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Tech students sentenced to prison

By Matt Green
Staff Writer

Two who pled guilty to intoxicated manslaughter will carry out two-, three-year jail terms

Two former Tech students were sentenced Monday to prison as a result of pleading guilty to intoxicated manslaughter.

Chris Lane and Justin Petty, who were involved in separate incidents, were sentenced by Judge Cecil Puryear in the 137th district court.

Petty, who was involved in a fatal collision February 1997, received a sentence of two years in a Texas State Correctional facility.

Petty pleaded guilty to killing one person while intoxicated. The collision occurred at 19th Street and Frankford Avenue after Petty left Einstein's former Broadway location.

Lane, who was involved in a fatal crash January 1998, received a sentence of three years in a Texas State Correctional facility.

Lane pleaded guilty to killing Tech student Scott Williams while traveling the wrong way down Highway 84 after leaving a Slaton Highway gentleman's club.

Court Coordinator Mary Lou Elms told *The University Daily* on March 24 prosecutors Matt Powell and Rusty Ladd offered plea

bargains to Lane and Petty two weeks ago.

"The case moved quickly, but they got off easy for intoxicated manslaughter," Elms said.

During the sentencing, family members of the people killed in the accidents, were allowed to make statements.

Scott Williams' parents read a statement and showed his picture to the court.

"Putting into words how this crime has affected Darrell and I is impossible," said Nita Williams, the mother of Scott Williams.

Intoxicated manslaughter carries a two year minimum sentence. Petty will have to serve his full sentence, and Lane will be eligible for parole after serving two years.

Both Lane and Petty were under the age of 21 at the time of the accidents, and the bartender who served Petty will also be tried in relation to this crime.

Yugoslav military may be getting help from Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — Yugoslav defense specialists, expecting a war over Kosovo, met last month in Baghdad with Iraqi counterparts in what the Pentagon suspects was a collaboration between two U.S. enemies to prepare Yugoslavia to shoot down American war planes, government officials say.

U.S. intelligence agencies kept track of the Yugoslavs going to the meeting but could not get first-hand information about what went on, the officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Nevertheless, Pentagon officials said the meeting's timing and personnel, a similarity in Iraqi and Yugoslav air defense tactics since NATO airstrikes began and separate intelligence about possible arms deals between the two countries all suggest Yugoslavia sought information on U.S. fighter jets and combat tactics.

The Baghdad meeting was described by *The Associated Press* by senior Clinton administration officials, Pentagon officials familiar with intelligence matters and congressional officials briefed on the matter. They spoke on condition of anonymity.



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Collaboration between Iraq and Yugoslavia predates the Kosovo crisis. Baghdad purchased some air defense equipment from Yugoslavia late in the Cold War, and there have been occasional contacts between the two countries' military experts.

But February's two-day visit of a four-member Yugoslav air defense team to the Iraqi military headquarters in Baghdad drew the immediate attention of U.S. intelligence. President Clinton and key congressional leaders were quickly notified, the officials said.

Both Yugoslavia and Iraq are under international arms embargoes, and U.S. officials said they have intelligence indicating Yugoslavia was offering to trade military spare parts in exchange for Iraqi intelligence on U.S. air operations. Yugoslavia may also be seeking parts from Iraq.

"Each country has supplies or parts it would like to get from the other country," a senior Pentagon official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

An official "at a fairly high level" in the Yugoslav military, and accompanying officers "stayed a couple of days and met with a whole variety of people" in Baghdad, including air defense specialists, the Pentagon official said.

At the time, Belgrade was resisting a diplomatic solution to the Kosovo crisis and bracing for threatened NATO airstrikes, and Iraq was challenging U.S. planes patrolling deny-flight zones over Iraq and coming under frequent retaliatory attacks.

U.S. officials said they suspect Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's desire to help another U.S. adversary outweighed any concerns about Serb attacks in Kosovo against ethnic Albanians, who are mostly Muslim.

Aim High



Chase Perry/The University Daily

Over the Top: Texas Tech freshman Nick Williams refines his pole vaulting skills at R.P. Fuller track field Monday. The next track meet for the Red Raiders is the Texas Relays in Austin this weekend.

State funding could mean 100 new faculty

By Jonathan Biles
Staff Writer

In effort to become a Carnegie One Research Institution, Texas Tech administrators asked state legislators for funding to allow Tech to employ 100 new faculty members over the next four years.

The request for funding of more faculty is Tech's top priority in the legislative requests, Tech President Donald Haragan said.

"Asking for more faculty is our number-one priority," Haragan said. "One, we want undergraduates to have a higher percentage of faculty and also to be able to enhance the research program at Tech. It's a double-barrel type solution."

Tech currently has 884 full-time and 861 part-time faculty members, which gives Tech a faculty to student ratio of 1-to-16.84.

Tim Floyd, president of the Faculty Senate, said there are two main reasons Tech needs the faculty growth.

"Tech has a higher work load per faculty member than universities like UT and A&M," Floyd said. "And since we are continuing to become a Carnegie Research institute, the faculty growth is essential."

The number is about one-eighth of the amount of faculty currently at Tech, but Haragan doesn't think the number is high.

"It (faculty number requested) is probably a reasonable number," Haragan said. "We are not looking for huge growth, but we are looking for quality and slow growth."

Haragan said even if the legislature does not approve the funding needed, Tech may hire more faculty on its own.

"There's no way ... I can possibly predict what the legislature will do," Haragan said. "It's a wait-and-see game."

The legislature will end its session toward the end of May, and Haragan said unless Gov. George W. Bush requires the legislature to go into extended session, Tech will know sometime mid-summer whether or not the requests are being met.

The faculty growth request is one of 19 requests made by the Chancellor's Office to the legislature in order to improve Tech.

The request is for 25 new staff members every year for the next four years.

Even though the outcome is unknown of whether or not the requests will be honored, the mood at Tech is positive, Floyd said.

"I haven't talked to anyone who doesn't agree that we need the faculty," Floyd said. "The more, the better."



Faculty: 1,745
Faculty-Student Ratio: 1:17



Faculty: 2,016
Faculty-Student Ratio: 1:21



Faculty: 2,400
Faculty-Student Ratio: 1:17

Congressmen visit campus

By Greg Okuhara
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Two Texas congressmen visited Texas Tech Monday morning to gain insight into research projects at the university.

Congressman Henry Bonilla, R-San Antonio, and Congressman Larry Combest, R-Lubbock, took a tour of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center's HealthNet telemedicine department and The Institute for Environmental and Human Health at Reese Center.

Glen Provost, vice president for health policy and planning, set up the tour after hearing Bonilla was interested in what Tech was doing with telemedicine. He, along with Chancellor John Montford, set up the tour to show the congressmen around the facilities.

Michael Phillips, associate vice president for telecommunica-



Bonilla

Bonilla had heard a lot about telemedicine at Tech and was very much interested," Phillips said.

"He was really impressed with how far technology can go. We have several initiatives in Washington pertaining to dealing with the aging problem, and this helps a lot in potential funding."

While at HealthNet, the two congressmen saw consultations for a 9-month-old and an 8 year-old girl from Hart.

Phillips said he believes the visit may help future funding for Tech projects and research. He also said Bonilla acknowledged the visit helps the representatives appreciate and understand what the state money is



Combest

used for, Phillips said.

Provost said he agrees Tech has the potential for future funding. He also presented a case to explain how successful the program is.

"I think it was very clear that at least we've increased our chances (for future funding)," Provost said. "I don't think there was any question about (the success). It's proven to be cost efficient and medically efficacious."

Provost added both congressmen back Tech in their efforts and the visit provided a degree of increased awareness for the two representatives.

Dragging death defendant King files request for new trial

JASPER (AP) — John William King, sentenced to die for the dragging death of a black Jasper County man, contended Monday his chances for a fair trial were jeopardized because his attorneys failed to investigate his version of where he was the night of the attack.

In a motion for a new trial, the 24-year-old claims his alibi never was investigated properly by his trial attorneys, said David Schulman, King's appeals attorney.

"We have alleged several things," Schulman said.

"He told his lawyers he had an alibi and they did not investigate that alibi."

King, condemned last month for the June 7 dragging death of James Byrd Jr., has claimed he was dropped off at his home while the 49-year-old black man was still alive.

Haden "Sonny" Cribbs, King's

court-appointed trial attorney, said all witnesses provided to him by King were questioned.

"We checked out every witness or name of witness and even some we couldn't find," Cribbs said Monday. "If he has an alibi witness, I don't know what the name of the person would be."

King also claims his right to a fair trial was compromised because his mail to co-defendant Lawrence Russell Brewer, 32, improperly was intercepted by jail employees.

"Because they're in custody they have to expect their mail would be read," Schulman said.

"I don't think the jail would have the right to not deliver the mail."

Both allegations, Schulman acknowledged, are based solely on his client's word.

State District Judge Joe Bob Golden has until May 11 to rule on

the motion.

Brewer's trial is set to start May 17. He is the second of three men to be tried for Byrd's gruesome slaying.

The unemployed Jasper resident's body was found in two pieces after he was dragged for nearly three miles, chained to the back of a pickup truck.

No trial date has been set for Shawn Berry, the third man charged with Byrd's killing.

Also Monday, state District Judge Monte Lawlis listened to several housekeeping motions filed by Brewer's defense attorney, Doug Barlow.

Lawlis on April 19 will consider Barlow's request to have Brewer's trial moved from Jasper.

Barlow contends media attention on Jasper has tainted the county's tiny jury pool.

Students travel to Spain for cultural experience

By Christi Biddy
Staff Writer

Fifteen Texas Tech students traveled halfway across the globe March 17-22 to experience the sights and sounds of another culture. The students were part of Upward Bound Union, a Tech student organization primarily comprised of former Upward Bound participants. The trip entailed a trip to Spain to take part in the Multicultural Texas Experience with students enrolled in a Contemporary Cultural Anthropology of the Americas class at Complutense University in

Madrid, Spain. The students were the first Upward Bound alumni group in the nation to participate in an International Learning Adventure. Gabriel Vitela, a sophomore undeclared major from Lubbock, said the Spanish university was completely different from Tech and other American universities. "Over there, it was kind of trashy, like a run down hotel," Vitela said. Vitela also said the university had no real school-supported outlet for students to have their voices heard, and the students had to use alternative methods of communication.

"The way students get their message out is with graffiti," Vitela said. The students also presented a "cultural capsule" for the students at Complutense University. Items placed in the capsule include items from Tech and examples of the Texas culture. Monica Zamora, a freshman accounting major from Lubbock, said

some of the Tech items included articles from The University Daily, marching band tapes and recordings of KTX-88.1 FM. Other items included wine, jelly, recordings of music and television programs, a North American Indian medicine bag and a Hispanic newspaper. Besides being able to participate in the anthropology class, the students also had the chance to visit

museums, landmarks and other sites of Spanish cultural significance. Zamora said visiting the museum was the most enlightening aspect of the trip. "I learned stuff about (art) in high school," Zamora said. "But, I got a real feel of it there." Another activity the students participated in was the Festival of Fallas celebration in Valencia, Spain. During the Fallas, hundreds of giant paper and wood sculptures, some four or five stories tall, are burned in what Vitela described as "a satire that makes fun of things

that go on that year." Vitela said, "It is really different. I have never been around so many people in my life." Both Vitela and Zamora said the experience opened their eyes to the differences of other cultures. "I learned that Mexican and Spanish cultures are totally different," Vitela said. "I used to think they were one in the same, but they are totally different." Upward Bound is a preparation program designed to help high school students get into and stay in college.

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Gabriel Vitela
Tech student

Tech flag program wins first place, international competition next

Saturday the Winter Guard flag program at Texas Tech won first place out of five colleges at the state competition in Dallas. The Winter Guard is independent of the Tech flags, with only seven members made up of men and women. The band flags were ranked in an "Independent A" category, which is a scholastic category for colleges participating in the competition. In a four

minute routine, the flag members scored an 85.6 out of a possible 100 on flag coordination and spirit. Equipment, ensemble, general effects and movement were categories that the judges focused on. Tech flags is currently ranked 20th in the world and will be traveling to the international competition April 15-18 in Dayton, Ohio.

Study says coal fires are poisoning millions in China

WASHINGTON (AP) — Millions of Chinese are being poisoned by fumes from the raw coal they burn in their homes for cooking and heating, and people in other developing nations may face similar risks, U.S. and Chinese scientists say in a study. An estimated 800 million of China's 1.2 billion people use coal in their homes. In many rural communities, the fuel is full of arsenic, lead, mercury, fluorine and other poisonous metals that can pose a serious health threat, the researchers said. The poisons become part of the

smoke from burning coal and are then breathed into lungs and baked into foods, said Harvey E. Belkin, co-author of a study appearing Tuesday in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. For example, peppers dried over coal fires can have up to 500 parts per million of arsenic, a potentially dangerous level, he said. "The coal we saw in China could never be burned in the United States" because of the poison mineral content, said Belkin. "There is high arsenic, high selenium, high

mercury." What's learned in China may point the way to solving the problem of possible health effects from burning dirty coal, Belkin said. In one Chinese province, experts have identified thousands of cases of arsenic poisoning, with symptoms including skin cancer and open sores. In another area, at least 10 million people have fluorine poisoning with many suffering from soft and misshapen bones, said study co-author Robert B. Finkelman.

Diseases and disorders caused by burning of dirty coal are "an enormous problem," said Finkelman. Such dirty coal would have to be cleaned before it could be burned in the United States. And coal in any form is seldom used in the U.S. for cooking. In China, Belkin said, millions of people have no choice. About 22 percent of rural homes depend on coal. "If they want to cook or heat, they have to use coal," he said.

Oklahoma prosecutors now file murder charges against Nichols

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Terry Nichols, serving a life sentence for his federal conviction as a conspirator in the Oklahoma City bombing, was charged Monday with first-degree murder in state court and could face the death penalty if convicted. Nichols, 43, is in prison for the deaths of eight law enforcement officers. District Attorney Bob Macy had long promised to file state charges in the deaths of the 160 other people killed when a truck bomb tore through the nine-story office building. Macy filed 163 counts against Nichols. In addition to the 160 first-degree murder charges, he accused Nichols of one count of first-degree manslaughter for the death of an

unborn child, one count of conspiracy to commit murder and one count of aiding and counseling in the placing of a substance or bomb near a public building. Nichols was convicted in federal court in Denver on Dec. 23, 1997, for conspiring to bomb the building and eight counts of involuntary manslaughter in the deaths of eight federal law enforcement officers killed in the April 19, 1995, bombing. Macy has also promised a state trial for bomber Timothy McVeigh, but he has said recently he would proceed with the case against Nichols first and wait to see how McVeigh fares on his appeal of his federal death penalty. Federal prosecutors contended in the trials of McVeigh and Nichols that

the men worked side by side to acquire the ingredients and build the 4,000-pound fuel-and-fertilizer bomb. They said the bombing was a twisted plot to avenge the FBI siege at Waco exactly two years earlier. Nichols was at his home in Herington, Kan., the day the bomb exploded. Prosecutors accused him of helping McVeigh deliver a getaway car to Oklahoma City three days before the bombing and of working with McVeigh to pack the bomb inside a Ryder truck on the day before. They also introduced evidence that Nichols used an alias to buy two tons of explosive fertilizer and helped McVeigh steal explosives from a rock quarry.

Justices issue divergent orders on affirmative action

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court won't let the Dallas Fire Department revive an affirmative-action program to promote more blacks, Hispanics and women. But the justices are letting the federal government give companies with disadvantaged owners extra help in winning highway contracts. The apparently contradictory

actions Monday, however, seemed based on how the second case, from Utah, reached the nation's highest court — not on the justices' views of affirmative action. In both cases, the court simply refused to review lower court rulings, action that sets no national precedent. But its handling of the Dallas case betrayed little patience for employ-

ers' efforts to give special help to those historically underrepresented in their work force. Over two dissenting votes, the court left intact a ruling that struck down the Dallas program as discriminatory against white men. Justices Stephen G. Breyer and Ruth Bader Ginsburg voted to consider reviving the fire department's program.

Race fans battle poor traffic and toilet planning

FORT WORTH (AP) — Many NASCAR fans spent as much as 7 1/2 hours trying to get away from the Texas Motor Speedway's muddy parking lots — more than twice the time it took Terry Labonte to win the Primestar 500. After two years of complaints, drivers said the racing surface at the \$165 million facility — where water seeped through the asphalt last year — was improved. But fans in the parking lots on Sunday weathered

puddles and knee-deep mud following heavy thundershowers. But it was the cluster of cars stranded in some lots that frustrated people even more. "The worst part was just plain old waiting. Not moving, not knowing what was going on, and not knowing why we weren't moving," said Sandra Young of Longview, who said her vehicle made less than a foot of headway in more than 5 1/2 hours. "There were people standing outside of their

vehicles ... trying to see what was going on." Track spokeswoman Sarona Winfrey said a two-car accident and a broken recreational vehicle clogged the main corridor. "Once you get an accident, trying to get it flowing again is difficult," she said. "Even at the best of times, the track empties from only three exits onto only two highways. Construction to widen one of the highways is supposed to be finished later this year."

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- Must be enrolled in a minimum of six credit hours at Texas Tech University
- Have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5
- Preference will be given to applicants with work experience on *The University Daily* or another college/university newspaper.
- Journalism major or minor preferred.
- Must have completed or be enrolled in the basic reporting/writing courses, the basic editing courses and the advanced reporting course in the journalism curriculum.

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TSEA attends competition in Austin

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The Texas Tech chapter of the Texas Student Education Association traveled to Austin Friday through Saturday to attend the state convention.

Eighteen of the 166 members went to the convention and returned to Tech with several awards.

They won first place in the theme contest for "Teachers Put the Pieces Together."

They also won the Century Club Award for having a membership of more than 100.

Since their membership grew from 106 to 166 they won the Membership Honor Award.

They also were given the highest

honor by the TSEA, the Glenn W. Kidd Outstanding Large Local Award. Sandi Cooper, the Tech chapter adviser, received the Outstanding Faculty Adviser for the second year.

Cooper said Tech competed against several schools, including Texas A&M University, Baylor University, Southwest Texas State University and Texas Women's University.

"We showed a lot of pride not

only for Texas Tech, but for the teaching profession," she said.

"It was a demonstration of how great we work together."

Two students also were elected to state offices for TSEA. Amanda Rutledge was elected for state vice president.

Stacy Witten was elected to District I President. District I is the West Texas district of TSEA, and it is one of seven districts in the state of Texas. A theme is chosen for the mem-

bers to dress for the awards banquet. This year's theme was to dress in the group's favorite decade.

The Tech students chose to dress from the 1920s. All 18 students and the two advisers dressed in period costume.

Amanda Rutledge, Diana Mitchell and Jordan Simmons won individual awards for best costume.

Tech's chapter had the most students in attendance.

The next largest group had eight students attending.

This is the second year Tech's chapter has attended the state convention.

During the convention the students and advisers attended workshops on the teaching profession. Marea Bell, a senior elementary

education major from Plano, said she learned a lot from the workshops and also had a great time at the conference.

"I thought we deserved it (the awards)," Bell said.

"I thought we worked really hard for this over the year."

The group's goals for next year are to increase membership to 200 members.

Cooper said we also would like to reach out to the fellow universities in their district.

As of now, Tech is the most active chapter in their district. Their district consists of the schools West Texas A&M University, Abilene Christian University, Lubbock Christian University and University of Texas at El Paso.

Texas Tech needs camp counselors

The Department of Recreational Sports is accepting applications from Texas Tech students to work as summer sports camp instructors.

Jared McCauley, assistant director for intramural and special events, said all students are encouraged to apply.

"This can be an excellent experience for any Texas Tech student who wants to work with children and the sports environment in the future," McCauley said.

While basic sports knowledge is preferred, McCauley said a desire to work with children is a more desirable trait.

The summer sports camps will be divided into three 10-day sessions, running from 8 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday.

The first session is June 7-June 18. The second session is June 21-July 2. The third session is July 12-July 23.

The sports areas that will be taught include tennis, racquetball, basketball, soccer, rock climbing, repelling, swimming, softball, wiffleball, volleyball and archery.

Instructors will earn \$6 per hour, and because of the morning schedule, will be able to take summer afternoon classes at the university.

Applications will be accepted until April 12 and can be picked up in Room 212 of the Student Recreation Center. For more information, contact Jared McCauley at 742-3351.

"I thought we worked really hard for this . . ."

Marea Bell
Tech student

Justices question police allowing media on busts

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court appeared determined to stop police from letting TV cameras and other news media accompany them into people's homes to observe arrests or searches.

Justice David H. Souter balked most emphatically March 24 at being told "media ride-alongs" can help deter crime and police excesses and should trump concerns for personal privacy.

"What's the help provided here?" he asked. "I don't see why you have to take the news media people into someone's home ... it sounds like fluff."

When a lawyer contended that such ride-alongs are commonplace, Justice Sandra Day O'Connor shot back in incredulous tones, "Ride right into the house?" She later called one such incident "an amazing invasion."

In all, six of the court's nine members asked the pointed questions or voiced concerns, suggesting a willingness to let people sue law enforce-

ment officers who let journalists enter someone's home.

For such liability to exist, the court must rule that police with court warrants violate the Fourth Amendment's protection against unreasonable searches and seizures when they take journalists with them. If so, another legal issue looms: Can the journalists be punished financially, too?

Twenty-four news organizations, including *The Associated Press*, have sided with law enforcement officers in two cases from Maryland and Montana the court will decide by late June. They cite the news media's role as a watchdog, but First Amendment rights were barely mentioned March 24 in arguments before the court.

Hardly new, the police practice of letting journalists accompany them has been given higher visibility in recent years by true-life television programs that focus on police work.

"The only authority police have is to enter the home, (not) bring along

the media on a news-gathering expedition," Washington lawyer Richard Willard argued.

He represents a Maryland couple photographed by *The Washington Post* in their nightclothes as sheriff's deputies and federal agents unsuccessfully searched for their fugitive son.

Los Angeles lawyer Henry Rossbacher sounded a similar theme in arguing for a Montana couple whose ranch was raided by about 20 federal agents because they were suspected of killing eagles.

He said the agents, who were accompanied by a Cable News Network camera crew, "came to search for poison; they brought along the press to search for TV footage."

Lawyer Richard Cordray of Grove City, Ohio, who represents the federal agents in both cases, urged the court not to ban every instance of the news media entering someone's home at the invitation of police. But, under persistent and rapid-fire questions

from the bench, he was hard-pressed to explain when such access is justified.

No one doubted that police are free to take along some outsiders to help them — such as translators or owners of searched-for stolen property — but Willard contended that journalists do not offer police that kind of specific assistance.

At one point, Justice Antonin Scalia asked Cordray, the federal agents' lawyer, whether police officers with court warrants could elect to take along their sisters-in-law as well as the news media.

"Personally, I'd rather have your sister-in-law come along," Scalia said as the courtroom exploded in laughter.

"The only authority the police have is to enter the home, (not) bring along the media . . ."

Richard Willard
lawyer

In the 80-minute argument session, only Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist asked questions that consistently portrayed the police conduct in a positive light.

Comments and queries from Justices Anthony M. Kennedy, Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Stephen G. Breyer were far more critical.

The court could use the Montana case to draw a distinction between entering a residence and other types of private property, such as ranch-

Dow closes above 10,000 for the first time due to merger talks

NEW YORK (AP) — The Dow closed above 10,000 for the first time Monday, lifted by news of some big mergers in the works.

The Dow shot up 184.54 points to close at 10,006.78.

Monday's session marked the fifth time that the 103-year-old in-

dex crossed 10,000, but it was the first time it had enough momentum to stay above five digits at the closing bell.

"It's a moment to uncork the champagne and celebrate what a truly phenomenal bull market this has been," said Hugh Johnson,

market strategist at First Albany Corp.

Wall Street was buoyant Monday following news that Britain's BP Amoco is discussing a merger with rival oil company Atlantic Richfield, and that CBS is interested in King World, the pro-

ducer of such TV shows as "Jeopardy" and "The Oprah Winfrey Show."

Another report said drug makers Glaxo Wellcome and Bristol Myers-Squibb had discussed a deal but called off the talks.

The merger talks were just the

immediate reason for Monday's advance.

The Dow — and the overall stock market — have surged higher on eight years of U.S. economic growth, a boom in mutual fund investment, and, most recently, a boom in high technology and

Internet-related stocks.

Earlier this month, the Dow Jones industrial average traded as high as 10,085.31, but profit-taking and concerns about upcoming first-quarter earnings reports brought the index back down.

Bill to restrict under 18 from pickup beds

AUSTIN (AP) — Children under 18 couldn't ride in pickup beds on public roads — with some exceptions, including one for families whose only vehicle is a truck — under a bill given initial approval Monday by the Texas Senate.

The measure would revamp current law, which makes it illegal for someone to operate an open-bed pickup or open flat-bed truck, or to tow an open flat-bed trailer, at a speed of more than 35 mph with a child younger than 12 in the bed.

A final Senate vote is required before the bill goes to the House for consideration.

"This bill just makes sense," said Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock,

sponsor of the measure, citing concerns about the lack of protection for youngsters in pickup beds.

According to figures from the Texas Department of Public Safety on traffic accidents involving people riding in the rear of trucks, six people who were at least 12 but under 18 were killed and 190 were injured in 1997.

Violating the ban on children in the beds of trucks means a ticket of \$25 to \$200, Duncan said.

"It's cheaper than a funeral," he said.

Those falling under one of the bill's exemptions could use that status as a defense, he added.

Besides providing an exception when a pickup is the only vehicle

owned or operated in a household, the bill would allow exemptions for: — Operating or towing the vehicle in a parade or emergency.

— Transporting farm workers from one field to another on a farm-to-market road, ranch road or county road outside city limits.

— Beaches. Under current law, there is a defense only for those who are operating or towing vehicles in an emergency, according to DPS and Duncan's staff.

Some senators said the need to protect children runs up against the hard reality of what people may have available to drive.

"They wish they were in a Suburban ... Their only sin is they're poor,"

said Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston. "Sometimes people have to do the best they can, and sometimes it's dangerous."

Whitmire was among senators who voted against suspending rules to allow a final vote on the bill Monday.

The vote to suspend was 23-7, just short of the four-fifths margin needed.

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Lt. Gov. Perry praised the bill. "It's aimed at reducing accidents involving children in pickup trucks. The Senate worked hard to protect children while granting common-sense exemptions," he said.

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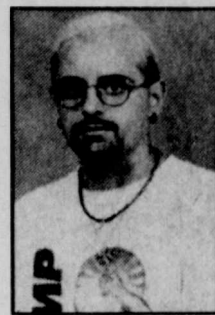
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Person's rights declining in society



Dwayne Mamo
Columnist

There are certain things in this world that never cease to amaze me, and plenty of others, no, I'm not talking about squeezable pudding or "professional" wrestling. I'm referring to a certain right all individuals have: the right to self-government.

Now depending on how much philosophy you know or don't know, certain social contracts allow for more freedoms in this area than others.

However, in some sense, there is always some part of self-government or at least, right to self, within the constructs of choice in many political systems.

Let's keep this simple and only refer to the United States and assume our government gives us plenty of room to use our right.

In lieu of this, why do we, as a country, continually forget about such a right?

My awareness of this issue first came about eight years ago when there was a

nationwide campaign to eliminate second-hand smoke in certain areas.

This campaign always seemed to have plenty of merit because it is the smoker's right to smoke all they want; however, the others in the same vicinity have never conceded the same.

The next issue that leapt up was that of abortion. One that, at least so far, we still have the right to perform.

However, if we don't watch out, our legislation will slowly peel away at the policy and continually make it harder for women to utilize their right to their body. I will grant, though, that this issue has some grey area in that we are dealing with a fetus, but it seems that anything up until the third trimester doesn't transgress its rights yet.

The last issue that has arisen recently, which doesn't have any grey area, is the practice of physician-assisted suicide. This issue comes to the limelight once

again thanks to Dr. Kevorkian, who now will have to figure out how to assist suicides by using license plate-making equipment.

If you don't know already, the doctor made it to court for the fifth time. This time representing himself and dealing with the fact that his assisted suicide was televised.

The trial lasted a week, and he was convicted of second-degree murder, which provides a sentence of 10-25 years. Tagged onto that is 7 more because he administered a controlled substance to his patient who was suffering from Lou Gehrig's Disease.

If the doctor representing himself was not incriminating enough, or the fact that the judge set him free until the sentencing, then convicted him for murder when the issue was the televised fact, is negligible enough ... of the American public.

Like I said, whatever happened to the right to self? This patient couldn't even kill himself, and that was his choice. I say thank you doctor for giving me my last wish.

However, it was not his choice for his death to be televised. That is where the good doctor went wrong, and that is where the judicial system went wrong, clouding the issue of murder with that of medical ethics and privacy.

It's not murder when someone wants to be killed. It's like when people cry rape when they were in total consent for the act, and they just don't want to admit to their parents that they aren't virgins anymore because of their willing choice. We have our rights to our body and when our body gets to a point within which we cannot even operate, then why should we have to suffer? For our family and friends?

They're not worth it because there is

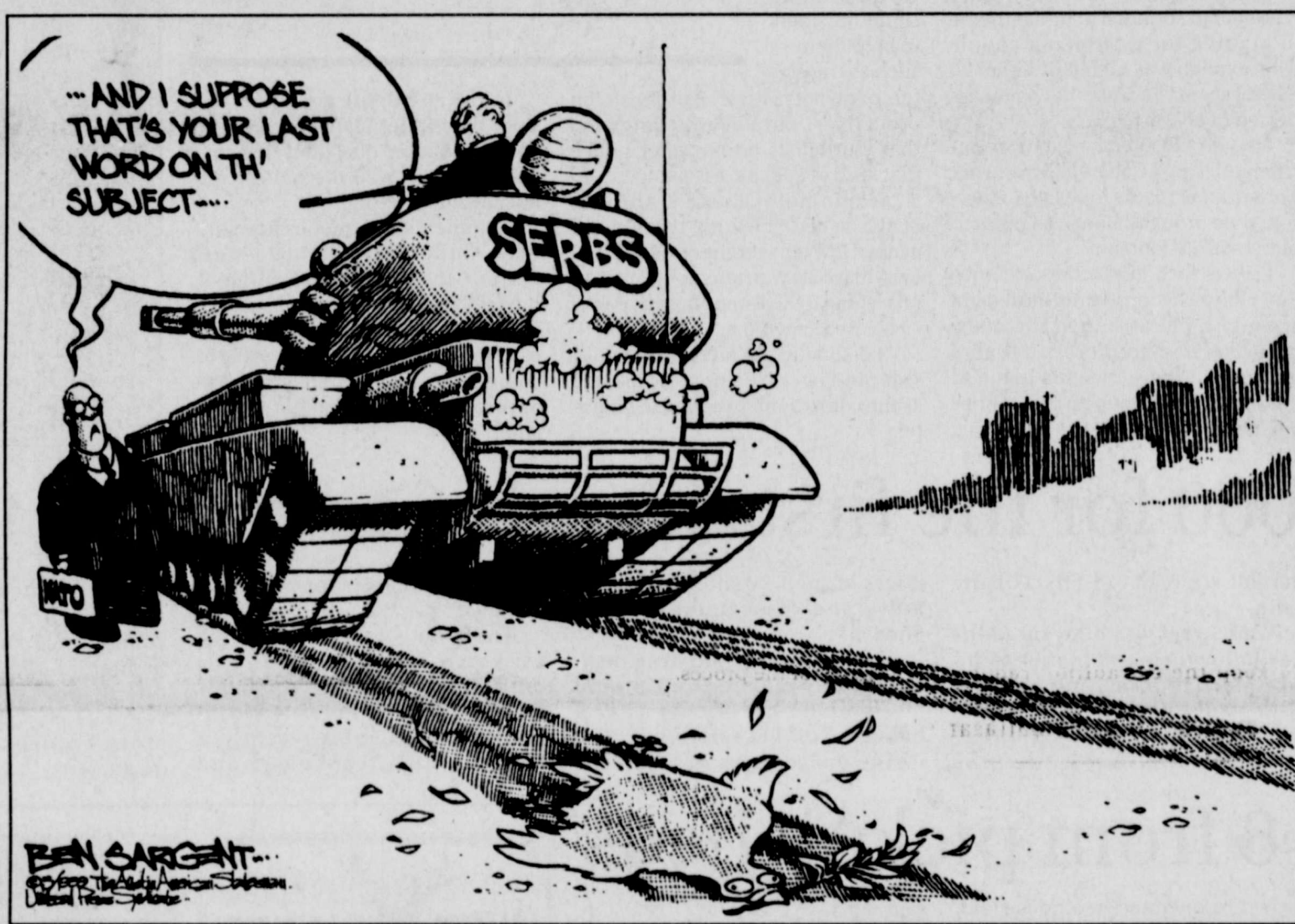
nothing they can do from healing the constant agonizing physical pain and mental pain. Plus, your body is not a democratic political system in which we all get a vote. It's a one-vote issue.

Now, don't get me wrong. I disagree with the fact that he televised the act, not with act itself, and I can only hope people realize that is the only thing he did wrong.

Unfortunately, our jury felt that it wasn't the issue at all, shows how educated they are when that was the reason why he went to trial.

At least our good doctor was smart enough to be set free before sentencing, so he can finish what he said he would always do: if convicted he would find any way to commit suicide. Once again showing the intelligence of the system.

Dwayne Mamo is a senior English and philosophy major from Malta.



EDITORIAL

National show not complete reporting facts

Lubbock was thrown into the spotlight Monday, and this time it was not for a Lady Raiders win — it was a former opponent.

ABC's "20/20" aired a story of the incident between Lubbock police and coaches from Hampton University in November. The coaches were arrested and cleared and claim the police targeted them because of their race — they are black.

The story is drumming up attention. Famed attorney Johnnie Cochran is taking the case, which has yet to be filed in court.

Lubbock is being labeled as a racist community and Texas Tech's name is attached.

But no matter who is right or wrong, the story does leave some questions up in the air, which proves the importance of looking at both sides of any story in the news.

As student journalists, we are taught the do's and don't's of our profession. Ask every possible question, be cautious when using statistics and, most importantly, get both sides of the story.

This nationally-respected news magazine gave a one-sided impression of the Hub City.

The reporter said the police force was 2 percent black.

Though the Lubbock police force may not fully reflect the community, the reader must ask one thing: what is the racial make-up of the city and of the police force?

Statistics can be skewed easily without being used in their full context.

The report also neglected to mention that there are two minority city council members — Victor Hernandez, who is hispanic, and T.J. Patterson, who is black. Also, the Lubbock County Sheriff is David Gutierrez — a hispanic man.

The report looked as if the crew had flown in for one day without capturing the bigger picture.

As for interviewing all possible sources, "20/20" neglected one important entity which was mentioned throughout the story — Texas Tech.

Though the case is not against the university, Chancellor John Montford, Athletic Director Gerald Myers and Lady Raider coach Marsha Sharp deserved to defend this school. Tech is connected to a hot topic bringing negative attention to the city and the university.

No official was able to mention Tech's position in the situation. When the incident occurred, Myers extended his sympathy for the Hampton officials without saying Lubbock did anything wrong.

With recent events in Texas, this state seems to constantly be fighting the shadow of segregation. The report even showed a faded "colored" sign over an abandoned cafe somewhere in the area.

Interpret everything seen in the news carefully. Though journalists do try to get the whole, objective story, it is not always possible.

And even the national media has to cut for time or space.

The University Daily editorial board voted 6-0 in favor of this issue.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tech student wonders where life, rights begin

To the editor: I have been keeping up with the controversy raging over abortion and what each side has to say. I guess I am getting confused on something that maybe someone could clear up for me.

First, I do not feel it has been adequately shown how abortion is not murder. Is it human or not? And why are some fetus deaths prosecuted as murder while the ones in abortion clinics are not?

I dare say the fetus "dies" because it was alive and now it is not; although, I am not sure what others would call it. Perhaps someone from the biology department could respond and tell me what is alive and what is not. How come this double standard?

Second, if it's not murder, then why do they prosecute these girls who have their babies at home and put them in trash cans to die when they could have had the abortion at a clinic and not have been prosecuted? The only difference I can see is five minutes and the charge of the service. Why prosecute at all for any fetus death?

And lastly, this double standard seems to need some clarification as to what age is really legal to kill children. Of course, the abortion clinics will say even up to birth

because they have a great deal to gain from this. It just makes me wonder, what the real truth is? I understand the emotion involved. Could someone answer the questions without the rhetoric?

Chris Longbine
sophomore
biochemistry

Religious beliefs of writer impede unbiased views

To the editor: I am writing in response to a letter in Tuesday's UD. He states his opinion that "If Jesus Christ isn't in your daily walk, then you are on the wrong road," and the university needs to bring religion into its decisions.

He is upset because there are people in the Faculty Senate who are thinking of giving someone "gay" consideration. I don't particularly support homosexuality, but I do support a person's right to be treated fairly regardless of their beliefs. Many tend to forget this country was founded on two principles: freedom of religion and freedom of speech. These two rights allow Americans to decide what they feel is right and wrong. I have no idea what makes the writer think he has the right to force his

set of morals and religion on others.

He said any road that doesn't include religion is wrong, but what he means and says is any road that isn't based on his religious views is wrong. He forgets he may not have had the right to those views were it not for the founders of this country. There was a time when Christians were persecuted for their religious beliefs. People of all religions and beliefs must learn to respect other religions as they would want theirs respected. You don't have to believe in being "gay" or Buddhist, but you need to respect a person's right to believe in it.

This is why religion should not be the basis for university decisions. Anyone who takes an objective look at the world's religion will find they all have similar ideas on right and wrong. Look at "thou shall not kill." Most religions believe this. Yet, we've had things like the Crusades and holy wars in the Holy Land. Without respect for our fellow man, this world is headed for trouble. You may not believe the same way as someone, but the great thing about this country is you have the right to make that decision for yourself. The second you start forcing your beliefs on others is the second you run the risk of having others force their beliefs on you.

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Bombs hit Yugoslavia for sixth day

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Thousands of bedraggled refugees, many with little more than the clothes on their backs, straggled out of Kosovo on Monday in one of the largest postwar exoduses in Europe as NATO bombed Yugoslavia for a sixth straight day.

With nearly one-quarter of Kosovo's population now made homeless since Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic launched the Kosovo crackdown 13 months ago, disquieting reports surfaced of ethnic Albanian leaders being summarily executed.

NATO said it had reliable reports that Fehmi Agani, a close aide to ethnic Albanian leader Ibrahim Rugova and one of the negotiators at the failed Rambouillet peace talks, was killed Sunday after attending the funeral of a slain human rights lawyer.

Four other prominent ethnic Albanians were also reported executed in the Serbs' "scorched earth policy," NATO said, including Baton Haxhiu,

editor in chief of Koha Ditore, the Albanian-language newspaper in Kosovo's capital of Pristina.

More than 2,000 people have died and a half-million others been displaced — many of them forcibly — since the clashes began in Kosovo.

NATO's assault is aimed at getting Milosevic to accept a peace plan agreed to by the ethnic Albanians that calls for 28,000 troops in Kosovo, including 4,000 Americans, to enforce the accord.

Russia's prime minister, Yevgeny Primakov, announced plans to go to Belgrade on Tuesday in a new bid to end the crisis. Russia, which has cultural and historic ties to Serbia, strongly opposes NATO's air campaign.

NATO spokesman Air Commodore David Wilby said the latest air

attacks were targeting Serb and Yugoslav units involved in atrocities. James Rubin, the State Department spokesman, said "there are indications genocide is unfolding in Kosovo."

In response, A-10 "Warthog" ground-attack planes were spotted taking off from Aviano Air Base in northern Italy.

Rather than restraining the Serbs, however, the attacks appeared only to have intensified their anger at the ethnic Albanians, who made up 90 percent of Kosovo's 2 million inhabitants before the Serb crackdown.

Yugoslav authorities closed at least one crossing point into Albania for several hours Monday, erecting concrete barriers along the main road from the Kosovo city of Prizren to the Albanian town of Kukes. It was

unclear if other crossing points were also sealed.

Along Kosovo's border with Yugoslavia's smaller republic of Montenegro, thousands of Kosovo Albanians were trying to cross. Police there were charging \$60 per car to let refugees out.

Shea described the situation as being on the brink of a major humanitarian disaster, unprecedented since World War II. More than a half-million Kosovars have been uprooted by the crisis, NATO said — the biggest population shift in Europe since 1945.

Thousands of refugees massed in Kukes, sleeping in doorways and on sidewalks, wandering aimlessly and begging for help.

International agencies scrambled to bring in aid, but the situation was chaotic. Traumatized refugees swarmed trucks carrying food.

Authorities had barely 5,000 loaves of bread for more than ten times that many people.

“There are indications genocide is unfolding ...”

James Rubin
State Department spokesman

Saddam's brother questioned in trial

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Saddam Hussein's half-brother was interrogated by Iraqi security forces after one of his assistants fled the country and joined an opposition group, an Arabic newspaper reported Monday.

Barzan al-Tikriti was questioned by special security forces headed by his nephew, Saddam's younger son, Qusai, the London-based *Al-Hayat* newspaper reported, quoting Iraqi sources in Jordan.

Two former ministers, three re-

tired generals and members of the ruling Baath Party who met al-Tikriti after his return to Baghdad from a diplomatic posting in Geneva last year also were interrogated, it said.

Al-Hayat said the interrogation followed the defection to an opposition group by an assistant of al-Tikriti after he fled to Turkey.

It did not name the assistant or say when he left Iraq. It also did not say which opposition group he joined or when al-Tikriti was ques-

tioned.

Al-Tikriti served as Iraq's ambassador to the United Nations in Geneva, Switzerland, for a decade.

He was recalled last summer in a diplomatic reshuffle ordered by Saddam. About two dozen other diplomats were also recalled.

Al-Tikriti returned to Baghdad in December after denying rumors that he had delayed his return because he was seeking to defect amid disputes with Saddam.

He said he did not want a new government post so that he could spend more time with his family.

Relations between Saddam's eldest son, Odai, and his uncle were known to be bad and it was reported that al-Tikriti was afraid to return to Baghdad for fear his nephew might harm him.

The family rupture was deepened when Odai shot and wounded al-Tikriti's brother, Watban, after a feud over the divorce and family business.

Britain still to decide Pinochet's fate

LONDON (AP) — Britain's High Court on Monday put the fate of former Chilean dictator Gen. Augusto Pinochet back in the hands of Jack Straw, the government's top law enforcement official.

A three-judge panel gave Straw, Britain's Home Secretary, until April 15 to issue a fresh ruling on whether to allow Spain to seek Pinochet's extradition.

The High Court said Pinochet must remain in custody while Straw deliberates, denying a request from the general's lawyers that he be "set

at liberty and returned to Chile."

Pinochet has been detained in Britain since his Oct. 16 arrest on a Spanish warrant that alleged thousands of abuses committed during his 1973-90 regime.

An official Chilean report says 3,197 people were murdered or disappeared at the hands of Pinochet's secret police after he toppled the country's elected Marxist president, Salvador Allende, in a bloody coup.

Pinochet's lawyers filed their challenge of Straw's ruling

Wednesday.

They said most of the charges against the general had to be dismissed because they predated Britain's 1988 adoption of an international torture law.

But by denying Pinochet immunity for acts committed in the last two years of his 17-year regime — including torture and conspiracy to torture — the law lords upheld enough of the case to keep the extradition request alive.

Spanish Judge Baltasar

Missile defense weapon fails again

WASHINGTON (AP) — A weapon designed to knock enemy missiles out of the sky failed its sixth direct-hit attempt Monday, raising questions about the technological feasibility of a defense system that is now a national priority.

Pentagon officials in charge of the Army's Theater High-Altitude Area Defense missile program put a positive spin on the test, saying all targeting, radar and launch systems worked well together for the first time.

And they predicted a complete success soon, although they couldn't say exactly what caused the miss.

"Everything seemed to work very, very well with the exception, obviously, of what happened relative to the closing end game for the missile," Lt. Gen. Lester Lyles, director of the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, told a Pentagon news conference.

Critics of the program were skeptical, however, given that the Pentagon has spent more

than \$50 billion on research and limited testing on missile defense with few results, dating to the Reagan administration's ambitious space-based "Star Wars" system.

"At some point you have to wonder if this is in the category of developing fusion power," said John Pike of the Federation of American Scientists.

"Everything has to work exactly right or it doesn't work at all."

The THAAD is designed to strike enemy missiles at altitudes of 800 miles and higher — just the kinds of weapons nations such as Iran, North Korea and Pakistan

are developing, raising the threat to U.S. troops and allies overseas.

Lyles said scientists won't know exactly what went wrong with the THAAD hit-to-kill part of the missile test until reviewing radar, infrared and visual data.

The telemetry system, which tracks how the THAAD is performing, went down one minute into the test, which could hamper efforts to figure out the problem and try to correct it, he said.

Monday's test was the ninth in a series of 13 flight tests for the THAAD program and the sixth attempt at intercepting a missile. The system has cost \$3.8 billion so far.

The THAAD has technology that is the most sophisticated military weaponry.

It also would contribute to development of a system that could protect the United States.

“Everything seemed to work very, very well...”

Lt. Gen. Lester
director of Ballistic Missile
Defense Organization

In mid-March, the House and Senate passed separate bills making the deployment of a national missile defense as soon as possible a U.S. government priority.

On Monday, the THAAD missile came within 10 to 30 yards of hitting its target, a modified Minuteman 2 missile called a Hera, during an early morning test at the White Sands Missile Range, N.M.

The THAAD self-destructed 10 seconds after the miss, which occurred about 300 meters above the ground.

Lockheed will have to achieve two successful hit-to-kill missile tests by June 30 or be penalized \$20 million, according to the contract.

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UConn snocks the world in major upset

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Connecticut spoiled the Duke Invitational.

The Huskies beat top-ranked Duke, the team no one thought could be beaten in this NCAA tournament, for their first national championship in their first Final Four appearance.

The 77-74 victory Monday night ended Duke's 32-game winning streak, kept the Blue Devils from an NCAA record for wins in a season, and prevented them from ending the '90s with a third national championship.

Richard Hamilton led third-ranked Connecticut (34-2) with 27 points, but it was some tremendous team defense and a big shot and free throws by Khalid El-Amin that won it all.

Trajan Langdon led Duke (37-2) with 25 points, but Duke's last two possessions ended with him making turnovers. And so the Blue Devils fell short of what everyone had expected — another title.

These were the only two teams to hold the No. 1 ranking this season

Huskies defeat Blue Devils for national title, end Duke's 32-game winning streak

and they played a final game worthy of the two best.

Connecticut was able to keep the game at a pace it liked even though most everyone thought the Huskies should try to slow the tempo to keep the game close.

The quick pace made for what seemed like constant lead changes, the last coming with 3:50 to play when Hamilton's free throws gave the Huskies a 70-68 lead. He hit a three-pointer 21 seconds later for a five-point lead and suddenly Duke was playing a role it had very little experience at this season — the chaser.

William Avery's free throws with 54 seconds left got the Blue Devils within 75-74.

El-Amin, whose driving basket had given Connecticut the 75-72

lead, missed on a drive with 24 seconds left and Duke had life.

The crowd of 41,340 at Tropicana Field, the court where Duke's season ended a year ago, was roaring as the Blue Devils went for the final shot without calling a timeout.

Langdon, the fifth-year senior who made the Final Four in his last chance, tried to get by Ricky Moore, one of the game's best defenders. Langdon spun but Moore was there for the defensive stop. Langdon took an extra step and was called for traveling with 5.4 seconds to go.

El-Amin made two free throws with 5.2 seconds left to get the lead back to three, and Langdon's last chance at tying the game ended when he fell near the 3-point line and lost control of the ball, giving the

Huskies their first-ever national championship.

With that, Connecticut charged the court and had the title everyone thought Duke would claim.

It was Duke's eighth Final Four under Mike Krzyzewski, who was trying to become the fourth coach to ever win a third national championship.

It was Connecticut's first and Jim Calhoun, labeled one of the best coaches never to reach a Final Four, finally did, and left the court with a national title in his 27th season, the last 13 at Connecticut.

Duke finishes tied with the 1986 Duke team and UNLV in 1987 with 37 victories.

The loss also gives Duke a 2-6 record in national championship

games, the titles coming in 1991 and 1992.

This title was the first for the Big East since Villanova pulled off another huge upset in 1985, beating Georgetown.

A jumper by Hamilton gave the Huskies a 65-59 lead with 8:57 left. Elton Brand, the national player of the year who finished with 15 points and 13 rebounds, got Duke right back in it.

Brand blocked a shot by Hamilton then went down and scored on a fast break. He then stole the ball from Edmund Saunders 30 feet from the basket, but missed the free throw when he was fouled.

After a basket by Chris Carrwell brought the Blue Devils within 65-63, Brand blocked a three-point attempt

by El-Amin and Langdon made one of two free throws on that possession to make it 65-64.

Hamilton, a first-team All-American who was 10-for-22 from the field and had seven rebounds, finished as the tournament's leading scorer with 145 points in the six games, a 24.1 average. He was the tournament's Most Outstanding Player.

Moore scored all 13 of his points in the first half and El-Amin added 12.

Langdon was 7-for-15 from the field, including 5-for-10 from three-point range, and Avery had 11 points and five assists in the championship affair.

Duke's only other loss was by one point to Cincinnati in November and only four times did a team come within 10 points of the Blue Devils, who led the nation in scoring (92.3) and margin of victory (25.4) during the 1998-99 campaign.

Krzyzewski, who will have hip replacement surgery next week, is second on the NCAA tournament career victory list with 49.

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New season will top '98 campaign

It seems just a few weeks ago that the 1998 baseball season ended in a flurry of home runs by Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa and the New York Yankees making a strong case for their place in history with a World Series victory.

But, the 1999 season is quickly upon us with Opening Day next week.

And after the dream season for baseball fans in 1998, the question is whether this year can even come close to the excitement level.

The answer is yes. After McGwire belted out an immortal 70 home runs and Sosa checked in with 66 dingers last season, this season won't see the huge home-run chase.

Sammy and Mark will continue to dazzle fans with their home runs, but don't expect anywhere near last

season's numbers. Seventy is a number that may last for the ages.

But even though there won't be any substantial chase for the home run record like last season, offseason trades and moves should help make Major League Baseball almost as exciting this season.

Without further ado, here's my choice on how the major league standings will look come playoff time in October.

American League:
 East — New York, Baltimore, Boston, Toronto, Tampa Bay
 Central — Cleveland, Chicago, Kansas City, Minnesota, Detroit
 West — Anaheim, Texas, Seattle, Oakland

Wild Card: Texas
Cy Young: Roger Clemens, New York. The Rocket will do it again — this time in pinstripes. After Toronto headed his word and shipped him to the Yankees, Clemens seems to once again be happy. And if he can come close to what he did with the lowly Blue Jays last season, he'll be able to anchor the Yankees to another record-breaking season. The third-

straight Cy Young award should be a charm.

Most Valuable Player: Mo Vaughn, Anaheim. Vaughn has turned from a devil in Boston into what Anaheim hopes is finally a player that can help them ride past a series of September chokes. With a nice supporting cast, this year, Vaughn should finally be able to help guide the Angels into the playoffs.

National League:
 East — New York, Atlanta, Montreal, Philadelphia, Florida
 Central — Houston, Chicago, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, Milwaukee
 West — Arizona, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Colorado, San Diego
Wild Card: Atlanta
Cy Young: Randy Johnson, Arizona.

The teams may keep changing, but Johnson keeps staying the same. After helping guide Houston into the playoffs last season, the Diamondbacks were the highest bidders for his services, and it is sure to pay off. Even at 35, he still has got it, and he'll be able to help the Diamondbacks buy,

(uh, play), their way into a World Series.

Most Valuable Player: Mike Piazza, New York.

After playing for three teams last year, Piazza has settled down with a long-term contract with the Mets and looks to have a breakout year. Batting .348 on a roller coaster season, he will make the Mets faithful proud this season.

World Series:
 New York vs. Arizona — Old will meet new in the 1999 World Series. The Yankees are coming off a record season and a World Series ring. After looking like, for most of the offseason, the team would be kept together, owner George Steinbrenner shipped pitcher David Wells off to Toronto for Clemens. Toronto's loss will be the Yankees gain.

Even though Diamondbacks owner Jerry Colangelo has used his hefty pocketbook to scoop up enough talent to get to the World Series this season, the Yankees are still the best in baseball. New York in six games.

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Jordan authenticates interest in Charlotte

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Michael Jordan went on record Monday that he's had preliminary talks about co-owning the Charlotte Hornets, but will his presence bring back the fans?

And could it even breathe new life into the uphill battle to build a new downtown NBA arena?

Lofty expectations for just one man. But this is Michael Jordan, after all.

Jordan wasn't saying very much about his plans, although he did confirm Monday that he has been in touch with Hornets.

"In response to reports, I can confirm that I have been contacted by George Shinn and (NBA commissioner) David Stern regarding co-ownership of the Charlotte Hornets," Jordan said in the statement issued Monday through agent David Falk's office in Washington.

Jordan spoke with Shinn earlier this month about buying a 50-percent share of the NBA franchise, according to officials with the Hornets and the league.

"At this stage, however, the discussions are very preliminary and I am unsure whether I will be able to make an investment on terms that are acceptable to me," Jordan said. Hornets officials were not talking Monday about Jordan.

Jordan, who grew up in Wilmington and starred at the University of North Carolina, said staying involved in the NBA "would be a fulfilling personal and business challenge."

"In addition, as a North Carolina native, I would welcome the

opportunity to be involved in growing the Hornets into an elite NBA team," Jordan said. "It would be premature to comment any further."

Jordan also has met with John Fennebresque, chairman of a committee that is trying to developing a new downtown arena, *The Charlotte Observer* reported.

Fennebresque did not immediately return messages Monday.

The *Chicago Sun-Times*, quoting unidentified sources in an article Sunday, said Jordan and Falk were in the Bahamas, discussing the move from retired player to part-time owner.

"If this is something Michael wants to do, I'm all for it because he's earned the right to do whatever he wants to do," Bulls chairman Jerry Reinsdorf told the newspaper over the weekend. "I also believe he would make a good owner. He is good at everything he does."

"Michael is very bright and has very good insight into things that he focuses on. So, I'm sure he would be a plus."

Hornets officials said that no firm dates had been set for the two sides to meet again but that both parties had agreed to stay in touch over the coming weeks.

Coach Dave Cowens resigned in frustration this month, and fans have been staying away with attendance dropping the past year. Jordan's presence would be a big boost immediately to the lagging franchise, even if it was from the board room and not the court.

Baseball series sheds light on life in Cuba

HAVANA (AP) — Baseball people of all sorts were buzzing Monday in the waiting area at Jose Marti International Airport. The No. 1 topic? Trying to set up more games between major league teams and the Cubans.

League presidents, owners, general managers, scouts and union executives all seemed to agree, for once: The Baltimore Orioles' weekend trip to Havana worked so well that more clubs should follow.

"We will start talking soon about doing it again next year," said former infielder Tony Bernazard, now at the players' union.

Cuban sports officials also seemed satisfied with the first visit by a major league team in 40 years.

"To come down here and experience it, just to get to see and understand the mystique of Cuba, it was worth it," Montreal GM Jim Beattie said. "Having done it once, the next time you won't have that fear or awe."

Almost all 30 major league teams sent a representative or two to see the Orioles beat a Cuban all-star team 3-2 in 11 innings Sunday. Tampa Bay Devil Rays owner Vince Naimoli hopes the trip helps him understand more about star pitcher Rolando Arrojo, a Cuban defector.

"I'll have a conversation with him," Naimoli said. "I'm a great student of learning by walking around, and I'll talk about the things I saw."

AL president Gene Budig and NL president Len Coleman liked what they saw. So did Toronto Blue Jays scout Bob Engle.

"I think any time you get to see guys who don't have a lot of exposure, it's good," Engle said. "You got to see a lot of pitching. It gives you a good measure."

With several rival scouts sitting near him waiting for a charter flight to Miami, Engle was hesitant to identify the Cubans he liked. But asked whether he thought some of them had big league potential, he firmly said yes.

Jose Contreras pitched eight scoreless innings, allowed only two hits and struck out 10. Third baseman Omar Linares, considered

the island's best player at 32, hit a tying single in the eighth inning that made Cuban President Fidel Castro grin from a front-row seat.

Several top Cubans did not face Baltimore because they are playing in the current series between the Havana Industriales and Santiago for the country's league championship.

Industriales shortstop German Mesa, whose talent kept Rey Ordenez on the bench before the future Gold Glover defected and joined the New York Mets, may play when the Cubans visit Baltimore's Camden Yards on May 3.

Orioles owner Peter Angelos, who spent several years trying to arrange this series, was most pleased.

"It met and exceeded my expectations," he said. "It was a perfect game, because we won and the Cuban team showed that they are capable of competing with a major league team."

“We will start talking soon about doing it again next year.”

Tony Bernazard
MLB Players' Union

Baseball returns to 'the Law'

The Texas Tech baseball team returns home today after a three-game series against Baylor in Waco.

The Red Raiders take on Texas-Arlington at 3 p.m. at Dan Law Field, where they are riding a 23-game winning streak dating back to April 1998.

Tech (24-8 overall, 7-4 Big 12) will try to rebound from its first series

sweep in four years.

The Bears took three one-run games from the Red Raiders over the weekend, keeping Tech from the top spot in the conference.

The Red Raiders will resume Big 12 play with a three-game series against Iowa State starting at 7 p.m. Friday at Dan Law Field.

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