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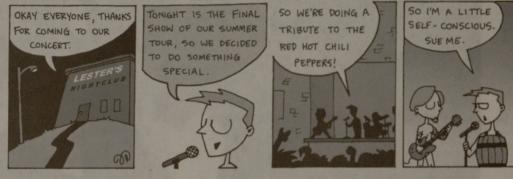


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answering questions about the future of journalism at A&M.

"Could it be possible to somehow encompass the material needed to become a journalist without having a department of journalism, without a degree in journalism?" he said. Eilers was a member of the

first committee and said he anticipates some type of certification program being created for those students interested in mum of \$500,000 per year,

pursuing journalism, much like the current certificates available in women's studies and international studies.

An external committee was enlisted by Johnson two years ago to create a report of its recommendations for A&M's struggling journalism department. The report suggested that journalism have a department head, a minimum of three senior faculty members and several assistant professors. Johnson said this would cost a mini-

more than he is willing to

He said four of the six schools cited in Vision 2020 do not offer undergraduate journalism degrees. Johnson said it would be more beneficial to the University to invest in departments that are consistent with Vision 2020, the University's plan to become a top 10 public school by the year 2020.

Johnson said that if approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, journalism will not exist as a department by the fall of 2004.

needed before shuttle flights resume, Gehman said. The culture issues will take longer, he said. The board was unanimous in finding that that

the 1 1/2-pound chunk of foam insulation that broke off the external fuel tank just over a minute into Columbia's mid-January launch created the breach in the left wing that led to the ship's destruction and the deaths of all seven astronauts.

'In four simple words, the foam did it," said NASA's Scott Hubbard, a board member who coordinated an incriminating series of foamimpact tests.

Columbia's mission managers missed at least eight opportunities to check the shuttle's left wing for damage, the report noted.

The board refused in its report to blame any one individual for the tragedy, a view it has maintained since the beginning.

from Albuquerque right away other than to attend the

Redistricting

Wednesday hearing. Sen. Leticia Van de Putte of San Antonio chairwoman of the Senat Democratic Caucus, has said it necessary they are prepared t stay away another 30 days, the maximum length of a specia session.

NEWS

THE BATTALION

Three of the Democrat Every year watched from Albuquerque on th exas A&M. Internet as the Legislatur ontrol for the go to class

"It really is sad to see th Texas Legislature so divided an at the same time, we felt validate because we accomplished wh we set out to do," said Sen. Judit Zaffirini, D-Laredo. The Democrats fled th

Capitol on July 28, short before Perry called a secon consecutive special session Their absence denied the Senat a quorum, halting business in the 31-member chamber that requires two-thirds of its mem bers to be present for business be conducted.

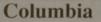
Republicans, led by U.S. House Majority Leader Ton DeLay of Sugar Land, have been pushing for lawmakers to redraw the congressional districts, saying voting trends show Texas should have more Republicans i Washington. Democrats have 17-15 majority in the delegation

The Democrats contend th current map should not be changed and say proposa before the Legislature this year would have hurt minority repre sentation.

Both sides, meanwhile, face hearing Wednesday in Laredo of the Democrats' federal lawsuit that alleges that their constitu tional rights as well as the Voting Rights Act have been violated through the redistricting efforts.

In a related development, the Justice Department in a letter to the Texas Secretary of State's Office said that prior federal approval is not needed on Dewhurst's decision to do away with a provision requiring that two-thirds of the Senate agree to

allow a bill to be debated. Perry said the Justic Department letter was anothe clear message to the Democra "that these lawsuits they file are frivolous.'



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In all, the Columbia investigators issued 29 recommendations to NASA, six focusing on organizational change.

Dr. Jonathan Clark, a NASA flight surgeon whose wife was Columbia astronaut Dr. Laurel Clark, said the report "hit right on the money and noted that changing the space agency's culture will be the real challenge

The board agreed. "The changes we recommend will be difficult to accomplish and will be internally resisted," the report said.

Some of the changes urged by the Columbia board — eliminate as much fuel-tank foam shedding as possible, toughen the vulnerable thermal shielding on the wings, give astronauts inspection capabilities and repair kits - are by Josh Darwin adjourned.

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