

# A&M prof leaves legacy of women's advancement in science

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Dr. Ethel Ashworth Tsutsui, a professor of chemistry and biophysics at Texas A&M University, died just before 6 a.m. Tuesday at Joseph's Hospital in Bryan. Tsutsui was 70 years old.

University, serving as a member of the Program Advisory Committee for Women's Studies in 1988 and 1989. She served as the first chair for the Committee for the Status of Women in the University for the Texas A&M University Faculty Senate and Director of Women's Studies.

Dr. Dorothy Shippen, an associate professor of biochemistry and biophysics, said Tsutsui will be remembered for her work in promoting women in science.

"She was a real champion of women succeeding," Shippen said. "She was a real mentor to me and she will be very, very missed."

Barbara de Sioudi, a toxicology graduate student, had two classes taught by Tsutsui. "(Tsutsui) had a lot of wisdom," de Sioudi said. "She was very good at putting things into perspective."

Dr. Edgar Meyer, a biochemistry professor, worked with Tsutsui for more than 20 years. "She had high academic standards and

tried anyway she could to improve the status of women," he said. "She was an enormously vital person."

Tsutsui received numerous awards for her outstanding teaching and student relationships during her career.

She was recognized as "Outstanding Alumnae" for Kenka College in 1961, and "Outstanding Educator of America" in 1973, and received the "Distinguished Achievement Award for Teaching in the College of

Agriculture" in 1985 from the Association of Former Students at A&M.

Before teaching at A&M, Tsutsui taught at Hunter College and Antioch College in New York.

She was a Foreign Lecturer at the Pharmaceutical Institute at Tokyo, Japan, from 1956-57, following her marriage to Dr. Minoru Tsutsui.

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# Property loss peaks as theft ops list of campus crimes

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Property crimes topped the lists for crimes committed in 1997 in Bryan, College Station and Texas A&M University, according to official reports by the police departments.

Lt. Bert Kretzschmar, supervisor of the University Police Department (UPD) crime prevention unit, said that theft is the most common incident reported on campus.

"Students lose so much through theft," Kretzschmar said. "People may leave their purses and backpacks laying around. A&M is an open campus (open to students outside the university). Not everyone is an Aggie and lives by the Aggie Code of Honor."

Over \$185,000 worth of property was lost as a result of crimes committed on campus from September to December 1997, according to a report from the U.P.D. Approximately 17 percent of the lost property was recovered.

"We prosecute to the letter of the law depending on what a person stole and how much they stole," Kretzschmar said.

Kretzschmar said that a number of programs are in place that promote a safer campus.

"The University Police Department has a crime prevention unit," he said. "This unit is responsible for safety and security programs. A Security Awareness

Committee looks at safety improvement issues."

In College Station, the Part I crime rate increased by almost 5 percent from year end 1996 to year end 1997. Part I crimes include robbery, burglary, murder, rapes, aggravated assault, theft and vehicle theft.

Lt. Scott Simpson, the commander of personnel services of the College Station Police Department, said the increase in the crime rate may partly stem from a growing population.

"Population is probably a big part of the increase," Simpson said. "When you get more people in a community, crime tends to increase. College Station is growing."

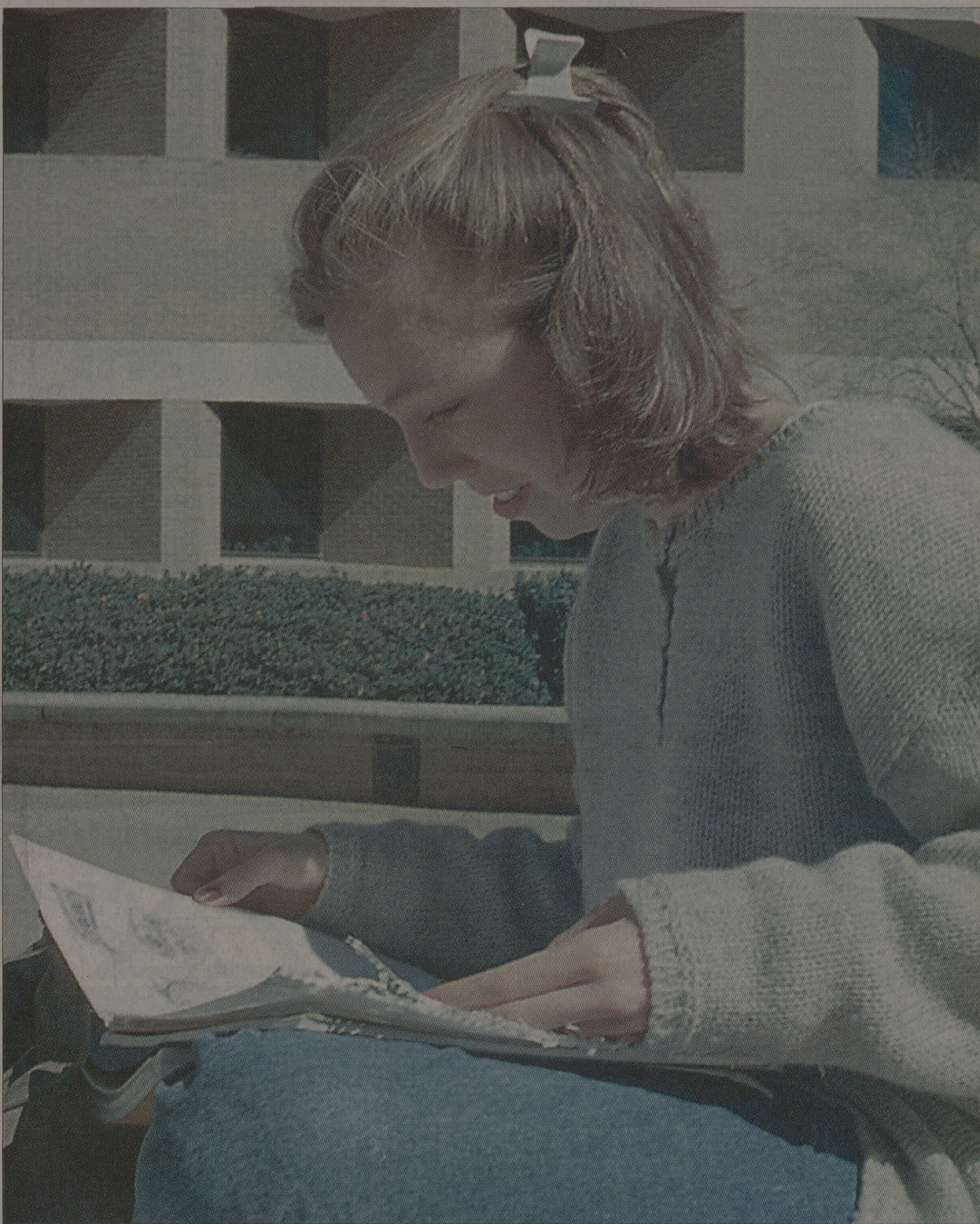
Simpson said that vehicle burglary showed the largest increase over last year. "Vehicle theft has always been higher (than other crime rates) because students are sometimes careless," he said. "Crooks are looking for an open window or expensive materials in a car seat in plain view."

Kretzschmar said that students need to use common sense.

"You have to be alert and aware of what is going on around you," Kretzschmar said. "People tend to be lulled into a false sense of security. Hold your head up when you walk around. Don't leave valuables in the back seat of the car. Don't leave backpacks and purses lying around. If you are in the residence halls, lock your doors."

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## Study break



Kristen Drover, a sophomore environmental design major, takes a lunch break to study for her speech communications class Tuesday afternoon.

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## State of the Union address

# Clinton urges use of budget surpluses to fix Social Security

WASHINGTON (AP) — Shaky by scandal, President Clinton fought to reassert his leadership in a crucial State of the Union address Tuesday night, urging Congress to "save Social Security" before cutting taxes or increasing spending.

With the end of big budget deficits, Clinton said "every penny of surplus" should be devoted to shoring up Social Security, which faces bankruptcy next century as baby boomers retire. Republicans are eyeing the surplus for tax cuts.

Replying to Clinton, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott said the best thing Washington can do is "cut the tax burdens on the American family."

In an expectant atmosphere, Clinton faced probably the largest television audience of his life as he stood before a joint session of Congress. The embattled president did not mention the furor over allegations he had sex with a young intern, Monica Lewinsky, and urged her to lie about it. He has denied the charges.

Democrats applauded Clinton warmly when he strode into the chamber. Stony-faced, most Republicans applauded as well and

gave the president a respectful hearing. Clinton appeared upbeat and spoke with conviction during the 72-minute speech.

Hillary Rodham Clinton had a front-row seat, beaming and applauding. Earlier in the day she vigorously defended her husband against "right-wing opponents" she said were out to destroy him.

Afterward, House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, said "the speech seemed very artificial. In my honest opinion, it sounded like a series of applause lines strung together to paper over the atmosphere in Washington."



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# First lady, Starr trade critical remarks on affair allegations

WASHINGTON (AP) — In an extraordinary clash, Hillary Rodham Clinton accused the White House prosecutor Tuesday of allying himself with "right-wing opponents" out to destroy her husband. The prosecutor dismissed her comments as

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"nonsense" and summoned President Clinton's personal secretary before a grand jury. "Our current investigation began when we received credible evidence of serious federal crimes," Whitewater Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr said in a tersely worded statement defending the expansion of his investigation into allegations of a presidential affair and coverup. Among the issues Starr is investigating is whether Clinton encouraged former White House intern Monica Lewinsky to lie on a sworn affidavit she gave in connection with the Paula Jones sexual harassment lawsuit and whether job offers that presidential friend Vernon Jordan arranged were in any way connected.

The president's personal secretary, Betty Currie, was brought before Starr's grand jury. Her attorney at her side, she left the courthouse in a throng of reporters and cameras without commenting.

The White House waited anxiously to see whether Lewinsky, the young former intern at the center of the storm, would be granted immunity from prosecution.

Her attorney, William Ginsburg, said there were no talks between himself and prosecutors

on Tuesday. He also said he did not think presidential gifts that FBI agents seized from prompted attention to Lewinsky, also delivered documents to the grand jury.

Clinton attorney Bob Bennett said he had consented to turn over to Starr's office the deposition that the president gave 10 days in the Jones case. In it, Clinton denied having a sexual relationship with Lewinsky, according to sources familiar with his testimony.

Prosecutors wanted to question Currie, the gatekeeper who schedules visitors to the Oval Office, about checking Lewinsky in and sending the young woman to longtime presidential friend Vernon Jordan.

Officials have confirmed that Lewinsky visited the Oval Office to see Currie several times since starting a new job at the Pentagon in 1996.

At least one of those visits came in December after Lewinsky had been subpoenaed in the Jones lawsuit. About the same time, Jordan helped arrange a new job for her and got her a lawyer.

Jordan said last week that it was Currie who referred Lewinsky to him. However, in secretly taped conversations with a friend, Lewinsky says it was Clinton.

The clash between Starr and Mrs. Clinton spilled to the Senate floor. Sen. Patrick Leahy suggested the prosecutor had exceeded his authority by asking a friend of Lewinsky to secretly tape-record her.

Leahy, D-Vt., called Starr's investigation "the most partisan ends-justify-the-means investigation I can remember in my life."

# Albright seeks support for military action against Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton intensified U.S. pressure on Iraq to open its suspect weapons sites Tuesday, warning Saddam Hussein not to "defy the will of the world" and directing Secretary of State Madeleine Albright to sweep through Europe and the Persian Gulf in a drive for support of military action.

In his State of the Union address, Clinton accused Iraq's president of trying to stop U.N. inspectors from completing their mission to rid Iraq of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons capability.

Clinton said he spoke for everyone in the House chamber, which included his Cabinet and House and Senate members, in telling Saddam: "You cannot defy the will of the world. You have used weapons of mass destruction before. We are determined to deny you the capacity to use them again."

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., told reporters Saddam must understand Americans support "whatever steps are necessary to protect our lives in the future," adding, "This is not about the Clinton administration; this is about all Americans."

Along with Albright's planned trip, Defense Secretary William Cohen is weighing a parallel trip to the Gulf region, seeking backing for a military response in a

calculated campaign to put maximum pressure on Iraq. Also, Bill Richardson, the ambassador to the United Nations, plans a weeklong trip to Europe, Africa and Latin America to reiterate the U.S. position.

Clinton, doing some high-level consulting of his own, talked to British Prime Minister Tony Blair on the telephone, the two closely allied leaders agreeing that the situation was serious.

Albright is due to depart Wednesday night or Thursday morning to confer with the French, Russian and British foreign ministers and then go to the Persian Gulf for talks with leaders of Saudi Arabia and possibly Arab countries that are within Iraq's range.

In a double-barreled, six-day mission, she also plans to meet with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and in Palestinian-controlled territory with Yasser Arafat on sputtering peacemaking. Cohen could leave as early as next week "to consult with our friends and allies in the Gulf about possible military action" against Iraq, said Pentagon spokesperson Kenneth Bacon.

"The train is leaving the station here," Bacon said, adding, "If diplomacy fails here, we will have to look at different options."