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U.S. appeals injunction in TikTok case

By ALEXANDRA LANG,
EXECUTIVE EDITOR, THE SKIFF

Over the last few months, TikTok users have watched the saga of the potential ban on the app unfold, as the fate of the app depends on an agreement between corporations and the White House.

The most recent development came Oct. 8 when the White House appealed a judge's ruling that temporarily blocked the Trump administration from banning the app.

The Trump administration claims the app poses a data security risk for U.S. users because its parent company, ByteDance, is based in China.

TikTok has stated it would not share such data with the Chinese government, since the data is stored in the U.S. and Singapore.

Users had been hopeful for the app's future after President Trump seemed agreeable to a deal among TikTok, Walmart and Oracle to purchase it, but the agreement has not been finalized.

The U.S. Department of Commerce stated it will "vigorously defend" the ban. Now the ball is in TikTok's court, as the company has until Nov. 12 to reach a deal with a U.S. corporation to save the app, after which point the government will block internet companies from "carrying the app's traffic," according to CNN.

The U.S. is not the only country considering banning TikTok. Pakistan banned the app Oct. 9 for



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Icons for the smartphone apps TikTok and WeChat are seen on a smartphone screen in Beijing, in a Friday, Aug. 7, 2020 file photo.

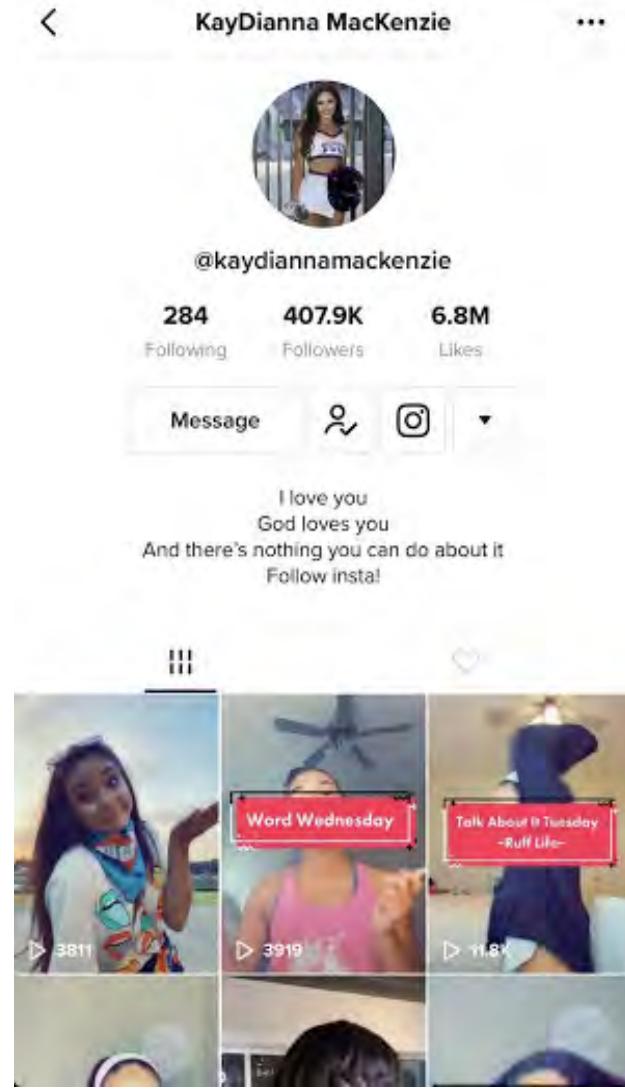
not blocking "immoral and indecent" content, and India instituted a ban of the app due to national security concerns amid a border dispute with China.

KayDianna MacKenzie, a TCU student who has over 400,000 followers on TikTok, posted a video on her eponymous account in July addressing the potential ban.

"We don't know anything: if it's gonna die again, if it's not, if it's gonna be resurrected again, if it's not, we're all confuzzled," she said in the video.

She also encouraged her fans to follow her on other social media platforms, such as Instagram and YouTube, if the app is ultimately banned.

"If TikTok does get taken down again, forever, make sure you go and follow me on all my social media," she said in the video. "I will continue to post content there."



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COVID-19, taxes discussed at vice presidential debate



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Democratic vice presidential candidate Sen. Kamala Harris, D-Calif., and Vice President Mike Pence wave before the vice presidential debate Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2020, at Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City.

By LARRY FLORES,
STAFF WRITER, TCU360

Sen. Kamala Harris spent the majority of the debate attacking President Donald Trump's record while Vice President Mike Pence was on the defense Wednesday night at the University of Utah.

Pence and Harris made the coronavirus pandemic a major talking point during the debate.

Harris quickly and constantly attacked Trump's response to COVID-19.

"The American people have witnessed the greatest failure of any presidential administration in the history of our country," Harris said.

Harris spoke about Trump's comments earlier this year about COVID-19 being a hoax and made it clear the Trump administration had minimized the impact COVID-19 would have at the start of this pandemic.

Pence refuted these claims and said, "I want

the American people to know that from the very first day, President Donald Trump has put the health of the American people first."

Pence said Democratic nominee Joe Biden had called Trump's travel ban on China xenophobia. He added that under Biden's presidency, the 210,000 people dead of the coronavirus would be near 2 million people.

The subject of the economy, taxes — and whether or not they would be raised — loomed over the debate.

Harris made a point to mention the New York Times story that revealed that Trump paid only \$750 in federal income tax in 2016 and 2017.

Harris also pressed the issue of Donald Trump and his debt.

"It'd really be good to know who the president of the United States, the commander in chief, owes money to because the American people have a right to know what is influencing the president's decisions,"

said Harris.

Pence reiterated Trump's claims that he has paid millions of dollars in taxes over the years. Pence also urged the viewers to read the documents that have been released before and are directly available to them.

Pence claimed the Biden administration would repeal Trump's tax relief bill and raise taxes on everybody, causing more problems during a pandemic. Harris refuted these claims and reiterated Biden's plan to only raise taxes on those who make over \$400,000 per year.

The two vice-presidential candidates were separated 12 feet and had plexiglass barriers separating them. This is due to concerns over Trump's positive COVID-19 test and the many recent cases in the White House.

The second of three presidential debates will be held Thursday, Oct. 15.



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CAMPUS NEWS

TCU distributes 3,500 vaccines at annual flu clinic

By LEAH BOLLING

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

TCU distributed 3,500 vaccines Oct. 8 at its annual flu clinic, which was held outdoors amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

The clinic was held in the Campus Commons to ensure compliance with CDC guidelines. Every participant was required to wear a mask, the sidewalks were marked with tape to ensure a six-foot distance between people waiting in line, and everything was designed to have participants flow through the clinic in under three minutes.

"We modeled it as if it was a COVID vaccine," said Sharon Canclini, an assistant professor of professional practice in the nursing department. "Meaning we are preparing ourselves for when that vaccine comes."

The flu clinic served



PHOTO BY LEAH BOLLING

Participants were able to check in for their vaccine before getting the shot.

as the example clinic for Tarrant County, preparing doctors for when the COVID-19 vaccine becomes available. After determining the success of TCU's flu clinic, Tarrant County will consider this same model to be emulated for the COVID-19 vaccine.

Canclini said she thinks this year is especially important for

people to receive a flu shot.

"The flu and COVID-19 are circulating at the same time and we know we have a vaccine for the flu that is effective," Canclini said.

Senior nursing student Megan White, who was giving vaccines to students and faculty, said she noticed an increase in participants who have never received a flu shot



PHOTO BY LEAH BOLLING

TCU hosted its annual flu vaccine clinic on Oct. 8. The clinic took place outdoors this year to adhere to safety precautions.

before.

"Some people have told me that because of COVID-19 is why they are getting a shot," White said.

Several nursing students who ran the clinic said they were pleased with how partic-

ipants followed all the safety guidelines.

"Everyone has been really good about maintaining space in line and wearing their mask," said senior nursing student Chloe Standford. "Everyone has been really cooperative."

Although TCU will not be providing any more vaccinations this year, students and faculty can still receive a vaccine by going to their physician or places such as Walgreens or Target.

COVID-19 limits routine and practice abilities of TCU spirit groups

By CAROLINE GARLAND

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

COVID-19 has restricted the practices and routines of TCU's spirit groups.

The groups include the cheerleaders, the TCU Showgirls and SuperFrog.

In previous years, the cheerleaders led the crowd in cheers and chants, the Showgirls danced and did half-time and third-quarter performances on the field, and SuperFrog bounced through the crowd, giving

high fives and interacting with fans.

Restrictions and limited interaction have taken a toll on the TCU spirit groups, but some members of the teams were worried before the season began.

KayDianna Davis, a senior Showgirl and team captain, expressed concerns about the upcoming football season at TCU.

"I was really worried that we would not be allowed to have a season, much less dance at the games," said Davis.

After the Big 12 announced it would go ahead with the football season, members of the groups expressed concern about the ability to get together for practices at the beginning of the semester.

The spirit groups were allowed to start team practices the third week of school, as long as they followed strict precautions.

"We can practice together as long as we wear masks at all times and stay six feet apart," said Bailee Utter, a

second-year Showgirl.

The cheerleaders are not allowed to practice their stunts or pyramids. Instead, they can only do things that will allow them to stay six feet apart at all times.

"Stunting would allow us to only be a few inches apart," said Megan Berra, a senior cheerleader.

SuperFrog is not allowed to interact with his fans; he cannot give them a high five, hug or even take a picture with them.

Despite not knowing if they were going to have a



PHOTO BY HEESOO YANG

Cheerleaders cheer six feet apart during the football games.

season due to COVID-19, the TCU spirit groups are excited to be on the field.

"Even though this year is different, it is still a huge honor to get to

cheer on the Frogs and promote school spirit," said Jordan Tijerina, a junior cheerleader.

CAMPUS LIFE

First-year students adjust to living away from home

By RAINES NAGEL
STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

COVID-19 has changed what college looks like for first-year students transitioning to life away from home.

First-years said there are positives and negatives of their first-year experience at TCU amid the pandemic.

Brett Hayes Miketinac, a first-year pre-business major from Arizona, said the most difficult part about living on campus is not being able to meet new people as easily as he imagined because of COVID-19.

"TCU has been really helpful because I know that I'm supported and feel safe where I am. TCU has been doing well dealing with COVID-19 overall," said Miketinac.

Christopher Vasti, a

first-year pre-business major from Illinois, said he believes that his ideal first-year experience has been compromised because of the pandemic.

"I have always thought of my first semester of college as seeing everyone meeting each other in the commons as students set up booths to represent their clubs, along with kids running around playing sports, having fun, smiling and laughing. I do wish my freshman experience was 'normal' like the others," Vasti said.

Regardless, Vasti said he is making the best out of the situation.

"College has been amazing so far and I've really made myself at home. TCU has done a great job making college an enjoyable experience because these years are



PHOTO BY HEESOO YANG

TCU welcomed students home amid the pandemic.

supposed to be the best years of our lives," Vasti said.

Kendall McCarthy, a first-year strategic communication and French double major, said the benefits of living on campus this

semester outweigh the costs, despite COVID-19 restrictions.

"I think that in some ways COVID-19 has taken away from my first-year experiences as far as classes go, but I don't really know

anything else as far as the overall college experience," McCarthy said. "This is my first time experiencing college, so it's all fine by me."

Miketinac, Vasti and McCarthy all agreed

they are happy where they are, regardless of the challenges they have experienced living on campus during COVID-19. All three students said they plan on returning to campus for the spring semester.

CAMPUS NEWS

The Art Galleries at TCU opened new 'You Are Here' exhibit

By MOLLY BOYCE
STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

Amid the COVID-19 pandemic, The Art Galleries at TCU invited students and faculty to visit "You Are Here," a Moudy Gallery fine arts exhibition.

"You Are Here" is a thesis exhibition by graduating TCU MFA candidate Sierra Forester. The gallery web page describes the work to be minimal yet "immersive in nature" and focused on "the notion of discovery and journey."

When asked about

"If my viewers are to take anything from my exhibition, I would hope they come out of the show with questions."

- SIERRA FORESTER

CREATOR OF "YOU ARE HERE" EXHIBITION

the inspiration for "You Are Here," Forester said while walking outside she noticed a large amount of litter and debris, as well as "incredibly interesting objects that collect in our environment."

"The entire exhibition is sponsored by questions that often have no

answers," Forester said.

TCU has closed its art galleries for public viewing, but students, faculty and staff can make appointments to visit exhibitions at the Fort Worth Contemporary Arts and the Moudy Gallery.

For non-students



PHOTO BY MOLLY BOYCE

Moudy Gallery allowed students and staff to visit "You Are Here," an exhibition by MFA student Sierra Forester.

and staff, virtual 3-D walk-throughs and video

tours are offered on the TCU fine arts webpage.

"You Are Here" is open until Oct. 12.

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Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Oct. 15, 2020:

Mesmerizing, knowledgeable and talented, you have amazing choices this lifetime. Choose and compromise carefully, and the world is your oyster. In 2021, your success and recognition will be great, although somewhat controversial. If single, a passionate yet sometimes stormy relationship is on the horizon. If attached, after the many changes your union has experienced, there is stability. Bliss ensues. CAPRICORN secretly adores your more outrageous side -- up to a point.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Today heightens your intuition. A partnership is forming that could be a very important part of your future. A loved one can show vulnerability. Your support and understanding mean a great deal to one who cares for you. Tonight: A relative makes a surprise announcement.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ There will be an ease regarding love. Friendships and more serious relationships touch other areas of your life. Don't make a commitment regarding work obligations today. You might change your mind. Tonight: Home and family issues must be addressed again.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Today is wonderful for forming goals and determining what you desire most. You'll feel like initiating celebrations and other projects. Long-standing communication problems with a child or romantic interest can be overcome. Tonight: Close and patient listening is vital. Week:

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ A new maturity beneficially impacts your approach to love affairs. You grow weary of those who play games. Mutual accomplishment will have more appeal. Seek ways to make your home more comfortable and appealing. Tonight: A renewed stability comforts you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Although a decision or situation you've been wrestling with may return to haunt you one more time, don't despair. A solution could be right around the corner. A neighbor, relative or friend might save the day. Compromise will help. Tonight: A sign of relief.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Today brings financial opportunities in terms of buying or selling property and possessions. Those with home-based businesses will find that business starts to boom again. Take time to mull over decisions as thoughts may be divided. Tonight: Your mind is restless.

Carpe Diem by Niklas Eriksson



Dustin by Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ There is a hint of myth and legend, a larger than life quality, around you. Enjoy remote meetings, public functions and the wider parameters of activity, but keep a sense of balance and perspective. Don't neglect details; do keep promises. Tonight: Celebrating your good luck.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Your perpetually active inner life becomes more colorful and vivid, while you shun fanfare outwardly. It might

surprise you if friends and family born under air signs accuse you of withholding information. Tonight: You manage to satiate their curiosity and still be discreet.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You grow through involvement with organizations today. Reach out to new groups and rise to the occasion if called upon to fill a leadership role. Members might decide to support one of your causes. Tonight: A friend who's been out of touch suddenly reappears.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Your ambitions and expectations about work are high and a competitive spirit builds. Be patient and thoughtful. Eventually your value will be much more widely recognized. Your aspirations undergo a transformation. Tonight: Feeling excited about your prospects.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Your enthusiasm and energy are high. Studies, travel and conversations generate agreeable ideas and experiences. Your perpetual zest for the novel and intriguing is fulfilled. Get

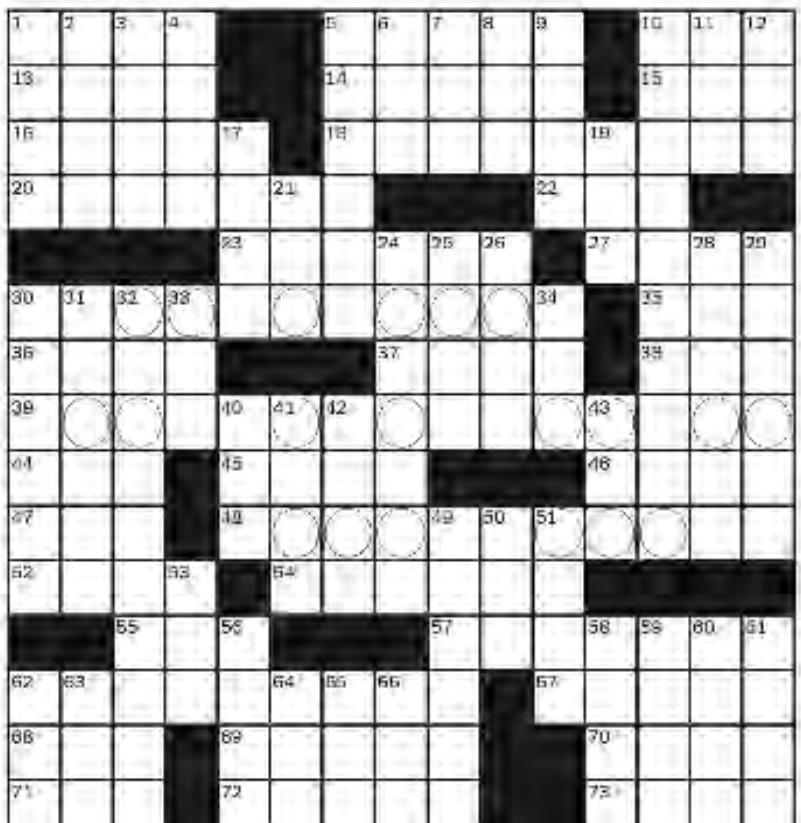
both sides of the story if there is disturbing news. Tonight: Be understanding and accepting.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Look at repeating patterns to understand the future. Spiritual forces inspire creative expression. If you pursue your favorite art form with enthusiasm, you'll be rewarded with exceptional results. Tonight: A change of heart about relationships is in progress.

THE PURPLE

The New York Times Edited by Will Shortz



ACROSS

- 1 Mind-set
- 5 Shells you can eat
- 10 Spoiled
- 13 With 70-Across, dramatic opening of 62-Across's Fifth
- 14 A computer hacker usually uses this
- 15 It's next to nada
- 16 Like boardinghouse rooms, again and again
- 18 Like all of the 62-Across works in this puzzle
- 20 Some garden machinery
- 22 It's a laugh
- 23 Jewish month of
- 30 days
- 27 ___ limits (political issue)
- 30 Ricky Martin, e.g. [Third]
- 35 Big seller of camping gear
- 36 About
- 37 Pivot
- 38 Abbr. after Brooklyn or Cleveland
- 39 Exercise before a trip to Latin America, say [Sixth]

DOWN

- 1 Supervisors: Abbr.
- 44 "___ So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" (hymn)
- 45 Quaking cause
- 46 Pelvic bones
- 47 When sung three times, a soccer anthem
- 48 Event before a college football game [Ninth]
- 52 ___ ball
- 54 Walk stylishly
- 55 Is down with
- 57 Like many retired academics
- 62 Composer whose works are hidden in 30-, 39- and 48-Across
- 67 Only part of Egypt located in Asia
- 68 Potential starts of new generations
- 69 Broadcasting
- 70 See 13-Across
- 71 Marked incorrect
- 72 Trifle
- 73 Schlep
- 2 Curved molding
- 3 Randy look
- 4 Released air from, as a balloon
- 5 Quarterback, often
- 6 Prince ___ Khan
- 7 Kind of card
- 8 Choose
- 9 Pale-faced
- 10 Historic Boston locale
- 11 What every infinitive in Esperanto ends with
- 12 Grumpy co-worker
- 17 Class struggle?
- 19 Not at home
- ... or caught at home
- 21 Part of the Greek spelling of "Aristotle"
- 24 Paris hangouts
- 25 Vocal opponent of 2001's Patriot Act, for short
- 26 Like violin strings
- 28 The price you pay
- 29 Lose
- 30 Detroit pro player

DIRECTIONS

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SOLUTION

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TCU Trivia

What TCU football legend went on to a career in the FBI?

SOLUTION

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TCU TRIVIA ANSWER

Davey O'Brien

CAMPUS NEWS

Alcohol violations on opening game day remain low

By OSCAR SARAVIA

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

TCU reported a low number of alcohol violations after the home opener against Iowa State but saw an increase in the number of parties.

Interim Chief of Police Robert Rangel said alcohol violations reported on opening game days have decreased over the last three years, with seven in 2017, two in 2018 and none in 2019. Four were reported this year.

This year's number can be attributed to smaller crowds and campus tailgate restrictions due to COVID-19, as well as warnings from university and city officials, Rangel said.

"TCU police, Fort Worth neighborhood

patrol officers and Campus Life went to frequent party locations to warn students of citations," Rangel said. "Even though that didn't stop the parties at least it kept the number of violations low."

Assistant Director of the Counseling and Mental Health Center Caroline Albritton said sporting events usually cause more alcohol violations in the fall.

Rangel said even though statistics show a low number of alcohol violations, that doesn't mean students aren't drinking.

"Despite having only four violations this year, we definitely had more parties," he said.

Alcohol violations usually occur at off-campus parties, but

there are still records of on-campus alcohol violations, which Rangel said are usually given to people walking from parties.

Students caught returning to campus under the influence of alcohol can be referred to the Alcohol & Drug Education Center.

"For students fulfilling a sanction for an alcohol or drug violation, we do see increases on dates where big events occur, such as sports events or holidays," Albritton said.

Albritton also said one of the consequences for alcohol violations includes drinking education.

It remains unknown if these violations happen more on the first home game rather than home games in general.



PHOTO BY HEESOO YANG

TCU fans were socially distant in the stands during the home football game against Iowa State on Sept. 26.

"I didn't see any difference," Rangel said. "It didn't seem like opening game day influenced the number of violations seen throughout other random home games considering the statistics mentioned before."

Last year, TCU police began to enforce the use of a mobile app that verifies IDs to avoid violations happening in places on campus such as the football stadium.

Rangel said the officers will keep trying to talk to the party hosts for

future violations.

"We are not telling them anything they don't know, but at least that gives them something to think about for more serious consequences with Campus Life," he said.

Soccer upsets No. 4 Oklahoma State to remain undefeated

By SAM FRISTACHI

STAFF WRITER, TCU360

Junior Brandi Peterson scored her first career goal 33 seconds into overtime to lift the Horned Frogs to a 2-1 victory over the No. 4 Oklahoma State Cowgirls on Oct. 9.

"It's a tough place to play. It was a great performance by Oklahoma State," head coach Eric Bell said.

"They are a tough team to break down and score on. Credit to our group for finding a way to do that. I'm very proud of our group for what they were able to accomplish here in a tough environment."

Oklahoma State opened the scoring in the 23rd minute with a goal from Hannah Webb. This was the first goal that has been allowed by TCU this season.

TCU was the opposite. Though they had 14 total shots, they wouldn't find the back of the net till the 85th minute, when sophomore forward Grace Collins' shot deflected off the foot of junior forward Maddy Warren to tie the game at one. This was Warren's first goal of the season.

Goalie Emily Alvarado kept the game tied at one through the end of regulation, with five of her seven saves coming

in the second half.

"We thought when we went into the half, they (Oklahoma State) were looking a little tired. So, we wanted to stick with the game plan of passing the ball, moving the ball, and changing the point of attack," Bell said. "I think that paid off in the second half."

Peterson then completed TCU's comeback with her strike in the opening moments of overtime. The two Horned Frog goals had been scored in the final 4:33 of the game.

"They got really tired and stretched, so when overtime started, the seams and openings were



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Twelfth-ranked soccer remained unbeaten with an upset win against Oklahoma State on Oct. 9.

very big, and Brandi took advantage of that," Bell said. "It was a great goal, a great shot. She's shown that sometimes in practice, but credit to her for doing it in the big

stage of the game."

Entering the game at fifth, Oklahoma State was TCU's highest-ranked opponent to defeat in program history.

The Frogs now sit

in first place in the Big 12, and they will return home Friday to face the Texas Tech Red Raiders.