

We're Talking Jobs Internships & Co-ops Liberal Arts Career Week

TONIGHT: Interviewing Workshop
8:30 p.m. Rudder 701

STILL AHEAD...

WORKSHOPS
Resume Writing:
Wednesday, 8:30 p.m. Rudder 401

STUDENT-ALUMNI NETWORKING FORUM
Meet former students and ask questions about job searching, interviewing, career options, etc.
Thursday, 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Rudder 501

CAREER WEEK SOCIAL
An opportunity for alumni, company representatives, staff, faculty and students to visit on an informal basis. Attire is business casual.
Thursday, 6:30 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. Fox & Hound, 505 University Drive East

CAREER FAIR
Have your resume in hand and be ready to meet with representatives from over 25 companies offering jobs, internships and co-ops.
Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Rudder Exhibit Hall

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Republic of Texas trial begins with potential juror screening

DALLAS (AP) — Potential jurors were asked if they had ever had problems dealing with the government as jury selection began yesterday for members of the antigovernment Republic of Texas accused of defrauding businesses with bogus warrants.

U.S. District Judge Joe Fish asked 65 potential panelists in the federal bank and mail fraud case whether they recognized any of the 100 names on the witness list.

He also asked if they had encountered any problems with the government or "any experience that left sort of a bad taste in your mouth that the government would not be starting off on equal footing with the defendants if you are a judge in this case."

Richard McLaren, his wife, Evelyn, and seven followers are accused of issuing the worthless warrants, which looked like cashier's checks. U.S. Attorney Paul Coggins says losses totaled in the "hundreds of thousands of dollars."

McLaren, known for his long, wild hair, appeared more clean-cut than usual today. His hair was



Richard McLaren, Republic of Texas leader being arrested last year, is escorted by police. McLaren is wearing a blue suit, blue dress shirt and blue patterned tie.

He and the other defendants were escorted to the courthouse under tight security.

McLaren already is serving a 99-year prison term for his role in last year's kidnapping of a neighbor in the remote Davis Mountains Resort, which triggered a week long standoff with 300 state troopers and Texas Rangers.

The Republic of Texas claimed that the annexation of Texas in 1845 was illegal. The group's leaders constitute a "sovereign" government of the state of Texas. As an independent group claimed the right to its own currency. Federal prosecutors say the documents they were bogus and amounted to less than fraud.

Millionaire attempts to divorce wife, apparently commits suicide soon after

GALVESTON (AP) — The case of a 68-year-old millionaire who filed to divorce his young wife of 44 days and later apparently committed suicide headed to court Monday where attorneys were trying to resolve where in Texas the legal fight over his \$10 million estate should take place.

Donna Peterson, 37, a frequent but unsuccessful Republican congressional candidate in East Texas, filed a petition in her home Orange County saying she is due \$4 million from her late husband, Absalom I. Webber Jr., plus another \$1 million because she says she is pregnant.

Webber, who made his fortune selling oil field pipe, was found dead Dec. 5 in his bed at a Galveston Island beachhouse. Police believe it was suicide. He had six cuts on his right wrist and a double-edge razor blade was found lying on his abdomen.

A Galveston County medical examiner, however, said he could not rule whether the man's death was suicide, accident or homicide. Cause of death, the coroner said, was a heart attack.

Four days after his death, Peterson filed a petition claiming she was due her portion of the estate and produced a document she says Webber signed.

Webber had filed a will in Jefferson Parish, La., Aug. 29 that named her as beneficiary of his estate upon his death. Two days later, Webber and Peterson were married in New Orleans at the home of attorney, Herbert W. Christenberry, named executor of the estate.

The marriage was his third, he said. Forty-four days after the wedding, he filed for divorce, telling Christenberry the marriage was a sham. And about two weeks later, on Oct. 21, he amended his will to cut her out.

But according to Peterson's filing in Orange County, she has a document signed by Webber that gives her the money in the event of his death or by birth. That document, however, was signed and lists Peterson's father, Richard Peterson, as a witness.

Webber's attorneys wanted the case in Galveston County Probate Court, about 100 miles from Orange. Christenberry also sought the case in Galveston County. In his filing, he listed a number of personal items he said Peterson had taken to hold, including a Rolex watch, credit cards, a West Point class ring and about \$4,000 in cash.

Republican senator proposes immigration bill to increase high-tech workers in U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Heeding the pleas of a domestic computer industry hungry for talent, a leading Senate voice on immigration is proposing legislation that would substantially increase the visa quota for high-skilled foreign workers.

Currently, the United States allows up to 65,000 high-skilled foreigners into the country annually under the H-1B visa category. Silicon Valley employers and others in the booming high-tech sector contend that annual cap is far too low, preventing them from hiring qualified foreigners for jobs they are unable to fill domestically.

Sen. Spencer Abraham, who chairs the Senate immigration subcommittee, this week will intro-

duce a bill that would hike the current annual visa category to roughly 90,000. The Michigan Republican's legislation also would provide a safety valve, allowing the government to use 25,000 additional visas from a different visa category if the H-1B cap is reached.

High-tech companies have been vigorously lobbying Congress and the Clinton administration to increase the visa category, complaining of a shortage of qualified U.S. computer programmers, systems analysts and other high-tech workers.

Last year, for the first time, the demand for H-1B visas entitling high-skilled workers to remain here for up to six years outpaced the

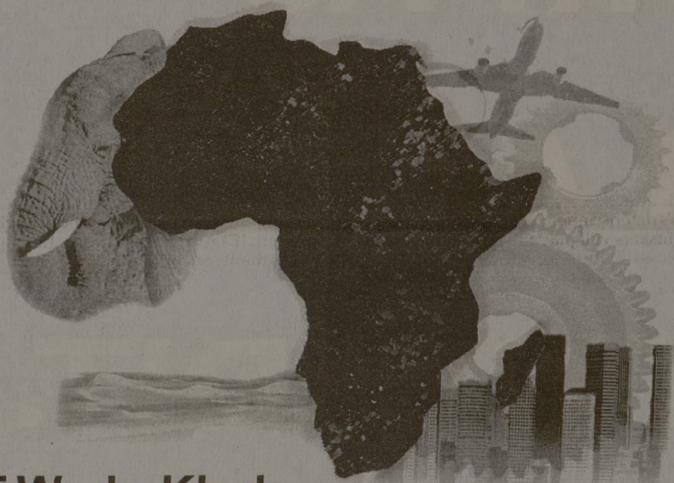
availability. This year, the demand was hit by May, four months before the end of the current fiscal year.

One industry study estimates that more than 340,000 high-tech jobs are currently unfilled because of a shortage of skilled workers.

"Our cap currently is the most restrictive in the world and it's going to cost American jobs if we aren't able to fill the positions," Abraham said Monday in a news conference where he discussed his upcoming legislation.

Abraham and his allies suspect that the specter of competitive disadvantage and companies losing overseas if they aren't able to fill their job needs here.

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