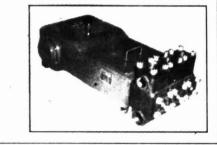
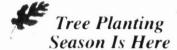
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American troops raid Chalabi's home

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — U.S. sol- patron, which an increasing number of armed Americans in civilian clothes, the Iraqi National Congress. one-time ally Ahmad Chalabi on Americans plan to install an interim about wedding party near Syria's border. Iraqi affairs. killing more than 40 people.

WASHINGTON (AP) - For

Now, they are warning the violence might get even worse once the handover is completed. That could mean

the need for more U.S. troops, the

commander of U.S. forces in the

Iraq was the focus of President

Bush's private meeting Thursday on Capitol Hill with Republican congressional leaders, a briefing by Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld to sena-

tors and a conference at the State

Bush also has acknowledged that Iraq could remain dangerous and unstable after the transfer of political

"It's tough work there now because killers want to stop progress," the pres-

ident said following a White House

meeting Wednesday with Silvio

Berlusconi, premier of Italy, a strong

(See INSURGENCY, Page 3)

Middle East says.

Department.

ally in the war.

Thursday, seizing documents and com- Iraqi government June 30 and formally

rising public anger over the U.S. occu- diers surrounded the compound and for wanted officials in Chalabi's party.

diers raided the home of America's Iraqis consider oppressive. The and flak jackets were seen milling

A Chalabi aide, Haidar Musawi, puters. U.S. officials disputed Iraqi end the occupation but retain signific said a U.S. Iraqi force arrived about on condition of anonymity, said an claims that American aircraft bombed a cant military forces and influence over 10.30 a.m., while Chalabi, a member Iraqi judge issued several warrants and of the U.S.-appointed Iraqi Governing would reveal details later In the search of Chalabi's home in Council, was inside. They told The raid and airstrike came amid Baghdad's Mansour district, U.S sol- Chalabi's aides they wanted to search

Musawi also said U.S. forces

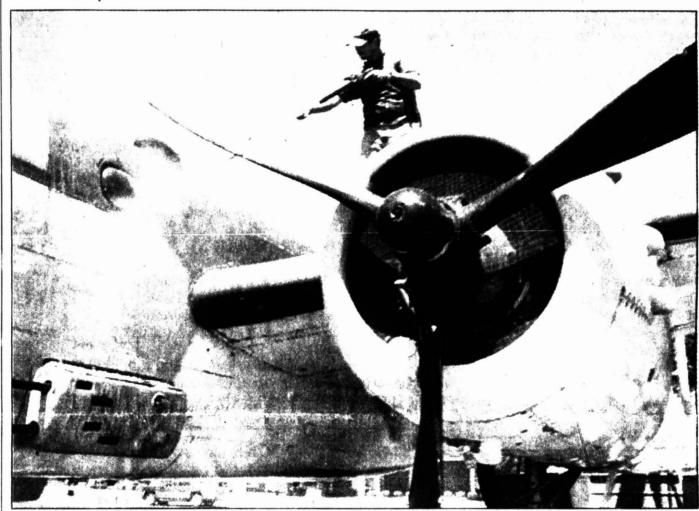
searched INC offices

A senior coalition official, speaking

Iraqi police were seen loading boxes into vehicles, and neighbors said some

(See RAID, Page 3)

U.S. officials: At the plane wash?



Pampa News photo by Dec Dee Laramore

A huge propeller decorated with yellow ribbon dwarfs Trey Lauderdale, owner of Superior Wet Blast of Pampa, as he washes down the 1943 B-25 bomber on display at the Freedom Museum, USA, Wednesday afternoon. Lauderdale donated his services to wash the vintage World War II airplane in preparation for Memorial Day observances, May 31.

Bush asks Senate to pass \$2.4 trillion budget

trillion budget for next year, hoping to to pass the measure. end a rebellion by moderate

afterward, the president praised the fis- want, and none of them have shown proceess on our shared agenda of

WASHINGTON (AP) — President cal blueprint and urged the Senate to stens of changing their minds after building a safer, stronger and better Bush tried coaxing the Senate approve it The House used a mostly weeks of lobbying. Thursday to pass a compromise \$2.4 party-line 216 213 vote on Wednesday. Bush said the budget "meets our

on deficit reduction or job creation to the to create new jobs." During a private meeting with GOP minimize controversy and win votes. He added, "I urge the Senate to fol-

nation's highest priorities of winning The budget is a modest one year, the war on terror, protecting the home Republicans that has cast the measure's plan shorn of any long-range policies. Land, and helping our economy contin-

America.

In a morning meeting with Republicans in a Capitol basement meeting room. Bush said he wanted the budget to be passed, participants said.

Seemingly short of the votes they lawmakers at the Capitol and in a writ- But it has weaker restrictions on future low the House's lead and pass this need. Senate Republican leaders said ten statement the White House issued tax cuts than moderate GOP senators, budget so that we can continue making, they had not decided whether to begin

(See BUDGET, Page 3)



Platoon, 1st Armored Division Stationed Geissen, Germany

Deployed: Baghdad, Iraq Graduated: Pampa High School 1996

Family: Wife. Melanie Godwin. Geissen, Germany: parents, Dennis and Norma Godwin and sister. Charity Godwin, all of Pampa: brother. Johathan Godwin, Burleson, grandpar ents, Sam and Grace Godwin, Pampa. and Elvin and Betty Black, Chaparral.



Texas unemployment rate dips to 6 percent

AUSTIN (AP) The state and turns, the commission unemployment rate dipped to said. The jobs growth rate was 6 percent in April as non-tarm - the highest since August 2001. jobs increased for the seventh according to the commission. straight month, the Texas Professional and business Workforce Commission said services gained 6,600 jobs.

from 6.2 percent in March. It lessure and hospitality indus remained higher than the try increased by 4,500 jobs in national unemployment rate of > 6 percent

The commission said new claims for unemployment benetits tell in the week ended May 8 and have declined

every week since July 2003 The state added 12,000 non tarm jobs in April after positions in April

adjusting for s asonal hiring

trade, transportation and utili-The Texas jobless rate fell ties added 5,700 jobs; and the its biggest advance since February 2001.

> Construction, however, lost 2,000 jobs in April. Job losses in construction this year are still lower than a year ago

Manufacturing added 200

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ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests.

Friday, May 7

A hit and run accident was reported in the parking lot of McDonald's Restaurant, 1201 N. Hobart.

Friday, May 14

Disorderly conduct/language was reported at Pampa High School, 111 E. Harvester.

Tuesday, May 18

Driving with license invalid was reported in the 400 block of Zimmers. Charges were

Burglary of a building was reported at Las Palmas, 838 S. Cuyler. An air conditioner and soda cooler were taken. No estimate of loss was reported.

Theft was reported at Allsup's, 309 N. Hobart. A bottle of juice valued at \$3.29 was stolen. A subject was cited in connection with the incident.

Theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000 was reported in the 1700 block of Mary Ellen. Antiques were stolen. No estimated value of loss was reported.

Assault was reported in the 600 block of North Dwight. No injuries were reported.

SHERIFF

Wednesday, May 19

arrested for a probation violation on a charge

of possession/transport of a dangerous chem-

ical, possession of drug paraphernalia, and

Amanda Landis, 21, homeless, was arrest-

Bobby Remy, 63, Manzanola, Colo., was

arrested for theft over \$1,500 and under

ACCIDENTS

Tuesday, May 18

7:55 a.m. - A 1993 Chevrolet pickup.

driven by Joseph Kirkland, 22, of Pampa, and

a 1994 Ford passenger van, driven by

Christopher Nolte, 29, of Pampa; collided in

the intersection of Price Road and U.S

Highway 60. No injuries were reported. Both

vehicles came to rest on the south curb, with

the 1993 Chevrolet facing east and the 1994

Ford facing west. Kirkland was cited for dis-

Texas Department of Public Safety report

ed on a bond surrender for a charge of pos-

session of a controlled substance.

ed the following accident.

regarding a stop light.

Michael Wood, 32, 706 N. Frost, was

reported the following arrests.

failure to appear.

\$20,000.

Gray County Sheriff's Office today

Wednesday, May 19

block of Chestnut. A saw was found.

Found property was reported in the 300 block of Sunset. A blue bicycle was found. Found property was reported in the 2100

Violation of a protective order was report-

ed in the 2200 block of North Hobart. An unattended death was reported in the

800 block of East Craven. Two reports of criminal mischief under \$50 were reported in the 400 block of South Houston. In one instance, a door was dam-

aged, with estimated damage at \$20. Forgery was reported in the 700 block of West Brown.

Jorge Enrique Sanchez, 19, 832 Scott, was arrested in the 600 block of North Dwight for evading arrest or detention and for capias pro fines on minor in possession and public intoxication.

Kyle Roberts, 29, 2126 N. Banks, was arrested in the 1800 block of East Harvester for criminal trespass of a habitation and assault causing bodily injury

Roul Francis King, 57, 1012 Love, was arrested in the 200 block of West Kingsmill for driving with license suspended and failure to appear.

AMBULANCE

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

Wednesday, May 19

3:56 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2000 block of Christine and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center 6:52 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to

the 900 block of Schneider and transported a patient(s) to PRMC. 9:14 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to

the 600 block of North Hobart and transported a patient(s) to PRMC

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Union workers ready for strike against SBC

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — It's been two decades since Hector Hernandez last went on strike against SBC Communications Inc., and while he's not eager to do it again, he's ready.

Hernandez was among severtheir dissatisfaction with a gathered Wednesday night to at 12:01 a.m. Friday to show

al hundred SBC workers who stalemate in contract talks. prepare for a four-day walkout employees represented by the against the company that begins Communications Workers of

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Some 102,000 America stand to be idled by the strike, which was announced Wednesday.

"Everyone realizes that if we go on strike, it hurts everybody — the workers. the company and the customers," said Hernandez, a technician with 25 years at

CWA President Morton Bahr said the union opted for a short strike to get its message across without harming SBC too extensively.

"We know that a prolonged strike could cause a loss of major customers and do significant damage to the company," Bahr

SBC said in a statement that it is disappointed by the decision. The company says its offer would keep union wages and pensions among the highest in the telecom industry, and that it has yielded to other CWA demands.

OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

JOHNSON, Orval L. — 10 a.m., Faith Advent Christian Fellowship Church, Pampa. SMITH, Avis Marie — Memorial services, 2 p.m., Cornerstone Baptist Church, Pampa.

ZELONA CLAUDETTA MEDLEY JOHNS

Zelona Claudetta Medley Johns, 78. of Wieringa and hus-Pampa, Texas, died Wednesday, May 19, 2004, band John of at Pampa. The body was cremated and is unavailable for viewing. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 22, 2004, at the River of Life Church of Skellytown with Pastor Danny Trussell officiating.

Mrs. Johns was born March 18, 1926, in Kellyville, Okla., to Claude M. and Minerva Jane Medley. She was a business manager in Pampa for Levines, True Value, Franklin's, and the Caprock Apartments. She also served as the business manager of apartments in Houston and

She married Clarence Parks who preceded her

She was a member of the Senior Friends of Pampa and the River of Life Church in Skellytown. She devoted her time and love to her family and pen pals. She is to be remembered for her love of her family. She was preceded in death by her parents; one

brother. Herold David Medley: one greatnephew. Michael Townsend Cornelison; and one great-great-nephew, Roy Tyler Jorden Reeves.

Survivors include one son, Claude Parks and wife Anita of Skellytown; one daughter, Micki

Tuesday, May 18, 2004, at Pampa. The body

was cremated and is unavailable for viewing.

Cremation arrangements are under the direc-

tion of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Church with Pastor Paul Nachtigall officiating.

She was employed at Highland General

Survivors include three sons, Stephen R.

Hospital, retiring after 17 years of service. She

Houston; one step-Clarence son. Parks, Jr.; three sisters. Naomi Cornelison husband Alvin of Pampa, Loraine Ingle and husband Bill of Fletcher, Okla., and Mavis



Coffer and husband J.T. of Marlow, Okla.; four grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; one uncle, Howard Paul Jones of Iowa; special friends. Michael and Marty Jackson of Plains. Kan., Mary Chatagnier of Houston, Ted and Kathy Knishkern of Branson, Mo.; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and greatnephews and other friends. The family requests memorials be to River of

Life Church, 411 Chamberlain, Skellytown, TX 79080; or the Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center, 1500 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX The family will be at 1821 Lynn Street in

-Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

AVIS MARIE SMITH Avis Marie Smith, 71, of Pampa, Texas, died

Plattsburg. Mo., and Lee D. Myers of Pampa: three brothers, J.R. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Cross May 21, 2004, at the Cornerstone Baptist Plano, and Randall Mrs. Smith was born Jan. 26, 1933, in Rush. Cross and Springs, Okla. She had been a lifelong resident. Maurice of Pampa. She married Virgel K. Smith on Cross, both of April 1, 1974. He preceded her in death on Pampa: seven



grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren. The family requests memorials be to Pampa

Sheltered Workshop, P.O. Box 2808, Pampa, TX 79066-2808; or to a favorite charity. —Sign the on-line register book at

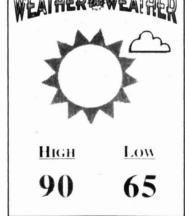
Myers of Duncan, Okla., Ernest D. Myers of www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Today's forecast is calling for partly cloudy skies, highs in the lower 90s and south winds 15 to 25 mph. Tonight should fall on partly cloudy skies with lows in the mid 60s and south winds 15 to 25 mpb.

March 2, 1987.

Friday should see partly cloudy skies. Highs in the upper 80s. South winds 15 to 25 mph with gusts to around 40 mph. Friday night, partly cloudy Windy. Lows in the mid 60s.

Saturday, partly cloudy.



Breezy. Highs around 90. Saturday night, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Breezy. Lows in the lower 60s.

Sunday, partly cloudy. Highs around 90. Sunday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.

Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s. Monday night, partly cloudy, Lows in the lower 60s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.

One dead, four injured in train wreck

GUNTER, Texas (AP) — Two trains have from freight cars across a field north of collided head-on, killing an engineer and injuring four other crew members in a fiery wreck that derailed almost two dozen freight

A National Transportation Safety Board team arrived Thursday to investigate the crash that closed a major rail line north of Dallas. More than 20 cars lay in a mangled heap of steel after the collision about 6 p.m. Wednesday.

Names of the victims have not yet been released, said Joe Faust, a spokesman for Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corp.

U.S. Department of Transportation officials were also on the scene early Thursday.

One of the injured men suffered severe burns and was taken by medical helicopter to a Dallas hospital, said Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper Rebecca Uresti. Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas. A condition was not yet available from Parkland Memorial Hospital.

The other three victims were taken to Wilson N. Jones Medical Center in Sherman. The men are all in stable condition, said hospital spokeswoman Karis Schirmer.

The collision of northbound and southbound trains spilled rock and other materials

Gunter as the cars landed in accordion fashion across the tracks.

The fatality had been aboard the southbound train, Uresti said. Officials were withholding his name pending notification of rel-The injured were located inside the train

cars, but the engineer who died was found about 50 feet from the wreckage, according to the Sherman/Denison Herald Democrat's Thursday editions. Rail cars on one of the trains was empty,

while the other was hauling rocks, said Lt. David Hawley of the Grayson County Sheriff's Department. No one was evacuated, but a hazardous materials crew was called to clean up spilled diesel fuel. Faust said both trains belong to Fort

Worth-based Burlington Northern Santa Fe. He said a team from Burlington Northern was traveling to the rural crash site about 50 miles north of Dallas.

At least one of the locomotives burned and flames spread to grass and other nearby vegetation. The southbound train had 24 cars and three locomotives. The number of cars on the other train was not immediately avail-

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(Pampa News photo)

Shawn DeBarge Goodin, right, accepts a \$400 scholarship from Willie Nickleberry of Pampa, representing "Three Regular Fellows." Nickleberry said the funds came from three members of the now-closed local chapter of the NAACP who wanted to recognize Goodin for his outstanding scholastic achievements. Goodin, Pampa High School valedictorian, will be reporting at West Point Military Academy on June 27. He was recommended for acceptance to the prestigious school by U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry.

members of Chalabi's entourage were taken away. Police took documents and a computer, according to an American witness. A portrait of Chalabi hanging on the wall had a bullet hole in the forehead.

Chalabi said American soldiers burst into his bedroom carrying pistols

Chalabi told a news conference. "If the (coalition) finds it necessary to direct an (coalition) and the Iraqi people.

U.S. officials declined to comment on the raid. Privately, however, American authorities have said Chalabi is interfertions that Saddam Hussein's regime skimmed millions of dollars in oil revenues during the U.N.-run oil-for-food

Chalabi complained recently about U.S. plans to retain control of Iraqi security forces and maintain widespread influence over political institutions after the transfer of power from the U.S.-led coalition to an Iraqi interim administra-

to force Dr. Chalabi to change his political stance," said Chalabi aide Qaisar

Later Thursday, U.S. military officials said a pre-dawn attack Wednesday near the Syrian border targeted a suspected

The desolate, desert region is populated only by shepherds but is popular with smugglers, and the U.S. military suspects militants use it as an entry route. About 15 miles from the Syrian border, the area is under constant American surveillance.

them. How many people go to the middle of the desert to have a wedding party. Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt said the

People who said they were guests said the wedding party was in full swing when U.S. fighter jets roared overhead and U.S. vehicles started shining their highbeams.

Worried, the hosts ended the party; men stayed in the wedding tent, and women and children went inside the house nearby, the witnesses said.

Lt. Col. Ziyad al-Jbouri, deputy police chief of Ramadi, the provincial capital about 250 miles to the east, said the attack happened about 2:45 a.m. He said between 42 and 45 people were killed,

hospital, put the death toll at 45.

A shepherd who attended the wedding. Madhi Nawaf, said his daughter and at least one of his grandchildren were

their arms. One of them was my daughter. I found her a few steps from the house, her two-year old son Raad in her arm. Her one-year-old son, Ra'ed, was

"Where are the foreign fighters they claim were hiding there? asked Nawaf.

"Ten miles from Syrian border and 80 miles from nearest city and a wedding party? Don't be naive," said Marine Maj. Gen. James N. Mattis in Fallujah. "Plus

BUDGET

debating the measure. "We're working to try to get the votes," said Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa.

Many House moderates heeded their GOP leaders appeal for support on the spending measure. Four of their Senate colleagues - plus moderate Democratic Sen. Ben Nelson of Nebraska were not as ready to accommo-

Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, on Wednesday became the last of the group to say she would oppose the budget, leaving GOP leaders two votes. shy, at least for now, of what they need for approval. The moderates said record federal deficits mean tax cuts should be constrained.

A failure by the GOP-run Congress to complete a budget would be an election-year embarrassment for the party, whose leaders pledged to pass a spending plan to highlight their ability to govern. It is also

attack was launched after U.S. forces

received "specific intelligence" about

foreign fighters slipping into the country.

"We sent a ground force in to the loca-

tion," he told Associated Press Television

News. "They were shot at.' We returned

U.S. soldiers recovered satellite com-

munications gear, foreign passports and a

large amount of Iraqi cash at the site, he

Military officials in Washington

Iraqis interviewed by APTN said rev-

refused to say whether anyone from a

elers fired volleys of gunfire into the air

in a traditional wedding celebration

before the attack. American troops have

sometimes mistaken celebratory gunfire

The footage showed a truck contain-

ing bloodied bodies, many wrapped in

blankets and piled atop one other, after it

arrived in Ramadi. Several were children.

The body of a girl who appeared to be

younger than 5 lay in a white sheet, her

Two Iraqis said to have been killed in

"At about 3 a.m., we were sleeping

the attack were buried Thursday in

Baghdad. One of them was the wedding

and the planes started firing," said one

mourner, who gave his name only as

Bassem. "They fired more than 40 mis-

siles ... I was running ... There are no

an example of what is widely seen in this

part of the world as an American cam-

Arab media portrayed the airstrike as

wedding party was killed.

for hostile fire.

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singer, mourners said

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paign against Arabs.

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a slap at President Bush, who has opposed the tax-cut curbs moderates Democrats want.

Without a budget, it would be harder for Congress to cut taxes and raise the govern-

future tax and spending bills. The compromise version. reached in House-Senate negotiations, would pave the domestic programs. way for more modest tax cuts than what Bush proposed.

It would impose constraints on tax cuts for one year, although exempting a singleyear \$27.5 billion tax bill Congress is expected to pass this year. That measure keeps the lowest 10 percent tax bracket, the \$1,000 per child tax credit and breaks for twoincome married couples from getting smaller, as scheduled under current law.

Bush proposed a more ambitious tax cutting agenda - nearly \$1.3 trillion in tax cuts over the next decade.

mostly by making recent tax reductions permanent.

The budget also claims to leave next year's deficit at \$367 billion — just below last year's \$375 billion record, and \$4 billion more than what forement's borrowing limit later casters expect without the budget's proposed policies. The The budget is a guide for measure also would bestow big boosts on defense and antiterrorism programs, with only slight increases for other

> In March, Democrats and moderate Republicans forced into the original Senate version a requirement that tax cuts and expanded benefits be paid for with either spending cuts or tax increases for five years.

> That passed the Senate. The House version had no such restrictions.

Bush also proposed halving this year's huge deficit in five years. The compromise congressional plan achieves that goal, but partly because its tax cuts would last only for one year and it lacks a long-range defense buildup.

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INSURGENCY "It will be tough work after

sovereignty is transferred because there will still be people there trying to derail the election progress." Bush

He plans a visit Monday at the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pa., for the first in a series of speeches laying out the details of the handover of political power.

Secretary of State Colin Powell said Thursday he is confident that the United States can win approval of a U.N. resolution that will endorse the interim government being assembled by U.N. envoy Lakhdar Brahimi.

Powell said a Security Council endorsement will bring legitimacy to that gov-

do in the next 42 days" before the transfer. Powell told diplomats whose countries are part of the U.S.-led coalition in Iraq. "We have to put in place an Iraqi governdaylong conference to discuss the next steps in Iraq.

government.

"We hope that when he brings forward this slate of officers, we can quickly move Rumsfeld first mentioned the that slate to the Security Council, to Secretary-General (Kofi) Annan, for all of us to take a look at and examine the quality of these individuals." Powell said.

On Wednesday, Gen. John Abizaid predicted that the violence likely would continue and perhaps get worse in the second half of the year.

"It could very well be more violent than we are seeing today, so it's possible that we might need more forces," Abizaid told the Senate Armed Services Committee. He said he hoped more countries would contribute troops.

There now are about 155,000 coalition troops in Iraq, of which about 135,000 are American.

The Army is struggling to find enough forces to maintain the 135,000 level. Even if Abizaid decides more are needed, the strain would be enormous

Bush administration officials had stuck for months to "We have a lot of work to the publicly expressed hope that June 30 would be a turning point in moving Iraq toward democracy improving security.

The insurgency began to intensify in late March, highment," the secretary said at a lighted by the killing and mutilation of four American private security contractors in Powell said he believes: the city of Fallujah on March Brahimi is getting closer to 31. In April, more than 130 the designation of individuals. U.S. troops died. So far this who will serve in the new month, at least 47 additional troops have died.

Earlier this Defense Secretary Donald H. possibility that the violence would continue or worsen after June. He said it was inevitable that the violence would last at least until December.

RAID

"I am America's best friend in Iraq," armed attack against my home, you can see the state of relations between the

ing with a U.S. investigation into allega-

"It's a provocative operation, designed

safehouse for foreign fighters from Syria.

Iraqi police and witnesses said the

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tion or services.

member Ron Lehman said

employers in many areas con-

tinued to expand their produc-

employers both point to an

expanding economy that is

of hiring and firing, which most

economists believe gives a

The unemployment rate is

gaining strength," he said.

"Our statistical information

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attack killed dozens of innocent people, many of them women and children. Some said the bride and groom also were

About five hours later, the first shell hit the tent. Panicked, women clutching their children ran out of the house, they

including 15 children and 10 women.

Salah al-Ani, a doctor at a Ramadi

killed.

"Mothers died with their children in legs riddled with wounds and her dress lying nearby, his head missing," he said.

"Everything they said is a lie."

U.S. military officials disputed those

they had 30 males of military age with

rate was 5.6 percent without considering seasonal hiring and

The following are the preliminary April unemployment rates and revised March rates in parentheses for Texas metropolitan areas. The figures are

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To the editor:

completed all that long ago.

we get to see some of the repairs.

holes filled in the asphalt.

it would attract business.

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from Montgomery, Ala., to Richmond, Va.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

If good roads bring business,

Pampa doesn't have a chance

In the past few years it has been a continuing comic strip to

One section was being repaired before the public even got to

drive north on Hwy. 70 out of, or into, Pampa. This highway was

widened and redone starting about six years ago and has not been

drive on it. When the road gets a hole in it, the state highway

department circles it with orange paint so it can be repaired or

maybe to keep it from spreading. Traveling this highway daily,

One day, the state sent out the Super Compactor. The hole was

patched by hand and super compressed by stepping on it, and he brushed the gravel away by hand. It seems the repairs were made

on a Thursday or Friday and the holes are back by Monday.

These disgraceful repairs are a waste of the taxpayers' dollars.

About a month ago, gravel was applied and the road is so

rough, it is like driving on a rub board. Big equipment has been

brought in and we are down to two narrow lanes while more repairs are being made. The pot holes are winning the battle on a

road that is not that old and should not need this many repairs so

Reader to see if he and his friends could get a contract to keep the

shoulder," but this is the smoothest place to drive. The state high-

way department should give out vouchers for windshield chip

Before the construction started, we moved our own bar ditches with a riding lawnmower and kept them looking very nice. Now we have to use a tractor and brush hog because of all the rocks and weeds. One night, while watching the news, we saw a state highway department official from Austin talking about the

highways going into your city. He said, if you had nice highways,

Today in History

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Thursday, May 20, the 141st day of 2004. There are

On May 20, 1861, the capital of the Confederacy was moved

In 1506, Christopher Columbus died in poverty in Spain.

In 1861, North Carolina voted to secede from the Union.

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Well, if this is true, Pampa does not have a chance.

I'm in the process of getting in touch with Ned in the First

Most highways have a sign that says "Do not drive on the

The orange paint is no long used, so this will save us a little.

A little humor goes a long way

Humor is essential to the health and well-being of humans, especially in troubled times. I love being around people with a well-developed sense of humor who can tell a funny story well.

I've been accused of having a dry sense of humor, and it's true that straightfaced joke-tellers with a deadpan delivery are among my favorites.

Here is one of my all-time favorite stories, told by an over-the-road trucker with a face like chiseled stone and a voice as dry as dust.

"The first time I drove through Louisiana, I stopped to eat supper at a big truck stop in Baton Rouge. I took my big insulated coffee mug in with me, and asked to have it filled with coffee as I waited to pay my bill.

"The lady behind the counter asked me if I was sure I wanted it filled with coffee. or if I wanted half coffee, half water. I told her that heck, yes, I wanted it filled with coffee, and what did she mean by offering to water it down like that.

"You see, I didn't know about Cajun coffee, the chicory coffee that can get up and walk off by itself and is about like liquid tar in color.



MARILYN POWERS

"I paid out and left, and started sipping on the coffee as I headed on east.

"After awhile, I could feel my eyeballs pushing up against the windshield.

"It took me 450 miles to drink that mug of coffee.

"I couldn't go to sleep for two days. "I wondered when I was going to be

launched through the roof of the cab." Another chuckler has to do with pets and state-of-the-art medical equipment. This story does not have a happy ending,

though, so read with caution. "One day a man arrived home from work to find his dog lying at the curb and a small group gathered around it. They told him the dog had just been hit by a car.

"The man scooped up the dog and raced to the vet's office with it. The vet asked the man to bring his pet into a special examination room for a thorough going-over.

"The man laid the dog on an examination table in the room, and the vet checked for signs of life.

"The vet stood looking at the lifeless dog for a moment, then bent down and reached under the table.

"He straightened up with a dead cat in his hands, holding it by the front paws in one hand and the back paws in the other.

"He dragged the cat back and forth over the dog a couple of times, and then conceded defeat, replacing the cat back in its box underneath the table.

"He shook his head and told the frantic dog owner that he was sorry, but there was nothing more he could do--the dog was beyond all hope.

"The dog owner, tears rolling down his face, said, 'That's okay, Doc, I know you did all you could. What do I owe you?'

"The vet said, 'That'll be \$220, please.' "The dog owner looked at him a moment in shock and asked, 'Why so much?

" 'Well, it's \$20 for the office visit and \$200 for the cat scan,' the vet replied."

I hope you enjoyed these stories. I enjoyed retelling them.

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Unfortunately, the WMDs found us

It's beginning to look as if we don't have to find the missing Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) after all - they appear to have found us.

The liberal Democrats, Ted Kennedy, John Kerry, the loud-mouthed anti-war crowd and all these people who've been shouting "WMDs, WMDs - there are no WMDs the President lied to us," - what are they going to say now that this 155 mm shell with four liters of deadly Sarin gas enough to kill thousands of people - landed on our feet in Baghdad last Saturday.

The shell was specifically designed to be a "binary chemical projectile," having two chambers that keep the chemical components inside separate until they are fired by an artillery piece. In other words it was not just an ordinary artillery round filled with Sarin gas.

Naturally this bombshell of a development in the WMD controversy was all but ignored by the liberal mass media. Had John Kerry been president and this same thing had happened, you can bet that it would have been all over the front pages, and the network news broadcasts would be telling the world that President Kerry had found the WMDs, Hallelujah!

But with George Bush in the White House it's just another ho-hum news story.

As the House Armed Services Committee has observed, the news regarding sarin and mustard gas discoveries in Iraq serve to remind us that Saddam Hussein did have a vigorous WMD program. And there isn't a shred of evidence that he ever destroyed them. So where did

Consider this: On April 17, Jordan's



MICHAEL REAGAN COLUMNIST

King Abdullah said that captured vehicles containing deadly chemical weapons and poison gas – part of an al-Qaida bomb plot came from Syria which former U.S. weapons inspector David Kay said last year was a likely repository for Iraq's weapons of mass destruction.

According to an April 17 NewsMax.com. report, last year Kay told Congress that U.S. satellite surveillance showed substantial vehicular traffic going from Iraq to Syria just prior to the U.S. attack on March 19, 2003. While cautioning that investigators couldn't be sure the cargo contained WMDs, one of his top advisers described the evidence as "unquestionable."

This latest discovery in Jordan was all but ignored by the liberal media. They'd rather concentrate on trying to keep the prisoner abuse scandal alive in the hopes it will damage the President's chances of re-

I was talking about Iraq with Lt. Gen. David D. McKiernan, author of the new book "The End Game," on my radio show the other day. We discussed the fact that we have already uncovered 1 million metric tons of ammunition in Iraq. Now to put that in perspective, the U.S. has 1.5 million metric tons. And where is the news story about that startling fact? Little Iraq

had two-thirds the amount of ammo possessed by the mighty U.S.?

According to the House Armed Services Committee, "By Hussein's own admission, Iraq possessed thousands of chemical weapons and tons of chemical weapon agents:

•Some 4,000 tons of ingredients to produce poison gas, including sarin.

•550 artillery shells filled with mustard

•At least 3.9 tons of VX, a deadly nerve gas, and 805 tons of precursor ingredients for the production of more VX.

•8,500 liters of anthrax.

•500 bombs fitted with parachutes for the purpose of delivering poison gas or germ payloads. •107,500

casings for chemical weapons.

•At least 157 aerial bombs filled with

germ agents. •25 missile warheads containing germ

agents (anthrax, aflatoxin, and botulinum). "In each case, Hussein claimed to have destroyed the weapons and materials of mass destruction in accordance with U.N.

resolutions. But the regime, which kept tens of thousands of pages of detailed information about its illegal weapons of mass destruction programs, offered no proof of their destruction - not a piece of paper convincingly documenting the alleged destruction, not a dismantlement site, not a single smashed chemical warfare bomb."

It's no wonder Sen. Kerry recently speculated that WMDs may soon be found, but I don't think he believed that while we were looking they'd find us.

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SOFTBALL

PAMPA — The City of Pampa Recreation Department will be offering the following leagues for Summer Softball: Men's Open, Mixed Open, Men's Church.

The entry fees or sponsor's fees for teams are \$200 per team (\$185 if team is currently sanctioned). The player's fee is \$15 per player with a minimum of 11 persons for Men's Open & Men's Church and 12 persons for Mixed Open.

The entry deadline is June 4 at 5 p.m. There will be no teams added after this date.

Schedules will be available after 1 p.m. on June 9 at the Recreation Office.

Play will begin the week of June 14.

Roster Forms, fact sheets and by-laws are available at the Recreation Office at City Hall, Room 204 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

If you have any questions or would like more information on the Summer Softball Leagues, please call 669-5740 during business hours.

FOOTBALL

WHEELER — Wheeler head coach Jim Verden is leaving to take the head coaching position at Class 3A Pottsboro.

Verden, a Wheeler native, has coached the Mustangs for the past 10 years. Wheeler advanced to the playoffs nine times under Verden. The Mustangs advanced to the Class 1A finals in 1997 and

Verden's career record is 80-46. Before coming to Wheeler, he coached at Hutto and was an assistant at Katy Taylor and Texarkana.

Wheeler is going from 11man to 6-man next season.

Flashback

1983: Pampa senior Mike Spence advanced to the Class 4A regional tennis tournament after placing second in the District 3-4A meet in Brownfield.

Spence won three of four matches at the district meet.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, May 21, 2004: come forward if you keep conversa-Your energy comes through no matter tions rolling. You might wind up spending more than you are aware of. Check

what you do, but especially in your work and making money. You pull the wild card financially, so be careful not to overstep your boundaries. Recognize that you have unusual abilities. Learn to use them. Your charisma helps you zero in on what you want. Your bright responses draw attention at work. You will either work at a position with more independence, or for yourself or for a big organization. If you are single, the second part of the year draws many suitors. The question will be whether you want to settle down. You can be such a flirt. If you are attached, spend more downtime together. Your home life or family gains in importance. You learn to share much more with each other. CANCER helps you make

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) *** Speak your mind at work. Your lively side emerges when you spurt out something you didn't mean to. Others respond positively. Brainstorm and relax. Being at home could help you release some tension. Tonight: Hang out close to your turf.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** Know what you want to spend before you cruise into this weekend. You might discover that joining friends is slightly more costly. Whatever you do. you'll enjoy yourself. A friend becomes flaky. Do what pleases you. Tonight: Could romance be knocking on your door?

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) *** Use the daylight hours to your



Pampa boxers (from left) Jose Nunez, Cris Larrazolo, David Meyers and Badillo Vasquez enjoy themselves at a San Angelo toy store before stepping into the ring.

Perry set to defend crown at Colonial

- Kenny Perry knows he will always be remembered as the player who won Annika Sorenstam's tournament,

That's fine with Perry. whose win last year at the Colonial started the best stretch in his 17 years on the PGA Tour.

It came after he missed the cut at the Byron Nelson Championship. "I was kind of coming in here on an alltime low." Perry said Wednesday, a day before the Colonial's first round. "So it's a funny game. I don't know why all of a sudden it broke loose for me."

win at Hogan's Alley, his fifth on the PGA Tour

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) overall victory and first in three years, by winning the Memorial and at 42 becoming the PGA Tour's oldest back-toback winner since 1990.

> "It was just a magical two weeks," he said.

But he wasn't finished. Perry tied for third at the

U.S. Open and at the Greater Milwaukee Open won for the third time in four events. He never had won more than once in a year, and went on to finish sixth on the money list with \$4.4 million — more than double what he had ever earned in

So Perry did a lot more than just win the tournament in which Sorenstam became the Perry followed his record first woman in 58 years to play

Pamcel Golf Course releases 2004 Open tourney schedule

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Teams will be flighted by handicap and a hole-in-one, located sored by Matheson-Tri Gas. There will be bonus prizes on 60. all par 3's.

A meal will be included and rental carts are available. benefit. You find that good news will

out an investment carefully. Tonight: Let your hair down.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ** Clean up your desk and, if possible, do quiet work. In fact, you will need some downtime during the daylight hours. Expect a big splash and change of direction by late afternoon. Your energy peaks to a new level. Tonight: Accept the center stage. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Use the daylight hours to the max. Success and you become twins at this time of the day. Assume a lower profile as the day gets older, when you might have some very strong words for another. Do not risk financially. Tonight Vanish.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** You move from one point of view or responsibility to another with unusual ease. A boss recognizes the quality of your work. Accept the compliment, but ask for that pay raise if you feel the moment is right. Network your way out the door. Tonight: Where the

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** Your ability to see the big picture tosses you in a position you would prefer not to be in. You cannot always handle the responsibilities that are heading your way because others don't see them. Prepare to work late and steer a project to the end. Tonight: Join friends late.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21).

**** Work with a partner. Make plans to either take off this weekend or Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at sometime in the near future. Another perspective can help you zero in on a money question and resolve it. Break

Other tournaments sched-Course has released its uled include 2-man low ball, schedule of 2004 Open July 24-25; 2-Man Scramble, Tournaments, starting June Aug. 14-15, and Community Care 4-person scramble, Sept. 18.

The Pamcel Course is Celanese at worth \$10,000, will be spon- Chemical Plant seven miles west of Pampa on highway

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past traditional thinking. Seek other opinions. Tonight: Follow the music. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** Call upon your people skills. even if you find a child or loved one argumentative. Work with associates, perhaps giving them more of what they want. Your ability to read through problems lands you in a position of responsibility. Tonight: Chat over dinner with a special friend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** Clear out paperwork, return calls and handle everything you must. Your efficiency comes into play. Network this afternoon or take a long lunch. Express your interest in others. If you can, leave the office early. Tonight: Out and about

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** You might have difficulty settling in and getting more of what you want done. A case of spring fever could be overwhelming. What becomes obvious is that you must finish your work.

Count on working late. Tonight: Head PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) *** Your mind is on a family member or a real estate investment. Make needed inquiries and get the information you need and want. Use

the afternoon and weekend to toss an

idea around, trying to decide if it is

BORN TODAY Actor Mr. T (1952), actor Raymond Burr (1917), actor Anthony Steel

workable. Tonight: Have fun-

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Pampa boxers qualify for national tournament

weekend, the Pampa, Tex. Boxing Club traveled to San Tournament. The tournament is for boxers ages 15-16 years old with more than eight fights.

SPORTS

Junior Olympics National Tournament

Pampa boxers eligible for this tournament were Jose Nunez and David Meyers. Other boxers who participated in the tournament were Badillo Vasquez and Chris Larrazolo.

Larrazolo was matched against Micodermus Alvaro, but their bout was canceled because Larrazolo had too much experi-

Boxing Club.

"Juan was frightened by Angelo for the Junior Olympics David and pulled out just as the match was ready to begin," said Pampa coach Lupe Larrazolo. "David gave his opponent the The winner advances to the eye and had him shaking in his

> boxing trunks. Nunez, who has just nine fights, went against Jaime Villa from TOP Boxing Club.

"Jaime had over 100 fights. Jose fought hard against such an experienced boxer, but lost," coach Larrazolo said.

Nunez was commended by the judges who said he had the will and heart of a champion, added Larrazolo.

Meyers was matched against fighter who keeps winning, but a

SAN ANGELO - This past Juan Soto from the No Limit fighter who keeps trying," he

The next Pampa fighter was Badillo Vasquez, who stepped into the ring for the first time. He fought against Tino Martinez from the C-City Boxing Club.

Badillo fought hard, but lost, coach Larrazolo said.

"Badillo just needs to try harder next time," he said. "He needs to realize that it's not just about knocking some out. It's about boxing and making points."

The Pampa Boxing Club currently has 12 licensed fighters and more prospects who come to the gym for practice.

The club thanked Rick's Body Shop, Jiffy Cleaners, A & T Yard "A champion isn't only a Service and Dunlap's for their sponsorship.

Softball pitcher



Amanda Loya of Ware Chevrolet pitches against the Triangle Well Service team in an Optimist softball game at Pampa's Optimist Park.

Major League Standings

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Cincinnati 4, Colorado 3, 10 innings Thursday's Games St. Louis (Marquis 2-3) at N.Y. Mets (Seo 2-3), 1:10 p.m.

San Francisco (Hermanson 1-2) at Chicago Cubs (Maddux 3-3), 2-20 p.m. Milwaukee (Obermueller 2-1) vs. Montreal (Ohka 1-5) at San Juan, 2:35

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(Hudson 4-1), 3:35 p.m. Boston (Lowe 3-3) at Tampa Bay (Zambrano 3-4), 7:15 p.m.

Kansas City (May 1-5) at Texas (Rogers 5-2), 8:05 p.m. Chicago White Sox (Loaiza 4-3) at

Minnesota (Greisinger, 1-2), 8:10 p.m. Baltimore (Lopez 3-1) at Seattle (Moyer 1-2), 10:05 p.m. N.Y. Yankees (Mussina 4-4) at

Anaheim (Colon 4-2), 10:05 p.m. (Washburn 7-1), 10:05 p.m.

Golf

Hidden Hills Seniors Salt Scramble (May 19) 1. Bill Hammer, Howard

Wells, Morris Driver and Reece Field, 111 2. Bob Swope, Kenneth

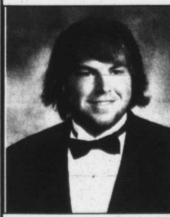
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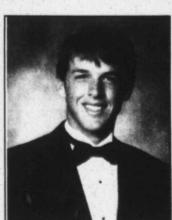
Jess Mathis, 122. Closest to pin: Howard

Wells, No. 8. Closest to pin: Jerry Dorman, No. 15.

Tennis Scholar-Athletes







Three Pampa High seniors (I-r) Zach Hucks, Tara Jordan and Britton White, have been recognized as All-American Scholar-Athletes in tennis by the National High School Athletic Institute. Hucks is the son of Tim and Debra Hucks. Jordan is the daughter of Royce and Kim Jordan. White is the son of Scott and Jamie White. The selection is based on high academic excellence, overall athletic performance and moral force of character.

THURSDAY • May 20, 2004

DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

DREAM TO BE PRESIDENT IS NOT OUT OF GIRL'S REACH

DEAR READERS: I'm still TON, D.C. receiving fascinating letters in support of the 13-year-old girl who was ridiculed by her teacher and classmates for revealing that she'd one day like to be president of the United States. Read on:

DEAR ABBY I read the letter from "I Have a Dream" and would like to offer her encouragement:

DEAR "I HAVE A DREAM": 1 was touched by your letter to Dear Abby, and I want you to know that you can become the president of the United States because of who you are, not in spite of it. I have no doubt a woman will be president one day, and America would be lucky to have you leading us every step of the way.

When young people like you express such a desire to make a difference in people's lives, you should be applauded. Your teacher and your classmates were wrong to laugh at your dream.

What you already know, but they seem to have forgotten, is that we live in a country where every child, girl or boy, has an equal chance to grow up and become president, or a teacher, or a doctor, or a CEO, or the shopkeeper down the street. That is what makes our country unlike any place on Earth. Anything is possible

we all have to work hard, do our best, and fight those who do not always believe in us. It is not easy to ignore their criticism, and it is tough to look beyond their doubts. But remember, doubters never made America a better place. It is people like you -- people who dream big and are filled with hope -- who make a difference in this world.

Always remember that the great STATE TREASURER thing about America is that you can become president, and you should never let anyone tell you different. --SEN. JOHN KERRY, WASHING

DEAR SEN. KERRY: To say that you are a busy man these days is an understatement. That you would still reach out to help a child says volumes about you as a person.

DEAR ABBY: As the first woman elected Illinois state treasurer, the first woman re-elected to a statewide office in Illinois and the first woman to lead a major party in Illinois, I was appalled by the negative response the 13-year-old girl ("I Have a Dream") received from her teacher, her guidance counselors and fellow students when she shared her dream of becoming president of the United States. As a woman who has fought hard to succeed in politics and government, I truly believe that service to your nation is a most rewarding career.

It is true a woman in politics does have disparities to overcome. For years, women fought for the right to vote, and today we continue to fight for equality in many careers.

Women in government can bring creativity, vision and commitment to the table. We come with a different mind-set than our male counterparts. which makes for better debate and legislation. Both parties need more recruitment of qualified females. Schools need to encourage young But to do the things we believe in, women to become interested in public service through career days and mentor programs

I know that the first woman president is alive. Somewhere out there, a young girl is sitting in her classroom. interested in becoming our nation's first female commander in chief, and I wouldn't be surprised if it's her. Best of luck to you, Mrs. President! -JUDY BAAR TOPINKA, ILLINOIS

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Crossword Puzzle

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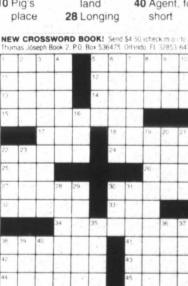
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"Maybe it's a coincidence, but whenever he barks, they do an instant replay."

The Family Circus



"How do we know the farmers are glad to see this rain? What if they had tickets for the ballgame?'

B.C.



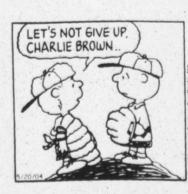


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Blondie







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Dance, gymnastics recitals



(Courtesy photo)

Madeline Graves Dance and Gymnastics Center will hold "Dancing Disney and All That Jazz" recital at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 22, at M.K. Brown Auditorium, A gymnastics recital will be held at 6 p.m. and at 7 p.m. May 24 at M.G. Gymnastics Center. Admission will be charged on all performances. Above: (front row) Gabriella Rodrigues, Sarah Gordzelik, Harli Jernigan, Jessica Hiberd, Indy Sullivan, (second row) Hope Brass, Jacie Studebaker, Alysse Simpson, Mady McLanahan, (back row) Ashely Stark, Danna Eppison and Claire Abraham. Admission to the dance recital is \$4 for adults and \$3 for children; to the gymanstics recital, \$2 for adults and \$1 for students.



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Families of victims blast Sept. 11 commission, Giuliani

NEW YORK (AP) -Families of World Trade Center victims say the Sept. 11 commission and former Mayor Rudolph Giuliani failed them by "sugarcoating" their questions and answers in be changed," said Wells a public hearing.

Relatives jumped out of their seats and shouted at the panel and the former mayor. who testified Wednesday on the second and final day of the hearing examining the city's emergency response.

They said the commission feebly addressed crucial issues like malfunctioning firefighter radios and what they see as the city's lack of disaster preparation, failing to

push Giuliani as he testified reviewed." that New York was "unbelievably capable" and "terrifically effective."

"He could have been a great source for what needs to Noonan, whose brother died in the north tower. "The panel didn't press hard enough."

Monica Gabrielle, whose husband was killed, said the panel and Giuliani spent the morning "cloaking everything. in heroism.

When asked on NBC's "Today" show Thursday morning about addressing specific problems, like inadequate fire drills, Giuliani said. "All of those things should be

"All of those things in the future should be changed. All of those things should be worked on," he said, citing the inability of people to make telephone calls on overloaded bandwidths as a key problem.

The former mayor said he had "a real understanding and empathy with the anger" of victims' relatives but restated the cornerstone of his testimony before the commission: that blame for the attacks should fall on the terrorists

"Here's the mistake: Nobody anticipated a catastrophic attack, planes being used as missiles, being driven

into those buildings, and that's five minutes to question the reason for the losses," he said.

During Wednesday's hearing, commission members repeatedly saluted Giuliani's leadership and refrained from challenging his positive portrayals of the Sept. 11 rescue operations.

"There was not a problem of coordination on Sept. 11." Giuliani said. "We got a story of heroism, we got a story of pride, and we got a story of support that helped get us through."

Several relatives of victims said they were disgusted that the 10 members of the comGiuliani, wasted time with redundant praise. One statement thanking Giuliani should have been enough, the families said.

"The commission members don't press hard at all," said Beverly Eckert, whose husband was killed.

"We leave frustrated," Gabrielle said. "They made a huge faux pas in letting Rudy Giuliani polish his crown."

Targeting Giuliani is a reversal for many of the victims' relatives, who since the attack have generally praised him as a steady leader through the chaos. After leaving office mission, each allowed about at the end of 2001. Giuliani

has consistently sided with family coalitions on issues involving the trade center site, once even calling for the entire 16 acres to become a memorial.

Asked after his testimony about the outbursts from the victims' relatives, Giuliani said he expected that reaction. "I attribute it to the stress and the trauma that they're going through," he said.

Lee Jelpi, a retired firefighter whose son died in the. attack, said he understood the " emotional reaction some families had on Wednesday, but he said he thought Giuliani was "solid and stayed to the point."

Economic indicators up in April

NEW YORK (AP) — A private research economic activity edged up in April, providing more evidence of a sustained recovery.

Composite Index of Leading Economic this year. Indicators rose 0.1 percent in April, after a month. The latest increase was slightly lower than the 0.2 percent rise forecast by analysts.

uptick points to an economy with plenty of Board. momentum, economists said.

before today's number and where it stands strengthen in April, rising 0.3 percent. now, it's showing a good potential for "We're still growing at an above average rate and it looks like that kind of growth can continue."

The index is tracked as a measure of the economy's direction during the coming six months. Of the 10 components making up the index, four increased last month, including the real money supply, building permits and stock prices.

In other economic news Thursday, the Labor Department reported that initial said. claims for unemployment benefits rose by 12,000 to 345,000 last week. That was higher than the 326,000 forecast by analysts. But the more stable, four-week moving average of claims declined to 333,500, the lowest level since November 2000.

The economic reading reported by the group's closely watched indicator of future Conference Board Thursday means the leading index has risen 1.8 percent over the past six months, and signals a likelihood of The Conference Board said Thursday its strong growth through the third quarter of

"While there are growing concerns about revised gain of 0.8 percent the previous rising gasoline prices this spring, as well as worries about what happens after all the tax refunds have been spent, the indicators are not signaling any softening in America's Together with a March reading that was basic economic fundamentals," said Ken notably stronger than first reported, the April Goldstein, an economist for the Conference

The Conference Board also said its gauge "If you look at where the index stood of current economic activity continued to

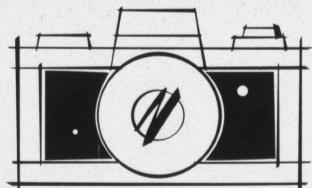
At the same time the group's lagging growth," said Gary Thayer, chief economist index, which reflects the economic climate with A.G. Edwards & Sons in St. Louis. in the recent past, increased 0.2 percent last month, following a 0.1 percent dip in March.

> The slight rise in the leading indicators in April follows a significant increase in the previous month. The board had originally a reported a 0.3 percent increase, but revised that figure up to 0.8 percent.

> While investors are fretting about rising interest rates, the reading shows the higher borrowing costs are not likely to slow growth in the economy or jobs, Goldstein

Stocks were higher following release of the report. In morning trading, the Dow Jones industrial average rose 20.16 to 9,957.87. The Standard & Poor's 500 index gained 2.77 to 1,091.45, and the Nasdaq composite index was up 9.73 to 1,907.90.

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Court denies media bid to drop Jackson gag order

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through statements approved in advance by the judge.

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The state's highest court had expressed interest in the case at Attorney Theodore Boutrous first, requesting letters from the defense and prosecution explaining their positions. District Attorney Thomas with a letter alleging that journalists covering the Jackson case were pandering to a "gos-

Boutrous said lifting the gag disseminated..."