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Deaths

Maurice S. Heard, 82, retired Phillips supervisor.
Hallie Mae Stone, 98, homemaker.
Dale Word, 53, long-time Pampa resident.

Texas Today

AG hosts summits on helping low-income

HIDALGO (AP) — Richard and Mary Marquez had a baby at 17. Three years later, they're married and struggling to get by.

They shared their story with social service workers on Wednesday at a summit aimed at helping not-for-profit and other agencies promote healthy marriages. The South Texas summit, sponsored by Texas Attorney General Gregg Abbott, was one of six being held around the state.

Abbott, who collected a record \$1.7 billion in child support from Texas fathers last year, said he convened the "Healthy Marriage, Fragile Families, and Responsible Fatherhood" summit to keep vulnerable families together.

"The fact is, a healthy marriage is the best child support there is," he said in a statement. "We must do everything we can to support healthy marriages and healthy families, because if we don't, it is the children who will suffer the consequences."

A similar summit was held in El Paso on Monday, and more are planned for Houston, San Antonio, Arlington, and Lubbock.

Charter school scores lagging behind ISDs

AUSTIN (AP) — Students at Texas charter schools are performing well below other public school students on the state's standardized tests, according to a newspaper's review of test scores.

Forty-two percent of the students at the 235 independent charter campuses that administered the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills passed the test, The Dallas Morning News reported Thursday. The overall passing rate for all public school students was nearly 67 percent.

Federal judge dismisses suit against city

Plaintiff Heron Erasmo Garcia's attorney says he plans to refile in district court

By DAVID BOWSER
 Staff Writer

A lawsuit against the City of Pampa by a former police officer has been dismissed in federal court, but it may be resurrected again in state court.

U.S. District Judge Mary Lou Robinson in Amarillo dismissed without prejudice a suit filed by Heron Erasmo Garcia Jr., 36, who now lives in Amarillo, which opens up the possibility of the lawsuit being filed in state district court in Pampa again.

"The case will be brought back to district court in Pampa," John Mann, Garcia's attorney, said late Wednesday.

Amarillo lawyer Mark White, representing the City of Pampa, said there was no settlement, the case was dismissed.

"We vigorously denied all allegations," he said. "Mr. Garcia, after some discovery elected to dismiss the case."

He emphasized that there was no payment by the City of Pampa.

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Flu Facts

By MARILYN POWERS
 Staff Writer

Influenza and the common cold are both respiratory illnesses, but they are caused by different viruses. Because they share similar symptoms, it can be difficult to tell the difference between them, according to the website of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Symptoms of flu include fever (usually high), headache, extreme tiredness, dry cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, and muscle aches. Gastrointestinal symptoms such as nausea, vomiting and diarrhea are more common among children than adults.

Colds are usually milder than the flu. People with colds are more likely to have a runny or stuffy nose. Colds generally do not result in serious health problems, such as pneumonia, bacterial infections or hospitalizations.

The flu is worse than the cold, and symptoms are more intense.

Some of the complications caused by flu include bacterial pneumonia, dehydration, and worsening of chronic medical conditions such as congestive heart

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(Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS)

Denise Logue, a medical assistant at Family Medicine Center, 3023 Perryton Parkway, draws fluid into a syringe. The center's 400 doses of influenza vaccine have all been provided to the highest-risk patients of the five physicians practicing at the center, and no further shipments of the vaccine are expected.

Local flu vaccines saved for high risk

By MARILYN POWERS
 Staff Writer

This year's influenza vaccine is scarce as hen's teeth, with only a few doses left in Pampa.

"We usually give 1,700 or more vaccines per year. This year, we had 400 doses to begin with," said Kathy Crawford, administrator of Family Medicine Center, 3023 Perryton Parkway. The center provides offices for Drs. Robert Julian, Keith Black, Dan Powell, Caleb Kim and Kevin Sieck, and Family Nurse Practitioner Derrell DeLoach.

"Even among the ones who met the criteria, we had to screen them." Crawford said. The center has no flu vaccine left, and staff "do not know" if any more vaccine will be shipped to them at a later date, Crawford said.

Criteria for those given priority to receive the shot are infants aged 6 to 23 months, the chronically ill, and persons over age 65, Crawford said.

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'Even among the ones who met the criteria, we had to screen them.'

— Kathy Crawford
 Clinic administrator

Lessons learned: More money, new technology, bigger supply

WASHINGTON (AP) — The flu vaccine shortage has set off a scramble to find ways to prevent any repetition of this year's calamity, which has restricted shots to those most at risk.

The recommendations range from the mundane to the monumental —

spending millions more on research and guaranteeing that the government buys unused flu vaccine to stabilize the volatile market.

Just 10 years ago, five manufacturers produced flu vaccine shots for Americans. That number has dropped to two.

Lester Crawford, acting commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration, testified before Congress two years ago that he feared the flu vaccine supply network would dwindle to a single company.

That dire prediction effectively

came true this year when British regulators announced Oct. 5 that they had shut down Chiron Corp.'s Liverpool production facility. That cut the United States' expected 100 million-dose vaccine supply nearly

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Political parties take advantage of state laws to contact absentee voters directly

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — Like in this tight election year, especially given the fact that absentee voters are highly likely to cast their ballots. The strategy is playing out in several swing states that could decide the presidential election, including Ohio and Missouri.

Under laws well known to political strategists but perhaps not to the public, candidates in some states can ask local election officials for lists of people who have requested absentee ballots — and then campaign directly to them.

The tactic could make a critical difference

'... if anything, I think it's probably increased as the number of absentee ballots has been increasing.'

— Richard Smolka
 Elections expert

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Early voting in Gray County

Heavy turnout, so far

By MARILYN POWERS
 Staff Writer

Early voting by Gray County residents in the November general elections totaled 1,518 as of 5 p.m. Wednesday.

The total represents a "heavy" turnout, said County Clerk Susan Winborne.

Mail-in ballots made up 113 of the 1,518, with the remainder making a personal appearance at the early voting site to cast their ballots, she said.

"It's never been this heavy in the time I've been in office, since January 1999," Winborne said.

The tally by 5 p.m., Tuesday, had been 1,105, she said. Early voting continues through Friday, Oct. 29. Ballots may be cast in the non-jury courtroom on the first floor of Gray County Courthouse, 205 N. Russell, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays.

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Obituaries

Maurice S. Heard, 82

Maurice S. Heard, 82, of Pampa, died Tuesday, Oct. 19, 2004, at Amarillo.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Fairview Cemetery with Pastor Paul Nachtigall, of Highland Baptist Church, officiating. Military rites will be provided courtesy of the U.S. Navy.

Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Born July 14, 1922, at Dean. Mr. Heard moved to Pampa in 1934. In 1985, he retired from Phillips Petroleum as a gas measure-



Heard

ment supervisor after 40 years of service. He married Selma McPherson on Nov. 25, 1953.

Mr. Heard, a former Boy Scout leader, belonged to First Baptist Church and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1657.

A veteran of the U.S. Navy, he served during World War II with the 82nd Sea Bees.

Survivors include his wife, Selma, of the home; a son, Gerald M. Heard of Pampa; a brother, Ferrel L. Heard of Kansas, Okla.; a sister, Datha DeMoss of Clarendon; a grandchild; and two great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to VFW Post 1657, 105 S. Cuyler, Pampa, TX 79065; or to Odyssey Hospice, 1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo, TX 79101.

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

Hallie Mae Stone, 98

WHITE DEER — Hallie Mae Stone, 98, of White Deer, died Tuesday, Oct. 19, 2004.

Graveside services are scheduled at 10 a.m. Saturday in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa with the Rev. Lewis Ellis, retired Baptist minister, officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Stone was born Oct. 29, 1905, at Brandenburg, Ky. She lived in Lefors for 30 years prior to moving to White Deer in 1999. She married L.O. Stone on Nov. 10, 1923,

at Jenks, Okla.; he died Aug. 1, 1987. Mrs. Stone was preceded in death by a son, Don Stone on Sept. 25, 2003.

Survivors include a daughter, Irene Stone Poland of White Deer; two sons, G.E. Stone of Amarillo and Owen Stone of Sheridan, Wyo.; 12 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065.

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

Dale Word, 53

Dale Word, 53, of Pampa, died Sunday, Oct. 17, 2004.

Memorial graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Higgins Cemetery at Higgins with Gordon Lawson, Church of Christ minister, officiating.

Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Word was born Feb. 26, 1951, at Shattuck, Okla., and attended schools in Canadian and Higgins, graduating from Higgins High School in 1969.

A Pampa resident most of his life, Mr. Word worked at Dale Johnson Autos for four years and formerly was a cowboy, oilfield worker, roofer and a Houston cable company employee.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving as a machinist.

Survivors include his wife, Georgia McClure; two daughters, Wendy Word of Pampa and Theresa Word of Vernon; his mother and stepfather, Elsie and Gene Curry of Erick, Okla.; three stepdaughters, Krissy Dennis of Pampa, Shelly Smith of McLean and Kim Reed of Bixby, Okla.; a brother, David Word of Costa Mesa, Calif.; seven grandchildren; and two stepgreat-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to VA Medical Center, 6010 Amarillo Blvd. West, Amarillo, TX 79106.

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

Services tomorrow

CHAMBERLAIN, Lillie Lorene — 2 p.m., Briarwood Full Gospel Church, Pampa.
HEARD, Maurice S. — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

Gray County Weather

Today: Partly cloudy, with a high near 83. South southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph.

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 56. South

west wind between 15 and 20 mph.

Friday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 74. Windy, with a southwest wind 15 to 20 mph increasing to

between 25 and 30 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low near 45. Windy, with a west north-west wind 25 to 30 mph decreasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high around 71. North northwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 45. Southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 75. West northwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 48. North wind 5 to 10 mph becoming east.

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Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents.

Tuesday, Oct. 19

Identity theft was reported in the 1000 block of South Barnes.

Wednesday, Oct. 20

Found property was reported in the 2100 block of Hamilton. A marijuana pipe was found.

Theft was reported in the 400 block of Carr. A German shepherd dog valued at \$500 was taken.

Theft under \$50 was reported at Allsup's, 140 S. Starkweather. Gasoline valued at \$18.01 was taken.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department today reported the following accidents.

Wednesday, Oct. 20

4:12 p.m. — A 2004 Chevrolet Cavalier, driven by Robin Jeannette Bell, 16, 8733 County Road 12, and a 2002 Dodge Ram pickup, driven by Yolanda Evone Hardy, 27, 2104 N. Coffee, collided in the 1400 block of Charles. No injuries were reported. Bell was cited for failure to yield right of way — private.

4:29 p.m. — A 2003 Ford F-250 pickup, driven by Stephen Leon Alexander,

46, 1313 Christine, collided with a legally parked 2002 Chevrolet Trailblazer, owned by Melody Youree, 2131 N. Sumner, in the 2200 block of Mary Ellen. No injuries were reported, and no citations were issued.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office today reported the following arrests.

Wednesday, Oct. 20

Ronald Eugene Henry, 49, Clarendon, was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

Mickey Joe Tosh, 44, Amarillo, was arrested for a Williamson County charge of assault.

Nicholas Lee Brookshire, 24, 701 West, was arrested for failure to appear, defective equipment and failure to stop.

Fire

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday, Oct. 19

8:47 a.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a gas leak in the 1400 block of North Dwight. A trailer had knocked over a gas meter.

2:12 p.m. — Firefighters conducted a fire safety program at Pampa Nursing Center, 1321 W. Kentucky.

Wednesday, Oct. 20

1:55 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters stood by at Auto Zone, 320 N. Hobart. A truck had caught a low wire and broke a pole.

3:46 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters hung a rope on the flag pole at Hiland Baptist Church, 1301 N. Hobart.

9:58 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a carbon monoxide check in the 500 block of East Foster. None was found.

Ambulance

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, Oct. 20

11:35 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

6:26 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of North Russell and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Thursday, Oct. 21

12:30 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2700 block of North Hobart and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Leading economic indicator index declines in September

NEW YORK (AP) — A widely watched barometer of future economic activity edged lower in September for the fourth month in a row, suggesting a slowing in economic growth, a private research group reported Thursday.

The Conference Board said that its Index of Leading Economic Indicators fell 0.1 percent last month, following declines of 0.3 percent in August and 0.3 percent in July.

The group said that while the weakness over the last several months in the economy has become more widespread, the declines in the leading indicator index are not yet large enough nor have they lasted long enough to suggest that the current economic expansion is ending.

The index is closely followed because it is designed to forecast the economy's health over the coming three to six months.

Conference Board economist Ken Goldstein called

ECONOMY

The decline in the index was slightly less than the decline of 0.2 percent that some analysts were expecting. The 10-year Treasury bond, which tends to rise on indications that the economy is cooling, edged up 1/16 point to yield 3.98 percent, down from 3.99 percent late Wednesday.

the September decline a "clear signal that the economy is losing momentum heading into 2005."

Goldstein said that after growing at an annual pace of nearly 4 percent in the third quarter, the economy is likely to expand at a slower pace in the fourth quarter of this year and the first quarter of next year. He said the hurricanes in September and rising energy prices may have held back some sectors in the economy such as home building.

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some analysts were expecting. The 10-year Treasury bond, which tends to rise on indications that the economy is cooling, edged up 1/16 point to yield 3.98 percent, down from 3.99 percent late Wednesday. Stock market indicators were mixed.

Josh Feinman, chief economist at Deutsche Asset Management, called the decline in the leading indicators index consistent with other recent signs of slight deceleration on the economy, but he cautioned that signals remained mixed, making predictions difficult.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Anthony Grain of Pampa.

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| Wheat | 3.32 |
| Milo | 3.95 |
| Corn | 3.11 |
| Soybeans | 4.63 |

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

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| OXY | 57.48 | +0.31 |
| BPELC ADR | 59.25 | +0.11 |

CABOT CORP

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| Cabot Corp | 36.51 | -0.31 |
| Cabot Oil Gas | 43.16 | -0.05 |
| Coca Cola | 39.29 | -0.16 |
| VLO | 42.36 | +0.36 |
| HAL | 34.91 | +0.29 |
| TRI | 32.24 | -0.14 |
| NOI | 33.65 | +0.30 |
| KMI | 64.11 | +0.49 |
| XCEL | 17.29 | -0.01 |
| Kerr McGee | 57.74 | -0.09 |
| XOM | 48.70 | -0.17 |
| Limited | 23.59 | NC |
| Williams | 12.90 | +0.01 |
| MCD | 28.55 | -0.25 |

ATMOS

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| Atmos | 25.13 | +0.06 |
| Pioneer Nat | 32.12 | +0.19 |
| JCP | 38.13 | -0.13 |
| COP | 83.77 | +0.21 |
| SLB | 67.51 | +0.71 |
| Tenneco | 12.18 | +0.33 |
| CVX | 53.22 | -0.15 |
| Wal-Mart | 52.42 | -0.06 |
| OKS | 26.06 | +0.17 |
| NS Grp | 17.01 | +0.08 |

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Lawsuit

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Garcia was fired from the Pampa police force on Feb. 25, 2002, after being arrested and charged with rape in connection with an incident involving a 35-year-old Donley County woman on Jan. 10, 2002, at a south Pampa motel while Garcia was on duty.

Criminal charges in 31st District Judge Steven

Emmert's court against Garcia were dropped Feb. 12 of this year after District Attorney Rick Roach filed a motion to dismiss the charges, citing insufficient evidence. The motion said the complaining witness had requested the dismissal.

On Feb. 25, Garcia filed suit against the City of Pampa, former Pampa Police Chief Charlie Morris, now of Stinnett; Pampa Police Lt. Stephanie Raymond, and former Pampa Deputy Police Chief Terry Young, now of

Marble Falls.

The lawsuit claimed that Garcia was the target of arrest and prosecution without probable cause. Garcia claimed in the suit that his superiors wanted to get rid of him so others in the department could be promoted. Garcia also claimed that other officers committed felonious offenses without being disciplined, fired or demoted. He said his life and career have been destroyed by the criminal charges made against him.

Mann initially filed Garcia's lawsuit in Judge Lee Waters 223rd District Court in Pampa, but lawyers for Pampa removed the case to federal court in Amarillo.

The initial lawsuit concerned employment discrimination.

"They suspended him immediately without pay upon the allegations made by this woman," Mann said.

Following the dismissal of the lawsuit in federal court, Mann said he is evaluating which county would be most

appropriate for filing a malicious prosecution lawsuit on behalf of Garcia. He said he is considering filing the suit in Gray, Hemphill or Donley counties.

Mann said the woman involved in the initial incident lives in Donley County. Gray County is where Garcia was prosecuted and a poten-

tial defendant in the lawsuit now lives in Hemphill County.

He said the issue in this case is whether Garcia was maliciously prosecuted by local officials.

"The wheels of justice grind slowly, but exceedingly fine," Mann said.

Vaccine

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"We gave it to our highest risk patients. We tried to target the people who needed it the most," she said. Seventy-five percent of the center's vaccines went to persons over age 65, she said.

"We usually have a flu vaccine clinic every year, but this year we were unable to, due to limited availability of the vaccine," Crawford said.

Drs. Laxmichand and Nirmala Kamnani have "a little left" of the vaccine, said Angela Kyle, office manager.

"We got 500 doses the last

week of September, and we have about 20 doses left," she said.

"Usually, if we need more, we can order more, but not this time. The majority of our patients are considered high risk - elderly and with heart conditions.

"I usually try to pre-book ours a year in advance, ever since the shortage a few years ago," Kyle said.

There are two main companies providing the vaccine in the U.S. this year, Kyle said, and the one she usually orders from is experiencing a delay in distribution. She got the

office's 500 doses from the other company.

The 40 vials, or 400 doses, received by Drs. Simoneta Soriano and Craig Shaffer have been gone for a week, said Nancy Shaffer, RN, of the clinic.

Shaffer said a second shipment was scheduled to be available, but that their office would not receive any of the later vaccine.

"I heard that more may be available in January," Kyle said.

Dr. Laxman Bhatia's office did not receive any

vaccine, said the office manager.

None of the doctors' offices contacted received the nasal spray, an alternative to the injected form of the vaccine.

"It's pretty efficient, but it is only for healthy individuals age 5 to 49," Crawford said.

United Supermarket's pharmacy had had nasal spray vaccine available, Shaffer said.

The regional public information office for United Supermarkets had not returned a telephone call for information as of press time today.

"This is going to be a really rough year. This is going to be one of the hardest flu seasons yet," Kyle said.



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failure, asthma or diabetes. Children may get sinus problems and ear infections.

If necessary, special laboratory tests can be performed to confirm or rule out influenza for a patient. These tests usually must be done within the first few days of illness.

Influenza spreads in respiratory droplets caused by coughing and sneezing. It usually spreads from person to person, though occasionally a person may become infected by touching something with virus on it and then touching their mouth or nose.

Adults may be able to infect others beginning one day before getting symptoms and up to seven days after getting sick. This means that a flu victim can give someone else the flu before the first victim even realizes they are sick, as well as while they are sick.

The single best way to prevent the flu is to get a flu

vaccine each fall, according to the CDC website. Antiviral medications may also be used to prevent the flu as well as treat it. When use for treatment within the first two days of illness, these medications may reduce the duration of the flu by one or two days.

Health habits which can help prevent the flu are:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance from others to prevent them from getting sick, too.

- Stay home when you are sick. If possible, stay home from work, school, and errands when you are sick. You will help prevent others from catching your illness.

- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. This may prevent others from getting sick.

- Clean your hands. Washing your hands often will help protect you from germs.

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose or mouth.

Lessons

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in half. The FDA, which sent inspectors in early October, agreed that Chiron's 46 million to 48 million flu vaccine doses were not safe.

That has left the United States with 58 million doses from its second supplier, Aventis Pasteur, and scrambling to find more.

The government said its contingency planning began when Chiron first reported contamination problems in late August. Federal vaccine advisers on Oct. 5 quickly prioritized which high-risk individuals should be vacci-

nated first. The search for additional flu vaccine yielded 2.6 million more doses, announced this week by Aventis.

Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson, among others, says the government should buy unused flu vaccine doses to guarantee manufacturers produce adequate supplies.

"The guarantee is nice. We'd rather see our vaccine being used," said David J. Williams, Aventis Pasteur president. The company wants to extend flu vaccinations beyond November. The Centers for Disease Control currently recommends people get flu shots in October or November.

its candidates.

"It's part of our overall strategy of get out the vote," said state Republican Party spokesman Paul Sloca, who declined to say how many absentee voters had been called.

But the Missouri Democratic Party compares it to the illegal practice of campaigning inside a polling place on Election Day.

"They're not allowing absentee voters to cast their votes in private," said Missouri Democratic Party spokesman Jack Cardetti. "They are, in essence, invading the polling places."

Voters

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Republican effort to contact absentee voters.

Missouri Secretary of State Matt Blunt — the chief election official and the GOP candidate for governor — sent a campaign letter to county clerks asking them to provide the names of absentee ballot applicants to the state Republican Party.

The state party has been calling those absentee voters with a pitch for President Bush, Blunt and the rest of

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Work (sniff) can be bad for your health

An article, *sniff*, posted recently on-line at WebMD, *sniff*, explained, that if you are sniffing, achy and tired you should definitely not go to work.

The article, authored by Jeanie Lerche Davis, said somewhere in the neighborhood of 75 percent of America's workforce heads to work when they (it?) would be better situated parked in front of the tube or in bed.

Davis called this "pre-senteem" — going to work when you're sick.

"(R)esearch shows that people sick with the common cold are not very pro-

ductive," the article read. "In fact, their lost productivity accounts for up to 60% of employer health costs — more than if they'd taken a sick day."

The article quotes Sharon Horesh, MD, instructor of clinical medicine at Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta, Ga.:

"There's no antibiotic that can get rid of the common cold or flu or stomach virus. That's my pet peeve . . . antibiotics only work with a bacterial infection . . . bacterial bronchitis, pneumonia, strep throat, earache, pink eye."

Sniff, the article provided

a "checklist" of symptoms to help us workaholics better decide when we are better off not coming to work.

Of course, you must first, *sniff*, as in my case, *sniff*, convince your boss (slave-driver) that you are in fact a workaholic.

According to the checklist, if you are sniffing, achy and tired, you perhaps should not go to work.

Well, I'm always sniffly, achy and tired.

I also sneeze a lot.

Does that mean I need disability?

This is what the article had to say about the chills and sweats: "If your clothes are getting drenched, you likely have a fever. When you have a fever, stay home — you're contagious!"

About coughing: "If it's a tickle in the throat or it feels like postnasal drip, the cough is probably from allergies or the common cold."

Unless you've got other common cold symptoms, such as aches or fever, get to work!"

"With food poisoning, vomiting and diarrhea usual-

ly occur six to 12 hours after you eat.

Time frame is helpful for distinguishing it from a stomach virus. With food poisoning, once you vomit, you feel better.

"Rule of thumb: If you can hold down food, you can go into work."

To review the checklist, which includes the earache, sinus pain, sprains and strains, headaches, Poison Ivy and Pinkeye, log onto <http://my.webmd.com/content/Article/95/103133.htm>.

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Skyla Bryant

News Editor



Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Oct. 21, the 295th day of 2004. There are 71 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 21, 1879, Thomas Edison invented a workable electric light at his lab in Menlo Park, N.J.

On this date:

In 1797, the U.S. Navy frigate *Constitution*, also known as "Old Ironsides," was launched in Boston's harbor.

In 1805, a British fleet commanded by Adm. Horatio Nelson defeated a French-Spanish fleet in the Battle of Trafalgar; Nelson, however, was killed.

In 1944, during World War II, U.S. troops captured the German city of Aachen.

In 1945, women in France were allowed to vote for the first time.

In 1959, the Guggenheim Museum in New York opened to the public.

In 1960, Democrat John F. Kennedy and Republican Richard M. Nixon clashed in their fourth and final presidential debate.

In 1964, the movie musical "My Fair Lady," starring Audrey Hepburn and Rex Harrison, had its world premiere at the Criterion Theater in New York.

In 1966, more than 140 people, mostly children, were killed when a coal waste landslide engulfed a school and several houses in south Wales.

In 1967, tens of thousands of Vietnam War protesters marched in Washington, D.C.

In 1971, President Nixon nominated Lewis F. Powell and William H. Rehnquist to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Ten years ago: United States and North Korea signed an agreement requiring the communist nation to halt its nuclear program and agree to inspections. President Clinton conceded in a news conference that Democrats would lose seats in the upcoming election. The wife of CIA turncoat Aldrich Ames, Rosario Ames, was sentenced to five years in prison for her role in her husband's espionage.

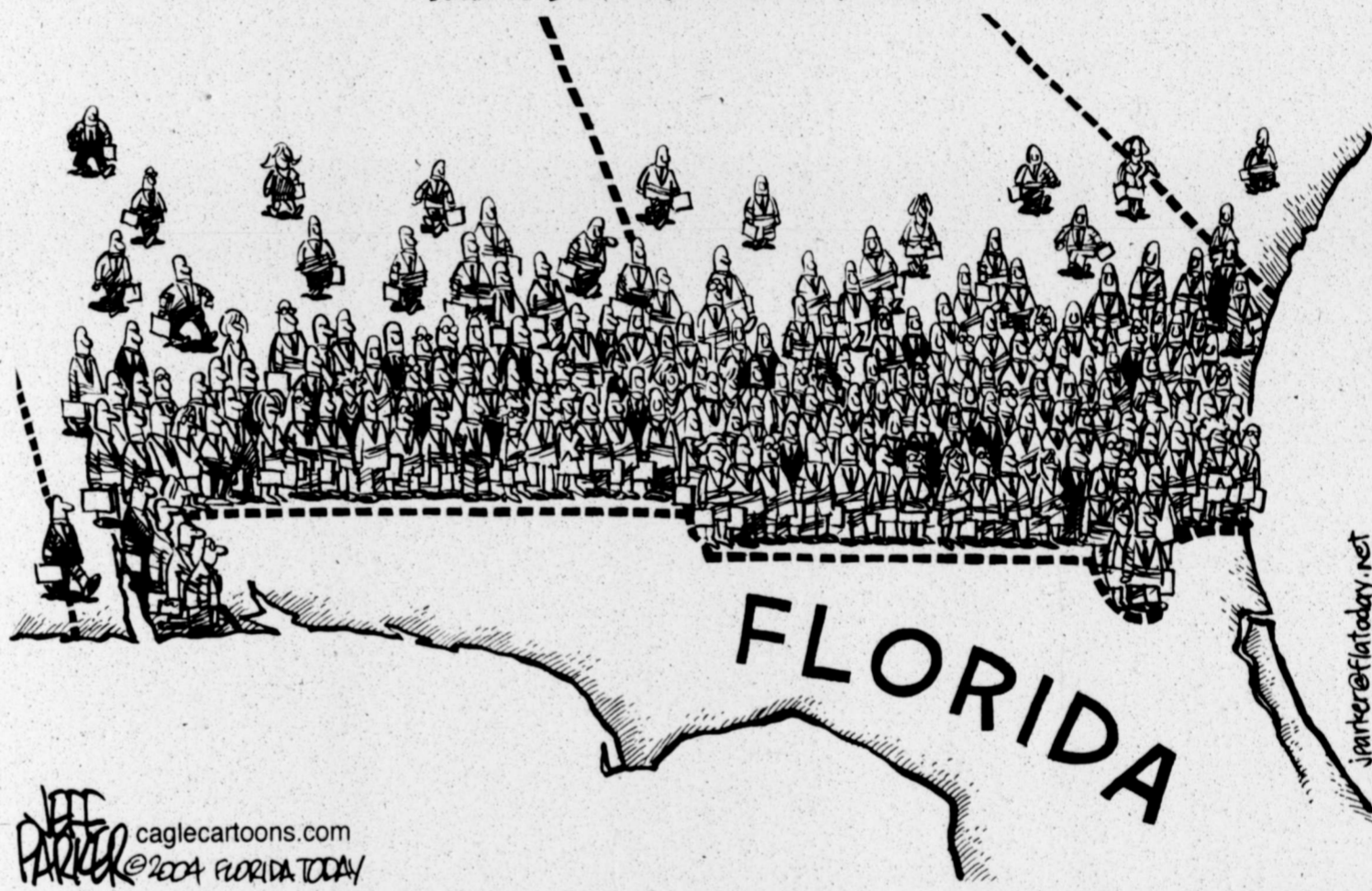
Five years ago: France's highest court upheld the conviction of Maurice Papon, the former Vichy official who'd fled France rather than face prison for his role in sending Jews to Nazi death camps; Papon was captured in Switzerland and deported the following day.

One year ago: Invoking a hastily-passed law, Florida Gov. Jeb Bush ordered a feeding tube reinserted into Terry Schiavo, a brain-damaged woman at the center of a bitter right-to-die battle. The Senate voted to ban the practice that critics call partial-birth abortion.

'There are three things which the public will always clamor for, sooner or later: Namely, novelty, novelty, novelty.'

— Thomas Hood
British poet

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And a swinging hot spot
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That you don't know what you've got

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— Joni Mitchell,
Big Yellow Taxi

George W. Bush's years in the White House have been far from Edenic. External blows like the 9-11 attacks and internal problems (particularly confusion

about education and poverty-fighting) have sunk some of the optimism of Jan. 20, 2001. But if Christian conservatives stay home in 12 days, the Bushes will move out of the White House on Jan. 20, 2005. Only then will some of us know what we had.

The four Bush years have been full of weeds, but they've also seen the planting of many young trees. Christian schools, pregnancy

help centers and anti-poverty programs have had room to grow. Tax cuts have let hard workers keep more of the money they've earned. Bush-appointed judges, when they've been able to get through the Senate, have backed the democratic process of lawmaking instead of imposing their own preferences.

John Kerry goes by the label "Democrat," but his

views are autocratic. He prefers rule by courts to rule by voters on social issues such as abortion and same-sex marriage. He is a 20th century candidate when it comes to Social Security and health care, favoring governmental rather than individual control of everything from choosing investments to choosing doctors. He still wants to rely on the "experts," like the early 20th century progressives who pushed for regulatory agencies independent of Congress, and for appointed

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Solutions to flu vaccine shortage

Did you get your flu shot yet? Probably not, and if you're like most folks, you probably aren't going to be able to get one, either. This is unacceptable.

Production problems at a lab that makes half of the U.S. flu vaccine supply means tens of millions of doses the American market was counting on won't be arriving. It is no doubt shocking to many Americans to learn that the nation's defense against a flu pandemic is so fragile. Worse, Dr. Julie Gerberding, head of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, warned Congress last week

that "it is getting more fragile every day."

The problem is complex, but the simple reality is this:

Drug manufacturers no longer produce vaccines because it is risky and expensive to do so, and the potential rewards for such work are relatively small. A generation ago, at least a dozen manufacturers provided the annual U.S. supply of flu vaccine; today, that number is down to a mere two.

What's wrong with

nationalizing flu vaccine production, putting the federal government in charge of this vital public health service? Many experts fear that concentrating this responsibility in government hands would

lead to a loss of innovation and flexibility typical of monopolies.

A better approach would be for lawmakers to provide the private sector with incentives to re-enter domestic vaccine production.

The solution would likely

involve the following:

— Strengthening the Vaccine Injury Compensation Program and closing legal loopholes that allow plaintiffs to sue vaccine makers for enormous sums.

— Streamlining the Food and Drug Administration approval process for vaccines.

— Creating tax and patent incentives to research and develop flu vaccines.

— Promoting widespread flu vaccination, thus increasing demand.

— Increasing communication.

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Survivor of Missouri plane crash recalls 'terrible screams'

KIRKSVILLE, Mo. (AP) — One of two survivors of a commuter plane crash that killed 13 people said in an interview broadcast Thursday that he heard "terrible screams" as the plane came down, and he fell out of the aircraft through an open door.

The Corporate Airlines plane en route from St. Louis crashed late Tuesday in a wooded area as it approached its landing in Kirksville. Eight bodies were found Tuesday, and five more were discovered Wednesday.

The survivors, Dr. John Krogh, 68, and his assistant, 44-year-old Wendy Bonham, were hospitalized in fair con-

dition. Krogh was found in brush about 25 feet from the fuselage; Bonham had been walking around, police said.

"There was just a crashing sound," Krogh told ABC's "Good Morning America." "I'm sure that was the wing hitting a tree. I just didn't believe that it was happening. As we bounced along through the trees, people started screaming badly.

Terrible screams." He said the plane was on fire and he could hear Bonham calling his name. He said he fell out of the plane through an exit door that somehow had become open.

"I didn't know we had assigned seats and I walked in there and sat down in that seat, and that may have saved my life,"

Krogh said. "The wing was gone and I knew there was no way that I could do anything but just pull myself out and let myself fall," he said.

"The cries and the thoughts of those good people just came to my mind and I thought, oh, gosh, is there anything I can do?"

Bonham's husband, Russ, said she also somehow fell from the craft, though "she has a hard time remembering some of it."

Rescuers who rushed to the scene had held little hope of finding survivors: The aircraft was in flames, with one of its wings broken off. But Krogh, of Wallsburg, Utah, a

part-time faculty member at Provo College, and Bonham almost inexplicably escaped with little more than broken bones.

"We see car accidents with worse injuries coming in here every week," said Dr. Charles Zeman, director of trauma services at Northeast Regional Medical Center. "This is truly a miracle."

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— Dr. John Krogh
Crash survivor

Autocrat

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city managers rather than elected mayors.

Those drives to remove power from voters eventually fizzled, but such thinking carried over into judicial tendencies to legislate from the bench. The 20th century drive to rely on supposedly neutral "experts" influenced other fields, as well.

Control of colleges moved from legislators or denominational leaders to Ph.D.-certified professors. Social workers with newly minted degrees pushed deacons and other volunteers out of many charitable activities. The professionals regularly said "trust my degrees" or even (in Dan Rather's case) "trust me."

The 21st century could be a century in which both liberty and democracy expand. Look at how more parents are picking private schools or home schooling, instead of merely trusting the supposed experts. Look at how

legislators and college alumni aware of professional bias are examining ways to break faculty strangleholds over hiring. Look at how the faith-based initiative is challenging the dominance of secular social workers.

John F. Kerry is the candidate of status quo autocracy. George W. Bush is a 21st century, small-d democratic candidate. Economically, he wants people to control the expenditure of more of the money they earn. Socially, he wants voters and legislators rather than nine justices in robes to decide what should constitute a governmentally honored marriage.

If we have a second Bush term, I hope

'The 21st century could be a century in which both liberty and democracy expand.'

— Marvin Olasky
Columnist

opportunity for new growth and also new disappointments. A Kerry administration, though, will cement over all such hopes and substitute for them one swinging hotspot.

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Took away my old man
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That you don't know what you've got
Till it's gone
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If you're a Christian conservative and like President Bush, vote for him and drive your friends to the polls. If you're a Christian conservative and you don't like President Bush, vote for him anyway.

You won't be able to elect anyone better, and with John Kerry you'll have someone far worse.

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Vaccine

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tion among government health officials, the drug industry and university researchers to anticipate public health needs.

The fractured vaccine system will not be easy to fix nor can that be accomplished overnight. One vaccine maker told Congress

that it takes from five to seven years to build a vaccine production facility and bring it online. But we have to start somewhere.

Meanwhile, the American public can only hope and pray that the deadly avian flu strain that appears to be incubating among human hosts in Southeast Asia does not go global. Hope and prayer are not, alas, a reliable long-term public health strategy.

Calendar items

- **CSN, created by American Cancer Society**, is a community/support network for cancer survivors and caregivers. The link to the network is located on ACS's web site at www.cancer.org. People may also call 1-877-333-4673 (HOPE). By logging onto the site, cancer survivors and caregivers can listen to, read or download prerecorded personal stories and discussions among survivors and caregivers. They may also explore and contribute to the Expressions Gallery, a compilation of survivor's stories, poems and songs.
- **The Children of Alcoholics Foundation**, an education-prevention arm of Phoenix House, recently launched a website (www.coaf.org) for children of substance abusers of all ages. The website is designed to help educators, physicians, social workers and other professionals. The site includes sections for teens and adults who have grown up with an alcoholic or drug addicted parent as well as information for teachers, social workers and others.
- **Coffee Memorial Blood Center in Amarillo** is now open on Saturdays and will take appointments for blood donations. The new donation hours are: 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Friday; and 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday. The center is also promoting The Birthday Club. If a donor donates blood on their birthday, they will receive a Blood Drop Beanie. For more information, call (806) 358-4563 or 1-800-658-6178.
- **Cerebral Palsy Foundation** is seeking families with children (birth to age 12) affected by cerebral palsy in an effort to establish a chapter in the area. CPF offers financial and emotional support as well as many free services. For more information, call 1-888-872-7966 toll-free.
- **Dialogue. The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center** will hold "Dialogue," a patient/family education support group sponsored by the cancer center and the American Cancer Society, Thursdays from noon-1 p.m. this month. For more information, call (806) 359-4673.

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Two climbers killed, several stranded by early Sierra storm

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, Calif. (AP) — A fierce early blizzard caught visitors throughout the Central Sierra off-guard, claiming the lives of two Japanese climbers in Yosemite National Park and stranding several backpackers.

As the storm began to clear

Wednesday, a helicopter crew took off and spotted the climbers dangling lifeless about two-thirds of the way up the 3,200-foot face, said park ranger Deb Schweizer.

Rangers expected to be able to retrieve the bodies Thursday.

The Japanese men were among seven people on the famous El

Capitan climbing wall when the brunt of the storm hit on Tuesday, Schweizer said. A solo climber was rescued Wednesday, while rangers reached a man and a woman but would remain with them on the face overnight, Schweizer said.

The other climbers asked for

extra supplies and were not considered in danger by rangers.

"It's very miserable conditions," Schweizer said. "It was something up here."

Elsewhere in the Sierra, rescuers pummeled by heavy snow and strong winds struggled to reach several groups of backpackers who

were caught in the fierce and persistent storm.

The blizzard raged at higher elevations through much of the day, frustrating rescuers who labored against 4-foot-deep snow and 50 mph wind gusts to reach the areas where the hikers were thought to be.

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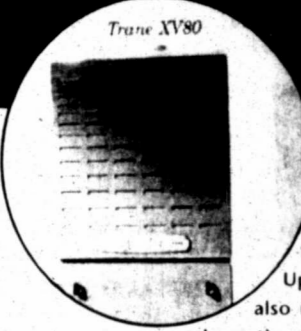
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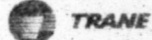
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Martha Stewart asks court to overturn 'fundamentally unfair' conviction

NEW YORK (AP) — Lawyers for Martha Stewart asked a federal appeals court to overturn her conviction for lying about a stock sale, arguing that her trial was "fundamentally unfair" because prosecutors suggested she was accused of insider trading.

In documents made public Thursday, Stewart's attorneys said prosecutors and the trial judge prevented the jury from understanding that Stewart was never charged with that crime.

"A barrage of pretrial leaks and in-court accusations left the indelible impression that she was guilty of that offense. Tarring Stewart with an uncharged, highly inflammatory crime was fundamentally unfair."

— Stewart lawyers
Court documents

stock in the biotechnology company ImClone Systems Inc. just before she sold it, and said the case was about "cheating investors in the stock market."

Stewart sold ImClone on Dec. 27, 2001, a day before a negative report that sent the price tumbling. Prosecutors said she sold because she learned that ImClone founder Sam Waksal was selling.

Waksal pleaded guilty to insider trading after prosecutors said he had advance word of the negative report — a damaging government decision about an ImClone cancer drug.

Stewart was never formally accused of having insider knowledge of the drug decision, but her lawyers argued to the appeals court that prosecutors tried to equate Waksal's conduct to Stewart's at the trial.

"All this argument and evidence was clearly designed to suggest not just that Stewart had a motive to lie, but that she had committed insider trading," Stewart's attorneys said in the appeal.

Stewart and former stockbroker Peter Bacanovic were each sentenced to five months in prison and five

months of house arrest after the jury convicted them of lying to investigators about the stock sale.

Both were allowed to remain free while they appealed. Stewart began serving her time anyway, and earlier this month reported to the minimum-security federal prison in Alderson, W.Va.

Walter Dellinger, the lawyer leading the appeal, said Thursday on NBC's "Today" that Stewart was "making the best of what's necessarily a difficult situation" in prison.

"She's got a group that's cooking," he said. "She's trying to figure out innovative ways to do microwave cooking, which is all they have in the evening to do their own cooking."

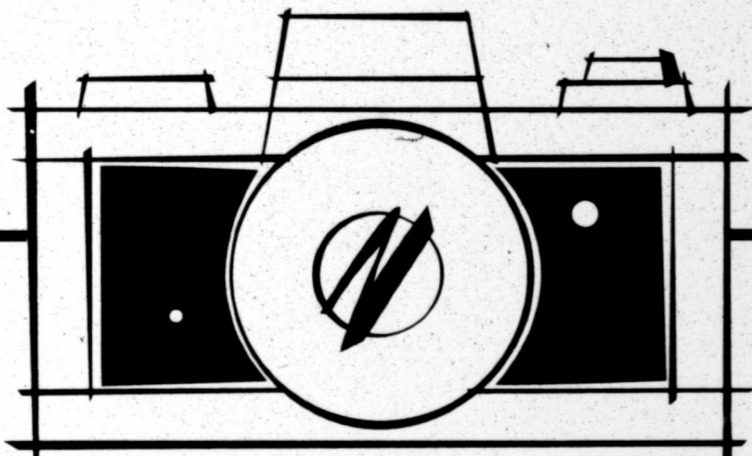
Bacanovic, who remains free on bail, also asked the appeals court Wednesday to overturn his conviction. He argued his own right to a fair trial was tainted when the judge refused to separate his case

from Stewart's.

Legal experts have said they both face an uphill battle in getting their convictions overturned.

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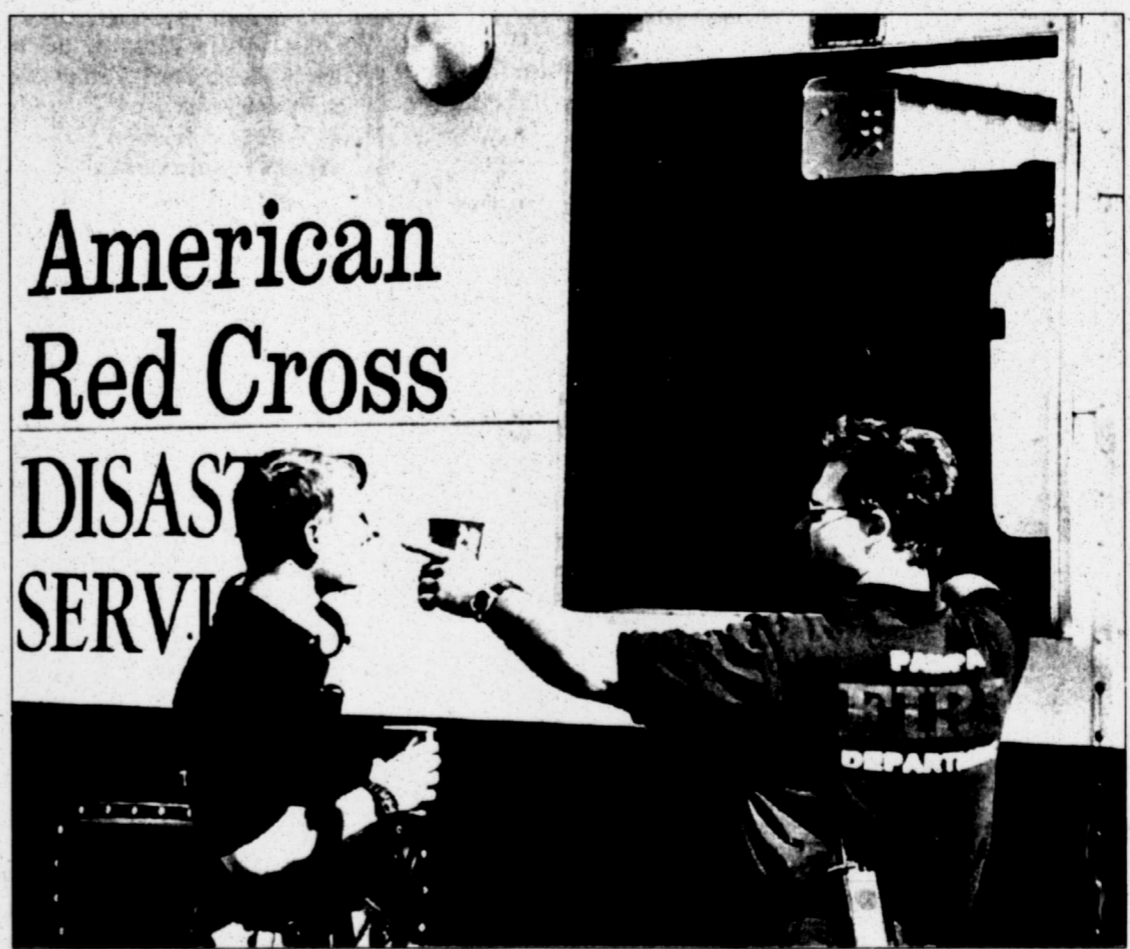


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When 'help can't wait,' local Red Cross is there

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Help can't wait. Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross responds to all types of disasters in its seven-county jurisdiction. The DAT (disaster action team) is made up of volunteers on standby 24 hours a day seven days a week.

The American Red Cross assists those who have no resources of their own to



begin their lives again. Many area families were given emergency disaster assistance in the past fiscal year often in the wee hours of the morning. Devastating fires are one of the primary causes for Red Cross volunteer response and assistance.

One elderly gentleman got out with the clothes on his back after losing everything in an apartment fire. Volunteers found him hous-

ing, bought him new clothes, helped furnish his new kitchen, found him a bed and got him new bedding.

The Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross also assists firemen who have been fighting fires all night, it is also used as an office for the victims of the fire to have a place to go at the moment as they sometimes watch their lives go up in flames.

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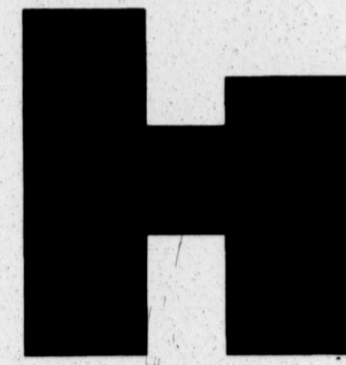
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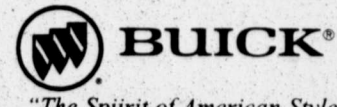
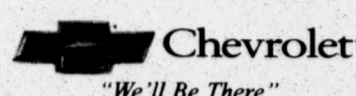
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THE PAMPA NEWS COMICS

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: How many days advance notice should you give a family member before advising him that you will be coming for a visit? My nephew, "Harry," called his brother, "Milton," at 6 p.m. on a Sunday to let him know he was planning to arrive at his home the following Tuesday afternoon for a visit. (Harry rarely talks with Milton, let alone visits him.) Harry was offended when Milton didn't seem thrilled with the idea. (Milton did not say no; he said "OK.") Milton is taking care of his wife who is recovering from surgery and may have been overwhelmed at the idea of guests.

Since the world revolves around Harry, I am sure he forgot to inquire into the state of his sister-in-law's health when he called. Now Harry is refusing to visit because of what he perceived as Milton's response.

I feel it is time for this old lady to say something to this self-centered little jerk. However, before I put in my 2 cents' worth, I need to know if 36 hours is an appropriate time frame. -- CLUELESS IN CURRY VILLAGE

DEAR CLUELESS: Harry needs to polish his social graces because he, not you, is clueless. It is never appropriate to "inform" anyone that you will be coming for a visit. The polite way to do it is to ask if a visit would be convenient, so if it is NOT convenient, the potential host has an "out."

DEAR ABBY: I experienced a random act of kindness and want to share it with you.

I was driving alone from Atlanta to a small town near Greensboro, N.C. It was raining hard, and my car hydroplaned and slid off the road.

A woman returning to work after lunch saw my car, stopped, and asked me if I was OK. I assured her that I was fine, but felt a little panicky about being so far from home. She calmed me down, helped me out of my car, and invited me to sit with her in her car until help arrived.

While the police wrote up the report and the tow truck hauled my car back onto the highway, this caring lady stood next to me in the rain, keeping me dry with her umbrella. After the police were finished, she insisted that I come to her office to catch my breath and compose myself.

She telephoned some friends who worked near my final destination (which was five miles from the scene of my accident) so that I would have somewhere to go if I ran into more trouble on the road.

Then she escorted me to a nearby car repair service where a friend of hers works, and asked him to fix the minor damage to my car. He did it immediately without charging a penny — and I was on my way within a half-hour.

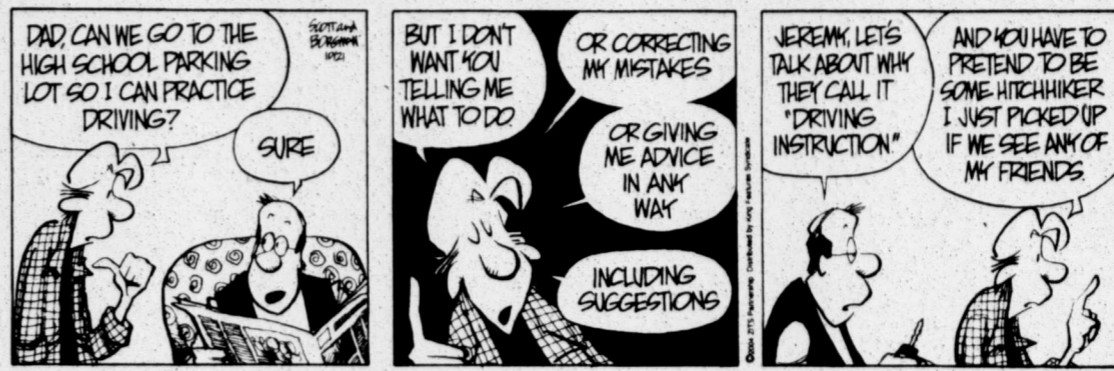
Abby, I want to express the depth of my gratitude to this woman — her name is Suzanna — for her help and concern, and to her friend, Andrew, for fixing my car. They reminded me that good Samaritans still exist in this world. I will forever be ... GRATEFUL IN GEORGIA

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Crossword Puzzle

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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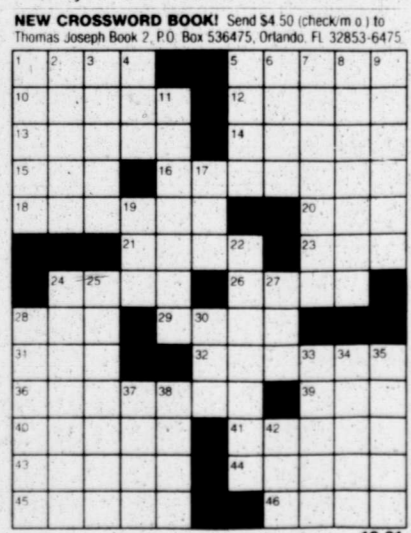
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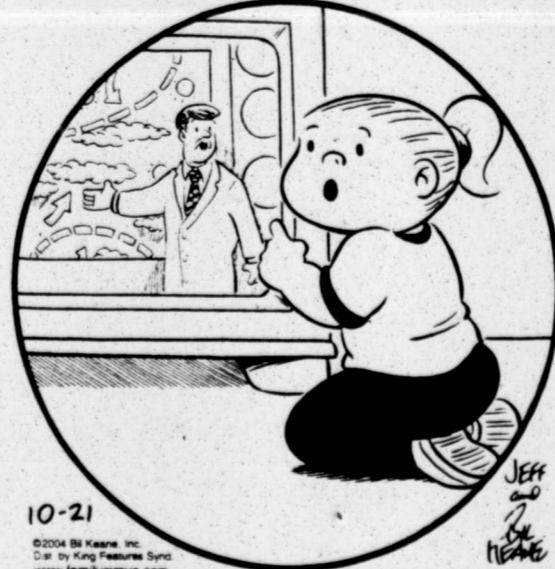
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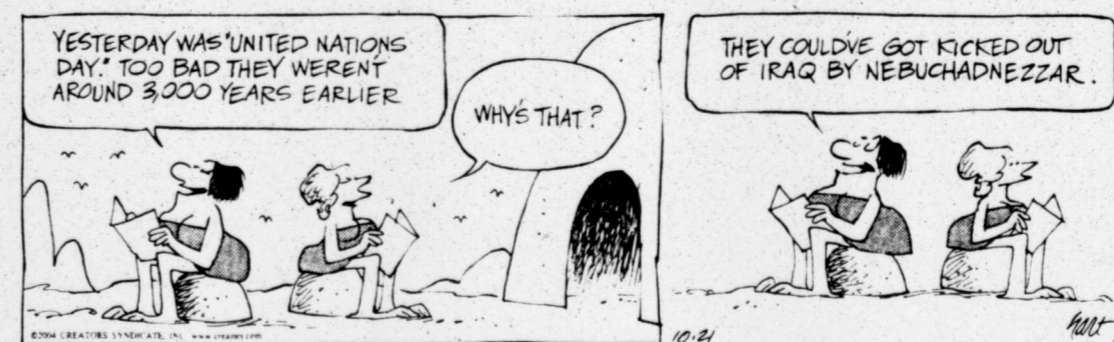
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Sports Day

Freshman at home, 7-0 JV travels to PD

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Head Coach Doughty and his Pampa High School Freshman football team will take to the home field this afternoon following a bye week last week. They will host the Amarillo High Gold team. Kick off will be at 4:30 p.m.

The Junior Varsity team faces a tough District 3-4A foe in Palo Duro on the road this afternoon as well. Coach Quisenberry and his staff will take their team to the land of the Dons with

confidence and a 7-0 record.

If you have never been to a Pampa JV game, you are missing out. It is, to say the least, intense. The coaches are into the game from the moment it starts until the final few seconds run off the clock. The players are equally intense. And now they are fighting two battles. To win the game. And to stay undefeated.

Kick off at Palo Duro is set for 4:30 this afternoon.

Senior spotlight



Pampa Senior Jeremy Pritchett is a solid performer no matter what side of the ball he is on.

Jeremy Pritchett, OL/DL

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

At 5'11", 215 pounds, Jeremy Pritchett is strength personified, no matter which side of the ball he is on. His blocks allow yards while his stops help to prevent them.

Jeremy Pritchett
Player Jersey: #67
Player Position(s): Guard/Tackle
Player Grade: 12
Player Parent(s)/Guardians(s): Doug & Christy Pritchett
School Activities/Interests: FFA, Rodeo
Player information provided by the PHS Football Booster Club.

I TOUGHT IT WAS A KID'S SPORT

Pearson resigns as PFL commissioner

It was brought to my attention yesterday that Pampa Football League Commissioner Leah Pearson resigned. I received the news in a phone call from a woman obviously upset with some things that had been taking place within the league, which is governed by the Pampa Optimist Youth Club.

It is not my place to go much further with any details, known or speculative, at this time. In addition to the caller yesterday, I spoke with a couple of POYC folks, including Ronnie Haynes, President of the POYC. I have heard his side of the story. I have not had the chance to visit with Mrs. Pearson. I would like to.

What I can share is an observation. In my conversations with those who are, in one way or another, associated with the Pampa Football League, one common theme began to ring clear. It is a problem leagues like this face year after year. And there doesn't seem to be an answer. It is people Pointing At Ridiculous Excuses Not To Support the league they have involved their children in. Did you catch the acronym? PARENTS.

It doesn't matter what the sport is. If you could take the parents out of the equation, the child would have a blast. Yet there is nothing more sobering than the look on a kid's face while mom or dad verbally abuses or even threatens another adult at a little league game or event. I have seen parents go at it physically to the point they needed to be hauled off by police. A great memory for the child, isn't it? Little Billy standing in the field looking on as dad is handcuffed and hauled off. Remember, the acorn never falls too far from the tree.

Some of what was shared with me yesterday included this scenario- A parent threatening an adult. Why?

Why did you enroll your child in the first place? To

learn? Have fun? To decide for themselves whether this sport or activity is something they want to pursue? Or did you do it because you stunk at it, could never get the hang of it, but can't come to terms with your own lack of skill or talent? And are now forcing your kid into it with the hope they will be better than you were? Living through your child is wrong.

The fee invested in the child's sport or activity does not give you Carte Blanche to make an ass of yourself. This is the misconception in sport today. We are not talking about college kids or professional players here. We are talking about third, fourth, fifth and sixth grade students. If you are one of these parents who can do nothing

more than whine and complain, stop it. Put your money where your mouth is and get involved. Affect change through action. If you can do a better job, step up to the plate and take a swing. Become an official. Ref a game. Try to make a decision that pleases everyone. But if all you can do is stir up trouble with your mouth, shut-up. Your kid will thank you for it.

It has been my experience that these parents are actually very nice people. Solid citizens. Friends. But they turn into something loud and ugly in the stands or on the side lines when they think their kid has been wronged. Bottom line- your kid may not be as good as you think. In sport, just as it is in life, there are winners and losers.

I do not know what all transpired that led to Mrs. Pearson resigning. Sure, she did some things I did not agree with. But she tried. She stepped to the plate and took a swing.

According to Haynes, the POYC board will serve as the interim commissioner for now.

I'll close with this, "It's for the kids" should be promise, not a battle cry.



Michael J. Stevens
Sports Editor

PHS prepares for Cross Country district meet

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Cross Country Coach Mark Elms and his team competed in the Canyon Cross Country Meet last Saturday. Elms says for Junior High members, it was the last meet of the season and he hopes they enjoyed the experience. He also pointed out that both the boys and girls teams improved throughout the year.

The JV and High School members still have an important meet left on the schedule. "Our next meet will be the district meet Oct. 29, 10 a.m., at the WTAMU Horse Center," said Elms. "The top three teams in the district and the top three individuals in the district will advance to regionals. This is the meet we have been training for and hope to do quite well so that we might advance on to Lubbock."

Junior High Girls

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| Faby Soria | 12:16 | 1st |
| Whitney Webster | 14:20 | 26th |
| Cindy Meza | 14:24 | 27th |
| Ariel Mercado | 15:29 | 64th |
| Amanda Hawkins | 15:45 | 77th |
| Allie Ramey | 15:45 | 78th |
| Christian Martinez | 16:43 | 100th |
| Brittany Vick | 16:43 | 101st |

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| Olivia Chairez | 16:55 | 104th |
| *The Junior High School Girls' team finished 7th in the meet. | | |

Junior High Boys

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| Norman Rogers | 13:51 | 51st |
| Jack Ware | 14:14 | 62nd |

Junior Varsity Girls

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| Amy Adams | 15:47 | 47th |
| Nicole Fernuik | 16:54 | 65th |

Varsity Girls

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| Heather Dills | 12:28 | 13th |
| Maggie Hopkins | 13:19 | 34th |
| Tamara Trevathan | 13:41 | 40th |
| Janee Norris | 15:02 | 57th |

Junior Varsity Boys

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| Wayne Parker | 18:59 | 11th |
| Chase Guyer | 21:39 | 33rd |
| Jimmy Logan | 21:41 | 34th |

Varsity Boys

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| Matt Jimenez | 17:59 | 26th |
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12th man will be important player tomorrow night

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

A lot of eyes will be focused on Pampa tomorrow night. And many of them will be here, filling the seats at Harvester Field.

Pampa hosts Palo Duro in a District 3-4A game that will see one team finish the night 3-0 and in sole possession of the district lead.

Pampa is 4-3, 2-0. Palo Duro is 5-2, 2-0 and riding a 5-game win streak. The Harvesters have won two in a row, both district wins.

The variable here could be offense. Both teams feature strong defenses. On

average, Palo Duro gives up little more than 200 yards per game. Pampa just over 240. Both teams lead the district defensively. However, offense could be key. The Dons lead the district in overall offense, but it is a slim lead at that.

If Pampa can control the ball, chew up the clock and put points on the board, they will make it a tough night for Palo Duro. The Harvester defenders will need to keep everything short and not let plays get behind them. Special teams

will also factor in to this game.

Palo Duro will bring its share of fans. Which will make the Harvester 12th man one of the most important players in the stadium tomorrow night. Kick off will be at 7:30 p.m.

Harvester Lanes league standings

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

After five weeks, Nolte Electric sits atop the Harvester Combo League leader board at Harvester Lanes. Belinda and Steve Nolte; Bonita and Randy Skovbo make up Nolte Electric, which carries a Team Average of 671 and a Team Handicap of 151.

The top teams as of Oct. 8 are:

Harvester Combo

- 1- Nolte Electric
- 2- Team 5
- 3- Red's Pro Shop
- 4- Team 13
- 5- Team 10
- 6- A-1 Concrete
- 7- Onie's Regulars
- 8- Blackgold Restaurant
- 9- Wolf Pack
- 10- Team 3
- 11- Team 8

- 12- Long Hindies
- 13- Mike's Plumbing
- 14- BYE

LoneStar

- 1- Harvester Cafe
- 2- Pampa Transmission
- 3- The Carpentry Company
- 4- Whitehead Cattle Co.
- 5- Texas Bailbonds
- 6- Now And Then
- 7- Gutter Busters
- 8- BYE

Wednesday Night Mixed

- 1- Heard-Jones
- 2- Travelers
- 3- Team 4
- 4- One Stop Flooring
- 5- Team 3
- 6- The Woodpecker Shop
- 7- Beta Tax
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★★★★ Clearly, you cannot get your two cents in. Let others run with the ball. You will like watching and not being responsible. You could learn a whole new approach. Trust a close associate. He or she will come through for you. Tonight: Be with your closest loved one.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★★ You could reverse plans left and right. Be whimsical, but get your work done. If you must, make one or two personal calls to set up your weekend. Respond to calls. You might take some work home and leave early. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ The ball tumbles into your hands. Be responsible and get the job done. Some of you might be considering a home office. Return calls and schedule a meeting for next week. Touch base with those who count. Tonight: Soak or exercise stress away.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ You see humor in what others don't. Don't push your views on others; rather, understand where co-workers and friends are coming from. Emphasize financial security in the next few weeks. Don't risk what you don't have. Tonight: Lead the parade. Get into the weekend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ You feel a change in your energy as the Sun slides into your sign today. Work on optimism and seeing the glass half-full. Sometimes you even get a bit stern or negative. Discuss a domestic change. Tonight: Head home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★★ Your words and attitude have an impact. To many, you have reversed your stand. Actually, you are transforming and changing. Hence, you make different choices. Allow someone in closer. Share more of yourself. Tonight: Where your pals are.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Know when to lie low. You might need to reorient your thinking, as quite apparently you are barking up the wrong tree. You don't need to announce to others what you are about to change. A meeting turns into a Friday-afternoon get-together. Tonight: You are the party!

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★★★★★ You feel that you are on a roll, but you might have a hard time getting others to join in. Friends change plans at the last minute. Meetings at work could be rescheduled. Float out the door, but head home first. Tonight: Home is where the action is.

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★★★ Take your time making a decision. A boss pushes you. Do what you must to maintain the peace, even though you might want to do otherwise. Take an overview and refuse to get into office politics. Consider taking a class to change your work status. Tonight: Cocoon.

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US Army Reservist sentenced for Abu Ghraib abuse

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — The highest ranking soldier charged in the Abu Ghraib prison scandal was sentenced to eight years in prison for abusing inmates at Abu Ghraib during a court martial Thursday in Baghdad.

Staff Sgt. Ivan "Chip" Frederick, 38, an Army reservist from Buckingham, Va., was also given a reduction in rank, forfeiture of pay and a dishonorable discharge. The sentencing came a day after he pleaded guilty Wednesday to eight counts of abusing and humiliating Iraqi detainees.

It was the longest prison sentence yet in connection with the scandal that broke worldwide in April with the publication of photos and video that showed U.S. soldiers abusing naked Iraqis in

the prison on the western outskirts of Baghdad.

Frederick acknowledged his part in the scandal, admitting that he hooked up wires on hook wires on the hands of a detainee who was told he would be electrocuted if he fell off a box and that he forced prisoners to masturbate.

Frederick also blamed his chain of command, telling the court Wednesday that military intelligence officers ordered prisoners to be publicly stripped and degraded.

He testified that he was given no training or support in supervising detainees and only learned of regulations against mistreatment after the abuses occurred between October and December last year. He said that when he brought issues up with his

commanders, "they told me to do what MI told me to do," referring to military intelligence.

Defense Counsel Gary Myers on Thursday called the sentence "excessive" and said he would seek a reduction.

"Punish him yes. But please try to understand the defense's point of view that there is corporate responsibility,"

Myers said. "We discovered that he has no abhorrent tendencies."

Army Prosecutor Major Michael Holley told the court it was a simple case of right and wrong.

"He's an adult and capable of telling, as we learned, the difference between right and wrong. How much training do you need to learn that it's wrong to force a man to

masturbate?" he said.

"I was wrong about what I did and I shouldn't have done it," Frederick told the judge, Army Col. James Pohl. "I knew it was wrong at the time because I knew it was a form of abuse."

He pleaded guilty to eight counts of conspiracy, dereliction of duty, maltreatment of detainees, assault and committing an indecent act.

Frederick is one of seven members of the Cresaptown, Md.-based 372nd Military Police Company charged in the scandal. One, Spc. Jeremy C. Sivits of Hyndman, Pa., is serving a

one-year sentence after pleading guilty, in May to three counts.

Spc. Armin Cruz, 24, a military intelligence soldier, was sentenced last month to eight months of confinement, reduction in rank to private, and a bad conduct discharge for his part in the scandal.

A report this year by Army Maj. Gen. Antonio Taguba said using MPs to break down prisoners may have been a technique imported from the Guantanamo Bay prison and possibly detention centers in Afghanistan used to hold suspected terrorists.

'I was wrong about what I did and I shouldn't have done it.'

—Staff Sgt. Ivan "Chip" Frederick

Prince Harry scuffles with photographer outside nightclub

LONDON (AP) — Britain's Prince Harry was hit in the face with a camera during a scuffle with a photographer outside a London nightclub early Thursday, a royal official said. The photographer said Harry struck him without provocation.

The prince cut a photographer's lip after pushing a camera away during the incident outside the Pangaea club at about 3 a.m., according to Clarence House, the office of Harry's father, Prince Charles.

'He lashed out and then deliberately pushed my camera into my face.'

— Chris Uncle
Injured photographer

"Prince Harry was hit in the face by a camera as photographers crowded around him as he was getting into a car," a spokesman said on customary condition of anonymity. "In pushing the camera away, it's understood that a photographer's lip was cut."

The younger son of Prince Charles and the late Princess Diana, 20-year-old Harry is third in line to the throne.

He is often depicted in the press as the wilder of Diana's sons, in comparison with his university student brother, Prince William, 22.

The photographer, Chris Uncle, said he had done

nothing to provoke Harry.

"Prince Harry looked like he was inside the car and we were all still taking pictures," London's Evening Standard newspaper quoted the 24-year-old photographer as saying. "Then suddenly he burst out (of) the car and lunged towards me as I was still taking pictures. He lashed out and then deliberately pushed my camera into my face."

"The base of the camera struck me and cut my bottom lip," Uncle said. "At the same time, he was repeatedly saying 'Why are you doing this? Why don't you just leave me alone?'"

Uncle said he had reported the scuffle to police and was considering filing a formal complaint. Police said they were aware of the incident but had received no complaint.

Big Pictures, the agency for which Uncle works, declined to comment.

James Taylor, 18, another photographer outside the club, told the Standard it looked like Harry had been pushed and hit his head as he got into the car, and then "he literally lunged at this photographer," shouting and swearing as bouncers and bodyguards held him back.

"I've covered Harry before and never seen him like this," Taylor said.

Pictures of the scuffle, showing Harry lashing out at the photographer and grabbing his camera. Other photos showed the young prince looking angry as another man held him back and then sitting in a car with his head in his hands.

Explosion in Chinese coal mine kills 60

BEIJING (AP) — A gas blast tore through a Chinese coal mine, killing at least 60 people in the country's deadliest mine accident this year, the government said Thursday. Officials reported that another 88 were missing and chances of finding them alive were slim.

Some 446 people were at work in the Daping Mine southwest of Beijing at the time of the explosion and 298 escaped alive, said Sun Huashan, deputy administrator of the State Administration of Work Safety.

The official Xinhua News Agency said the explosion occurred Wednesday night in Henan province. The agency cited local officials saying 60 miners were confirmed dead and more than 1,000 rescuers was searching for 88 others.

Xinhua said most of the miners whose bodies had been found so far died of

suffocation in the toxic fumes.

"The chances of the workers surviving are rather slim," Sun said at a news conference in Beijing.

State television said the gas density in the mine shot up from 2 percent to 40 percent in less than three minutes.

The cause of the accident was under investigation, said an official reached by telephone at the Henan Province Coal Mine Safety Inspection Bureau. He refused to give his name.

The state-owned Daping Mine employs 4,100 people and is located in the Songshan Mountains, about 25 miles southwest of the major industrial city of Zhengzhou.

Bodies of the dead were laid out at the mine offices under green canvas tarps for identification, Xinhua said. It said 20 injured miners were hospitalized.

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