's election, the idea of equal representation cannot be debated. And if a percentage of voters, no matter how large or small, were not able to cast their vote because of polling complications, the voice of this campus was not accurately assessed.

Thursday, SGA student senators will cast their vote to ratify last week's elections. I strongly urge them to vote against ratification of the election because of the obvious problems that occurred in administering the election process.

The obligation to create an equally accessible ballot for all students is a burden the SGA has placed on itself and claiming to be a representative of the student body is a label the organization has come to embrace.

If this election is ratified, the voice of a substantial number of students has been silenced; and it may be time for us to shed a little blood from the tree. If you were one of the many students who were silenced, contact the SGA and make sure they do not ratify this election.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

In defense

To the editor: Regarding Mr. Walter's opinion on Raider Red's affiliation (UD, 3/6), I must take exception to his conclusions, which are at best uninformed.

As an alumnus of Texas Tech and the Saddle Tramps organization, let me help fill the gaps of Mr. Walter's argument. First, even though he does state the fact that Raider Red is funded and maintained by the Saddle Tramps, he fails to mention the reason for this is that the Saddle Tramps created the mascot back in the early 1970s, based on Dirk West's cartoon. The first Raider Red, Jim Gaspard, was a Saddle Tramp who, with the help of other Tramps and their own money, made the first Raider Red mask and outfit. Over the years, the Saddle Tramps have carried on this tradition proudly, always making sure that as Raider Red evolved, the integrity of the tradition stayed intact.

Second, and probably the most important reason that Raider Red remains strictly a Saddle Tramp, is the time-consuming job of being the mascot. What Mr. Walter fails to mention in his article is that Raider Red makes 200 to 300 public appearances every year. There is much more to being Raider Red than just showing up for the games. It is a time consuming, often brutal, schedule of appearances that falls on the shoulders of one student each semester. The reason this tradition must remain with the Saddle Tramps is so proper oversight of the mascot's activities can be administered through the organization. The only way to keep up the tradition of Raider Red is to have an ever-vigilant watch over the activities of the student who is honored to represent this tra-

dition. If the duties of Raider Red were open to people outside of the Saddle Tramps organization, this function of oversight would be lost, and the integrity of the tradition could not be maintained.

The Saddle Tramps have served Tech and the Lubbock community for nearly 65 years. Their work involves much more than just the public appearances at athletic events. They have helped maintain many of the traditions you take for granted at Tech since 1936. I do not feel they deserve the criticism and ridicule by people who think this is the only thing they do. If you would like more information on the numerous duties and appearances of Raider Red, and the Saddle Tramps organization as a whole, I invite you to call or visit the Student Organizations Services office in the UC.

Bobby Lothringer
Class of 1995
Denton

To the editor: It is come to my attention that a small group of people are questioning the role of Saddle Tramps; most recently by Kelsey Walter in Monday's UD. In the column, Saddle Tramps are accused of being "nothing more than fans with a better view." I'd like to offer information to Kelsey and others who are unaware of the functions of Saddle Tramps.

In 1936, the Saddle Tramps were organized by Arch Lamb. While a student at Tech, Lamb noticed the student body was overly exuberant, unorganized and unruly. Private property was being destroyed. Lamb conceived the idea of an organization that would lead this enthusiastic spirit into constructive channels. It is this founding principle by which all Saddle Tramps abide to.

Being a Saddle Tramp is more than a member of a spirit group — it is an honor. Saddle Tramps have dedicated themselves to the betterment of Texas Tech and the preservation of its traditions. While many of the activities of Saddle Tramps go undetected, I believe that

all Tech students show appreciation for the efforts. Consider this:

- Saddle Tramps raised money for the first 40 band uniforms by selling tickets to a band concert.

- In 1938, Saddle Tramps supervised the planting of 20,000 trees on campus.

- Saddle Tramps spearheaded efforts to raise money for the creation of the Broadway entrance. In 1964, Saddle Tramps and other campus organizations took turns sitting behind Will Rogers to raise money for the project.

To Kelsey Walter: Ralph Waldo Emerson once said, "People only see what they are prepared to see." You say that you want to support your school the best way you can. Then why not join a group that has been dedicated to this university for more than 60 years?

Andrew Leonard
former Saddle Tramp
senior
management

Money problems

To the editor: I am responding to Monday's story about Karma, the "exotic dancer." I am shocked that anyone at The University Daily would consider this newsworthy. Come on! I was personally disgusted to find this story greeting me this morning. First, let me say to Karma, she is going to regret choosing this line of work. This kind of thing doesn't just go away when you quit dancing. It will be with her for a long time. People have a way of finding out your dirty little secrets, and they don't respect a girl who has to get naked to earn a living. Let's face it, honey, you take off your clothes for money. Try mentioning that at a job interview.

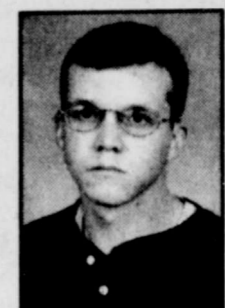
Aurora McGuire
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accounting

Police brutality a common injustice

If there's one problem that is recklessly overlooked in America, it's police brutality. You might think that cops are our friends and protectors, and many police officers are good people — well, a few; OK, hardly any of them.

I'm not a cop-hater. Some of my friends are cops. I have an ex-girlfriend who is a police officer. One of my best friends is a state trooper, and several Lubbock officers I hesitantly call acquaintances. All these people know how I feel. I have nothing against them personally, but I do have a problem with the way they treat people when they get behind their badge.

I'm not here to bash cops, although a little of that will take place. I'm here to point out our screwed up system that allows cops to have an insane amount of power over our lives.



Joe Colley
Columnist

Who actually becomes cops? Let's be honest. For the most part, cops are the people who were too stupid or lazy to go to college. It's rather easy to be a police officer if there is nothing too bad in your past. They go through police academy, and within a few months, we've got a whole litter of pigs.

I know there are exceptions, but most police officers are uneducated, lazy jackasses who decided to become cops because they did not know what else to do with their miserable lives. They get a gun and a badge so that they can power-trip for the next 30 years. They take an oath swearing to uphold the Constitution, and how many of them have even read the Constitution?

It is a shame that it takes the recent occurrences in New York and Los Angeles to actually wake a few people up as to what cops are capable of. In New York, four pigs shot Amadou Diallo to death. They fired 41 times and 19 of those bullets killed the unarmed, African immigrant. A jury acquitted all four men on all criminal charges, claiming the cops did not act on any racial caprice.

Am I the only person that finds it rather alarming that four cops can unload 19 bullets into a person because they saw something in his hand? They couldn't wait to see if that something in his hand was a hot dog or a candy bar or a wallet? What the hell is wrong with our justice system when it's perfectly OK for four cops to shoot an unarmed man? I did not know freedom and justice were so arbitrary.

Those four New York pigs should have been brought to justice, whether the victim was black, white, Hispanic, upper class, lower class, gay or straight.

Amadou Diallo was a person and deserved to be treated as such. Shame on the cops; shame on the jury; and shame on the system that allows these horrid acts to take place with no retribution or remedy.

Acts of police brutality aren't always shootings or beatings. There are more subtle forms that take place every day. There are thousands of illegal searches. Cops often coerce people into signing confessions without letting the victim call his or her lawyer.

The most common form of police brutality is simple disrespect. They think that everything they do is justified because they catch the so-called "bad guys," but the piggies forget that being black or poor doesn't make a person a bad guy. They forget that having earrings or long hair and tattoos doesn't make a person a criminal. Above all, they forget that looking suspicious is not a crime in a free country.

Those brain-washing organizations you people call political parties are doing absolutely nothing about police brutality. The Republican establishment doesn't care how many innocent people are disrespected, beaten or killed as long as the cops catch a few "bad guys" in the process.

When the Democratic presidential candidates were asked what they would do to end police brutality, they replied that they would put an end to racial profiling. While I'm all for ending racial profiling, it isn't going to stop one illegal search, beating or killing.

The cops who precipitate these actions might get punished differently, but don't we need to stop the acts from happening at all?

As always, political parties like to play games and bicker, not solve real problems. It would take only one simple principle to put a halt to all police brutality. Cops need to start giving all citizens, regardless of what they look like, the benefit of the doubt. It's not complicated; everything is spelled out in plain English in the Fourth and Fifth amendments in our Bill of Rights. But I guess that a little common sense and respect is too much to ask from those who are supposed to protect us.

Most of you don't care and are more offended that I used the term "pig" than you are that cops literally can get away with murder. For those of you who do care and want to do something about it, refer to my Feb. 29 column entitled "Some hell raising needed in society."

Joe Colley is a junior English major from Mount Pleasant.

Coach thinks Missouri Tigers deserve berth

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Quinn Snyder says the heck with having to win a couple of games in the Big 12 tournament in order to catch the eye of the NCAA selection committee.

Snyder figures his Missouri Tigers, who finished sixth in the Big 12 race and lost by a point Sunday to No. 24 Kansas, already should be assured of a berth in the 64-team field.

Missouri, which plays No. 11-seed Texas Tech in the first round Thursday night, generally is regarded as the long shot among the Big 12's six NCAA hopefuls. The Tigers are 17-11 overall.

"I'd like them to look at our entire season," Snyder said. "We were one possession away from beating Kansas in Allen Fieldhouse. To me, that says as much as winning the first game in your conference tournament."

The Tigers' worst loss was a 51-46 setback to Winthrop on Jan. 4, when freshman sensation Kareem Rush was serving a nine-game NCAA suspension.

Since then, Rush has emerged as one of the finest freshmen in the league and energized the Missouri offense — and Winthrop has gone on to earn its own NCAA berth by winning the Big South Conference Tournament.

The Big 12's top five finishers — No. 13 Texas, No. 15 Oklahoma, No. 17 Oklahoma State, No. 24 Kansas and regular season champion No. 7 Iowa State — should all get a bid no matter what fate befalls them in the conference tournament.

Iowa State coach Larry Eustachy does agree that Missouri will get a bid no matter what happens this week.

"No question about it. They're one of the top 64 teams, probably one of the top 50 in the country," he said.

LADY RAIDERS, from p. 6

want to win it because it will separate us from the other two as the real champions of the Big 12." The Lady Raiders might have a chance to meet both teams in the tournament.

They could meet the Sooners in the semifinals, and the Lady Raiders said they would like to see the Cyclones standing on the other end of the court when the finals arrive Saturday.

"I would like to meet Iowa State in the finals because we would like to prove to everyone that we can beat them," Schmucker-Pharies said.

"But at the same time, I am not looking forward to anybody, and there is not a single person or team I am really wanting to play."

The Lady Raiders have said all season that the defensive play for them has been the key to most of their 24 victories.

Dickerson, who Sharp said is the defensive leader on the squad, said she thinks the tournament will be no different from regular season conference play.

"I think our defense will help carry us in the tournament," Dickerson said.

"I think we still have to step it up a notch because it is the postseason and because our defense will help create some more offense."

Sharp and the Lady Raiders said they just have one goal in mind — winning.

"We just want to win it all," Sharp said. "And we want to do it all by having fun."

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by Matt Muench
Staff Writer

The nets have been cut down, the trophies have been kissed, and the seeds are all in place as the Texas Tech Lady Raiders begin to prepare for their run at a third-consecutive Big 12 Tournament title this weekend.

After two days off, the Lady Raiders were back at the United Spirit Arena on Friday, Saturday and Sunday practicing for what Tech coach Marsha Sharp said is the toughest Big 12 Tournament in the conference's four-year history.

"No question, there are more great teams in the Big 12 than ever before, and I think that will reflect in the NCAA Tournament," Sharp said. "The tournament will be just as tough as the regular season."

The No. 2-seeded Lady Raiders will play their first contest of the tourna-

ment at 6 p.m. Wednesday against the winner of the game between No. 7-seed Missouri and No. 10-seed Colorado.

All of the women's games will be played at the Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City, Mo.

The Lady Raiders said they are hoping to play Missouri in their first game so they can avenge the loss the Tigers dealt them Feb. 8.

"I kind of would like to play Missouri in our first game because we would like to prove to them that we are a better team than we were down there," Tech guard Melinda Schmucker-Pharies said.

The Lady Raiders arrived in Kansas City today and will have a short workout on Tuesday in preparation for the game.

The Lady Raiders said they are happy they worked hard all season long to get the first day off.

"I think it is a long stretch out there, and we can rest our legs the first day," Tech forward Keitha Dickerson said. "I think it is more of a bonus for all of us that we don't have to play the first day."

Schmucker-Pharies said the first-round bye also will give the Lady Raiders an edge because they can scout the teams a little better without the opposition scouting them.

"The bye is really important because it kind of saves your legs a little bit by not playing that one extra game in two days," Schmucker-Pharies said. "It also gives us a chance to see who we play and kind of watch how they play."

Sharp said preparing for the tournament has been a season-long goal for the squad, and the tournament title will go to whichever team wants it the most.

She said the Big 12 has at least five or six potential NCAA Tournament teams, and any of those teams have a good shot at winning the Big 12 Tournament.

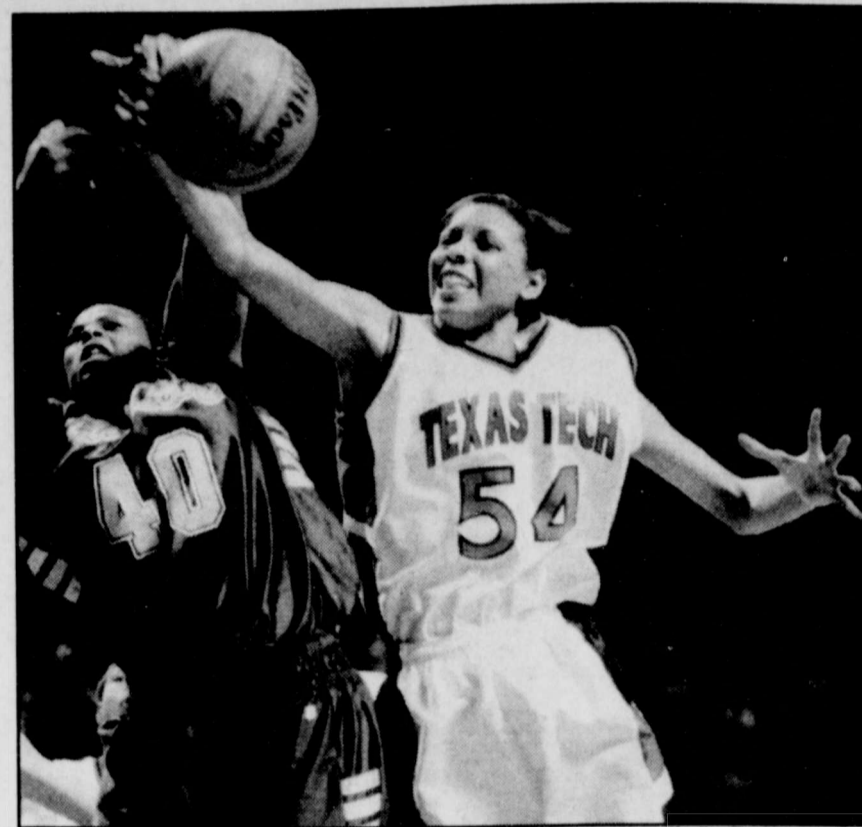
"I think that it is important that we work on the things that we do best," Sharp said. "I think it is a little difficult to break up the teams in the conference because we really won't know who we play next."

This tournament is different than previous conference tournaments because the Big 12 has three champions sitting in first place after conference play.

Along with Tech, Iowa State and Oklahoma finished with 13-3 records and tied atop the conference.

"I think all three teams want to go out and win it just as much as the other ones do," Dickerson said. "We

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The Lady Raiders will try to follow up their regular season conference title with a conference tournament title this week at the Big 12 Tournament in Kansas City, Mo.

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