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All Aggies

Texas A&M leaves Red Raiders searching for answers

By ALEX YBARRA
MANAGING EDITOR

Trailing by two touchdowns to Texas A&M just before the half, it was loud and clear what fans wanted Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

"No more Potts," chanted the student section as Texas Tech players motioned with their hands to quiet down.

Those chanters got their wish after two possessions to start the second half. Potts was rooted in the pocket and sacked by A&M's Von Miller. The ball squirted out of his hands and the Aggies recovered.

In came quarterback Seth Doege, who immediately showed more mobility and awareness than Potts. It didn't change the outcome though, which was a crushing 52-30 loss to a rejuvenated Texas A&M team.

All the blame can't be placed on Potts though, as Mike Leach, receiver Alexander Torres and defensive lineman Colby Whitlock put it after the game: This was a team loss, plain and simple.

"We have a great play and then not a real good play," Leach said. "I mean, you can go through any position you want and the same description applies to all of them. You want safeties? How about linebackers? You know? Running backs? D-line? Quarterbacks? Hell yeah on quarterbacks."

Some may question whether the absence of quarterback Steven Sheffield had any impact on the game.

Leach has said in previous weeks Sheffield brought a certain enthusiasm and leadership quality to not only the offense but the entire team.

He said Potts looked "statue-like" in the pocket and he never got in a rhythm. Potts turned the ball over three times while passing for 310 yards and two touchdowns on 25-of-36 passing.

As for his assessment on Doege, Leach thought he played well considering the circumstances. The redshirt freshman threw for 146 yards on 18-of-25 passing in his effort to jumpstart a stagnant offense in the second half.

Leach said it will be another game-time decision as far as the starter for this week's game against Kansas at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

After a fumble on their first drive, it was clear the Aggies were on a mission. They reeled off 31 unanswered points, running for 321 yards and six touchdowns and spoiling Leach's bid at tying Spike Dykes for most career wins.

"As we got hit in the mouth by them, then we had a group of people out there trying to make too much happen, and essentially we just played street ball," Leach said. "Football is the ultimate team game. So a bunch of 11 individuals running 11 different directions isn't going to be really effective."

Torres, who had a career night with 128 yards and a touchdown on eight receptions, said he didn't believe the team overlooked the Aggies, but acknowledged certain "distractions" may have led to mistakes.

"Frustration," said Torres in reference to the team's mood. "I mean we're definitely upset. And that is just one thing that we all as a team just put upon ourselves. We put ourselves in this situation. So as upset as we are, there is no one that's going to be able to turn it around but us."

Whitlock said the Red Raiders didn't respect the Aggies, which isn't in line with the phrase Leach drills into his players minds on a regular basis: Fear no one, respect everyone.



PHOTO BY SAM GRENADIER/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH QUARTERBACK Taylor Potts fumbles the ball as he is sacked by Texas A&M defender Von Miller during the Red Raiders' 52-30 loss to the Aggies on Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

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Texas A&M ground game comes up big in win

By ADAM COLEMAN
SPORTS EDITOR

With his players at their lowest point all season and things looking like they might get worse, Texas A&M coach Mike Sherman used two of boxing's greatest fighters as a way to motivate a team that was in shambles.

"We watched the 'Rumble in the Jungle' with (George) Foreman and (Muhammad) Ali," Sherman said. "We talked about how Foreman was knocked down in the eighth round."

"We stopped it there and he had to make a decision whether he was going to get up off the mat or not. He decided not to at that time and Ali won that fight. If Foreman had just gotten up, he might have

won that fight because Ali was hurt just as much as him."

As of Saturday, the Aggies officially picked themselves up off the mat.

Texas A&M bounced back from a 62-14 loss at Kansas State last week in a big way by handing No. 21 Texas Tech a 52-30 loss Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium. A&M had not won in Lubbock since 1993.

The win not only gives Texas A&M a little bit of the momentum it's been searching for, but it probably saves the Aggies' season, which looked like it was heading in the wrong direction after last week's drubbing.

"Been around this game a long time and never seen a better job handling a team as coach Mike

Sherman did this week," said A&M defensive coordinator Joe Kines. "He brought this team from utter despair on Monday morning to a point where they were able to play and play hard and win the game."

All signs pointed to another Tech win in a lopsided series at the beginning of Saturday's game.

It took the Red Raiders six plays to get on the scoreboard and Uzoma Nwachukwu fumbled a pass from quarterback Jerrod Johnson on the Aggies' first offensive play of the game.

But the Aggies stopped the Red Raiders on the following possession and A&M found its groove.

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QUARTERBACKS STEVEN SHEFFIELD and Taylor Potts talk to third string quarterback Seth Doege before he entered the game during the third quarter of the Red Raiders' 52-30 loss to the Aggies on Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

Regents member Francis says Weeks Hall functionally obsolete

By JETT THOMPSON
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Board of Regents committee on facilities discussed a comprehensive review of existing residence halls during the Friday meeting to make sure the residence halls fit with the long-term plan of the university.

Rick Francis, chairman of the board's facilities committee, spoke about several potential campus construction projects in progress.

The facilities committee has researched

renovating vacant Weeks Hall and once again housing students in the residence. Weeks Hall, built in 1958, was one of the original buildings on campus and is adjacent to the College of Human Sciences at the university entrance on Broadway Avenue.

After looking into renovation projects on Weeks Hall, Francis said the facility is functionally obsolete with low ceilings

and large amounts of asbestos.

He said if the board decides at the next meeting in December to go ahead with demolition of Weeks Hall and the adjacent Doak Conference Center, any new construction would be consistent with the Spanish Renaissance architecture on campus and keep with the long-term goals of



FRANCIS



CAVIN

the university.

Although Francis did not give an exact timetable for future construction, he said that work could begin sometime next year.

"We will move forward with residential expansion to meet student needs," he said.

Tech President Guy Bailey said the preliminary goal is to create about 1,500 new bed spaces for housing in the next two to three years and to create additional research space.

He said although campus residence halls are at capacity, the university still will be able to adequately house incoming freshman

for the next year or so, but with a rapidly-growing student body, the university would need to begin new construction soon.

"We want to open a discussion on our facilities needs," Bailey said. "The new students are going to come fast and furious."

Elmo Cavin, interim president of the Tech Health Sciences Center and executive vice president for finance and administration, said it could take about eight months to find a permanent president for the university.

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INBRIEF

STATE

Death penalty opponents rally at Texas Capitol

AUSTIN (AP) — Death penalty opponents, convinced an innocent man was executed in 2004, staged a rally Saturday at the Texas Capitol to call for a moratorium on capital punishment and to highlight the controversial case of Cameron Todd Willingham.

Willingham was convicted of capital murder for the 1991 deaths of his three children in a fire at their Corsicana home. Forensic scientists have called into question arson evidence used to convict Willingham, who

maintained his innocence until his death by lethal injection.

Dozens of protesters marched from the Capitol down Congress Avenue, waving placards and chanting "Hey hey, ho ho, the death penalty has got to go."

Organizers of the rally said they want to bring attention to the Willingham case and Gov. Rick Perry's shake-up of the commission that was investigating the science used to convict him.

NATION

Bank failures hit 106 for year; many more are weak

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's a big number that only tells part of the story.

The number of banks that have failed so far this year topped 100 on Friday — hitting 106 by the end of the day — the most in nearly two decades. But the trouble in the banking system from bad loans and the recession goes even deeper.

Dozens, perhaps hundreds, of other banks remain open even though

they are as weak as many that have been shuttered. Regulators are seizing banks slowly and selectively — partly to avoid inciting panic and partly because buyers for bad banks are hard to find.

Going slow buys time. An economic recovery could save some banks that would otherwise go under. But if the recovery is slow and smaller banks' finances get even worse, it could wind up costing even more.

WORLD

Violent clashes erupt at Jerusalem's holiest site

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli police firing stun grenades faced off Sunday against masked Palestinian protesters hurling stones and plastic chairs outside the Holy Land's most volatile shrine, where past violence has escalated into prolonged conflict.

A wall of Israeli riot police behind plexiglass shields marched toward young men covering their faces with T-shirts and scarves, sending many of them running for cover into the Al-Aqsa mosque, one of the Islamic structures in the compound known to Jews as the Temple Mount and to

Muslims as the Noble Sanctuary.

They remained holed up in the mosque with police outside for several hours until dispersing before nightfall. Eighteen protesters were arrested, and no serious injuries were reported. But even mild troubles at the disputed compound in Jerusalem's Old City can quickly ignite widespread unrest, and police remained on high alert.

"Jerusalem is a red line that Israel should not cross," said Palestinian Authority spokesman Nabil Abu Rdeneh, condemning the Israeli police action.

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Car bombs kill 136 in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Two powerful suicide car bombs blew up outside the Justice Ministry and city government offices in downtown Baghdad Sunday, killing at least 136 people in the deadliest attack in more than two years. Iraqi leaders said the attacks aimed to disrupt political progress in the months leading up to January's crucial elections.

While violence has dropped

dramatically in the country since the height of the sectarian tensions, the latest bombings underscored the precarious nature of the security gains and the insurgency's abilities to still pull off devastating attacks in the center of what is supposed to be one of Baghdad's most secure areas.

The street where the blasts occurred had just been reopened to vehicle traffic six months ago.

UN inspectors visit once-secret Iranian site

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — U.N. inspectors entered a once-secret uranium enrichment facility with bunker-like construction and heavy military protection that raised Western suspicions about the extent and intent of Iran's nuclear program.

The visit Sunday by the four-member International Atomic Energy Agency team, reported by state media, was the first independent look inside the planned nuclear fuel lab, a former ammunition dump burrowed into the treeless hills south of Tehran and only publicly disclosed last month. The inspectors are expected to study plant blueprints, interview workers and take soil samples before wrapping up the three-day mission.

No results from the inspection are expected until the team leaves the country, but some Iranian officials hailed the visit as an example that their nuclear program was open to international scrutiny.

"IAEA inspectors' visit to Fordo shows that Iran's nuclear activities are transparent and peaceful," the official IRNA news agency quoted lawmaker Hasan Ebrahimi as saying.

Another test of Iran's cooperation is fast approaching, however. Iran has promised to respond this week to a U.N.-brokered deal to

process its nuclear fuel abroad — a plan designed to ease Western fears about Iran's potential ability to produce weapons-grade material.

The current inspection of Iran's second enrichment site came about a month after Tehran disclosed its existence in a letter to the IAEA, the U.N.'s nuclear watchdog. The notification to the U.N. agency came just days before President Barack Obama and other Western leaders claimed Iran has been hiding the facility from the world for years.

After Iran's disclosure, U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon told Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad that "the burden of proof is on Iran" to convince the international community its nuclear program is peaceful.

Iran says that by reporting the existence of the site voluntarily, it "pre-empted a conspiracy" by the United States and its allies who were

hoping to present the site as evidence that Iran was developing its nuclear program in secret.

But the new facility, about 20 miles (30 kilometers) north of the holy city of Qom, immediately raised suspicions about the aim of the nuclear program — which Iran claims is only for peaceful research and energy production. The site is reached by tunnels and is protected by military installations including missile silos and anti-aircraft batteries, Iranian officials said last month.

Iran says the facility — known as Fordo after a village believed to have the largest percentage of fighters killed in the 1980-88 war with Iraq — was fortified to protect against any possible attack by the United States or Israel.

Officials say the plant won't be operational for another 18 months and would produce uranium enrich-

ment levels up to 5 percent, suitable only for peaceful purposes. Weapons-grade material is more than 90 percent enriched.

Iran says its other known enrichment facility — a much larger industrial-scale plant in Natanz in central Iran — is also only to produce nuclear fuel and not at levels for weapons. But many experts say the enrichment centrifuges could be expanded and upgraded to make weapons-grade material.

Another worry for the West is Iran's plans to install a more advanced type of centrifuge at the Fordo site, capable of enriching uranium several times faster and with higher efficiency.

Iran also has promised to respond later this week on U.N.-drafted proposal to have its nuclear fuel processed in Russia, which would limit Iran's stockpiles and allow more international controls.

Although Iran has not given its official answer on the proposed nuclear deal — discussed last week after talks in Vienna with the United States, France and Russia — there are increasing doubts that Iran's leadership will come on board.

On Saturday, Parliament Speaker Ali Larijani claimed the West was trying to "cheat" Iran under the deal that would ship most of Iran's uranium to Russia for reactor-ready enrichment.

Pilot who overshot airport denies crew was napping

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The first officer of the Northwest Airlines jet that missed its destination by 150 miles says he and the captain were not sleeping or arguing in the cockpit but he wouldn't explain their lapse in response and the detour.

"It was not a serious event, from a safety issue," pilot Richard Cole said late Friday in front of his Salem, Ore., home. "I would tell you more, but I've already told you way too much."

Air traffic controllers and pilots had tried for more than an hour Wednesday night to contact the Minneapolis-bound flight. Officials on the ground alerted National Guard jets to prepare to chase the airliner, though none of the military planes left the runway.

The jet with 144 passengers aboard was being closely monitored by senior White House officials, White House spokesman Nick Shapiro told The Associated Press on Saturday. He didn't say if President Barack Obama was informed.

Many aviation safety experts

and pilots say the most likely explanation is that the pilots fell asleep along their route from San Diego. NTSB spokesman Keith Holloway said fatigue and cockpit distraction are factors that will be looked into.

"We were not asleep; we were not having an argument; we were not having a fight," Cole said, but would not discuss why it took so long for him and the flight's captain, Timothy B. Cheney, of Gig Harbor, Wash., to respond to radio calls.

"I can tell you that air-planes lose contact with the ground people all the time. It happens. Sometimes they get together right away; sometimes it takes awhile before one or the other notices that they are not in contact."

The FAA said Friday letters

had been sent informing the pilots they are being investigated by the agency and it is possible their pilot's licenses could be suspended or revoked.

Investigators were in the process Saturday of scheduling interviews with the pilots, Holloway said, and audio from the cockpit voice recorder was downloaded at NTSB headquarters on Friday.

But they may not glean much from it. While new recorders retain as much as two hours of cockpit conversation and other noise, the older model aboard Northwest's Flight 188 includes just the last 30 minutes — only the very end of the flight after the pilots realized their error over Wisconsin.

The NTSB recommended a

decade ago that airlines be required to have two-hour cockpit voice recorders. The standard has been 15- to 30-minute recorders.

Last year, the Federal Aviation Administration issued a rule requiring airplanes and helicopters seating 10 or more people to have the 2-hour audio recordings, but gave the industry time to comply. Aircraft made after March 2010 must come equipped with longer recorders, though many manufacturers have already been including them. Existing planes have until March 2012 to comply.

The FAA rule doesn't require cockpit video recordings, which the NTSB had also recommended. Pilots opposed the video recordings.

Northwest, which was acquired last year by Delta Air Lines, is also investigating the incident. Cheney and Cole have been suspended. Messages left at Cheney's home were not returned.

The pilots passed breathalyzer tests and were apologetic after the flight, according to a police report released Friday.

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Afghan president, challenger endorse Nov. runoff

KABUL (AP) — President Hamid Karzai and his challenger ruled out a power-sharing deal before Afghanistan's Nov. 7 runoff, saying the second round of balloting must be held as planned to bolster democracy in this war-ravaged country.

Some Obama administration officials had said the U.S. would be receptive to a deal to avoid another disruptive election if Karzai and former Foreign Minister Abdullah Abdullah agreed.

However, both Afghan candidates said on talk shows televised Sunday in the United States that they were committed to a second-round vote, despite the huge security and logistical challenges and the threat of Taliban attacks against voters.

"It has to be held. I made sure to have agreement from all the international players before agreeing to runoff to have a second round absolutely sure-ly agreed upon and promised," Karzai said on CNN's "Fareed Zakaria GPS"

program. "Therefore, we must have a second round. If we don't do that, we'll be insulting democracy and a pledge to respecting the vote of the people."

Speaking on "Fox News Sunday," Abdullah was asked if he were interested in a deal to avoid a runoff.

"No, I think I should rule it out because I'm ready to go for a runoff," he replied.

President Barack Obama's administration is hoping the runoff will produce a legitimate government after massive ballot-rigging sullied the first-round vote. Another flawed election would cast doubt on the wisdom of sending tens of thousands more U.S. troops to support a weak government tainted by fraud.

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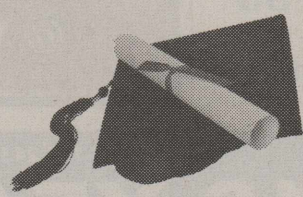
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"It's a difficult assignment," he said. "I still have my day job as the CFO and then add to that the presidential duties. It's an honor for me to hold both jobs."

Cavin said a search firm, Academic Search Consultants Inc., was chosen by the board to serve as a search party for a new Health Sciences Center president. Former Tech president Robert Lawless is a senior consultant in the firm and will serve as the principal search consultant. The anticipated cost to hire the search firm is \$80,000.

"You want to make sure you don't rush it," he said, "and make sure you get the best candidate selected whose chemistry blends well with Texas Tech."

An item on the facilities committee agenda called for a construction project to develop a new Center for Security Studies at Angelo State University, a member university of the Tech System.

According to the agenda, the project is a cooperative agreement between Angelo State and the U.S. Department of Defense to develop a center for strategic languages and cultural training.

Joseph Rallo, president of Angelo State University, said part of the program would be in conjunction with Goodfellow Air Force Base in San Angelo and would help to build linguistic and cultural fluency of Air Force officers in the program.

Rallo said the board approved the item and will provide \$4.2 million to develop the infrastructure and curriculum of the program.

The Tech Board of Regents meet again Dec. 17 and Dec. 18.

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Tech family gathers around lone Aggie member

By SHERREL JONES
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One family bleeds red and black with 16 Texas Tech alumni, but has one black sheep: an Aggie.

The family gathered in a circle at the university seal Sunday with Daniel Haussler, a senior industrial distribution major at Texas A&M from Seabrook, in the center of the circle. After the Aggie was surrounded, the family pointed their proud Raider guns at the student despite the game's outcome.

"We almost didn't show," said Elizabeth Watson, a Tech alumna, "but in the spirit of good sportsmanship and recognizing that A&M will never beat us again, we did show."

Watson graduated from Tech in 1971 and said she is always looking for occasions to come back and visit the university. She planned and implemented the entire gathering

because she thought the game would be a fun, family event.

During the family gathering, surrounded by Tech alumni, Haussler said he is used to all the jokes toward A&M. However, the Tech side of the family was not free of being teased by the A&M student after Tech's 52-30 loss Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

"We almost didn't show, but in the spirit of good sportsmanship and recognizing that A&M will never beat us again, we did show."

ELIZABETH WATSON
TECH ALUMNA

"It was kind of quiet in the stadium on Saturday," Haussler said, family around him laughing at the statement. "Y'all are a pretty quiet bunch."

The family also came to watch the football game which had shocking outcome. At the game, Haussler was surrounded by a sea of black. He said he was

nervous to be near so many Tech fans after the game, but he thought it was an exciting game.

"We never anticipated that losing was a possibility," Watson said. "It was absolutely not on the radar, so we came for the purpose of poking fun at the Aggies with my



DANIEL HAUSSLER, A senior at Texas A&M and member of the Corps of Cadets, is surrounded by his gun-wielding, Texas Tech alumni relatives during a family reunion Sunday in front of the seal.

nephew being at the center of it."

Nancy Haussler, a Tech alumna, CFO of Houston-Galveston Area Council and mother to Daniel Haussler, said the family has wanted to come to Lubbock to watch a Tech football game for

a while and this seemed like the perfect occasion.

"I have mixed feelings about the loss because A&M has not won a game since my son has been there," Nancy said, "so I was kind of happy that he got to experi-

ence a win. On the other hand, I bleed red and black so it was a hard loss."

Although A&M won, she said her son still agreed to be in the center of the Raider circle and was a good sport.

"I am really proud of my family," Nancy said. "We have a multigenerational thing going on here, and we love Tech. As far as the football game on Saturday, we came, we saw and they conquered."

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Season of false starts for news organizations

NEW YORK (AP) — A balloon racing across the Colorado sky without a 6-year-old boy inside. A major lobbyist not changing its position on climate change. A shootout with terrorists on the Potomac River that never happened.

It's been a rough season for non-news.

The recent spate of hoaxes and premature stories exposes a dangerous fault line for journalists in the world of second-by-second news.

Each situation was unique. But they all diminished the credibility of news organizations at a time when the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press has reported that 63 percent of Americans believe news stories are often inaccurate — the worst report card it has ever seen.

"Speed is always a threat to accuracy, and the faster we can

go, the more jeopardy the truth is in," said Deborah Potter, a former CBS News reporter and executive director of the News Lab think tank.

The balloon boy story riveted cable news viewers a week ago. A flying saucer-like balloon had escaped from its tethers and Richard Heene reported to authorities that he believed his son Falcon was aboard. CNN, Fox News Channel and MSNBC all turned to the story to the exclusion of virtually all others.

Even in retrospect, it's hard to argue against that judgment. It was an unusual story, with gripping visuals, of a young boy's life in danger. Later, investigators alleged it was a hoax perpetrated by a publicity-hungry father.

What the story missed at the time was a bigger dose of skepticism and caution — more emphasis on the uncertainty of the report and curiosity about how a

"Speed is always a threat to accuracy, and the faster we can go, the more jeopardy the truth is in."

DEBORAH POTTER
FORMER CBS NEWS
REPORTER

AP interview: Cosby keeps it clean for top humor prize

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bill Cosby still thinks America is funny — like the name-calling over health care and the way we drink so much water from plastic bottles that could be toxic — even though he says the nation has some serious problems it needs to tackle.

The 72-year-old who has long drawn laughs for his wisecracks and deadpan observations will receive the nation's foremost humor prize Monday at the Kennedy Center in Washington. Jerry Seinfeld, Chris Rock, Sinbad and other top entertainers will line up to honor him with the Mark Twain Prize for American Humor.

It's a prize Cosby has turned down

twice before because he said he was disgusted with profanity and N-words thrown around by performers honoring Richard Pryor, who was the first recipient in 1998.

"I told them flat out no because I will not be used, nor will Mark Twain be used, in that way," he told The Associated Press from his home in New York.

The profanity bugs Cosby. He always kept it clean with the family laughs on "The Cosby Show," portraying a middle-class black family and everyday life, from 1984 to 1992. And he's not impressed with today's comedians who can't help but curse.

It took a chat with Kennedy Center

President Michael Kaiser this year at Sen. Edward Kennedy's birthday celebration for Cosby to accept the award this time.

"What I wanted was to associate my work with why I do what I do," he said.

For a man with a master's degree and doctorate in education, his life is about more than laughs.

So Cosby helped craft the tribute show — airing Nov. 4 nationwide on PBS — to capture his overarching emphasis on taking education seriously and telling stories that teach something in the process. He's planned a special nod to his beloved Central High School in Philadelphia, with fellow alumnus James

DePreist conducting their alma mater.

Producers of the show are worried it won't be funny, Cosby said. But he said there will still be plenty of entertainment.

Cappy McGarr, one of the show's executive producers, said they're thrilled with the lineup, which also includes Carl Reiner, Wynton Marsalis, and "Cosby" co-stars Phylicia Rashad and Malcolm-Jamal Warner. The producers shape each show around the honoree and have had Cosby on their list for years. McGarr explained the tribute to Pryor aired for a different audience on Comedy Central and wasn't meant to be offensive, but the show has aired on PBS ever since.

Tired from a tough hike? Rescuers fear Yuppie 911

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — Last month two men and their teenage sons tackled one of the world's most unforgiving summertime hikes: the Grand Canyon's parched and searing Royal Arch Loop. Along with bedrolls and freeze-dried food, the inexperienced backpackers carried a personal locator beacon — just in case.

In the span of three days, the group pushed the panic button three times, mobilizing helicopters for dangerous, lifesaving rescues inside the steep canyon walls.

What was that emergency? The water they had found to quench their thirst "tasted salty."

If they had not been toting the device that works like Onstar

for hikers, "we would have never attempted this hike," one of them said after the third rescue crew forced them to board their chopper. It's a growing problem facing the men and women who risk their lives when they believe others are in danger of losing theirs.

Technology has made calling for help instantaneous even in the most remote places. Because would-be adventurers can send GPS coordinates to rescuers with the touch of a button, some are exploring terrain they do not have the experience, knowledge or endurance to tackle.

Rescue officials are deciding whether to start keeping statistics on the problem, but the incidents have become so frequent that the head of California's Search and Rescue operation has a name for the devices: Yuppie 911.

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Public option would lead to government-run health care

This year Congress will pass some manner of health care reform bill. This has been a hot-button issue for months and the greatest area of contention is the public option. If it's in the bill, it's extremely likely the federal government will eventually be in de facto control of health care in the United States.

If you haven't followed the debate, the "public option" would be a government insurance program open to those either unhappy with or lacking private insurance. In fact for those without insurance, the government option wouldn't just be available, but mandatory.

If reform legislation includes a government option of the type President Barack Obama supports and Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi is emphatically pushing, it will mark the beginning of the end of private insurance and set in motion a gradual but inevitable drift toward government-run health care.

I say this with such certainty not because of ideological or political conviction, but because economics simply won't allow the continued existence of private insurers.

I say this with such certainty not because of ideological or political conviction, but because economics simply won't allow the continued existence of private insurers. Once medical service providers are in turn wholly dependent on the government for payment, the government will wield enormous, irresistible leverage over the entire health care industry.

It's not that the government option would be ineffective. Indeed it will have a massive impact. In fact the government option will almost certainly achieve its ostensible aim to extend health insurance to uninsured Americans.

But whether this benefit justifies the massive costs is another question. When Obama and other government option supporters claim those happy with their

Jacob Moore



insurance arrangements will be able to keep them, they are either being disingenuous or stunningly naïve.

Why will a government option destroy private insurers? The business of private health insurers, simply put, is to calculate each client's risk, charge corresponding premiums, and fight suspicious claims. This last

activity is unfortunately necessary as insurance fraud is a common crime with an annual net expense of about \$68 billion according to 2008 National Health Care Anti-Fraud Association statistics.

If an insurance company can do those three things, it has a chance to succeed but isn't home free. It must also compete against other insurers. Charge too high a premium or deliver poor service and customers will desert

you. No credible economist of any political stripe disputes competition generally lowers prices and increases product quality (provided market forces haven't been weakened by monopoly or excessive regulation). Indeed this maxim is the heart of antitrust law.

But the theory behind the government option is private insurers must be "kept honest" through competition with a government alternative not motivated by profit. Of course, the federal government won't go out of business no matter how poorly it runs its insurance program. Because the U.S. Treasury, i.e. taxpayers, will stand behind it the government option could afford to charge low

premiums irrespective of risk and be less vigilant in challenging claims.

Even novice economists will recognize this puts private insurers in an impossible situation. If the sweeter deal is only possible because of government backing, than any insurer that lacks access to the U.S. Treasury — private insurers in other words — won't be able to compete and ultimately will be run out of business. An insurer that doesn't have to worry about risk or losses and can't go bankrupt precludes the long term survival of private insurers. In time, the government plan becomes the only plan.

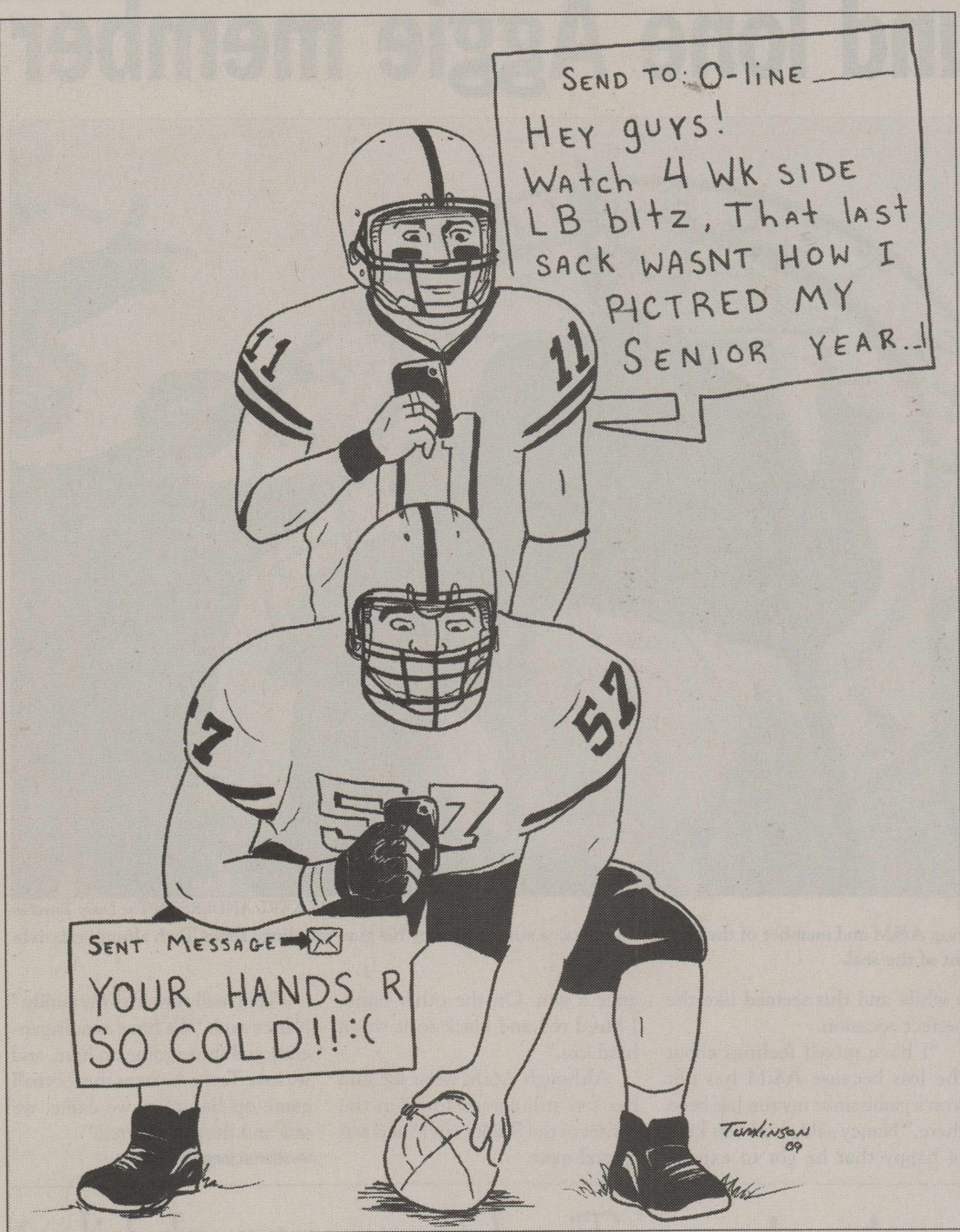
Unlike the United Kingdom and Canada, the system this would create wouldn't be officially government run. But with medical service providers all depending on the federal government to pay them, the government would exercise firm, practical control of the industry. If the fair price of a procedure is \$7,000 and the government will pay no more than \$5,000, what recourse will a doctor or hospital have?

Could a government option exist without snuffing out private competitors? Yes, but the necessary adjustments will likely be unpalatable to Obama and the powers that be in Congress. The "Baucus Bill" which features cooperatives rather than a government option would at least not be as certain to destroy private insurers (though the threat is still considerable).

Another option would be to intentionally make government insurance unattractive. Somewhat like welfare, government insurance could be a safety net, but no one would want to remain a patron for long. Unfortunately this would give the appearance of mistreating the disadvantaged, which politicians are loathe to do.

In fairness, some criticisms of Obama and his administration have been exaggerated or unfair. Unfortunately, the allegation he and his Congressional allies are moving us toward federal control of health care is not.

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Events mark magic climate change number

NEW YORK (AP) — Activists held events around the world Saturday to mark the number they say the world needs to reach to prevent disastrous climate change: 350.

The number represents 350 parts per million of carbon dioxide emissions in the atmosphere that some scientists say is the safe upper limit. The atmosphere currently reaches about 390 parts per million, according to research by NASA climate scientist James Hansen cited by 350.org.

Hundreds of events highlighted the number in different ways.

In what 350.org founder Bill McKibben called a global game of Scrabble, groups in Australia, Ecuador, India, the United Kingdom, the U.S. and Denmark each spelled

out one of the numbers in 350. Hundreds gathered in New York City's Times Square and watched slideshows of the other events on giant screens.

McKibben, an environmentalist and author of "The End of Nature," said the day was unique because it emphasized the science behind a politically complicated topic.

"It was ordinary people rallying around a scientific data point," McKibben said. "Nothing like that has ever happened before."

In Venezuela, volunteers formed a human chain marking the number zero on the beach at Catia La Mar north of Caracas to mark the spot where they said the ocean would reach if global warming is not stopped.

McKibben said volunteers also sent in photos of separate groups forming the numbers 350 around the Dead Sea, in Jordan, Israel and Palestinian territory.

Many of the events referred to the Copenhagen conference scheduled in December that will seek to reach a new global climate change treaty to replace the 1997 Kyoto Protocol on carbon dioxide emissions. It has been billed as a last chance to avoid the impact of catastrophic global that could be felt for generations.

McKibben said there are lessons to be learned from the Kyoto Protocol, which the U.S. did not join.

"We saw what happened," he said. "Everybody walked away once it was done, and there was no real progress. We need to pick up the pace."

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle
Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

ACROSS

- 1 Highway hauler
- 5 Cut off
- 10 "Silver, away!"
- 14 Gas in a sign
- 15 Utah city
- 16 Sign of the future
- 17 Hymn whose title follows the line "When I die, Hallelujah, by and by"
- 19 Fill to excess
- 20 "Cats" poet
- 21 Gum arabic tree
- 24 Traffic cone
- 26 Knight's lady
- 28 Slimy stuff
- 29 Relative known for quitting?
- 33 Run the country
- 34 Scout's motto
- 36 Kimono sash
- 37 Air ace's missions
- 38 Climbing vine
- 39 How duetists begin
- 41 Baseball stats
- 42 "Old MacDonald" refrain
- 43 Rile up
- 44 Ado
- 45 Resided
- 47 Dance from Ireland
- 48 Tar Pits
- 51 Daybreak
- 55 French franc successor
- 56 With "The," Schwarzenegger film released 10/26/1984, and a hint to the puzzle theme found in the first words of 17-, 34- and 39-Across
- 59 Ford Explorer Sport
- 60 Storage room
- 61 "Star Trek: T.N.G." counselor
- 62 Armored vehicle
- 63 Snappish
- 64 Lip-__: mouth the words

DOWN

- 1 Grumpy mood
- 2 Morays, e.g.
- 3 Lawn burrower
- 4 Arouse, as passion
- 5 Watch covertly
- 6 The E in Q.E.D.
- 7 Solemn promise
- 8 Sister of Zsa Zsa
- 9 Fit for a king
- 10 Biblical cry of adoration
- 11 Popular Apple
- 12 Himalayan giant
- 13 Fit to be drafted
- 18 Queue
- 22 Political takeovers
- 24 Kellogg's toaster pastry
- 25 "Alas, poor __": Hamlet
- 26 Persian Gulf emirate
- 27 Wonderland girl
- 28 Rodent kept as a house pet
- 30 Baby beds
- 31 Lee jeans alternative
- 32 Ice cream brand
- 33 Judge's attire
- 34 Scare's shout
- 35 Scared response
- 37 Uncle Tom's creator
- 40 Duetist with Sheryl Crow in the song "Picture"
- 41 Toon babies of '90s-'00s TV
- 44 Sawyer's friend
- 46 Frequent, as a diner
- 47 Like ripe peaches
- 48 Riga native
- 49 Distinct emanation
- 50 Muffin ingredient
- 51 Intimated, old-style
- 52 "This is my best effort"
- 53 Any minute now
- 54 Guitarist
- 57 Somme summer
- 58 Privileges: Abbr.

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Students make difference

By SHERREL JONES
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech students and the Lubbock community planted flowers, wrote to airmen and repaired an old fence Saturday for the most encompassing national day of service.

Make a Difference Day is celebrated nationally and is a day that focuses on members of the community helping the community. According to the USA Weekend Web site, in 2008, 3 million people volunteered on that day, accomplishing thousands of projects in hundreds of towns.

Lubbock was one of those towns last year and this year with about 100 volunteers. Make a Difference Day is an easy day for a lot of people to get involved at once, said Kerbi Smith, program coordinator for the Volunteer Center of Lubbock, and it shows collectively our community cares.

"This year we had three different projects we put on for the community to get involved in," Smith said. "We had two at the volunteer center and one at a local agency."

At the center, autumn flowers were planted for a beautification project. One Tech student said she was excited to participate in the project to plant flowers.

Taylor Fisher, a sophomore sociology major from Houston, said she signed up for the event through a volunteer orientation she attended for a student organization she is in and thought it would be fun to plant flowers.

"I think it's important to help the community," Fisher said. "Planting flowers might not make that big of a difference, but it's something the community can do together."

Individuals who did not participate in flower planting wrote Christmas cards to airmen at the Kunsan Air Base. The cards will be placed in stockings and mailed to the base, Smith said, which is located on the shores of the Yellow Sea in South Korea.

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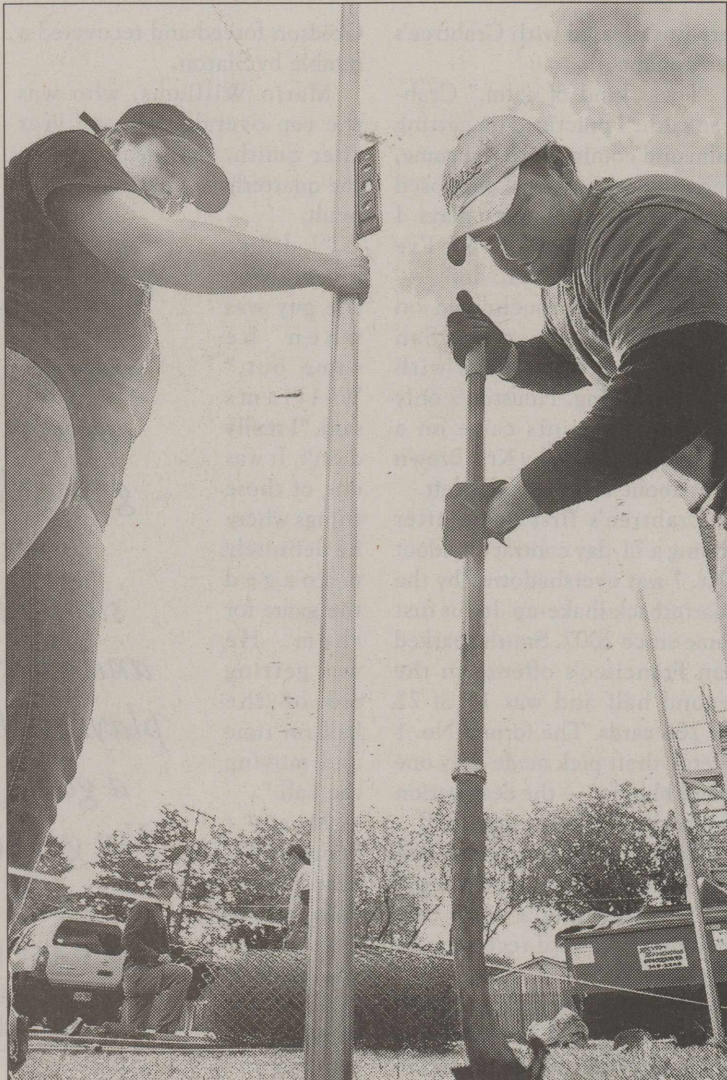


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TIFFANI WISE, LEFT, a nursing graduate student from Lubbock, and Marcus Wooley, a Texas Tech alumnus from Stephenville, help construct a fence Sunday at the Hope Community of Shalom on Avenue T during Make a Difference Day.

members of Westminster Presbyterian Church, said Brandi Schreiber, community impact volunteer director at the Volunteer Center of Lubbock. Christmas stockings for the airmen will be stuffed in November during National Family Volunteer Day at the church.

Other volunteers participated in a fence-repair project for a community nonprofit organization.

"Hope Community of Shalom had a fence repair project," Smith said. "They had a fallen fence, which had fallen on a playground, and the kids that go there after school weren't able use the play-

ground."

Tech students and the community can volunteer in every season for other National Days of Service, Smith said. National Family Volunteer Day is the next National Day of Service Nov. 21. In the spring semester, volunteers can participate in Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service and Global and National Youth Service Day.

"I think it's important to participate and volunteer any day," Smith said. "It doesn't have to just be on National Days of Service, but I think National Days of Service give people an easy way to get involved."

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From ecological Soviet-era ruin, a sea is reborn

AKESPE, Kazakhstan (AP) — Standing on the shore under the relentless Central Asian sun, Badarkhan Prikeyev drew on a cigarette and squinted into the distance as one fishing boat after another returned with the day's catch.

Until recently, this spot where the fish merchant was standing, in a man-made desert at the edge of nowhere, represented one of the world's worst environmental calamities.

Now fresh water was lapping at his boots, proclaiming an environmental miracle — the return of the Aral Sea.

The Aral Sea was once the world's fourth-largest body of fresh water, covering an area the size of Ireland. But then the nations around it became part of the Soviet Union. With their passion for planned economics and giant, nature-reversing projects, the communists diverted the rivers that

fed the inland sea and used them to irrigate vast cotton fields. The result: The Aral shrank by 90 percent to a string of isolated stretches of water.

The catastrophe "is unprecedented in modern times," says Philip Micklin, a geography professor at Western Michigan University who has studied the Aral Sea for years.

And even now, nearly two decades after the Soviet Union broke up, the damage is far from reversed. Satellite images taken earlier this year show that one section of the sea has shrunk by 80 percent in the last three years alone. Uzbekistan, which controls three-quarters of the Aral Sea, has given

up trying. The rescue has happened on Kazakhstan's portion, and it is striking.

Aralsk is a port that ended up 100 kilometers (60 miles) inland. But now, a dam built by the World Bank and Kazakh government is

slowly resurrecting a small part of the sea, reviving the fishing industry and bringing hope to an area that some expected would simply dry up and blow away in the fierce, salty winds.

The returning water has crept to within 25 kilometers (15.5 miles) of Aralsk, also known as Aral, and the World Bank reckons it could reach the port in about six years.

Kazakhs can hardly wait. "Good News — The Sea is Coming Back," declares a sign at the entrance to Aralsk.

In some areas, the water is already lapping at the derelict hulls of ships that were stranded deep inland, heightening the ghostly and surreal aura of the landscape.

"Finally, there is hope and a life to be made here," said Prikeyev, 49, waiting for his fishermen near the village of Akespe, 90 kilometers (55 miles) west of Aralsk. "Work is available for anyone who wants it."

This summer his boats returned laden with heaving sacks of pike and carp.

The miracle is a small one compared with the damage that will probably never be undone. Uzbekistan has chosen to keep the lucrative cotton industry going, and to prospect for gas and oil under the exposed seabed.

"Finally, there is hope and a life to be made here. Work is available for anyone who wants it."

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Andrew Lloyd Webber diagnosed with cancer

LONDON (AP) — Composer Andrew Lloyd Webber has been diagnosed with prostate cancer, his spokeswoman said Sunday.

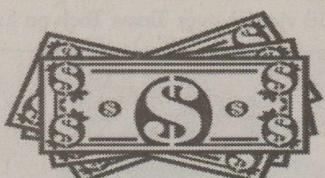
The 61-year-old Lloyd Webber's condition is in its early stages, a statement from his publicists said.

"Andrew is now undergoing treatment and expects to be fully back at work before the end of the year," the statement said.

Lloyd Webber recently announced plans for a sequel to his phenomenally successful musical "Phantom of the Opera." Called "Love Never Dies," it is scheduled to open in London in March and follow on Broadway in November. Rehearsals begin in the new year.



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Games make case for interactive entertainment being form of art

Last year, Jonathan Blow's artistic masterpiece "Braid" not only blew critics away as a puzzle game, it also put forth a stunning example for video games as art. And not just art, but good art.

The "games as art" debate has been somewhat popular in recent years, with even movie critic Roger Ebert weighing in on the issue. He does not believe video games will ever be as artistically worthy as movies or books, which caused quite a stir with gamers and game developers.

Although it's easy for the mention of video games to make you think of Mario jumping on goombas or Master Chief shooting down aliens, a lot of new games have taken a much more serious, even deep approach to interactive entertainment.

It may just be an approach to a more thought-provoking story, such as "Bioshock's" philosophically charged narrative, or it may be something more.

With a stunning art design, fantastic soundtrack and compelling puzzles involving time manipulation, "Braid" was an instant indie darling and performed well in terms of sales. But one thing that really keeps people talking about it today is the story. Like any great work of art, you can spend a great deal of time talking about its elements, its metaphors and what it all means.

Through hints embedded in the story and the gameplay itself, "Braid" can be seen on many levels, from a simple story about a doomed relationship to a dire warning about nuclear weapons.

Britton Peele



Great, artistic, independent games can be found for the PC and Mac if you really look, but they're often small and unpublished products. Now, more games are trying to replicate what "Braid" did, with varying results.

Microsoft's "Xbox Live Arcade" has been a surprisingly strong source for such games, with the recent releases of "Lucidity" and "Axel & Pixel." Unlike "Braid," which was produced by just one man, these are slightly more corporate endeavors, with "Lucidity" being put out by LucasArts and "Axel & Pixel" published by 2K Games.

But what is it that these games are doing to try to seem "artsy," and are they succeeding?

The most obvious elements where these games diverge from the norm are visual

styles. "Braid's" landscapes have a very hand-painted sort of feel. "Lucidity" uses a style that tries to evoke a sense of both dream-like art and a children's book, complete with drawings that are supposed to be from the child protagonist Sofi. "Axel & Pixel" uses a mix of photographs and hand-drawn art.

The games all use instrumental soundtracks, and I would say all of them succeed at their goal. In the case of "Braid," the creator purposefully chose music that was "organic and complex," and the music influenced the background art.

But visuals and sounds are things

"(Lucidity) has the great art, story and design, but it's not terribly fun to play."

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Crabtree's 49ers debut overshadowed by QB switch

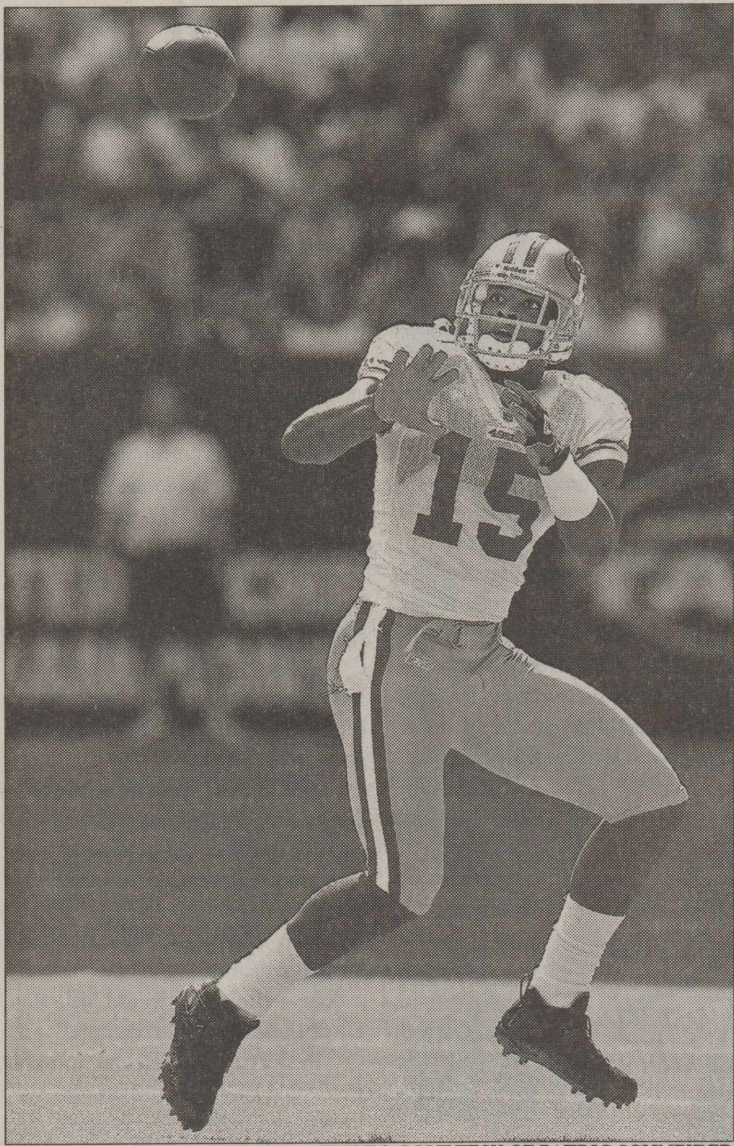


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FORMER TEXAS TECH wide receiver Michael Crabtree makes a catch in his NFL debut for the San Francisco 49ers against the Houston Texans on Sunday at Reliant Stadium in Houston. Crabtree finished the game with five receptions for 56 yards as the 49ers lost 24-21.

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Texans have consecutive wins for the first time this season.

Never mind that they almost let this one slip away with a poor second half.

Steve Slaton scored two touchdowns and the Texans built a big lead before holding on for a 24-21 win over the San Francisco 49ers on Sunday.

The Texans (4-3) led 21-0 at halftime, then withstood a rally led by backup quarterback Alex Smith. Eugene Wilson's interception on fourth down halted the 49ers' last-gasp drive.

"We get down, they get up and they all of a sudden grabbed the momentum of the game," Houston coach Gary Kubiak said. "But we made some big plays late and defensively Eugene made a big play so it was a big, big win."

San Francisco (3-3) benched Shaun Hill after a terrible first half, and Smith threw three touchdowns to Vernon Davis to close the gap.

"I just thought it was time to make the switch," 49ers coach Mike Singletary said. "It was as simple as that. No long, drawn-out thought process. But let's make the change."

Singletary wouldn't say who would start next week.

Michael Crabtree started in his NFL debut and had five receptions for 56 yards. Single-

tary was pleased with Crabtree's performance.

"I was kind of calm," Crabtree said. "I practiced on getting calm and coming into the game, knowing what I was supposed to do and executing my plays. I think I did a good job, but I've got some more work to do."

Davis' third touchdown on a 23-yard reception got San Francisco within 24-21 with 3:49 remaining. Houston's only second-half points came on a 50-yard field goal by Kris Brown with about 7 1/2 minutes left.

Crabtree's first game after ending a 71-day contract holdout Oct. 7 was overshadowed by the quarterback shake-up. In his first game since 2007, Smith sparked San Francisco's offense in the second half and was 15 of 22 for 206 yards. The former No. 1 overall draft pick made only one major blunder — the desperation throw that Wilson picked off.

His first touchdown came on a 29-yard pass to Davis that made it 21-7, finishing a drive that included a 17-yard reception by Crabtree.

"Starting the second half, down three scores, you're seeing some stagnant looks from the defense, they're not throwing as much at you," Smith said.

Smith found Davis again on a 14-yard touchdown pass to cut the lead to 21-14 with about 13 minutes remaining. That score came 10 plays after Dashon

Goldson forced and recovered a fumble by Slaton.

Mario Williams, who was the top overall pick the year after Smith, said dealing with the quarterback change was difficult.

"I didn't know who the guy was when he came out," Williams said. "I really didn't. It was one of those things where he definitely managed the game for them. He was getting rid of the ball on time and moving the ball."

Matt Schaub's 42-yard touchdown pass to Owen Daniels made it 21-0 in the second quarter. Slaton's scores came on a 1-yard run and a 9-yard reception.

Schaub was 20 of 30 for 264 yards and two touchdowns.

The 49ers couldn't get anything going in the first quarter,

netting just 1 yard as Hill was constantly hurried by the Texans defensive front. Williams, who's been slowed by a sore shoulder, got his first sack since Oct. 4 when he took down Hill on San Francisco's first play.

The 49ers said the play was ruined because of a miscommunication between Hill and Crabtree.

"More than anything, it was just lack of experience," Hill said. "But after that, he knew exactly what happened and he was ready to move forward."

The 49ers managed only 50 yards and three first

downs before halftime. It was the fewest yards the Texans have allowed in the first half in franchise history.

Hill finished just 6 of 11 for 45 yards.

"I practiced on getting calm and coming into the game, knowing what I was supposed to do and executing my plays. I think I did a good job, but I've got some more work to do."

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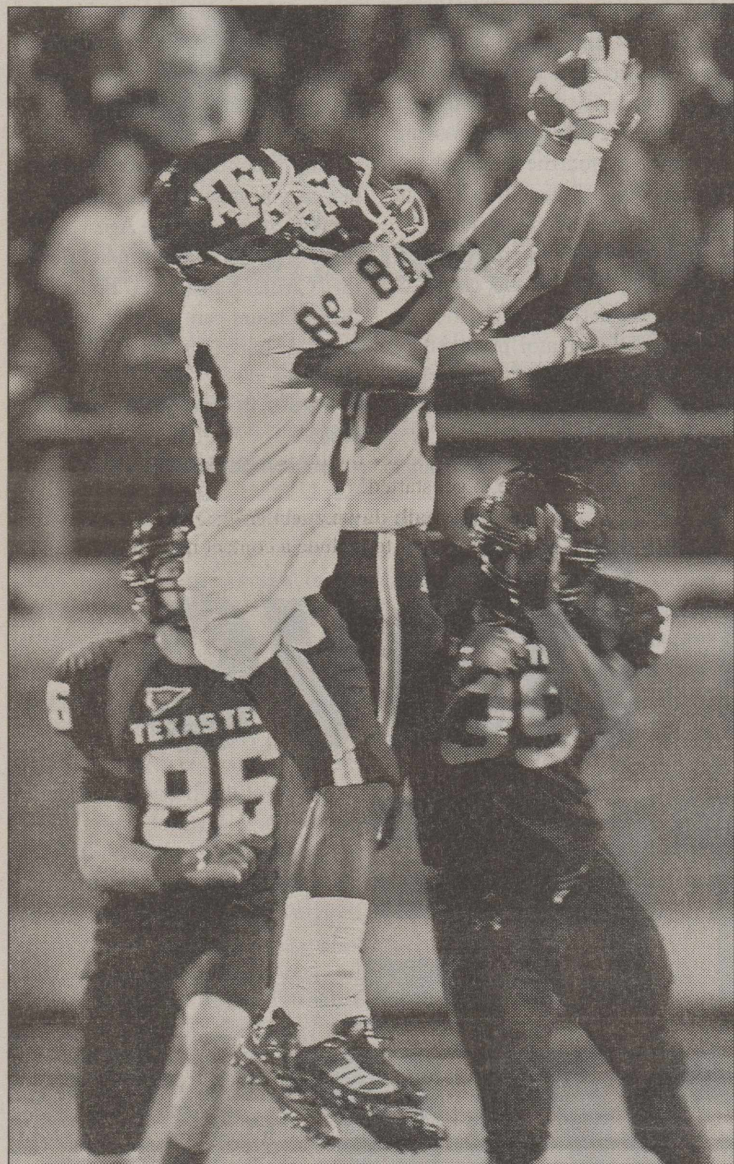


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TEXAS A&M WIDE receiver Brandal Jackson catches an onside kick from Texas Tech during Texas A&M's 52-30 victory over Texas Tech Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium. Texas Tech had five turnovers against the Aggies, who beat Tech for the first time in Lubbock since 1993.

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The Aggies went into halftime with a 28-14 lead and although Tech made pushes, they held on and Johnson continued to make plays with his arm and feet.

Johnson finished the game completing 19-of-28 passes for 238 yards, a touchdown and no interceptions — he had three picks against Kansas State. He also rushed 10 times for 71 yards and another score.

Johnson said the key to the win was the offensive line, which protected the junior well. He was sacked one time in Saturday's game.

"My hat is off to them," he said. "I'm

Rivalry

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It's a let down of a loss considering how Tech jumped into the rankings after upsetting then-No. 15 Nebraska a week ago. After the game Saturday, Leach acknowledged the media's importance in regards to generating attention to a wide range of people, just as long as his players don't read too much into it.

In light of that, he expressed his disdain for players getting caught up in the glorification that follows a win such as the 31-10 win against the Huskers last week.

"We thought that we could read our press clippings and still go out and play good. But you know what? Nobody can," Leach said. "I mean, this is sad. But this one's over. It's out of our hands, and there is nothing we can do. So now we know how the other guy feels."

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more happy for those guys, especially the seniors. They take a lot of flack every week. Their parents been calling them, media's been pretty tough on them. I been telling them 'Look, I got a lot of faith in you guys. We're all we got. Just go out there and keep fighting, keep battling.'"

Sherman said he'll leave it to fans and spectators to determine how big this win is for the program, considering Tech's recent dominance in the series. But those fans might not have a problem tagging it as one of the biggest in recent memory.

The 52 points the Aggies scored is the most ever against Tech. This also is the first time an unranked A&M team has defeated a ranked Tech team. It's the first win against a ranked opponent

for Sherman, who is in his second year at the helm.

In addition to Johnson's performance, Texas A&M had two 100-yard rushers in Cyrus Gray and Christine Michael. Gray finished with 131 yards on 25 carries and three touchdowns and Michael had 22 rushes for 121 yards and two touchdowns. The Aggies hadn't had two 100-yard performances on the ground since 2007, when quarterback Stephen McGee and running back Jorvorskie Lane did it against three teams that season. It's the first time A&M had two running backs run for more than 100 yards in the same game since the 2003 season.

Tech had won 11 of the last 14 games and four consecutive meetings against the

Aggies before Saturday.

So senior defensive lineman Matt Moss said he is glad he can graduate from A&M and finally say the Aggies got a win against Tech.

"We came in here and we knew that A&M had struggled here in Texas Tech and we wanted to do something and we wanted to be special," said Moss, who finished with a sack and a fumble recovery. "We wanted to beat them here. Walking through in the beginning, walking by the fans, yelling at you and telling whatever they have to say, it was really great having it be super quiet at the end and everybody leaving with a couple minutes left in the game."

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TEXAS A&M WIDE receiver Uzoma Nwachukwu catches a pass with Texas Tech defensive back Jamar Wall defending during Texas A&M's 52-30 victory over Texas Tech on Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

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THIS WEEK IN RED RAIDER SPORTS

Black team gains early advantage in Red-Black Series

By **ZANE TURNER**
STAFF WRITER

It's only been two games, but one team in the Texas Tech baseball Red-Black Series already is getting the upper hand.

The Tech men's baseball Black team defeated the Red team 7-6 Friday and 11-3 Sunday in the intrasquad scrimmage. The annual series began at 5 p.m. Friday and continued at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Dan Law Field. The Red Raiders have three more scheduled scrimmages at 4 p.m. Tuesday, 5 p.m. Wednesday and 5 p.m. Thursday.

This is one of the few times the Red Raiders get a chance to play in front of fans, as the Red-Black Series usually indicates the end of fall practice.

"Hopefully there is some game day pressure and we want to see how guys are going to respond and get a feel for who will respond in the spring," said Tech coach Dan Spencer, who begins his second season as head coach. "The mental thing of playing every day, of

playing games regularly and getting guys to pitch out of the bullpen, pitch in roles."

"We also had a lot of competition at some different positions so that has been good in fostering some depth."

With a chance to play in front of a crowd for the first time this fall, Tech pointed out some strengths this year's squad has and the weaknesses as well.

Spencer has said he hopes to use the Red-Black Series to see who will make the most strides in earning a starting role before the season approaches.

Despite a 25-32 record last season and a seventh-place finish in the Big 12 Conference, the Red Raiders reached the Big 12 Tournament after missing it the previous two seasons. Tech was one win away from reaching the championship game of the tournament.

Returning to the roster for the Red Raiders this season are Honorable Mention All-Big 12 players, Chad Bettis, Joey Kenworthy, Taylor Ashby and Scott Lejeune.

Kenworthy said playing in a competitive atmosphere is vital to the growth of the team and its chemistry.

"The fall gets really long," said Kenworthy, who led the team last season with 77 hits. "We are just playing in front of nobody but as soon as we get people in the stands and get games to actually mean something and you're actually playing from something. It's a little more intense and guys play a little harder and what not and it puts a better feeling out there for us."

There may be something on the line for the players. Bettis said before the series started that the losing team might have to do extra conditioning.

Although fall practice is coming to an end, the start of the 2009-2010 season still is a few months away.

The Red Raiders, who posted a 15-7 record at home last season, begin with the Red Raider Classic hosting Jacksonville State and Michigan Feb. 19 at Dan Law Field. Tech's first 14 games are at home.

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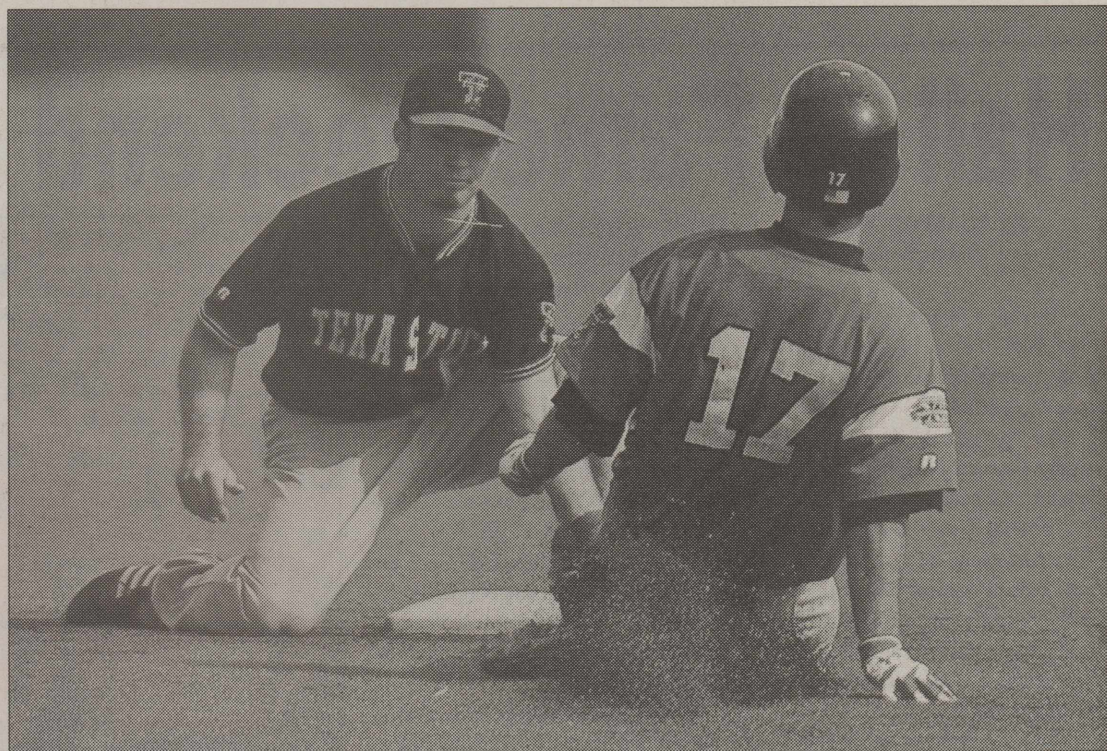


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BLACK TEAM INFIELDER Joey Kenworthy tags out Red team's Taylor Ashby at second base during the Red-Black Series held this weekend at Dan Law Field.

Texas Tech volleyball team can't slow streaking No. 14 Iowa State

By **JOSE RODRIGUEZ**
STAFF WRITER

It seems nothing is going to get in the way of streaking No. 14 Iowa State, which the Texas Tech volleyball team found out Saturday in Ames, Iowa.

The Cyclones' sweep of Tech extended their winning streak to eight matches, a streak that includes impressive wins against then-No. 22 Texas A&M and at No. 5 Nebraska.

Tech defensive specialist Aleah Hayes said ISU's large fan base made the Hilton Coliseum a hostile environment, making the task of beating the Cyclones even more difficult.

"It was tough playing at their place because they had so many fans supporting them," she said. "They just came off a win at Nebraska which was their first win against those guys in school history. We knew we would have a tough challenge playing them with a crowd of over 2,000 behind them."

Tech (2-17, 0-9 in Big 12 play) was overpowered by No. 14 ISU (16-3, 8-2), who continues to roll and remain in second place in the Big 12 Conference standings.

Despite having faced ISU prior to Saturday's match, the experience made no difference for Tech. The Cyclones also swept Tech in Lubbock Sept. 30.

But in the wake of being

swept, Tech players and coaches said some positives came out of the match.

Middle blocker Amanda Dowdy was Tech's most effective player, tallying 11 kills and chipping in with six digs. Hayes led the Red Raider defense with 10 kills in the match. Their production led an overall team performance Tech coach Trish Knight said was much better than the team's loss to Kansas Wednesday.

"You know, we played much better and we made some good adjustments," she said. "Amanda played pretty well and we just continue to get better so that is definitely a good thing."

With that said, the Red Raiders still encountered some problems on the court.

The Kansas match exploited many of these problems that didn't seem to appear as much Saturday. However, a slow start and a lack of balanced contributions put Tech in a hole early and often, which was evident in a 25-15 loss in the first set, Hayes said.

"We didn't start off as good as we normally do," she said. "It seemed to carry on through the match and it showed. We had some good showings from players but it seems that only one or two players will bring their A-game and the rest of the team won't,

it's just something that we need to fix and the whole team has to play their best."

A lackluster performance would not be nearly enough to slow down the Cyclones.

ISU's fast-paced attack was led by the usual suspects of Victoria Henson, Jamie Straube and Rachel Hockaday, who combined to produce 35 of the Cyclones' 45 kills in the match. The 35 kills were four more than Tech managed to produce as a team.

ISU had a solid defensive performance that did its part to shut down Tech.

Libero and defensive specialist Ashley Mass had a team-high 16 digs, adding to her team-leading

total throughout the season. Setter Kaylee Manns was second with nine digs.

The Red Raiders will look to bounce back against No. 5 Nebraska at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in the United Spirit Arena — yet another top Big 12 team.

Knight said her teams' improved play against ISU bodes well for them seeing as how they still have future matches with ranked opponents.

"It is evident that we do play our best volleyball against the better teams," she said. "The great thing is that we continue to improve despite some really tough losses as we showed tonight."

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SPORTS

Hall of Fame weekend a success for inductees

By **ADAM COLEMAN**
SPORTS EDITOR

The latest inductees into the Texas Tech Hall of Fame/Hall of Honor had a chance to be in the spotlight one last time this weekend.

But what probably trumps that is the chance to have that experience with their families and reconnect with old friends.

"Friends comes into mind," said Bake Turner, one of the six Tech athletes inducted into the Hall of Fame this weekend. "I've got so many friends at Tech. I really didn't remember all of them and all of a sudden, the names of my friends were all coming back."

Bake Turner, along with Jerry Turner, Angie Braziel, Chuck Harrison, Doug McCutchen, Keith Ginter and Charley Lynch became a part of Tech athletics history this weekend during the induction ceremony and banquet Friday. They also were honored before the Tech-Texas A&M game Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium and given plaques.

This weekend gave these former athletes a chance to reconnect with coaches, fans, teammates and supporters.

Ginter could not make the trip as he was invited to play winter baseball for the Chicago White Sox organization. Lynch died in January, but was represented by his daughters Amy Stroh and Jennifer Todd. He was the lone member inducted into the Hall of Honor, which is for those who contributed to Tech athletics aside from play on the field or court.

These inductees also had a chance to reflect on their accomplishments.

Harrison is known as the first Red

Raider to play in Major League Baseball. In 1961, he led the nation in home runs per game and slugging percentage.

Ginter left Tech with a 29-game hitting streak for Tech baseball, once a school record. He was Big 12 Player of the Year in 1997 and a two-time First Team All-Big 12 Conference selection.

McCutchen was the first Red Raider to rush for 1,000 yards in a season, running for 1,068 yards in 1970.

Braziel was inducted with accomplishments such as being former Big 12 Player of the Year for women's basketball. Her 17.4 career points a game ranks third in school history.

Braziel had a chance to reconnect with an old teammate in Crystal Boles.

Boles said the two kept up with each other as much as they could before the weekend's festivities, but Friday's banquet gave them a chance to relive playing under Marsha Sharp and playing in one of the top women's basketball programs in the nation at the time.

"We were laughing about it," Boles said. "All the inside jokes come back to you that you start laughing at all over again. We've had fun

talking about it and just catching up with each other and it's good to see her."

Braziel said one of the things she can take from her playing days is Sharp's impact on her as a player.

"Her being one of the top coaches in the nation, it's great," Barziel said. "Because she has high expectations and she drives you to be the best that you can be. Just being a part of her program is good."

Bake Turner made his mark as one



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FROM LEFT, CHUCK Harrison, Bob Sweazy, Doug McCutchen, Angie Braziel, Bake Turner, Jerry Turner, Amy Stroh and Jennifer Todd are awarded with plaques commemorating the most recent induction into the Texas Tech Hall of Fame and Hall of Honor before the start of the Tech-Texas A&M game Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium. Sweazy was the recipient of the Dave Brown Award. Stroh and Todd represented Charlie Lynch, who was the lone inductee to the Texas Tech Hall of Honor this year. He died in January.

of the more memorable Red Raiders to play in the NFL. He played for the New York Jets, winning a Super Bowl ring in the process.

Many of his former teammates were in attendance at the banquet Friday, including former Red Raider great EJ Holub, who was inducted in 1977.

"I used to make him do stuff for me while he was a rookie and he kept hiding from me," Holub said jokingly. "I think it's a great tribute to him. Been a long time coming and he's a great athlete for Tech and also a good representative for us when he was playing with the Jets."

Jerry Turner made the Hall of Fame as

a walk-on center, earning All-Southwest Conference honors and a Honorable Mention All-American selection in 1967.

His former offensive line coach John F. Conley remembers Jerry Turner's determination as a player more than anything. He said he arrived at Tech a little too small to play at center, but rose to the challenge to be a leader for his team.

"A guy that walks on in college and weighs less than 150 pounds, his chances are not very good," Conley said. "He's a great guy and he's smart as hell."

Being a member of the Board of Regents keeps Jerry Turner involved in

Tech, but he said having the chance to share this moment with his family is special.

Jerry Turner also said he was amazed at how many of his former teammates and coaches came to see him get inducted.

"As I look around I see Tom Wilson, who was my quarterback in 1965," he said. "I see Donny Anderson, my running back in '65. My old coach, coach Conley. This is a very, very special evening. Of course, this is a special place for us, Texas Tech."

Lynch was a three-year letterwinner in the 1950s and played on the first Tech basketball team in the SWC. He later

was an assistant for the Red Raiders.

He also had many supporters at the dinner Friday, including Tech Athletic Director Gerald Myers, who was one of his teammates.

Myers said one of the standout things about Lynch was the fact he immediately started coaching after his playing days ended.

"He always drew the tough assignment to guard the other team's best player," Myers said. "He was just a real good teammate. Real good team player and real steady player. You could always count on Charley."

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Patriots rout Buccaneers 35-7 at Wembley

WEMBLEY, England (AP) — A trans-Atlantic trip couldn't slow down Tom Brady and the New England Patriots.

Brady threw three touchdown passes and had more than 300 yards as the Patriots (5-2) beat the winless Tampa Bay Buccaneers 35-7 at Wembley Stadium on Sunday in the NFL's third regular-season game at the iconic London venue.

For the Bucs, who gave up a home game to play in London, the new surroundings didn't help. They fell to 0-7 and saw their losing streak extended to 11 games overall.

The Patriots were coming off a 59-0 win over the Tennessee Titans in which Brady tossed six TD passes. New England wasn't as overpowering this time, and Brady even threw two interceptions in an uneven first-half performance.

But, with a 39-yard score on an interception return by safety Brandon Meriweather on the fifth play of the game, New England was always in control against the league's 27th-ranked defense.

Brady had TD passes to Wes Welker, Sam Aiken and Benjamin Watson. He finished 23 of 32 for 308 yards and was replaced late in the game by Brian Hoyer. Laurence Maroney went over from 1 yard out with 9:25 left to complete the scoring.

Tampa Bay and quarterback Josh Johnson mustered little offense. The Bucs' only score came on a 33-yard pass from Johnson to Antonio Bryant near the end of the first half. Johnson finished 9 of 26 for 156 yards and three interceptions. He was taken out midway through the fourth quarter and replaced by rookie Josh Freeman.

The game was played before a sellout crowd of 84,254 at Wembley, England's national stadium.

It's the third straight year the NFL has come to London for a regular-season game. NFL commissioner Roger Goodell said last week he envisions playing multiple regular-season games in Britain in coming years with the possibility of London having its own franchise.

For the Patriots, it was their first

victory on the road this season.

The loss capped a bad day for the Glazer family, which owns the Buccaneers. The Glazers' also control English soccer powerhouse Manchester United, which lost to Liverpool 2-0 earlier in the day and missed a chance to regain first place in the Premier League from Chelsea. Brothers Bryan and Joel Glazer were at Wembley for the Bucs game.

The Bucs' 11-game losing streak is their longest since 1976-77 when they endured an NFL-record 0-26 skid.

The tone of the game was set on the first series when Meriweather stepped in front of Sammie Stroughter on a short slant, picked off Johnson's throw and ran untouched into the end zone.

On the next drive, the Bucs drove to the Patriots 32 when Meriweather intercepted Johnson again on a deep throw down the middle intended for Michael Clayton. He ran the ball back 31 yards to the 46, but the Patriots couldn't capitalize, going three-and-out.

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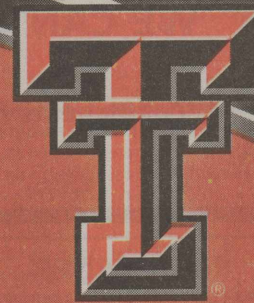
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