

U.S. pounds last Taliban stronghold

WEAKENING THE ENEMY: Bombing targets hideouts of terrorists as northern alliance moves close to gaining control of Kunduz.

WASHINGTON (AP) - U.S. airstrikes pounded suspected terrorist hideouts among Afghanistan's tunnels and caves. Taliban fighters surrendering this weekend in their last northern stronghold moved the opposition closer to control of the city of Kunduz.

The Pentagon offered no immediate response to claims by witnesses and officials on the ground that at least eight U.S. bombs exploded on Pakistani territory Saturday during a raid on Taliban positions along the mountainous frontier with Afghanistan.

No deaths or injuries were reported on the Pakistan side as of Sunday, but at least 13 Afghans were killed and two others injured on their side of the border, said a resident of Peshawar, Pakistan.

President Bush, in his weekly radio address Saturday, said the effort to root out terrorism will take time and may expand to other countries. "The fight we have begun will not be quickly or easily finished," he said.

tions continued against Osama bin Laden and the al-Qaida terrorist network, and adhered to their usual practice of reporting details just from the previous day's attacks.

U.S. bombers and strike aircraft from Navy aircraft carriers hit 10 target areas near Kabul and Kandahar on Friday, spokesman Army Maj. Timothy Blair said.

Also struck were "emerging targets" throughrevealed themselves, he said.

troops and tunnels and caves thought to be used by al-Qaida leaders.

U.S. military planners said only that opera- from carriers at sea, while eight to 10 long-range bombers and a like number of land-based jets participated.

> None of their aircraft's bases were identified by the Pentagon.

Also Friday, U.S. cargo planes dropped rations near the northern alliance-held city of Mazar-e-Sharif in northern Afghanistan, Blair said

In Kunduz, more than 1,000 defenders of the out Afghanistan as Taliban or al-Qaida forces city surrendered Saturday, including hundreds of fighters loyal to bin Laden, the alliance said. Bombing runs have been aimed at Taliban Other foreigners who remained in the city pledged to fight to the end.

A Bush administration official described the Some 45 U.S. aircraft joined in the effort situation as fluid. At the Pentagon, Blair said

he could not comment on operations in Kunduz.

A deal negotiated over the past few days by alliance commanders and the Taliban provides for safe passage for Afghan Taliban fighters. The estimated several thousand foreign fighters -Arabs, Chechens, Pakistanis and others - are to be held pending investigation into their suspected links with al-Qaida.

U.S. officials believe they may include some of bin Laden's key lieutenants.

As for the claims about the U.S. bombs exploding in Pakistan, witnesses to the attacks said that the target of the raid appeared to have been an abandoned Taliban training camp in Paktia province about 180 miles southwest of Peshawar.

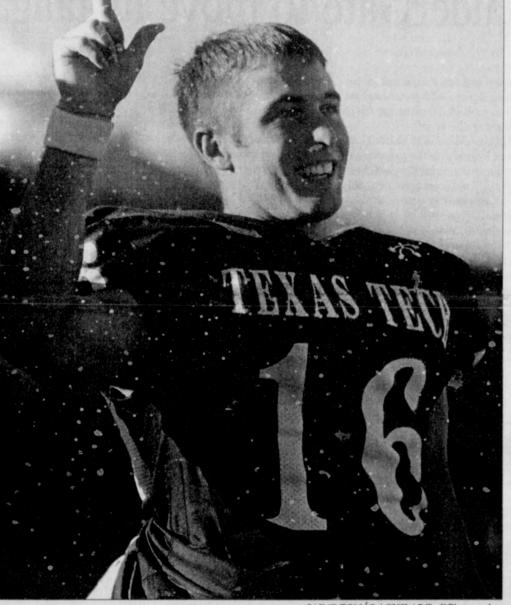
Tech QB Kliff Kingsbury setting Red Raider records as his gridiron performance earns national recognition

By Phil Riddle/Staff Reporter

xas Tech quarterback Kliff Kingsbury may have

to start taking applications for his own personal

carpenter. He may need one to build a new tro-



Lubbock officials seek Amtrak establishment

INCREASING OPTIONS: A campaign to bring a train system to West Texas is in the works.

By Jenny Klein/Staff Reporter

sociation.

Planes, trains and automobiles three means of transportation Lubbock officials want. However, only two of these currently exist in the city.

Michael Reeves, vice president of governmental affairs at the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce, said he wants to change that.

Reeves has embarked on a campaign to bring Amtrak to Lubbock.

The route he wants Lubbock to be a part of is called the Caprock Chief, which is endorsed by the Texas Association of Rail Passengers.

The Caprock Chief would run from from one route to a different one. Fort Worth through Lubbock and Amarillo and up to Denver, bypassing many smaller communities along the way, said Sue Castles, regional director for the as-

There are two main things Lubbock has to prove, she said. One is the proof of profit, the other is the proof of rider ship and support.

Currently, Reeves said, he just wants to get Amtrak's attention.

"We've gotten a tremendous amount of support already, but what we need to do is build interest within other communities," he said.

Amtrak is working with limited equipment, he said. Lubbock has to show them why they need to shift running

"If we can prove this is a pro-

Kingsbury finished the regular season on Saturday leading the Red Raiders to a 58-3 win against Stephen F. Austin.

The junior signal-caller from New Braunfels threw for a personal best five touchdowns while completing 39 of 47 passes to accumulate 366 passing yards. Kingsbury is one of four Tech quartbacks to throw five touchdown passes in a game.

He also set two more school records for career touchdowns (50) and broke the single season passing yards mark of 3,437 by 19.

Kingsbury was named the Big 12 Offensive Co-Player of the Week following a 440-yard passing effort after Tech's 49-30 conference victory against Oklahoma State in Stillwater, Okla., on Nov. 10.

Kingsbury credits his awards and records to his teammates

"That's a big honor," Kingsbury said. "It just shows how well we play as an offense. It's a team honor. Everyone on the offense played well. It was great to get recognized."

Kingsbury, who has been named a semifinalist for the Davey O'Brien Award, enters the postseason as the Big 12's leading passer in yards (3,502), completions (365), attempts (529) and touchdown passes (25).

Still, Kingsbury thinks he and the Red Raiders need to earn the league's respect.

"I think we do," he said. "Until you knock off some of the bigger names, you're not really going to stand out. We've come close, but we've got to get over that now.

Tech coach Mike Leach feels like his guarterback should come off the "Unsung Heroes" list issued weekly by the conference.

"I think it's unfortunate he's not a 'sung hero," Leach said. "He leads the conference in yards, he leads the conference in completions, he's second in the conference in touchdowns. It's clear to me he's the best quarterback in the conference, one of the best quarJAIME TOMÁS AGUILAR/Staff Photographer

TEXAS TECH QUARTERBACK Kliff Kingsbury holds his Guns Up as the Goin' Band from Raiderland plays the Matador Song following the Red Raiders' 58-3 romp over Stephen F. Austin on Saturday afternoon at Jones SBC Stadium

terbacks in the nation. I think his numbers speak for themselves."

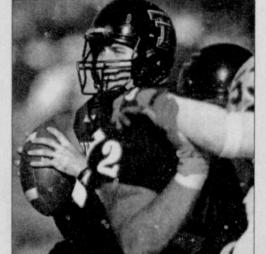
Kingsbury is one of eight quarterbacks in line for the O'Brien Award, the trophy given annually to the nation's top college OB. The finalists will be named Nov. 27 and the winner is to be announced Dec. 6 on the Home Depot College Football Awards Show on ESPN. The winner and two runners-up will be honored Feb. 18 in Ft. Worth at the 25th Davey O'Brien Awards dinner.

Kingsbury collected 3,418 yards as a sophomore in 2000, completing 362 of 585 yards and 21 touchdowns.

Even after that kind of success in his first year at the helm of Leach's offense, he knows the team has matured, especially during Tech's three game winning streak, when the Raiders beat Baylor, Texas A&M and Oklahoma State.

"It's night and day," Kingsbury said of the weeks since a 42-7 loss to Texas.

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GREG KRELLER/Staff Photographer TEXAS TECH QUARTERBACK Kliff Kingsbury stands in the pocket looking for an open receiver during Saturday's game against Stephen F. Austin.

route, it's feasible Amtrak would come

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Employment suffering since Sept. 11 attacks

WORKFORCE WOES: The state's unemployment rate is down slightly from last year.

By Jenny Klein/Staff Reporter

unemployment rate stemming from the economic effects of the Sept. 11 attacks, and Texas seems to be no different.

The Texas Workforce Commission recently reported 27,800 job losses throughout the state.

After adjusting for seasonal hiring trends, October's unemployment rate was 5.2 percent, up from 5 percent in September, according to the commission's report.

Robert Crawely, an economist with the commission in Austin, said seasonally adjusted numbers give a more accurate picture of the job market.

Lubbock, however, did not follow the statewide trend.

Lubbock's unemployment rate de-

The entire nation is facing a higher creased from 2.4 percent in September, to 2.2 percent in October.

> "Lubbock actually gained 1,300 jobs and didn't lose any, which is caused by hiring quite a few individuals in the Lubbock area," Crawely said.

> Most jobs showed up in the government sector - 900 total - including 300 at the local government level, he said.

> Other industries that added jobs included construction, retail trade and the services, Crawely said.

> Statewide, he said, the retail trade market, which includes general merchandising, car dealerships and grocers, lost the most jobs at 7,600. Services crew industry lost 5,500 jobs, which includes

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Flight recorders found from Swiss airliner

By Ernst E. Abegg/Associated Press

ZURICH, Switzerland - Workers combing through a muddy wood found the flight recorders from a Swiss airliner that crashed near Zurich, killing 24 people, officials said Sunday. Nine people survived, two in critical condition.

The four-engine Crossair Jumbolino Avro RJ-100 crashed a few miles short of the runway Saturday night after a flight from Berlin with 28 passengers - most of them foreigners - and five crew aboard.

Authorities said the bodies of all 24 victims were recovered by Sunday evening. The survivors

included two crew members, but the pilot and copilot were among the dead, they said.

A Zurich police statement said the passengers and crew included 10 Swiss, 13 Germans - including one who also had U.S. citizenship — three Israelis, two people from the Netherlands and one each from Austria, Canada, Ghana, Spain and Sweden. They did not release the names.

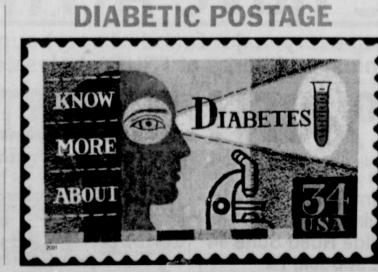
Before all 24 deaths were confirmed, Israeli officials said three prominent Israelis were among those missing and feared dead. They were Yaakov Matzner, 54, dean of the Hebrew University school of medicine; another leading doctor, Amiram Eldor, 59; and Avishai Berkman, 50, a

Tel Aviv city official.

A German record company said a singer with U.S. and German citizenship, Melanie Thornton, was on the passenger list and was not among the nine survivors. She was flying to Zurich for radio and television appearances to promote her new single, said Anja Scheding, a spokeswoman for the record company X-ceil. She said Thornton was from Atlanta.

Three women from a German dance-music group, Passion Fruit, were also on board and at least one was believed to have survived, Scheding

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A NEW DIABETES stamp was unveiled and dedicated Tuesday at the United Spirit Arena. For related story. please see USPS on page 2. JENNA HANSEN Staff Photographer

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IENNA HANSEN/Staff Photog TED TYLER, POSTMASTER for Lubbock, speaks during a diabetes stamp dedication ceremony last week at the United Spirit Arena to raise awareness about the disease.



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USPS puts stamp on diabetes

By Jeff Stoughton/Staff Reporter

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Mason Plaut and his sister, Trisha, carry devices that resemble pagers with them wherever they go. Their classmates often ask about the machines, which actually are pumps designed to inject insulin into the children's bodies.

Both children suffer from Type I diabetes, a disease in which the pancreas stops making insulin, a necessary component of food digestion.

Mason, 12, and Trisha, 11, are among the nation's 16 million diabetes sufferers

The U.S. Postal Service is trying to raise the public's awareness of diabetes. A stamp designed to raise awareness about diabetes was dedicated in a ceremony at the United Spirit Arena last week

Lubbock postmaster Ted Tyler said

the postal service released 100 million stamps in honor of American Diabetes Month, held each November. The American Diabetes Association is one of several organizations trying to promote awareness of the disease. About 33 percent of all people with diabetes are unaware they have the disease.

Dr. David Smith, president of the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center and interim chancellor, said the number of children diagnosed with Type II diabetes is increasing. Previously, Type II diabetes was found mostly in adults.

"Diabetes violates a lot of families,' he said. "This stamp will be a reminder to millions of us every day of how critical this is. The greatest epidemic we are about to face is diabetes.'

Treatment of diabetes costs the state of Texas \$5 billion annually, and it is estimated that the disease directly affects 200,000 Texans. Smith said numbers are

not important to people directly affected by diabetes.

"Big statistics are blurring," he said. "One is too many. These numbers mean nothing."

Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, shared stories at the dedication ceremony of his father and sister, both of whom suffered from Type I diabetes. Unlike Type II diabetes, Type I requires patients to give themselves daily injections of insulin to properly deal with sugar in the blood stream. He said his father managed the disease well, took care of himself and lived to be quite old. His sister's diabetes was cured with a pancreas and kidney transplant.

"If we made such advances that long ago, just think of what will be possible in the next 10 years," he said.

Duncan recently secured \$70 million for research and treatment of diabetes in the state of Texas.

The Tech Diabetes Center was created two years ago to study diabetes and provide effective treatment for the disease. Tyler said the center is an important tool in understanding and fighting the disease.

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"What a blessing it is for us to have the Diabetes Center," he said.

After mentioning the United States' recent war on terrorism, Tyler said diabetes is another enemy attacking the nation.

"This is one enemy we will defeat," he said.

Britny Adams, 12, suffers from Type II diabetes. She gives herself four injections of insulin daily to cope with the disease. Although the treatment often is uncomfortable and generates negative attention from her classmates, she said it is a small price to pay for life itself.

"This is my life," she said. "If I want to live, this is what I have to do."

RaiderGate to move its tailgating to new lot

By Pam Smith/Staff Reporter

RaiderGate, Texas Tech's student-run tailgating section, will have a new home next year in the R-1 parking lot west of the Chemistry building.

"We would have liked to have kept the same location, but due to previously made construction plans, we will have to move it," said John Steinmetz, Student Government Association president. "However, changes will be made to accommodate students."

One of these changes includes the addition of shuttle buses that will run to and from the RaiderGate parking lot and Jones SBC Stadium. Steinmetz said he hoped this would help ease the change of location for students.

"With the success RaiderGate has

had, I think the number of students participating in RaiderGate will increase, even with the change," Steinmetz said. "However, the buses will keep students from having to walk as far to the game." Michael Shonrock, vice president for

Student Affairs, said he thinks students will not be inconvenienced because of the move.

"The parking lot is still close to the stadium," he said. "It won't be that much further for students to walk to the game."

The move could potentially help alleviate another problem the tailgating section faced in its inaugural year. Steinmetz said the biggest complaint he has received is that more people wanted to attend the event than there were spaces available.

"The only real complaint we received was that there were not enough spots," he said. "The increase in spots in the big-

ger R-1 lot will allow us to hand out more passes to RaiderGate next year."

Although the number of spaces will increase, Steinmetz said the SGA is lookto be able to reserve spaces.

"Right now, we are looking at the possibility of reducing the number of spaces a student can reserve, from two to one pass," he said. "Students with a cooker can be granted a additional space when they arrive. However, a final decision hasn't been made. We are just looking at different options."

Steinmetz said he is looking into ways to cut down the time students have to wait for passes. Next year, he said, the SGA hopes to employ a computer program that will be able to better track the passes that have been issued and the stu-

dents who attend the events.

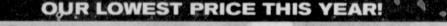
"We want to find a way to give students a better use of their time instead of having to wait in line, he said. "With this ing at other ways to allow more students computer system, we can also find ways to allow more students to reserve spaces."

Shonrock said the success of RaiderGate has exemplified what can happen when students come together to form a tradition.

"I am very excited about the fact that the students have done such a wonderful job with this," he said. "This is a tradition that I hope will continue for a long time at Texas Tech."

Steinmetz said any students who have suggestions for how to make RaiderGate better in the future should contact the SGA office at (806) 742-3631 or by email at sga@ttu.edu.

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- KATHY WALT

Perry's Spokeswoman

Supreme Court to hear state-funded abortion debate

A TAXING ISSUE: Supporters say women are entitled to support under the constitution.

By Jim Vertuno/Associated Press

AUSTIN — The battle over whether Texans should help pay for "medically necessary" abortions for poor women goes before the state Supreme Court this week

Supporters and a Texas appeals court say the women are entitled under the state constitution. Anti-abortion groups warn the case could open the door for "abortion on demand" at taxpayers' expense.

The case will be presented in oral arguments before the court on Wednesday.

A group of doctors and family planning clinics that provide abortions for Medicaid-eligible women filed a lawsuit in 1998 on behalf of poor women in Texas.

Women suffering from heart disease,

By Jeff Donn/Associated Press

in Massachusetts claimed Sunday they

had cloned the first early human embryo,

a step toward providing genetically

matched replacement cells for patients

nology, in Worcester, Mass., say they have

no immediate interest in transplanting

such early embryos into a woman's womb

have banned human cloning. Congress

Several states, including California,

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The scientists at Advanced Cell Tech-

with a wide range of diseases.

is considering such a ban.

BOSTON - A group of scientists

complications run serious health risks when pregnant, the doctors said.

Under current law, even if a doctor recommends an abortion in "medically necessary" cases, Medicaid won't pay for it. Those women are forced to extend a risky pregnancy while trying to raise the money themselves, the doctors said.

The doctors lost at trial but won a favorable ruling from the Third Court constitution in of Appeals in Austin in December 2000. Attorney General John Cornyn's office appealed that decision to bring it before the Supreme Court, the highest civil court in Texas.

Medicaid is a federal and state program that pays for health care for the poor. Federal law prohibits federal Medicaid money from paying for abortions except in cases of rape, incest or when the mother's life is in danger.

The U.S. Supreme Court has previously ruled that the restrictions on federal spending for abortion do not violate equal protection under the U.S. Constitution.

The Texas Supreme Court will de-

hypertension, cancer, epilepsy and other cide whether the state constitution allows the state to draw similar guidelines. In ruling 2-1 for the doctors, the lower

appeals court said the state is violating women's rights.

for a medically necessary procedure, the court said. Texas voters (Gov. Rick Perry) amended the state does not support the 1972 to include equality under the use of taxpayer funds

law regardless of sex, race, color, creed or national origin. Cornyn's ap-

peal argues the goal of the state's restriction is to en-

courage child birth over abortion. To meet that goal, there are limits to paying for abortions, the appeal said.

Courtney Facciponte, spokeswoman for Texas Right to Life, said the "medically necessary" standard is too broad and that Texans could be forced to pay for

thousands of abortions for poor women if the state loses the case.

According to the Texas Department of Health and Human Services, 11 abortions were billed to Medicaid in 2000, Men do not face similar restrictions under the stricter standard of rape, incest or when the

mother's life was in danger.

As of October this year, there were 365,703 females between the ages of 12 and 50 in the Texas Medicaid program, acto pay for abortion. cording to agency statistics.

> The standard the doctors want is a "wolf in sheep's clothing,"

Facciponte said. "It's just so broad, it can mean anything. It leaves the door open to abortion on demand."

rent rule amounts to denying poor

women of their right to choose an abortion.

"Without money some women truly do not have a choice," she said. "We all know women of means are going to be able to afford an abortion.'

Both sides said they'll be closely watching the all-Republican Supreme Court during oral arguments. The nine-member court has two new appointed members and two others who have decided not to seek reelection next year. Another has been nominated for a federal post by President Bush.

Wallace Jefferson, the first black to serve on the court, and Xavier Rodriguez were appointed this year by Republican Gov. Rick Perry to fill vacancies on the bench this year.

Perry spokeswoman Kathy Walt said the governor did not quiz his appointees on their position on abortion or use it as a litmus test.

Perry is against abortion except in cases of rape, incest or when the mother's life is in danger and "does not support the use of taxpayer funds to pay for abortion," Walt said.

Reeves said anytime a city can bring more visitors to town, it's going to help the local businesses.

"They are going to stay in our motels, eat at our restaurants and attend our events," Reeves said.

Much of the future depends on the availability of state and federal funds, Castles said.

A \$71-million funding package was introduced to the U.S. House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee earlier this month that would allow states to build high-speed passenger lines if

Castles said her association is working with elected officials to get money to Texas for this cause.

The more available funding there is, the better the chance of getting the service up here, Reeves said.

The most important thing Amtrak needs to see, he said, is the support of the citizens.

"If citizens want it bad enough, it can happen," Castles said.

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The plane crashed as it approached a nighttime landing strip that began oper-

"These are exciting preliminary re- egg. In such cloning, the injected DNA sults," said Dr. Robert P. Lanza, one of the researchers at Advanced Cell Technology. "This work sets the stage for human therapeutic cloning as a potentially limitless source of immune-compatible cells for tissue engineering and transplantation medicine."

Massachusetts scientists claim cloning of early human embryo

In findings published Sunday by The Journal of Regenerative Medicine and described online in Scientific American, the scientists said they had grown a sixcell human embryo.

They said they created the early embryc by injecting a very small cell with its genetic material into a woman's donated

ating a month ago after the Swiss Transport Ministry agreed to limit airplane noise above nearby Germany.

The runway is considered more difficult to approach than two others used previously, and the agreement with Germany allowed the use of those two runways in bad weather. Officials said the pilot did not request permission to switch runways.

Rain mixed with snow was falling and visibility was poor when the Jumbolino went down just after 10 p.m. Airport officials said communication was normal until the plane suddenly disappeared

often comes from a skin cell, but the researchers this time used a cumulus cell, which nurtures a developing egg.

In a separate experiment, the scientists showed they could push the development of human egg cells even further with a technique known as parthenogenesis.

They exposed 22 egg cells to chemicals that changed the concentration of electrically charged ions within them. Six eggs reprogrammed themselves to develop into early embryos known as blastocysts, which contain dozens of cells.

"I was walking the dog when I saw

the plane. It appeared to be flying low.

Then the sky mined bright orange, as if

there was a sudden ball of fire," Franz

Brunner, a local government official, said

said four of the nine survivors were "well,

considering the circumstances," three

were in stable condition and two in criti-

JIMENEZ BURRITOS

Zurich police chief Peter Gruetter

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Kae McLaughlin, executive director of the Texas Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League, said the cur-

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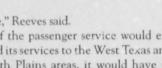
If the passenger service would extend its services to the West Texas and South Plains areas, it would have to use rails that currently exist, he said. Burlington Northern Santa Fe, the current operator of the existing rails, would have to give its consent, Reeves

However, Reeves said the benefits would boost Lubbock's economy tremendously, mainly because it provides another travel opportunity.

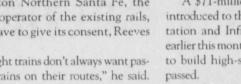
Lubbock being a college town and with new tourist attractions within the city, more people are apt to visit.

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said.

"Freight trains don't always want passenger trains on their routes," he said. "Amtrak would have to operate trains on those tracks. There could be some scheduling problems there."

Employment

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health and medical businesses or professional services, he said.

While Texas' unemployment rate inareas experienced a decrease in unem-

ployment percentages, similar to Lubbock's. The only areas that experienced an increase were the Tyler, Sherman-Denison and San Antonio areas, according to the report.

Nationwide, the unemployment rate jumped to 5.4 percent in October, accreased statewide, many metropolitan cording to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.





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OPINION

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Big Easy can be hard to remember

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ORLEANS -An airplane ticket to this town should be accompanied by a warning from the surgeon general. If you have ever been here, to the Crescent City, then you know

BRANDON what I am talking FORMBY about.

The city's history is saturated with legends and mysteries, all of which emit an inescapable vibe of dark seduction that can tempt even the most pristine of souls.

For us, it all started one innocent lay. With curiosity taking a strong hold on us, Amy and I decided to head on over to the famed section of New Orleans (pronounced Nawlins) known as the French Quarter. Situated on the bank of the Mississippi River, the French Quarter is full of beautiful architecture, interesting people and a strange, mystic force. The narrow streets were lined with an array of cafes, restaurants, bars and gift shops. So there we were, just innocently walking around and checking things out. A guy working one of the hole-in-the-wall bars was standing on the street, beneath the French-style balcony that canopied the sidewalk in front of the place. We noticed a sign in the window advertising the day's drink specials as he yelled to pedestrians the bar was offering drinks two for one during happy hour.

So we innocently decide a quick drink couldn't hurt. Besides, we were thirsty from all the walking and didn't want to continue meandering through the French Quarter as parched as we were. OK, so I really just wanted to try one of those Hurricanes everyone had told me about. So we went up to the bar and ordered a Hurricane for each of us. And that's when the bartender muttered a question I shall never forget for the rest of my days.

"Do you want that here or to go?" Shocked, we stood in disbelief and just stared at the guy.

"Do you want a cup to take it with you or what?" he asked.

"You can do that?" we wondered. "Yeah," he said, looking at us as if we had just asked him if the sky is blue.

After crying with joy for about half an hour, we answered, paid and took those suckers with us to sip on the rest of the journey. Taking an instant liking to the drink, I finished mine in about10 minutes. Amy, on the other hand, wasn't really enjoying it. So, being the kind friend I am, I finished hers for her. Now, the thing about a Hurricane is it's one of those drinks that contain about 40 times as much alcohol than they let on by taste. Already realizing New Orleans was a magical, magical place we were about to make another discovery — the center of the city's magic; the source of its wonder — Bourbon Street. Having free will and the ability to make judgment calls, adults usually are

able to decide things for themselves. But like a Bermuda Triangle of alcoholism where free will succumbs to carnal desire, Bourbon Street makes everyone who walks it crave a drink. The moment we stepped foot on it,

we were mysteriously taken over by this desire Another strange thing about

Bourbon Street is the diversity of establishments lining it. In five minutes, you can walk by a bar, a club, a mom and pop T-shirt store, a strip club, a jazz bar, a souvenir shop, a cafe, another bar and an up-scale restaurant. Though not necessarily in that order.

Immersed in a crowd full of drag queens, 'round-the-clock lushes, college kids, alcoholic grandmothers from states like Montana, and scantily-clad flashers, we slowly moved with the mob in one joint and out the other. By the time we had had a few Hurricanes next to a flaming fountain, a few daiguiri from random "walk-up" bars and a few shots at places with names like The Cat's Meow, we stumbled (quite literally) upon a bar called The Tropical Isle. Everyone there was walking away from the bar with large. slender, greentinted plastic cups that had a bulge at the bottom. Upon closer inspection, we realized the bulge was supposed to be a grenade, hence the name of the drink - the Hand Grenade. I remember the taste of it - not too sweet, not too alcoholic. I remember getting the drink to go and heading back out to the festivities on the street. I remember stumbling. The 10 hours between that drink and when I woke up in my hotel room, however, are

completely gone.

You see, a Hand Grenade is a very tricky thing and, as I now know from hindsight, is aptly named. You think it's fine. You think it's calm. And then -BOOM! It's all over.

So I wake up in bed the next morning, the hotel room spinning out of control.

I'd like to stick up for myself. I'd like to tell you what had happened. But I can't. For when you drink things like Hand Grenades in a town that lets you take drinks to go and doesn't have last call until 8 a.m., your memory tends to pack up and leave you.

New Orleans is a great place. It is an absolute blast. People come away from this place with a million stories - well, if they can remember them, anyway.

Don't get me wrong. I don't regret anything I did. That may be because I don't quite remember anything I did. But I maintain that a plane ticket to

Guys amused too easily COLUMN

here are few things in life that will turn a guy back into a 5-year-old boy like a new cool looking car, some new gadget for their computer or the latest



video game or video game player. This transformation happens about 10 times a day while they are watching television, driving down the street or even while reading a

magazine. It takes the smallest aspect of something new to make them delighted with the thought of

I saw this transformation happen before my eyes in a matter of minutes. When the latest and greatest video game came out to the stores, I saw all of my guy friends react like it was the greatest day on earth. They had to have it that day, right when it came out. Upon getting the game they sat in front of the television and played all night, as if it would suddenly disappear if they should ever stop.

The look of excitement and enthusiasm on their face as they played this game reminded me of a little boy and the first time he ever got a new video game on Christmas day. But this reaction seems to take place every time they see a video game, whether it is in a department store or at a stranger's house. This common bond over video games brings many boys together. No matter what the game or what it's about, when two boys compete against each other, a bond is formed that cannot be broken.

Girls, we all see this bonding taking place because we are usually the ones left out. We can try to play with them, but they would rather have another boy who knows how to play instead of some girl. This

may annoy us at first, but then, we

concentration. It's the most intense

look you've seen on their faces since

Girls, if you haven't noticed this

I am sure you have noticed that

yet, you will. This transformation

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

education. Was there such a problem with installment plans before that you

had to resort to this option? I feel that it is outrageous to even consider asking college students to pay their tuition in full and I can assure you that I'm not the only student who feels

this way.

Kayla Norris freshman architecture

Symphonic props

To the editor: I want to express my appreciation to the Symphonic Wind Ensemble for their outstanding performance on Nov. 18. Their performance was excellent, without a doubt.

I also want to express my appreciation for the audience attending that concert. The audience showed great respect for the performers by keeping quiet between movements of a piece and by applauding enthusiastically at the appropriate times. It has been a long time since I have seen a concert audience behave so well. Maybe this kind of behavior is the standard at Tech; I certainly hope so. I also credit Tech's music department for creating and maintaining a great atmosphere for musical performance.

Russell Willerton graduate student technical communication and rhetoric

Tolbert on the money

To the editor: I wanted to write to tell everyone how much I enjoyed Kellie Tolbert's column "Feelings of inferiority not worth it" in The University Daily (UD, 11-19).

I have never laughed so much at something I found in the paper. Her column is so true.

It is time for women to be proud of what they have, even if what they have doesn't get on the cover of a magazine. Her column was so funny



this place should be accompanied by the following caution statement.

"Warning: Due to the fact that the people in this area do not subscribe to or adhere to the wuss alcohol laws you have been oppressed by throughout your life, you are encouraged to exercise great caution when living it up, as a night of drinking here will cause your stomach to toss, turn, flip and perform circus tricks for the next 72 hours.'

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that I laughed out loud in class.

things that our society deems as

necessary.

consider.

I then passed it on to my classmate

So as a woman in the world today, I

wanted to say thank you. Not only did

myself but you gave me a valid point to

Amy Brown

graduate student

physical therapy

you make me laugh at others, and

who did the same. It is really great that

she can make fun of the most ridiculous

too. You even let them tell you over and over about what it does and how cool it is because the last time you saw your dad this ecstatic was the day you went away to college.

But they were young once, too and they probably acted the same way they do now about new gizmos and gadgets coming to a store near you

College guys feel in order to impress a girl they have to have the latest and greatest of everything. But here is the awful truth - we couldn't care less about the new software on your computer or the new part for you car.

Half the time, we have no idea what you are talking about but since you are so cute when you ramble on about stuff, we just smile and nod. But the guys do become cooler to their guy friends because now his friends get to play with the new stuff he bought.

There is no reason for guys to feel embarrassed for loving video games because it just makes you look cute to girls. But guys, you should always realize there is a time to quit playing and pay attention to the beautiful things in life around you, such as your girlfriend. Remember, she probably likes you for who you are, not the material things you have.

Or at least, she should.

Kellie Tolbert is a sophomore journalism major from Clovis, N.M. She can be e-mailed at Liinymph_klt@hotmail.com.

New policy a pain

To the editor: In regards to the letter I received in the mail concerning tuition payments, I have a few complaints.

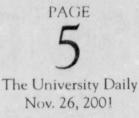
To begin with, whose bright idea was it to change tuition payments from installments to being paid in full by Jan. 3? Who in their right mind believes that college students are capable of doing this? Especially if we are assessed a fee until we are able to do so.

I thought it was creative of Student Business Services to enclose a handy little (pink) paper that more or less stated, "hey why don't you just go ahead and drop out of school because we know you can't pay for it anyway." It must be clear to those responsible for this decision that Texas Tech students will have trouble paying their tuition in full, so they were nice enough to enclose a financial aid form as well.

Yet another one of the enclosed papers discussed payment options. How encouraging the title at the top of that paper was: "New Billing Information for Spring!" And you say it with such gusto! Yes, thank you Tech, for being so considerate as to give those students who are able to pay by Jan. 3, a free Tshirt. Hmm, where in the world did you acquire the funds to give away free Tshirts? Not only is it hard on the students who work their way through college, but also on the parents who help their children pay for their

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Gospel choir to perform holiday tunes at Tech

The Joyous Voices Gospel Band from Detroit will perform 'Oh Holy Night: A Gospel Christmas' at the Allen Theatre on Wednesday

By April Tamplen/Staff Reporter

Adding to the holiday spirit this Christmas, Texas Tech Student Activities will present "Oh Holy Night: A Gospel Christmas" at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the University Center Allen Theatre.

The performance will feature the 20member Joyous Voices Gospel Band and Choir led by Rudolph Hawkins from Detroit.

The choir will be performing gospel arrangements of well-known Christmas music in a fresh, high-energy celebration, said Jana Vise, student activities assistant director.

The group will sing nearly 20 holiday songs, including "Joy to the World," "Go Tell It On The Mountain," "Oh Holy Night" and "Angels We Have Heard On High."

Vise said this will not be traditional

gospel music, but she hopes it will sweep people into the Christmas spirit.

Bing Crosby, Burl Ives and Nat King Cole's traditional hits will be performed at the event.

Music and improvisational singing, Vise said, will be linked with a dramatic portrayal to bring the meaning of Christmas to the audience. She said black Christians have culti-

vated through the decades a tradition of

music making, and this can now be heard in contemporary black gospel music.

Hawkins, who worked on such projects as the Martin Luther King Celebrations and "Jesus Christ Superstar," wrote "Oh Holy Night."

He received a commendation from former President Bill Clinton for his extensive contributions to music, Vise said.

The production of "Mama, I want

to Sing," of which he was the composer and musical director, appeared in New York City and across the country.

Mary Donahue, assistant director for student activities, said she is looking forward to hearing the gospel choir sing and encourages the student body to attend the concert.

"I think this is going to be a fun concert because it shows Christmas spirit through Christmas carols," she said. "It (806) 742-3610.

adds a touch of the gospel music, which makes you want to clap your hands and dance in the aisles."

Tickets to the event are \$16 for the general public and \$8 for Tech students with a valid Tech ID.

For tickets, call the UC Ticket Booth at (806) 742-3610.

For more information about the event, call the Student Activities office,

Tech faculty member to present their musical compositions Tuesday

By Liesl Klinkerman/Staff Reporter

Faculty of the School of Music at Texas Tech will be presenting a concert of unique and original works 8 p.m. Tuesday, in the Hemmle Recital Hall.

The show will feature compositions performed in wide variety of media. The concert will also feature musicians such as Mary Jeanne van Appledorn, Gail Barber, Steven Paxton and artist Suzanne Hagwood.

Van Appledorn will offer her miniatures for trombone quartet and her sonatine for clarinet and piano while Barber will perform her own personal public," Muse said. "It would be great form and compose music in many

work for harp and synthesizer.

Hinds will contribute a piece for solo double bass and a piece featuring his one-of-a-kind style of overture singing

Paxton will be closing the show with a collaborative, multimedia work created in partnership with visual artist Hagwood. The program will also feature sculpture, dance, electronic music and live musicians.

The program will be featuring four different musicians and artists, said Liza Muse, information specialist at Texas Tech University.

"The concert is free and open to the

to have everyone there-students, other faculty members, members of the community.

Among the four musicians performing will be internationally known harpist Hail Barber, who is also a professor of music at Texas Tech University.

"I also teach private harp lessons along with teaching at the university," said Barber.

Barber has appeared in many recitals as a soloist and accompanying orchestras in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Europe and the Middle East. She is a versatile artist, and can per-

It would be great to have everyone there: students, other faculty members, members of the community.

> - LIZA MUSE Information Specialist

styles such as classical, pop, folk, jazz and new age.

Barber graduated from the Eastman School of Music, where she was grees in composition from the Univerawarded the Performer's Certificate in sity of North Texas, and a Ph.D. in fine Harp.

She has been a member of the Rochester Philharmonic, Eastman Philharmonic, Chicago Little Symphony and Peninsula Festival Orchestras.

"I have a new recording out," Barber said. "It's called 'Garden of Paradise'. It's mainly improvisation using a harp and a synthesizer."

the show, is an associate professor of Russia and Japan.

music and chair of the music theory/ composition division.

He has a bachelor's and master's dearts from Texas Tech University.

Another musician who will be performing in the concert, van Appledorn, is a professor of music at Texas Tech University.

She graduated from the Eastman School of Music, where she received a bachelor of music in piano, a master's in music theory, and a Ph.D.

Her works have been performed Paxton, who will also be featured in throughout the United States and in

Today' show reveals some cracks after years of morning dominance

may be coming down on a period of remarkable television dominance by NBC's "Today" show.

Katie Couric and Matt Lauer's broadcast is still the clear leader in the morning, but its rivals are ascending, particularly ABC's "Good Morning America." The trend has become more pronounced since Sept. 11.

It is causing some internal angst at television news one of television's most profitable shows, a program that has known noth-

week of Nov. 12 than it had in five years, has increased its audience by 12 percent since the attacks while NBC is down 5 percent.

"Good Morning America' was the most aggressive of the three in changing its format in response to the hard news climate," said Andrew Tyndall, a consultant who studies the content of

It often opens each hour with a dynamic segment involving several cor-

NEW YORK (AP) — The curtain to "Today" in the ratings during the the show had have turned into negatives," said Steve Friedman, executive producer of "The Early Show."

Following Sept. 11, shades were drawn for several weeks over the Rockefeller Center window where "Today" fans congregate. Al Roker didn't work the crowd during weather segments. Outdoor concerts only returned last week. Couric and Lauer's popularity as personalities isn't as important in

a hard news period, experts said. The ratings edge which usually gives "Today" a big advantage in booking guests is not key at this time, Friedman said.

named a new executive producer, ment president.

Zucker, who became NBC entertain-

"The biggest reason it seems to be going down is they miss Jeff Zucker," Friedman said.



earlier this year strained a staff already Jonathan Wald, in May to replace Jeff in transition, Tyndall said. "Today"

ing but success over the past decade.

"Sometimes these shows need a little kick in the pants," said 'Today' show spokeswoman Allison Gollust, "and that could be what we're seeing happening."

A week after the presidential election last year, "Today" was on a real high. Its average audience of 8.4 million that week was more than "Good Morning America" and "The Early Show" on CBS combined, according to Nielsen Media Research.

For the same week this year, "Today' had sunk to 6 million viewers. "GMA" had 5.1 million viewers and "The Early Show" had 2.8 million.

respondents reporting on breaking news, instead of showing news headlines or having newsmaker interviews, Tyndall said.

The experience of ABC's hosts --how the Taliban treated women and Charles Gibson spent more than a decade covering Washington - is something viewers can sense, said Shelley Ross, executive producer of "Good Morning America.'

"We have a staff that's very smart and very hungry and very willing to stay up all night and not miss a story," Ross said

"Today" has been slow to respond to The ABC show, which crept closer the news and "a lot of the advantages

Prince Harry has game

emerged unscathed after participating in the Wall Game at Eton College, an annual contest of murky rules and no scoring

"Harry emerged with no injuries and very much enjoyed himself" in Saturday's game, said a spokesman at St. James's Palace, the official residence of Harry's father, Prince Charles.

The ball game, reputedly first played in 1776, pits two teams of 10 in an hour-long battle along a 118-yard

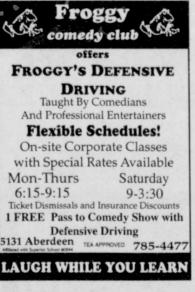
LONDON (AP) - Prince Harry wall. The playing area is five yards wide and has goals at either end.

> No one has scored in the annual contest since 1909. One death was recorded, in the 19th century.

The Daily Telegraph commented Friday that the Wall Game "is generally considered to be the world's worst spectator sport as most of the action takes place within the scrum, or 'bully,' when all that can be seen are the players' legs and backs for long periods.

"Today" also was hurt by Couric's absence, Tyndall said. She was off nine Diane Sawyer reported five years ago on of the 45 weekdays following the attacks, many of them following the death of her sister.

Adding the third hour to "Today"



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US Rep. Bono marries again

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) -Republican Rep. Mary Bono, who took her late husband's seat in Congress, has married a Wyoming businessman nearly four years after Sonny Bono died in a skiing accident.

Bono and Glenn Baxley, an ex-minor league baseball player, exchanged vows Saturday before more than 300 friends and family at Our Savior's Community Church.

"It's the happiest day of my life," Baxley told the Riverside Press-Enterprise as he and Bono left the church.

Bono, 40, has served in Congress since winning a special election in April 1998 to fill the seat held by Sonny Bono. Baxley, 33, was drafted by the Toronto Blue Jays out of high school but attended the University of Arizona, where he played with future major leaguers including J.T. Snow and Trevor Hoffman.



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'Spy Game' relies on flashbacks to make suspense

MOVIE REVIEW

Scott. The an-

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with lots of

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JAMES **EPPLER**

the film ends.

Unfortunately, the film is only twothirds of what one hopes it would be.

starts out like gangbusters with Pitt, a spy for the CIA, working undercover he equa in a Japanese prison trying to break out tion: Rob . ert Redford a prisoner on the inside. He is caught in the act and arrested for espionage. plus Brad Pitt plus Back on the home front, Redford is director Tony

an agent who is spending his last day on the job packing up his office and getting ready to leave for the last time.

He soon is being asked for all of his files on his old partner Tom Bishop (Pitt). Redford does some snooping around and soon learns Bishop has been taken prisoner in Hong Kong for espionage and is going to be executed at 8

Redford is called into the conference room with a bunch of CIA guys, where

and some of their missions together. From here, the film is a bunch of flashbacks, each with a different adventure the two encounter together.

Here's the problem with the flashbacks: the first flashback is to 1975 in Vietnam where the two characters meet-the filmmakers make absolutely no attempt to change Pitt or Redford's appearance, save for some bright lighting to drown out Redford's face which is looking more and more prune-like.

To see what Redford really looked like in 1975, see the far superior "3 Days of the Condor" starring Redford and Faye Dunaway--a spy movie done with real style.

So what we have here, is Pitt get-

prison and Redford sitting around a conference table eating finger foods and cold cuts reminiscing about some of the adventures that he and his partner have had in years' past.

And the flashbacks continue.

I think Scott feels his audience for this film lacks an attention span and therefore feels it necessary to keep reminding us the execution is taking place at 8 a.m. Every so often, the screen goes to black and white, freezes and the time pops up, reminding us of the deadline. This method may also inspire viewers to check their own watches.

The first third of the film introduces so many minor characters and miniplots it would be understandable for

The film takes place in 1991 and he is asked to tell about Pitt's training ting the crap beat out of him in this viewers to become easily confused. But fry. the pacing remains fast. Scott just loves those helicopter aerial shots no matter what the scene is, and always manages to put the characters on a rooftop just to get that shot.

The middle of the film tends to drag with Pitt falling in love with a woman he is working with on site. She gets mad because she suspects he may not be telling her the whole truth about himself. I saw the film late at night and found my eyes beginning to droop slightly while the film tried to develop this little romance

But the last third of the film picks up the pace again, as Redford begins to make plans to try to rescue his partner, because the agency is ready to let Pitt

The ending tosses believability out the window entirely.

So, really, the main reason to see this film is for the first and last third of the movie. Watching Redford train Pitt as an agent is a lot of fun, and as unbelievable as the ending is, it still entertains

Spy movies are not a new genre, and one would recommend seeing Redford in the afore-mentioned "3 Days of the Condor" or the clever hit "Sneakers," starring Redford and an all-star cast. Scott has also made better spy movies like "Enemy of the State" with Will Smith. See "Spy Game" and then see those

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Tech goes a little bit country with a radio show focusing on area music

By Whitney Wyatt/Staff Reporter

Two DJs for Tech's radio station are bringing Texas country music directly to Tech students every Monday night. Brian Bell, a senior broadcast jour-

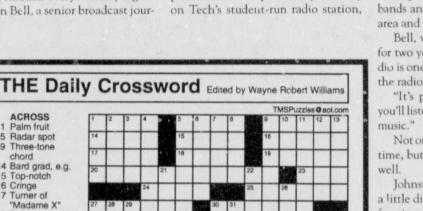
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Thomas Johnston, a junior broadcast dial. journalism major from Southlake Carroll, host Roots Radio from 10 p.m. until 11:30 p.m. every Monday



nalism major from San Antonio, and KTXT-FM, located at 88.1 on the rowdy, but our show is all about having

Known as "Bell" and "DJ Trouble or Vaquero" on the air, these two Tech students play the music of Texas country bands and musicians from in the local area and from across the state.

Bell, who has been doing the show for two years, said he thinks Roots Radio is one of the most popular shows at

"It's probably the most fun show you'll listen to," he said. "It's got the best

Not only do the listeners have a good time, but Bell said the DJs have fun as

Johnston said as DJs, they might get a little dirty on the air, but they have a fun time doing it.

"(Brian and I) are college kids," Johnston said. "We probably get a little

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fun. Playing the music Tech students

want to hear is what the show is about, he said "It's all about the music," Johnston said. "We want to get Tech

students interested in local Texas music again." Bell said he hopes more students will listen to the Roots Radio show because

at least one local musician plays live in the studio every show. Heath Tolleson, of Heath Tolleson

and the Orange County Band, as well as newcomer Tony Kamel, played live last week, he said.

Johnston said Whiskey Bent, West 84 and Summer Dean are other bands or musicians who have played as well.

"We always have musicians in, hav-

ing fun and singing," he said. Michael Porter, station manager for

We are college kids. We probably get a little rowdy, but our show is all about having fun.

- THOMAS JOHNSTON Host of Roots Radio

KTXT-FM, said it is important for a radio station to provide all aspects of music.

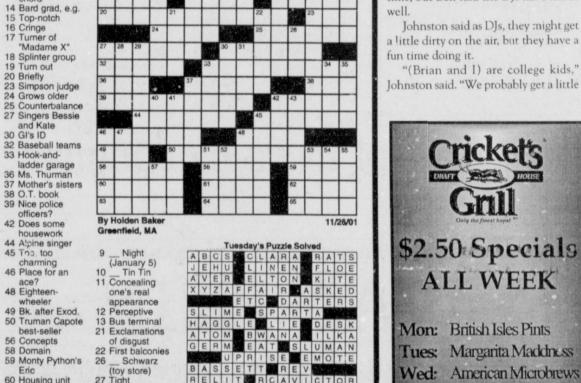
"Roots Radio provides an unique outlook for Texas artists," said Porter, a senior telecom major from San Angelo.

This show also allows people who are not normally interested in the radio station to see other types of shows, like Texas country music, represented, he said. Roots Radio lets people gain insight to what the radio station has to offer.

"Roots Radio is very popular," he said. "I'm glad people are enjoying it."

Johnston said he encourages Tech students to listen because it is not only a time to listen to good Texas country music, but a time to cut loose and have fun as well.

"It's real music," he said. "It's country where country hasn't gone in awhile.'



Holiday shopping kicks off despite war

(AP) Shoppers looking for things like Harry Potter games and Microsoft's Xbox hit the nation's malls at first light Friday as the Christmas rush began amid tight security and fears this could be the worst holiday shopping season in a decade.

In a scene played out actoss the country, 300 people lined up outside a Toys R Us store in Little Rock, Ark , before the doors opened at 6 a.m. Among the crowd was Elizabeth Phifer, who was in search of a Diva Starz pet plush dog for her 8-

year-old daughter. "I'm way back here at the end of the line and I'm nervous I'm not going to get it," said Phifer, who was lured in early by a \$5 discount on the toy.

attacks or anthrax scares. George Briggs didn't seem to notice any extra security at a Lincoln, Neb., mall.

"There's so many people you couldn't pick it out if it was here," Briggs said. Many shoppers, nervous about job

security and political uncertainties, said they plan to pare back their holiday

spending. "Normally I would just buy and buy, but because I don't have a job I'm cutting down," said Gwen Allen, 42, who was shopping in San Diego. "I'm trying to find as many bargains as I can. I've a packed cart into the back of his pickup been looking for coupons in the papers and plan on using them." Analysts said there were deeper discounts this Thanksgiving weekend than last year. Many stores, including Sears and KB Toys, as well as mall operators like General Growth Properties, reported a heavier turnout of early morning shoppers than in past years. Despite the strong showing, Wall Street analysts are nervously watching how the rest of the holiday season will play out. Retailers cut back on inventory in anticipation of slow sales, but fear there will be plenty of leftovers. Jeff Feiner, managing director of Lehman Brothers, said he expects sales for the 22 major retailers he follows to be up only 2 percent for the holidays. And those gains will be driven by discounting and will come at the expense of profit margins.

lion. If so, that would be the worst retail performance since 1990, when sales were basically unchanged.

Last year, retailers rang up a modest \$201 billion, up 3.9 percent from 1999.

E-commerce was expected to post gains, but only a fraction of those registered last year as consumers retrench amid rising job losses and the slumping economy.

At a Wal-Mart in Oklahoma City, Steve Estepp unloaded board games, Barbie accessories and kids' clothes from truck "This is one stop of many," he said, then pointed to his wife Pamela. "We're going wherever she wants to go." In the online world, Amazon.com, the bellweather of the Internet industry, reported that 12,000 more items were ordered per hour on Friday than last year, driven by such merchandise as Harry Potter products and DVD players, according to spokeswoman Kristin Schaefer.

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Yahoo! Shopping said sales were up 60 percent on Friday from a year ago, according to Robert Solomon, vice president and general manager.

While the Thanksgiving weekend starts the shopping spree, it no longer is the busiest period of the season. Last year, the weekend accounted for 8.6 percent of holiday sales, while the busiest period was the last week before Christmas, which accounted for 30.9 percent of holiday sales, according to the International Council of Shopping Centers.

Dangerfield remains in hospital

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Comedian Rodney Dangerfield remained hospitalized in stable condition Sunday after suf fering a mild heart attack on his 80th birthday, his publicist said.

Dangerfield was scheduled to undergo an angiogram, an X-ray of the blood vessels, on Monday, Warren Cowan said. Doctors then will determine what treatment he requires. Dangerfield, whose long-running gag is that he gets no respect, was hospitalized at Cedars-Sinai Hospital after the heart attack Thursday.

The heart attack came a day after "The Tonight Show" host Jay Leno dedicated a show to the comedian and taped birthday greetings from actors and fellow comics.



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Tech was led offensively by Andre Emmett with 18 and Andy Ellis and

Powell with 17. No other Raider found

double digits in the scoring department.

Texas-Coloroado not the rematch expected for Big 12 title game

pionship is a rematch, all right. Just not the one everyone expected.

Colorado-Texas is the surprising matchup for Saturday's game at Texas Stadium following a wild weekend that saw Nebraska and Oklahoma get knocked out of the conference title game and the national championship race.

The Butfaloes (9-2, 7-1) beat the Cornhuskers 62-36 on Friday to win the North division. It was their fourth straight win since losing 41-7 to the Longhorns in October.

Texas (10-1, 7-1) beat Texas A&M 21-7 Friday, then was handed the South division crown when Oklahoma lost 16-13 to Oklahoma State on Saturday.

We're going to play for the Big 12 title and maybe have a shot at the national title. What more can you ask for?" Jammer. "This is the chance we've been dreaming of.

"It's going to be great to play Colorado since nobody expected them to be team that came to Austin. They will come to Dallas with a lot of confidence and emotion. We will be prepared, too. It's going to be a great game."

the Big 12 champion-

ship comes

than reward. The risky part is that Texas likely would've been invited

to a Bowl Championship Series game as an at-large team if Oklahoma had won the South.

Now the Longhorns must beat No. 9 Colorado to get in; lose and they're out said Longhorns cornerback Quentin of the BCS and the \$13 million payday that comes with it. A loss also might sink them below the Sooners in the pecking order of second-tier bowls.

The best part for UT is the chance of

game.

The odds, though, aren't good. In addition to beating the Buffaloes, the Longhorns would need two losses Satur-For the No. 3 Longhorns, playing in day among No. 1 Miami, No. 2 Florida

and No. 4 Oregon.

Then

again, it with more risk wasn't likely **BIG 12** CONFERENCE that Nebraska and Oklahoma would both lose their

> regular-season finales. The Cornhuskers and Sooners went into the weekend ranked Nos. 2 and 4 and were a combined 21-1, with the one loss by OU in their head-to-head meeting.

"I had imagined this might happen, but I didn't want to let my imagination get too carried away," UT offensive lineman Mike Williams said.

Texas' only loss this season was to

IRVING (AP) — The Big 12 cham- in Dallas either. They're not the same advancing to the national championship Oklahoma. The Longhorns have won six straight since and haven't trailed in the second half.

> The Colorado game was the second one in that march.

The Buffaloes went into Austin on a five-game winning streak, but committed three early turnovers and missed a field goal. Texas scored a touchdown on its opening drive, got two more in the second quarter then poured it on in the second half.

"I'm really anticipating playing Texas, because they beat us and beat us pretty bad," Colorado safety Robbie Robinson said. "It's one of those blemishes on our record we'd like to get redemption for."

Rematches are never easy for the first-time winner. Texas learned that two years ago when it beat Nebraska at home in mid-October, then lost to the Cornhuskers in the championship game six weeks later.

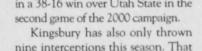
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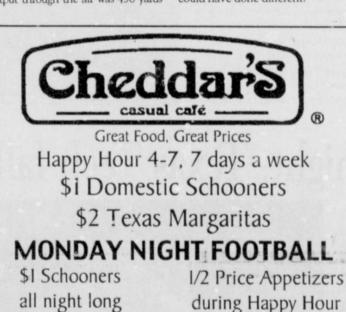
ball of his collegiate career?

could have done different."



Is Kingsbury playing the best foot-

"I think so," he said. "But you watch the film and see things you



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Defeat

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8 "I don't know whether we sit there

and think that the game is over when we've got a lead at the half," Knight

said. "But this is the third time in four games that we've come out and lost a big part of what we had to begin with." Tech regained

the lead after a Kasib Powell free throw but Sims, who led all scor-

ers with 26 points, hit two consecutive three pointers to clinch the vic-

"I thought if we played our A-game, we would have a chance to win," Sam Houston coach Bob Marlin said. "In the

Following the game Knight said he wanted to apologize to the 13,567 fans in attendance

second half, we had our A-game."

Saturday. "I apologize to the people for how we played," Knight said. "And in no way does it take anything away from those kids (from Sam Houston State)."

Tech continues

its long stretch of games at 7 p.m. today when Texas-El Paso visits the United Spirit Arena. Tech also plays Wednesday at New Mexico State and return home Saturday to play Texas Christian University.

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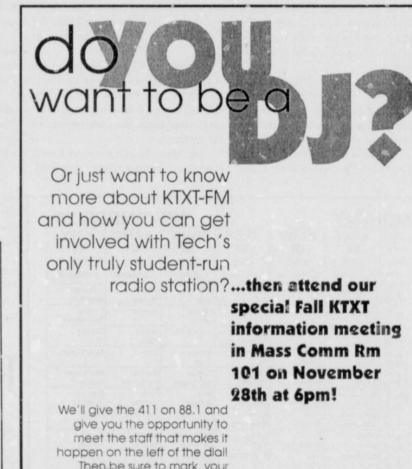
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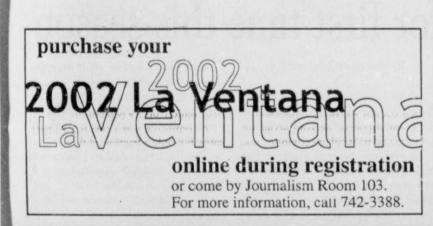
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The Lady Raiders tasted victory for steal. the first time this season Saturday afterwith a 64-60 victory over the Oregon State Beavers.

Texas Tech guard Natalie Ritchie led the offensive charge for the Lady Raiders, scoring a team-high 21 points in the victory.

Ritchie continued her three-point shooting, accuracy, going five-of-eight from beyond the three-point line in the winning effort.

Lady Raider forward Plenette Pierson was not far behind Ritchie in the scoring column, as the junior forward poured in 18 points of her own to go along with her seven rebounds, one block and one today, against Oregon in Eugene, Ore.



Tech led the Beavers by 20 points noon in Corvallis, Ore., as they left town with less than three minutes remaining in the game but Oregon State finished the game on an 18-2 run to pull within four at the final buzzer.

> Guard Felicia Ragland, who had a game-high 24 points in the losing effort, paced Oregon State offensively.

Ragland matched Ritchie's number of three-point conversions, going fiveof-nine from three-point range.

With the win, the Lady Raiders improve to 1-1 on the season while Oregon State fell to 2-2 with the loss.

Tech will remain in the state of Oregon for its next contest, a 9 p.m. battle

Lady Raiders find win column

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

"Texas kind of caught us off guard," he said. "Ever since then, we've figured it out. We've got our confidence going. We've been on a roll."

In the last five games, Kingsbury has passed for more than 1,700 yards, including his second-best personal performance of 440 yards at OSU. His top output through the air was 456 yards

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Raiders ax Lumberjacks, await bowl location

WHERE TO NEXT: Raiders hope they land in the Alamo Bowl in San Antonio on Dec. 29.

By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech football team ended its 2001 regular season with a 58-3 romping over Stephen F. Austin Saturday. With the win, the Red Raiders (7-4, 4-4) begin to entertain questions about which bowl game they will attend. The Raiders' overwhelming performance over the Lumberjacks was led by a quickscoring offense.

The Raider offense dominated the game with 542 total yards. Tech quarterback Kliff Kingsbury threw for 366 yards and five touchdowns. Kingsbury set two Tech records with his performance. He set the career touchdown pass record (50) and broke his single-season passing

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yards mark of 3,437 by 10. pounding Tech gave SFA, Tech coach crucial games left to be played. Mike Leach still found room to improve for Tech's upcoming bowl game.

"I think we executed pretty good," Leach said. "I didn't think our intensity was as good as I would have liked."

Now, with the regular season over for Tech and some crucial games yet to be played, where Tech will go bowling is yet to be determined. But predictions, hopes and criticisms fly into the mix.

One possible bowl appearance for Tech is the Alamo Bowl in San Antonio, and the Tech players would like the chance to play a post-season game in Texas

Quarterback Kliff Kingsbury said San Antonio would be a good place to travel for a bowl game because Tech may be able to bring more fans in and use its local fan base in the San Antonio area to fill the stands.

The Alamo Bowl is not a lock for the Raiders and neither is any other bowl.

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Which bowl Tech will play in depends Despite all the records and the on BCS rankings, committees and a few

"The BCS deal is kind of confusing and we won't know I guess until after the SEC championship, who's going where," Kingsbury said. "So we'll just have to wait and see."

Texas A&M is also a front-runner for the Alamo Bowl, and Kingsbury said he wished politics did not play a role in selecting teams for bowl games, but he knows that may be wishful thinking.

"It's all part of it. It's all about money," Kingsbury said, "but we'd be happy with any bowl game.'

Offensive lineman Tubby Smith said winning the bowl game is most important and Tech has set a goal to do so no matter in which bowl they play.

"We haven't won a bowl game in a while, and we have to. We can't fit in to that tradition," Smith said. "We have go in there and prove we can compete with anyone."

Strong safety Kevin Curtis said a bowl win would turn the football program in the direction it is hoping to go, and give the seniors a good ending. Plus, the underclassmen would have something to build off and ride into next season.

"Our goal is to go out there and get a win. We haven't won a bowl game in a long time. This year our mission is to win a bowl game," Curtis said. "Everyone remembers you by the last game you play."



TECH WIDE receiver Carlos Francis outruns a Stephen F. Austin defender during the Red Raiders' 58-3 win Saturday at lones SBC Stadium. The game was Tech's home finale and the squad now must wait to see in what bowl they will be playing. JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/ Staff Photographer

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Knight, Texas Tech fall for first time this season

TEXAS TECH CENTER Andy Ellis drives in the lane during the Red Raiders' first loss of the 2001-02

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By Matt Muench/Sports Editor

A look at the scoreboard following Saturday's Texas Tech men's basketball game may have had a few fans double checking the final.

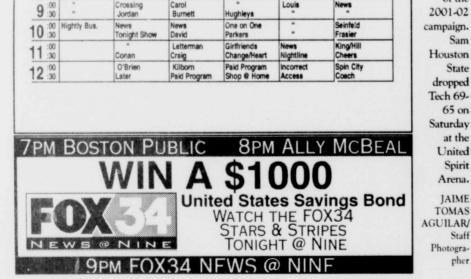
It may have come as a surprise that Southland Conference team Sam Houston State knocked off the Red Raiders 69-65 at the United Spirit Arena, but Tech coach Bob Knight said he wasn't shocked.

That includes a 7-of-17 effort from the charity strip in the second half.

"They beat us in every possible way the second half," Knight said. "They were tougher than we were and I think we kind of backed down from them.'

The Raiders looked in control for most of the first half. And following a late 10-0 run before the break to give Tech a 42-23 lead, it looked as if Tech had sealed the win.

The Bearkats had different thoughts.





He knew the team that won was the best squad on the floor on Saturday.

Although it was bound to happen some time, and not many were expecting the Bearkats to be the spoilers, Knight gave credit where credit was due.

"There are times when you're playing that win or lose, you think the other team deserves to win," Knight said. "The team that deserved to win, won.

Sam Houston (2-1) erased a 19-point late first half deficit to ruin the Raiders (3-1) perfect record in the Knight era.

Knight said the Raiders were beat in every aspect of the game. Tech shot 35 percent from the floor and went 21-of-33 from free throw line for the game.

The momentum quickly turned in the first five minutes of the second half when SHS opened 3-of-5 from the floor while Tech responded quietly with only two buckets and six missed free throws in the first seven minutes of the closing period.

The Bearkats kept chipping away at the lead with free throws and three pointers and found themselves tied at 55 following a Demetri Sims three-pointer with less than five minutes to play.

Bearkat Donald Cole followed with two free throws to give SHS its first lead since the 13:25 mark in the first half.

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