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Bush defends Iraq war to Britons views as misconceptions on this side of

By SCOTT LINDLAW ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

LONDON (AP) — Welcomed to President Bush on Wednesday defended the war in Iraq, saying military might must at times be used to confront the continuing, global danger of terror-

"In some cases, the measured use of ers chanted outside as he spoke. force is all that protects us from a

Bush was seeking to puncture what he lent restraint of violent men."

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today, "and have accepted the

Iraq invasion.

Britain with royal pageantry and a the use of force in every generation and smattering of anti-war protesters, I credit the motives behind these views," Bush said, mindful of the bitter opposition among many in Britain and across Europe to the U.S.- and Britishled war in Iraq. Demonstrators had mies are, stick with the one and fight Iraq war. They gathered behind metal lined his motorcade route and protest-

The president added: "Those in chaotic world ruled by force," Bush authority, however, are not judged only told academics gathered at Banqueting by good motivations. The people have given us the duty to defend them and During a 3 1/2-day state visit here, that duty sometimes requires the vio-

the Atlantic about the American-led faced strong criticism from the British receiving line with the queen and "There are principled objections to staunchest ally in the Iraq war, also inspected a column of Coldstream defended Britain's close relationship Guards, with their trademark gray with the United States and the coali- coats and tall, furry black hats. tion's handling of the situation in Iraq.

House of Commons, to loud cheers.

In the morning, Queen Elizabeth II officers. and Prince Philip gave a royal salute to the American leader, greeting Bush at hundred protesters was kept several Buckingham Palace.

41-gun salute shook the palace, Bush

Prime Minister Tony Blair, who has and his wife, Laura, moved down a public for remaining America's prince. Bush and the prince then

Buckingham Palace, the queen's "It really is about time we started to London residence, also was a focal realize who our allies are, who our ene-point for demonstrators opposed to the the other," Blair said earlier before the barriers Wednesday, watched by large numbers of yellow-jacketed police

Though the light crowd of several dozen yards from the gates, their As ceremonial cannon blasts from a chants could be heard inside the

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EATHER WEATHED

PHS Choir presents 'Once Upon a Mattress'

Concert Choir of Pampa High will present "Once Upon a Mattress" at 8 p.m., Nov. 20 and 22, and at 2:30 p.m., Nov. 23, at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Admission is \$7 for adults and \$4 for students.

The program is being presented in association with Rodgers & Hammerstein Library.

Arts, crafts show set

AMARILLO — Amarillo Civic Center will be the site of the 23rd annual Christmas Arts and Crafts Show Nov. 22-23from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and from 12-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$4 for adults. Children 14 and under are free when accompanied by an adult.

DEATHS

Dan Holloway, 62, electrician.

Frances Terry Hudson, 83. teacher.

Effie Cowan Jenkins, 98. lifelong Miami resident. Anna Bolton Peters. 91.

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Wheeler sheriff named Borger chief of police By DAVID BOWSER Adams said he had decided STAFF WRITER not to run for reelection next

year when his term would have WHEELER - Sheriff Jimmy expired. As the filing date for Adams is soon to be Chief elected office neared. Adams Jimmy Adams. said he informed his staff and The Wheeler County Sheriff deputies of his decision to step was selected this week as Chief down.

"I told them that I had chosen "I am taking early retire- not to run again," Adams said ment." Sheriff Adams said this morning

Since then, two people, one of his deputies and a retired Adams was selected to be the Texas Department of Public new police chief by the Borger Safety trooper, have announced City Commission from five their intentions to run for Wheeler County Sheriff.

"We will appoint someone "I'm very happy," Adams said. "I'm really excited about it. until the election is settled." Of course, it's going to be a chal- Wheeler County Judge Jerry lenge just like any law enforce. Dan Hefley said today.

No decision has been made, The veteran officer said he Judge Hefley said, but he will be intends to remain in his chosen—taiking to interested people this week. Hefley said he expects to "That's what I've prepared present something to the commy whole life for," Adams said. mission Monday.

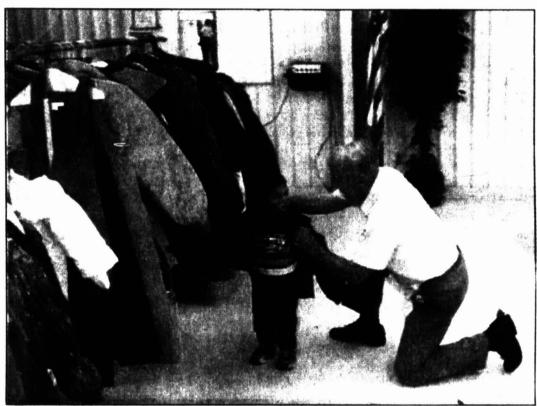
Adams will assume his new Hefley he thinks the commission will have decided on "I'm getting sworn in on New Adams' successor by the time Year's Day," Adams said, "so I the sheriff retires at the first of can't see anything wrong with the year.

A Wheeler County native. Adams served with the Amarillo He noted that in years past on Police Department for nine New Year's Day he'd been busy years. He was security manager. with manhunts and a variety of for Sears for three years, before being appointed City Judge in

Adams will remain in office Wheeler. "I never heard a case," he Chief Deputy Rick Walden drawled "That's pretty good. I will initially take over the sher- never was overturned on any

iff's duties until the Wheeler thing County Commission appoints a Adams has been Wheeler County Sheriff for 15 years.

Coats for kids



Pampa Mason J.B. Fife, right, helps a young fellow put on his new coat. Members of Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM recently collected donations of coats to be given to area children who needed them. Worshipful Master Kelly Miller said approximately 200 coats were collected by the Masons and given away in two drives, Oct. 4 and Oct. 25, at the Pampa Sportsman Club.

Gasoline additive may snag House-passed energy bill

vote away from sending a massive energy bill ral gas and nuclear power and double the need to the White House, but it could still hit a snag for corn-based ethanol, a bonanza for the Farm in the Senate over a dispute involving a gasoline additive that has contaminated drinking water in several dozen states.

from Republicans as well as a surprising num- getting the bill passed. ber of Democrats on Tuesday at it whizzed through the House by a 246-180 margin, leav-votes to see if they might be able to derail the ing it up to the Senate to take up the bill later legislation — the product of 2 1/2 months of this week

would provide \$23 billion in tax incentives and

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress is one other measures to produce more coal, oil, natu-Belt states.

The boost in ethanol production to 5 billion gallons a year has broad Republican and The energy legislation won solid backing. Democratic support and is viewed as a key to

But some Senate Democrats are counting sometimes bitter negotiations between House The measure, covering some 1,100 pages, and Senate Republicans — by a filibuster.

(See ENERGY, Page 3)

IRS agent: Butler cheated on tax returns

of plague reported business expenses. Wednesday editions. in excess of his income from 1999 to

University professor Thomas Butler.

accountant testified Butler was not from his lab Jan. 14. well-versed in tax law and how to fill out tax returns.

An Internal support of defense assertions that Revenue Service agent testified Butler has not intentionally defrauded that were described as part of Butler's about the whereabouts of the missing Tuesday that a professor accused of the government, the Lubbock consulting business. lying to authorities about missing vials. Avalanche-Journal reported in its

federal government out of more than or destroy records. She said making brought the samples to Lubbock in his Prosecutors presented a complicated \$40,000 through tax fraud. Butler, 62, mistakes on tax forms is entirely differ- luggage via commercial airlines after paper trail that, they allege, leads back faces 69 wide-ranging charges stem- ent. to fraud and deception by Texas Tech ming from a !ederal investigation Meanwhile, a certified public of bacteria-causing plague missing to the best of your ability," she said, him as a dedicated researcher who was

IRS Agent Mike Metzler told jurors lievable things on their tax returns." that he discovered irregularities in "I would say he did not have a Butler's tax statements after poring plague, also is accused of smuggling the U.S. Army and the Food and Drug sophisticated understanding of tax over paperwork taken from Butler's plague samples from Tanzania, illegal- Administration. Butler's attorneys also law," Carolyn Stephensen testified in lab and home during federal searches. ly transporting them within the United contend he is not a criminal.

Stephenson said Butler's tax records

"As long as you make it very obvi- Tanzanians launched after Butler reported 30 vials ous what you're doing, you're doing it "I've seen certified geniuses do unbe- doing plague research for and with the

Metzler said Butler reported losses States and lying to federal agents

After his report of missing vials, were well-organized. She said most Butler later told investigators he'd Butler is accused of cheating the potential frauds try to bury information actually destroyed them. He had drawing blood and fluid from infected

Butler's defense team has portrayed knowledge of the government — aid-Butler, a world-renowned expert on ling the Centers for Disease Control.

CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS beginning November 22 at the Recreation Park every evening after dark sponsored by the Pampa Chamber of Commerce • Saturday, December 6th beginning at 1:00PM

DAN HOLLOWAY

1941-2003

WHITE DEER — Dan Holloway, 62, died and Sunday, Nov. 16, 2003, at Pampa. Services Myers will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in United Methodist Church with the Rev. Toni Bailey, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in White Deer Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Holloway was born April 10, 1941, at Dickens. He married Nell Brantley on May 19, 1967, at Spur. He came to White Deer from McAdoo in 1981 and was formerly of Spur where he was a member of Spur Lions Club and fireman with Spur Fire Department.

An electrician, he worked for J.Q. Russell Electric for approximately 7 years, for Arthur Brothers and for Celanese.

He was a member of United Methodist Church of White Deer.

Survivors include his wife, Nell, of the home; two daughters, Paula Carroll of Pampa www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Dana Aspermont; sons, Stephen Holloway of Borger and Terry Holloway of Lubbock; two Sue sisters, Lynn Turner of

Amarillo and Lee Ann Nicholas of Wichita, Kan.; and 10 grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Panhandle chapter, 6222 Canyon Dr., Amarillo, TX

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Effie Cowan Jenkins, 98, of Miami, Texas, and husband died Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2003, at Miami. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Jenkins was born June 10, 1905, in Roberts County, Texas. She had been a lifelong resident of Miami and Roberts County. She was a graduate of Miami High School and graduated from what is now Texas Women's University in Denton. She taught home economics at Miami High School for several years during World War II.

She married Theo Jenkins on June 14, 1929, in Ennis, Texas. He preceded her in death on May 23, 1982.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church of Miami and the Miami Chapter #98 Order of the Eastern Star.

She was a member of numerous civic clubs

Survivors include a daughter. Carol Gordon www.carmichael-whatley.com.

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ANNA BOLTON PETERS 1912-2003

Eugene Bolton of Corbin.

Anna Bolton Peters, 91, of Pampa, died Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2003. Services are pending under the direction of

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22, 1912, in Missouri. She married Blaine Bolton; he The family requests memodied in 1969. She later marrials be to Trinity Fellowship Carmichael-Whatley Funeral ried Earnest Peters; he died in Church, 1200 S. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065; or to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Survivors include two sons, Al Bolton of Pampa and Pampa, TX 79065.

> -Sign the on-line regis-Ky.; a sister, Jennie Wekluk of ter book Aurora, Colo.; six grandchilwww.carmichaelwhatley.com. dren: 13 great-grandchildren;



The forecast today is calling for sunny skies, highs in the lower 70s and west winds 5 to 15 mph. Night should fall on clear skies with lows around 40 and southwest winds 10 to 15 mph. Thursday should see mostly sunny skies. Breezy. Highs in the lower 80s. Southwest winds 15 to 25 mph.

Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph. Friday, mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 70s. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Friday night, mostly clear. Breezy. Lows in the lower 40s. Saturday, mostly sunny. Breezy, cooler. Highs in the mid 50s.

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block of North Wells. 7:49 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to

the 500 block of North Ward. No patient.

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FRANCES TERRY HUDSON 1920-2003

WICHITA FALLS - Frances Terry Richard Clay Hudson, 83, djed Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2003, at Rolling Meadows in Wichita Falls. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in Lunn's Colonial Chapel with Ken Schroder, chaplain of Hospice of Wichita Falls, officiating. Burial will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Spiro City Cemetery at Spiro, Okla. Arrangements are under the direction of Lunn's Colonial Funeral Home in Wichita Falls

and Mallory Funeral Home in Stigler, Okla. Mrs. Hudson was born June 20, 1920, at Zoe, Okla. She was a teacher and a Methodist.

Survivors include her husband, Faber Francis of Oklahoma City, Okla.; her children,

Hudson White Deer, Stan Hudson of Pampa and Terry **Peters** Toni Hudson, both Wichita Falls; her stepmother, Eva



Smith Terry of Spiro; 11 grandchildren; and three great-grand-

ON RECORD

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday, Nov. 18

7:16 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of Osbourne and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center. 7:30 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Kentucky and Duncan streets and transported

10:30 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of West Plains and transported a patient to PRMC.

10:44 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to

the 1200 block of North Wells and transport-

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VAMC and transported a patient to the 1200

8:02 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1400 block of West Somerville and trans ported a patient to PRMC.

8:30 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2200 block of Perryton Parkway and

ACCIDENTS

Pampa Police Department today reported the following accidents.

Tuesday, Nov. 18

7:30 a.m. - A 1989 Ford Taurus station wagon, driven by Juanita C. Patrick, 65, 313 Warren; a 1995 Toyota Camry, driven by Ashley L. Francis, 17, 946 Malone; and a 1996 Ford Contour, driven by Carla D. Smith, 32, 401 Tignor, collided at the intersection of Duncan Street and Kentucky Avenue. Patrick received non-incapacitating injuries and refused transport for treatment. Ben Harron, 10, 505 Yeager, a passenger in Patrick's vehicle; and Amanda Francis, 13, and Canyon Dougherty, 11, both of 946 Malone, both passengers in Francis' vehicle, were transported by ambulance to Pampa Regional Medical Center for non-incapacitating injuries. Patrick was cited for failure to yield right of way.

POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests.

Tuesday, Nov. 18

Jere David Hink, 39, 519 N. Frost, and Dixie Denese Wilson, 49, Amarillo, were arrested in the 700 block of North Banks for Class A criminal mischief under \$1,500. The subjects were receiving electricity illegally. Amount of loss is unknown at this time.

FIRE

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday, Nov. 18

7:29 a.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a two-vehicle collision at Kentucky and Duncan streets. Firefighters assisted ambulance personnel in preparing patients for trans-

10:32 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 600 block of

10:46 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 300 block of

11:13 a.m. – Two units and seven firefighters responded to a lifting assist in the 1200 block of North Wells.

1:52 p.m. - Three units and five firefighters responded to a cotton module fire four miles south of U.S. Highway 60 on Gray 1. Firefighters with the assistance of Hoover Volunteer Fire Department and Gray County Precinct 3 extinguished the fire in two cotton modules.

5:18 p.m. – Two units and six firefighters responded to a lifting assist in the 1200 block of

8:28 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist at Wal-Mart, 2225

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Texas A&M group plans bake sale protest

COLLEGE STATION group at Texas A&M University plans to protest the arrival of a new campus diversity leader by holding a bake sale featuring different prices for cookies depending on race and gender.

(AP) — A conservative Methodist University was ing the activity proposed by shut down by the school. this particular group, pro-But A&M officials say they plan no action regarding the with any ongoing university bake sale by Young activities or violate any uni-Conservatives of Texas

speech and freedom of expression issue, and the of this semester. university obviously honors quoted Houston Chronicle. "Thus, cents.

A similar sale at Southern no action is planned regardvided it does not interfere versity rules or regulation."

"This is a freedom of held a similar bake sale at. Texas A&M at the beginning.

those provisions of the males at the new sale must Constitution," Bill Kibler, pay \$1 for a cookie, while; interim vice president for the same kind of cookie will: student affairs, said in a be sold to white females for. in 75 cents, to Hispanics for 50. Wednesday's editions of the cents and to blacks for 25

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Masonic 60-year pin presentation



(Courtesy photo)

J.T. Richardson, seated, recently was awarded a pin recognizing his 60 years of membership in Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM. Presenting the pin were Pampa Masons, back row, from left, J.D. Fife, Ray Free, and Kelly Miller. Also pictured is Richardson's wife, Lola, second from left.

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BUSH

grounds as the president greeted dignitaries.

Bush invoked the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks in America to warn against inac-

"The hope that danger has passed is comforting, is understanding, and it is false," he said. "These terrorists target the innocent and they kill by the thousands. And they would, if they gain the weapons they seek, kill by the millions and not be finished.

... The evil is in plain sight. The danger only increases with denial."

He compared the threat posed by Saddam Hussein's former regime in Iraq to the Nazi aggression, communism and ethnic cleansing that once menaced the European continent. He reminded his audience of the critical work the wish to destroy us," he said. Allies did to set postwar Germany on the path to of miles into the heart of Iraq

Europe's unity was achieved: by allied armies of liberation and NATO's armies of defense," he said. "Together our nations are standing and sacrificing ... in a distant land

at this very hour." With as many as 100,000 people preparing to march through London Thursday to protest the Iraq war and occupation, Bush acknowledged "good-faith disagreements in your country and mine over

He warned against breaking the coalition's commitment to see Iraq through to a stable democracy, even in the face of a still-rising death toll to coalition soldiers from attacks there.

the course and timing of mili-

tary action in Iraq.

"The failure of democracy in Iraq would throw its people back into misery and turn that country over to terrorists who "We did not charge hundreds and pay a bitter cost of casualpeople, only to retreat before a band of thugs and assassins."

Turning to the long-running Israeli-Palestinian conflict, Bush called on Israel to freeze settlement construction and dismantle outposts. He said the Palestinians should end any incitement to terrorists in their media, cut off funding to terror groups and establish normal relations with Israel.

He asked European nations to do their part, as well, by refusing to support Palestinian leaders who maintain ties with terrorist groups and profit an Arab readership. Also from corruption.

"These are the methods of the old elites, who time and again have put their own selfinterest above the interests of the people they claim to serve," Bush said in a transparent reference to longtime Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, who Bush has called a member of the "old guard."

On the first full day of his visit in England, Bush was hoping to sway people here

ENERGY

They want stripped from the bill a provision that protects makers of MTBE from product liability lawsuits arising from the gasoline additive fouling drinking water.

Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., who has many other problems with the bill as well, calls the MTBE measure "a get out jail free card" for the oil and chemical companies leaving water cleanup costs to communities across the country. She and Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., said they have a number of Republicans ready to support a filibuster over the MTBE liability waiv-

House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas, who had insisted on the MTBE waiver during negotiations over the bill with the Senate, said Tuesday the MTBE liability protection is "vital" to stop lawsuits against a product that was used to meet a government requirement for

like Nina Baker, a Scottish

Green Party activist from

is just deeply depressing," she

said Wednesday outside

Buckingham Palace. "Bush

stole the presidency, Blair lied

to the people, Bush led us

down the path of war. They

are not listening to the pub-

second audience as well, by

granting an interview to the London-based Al-Sharq Al-

Awsat newspaper, which has

Wednesday, he was meeting with relatives of Britons lost

Thursday, Bush was to sit

down with family members of

British soldiers killed in Iraq.

in the Sept. 11 attacks.

Bush was reaching out to a

"Everything about (Bush)

ome lawmakers want stripped from the bill a provision that protects makers of MTBE from product liability lawsuits arising from the gasoline additive fouling drinking water.

air quality.

"In the last few weeks the trial lawyers have been on a rampage, filing suits all over the place" against MTBE manufacturers, said DeLay.

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Senate Republican supporters of the bill said they weren't worried about the MTBE issue. They suggested while some Republicans may oppose the bill over MTBE, many more Democrats will vote for the legislation because of what it contains.

"I don't think it's a showstopper," said Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn.

When senators begin "to feel the grass roots" and hear back from their states, they will vote for the energy legislation, said Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., the bill's floor leader.

Still, a number of Republican senators, especially from the Northeast and far West, have expressed frustration about the overall bill — a blueprint for the nation's energy future energy agenda - and the size of the tax subsidies, which are thee times what President Bush had wanted.

"It's full of subsidies and I think not likely to produce much more energy," said Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., on Tuesday.

"They basically had to go shopping for votes and at this stage ... those votes come very expensive and the taxpayers pay the price."

The Congressional Budget Office estimates that the bill will cost taxpayers nearly \$32 billion, including about \$23 billion in tax subsidies. Some private tax advocacy groups have put the cost twice that.

In Tuesday's House debate, Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi of California said the bill was "loaded to the brim" with handouts to traditional energy industries such as oil, gas and nuclear power companies and "throws environmental concerns overboard."

"This bill was written in secret and kept from the light of day," complained Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., "And like lifting the lid of a garbage can, you get a strong smell."

Republicans countered that it will produce more diversity of energy sources and increase domestic energy production.

"This bill will do more for the security of our country than any legislation we've seen in a long time," said Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La., calling it "a 21st century approach to



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Texas independence say the frontiersman's oil- Daughters of the Republic of Texas and-canvas version appeared kinder and gentler than his rough frontier image.

hung in the Alamo since 1977. Observers during an informal Tuesday morning ceremony said they were surprised to see Crockett's delicate looks.

before the Tennessee statesman's death at the famous battle against the Mexican Army led by

the Republic of Texas near one of Crockett's that way. vests. The bright spangled vest recently was restored and went on display last year.

The two items should give visitors a good Hardin said.

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Davy Crockett has glimpse of Crockett's life, said Kathleen Carter, returned to the Alamo, but visitors to the shrine of chairwoman of the Alamo committee for the

"He was a larger-than-life person," she told the San Antonio Express-News in Wednesday's edi-The restored 1834 painting of Crockett has not tions. "I'm quite pleased to have this back on display for the state of Texas.'

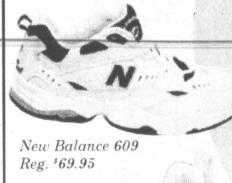
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"He was really trying to live up to his develop-Antonio Lopez de Santa Ana, president of ing image of the 'Lion of the West,'" said Stephen Hardin, a professor of Texas and American histo-The painting was placed by the Daughters of ry at Victoria College. "He didn't normally dress

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> HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) American Star Energy & Mineral, #1D Bearkiller, Sec. 31,47,H&TC, spud 1-28-81, plugged 9-11-03, TD 3575' (swd) — Form 1 in W.R. Edwards, Jr.

HUTCHINSON (S.W. MORSE Brown Dolomite) Ovation Energy, L.P., #108 Cunningham, Sec. 8,1,BBB&C, spud 12-1-73, plugged 9-17-03, TD 8520' (gas) - Form 1 in McCulloch Oil Corp. of Texas

HUTCHINSON (S.W. MORSE Brown Dolomite) Ovation Energy, L.P., #1 McNutt, Sec. 66,5-T, T&NO, spud 11-29-71, plugged 9-8-03, TD 3299' (gas) - Form 1 in UMC Petroleum Corp.

HUTCHINSON (S.W. MORSE Brown Dolomite) Ovation Energy, L.P., #2040 R. Womble, Sec. 40,3,GH&H, spud 5-21-75, plugged 9-10-03, TD 3180 (gas) — Form 1 in McCulloch Oil Corp.

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Sargeco Co., Inc., #3 Weatherly, Sec. 18, Y, M&C, spud 1-18-50, plugged 4-30-03, TD 3033' (oil) — Form 1 in Frank

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Five new charges added in Enron Broadband case

HOUSTON (AP) - Five new charges of money laundering and insider trading have been added to those already filed against one of seven former executives of Enron Corp.'s defunct broadband unit.

The additional charges against Joseph Hirko, former president and chief executive of Enron Broadband Services, were added last week to what is now a 223count indictment. The charges relate to when Hirko was an outside consultant after he left Enron in mid-2000, the Houston Chronicle reported in Wednesday's editions.

This is the third time the indictment has been revised. It started in March with 18 counts of conspiracy, fraud and lying to the FBI against two former Enron broadband executives, Michael Krautz and Kevin Howard. Prosecutors allege they faked \$111 million in earnings in late 2000 and early 2001 from a movieon-demand deal with Blockbuster Inc. that flopped.

A superseding indictment unsealed May 1 added Hirko and four other defendants to the case: Kenneth Rice, Hirko's one-time co-CEO and then successor as head of the broadband unit; former broadband chief operating officer Kevin Hannon; and vice presidents Scott Yeager and Rex Shelby.

North Texas resort not to carry Opryland name

GRAPEVINE, Texas (AP) - A North Texas resort hotel and convention center is dropping the word Opryland from its name, say developers who believe the project will develop its own style.

The development's name, after several changes, will be Gaylord Texan Resort & Convention Center on Lake Grapevine, officials with Gaylord Entertainment Co. and Grapevine announced on Tuesday.

The \$515 million resort is scheduled to open in April. Earlier plans called for the project near Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport to have 1,510

Reports: Raid of pop star's **Neverland ranch connected** to molestation allegation

A raid on Michael Jackson's Neverland Ranch was linked to a child molestation allegation against the pop superstar, according to media reports.

As many as 70 law enforcement officials served a search warrant at the compound Tuesday and searched for evidence throughout the night as part of an "ongoing criminal investigation," Sgt. Chris Pappas said. He said no warrant had been issued for Jackson's arrest.

The Santa Barbara News-Press reported in Wednesday's editions that a county source confirmed the search stemmed from a child molestation allegation.

Court TV, citing unidentified sources, reported that the allegations were brought by a 12- or 13-year-old boy. And the television program "Celebrity Justice" Tuesday that a therapist reported disclosures by a boy who spent time at Neverland and began therapy several months

The Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department would not elaborate on the purpose of Tuesday's search. The district attorney and sheriff planned to provide more details at a press conference Wednesday.

Jackson, who reportedly was in Las Vegas when the search warrant was served, denounced media coverage in a statement released to The Associated Press spokesman Stuart Backerman.

"I've seen lawyers who don't represent me and spokespeople who do not know me speaking for me. These characters always seem to surface with dreadful allegations just (1982), "Bad" (1987) and as another project, an album, a "Dangerous" (1991) saw his video is being released," the career begin to collapse after Jackson statement said, refer- the 1993 allegations.

LOS OLIVOS, Calif. (AP) ring to Tuesday's release of a greatest hits album, "Number Ones."

> Backerman refused to comment on any allegations and said neither he nor Jackson knew the details of the investigation.

The 45-year-old singing superstar faced a child molestation investigation in 1993 in a case that never resulted in criminal charges. Jackson reportedly paid a multimillion dollar settlement in that case, but maintained his innocence.

The \$12.3 million Neverland Ranch in the Santa Ynez Valley has a mansion, its own zoo and amusement park, and has often been the site of children's parties.

Steve Manning, a Jackson family spokesman, briefly talked to reporters outside a Las Vegas recording studio and said Jackson was "holding up" and had his family's sup-

In a television documentary broadcast on ABC earlier this year, Jackson said he had slept in a bed with many children. "When you say bed you're thinking sexual," the singer said during the interview. "It's not sexual, we're going to sleep. I tuck them in. ... It's very charming, it's very sweet."

Jackson caused an international uproar last year when he displayed his baby, Prince Michael II, to fans by dangling him briefly from a fourth-floor balcony in Germany. Jackson called the incident a "terrible mistake," and Berlin authorities said the actions were not punishable.

The singer had international hits with the albums "Thriller"



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JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) Jakarta hotel that killed 12 people, in addition to helping prepare bombs that killed 202 people in Bali, U.S. and Indonesian officials

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Zulkarnaen, whose real name is Aris Sumarsono, is called Daud by fellow militants and is thought to be hiding in Indonesia. He became operations chief for Jemaah Islamiyah several weeks after the August arrest in Thailand of his alleged predecessor, Riduan Isamuddin, also known as Hambali, U.S. and Indonesian officials said.

He's now among al-Qaida's pointmen in Southeast Asia and is one of the few people in Indonesia who have direct contact with Osama bin Laden's terror network, said the intelligence adviser. The International Crisis Group think tank recently issued a report also listing Zulkamaen as having direct contact with al-Qaida's leadership. No details were available on the contacts.

Zulkarnaen studied biology at an Indonesian university. In the 1980s, he was among the first Indonesian militants to go to Afghanistan, where bin Laden operated, for training - becoming an expert in sabotage.

Officials said Zulkarnaen now leads a squad of militants called Laskar Khos, or special force, whose members were recruited from some 300 Indonesians who trained in Afghanistan and the Philippines.

Asmar Latin Sani, an alleged bomber whose severed head was found in the wreckage of the Marriott Hotel blast in Jakarta in August, was believed to have working for Zulkarnaen.

Thought to be about 40 years old, Zulkarnaen is described by those who know him as a small man of few words, slightly built and thin.

public meetings, said Mahendradatta, the leader of a group of Muslim attorneys who are defending suspects in the

Zulkarnaen's veiled 32-year-Before he became a fugitive, old wife, Rahayuningtyas, he refused to be photographed described her husband in a

2002 Bali blasts.

February interview with the Surya daily as a simple textile merchant whom she hadn't seen or spoken to since December 2002.

"You need to know that my husband is a quiet man. Even at home, he is just calm. If we don't ask, he never talks," she was quoted as saying.

PCCA guests



(Courtesy photo)

Hosting Brian Suits, pianist, and Kyung Sue Lee, violinist, a husband and wife classical duo, and their daughter Amy for Pampa Community Concert Association's kick-off of the 2003-04 concert series recently were (far right) Jerry and Mary Lou Lane of Pampa. Lane serves on PCCA Board of Directors.

Egypt continues Mid-East truce efforts

infiltrate an Israeli border crossing from Jordan fired on a crowd of tourists Wednesday, wounding five Ecuadoreans, officials said. The assailant was shot dead.

Egyptian mediators and the Palestinian prime minister traveled to the Gaza Strip on tourists were from Ecuador, said Wednesday to try to persuade militants to halt attacks on Israel, while Israel signaled willingness to scale back military operations in Gaza and the West Bank.

A truce would be key to restarting the frozen U.S.backed "road map" peace plan, which envisions a Palestinian state by 2005. Talks stalled several months ago because of violence and Palestinian political

The shooting occurred at the Rabin terminal, an open-air checkpoint near Eilat, a Red Sea

(AP) — A gunman trying to of Aqaba. The military said the attacker leapt from the back of a truck and fired on a crowd that included foreign tourists before he was shot dead by security

Nobody claimed responsibil-The violence came as ity, and Jordanian officials condemned the incident.

> All five of the wounded Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Jill Reinach. Jordanian government

spokeswoman Asma Khader said the gunman was a Jordanian truck driver from Zarqa.

"Preliminary information indicates that it was an individual and not an organizational act," Khader told The Associated Press.

Jordan and Israel established diplomatic relations in 1994. Incidents of cross-border violence are rare, although in 1997, seven Israeli schoolchildren tourist town on Israel's southern were killed by a Jordanian sol-

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> Egyptian intelligence officials and Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia were to hold separate talks later Wednesday with the leaders of the militant groups, including Hamas and Islamic Jihad. Egyptian officials said they also would meet with Palestinian security branches. Next week, leaders of the militant groups are to meet with Egyptian mediators in Cairo.

Qureia, who took office last week, said his first priority is to get the militants to agree to a truce, and then bring Israel into

Israel has shown signs of softening its position, in part because Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon is under growing pressure at home and abroad to end the deadlock.

In the past, Israel refused to consider a truce until Palestinian security forces begin dismantling groups. Palestinian leaders have balked, saying they will not use force against the militants for fear of triggering internal fighting.

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Scott Peterson to stand trial for deaths of wife and baby

who encircled Scott Peterson in a loose-knit web of circumstantial evidence won the battle to have him stand trial on murder charges for the death of his wife and her unborn son.

Stanislaus County Superior Court Judge Al Girolami ruled Tuesday that prosecutors had shown during an 11-day preliminary hearing that there was sufficient evidence the crimes were intentional, deliberate and premeditated.

Peterson, 31, being held without bail, now faces a Dec. 3 arraignment. He has pleaded innocent and his lawyers plan to file a motion to dismiss the charges and ask to move the case out of Modesto.

Peterson smiled and waved to his parents as he left the courtroom following the ruling, which was anticipated by the defense since prosecutors had to meet the relatively low standard of probable cause.

The hearing provided only glimpses at the evidence police have amassed in 27,500 pages of reports since a pregnant Laci Peterson was reported missing on Christmas Eve. Her remains and those of her son washed ashore in April about three miles from where Scott ent's home in San Diego. He initially denied Peterson said he was fishing on a new boat.

A battle over a 6-inch strand of dark hair found on the boat dominated testimony, with prosecutors winning the right to introduce a disputed form of DNA analysis to link the hair to Laci Peterson, 27.

During the hearing, Laci Peterson's sister testified that Scott Peterson said he had golf plans on Christmas Eve, throwing into question his story about going fishing the day he

MODESTO, Calif. (AP) - Prosecutors said his wife vanished. And a detective also testified that officers found a loaded gun in Peterson's truck and that he initially denied having an extramarital affair.

> But prosecutors omitted some of the most important details: where they believe Laci was killed, what weapon was used, how her body was disposed of and why her husband allegedly wanted her dead.

> Defense lawyer Mark Geragos has complained that police tried to pin the crime on Scott Peterson from the beginning and failed to investigate leads pointing to other suspects The defense contends Laci Peterson was abducted and they have promised to find her

> Geragos criticized the preliminary hearing process, which allows police to testify about statements witnesses made during the investigation, without those witnesses being subject to cross-examination.

> "The standard, unfortunately, in California, and I say it jokingly, is 'Is the defendant breathing?" Geragos said outside court.

> Peterson was arrested April 18 near his parhaving an affair, but later acknowledged his romance with massage therapist Amber Frey. who was secretly recording phone conversations with Peterson for police.

In the transcript of one of those calls introduced into evidence Tuesday, Peterson apologized for deceiving Frey by saying he was a widower at a time when his wife was still alive. but he failed to explain the inconsistencies in

Storm causes scattered flooding in West Virginia, North Carolina

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - A storm system plowed through the central Appalachians into the Eastern Seaboard with heavy rain and wind Wednesday, flooding roads and closing some schools in West Virginia and North Carolina.

About 4 inches of rain had fallen in parts of West Virginia over a 24-hour period, and more heavy rain was likely, the National Weather Service said Wednesday morning. Tornado watches were posted for areas scattered from northern Florida

into North Carolina.

Flooding had blocked roads in at least 17 West Virginia counties, and at least one county road was closed by a rock slide, state and local agencies reported.

Several West Virginia school systems were closed as officials decided not to risk running buses in areas where fast-moving water was running across roads.

A few homes were evacuated because of flooding in southern West Virginia, where some areas had flooding last

Tiffany Bogle's home along Cow Creek in Hurricane flooded Wednesday for the second time in two

Her children were, "kind of freaked" because they lost a lot of their toys, she said.

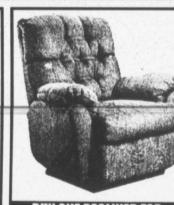
The same mass of wet weather struck the Gulf states earlier in the week, producing tornadoes in Texas and Mississippi and knocking out power to 50,000 customers. More than 50 people were injured from Texas to Alabama and a Texas teenager drowned in a flooded car.



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most dangerous guy that's out there," said terrorism expert Ken Conboy, who runs Risk Management Advisory, a Jakartabased security consultancy, and has written several books on

"Not only did he excel on the demolition side but he also has a proven ability on the leadership side. I guess he's got a spark of charisma," Conboy added.

Zulkarnaen, whose real name is Aris Sumarsono, is called Daud by fellow militants and is thought to be hiding in Indonesia. He became operations chief for Jemaah Islamiyah several weeks after the August arrest in Thailand of his alleged predecessor, Riduan Isamuddin, also known as Hambali, U.S. and Indonesian officials said.

He's now among al-Qaida's pointmen in Southeast Asia and is one of the few people in Indonesia who have direct contact with Osama bin Laden's terror network, said the intelligence adviser. The International Crisis Group think tank recently issued a report also listing Zulkarnaen as having direct contact with al-Qaida's leadership. No details were available on the contacts.

Zulkarnaen studied biology at an Indonesian university. In the 1980s, he was among the first Indonesian militants to go to Afghanistan, where bin Laden operated, for training - becoming an expert in sabotage.

Officials said Zulkamaen now leads a squad of militants called Laskar Khos, or special force, whose members were recruited from some 300 Indonesians who trained in Afghanistan and the Philippines.

Asmar Latin Sani, an alleged bomber whose severed head was found in the wreckage of the Marriott Hotel blast in Jakarta in August, was believed to have been a Laskar Khos militant and often kept his head down at working for Zulkarnaen.

Thought to be about 40 years old, Zulkarnaen is described by those who know him as a small man of few words, slightly built and thin.

public meetings, said Mahendradatta, the leader of a group of Muslim attorneys who are defending suspects in the

Zulkarnaen's veiled 32-year-Before he became a fugitive, old wife, Rahayuningtyas, he refused to be photographed described her husband in a

2002 Bali blasts.

February interview with the Surya daily as a simple textile merchant whom she hadn't seen or spoken to since December 2002.

"You need to know that my husband is a quiet man. Even at home, he is just calm. If we don't ask, he never talks," she was quoted as saying.

PCCA guests



Hosting Brian Suits, pianist, and Kyung Sue Lee, violinist, a husband and wife classical duo, and their daughter Amy for Pampa Community Concert Association's kick-off of the 2003-04 concert series recently were (far right) Jerry and Mary Lou Lane of Pampa. Lane serves on PCCA Board of Directors.

Egypt continues Mid-East truce efforts

infiltrate an Israeli border crossing from Jordan fired on a crowd of tourists Wednesday, wounding five Ecuadoreans, officials said. The assailant was shot dead.

The violence came as Egyptian mediators and the Palestinian prime minister traveled to the Gaza Strip on Wednesday to try to persuade militants to halt attacks on Israel, while Israel signaled willingness to scale back military operations in Gaza and the West Bank.

> A truce would be key to Zarqa. restarting the frozen U.S.backed "road map" peace plan, which envisions a Palestinian state by 2005. Talks stalled several months ago because of violence and Palestinian political

The shooting occurred at the Rabin terminal, an open-air checkpoint near Eilat, a Red Sea tourist town on Israel's southern

(AP) — A gunman trying to of Agaba. The military said the attacker leapt from the back of a truck and fired on a crowd that included foreign tourists before he was shot dead by security personnel.

Nobody claimed responsibility, and Jordanian officials con-'demned the incident.

All five of the wounded tourists were from Ecuador, said Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Jill Reinach. Jordanian

spokeswoman Asma Khader said the gunman was a Jordanian truck driver from

"Preliminary information indicates that it was an individual and not an organizational act," Khader told The Associated Press.

Jordan and Israel established diplomatic relations in 1994. Incidents of cross-border violence are rare, although in 1997, seven Israeli schoolchildren were killed by a Jordanian sol-

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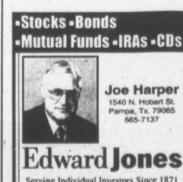
GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip tip, next to the Jordanian resort dier in a border area near the northern Israeli town of Beit

Egyptian intelligence officials and Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia were to hold separate talks later Wednesday with the leaders of the militant groups, including Hamas and Islamic Jihad. Egyptian officials said they also would meet with Palestinian security branches. Next week, leaders of the militant groups are to meet with Egyptian mediators in Cairo.

Qureia, who took office last week, said his first priority is to get the militants to agree to a truce, and then bring Israel into

Israel has shown signs of softening its position, in part because Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon is under growing pressure at home and abroad to end the deadlock.

In the past, Israel refused to consider a truce Palestinian security forces begin dismantling groups. Palestinian leaders have balked, saying they will not use force against the militants for fear of triggering internal fighting.





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Participating in Jump Rope for Heart recently, a fund-raiser for Amerian Heart Association, are Kelly Porter, David Moore, Dillon Kyle, Montana Richey, Kiersten Newton, Jacee Smith and Taylor Dalton, all of Austin Elementary School.



(Community Camera photo)

Participating in Jump Rope for Heart recently, a fund-raiser for Amerian Heart Association, are Nakayla Hardman, Brooke Woelfle, Donna Turner, Bryce Parker and Caitlyn Tracy, all of Travis Elementary School.

Scott Peterson to stand trial for deaths of wife and baby

MODESTO, Calif. (AP) — Prosecutors who encircled Scott Peterson in a loose-knit web of circumstantial evidence won the battle to have him stand trial on murder charges for the death of his wife and her unborn son.

Stanislaus County Superior Court Judge Al Girolami ruled Tuesday that prosecutors had shown during an 11-day preliminary hearing that there was sufficient evidence the crimes were intentional, deliberate and premeditated.

Peterson, 31, being held without bail, now faces a Dec. 3 arraignment. He has pleaded innocent and his lawyers plan to file a motion to dismiss the charges and ask to move the case out of Modesto.

Peterson smiled and waved to his parents as he left the courtroom following the ruling, which was anticipated by the defense since prosecutors had to meet the relatively low standard of probable cause.

The hearing provided only glimpses at the evidence police have amassed in 27,500 pages of reports since a pregnant Laci Peterson was reported missing on Christmas Eve. Her remains and those of her son washed ashore in April about three miles from where Scott Peterson said he was fishing on a new boat.

A battle over a 6-inch strand of dark hair found on the boat dominated testimony, with prosecutors winning the right to introduce a disputed form of DNA analysis to link the hair to Laci Peterson, 27.

During the hearing, Laci Peterson's sister testified that Scott Peterson said he had golf plans on Christmas Eve, throwing into question his story about going fishing the day he

said his wife vanished. And a detective also testified that officers found a loaded gun in Peterson's truck and that he initially denied having an extramarital affair.

But prosecutors omitted some of the most important details: where they believe Laci was killed, what weapon was used, how her body was disposed of and why her husband allegedly wanted her dead.

Defense lawyer Mark Geragos has complained that police tried to pin the crime on Scott Peterson from the beginning and failed to investigate leads pointing to other suspects. The defense contends Laci Peterson was abducted and they have promised to find her

Geragos criticized the preliminary hearing process, which allows police to testify about statements witnesses made during the investigation, without those witnesses being subject to cross-examination.

"The standard, unfortunately, in California, and I say it jokingly, is 'Is the defendant breathing?" Geragos said outside court.

Peterson was arrested April 18 near his parent's home in San Diego. He initially denied having an affair, but later acknowledged his romance with massage therapist Amber Frey, who was secretly recording phone conversations with Peterson for police.

In the transcript of one of those calls introduced into evidence Tuesday, Peterson apologized for deceiving Frey by saying he was a widower at a time when his wife was still alive, but he failed to explain the inconsistencies in

Storm causes scattered flooding in West Virginia, North Carolina

CHARLESTON. W.Va. (AP) — A storm system plowed through the central Appalachians into the Eastern Seaboard with heavy rain and wind Wednesday, flooding roads and closing some schools in West Virginia and North Carolina.

About 4 inches of rain had fallen in parts of West Virginia over a 24-hour period, and more heavy rain was likely, the National Weather Service said Wednesday morning. Tornado watches were posted for areas scattered from northern Florida

into North Carolina.

Flooding had blocked roads in at least 17 West Virginia counties, and at least one county road was closed by a rock slide, state and local agencies reported.

Several West Virginia school systems were closed as officials decided not to risk running buses in areas where fast-moving water was running across roads.

A few homes were evacuated because of flooding in southern West Virginia, where some areas had flooding last

Tiffany Bogle's home along Cow Creek in Hurricane flooded Wednesday for the second time in two

Her children were "kind of freaked" because they lost a lot of their toys, she said.

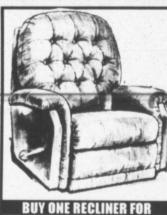
The same mass of wet weather struck the Gulf states earlier in the week, producing tornadoes in Texas and Mississippi and knocking out power to 50,000 customers. More than 50 people were injured from Texas to Alabama and a Texas teenager drowned in a flooded car.



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DEAR ABBY

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Dorm Couple's Coupling Is Too Close for Roommate's Comfort

DEAR ABBY: I am a freshman in college and live in a dorm with one roommate, "Mary." Mary has had a boyfriend for two years. I'll call him "John." John goes to school a couple of hours away and visits Mary on weekends once or twice a month. This usually isn't a problem for me, as I can plan ahead to go home for the weekend, or go out with friends so Mary and John can have the room to themselves for a few hours.

Yesterday, on short notice, Mary told me that John was spending the night. I frantically tried to make plans to be "elsewhere," but nothing worked out. I told Mary I'd camp out in our dorm lounge, but she said not to worry because John was dead-tired and wanted to go to sleep right away. After he arrived, I sat at my desk doing homework on my computer and listening to music with headphones while Mary and John watched TV in bed

When I glanced over at them a half-hour later, they were having sex! I didn't know what to do. I tried to ignore them and continue "studying," but it was very distracting to have my roommate and her boyfriend "going at it" 5 feet away. When I woke up this morning, they were doing it again! I pretended to be asleep until they went to breakfast.

Mary has never done anything to embarrass me before. Talking about the incident would make me extremely uncomfortable, but I know something needs to be said before John visits again. Should I talk to Mary - or just pretend this nightmare didn't happen? ANONYMOUS ROOMIE

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DEAR ROOMIE: Take the bull by the horns. Tell Mary that although you are open-minded, you're not a voyeur — so in the future, she should take that X-rated show elsewhere. It may be embarrassing, but if you don't speak up, the situation will become even more embarrassing. It's your room, too, and what your roommate did was inappropriate and disrespectful.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 17-year-old boy, and I have finally found the girl of my dreams. "Lisa" is sweet, kind and very cute. She's my first love. I

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always want to make her happy and I never want to be without her.

There is only one problem. I'll be 18 in a few months. Lisa is only 15 and won't be 16 until next year. I'm afraid people will make us separate because I will soon be an "adult." This just hit me and I'm out on a limb. I love her so much. Is there anything I can do?

SHOT IN THE HEART

DEAR SHOT IN THE HEART: Since Lisa's parents have not yet objected to the age difference, the chances are they will not do a "180" when your birthday arrives. However, if you are concerned about this, the wisest thing to do would be to talk to her parents about it. Sometimes when you confront a problem head-on, it's not as insurmountable as you fear.

DEAR ABBY: I have been married to my husband for 30 years. He's been a wonderful stepfather to my three children - always a good "dad" and a loving and generous

grandfather to their kids.

My husband's older sister died last summer, and four months after that his brother passed away. I felt strongly that my children should have shown their sympathy and respect by sending their stepdad flowers, or at least a card in his time of grief. None of them did anything - not even a phone call.

Abby, am I wrong, or were they? What is the proper action for adult stepchildren to take under these circumstances?

FEELING HURT IN GEORGIA

DEAR FEELING HURT: Your children should have telephoned their stepfather and extended their condolences. If they live close by, they should have come to you and offered assistance. If travel was a problem, they should have written a condolence letter or sent a card. To have ignored their stepfather's loss was insensitive.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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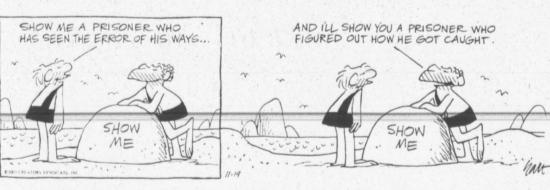
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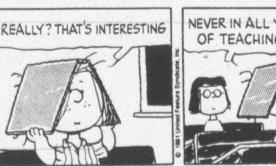


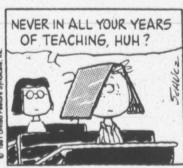
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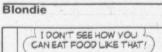
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PAMPA — The Harvester Football Booster Club is chartering buses to the playoff game in Odessa.

Cost is \$25 to ride the bus. Buses will be leaving McNeely Fieldhouse at 11:45 Friday morning. Tickets will be sold at the PHS athletic building today through Thursday from 11:30 to 12:30, and 3 to 4:30.

Game tickets are also available at the athletic building. Student tickets are four dollars and adults six dollars. All tickets at the gate are eight dollars. No game tickets will be sold after 10 Friday morning.

BASKETBALL

WHEELER — Wheeler was edged by Hedley 33-31 in a season basketball open-Tuesday night.

Hedley's top scorer was Eric Alston with 12 points. James Chapman had 9 points and Hector Emiliano 6 for the

Mustangs. Hedley won by the score of 99-44 in the girls

Rebekah Howard had

20 points to pace Hedley. J'Shay McCaslin led Wheeler with 14 points. Andrea Jones, Samantha Chapman and Cezil Finsterwald added 7 each.

WACO, Texas (AP) -A Central Texas judge who will hear the wrongful death lawsuit filed by the father of a slain Baylor basketball player against the university says he plans to remove some pictures from his courtroom before the trial begins.

State District Judge Ralph Strother, a Baylor law graduate, said Tuesday he would probably take down courtroom photos of Old Main and Pat Neff Hall, two prominent university build-

Earlier this month, attorneys for Baylor were granted their request to move the case from Houston to Waco, the university's home. A trial date on the lawsuit, which seeks unspecified damages, has not been set.

Strother declined to comment Tuesday on the lawsuit that also names former basketball coach Dave Bliss, school president Robert Sloan, former athletic director Tom Stanton and others.

Patrick Dennehy, 21, was missing about six weeks before his body was found July 25 near a gravel pit southeast of Waco. An autopsy determined he had been shot twice in the head.

His friend and former teammate, Carlton Dotson, 21, has pleaded innocent. He remains jailed in Waco without bond after his arrest and extradition from state of his home Maryland.

Richard Laminack, a lawyer for Patrick Dennehy Sr., has contended that the athlete was killed by someone other than Dotson but has not elaborated.

PHS cagers drop season openers to AHS

AMARILLO — Both Pampa boys and girls basketball teams fell to Amarillo High in season openers Tuesday night.

In the boys game, Amarillo High jumped out to an early lead and never trailed in a 67-37 win.

J.D. Lewis had 15 points and J.R. Graves 10 to lead the Sandies attack.

Clayton Hall was the only Harvester in double figures with 12 points.

Jed, Martin and Collin

Pampa, which had problems handling the AHS, fast break, fell behind by 21 (41-20) at halftime.

Others scoring for Pampa were Chance Bowers 5 points, Andy Rodgers 2, Deterrance Smith 2 and Brandon Johnston 2.

AHS downed Pampa in the girls game 63-37.

Chelsi Pohlmeier and Emily Brister had 11 points each for the winners.

Callie Cobb was Pampa's Bowers followed with 7 high scorer with 9 points.

Jackie Gerber followed with 8.

The taller Lady Sandies took advantage of their height by getting second and third shots at the basket.

Also scoring for Pampa were Jennie Waggoner with 7 points, Britteni Rice 5, Stacey Johnson 4, Abbi Covalt 3 and Tara Jordan 1.

In junior varsity action, Pampa lost 65-26 in the boys

Tyson Hickman had 8 points to lead Pampa JV scorers. It was AHS 39, Pampa 19,

in the JV girls game.

McKenzie East had 5 points for Pampa.

Pampa opened the season with a 49-14 win over Tascosa in a freshmen girls game Monday.

Shandale Young had 13 points and Candice Dildy 10 to lead the Pampa offense.

Pampa held Tascosa to only a field goal in the first quarter while taking a 17-2 lead.

Others scoring were Kelsie Wyatt 8, Michelle Adams 5, Maggie Hopkins 4, Kali Jemenez 4, Stephanie

McVay 2, Holly Owens 2 and Halei Skinner 1.

Strong defense by Tamara Trevathan, Young and Wyatt helped shut down Tascosa.

"The team did a good job," said Pampa coach Troy Owens. "I was proud of our defensive effort. We did a let of things right and we also learned where we need to improve."

Pampa freshmen are entered in the Lefors Tournament, which starts Thursday.

Their first game is at 9 a.m. Thursday. The next home game is at 6 p.m. on Nov. 24.

Tech's offense poses challenge for Sooners

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — This is a statistic borne of discipline and executed with dominance: Oklahoma's defense hasn't allowed a touchdown in three games.

"It's an amazing run," Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops said Tuesday at his weekly media luncheon.

It'll be even more impressive if the Sooners' top-rated defense can continue that streak against Texas Tech, which boasts the nation's most prolific offense by more than 80 yards.

The Red Raiders are led by quarterback B.J. Symons, who needs just 83 more passing yards to break the NCAA's single-season record of 5,188 yards set by BYU's Ty Detmer in 1990. Symons has already set the school and Big 12 records for touchdown passes with 47 this season, erasing marks set by his predecessor, Kliff Kingsbury, last year.

Symons will continue his rewrite of the record book Saturday against Oklahoma (11-0, 7-0 Big 12), which tops the country in total defense and is also first against the

It's the classic case of an irresistible force against a movable object.

"They're going to get something," Oklahoma codefensive coordinator Mike Stoops said. "To shut them out for a whole game is virtually impossible. You've just got to limit their touches and make them work the field, not give up plays. That's what we've done pretty effectively."

The past three seasons, no one has slowed the Red Raiders quite like Stoops'

— In 2000, Oklahoma beat Tech 27-13 and held Tech to 330 yards, well below the Red Raiders' averages of 25.3 points and 362.6 yards per

- In 2001, the Sooners won 30-12 and limited the Red Raiders to 247 yards, including minus-7 yards rush-

Spurs 94, Warriors 81

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Gregg Popovich was pleased for the first time in a while with his team's shooting.

Still, the San Antonio coach refused to say that the Spurs' offensive woes are behind them.

"It was one game," Popovich said. "We're not heating things up yet."

Tim Duncan had 21 points and 10 rebounds, and Tony Parker and Manu Ginobili each added 19 points to lift the Spurs over the Golden State Warriors 94-81 on Tuesday

"We weren't shooting great percentages in previous games, so today was really good for us," Ginobili said.

- Last year, Oklahoma rolled to a 60-15 victory, holding Kingsbury and the nation's top-ranked offense to season lows in first downs (10), passing yards (224) and total yards (236). The Sooners also intercepted Kingsbury twice and sacked him seven times.

ing. That was a significant

drop from Tech's averages of

35.1 points and 418.5 yards a

The Red Raiders entered that game with averages of 38.4 points and 488.2 yards a game, both school records.

Tech coach Mike Leach bristled earlier this week when a reporter suggested that Oklahoma seemed to have figured out his pass-happy

"Do you know anybody that can consistently beat Oklahoma?," Leach asked, with agitation apparent in his voice. "Because if so, I'd like to get together with them and get some ideas."

Some of the Sooners' success likely stems from the fact that Leach was the offensive coordinator at Oklahoma in 1999, Bob Stoops' first year in Norman. As a result, the Sooners grasp Leach's offense better than most they face in the Big 12.

"We understand what they do," Mike Stoops said. "Growing up in the system here, we probably have a little more insight than most peo-

But to extend its 12-quarter shutout streak; Oklahoma will need nothing short of another flawless performance against the country's hottest offense and its record-setting quarter-

Those kinds of challenges usually bring out the best in the Sooners.

"(Texas Tech) is a team that's throwing up a ton of yards and points on about everyone they've played," Bob Stoops said. "It'll be another big challenge for our team to try and remain undefeated."

First-place Texans



The Texans won the third-fourth grade league championship in the Pampa Optimist Youth Club this season. Team members are (front row. I-r) Tjaeden Swires, Joseph Vizcaino, Quaid Chennault, Ryan Smith, Cheyne Murray, and Sheldon Reeve; (second row, I-r) Jaden Howard, Trevor Smith, Reid Miller, Shane Smith, Kolton Henderson, Jacob Frost, Michael Roberts and Chris Williams: (back row, I-r) Blake Howard. Shawn Smith, Bryan Frost and Tim Roberts. Not pictured is Adam Williams.

TCU could have hard time making up BCS tumble

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) strength of schedule is part of the impact of the computer that TCU finally had a decisive vic-

tory — then dropped two spots in the Bowl Championship Series standings.

The BCS tumble is big for the Horned Frogs (10-0), who slipped to eighth and out of topsix range for guaranteed spot in one of the top four bowls after a 43-10 win over Cincinnati.

"I didn't know how we went to sixth with the way we won the Louisville game, then we have a lopsided win," coach Gary Patterson said Tuesday. "Obviously, that doesn't have anything to do with it."

USC won 45-0 Saturday over Arizona, a two-win team TCU beat in overtime on the road, and then dropped from second to third in the new BCS rankings.

Blowout wins mean nothing in the BCS rankings, but

- After being criticized so the computer formula. And that much for all of the close wins, is what hurts TCU, which has the 90th-toughest schedule of

117 NCAA Division I-A teams.

The Frogs moved up three spots last week to No. 6, the highest ranking ever for a team from a non-BCS conference, after a 31-28 win over Louisville. The seven-win Cardinals missed three field goals, the last hitting the crossbar on the game's final play,

But the win over Cincinnati didn't help because the Bearcats' only wins the last seven games have been against winless Army — another team TCU beat — and a come-frombehind win over I-AA Rhode

"I don't think strength of schedule has anything to do with anything," Patterson said. "You win your game or you lose your game."

Patterson also doesn't like

takes into account several factors and polls to formulate the BCS rankings.

The computers take out all of the intangibles. It doesn't have a thing to do with who was injured and how you won the game," he said. "It doesn't have anything to do with how the crowd was, anything to do with referees. It takes everything out of it, the whole humanistic approach."

The human element in the BCS rankings is the average of The Associated Press media poll and USA Today/ESPN coaches polls. TCU is lower in both of those than the BCS, 10th in the AP Top 25 and ninth in the coaches poll.

"We really don't have any say in it if it's fair or not, and I'm not exactly sure how the whole computer ranking and all of that works," said quarterback Brandon Hassell.

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Bonds wins sixth M

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) twice as many MVP awards - After 18 major league as any other player. "I started seasons, Barry Bonds still has worlds to conquer. He wants a World Series ring, and he's still pursuing the last year. I really want to see leagues in slugging percentcareer home run record.

The San Francisco outfielder has one more goal in first time." mind: He wants to keep making Bobby Bonds proud.

sixth National League MVP award Tuesday, becoming the first player to receive the honor in three consecutive years. At 39, he has enjoyed one of the most remarkable careers in the modern game slow down.

forward to next season," said the Giants star, who has won

training just two weeks after the season. I'm training even harder this year than I did if I can put things together

Bobby Bonds, his threetime All-Star father, died in Barry Bonds won a record August. When Barry returned to the Giants, he led them to the NL West champi-

"This award is more special to me than any award America. I've ever received because it's dedicated to my father," - but Bonds has no plans to Bonds said. "He has been my hitting coach my entire life, "I'm looking very much ever since I was a little kid. I miss him dearly. It's a really first-place vote and was third emotional time for me right

N.Y. Rangers at Colorado, 10 p.m Chicago at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

Bonds, the only player to win more than three MVPs, hit .341 with 45 homers and 90 RBIs, leading the major age (.749), on-base percentwithout my father for the age (.529) and walks (148). He also became the first player with 500 homers and 500 stolen bases.

> The 12-time All-Star received 28 of 32 first-place votes and 426 points in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of

St. Louis outfielder Albert Pujols was second with three first-place votes and 303 points. Atlanta outfielder Gary Sheffield got the other with 247 points.

Tampa Bay shelves Keyshawn

Keyshawn Johnson sounded relieved.

Tampa Bay's star receiver wants out of town, and the Buccaneers agree it's best he go.

"It's been a good run," Johnson said after the Super Bowl champions announced Tuesday that they were deactivating the disgruntled two-time Pro Bowl selection for the rest of the season.

"I'm sorry it ended this way, but I'll move on," Johnson said. "I've had a pretty good career, and I'll continue to have a successful career and be a force in this league."

The Bucs shelved the eighthyear pro, saying he had become disruptive during a disappointing 4-6 start for the defending champs, who have lost three straight and are in danger of missing the playoffs.

Coach Jon Gruden insisted the move wasn't personal. Johnson, unhappy with his role in the Bucs' offense, said it was.

"They can say whatever they want. I know what happened," Johnson said. "I'm not going to bad mouth anybody, but how could it be anything but personal? I produced when I got the opportunity. I did everything asked of me."

Johnson was the Bucs' third-

leading receiver with 45 catches for 600 yards and three touchdowns.

But he never understood why he wasn't more involved in Gruden's game plans. He voiced his concern to the coach and general manager Rich McKay last month, telling them that he wanted to leave after this season.

Johnson thinks he can play at a high level for five more seasons and would like to finish his career with a team that appreciates his abilities.

"It's a shock. I thought we would get through the year," Johnson said. "Why would you do that when you're trying to win another championship?

"You're talking about your best offensive player. And you're going to let him go? That's basically what they did. It doesn't make sense.... But that's OK. I'll be fine. It didn't work out (with Gruden). It was a bad marriage. Now, I'll move on.

The Bucs said they would deactivate Johnson for the remaining six games. He will be paid his full salary and was not fined, McKay said.

Johnson, meanwhile, plans to spend the rest of the season working as an in-studio network television analyst.

'It will be tough on game day," he said. "I'll miss my team-

around and watch.'

Johnson is midway through an eight-year, \$56 million contract that included a \$13 million signing bonus.

He initially complained about his role in Gruden's offense last season. This year, he felt the coach was determined to prove the Bucs could win without giving Johnson a heavy workload.

"I went to them after the San Francisco game," Johnson said, referring to a 24-7 loss on Oct. 19. "The next day he tried to turn the team against me. He thought I was jealous of other guys getting the ball. All I wanted to do was help the team win."

Johnson was obtained from the New York Jets in 2000 for a pair of No. 1 draft choices. McKay said the 31-year-old receiver was emphatic about his desire to leave Tampa Bay.

"Following that, I really feel Keyshawn's actions changed," the GM said. "His approach to us, to the organization and to the team, changed. A lot of mandatory workouts missed, a lot team functions that are footballrelated that were not attended and it became, in our mind, a problem. And one that need-

Dallas HP claims 4A tennis title

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Dallas Brittney Byrd, 6-4, 6-1, at Bryan-College Highland Park defeated Conroe Oak Ridge 10-0 on Tuesday to win the Class 4A team tennis state championship.

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Jordan Evans defeated story No. 6 girls singles to win the

The title is Highland Park's second in three years and comes after a loss in last year's finals to San Antonio Alamo Heights.

'We had to live for a year took the next step.' with going undefeated into the finals and losing the last They led in eight of the match 10-8," Highland Park 10 remaining matches when coach Dan Holden said in a nals for five straight years.

Eagle. "This is sweet, to get that taste out of our mouth."

Oak Ridge coach Jim Moore said he wasn't going to cry because his team lost to a great team and had a very successful season. "We

Oak Ridge was in the state final for the first time since losing in the semifi-

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A) Wal-Mart Stores Texas, L.P. request to rezone 35.063 acres in Sec-100. Block 3 I&G.N.R.R. Co. Survey, being all of Lot 1, Westgate Addition Unit 1 and part of an unplatted 167.037 acre tract formerly owned by SHG properties, from Agriculture to a Commercial Zoning. The purpose of this request is to facilitate planned retail store and related commercial development.

The public is encouraged to attend this hearing. Public comments on the proposed rezoning are welcome and will be heard. Nov. 9, 19, 2003

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DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES - Here's how to work it: AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

hints. Each day the code letters are different.

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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: IN HOLLYWOOD, ALL MARRIAGES ARE HAPPY. IT'S TRYING TO LIVE TOGETHER AFTERWARDS THAT CAUSES THE PROBLEMS. — SHELLY WINTERS

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Often you could find others to be diffi- sations will break down barriers. cult, especially children and loved ones. Tonight: Treat a partner. As a result, you happily distance your- CANCER (June 21-July 22) rying about money. If you are single, a ends. friend could become more If you are LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

can be very healing. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll decision. Tonight: Out and about. Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ers to be touchy and difficult. You might you head to the winner's circle, be it in PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) need or want to pull out of a situation. By your personal or professional life. ** You might be more belligerent the afternoon, discussions become possible. Others smile from ear to ear and LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) make the first move. Now, isn't this better? Tonight: Play follow the leader.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ** Obstacles appear from out of forthright in the afternoon and ask ques- with your favorite person. nowhere. Part of the problem could be tions. Attempt to walk in another's shoes. that you are too accessible. Let others Your charisma peaks in the p.m. Tonight: BORN TODAY know you are busy, and by the afternoon, you'll easily accomplish what you want

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** It might be necessary to let Open up to questions, talks and brain- Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at others know where you stand this morn-storming sessions in the late day. You http://www.jacquelinebigar.com. ing. Do not expect a strong, positive like what you hear. Tonight: Rest up for

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Nov. reaction. By the afternoon, when others the weekend.

self, going into your cocoon. Relax and *** Though you might be enthusipush away stress through yoga, exercise astic, someone at a distance could put the mind in the late afternoon. What you and any other means you have kibosh on your mood. You could feel Sometimes it might be difficult to see the challenged by news from a distance. Ask Tonight: Do only what you want. other side of an issue, but you will. You questions in the p.m. Give others the CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) instinctively make the right decisions benefit of the doubt. All's well that ends

attached, discuss your concerns. * You might not like the way your day in the late day. You get the air cleared. Structure financial goals together. Make starts. If you can, go back to bed until You also might need to reveal more of a point of participating in a key sport or noon. At this point, a creative or emo- what is on your mind. Tonight: Others making a commitment together. LIBRA tional discussion lights up your life. You take their lead from you. might be evaluating a love situation as AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

* * * You have certain goals, though problem. Friends and associates talk and you might need to hop over an obstacle share in the afternoon. Solutions come or two this morning. Resulting from your forward as a result. Tonight: Try some-** * Take a clue when you find oth- endurance and refusal to accept a "no," thing offbeat. Tonight: Hang with friends.

* * * You might be dismayed by oth- self. Some words, once said, cannot be ers this morning. A boss or superior forgotten or taken back. Follow a supericould be unusually demanding. Be more or's instructions to the T. Tonight: Be

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) to do. Have a chat with a special friend or ** Know when to say little and when Wolcott (1726) partner. Tonight: Opt for a stress-buster. to take action. You turn bad news into good news because of your ingenuity.

You are the cat's meow.

sort through what you have said, conver- 'SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** Aim for what you want. Friends, meetings and groups prove to be new 7 pc QN Pinewood far more beneficial than individual dis- bdrm set w/4 poster bed, cussions. Talk about what is on your still boxed, \$999. Call

hear could be music to your ears.

*** Others freely give you flak. about funds. Don't stay up at night wor- well. Tonight: Burn the candle at both Choose not to respond, or some harsh words could be exchanged. You find others to be difficult. Open up conversations

> well. Trust that you will make the right ★★★ Though you might be tired and stressed by an expenditure, you discover that you have many ways to clear up the

> > than you are aware of, drawing some harsh reactions. If possible, muzzle thy-

> > Actress Bo Derek (1956), celebrity Dick Clark (1929), Founding Father Oliver

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Housing construction at 17-year high

WASHINGTON (AP) -Residential construction sizzled in October, reaching the highest level of activity seen in 17 years, a fresh sign that the red-hot housing market is helping the national economy's recovery move forward.

The Commerce Department reported Wednesday that builders broke ground on 1.96 million units, at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, representing a 2.9 percent increase from September's

The level of activity in October marked the strongest monthly performance since January 1986 and left economists marveling at the strength of the housing sector, which has hummed along throughout the economy's economic slump as low mortgage rates have beckoned buyers.

Economists were predicting residential construction would decline in October to a rate of around 1.85 million units.

All of the vigor last month came from new single-family

a record high pace of 1.62 million units, a 5.7 percent increase from September. Construction of apartments, condos and other multicent in October to a rate of 319,000 units.

Total housing construction jumped in the West by 17.7 percent from September to October to an annual rate of 526,000, the highest level since December 1986. In the South, residential projects clocked in at a rate of 898,000 — the best performancewn in visitors to model homes," said Kent Conine. a homebuilder from Dallas who also is president of the association.

The association's chief economist, David Seiders, said, "All the fundamentals remain in place for a healthy housing market - including mortgage rates in the 6 percent range, reviving consumer confidence and impressive home-price performance."

previously owned homes are on

home projects, which clocked in at track to reach record highs this year, economists predict. Low mortgage rates are a main reason behind the brisk sales, they say.

Rates on 30-year mortgages family housing declined by 3 per-slid to 5.21 percent, the lowest level in more than four decades, in the middle of June. Since then, rates on these benchmark mortgages have bounced up and down. Last week, rates on benchmark fixed-rate 30-year mortgages stood at 6.03 percent.

Federal Reserve policy-makers are expected to hold a main shortterm interest rate at a 45-year low of 1 percent when they meet next on Dec. 9. That's good news for one-year adjustable rate mortgages, which averaged 3.76 percent last week.

Wednesday's report also showed that housing permits rose by 5.2 percent in October to a rate of 1.97 million units, the strongest pace since February 1984.

That reflected a record high level of permits for single-family Sales of both new homes and homes, which came to 1.54 mil-

DAR awards



Nancy Coffee, immediate past regent of Daughters of the American Revolution, Las Pampas Chapter, views some of the 28 certificates of merit received by the local group for the past year from DAR state and national headquarters.

Echoes of post-war Germany can be heard in Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — It was late 1945, seven months after the Nazi surrender, and Allen Dulles, a top official in the CIA's predecessor, was gloomy about reconstruction efforts in Germany

"I am inclined to think the problems inherent there are almost too much for us," said Dulles of the Office of Strategic Services, alluding to wartime decisions by the United States, Britain and the Soviet Union to divide Germany into occupation zones after the war. (A French sector was established later.)

Dulles spoke Dec. 3, 1945, at a closed meeting of the Council on Foreign Relations, which printed a transcript of his remarks in the current edition of Foreign Affairs magazine, a council publication.

Much like present day Iraq, the economic situation in Germany was grim as the U.S. government tried to help the country rebuild after World War II ended.

"Economically and industrially, Germany has scraped the bottom of the barrel, and there are few shops with anything to sell," Dulles said.

U.S. officials working on reconstruction of Iraq are facing challenges similar to those that Dulles, who later served as CIA director, mentioned when America was helping rebuild Germany. He described then the

difficulty of finding qualified people for the new Germany who had no political taint.

"When we discover someone whose ability and politics are alike are acceptable, we usually find as we did in one case that the man has been living abroad for the past 10 years and is hopelessly out of touch," he said. American administrators in Iraq can identify with that prob-

Dulles was especially critical with the way the Soviets behaved in their zone in Germany. "Russian troops are living off the land, and have looted far more than anyone

acting as thugs. They have wiped out all the liquid assets. No food cards are issued to Germans, who are forced to travel on foot into the Russian zone, often more dead than alive. ... Probably 8 to 10 million people are being enslaved."

Clearly Dulles was worried about a German backlash if the reconstruction was mishandled.

"If we do not find some work for the Germans ... (they) will have their revenge in one form or another though it takes 100

Obviously, there are major differences between German reconstruction and the one in Iraq. The most significant is the "In general, the Russians are guerrilla warfare Americans and boding about Germany's future

other foreigners — both civilian and military - face in Iraq. Dulles said there was no "dangerous underground" Germany in 1945. With the defeat of the Nazis in May, the European war effectively ended. In contrast, the fall of Baghdad did not end the Iraq

There are some problems that have surfaced in Iraq that U.S. officials did not encounter when rebuilding Germany 58 years ago. For one, Germany did not suffer from the ethnic factionalism and religious extremism that now exists in

Happily, Dulles' glum fore-

was not borne out. Germany has emerged as an economic powerhouse, albeit with an unemployment problem, and as a bulwark for peace in the heart of Europe. No country in Europe fears Germany these days.

A combination of patience, generous assistance German resiliency put the country back on its feet. But the process took seven years and, in the interim, the country was split as part of the postwar sorting out process.

The vibrant, reunited Germany of 2003 is a far cry from the country that Dulles found to be hanging in the balance in 1945, much as Iraq is



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