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Wednesday's closing figures

STATE

Bush pardons rapist cleared by DNA proof

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush has pardoned a man who was convicted of rape but later cleared by new DNA evidence. Anthony Todd Robinson, 39, was convicted in 1987 of raping a University of Houston student, two years before DNA evidence was admissible in Harris County courts. He was sentenced to 27 years in prison and paroled in 1996.

When he was arrested, Robinson said he was innocent and offered a blood sample. His attorney said he was probably singled out because he is black. He paid \$1,800 for DNA testing after he was paroled.

Robinson's defense attorney, the trial judge and the Harris County district attorney's office all requested a pardon, Bush's office said. The county sheriff's office also supported the pardon request.

NATIONAL

Three officers found guilty of conspiracy

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Three Los Angeles police officers were convicted of conspiracy and a fourth was cleared Wednesday in the first trial to come out of the LAPD corruption scandal.

The Superior Court jury found Sgts. Brian Liddy and Edward Ortiz and Officer Michael Buchanan guilty. Officer Paul Harper was acquitted.

Liddy also was convicted of one count of filing a false police report but acquitted of two other counts. Ortiz was acquitted of filing a false report on one incident but convicted of filing a false report on another.

Buchanan was convicted of all three counts against him which had to do with his claim that he was hit by a truck driven by a gang member. Liddy's convictions included that incident.

The jury was told to consider the case against each officer individually.

The probe of the Rampart station's elite gang-fighting unit has led to the dismissal of approximately 100 criminal cases. The city attorney's office has agreed to pay \$10.9 million to settle 29 lawsuits connected to the scandal, and some estimates say damage settlements could cost the city \$125 million.

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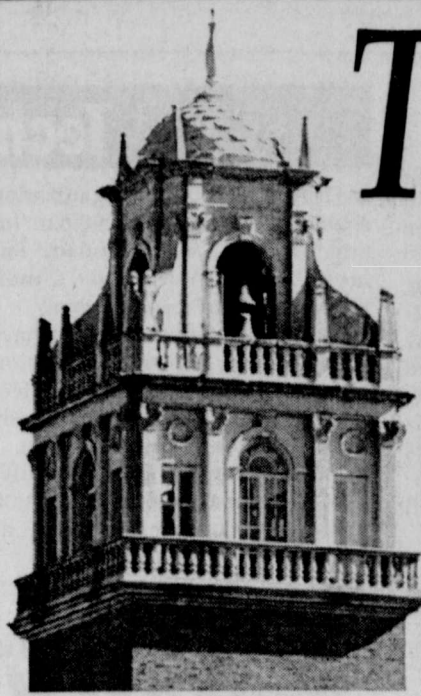
Peacemaker buried after dying of cancer

JERUSALEM (AP) — Leah Rabin, a passionate campaigner for peace, was buried Wednesday beside her husband, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who was assassinated in 1995 by an extremist Israeli who objected to his peace offers to the Palestinians.

World leaders, including U.S. first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, paid tribute to Mrs. Rabin, who died Sunday of cancer.

More than 1,500 invited guests attended the simple ceremony in a pine grove at Jerusalem's Mount Herzl cemetery. The mourners included German President Johannes Rau and Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder, Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov and U.S. Mideast peace envoy Dennis Ross.

Mrs. Rabin's daughter, Dalia Rabin-Pelossof, pressed a white handkerchief to her face to hold back tears as the simple wooden coffin was lowered into the ground.



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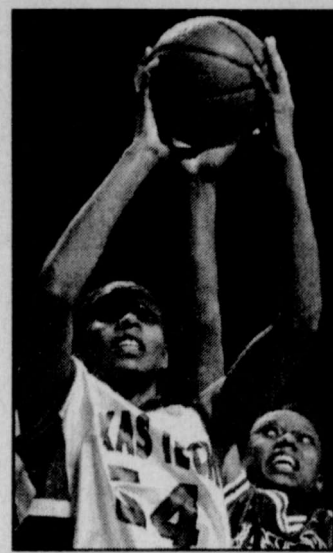
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Bush rejects Gore's recount proposal

(AP) — Al Gore made a surprise proposal for a statewide hand recount of Florida's 6 million ballots Wednesday night and George W. Bush swiftly rejected it, calling the effort under way in several Democratic-leaning counties an "arbitrary and chaotic" way to settle the presidential race.

With their futures tied up in a knot of legal battles, the presidential rivals made dueling appearances on national television, calling for a quick end to the contested election but disagreeing on how to do it.

"Our goal must be what is right for America," the vice president said at his official mansion in Washington.

"This process must be fair, this process must be accurate,

and this process must be final," Bush said from the governor's mansion in Austin.

Their evening addresses capped a whirlwind day of legal activity that gave both weary camps tasted of victory and defeat — but no clear road to completion.

The Florida Supreme Court, all Democratic appointees, rejected a request from Republican Secretary of State Katherine Harris to block any manual recounts while the courts decide whether the process is legal.

The high court's ruling, though far from the final word, gave Democrats new vigor in their ballot-by-ballot bid to trim Bush's 300-vote lead in the state. Officials in Broward and Palm

Beach counties hunkered down for an excruciating hand count of 1 million ballots.

The secretary of state also announced she would not accept the hand-counted ballots, calling the counties' reasoning "insufficient."

Harris vowed to certify the Florida election results Saturday without the hand recount totals. Gore's lawyers said they will challenge her decision Thursday.

In another front, Bush's lawyers filed a 182-page appeal in a federal appeals court in Atlanta. The Texas governor lost a round Monday on his move to shut down the recounts in Palm Beach, Miami-Dade, Broward and Volusia counties.

Hymnal hoedown



Performing at the Cowboy Church on Monday, Corey Ross, one of four church ministers, leads the service in a hymn. The Cowboy Church holds services at 7 p.m. every Monday at the Lubbock Livestock Auction.

Church puts cowboy spin on religion

By Kellye Fondy Contributing Writer

Every Monday evening, several Texas Tech students make the trek out to the Lubbock stockyards past Indiana Avenue to get a dose of religion.

"It is a great way to start off the week," Marla Harrah, a junior business management major from Encino, N.M., said.

Glenn Smith and Corey Ross, two of the ministers, started Cowboy Church in Lubbock

about two years ago. At that time, the Cowboy Church struggled to attract 20 or 30 people every Monday night. Now, 250 to 300 people gather to worship in the barnyard setting. Guests often have to sit in the aisles because of the limited seating.

"The people at Cowboy Church don't push religion; they simply want to teach the word of Jesus Christ," Summer Dean, a junior agricultural communications and education major from Jasper, said.

Several characteristics set Cowboy Church

apart from traditional churches. Unlike most Sunday morning services, everyone at Cowboy Church wears jeans or whatever attire they are most comfortable wearing. There are four different ministers who rotate every week, giving everyone the opportunity to hear several points of view.

Perhaps the most unique feature about Cowboy Church is the variety of people who attend. Some are cowboys, but not all. People

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Stadium planning finalized

By Jeff Lehr Staff Writer

Texas Tech officials finalized renovation plans Wednesday for Jones SBC Stadium, offering an illustrated taste of what to expect in the next year.

The three-stage project, which is currently in the first stage, is expected to be complete by the start of the 2003 Red Raider football season.

Mike Ellicott, vice chancellor for facilities planning and construction, talked to students Wednesday evening in the University Center Courtyard and said stage one of the \$90 million project is scheduled to be complete by July 2001.

"We will have doubled the size of the men's restrooms and tripled the size of the women's restrooms," he said. "Hopefully, this will shorten those five mile long lines during games."

Stage one renovations are on schedule and Ellicott said Lee Lewis Construction has adapted well to the weather challenges since construction began last spring.

He said the dramatic changes will occur at the beginning of the second stage. This involves the construction of the west stadium building.

Compared to the existing pressbox, which is 12,000 square feet and 90 feet high, the new building will boast 175,000 square feet of space and will change the Tech skyline by extending nearly 140 feet.

The completed pressbox is not scheduled to be complete until the start of the 2002 season. However, Ellicott said students can expect to see at least half of the structure built by next August.

Plans to tear down the existing pressbox were cut short due to the fact that the new one would not be ready by next season. "We'll just build up around the old one until it can be torn down," he said.

Included in the five-level building will be an 800-person club and 47 suites of which Ellicott said 41 have

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Tech Panhellenic passes new alcohol policy for Greeks

By Stephanie Armstrong Contributing Writer

In an effort to reduce the number of alcohol-related incidents among Greeks, all sororities at Texas Tech have agreed to have all parties with fraternities away from Greek Circle and have a third-party provide the alcohol. This means no fraternity or sorority can sponsor the alcohol at a function.

As of this semester, all 12 Tech sororities on campus have signed

the resolution, implemented by Tech's Panhellenic Council last spring.

The resolution declares that sororities belonging to the National Panhellenic Conference will no longer co-sponsor functions with alcohol on fraternity-owned property. It has previously been stated in policies from the National Panhellenic Conference that no alcohol-related functions are to be held in sorority lodges.

The National Panhellenic Conf-

erence's executive committee and the joint NPC/National Interfraternity Council task force on alcohol-free fraternity housing have recommended that college panhellenics take a stand regarding alcohol at events in fraternity facilities.

"The Tech Panhellenic is one of the first of the nation-wide, Greek community to do just that," said Meredith Smith, the former Tech Panhellenic risk management chairwoman and a junior advertising major from Plano.

Smith said the Tech Panhellenic is recognized nationally for their leadership in implementing this policy.

"I think this policy is an awesome way to make parties safer for collegiate women," Smith said.

The reason for such a policy is because of the high-risk involved in under-age drinking and fatal accidents that occur locally and nationally, Smith said. The policy started when the National Interfraternity Council called a meeting with the

National Panhellenic Council to find a resolution to tackle the problem of fraternity facilities being trashed across the country.

The National Panhellenic Council devised a policy to try and stop these problems. In Spring 2000, Tech Panhellenic received its copy of the policy and made a resolution.

"The policy we implemented for Tech was much like the one national devised, except we made it local to

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UT System names chancellor finalist

TYLER (AP) — University of Texas System regents Wednesday named Dan Burck the only finalist for the position of chancellor of the 15-campus system.

Burck has served as the interim chancellor since June, when William Cunningham retired after eight years on the job.

Under state law, the board must announce one or more finalists for the job at least 21 days before making the appointment. Burck is expected to be hired as the chancellor, but not necessarily long-term.

Because the regents have found no other candidates after an eight-month national search, removing the interim title will buy the board more

time for an expanded search. But for now, the regents are happy with Burck.

"I look forward to voting in favor of his appointment to the position. Dan has the breadth of experience, the management skills and the wisdom to do a superb job as chancellor," said Donald Evans, chairman of the board.

"I am gratified by the expression of confidence that the Board of Regents has made today. I will always do my utmost to merit that confidence and I stand ready to serve the UT System in any capacity that the board may wish," Burck said.

Burck, who will be 68 in January, is a former system executive vice chancellor for business affairs.

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of all ages, ethnic backgrounds and religions come together to worship God. There is also a separate children's church during the regular service.

"The messages that are delivered are so powerful and applicable to my life," Harral said.

Harral said the ministers explain how to deal with certain situations college students face every day. She also said Cowboy Church helps her deal with stress and frustration in her life.

One of the four ministers, Corey Ross, not only ministers at the church, but also leads many of the services in music.

"We just want to bring as many people to God as we can," Ross said, who is currently starting a Cowboy Church in Olten.

For some people, the church has brought them to closer to God and

affected them in what they see is a positive way.

"Cowboy Church has had a significant impact on my life," said Sid Morris, Slaton agricultural science teacher.

Morris, who has been attending for two years, said he is able to witness to his high school students every day. He said his life has changed dramatically since he first attended Cowboy Church. He also said it has allowed him to meet people with his same interests.

"I feel like a different person with God in my life," Morris said.

Cowboy Church also offers a Bible study at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Rudd's Feed Store, Farm Road 1585.

Cowboy Church will also sponsor a children's rodeo Sunday at the Caprock Equestrian Center, south of Lubbock.

Church services will begin at 9 a.m., led by Corey Ross, followed by a barbecue lunch. The rodeo will begin immediately after the meal.

TechNotes!

■ The Jewish Student Organization is holding a meeting at 7:00 p.m. today at 50th St. Caboose. For more information, e-mail ttujewishgroup@hotmail.com.

■ The biology department will have a public lecture on sharks Friday at 7:30 p.m. in biology department lecture hall 100. Contact Mark McGinley at 742-2723 for more information.

■ The SGA is holding Drowsy Driving Day in the UC Courtyard at 1:00 p.m. today. Contact Tim Wright at 788-1690 for more information.

■ Tickets for the Tech-OU bus trip are still being sold. Tickets cost \$50.00 and include round-trip transportation and a ticket to the game. Tickets can be purchased in the SGA office, UC room 230.

■ The National Black Graduate Student Conference will hold a free informational breakfast on Nov. 18, at 10:00 a.m. in the Educational Building, room 244. Reservations must be made by today. Contact Harold Bradford at 742-0623 for more information.



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fit our perspective for the Greek sororities," Smith said.

Since the policy has been implemented by all Tech Greek sorority presidents, the Tech Panhellenic has been used as an example for other panhellenics across the nation.

"We are very proud of this recognition; it makes us all feel like we are

doing something about a huge problem," said Panhellenic President Amy Bynum, a senior marketing major from Springer, Okla.

Smith said she thinks the policy will help improve the quality of Greek life and clear up stereotypes within the Tech and Lubbock community about Greeks.

Although the policy has been implemented within Tech's 12 sororities, some Tech fraternities think the policy is complicated and needs a second look.

"I think it would make more sense to keep the parties in one vicinity, like Greek Circle; that way there would be less drinking and driving getting from one party to the next," said Kappa Alpha Order Vice President Carson Fisk, a senior anthropology major from Dallas.

Since the Tech Panhellenic has implemented the policy, they also have ruled that all functions must provide bus transportation to drive anyone from a party back to a lodge on Greek Circle.

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been sold.

A new camera deck will also be added above the seating area to accommodate for media who responded to a survey saying they wanted to be closer to the field.

The west elevation will be decorated to be consistent with the Spanish Renaissance style of the entire campus and will be "unlike any other in the United States," Ellicott said.

Stage two work will also add about 10,000 new seats to the stadium, 2,500 of which will be built on the north end zone grass area.

Tech project manager, Robert Cameron, said once completed, the interior of the west building will be much more attractive than the current stadium.

"Your eye will be much more distracted with pleasant things," he said. Some of these pleasanties include engraved columns and a flag for each school in the Big 12 Conference, which

are to be placed on the outside wall of the building.

The final stage of the project will bring the construction of a 45,000 square foot football training facility on the practice fields east of the stadium. A Division I class locker room and a hall of fame lobby are two featured elements of the facility.

Cameron said future plans also call for the conversion of the football field surface back to natural turf and the construction of the Marsh Sharp Athletic Academic Service Center.

Drowsy day finishes events

By Pam Smith
Staff Writer

The Student Government Association held its annual SGA Day Wednesday in order to communicate with and inform students about the purpose of SGA and how they can become involved.

Events continue today with the SGA-sponsored Drowsy Driving Day, set to begin at 1 p.m. in the University Center Courtyard. The event will feature appearances from Texas Tech President David Schmidly, the Masked Rider, Raider Red and several members of the Student Senate and faculty.

SGA Day featured senators passing out 500 hot dogs to students in the UC Courtyard Wednesday and distributed 600 Word coupon books.

College of Business Administration Senator-At-Large Tim Wright said the turnout for SGA day was better than past years.

"Last year we couldn't give enough hot dogs away," he said. "This year we couldn't get enough of them."

Along with receiving free food, students were allowed to learn more about senators and their roles on campus.

It was an opportunity to make people aware of the issues the Senate plans to discuss in the future and how students can get involved with the organization.

"I think the purpose of this forum was just to talk to people," said College of Business Administration Sen. Michael P. Burns. "This works to bring out the awareness of what the SGA does."

As a new senator, Burns said the experience helped him become more familiar with his constituents and goals of the SGA. He said he believes reaching out is an important aspect of what the SGA does.

"I'm a new senator, and I think this is the goal of the SGA," he said. "I'm

really excited about the whole event."

Internal Vice President Brenda Schumann said many students were interested in topics they felt directly affected them.



She said several questions revolved around the funding of many student organizations on campus.

"We've had several students ask us about the budget process, which finances many of the student organizations," Schumann said. "Many of the questions revolved around 'What does the SGA do for me?'"

Agriculture Sen. Lauri Vaughn said she received several questions dealing with the procedure of how senate resolutions are passed and other questions relating to Student Senate rules and regulations.

"Some of the students were curious about what goes on during Senate meetings," she said. "They were surprised to know that senate positions were open to anyone that wants to run."

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Your View

Should Texas Tech ban smoking on campus?



Cody Bingham
freshman
English major
from The Woodlands

"No. When you've got the pressure of class, it helps when you can go outside and smoke a cigarette. If it is bothering people, they should make designated smoking areas. We are adults, we should be able to smoke."



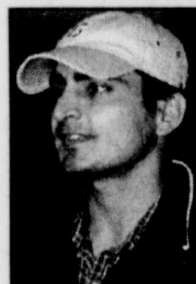
Dustin Bullard
sophomore
landscape architecture major
from Texarkana

"No, I don't think so. If people want to smoke, they can as long as they don't do it in buildings and enclosed areas."



Christina Huertas
junior
ESS major
from Grand Falls

"No, I don't think so because you should be able to smoke outside. I can understand banning it inside, but as long as they keep it outside, it is OK. We are paying to go here. They can't ban smoking as long as it is outside."



Irfan Khan
MIS graduate student
from India

"No. If people want to smoke outside, there is nothing wrong with that."



Whitney Lanier
instructional technology graduate student
from Midland

"I don't like it, but if they are outside, there is no reason that they shouldn't be allowed to do it."

compiled by Kristina Thomas

WRITE A LETTER TO THE EDITOR

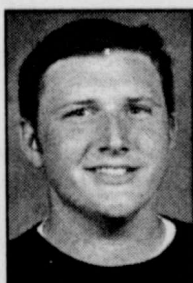
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Column

SGA works for Tech students

I want to ask you something. How can the administration improve the quality of your education? Of course, the obvious answers come up. Hire more professors, buy more computers, offer more classes, etc. Those are goals that should be accomplished, but I am asking you to think differently. I am asking you to think about little or big ideas we can use to make this university better.



Heath Cheek

I am willing to bet that everyone who is reading this has an idea or a suggestion that would improve your life as a student. Although you may think your idea is stupid or unfeasible, you would be surprised at exactly how much can be done to fix the problem if some student just takes initiative and researches the idea.

This is the basis of student government: Someone comes up with an idea, contacts someone in the administration, researches it, finds out if it is possible and proposes a resolution.

Let me show you an example of one such idea. A few months ago someone asked the question, "Why don't we have the opportunity to hear high-profile speakers like Colin Powell, Jesse Ventura, Madeline Albright, John McCain, Margaret Thatcher, Nelson Mandela, or even Bill Clinton on our campus?" The answer to the question is: High-profile speakers usually charge up to \$75,000 for speaking fees, therefore it was not possible. Because someone asked the question, the administration and the Student Government Association went to work and came up with a plan.

Under the plan, each student would be given the option of adding a \$1 fee to his or her tuition to fund an endowment. The funds collected from this voluntary fee will be placed in a fund and will be matched with administration funds to bring high-profile figures to campus. You can only imagine how much these

speakers will benefit the university. You will be able to learn from the people who have actually changed the world.

Instead of learning about business from a professor, you could be lectured by Ted Turner or Bill Gates. Instead of hearing about the Cold War from a history professor, you could listen to former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger or former President George Bush. Instead of learning about state government from a political science professor, you could hear former Gov. Ann Richards tell you how things work.

The possibilities of this program are endless. Historical figures, actors, business leaders, artists, the list goes on and on. The university will no longer be limited in their choice of speakers. Anyone you can dream of hearing speak, will be a possibility with this fund.

In addition to helping students learn, the program will help to boost the academic reputation and possibly bring more media attention to Texas Tech. Both of these things will directly affect you and the value of your diploma.

Many other universities around the nation have similar programs in place that have been very beneficial and successful. Best of all, the program will be controlled by you, the students. You will be able to vote for the person you want to hear speak, and you are able to choose whether to fund the program or not.

This idea is proof of what student government can do. Student government cannot fix all problems, but we can give it a shot. If you have a suggestion about this plan or anything else, I ask you to contact a senator or an SGA officer. If you do not know who represents you, go to www.sga.ttu.edu and find out who your student senator is. We want to know what you think. We hope that with your support and your ideas we can make this university better.

Heath Cheek is a senator from the College of Arts and Sciences and a junior political science major from Chillum.

Letters to the Editor

No sympathy

To the editor: The purpose of a community newspaper is to fulfill whatever information needs the community served requires. If that includes Marketing Association mixers, so be it: That's your responsibility. If you don't believe this, I'll be happy to forward to you copies of my hometown newspaper, with columns giving the date of the Sapphire community cookie party and telling who will be performing at a local church's "regular Saturday evening singing service."

How have you, as editor, determined your audience's interests? I've heard nothing about a reader poll. I've been watching students: The majority skip the front page. Regarding today's paper (Nov. 15), why include a large AP article on the Florida deadline? Yes, we have an interest, but do you think we are best served by yet another article?

Regarding space requirements: Are there so few letters to the editor and op-ed pieces submitted by staff that you have to resort to Molly Ivins pieces so often? Does The UD pay to publish her column? Couldn't that money or space be used more effectively for this community?

Regarding your work hours, get over it. If you plan a career in print journalism, that's what you're going to

be facing for the rest of your life. Every career, every job has its own peculiarities that you have to live with, if you want to do that job. And every student on this campus has as his or her first priority "my studies." If you cannot, or do not want to, handle all of your responsibilities, reduce them. But don't whine about it. Especially in public. It doesn't get you sympathy or understanding. And finally, regarding your attitude about your readership: Could you be a little more condescending? I'm sure some readers didn't catch onto how little respect for us you have.

Debra Haas
graduate student
family financial planning

(EDITOR'S NOTE: A readership poll for The UD is done every spring by faculty and students in the School of Mass Communications at Texas Tech.)

Hurry up already

To the editor: It is a travesty that the will of the American people might not be expressed in the choice of the president. No matter who wins the vote in Florida, and thus the Electoral College, the loser of the popular vote should concede victory to the candidate whom the people chose.

J. Hopkins
sophomore
biology

Column

America becoming the butt of jokes

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The morning after elections, the nation's capital awoke to see if its newest resident would be a Texan with a rap for executing too many people, or his Tennessee rival. Instead, there was no decision, and so kicked off "The Great Wait of 2000."

How fitting at a time when apathy plagues the nation that we can't even decide on a president. First Gore got Florida. Then Bush. Then, well, we're still waiting. And so is the White House.

From NBC's Tim "Mr. Dry Erase Board" Russert to MTV's in-between "Real World" episodes and music videos coverage, the last week has been a time of limbo for the American public and the two candidates vying for those 270 Electoral College points.

But just because we're waiting to see what the hand count is in those pivotal Floridian counties doesn't mean the country has to sit in neutral. Oh no. We have a lot of work to do.

First of all, we need to fire Florida. Kick it out of the union. Burn it, blow it up, mail it to Europe. I don't care. This state has been a boil on the nation's ass for too long. First came Gloria Estefan. If that wasn't bad enough, they made us endure through the whole docu-drama that was Elian Gonzales. And now this whole recount. The only thing this place is good for is Spring Break and Disney World, and Texas has Six Flags and South Padre Island, so let's give the place the boot.

Next, we need to prepare for what the nation's course of action will be if Bush is elected. Since he has earned the stigma of killing prisoners (as if the governor delivered the verdict and then flipped the switch himself) we need a list of people all across the nation who deserve the death sentence. I have a few nominees.

Anyone who suggests you fly to your summer beach house in Cape Cod to pick flowers for the perfect floral arrangement at the perfect dinner party you are planning deserves to die. Therefore, Martha Stewart needs to start picking out the ensemble one should wear to his own execution. She should quickly be followed by "NSync (Bye, bye, bye boys!), the people who liked Gore, but accidentally voted for Pat Buchanan (try checking the box corresponding to the candidate's name, idiots), and whoever the hell it was that let the dogs out (if I hear that song one more time). When this is completed, we need to sit down and talk to the networks — not just for letting people like the Olsen twins and the cast of "Dawson's Creek" to become semi-famous, but for their election coverage.

Rather than just reporting news, each of the networks decided to give each phase of the drawn-out proceedings its own dramatic title. From "The Road to 270" to "Waiting for Florida" to "Presidential Limbo" to "A Nation Waits" these titles are so made-for-TV-movie-esque that I expect Jaclyn Smith and a few ex-"90210" stars to pop up anytime now.

But, of course, the most ironic part of this whole ordeal is that the only people who called it were the people behind my own personal choice for news, "The Daily Show." With a hint of sarcasm, they dubbed the elections "Indecision 2000," which has now become the best title for the whole thing. Of course, this stranger-than-"Days-of-Our-Lives" storyline of national importance may bring about some long-awaited, awesome changes. For one, we may finally see the end of the Electoral College. The outdated system of electing a president has been sitting on the curb waiting for someone to take it to the Dumpster for years.

Finally everyone realizes that every vote does count (wait a minute — haven't we heard that somewhere before?). Which, if everyone does get out and vote in 2004 (I hope Hillary runs!), we can stop being subjected to those MTV commercials.

The world is finding this all humorous. Yeah, well, at least our women shave their armpits and take baths on a regular basis. I must admit all this recount, retally, down-to-a-few-counties, waiting for Florida drama is pretty eye-catching. But then again, what would you expect from the country that brought you Tonya Harding, the American Girl, Elian Gonzales, Monica Lewinsky and O.J. Simpson?

We may not do things the most practical way. But at least we add a little excitement to everything. Brandon Formby is a senior journalism major from Plano. He can be reached via e-mail at brandonformby@hotmail.com.

GOIN' TO Sooner Country

RAIDER ROADTRIP Series

GAME INFORMATION

Who: Texas Tech University and University of Oklahoma
Where: Memorial Stadium in Norman, Okla.
When: Nov. 18, 2000
Time: 2:30 p.m.
Television: ABC, Cox Cable channel 8
Drive: 398.5 miles, about 7 hours 27 min.
Weather forecast: scattered showers, High 35 Low 27

Information compiled by Kristina Thomas

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Raiders gear up for Sooner showdown

On Saturday, true Raider fans will make the journey to Norman, Okla., and may sit in the rain and watch the Red Raiders take on the No.1-ranked Sooners.

Texas Tech's 58-0 win over Oklahoma State University made them the only team in the nation to hold three shutouts this year. Texas Tech has recorded shutouts over Louisiana-Lafayette (26-0), Baylor (28-0) and Oklahoma State (58-0). They also held North Texas to one touchdown giving Tech a 13-7 win. However in Big 12 Conference play, the Raiders are 3-4. They have held ground for most of the season but fallen during the big match ups with Texas A&M (33-15), Nebraska (56-3), Kansas State (28-23) and Texas (29-17).

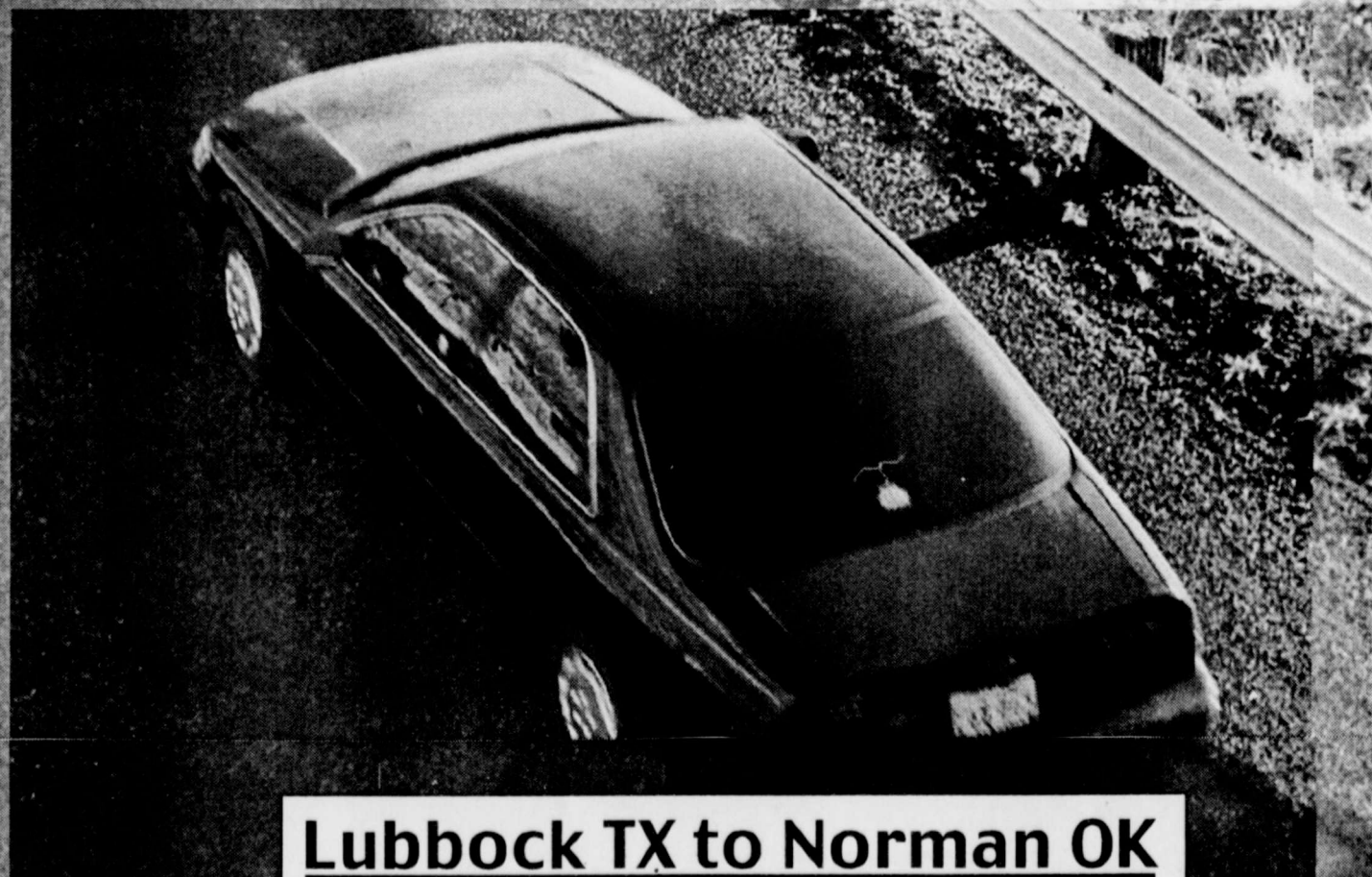
The Sooners, who are ranked No. 1 in the nation right now, are averaging 44.7 points per game and have an undefeated record. They have had nine consecutive wins over UTEP, Rice, Arkansas State, Kansas, Texas, Kansas State, Nebraska, Baylor and Texas A&M. This is a big jump from last year where OU finished third in the Big 12 Southern Division play and only received three votes in the Associated Press final poll.

The last time these two teams met was Nov. 20, 1999, at Jones SBC stadium with 42,020 people filling the stands to watch the Raiders take a 38-28 victory over the Sooners. Among the last times these teams have met, OU leads 5-2. In both of the wins that Tech has had over OU, the

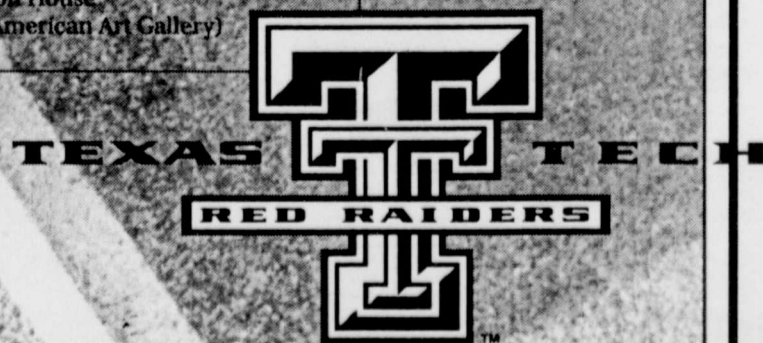
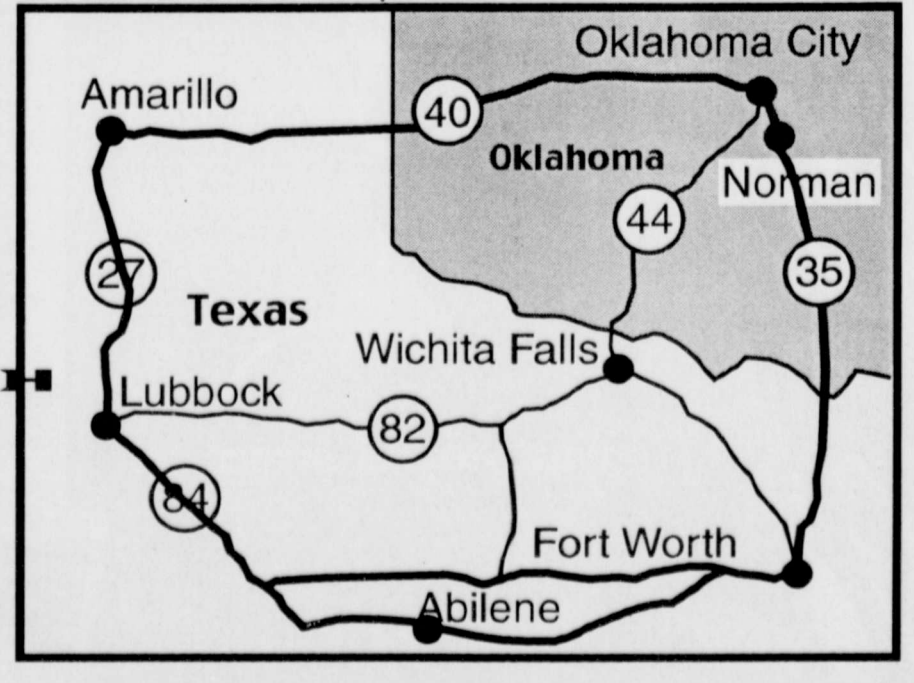
margin has only been 10 points; however, they have yet to be shut out. The lowest-scoring game between the two was 17-11 in 1994.

Oklahoma has claimed victory over teams such as Nebraska, Kansas State and Texas, ranking them the top team in the nation. They are hoping to sweep through Tech and continue their top ranked season. The Raiders have another agenda. They have given in during tough opponents but plan to hold their ground in their search to break OU's perfect season.

The drive is lengthy and weather undesirable but Raider fans will head to Norman to watch OU fight to keep their perfect record and Tech fight to break it.



Lubbock TX to Norman OK



Raider basketball to face Athletes First

By Jeff Keller
Sports Editor

After proving victorious in its first exhibition contest this season, the Red Raider men's basketball squad will look for similar results in its first

preseason contest against Athletes First at 7 p.m. today at the United Spirit Arena.

The Red Raiders had little trouble disposing of California All-Stars in their first exhibition contest earlier this week, beating the squad 77-60.

Tech outshot California All-Stars 38.6 percent to 31.7 percent in the contest.

Two Red Raiders recorded double-doubles in the contest with center Andy Ellis throwing in 18 points and grabbing 13 rebounds, and forward Cliff Owens pouring in a game high 19 points and pulling down 11 boards.

Starting guard Jamal Brown led the Red Raiders in assists with nine, and he also added six points in his first game at Tech.

Brown said having a game under his belt will help his confidence and the rest of the team's confidence as well.

"It will help a lot," Brown said of having played one game this season. "We're starting to gel, and I think we really need these exhibition games before the season starts. We've been looking at each other for a month, and it really feels good to get a game under our belts."

The contest against California All-Stars was Ellis' first contest since dislocating his left shoulder 14 games into last season.

Ellis said the first game gave good experience to the six newcomers to the Red Raider squad.

"It was a good win, and we got a

lot of experience for the new guys out there," Ellis said. "We did a lot of things good, and we did some things not as good as we would like to, but that is just stuff that you expect early on in the season, especially with six new guys on the team."

Tech shot just 21 percent from the floor in the second half of the contest against California All-Stars and Ellis said shot selection is an area the Red Raiders need to improve on against Athletes First.

"I think our shot selection was a little sketchy at times," Ellis said. "That is to be expected with a bunch of guys who were stars in their high schools."

Only 4,501 fans came out to the Red Raiders first exhibition game. The capacity of the United Spirit Arena is 15,000.

Ellis said the crowd turnout was somewhat disappointing, but he thinks more fans will turnout as the season progresses.

"You would like to see more people out there, but there is nothing really that you can do about it," Ellis said. "All we can do is go out and work as hard as we can and hopefully win a bunch of games and hopefully the crowds will start coming to our games."

Against California-All Stars, Tech built a 23-point halftime lead only to

be outscored in the second half 34-28.

Tech guard Ronald Hobbs had four points in the opening exhibition contest and said the Red Raiders relaxed in the second half against California All-Stars.

Hobbs said Tech will try to remain focused for the entire contest against Athletes First.

"I think we just got too relaxed at halftime," Hobbs said. "We started laughing, and we didn't stay focused. If we would have stayed focused, we would have continued to make shots. We got a little lackadaisical."

Hobbs said it will be important for the Red Raiders to perform well and pick up a victory in their final tune-up for the regular season.

"We always want to finish up on a good note," Hobbs said.

"We need everybody to go out and play hard."

Following the matchup with Athletes First, Tech will have six days before it opens up regular season play against Prairie View A&M at 7 p.m. on Nov. 22, at the United Spirit Arena.

Tech will play six of its 11 non-conference contests in the confines of the United Spirit Arena. The Red Raiders will begin Big 12 Conference play against Kansas at 8 p.m. on Jan. 6, in the United Spirit Arena.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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ACROSS

- Puppy feet
- Pitches in
- "Mephisto Waltz" star
- Ersatz butter
- Raise in status
- 12 o'clock
- Discomfort
- Talk of the town?
- Island group in the Caroline Islands
- Billboards
- Heavy payment plan?
- Bank job?
- Much removed
- Full-length tunic
- Acts as a chair
- Publishing grp.
- Ike's lady
- Lena or Marilyn
- Obstacles
- Flower element
- Dove or Rudner
- Encourages in wrongdoing
- Unbroken
- Ex-GI
- Moccasin with leggings
- Fins
- In the past
- Make fresh
- Heavy shouldered?
- Barrier Reef
- Dangle
- Dried fruit
- Father
- Spoken
- Burning coal
- Farm produce
- Polygonal projection
- SDI weapon
- Worn out

DOWN

- Dads
- Jai
- Heavy traveler?
- Poem of 14 lines
- Beatles hit
- "And I Love"
- Be jubilant
- Tibetan priest
- Stratagem
- Helicopter attack
- Located on the front
- Actress Petty
- Magician
- Cross with a loop at the top
- Thailand, formerly
- Clothesline
- Metal fastener
- Conspiracy group
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By Roger Coburn
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7:00	Bus. Report	Today Show	News	Lightyear	Good Morning	K. Copeland
7:30	Body Elec.			Recess	America	Paik Program
8:00	Barney		Early Show	Sabrina		Greg Mathis
8:30	Teletubbies			Pepper Ann		
9:00	Callou	Today Show	Sally Jessy	Nanny	Live W/Regis	Dr. Laura
9:30	Sesame		Raphael	Caroline		
10:00	Street	Martha	Price Is	Grace/Fire	View	Divorce Cl.
10:30	Mr. Rogers	Stewart	Right	LiV's Single		Divorce Cl.
11:00	Dragon Tales	Montel	Young & the	Ricki Lake	Mad/You	Joe Brown
11:30	Arthur	Williams	Restless		Port Charles	Joe Brown
12:00	Old House	News	Days of Our	News	All My	P/Attorney
12:30	M. Katzen	Days of Our		Beautiful	Children	Mills Lane
1:00	Sit Be Fit	Lives	Passions	As the	Jenny Jones	One Life to
1:30	Barney			World Turns		Live
2:00	Zoozoo/mafo	Clifford	Hwyd Square	Guiding	Street Smart	General
2:30				Light	Paik Program	Paik Program
3:00	Arthur	Washbone	Rosie	O'Donnell	Maury Povich	Clueless
3:30					Moesha	Housecalls
4:00	Zoom	R. Rainbow	Oprah	Winfrey	For Women	7th Heaven
4:30					News	Tell/Truth
5:00	Betw./Lions	Nightly Bus.	News	NBC News	MASS	Family Feud
5:30					CBS News	X-Men
6:00	NewsHour		News	Extra	Jeopardy	News
6:30					News	W/Fortune
7:00	Life of	Birds	Friends *PG	Cursed *PG	48 Hours	WWF
7:30						Smackdown
8:00	Mystery!		Will/Grace	Shoot Me *PG	City of	Angels
8:30					Diagnosis	Murder
9:00	Territory	Short List	E.R. *PG			
9:30					News	Tonight Show
10:00	Nightly Bus.		News	Tonight Show	Letterman	Craig
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More political schemes, or hoop dreams ?

It was a match-up that had been dreamed of all season. It promised to be a battle of Titanic proportions. It was the long-awaited championship between basketball powers Gore City and Bushville. It was a media circus in Palm Beach, where the two squads would battle for court supremacy.

"According to our fan poll," a network anchor person reported prior to the game, "We give the game to Gore City, no, wait, Bushville wins."



Phil Riddle

The game went on, even though several thousand Gore City followers were absent from the gym due to exceedingly confusing tickets. It seems that some followers of the

Gore City Gorillas wound up at a soccer match in Borneo. The two teams lined up for the tip-off.

"I invented the tip-off," said GCHS center Al "Stilts" Gore.

"That's ridiculous," said his counterpart of the Bushville Braves, Lil' Georgie Bush.

The two teams matched each other basket for basket through the first quarter. It was tied 40-40 when Gore stopped the game to complain to the referee.

"I think we should be leading by now," Gore said. "I think your math is a little fuzzy. I also think that we should put off the rest of this game until our fans get back from Borneo."

Over Gore City's objections and threat of a lawsuit, game officials called for the continuation of action.

The Gorillas were playing a stiff, wooden game in the second quarter, but the Bushville squad, playing a less than intelligent offensive scheme, was not able to gain any ground.

"I have no doubts about our coaches' strategic abilities," said Georgie. We just got to be less dumb with the ball."

The second period was as close as the first, each team finding its share of offensive muscle. The score remained even at the half, 74-74. The halftime show put on by the respective school's marching bands, was an impressive sight. The Gore City Fighting Gorilla band played a medley of elevator oldies, which included "Feelings," "Sentimental Journey," the theme from "Miami

Vice" and "Key Largo." It was followed by Bushville's Battlin' Braves Band playing the Beatles' "Day Tripper." Jimi Hendrix's version of "The Star Spangled Banner." "Momma Told Me Not to Come" by Three Dog Night and "The Eyes of Texas."

Then it was back to basketball.

"I still think your counting is wrong," said Al "Stilts" Gore prior to the beginning of the second half. "I, um, we should have won this game."

"It's not over yet," the ref told him. "Oh, yeah."

The third quarter was as vigorously fought as the first two. With one stanza left to play, the teams were tied. The fourth quarter was an offensive showcase. In fact, most fans there said that the tail end of the game was the most offensive thing

they'd ever witnessed.

Georgie Bush sank a 3-pointer with only three seconds left when "Stilts" Gore stopped the game and congratulated the Braves on the win.

"Great game," Gore said. "It was a hard fought contest, but the better team won."

"There are three seconds left," the ref told Gore. "It ain't over yet."

"Oh," said Gore. "In that case, I take it all back."

"You take what back?" Bush asked.

"Don't get snippy," said "Stilts."

The clock ran out with the Braves holding a 3-point advantage and with GC officials screaming foul on the last play, a long distance attempt from the Gorillas that would have tied the game. After reviewing the

play with the other officials, the chief referee, the "Ref," Jesse Jackson, ruled that Gore had three free throws coming.

"It's only right, he gets these shots tonight," Jackson said.

So Gore went to the charity stripe for his shots, over the arguments of the Bushville squad. Swish. The first free throw went through. Bushville was down to a two-point lead. Swish. The second shot went down. Utter silence filled the gym as "Stilts" prepared for the final, game-tying shot. Clang. Off the rim, no good. The Bushville team and fans went crazy. They stomped up and down and hugged and cried to the strains of the school song. To be continued...

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Lady Raiders take out Houston Jaguars

By Matt Muench
Staff Writer

It started out as an organized basketball game with the score close for nearly the first five minutes, but the game ended up looking more like a street ball game.

The Lady Raider basketball team gave the Houston Jaguars a thrashing Wednesday at the United Spirit Arena, beating the road team 92-51 in front of almost 11,000 fans.

Texas Tech came into the match off a sluggish victory over Slovakia last week, but Tech coach Marsha Sharp said her team performed better in Wednesday's contest.

"I think we played much better than a week ago," Sharp said. "We are still a long ways from being where we want, but we are much closer tonight than we were a week ago."

The two squads began the contest exchanging baskets and five minutes into the game the Jaguars were clinging to an 18-15 advantage.

It was the last lead the Jaguars had as Tech closed the half on a 30-5 run.

The run was sparked by the play of guard Katrisa O'Neal who scored

ten of her nineteen points in the first half.

"It's so important that Kat got off to a good start," Sharp said. "Since we have so many young players this year, by going and getting off to a good start and gaining some confidence for the team."

O'Neal said because she is the lone senior on the squad she has to play the leadership role.

"I know that if I come out and don't play well and force a lot of things it will get the team rattled," she said. "I think my role is to be a leader and being confident and pulling the team together."

O'Neal was one of four Raiders to score in double figures.

Junior Amber Tarr added 12 with all of her points coming by way of the three-point arc.

In the win over Slovakia, Tarr was 0-for-6 from three point range but improved Wednesday, shooting 4-for-9.

Sharp said because Tarr is new to being a starter it has taken longer for her to adjust.

"There is a difference when you come off the bench and doing the things she did for us last year," she said. "There is more pressure when

you are starting."

Sophomore Plenette Pierson contributed 11 points while freshman Casey Jackson scored 19.

Sharp said the five freshmen on this year's squad have the capabilities to play this season and added they will be competing well for playing time.

"They played really well tonight and I think they are going to continue to demand some minutes," she said. "They are really going to help our basketball team."

Tech had five other players light the scoreboard on the evening.

On the boards, Tarr led Tech with seven rebounds, while freshman Jolee Ayers led the Lady Raiders defensively by adding three steals.

The second half was dominated by the Lady Raiders. They outscored the Jaguars 47-28 in the second stanza. The period opened similar to the first as both teams exchanged early baskets. However Tech went on another run to pull away from Houston.

Most of the Lady Raiders' baskets came on fast breaks in the second frame converting 12 Jaguar turnovers into 18 points.

Sharp said she expected the Jag-

uars to play Wednesday's contest a little closer because they played basketball powerhouse Louisiana Tech close earlier in the week.

"They have groups of different type players but I thought and expected it would be a little closer," she said. "I think they are a little tired."

Sharp credited the victory to Tech's first half defense.

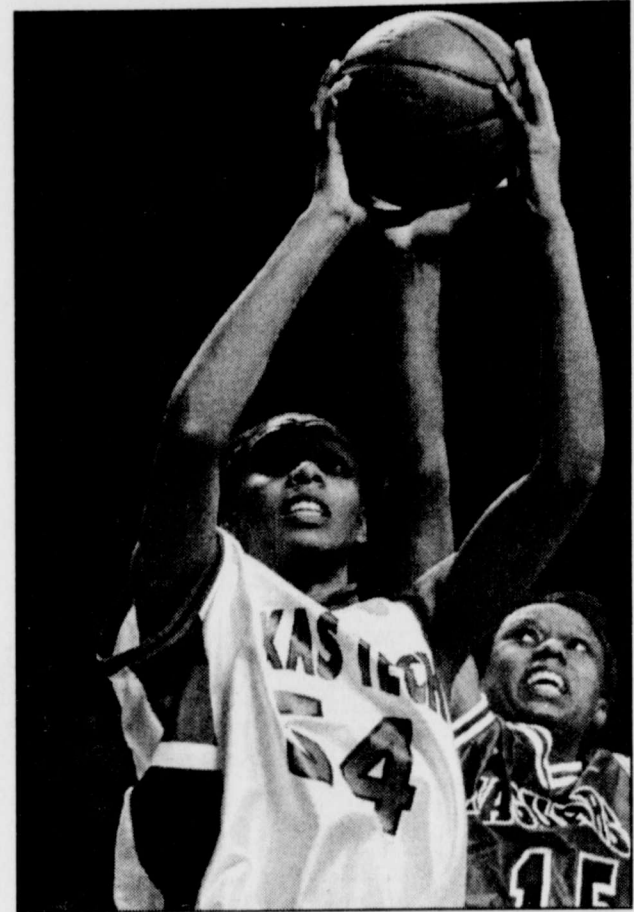
The Lady Raiders held Houston to 31 percent shooting from the field and 26 percent from the three point arc.

"I thought the first half we really played well on the defensive end," Sharp said. "I think for us, it starts on the defensive end. I think we still know that we have to play well at that end of the court every game."

Wednesday's scrimmage was the Lady Raider's final tune-up before the regular season opens 7 p.m. Monday at the United Spirit Arena against the Texas-Arlington.


O'Neal said she thinks the team is ready to go and start the regular season.

"We pushed the ball more tonight and I think we are about ready," she said. "We are very excited and we have been waiting for this moment for a long time. So, come on."



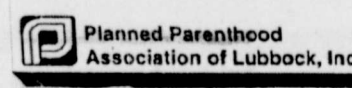
Texas Tech forward Plenette Pierson goes up for a shot in Tech's 92-51 victory over the Houston Jaguars Wednesday at the United Spirit Arena.

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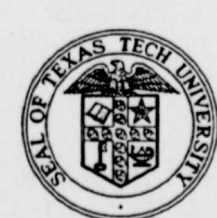
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