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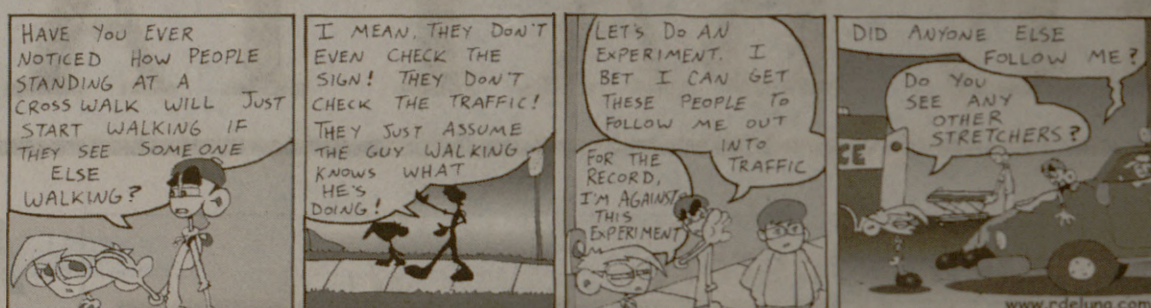
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Fish



by R. DeLuna Top 20

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"This is not race-based plan would reward the work of students and a pool of academically economically disadvised students."

In their December the Regents gave approval to the top 20 asking for more research information.

A&M officials Attorney General John to advise them on the move to not consider the plan for this fall saves who is running for the Senate to fill the seat vacated by Sen. Phil Texas, from making any recommendations on the plan.

Officials said Friday remain committed to "first-generation students," like those targeted top 20 plan, to Texas A&M.

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She was wearing her

Page's roommate, Jaeger, a sophomore development major, said the "kind of person walk into a room and

"She was full of life said. "No one had es Brittany who didn't like

Memorial services have been scheduled Tuesday at 4 p.m. in She is survived by her Carol and Corky, and sister Brooke.

A memorial trust set up in Page's memory First State Bank in

NEWS IN BRIEF

Baby falls to

ATLANTA (AP) - month-old boy died when he fell five stories balcony at a downtown police said.

Hunter Neal wandered out on the floor balcony of his room at the Omni Hotel slipped through the police spokesman Quigley said.

The toddler fell on fourth-story roof, police He died at a hospital.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

- Monday, March 4**
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- Baptist Student Ministry will host The Normals in concert with Inside the Outside at 7 pm in the Baptist Student Center. Call 846-7722 for more information.

Bonfire

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from the north side of campus and allow for proper drainage when rainstorms occur.

Contractors created a mound over the stack site but will not be digging in that area, Sippial said. The dirt will be removed from the center pole site and dispersed throughout the Polo Fields once construction nears an end, he said.

After receiving phone calls from the mother of Dominick Braus, a Corps of Cadets member who was injured in the 1999 Aggie Bonfire collapse, Sippial said Physical Plant employees went to the Polo Fields and marked the site where center

pole stood with a stake, Sippial said.

The unadorned Bonfire pole now hangs from that stake, a testament families left behind to the lives lost in an Aggie tragedy.

"Basically, the Bonfire site will be intact when this construction is through," Sippial said Sunday. "I understand why people would think that area shouldn't be disturbed. I'm really sorry that it happened. We thought that it (construction) wasn't going to go over that far but unfortunately it did."

Planning for this phase of construction has been in the works for about five years, he said. Construction should be complete by October or November.

Cranes from the construction, similar to the ones that were used to lift logs from the tumbled Bonfire stack two and a half years ago, stood silhouetted against the lights from campus Sunday night in much the same position they would have been the morning of Nov. 18, 1999.

Student Body President Schuyler Houser, a member of the panel that will judge Bonfire memorial designs, said the construction will not affect the placement of a Bonfire memorial if one is to be built on the Polo Fields.

"This construction doesn't have anything to do with changing the land," Houser said. "They're not tearing this up to impede putting a future Bonfire or a memorial there."

Grades

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"I don't see how given the complexity of the system you could go beyond three," Blasingame said.

The class restrictions, Blasingame said, would be set at three to prevent abuse of the system. Constant exploitation could cause a student to hit the state mandated limit for undergraduate hours of 175. After reaching that limit, students must pay out of state tuition. While a grade would be removed from a student's record under grade for-

givenness, the physical hours would remain.

"I don't know how that cap is going to bite into this," he said.

Other Texas universities, such as the University of Texas and Rice University, apply the same policy toward grade averaged as Texas A&M.

A grade forgiveness plan would help students who are trying to succeed, Blasingame said, but would not save students who's grades are at a large deficit.

"You could not salvage a sinking ship with grade replacement," he said.

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