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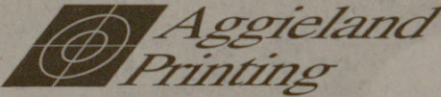
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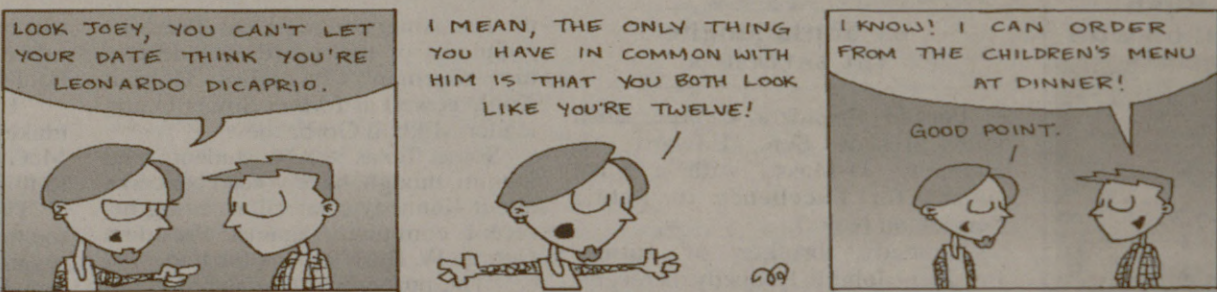
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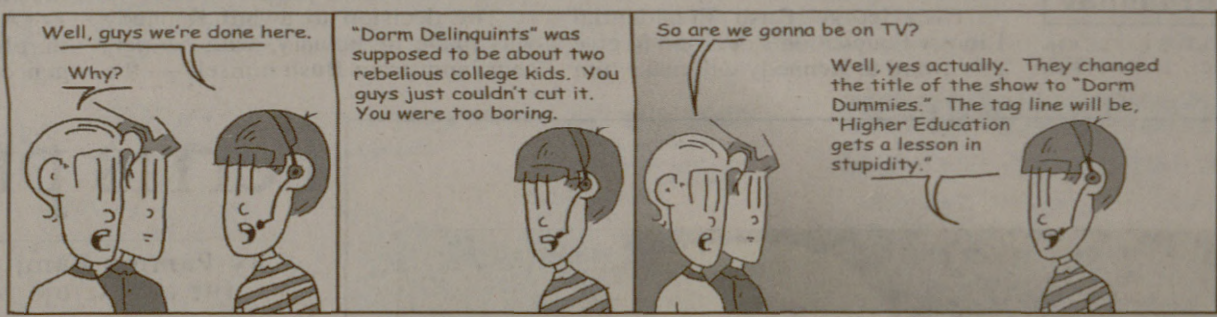
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Armored Division, were attacked Monday, the same day a team of suicide car bombers devastated the Red Cross headquarters and three police stations, killing three dozen people and wounding more than 200. In Tikrit, Saddam Hussein's hometown, insurgents opened fire late Tuesday on the southern gate of the main U.S. military base, wounding at least one American soldier from the 4th Infantry Division, witnesses said. A patrol was sent out to

search for the assailants, who soldiers said apparently fired from a nearby rooftop. And a U.S. military convoy was attacked Tuesday night by small arms fire in the northern city of Mosul, the military said. There were no casualties. In Fallujah, a flashpoint Sunni Muslim city 40 miles west of Baghdad, a car exploded Tuesday afternoon on a major street, killing at least four people. The explosion occurred about 100 yards from a police station and 100 feet from a school, but the target was unclear. Later Tuesday, eight huge

explosions were heard after sundown from the southern area of Fallujah. U.S. officials in Baghdad said they were unaware of the blasts, which residents described as "deafening." In Baghdad, at least three mortar shells exploded late Tuesday in the Jadriya district across the Tigris River from the palace headquarters of the U.S.-led coalition, Iraqi police said. There was no immediate word on casualties or damage. Coalition officials reported little progress in determining who was behind Monday's car bombings in Baghdad.

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"It poisons the sense of international fairness, equity and social justice," he said. "It shouldn't eclipse everything else." At least 42 million people worldwide are infected with HIV, more than 28 million of them in sub-Saharan Africa, and more than 20 million have died, according to the U.N. World Health Organization. With the right funding, WHO says, it could get 3 million more people onto anti-AIDS

medications by 2005. But the Global Fund, which has been promised some \$3.6 billion through 2005, is several billion dollars short of what it needs, Lewis said. Iraq's population is about 25 million. President Bush has asked Congress for \$20 billion for Iraq's reconstruction and \$2 billion to fight AIDS overseas — less than expected after a promise of \$15 billion for AIDS over five years. The U.S. Agency for International Development's 2004 budget for Africa, the world's poorest continent, totals \$1.3 billion.

Clarification

From Tuesday's Page One article, "Crash kills one A&M student, injures three," Cheng-Hsien Chiang will be honored at the Silver Taps ceremony in December. Daniel Timothy Mulvahill, a junior agricultural engineering major, was also injured in the accident.

Kennedy

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Kennedy's remarks (about George W. Bush's handling of the war) at the affair," McGrath said. Kennedy representatives said he will not address the issue at the event. "Sen. Kennedy will not be making a statement (about his remarks)," said David Smith, director of communications for Kennedy. Despite the controversy surrounding Kennedy's remarks, Bush stands firm in giving the award to Kennedy, McGrath said. "Bush respects the underlying manner in which the senator has fought for his beliefs in the public arena," McGrath said. "He also respects the senator's private efforts to offer philanthropic support." Kennedy has represented Massachusetts in the Senate since 1962. After being re-elected seven times, he is now the second most senior member of the Senate. Kennedy earned his bachelor's degree from Harvard and his law degree from the University of Virginia Law.

The Young Conservatives of Texas A&M's chapter will press the award for Kennedy, said Mark McCaig, director of communications for A&M's YCT. "We believe that Sen. Kennedy does not represent the values that Aggie cherish," McCaig said. "We disagree with Sen. Kennedy receiving this award." The A&M YCT bases its disapproval not only on Kennedy's remarks toward Bush, but on the platforms that Kennedy argues for and his personal issues. "Not only does (Kennedy) promote a socialist agenda, but he also is a supporter of heinous partial-birth abortions, having recently voted against a ban on (them)," said Sarah Davis, executive director of A&M's YCT. "Furthermore, it is difficult to ignore Kennedy's reckless drinking habits." The purpose of the gathering is focused on the giving and receiving of the award. "(Kennedy) has been remarkably consistent throughout the years," McGrath said. "He's been courageous in standing up for (his beliefs) and deserves to be awarded." Kennedy will give a brief address on Nov. 7 at 5 p.m. at Rudder Theater preceding the presentation of the award in the Bush Library Center.

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