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Firefighters

fight truck fire

He then asked for the next vol-

unteer crews to bring two water

tankers and set up a portable tank

on the shoulder so they could

About a half hour later, Mc-Lemore reported the fire mostly

out, though the truck's tires con-

"When those rubber tires get in-

volved, they put off a lot of heat,"

McLemore said. "You can use a

The chief said the firemen used

about 2,000 gallons of water, go-

ing through the tank on the pump-

er, the entire 1,500 gallon load in

the first tanker and some from the

Traffic was allowed to resume

at about 9:30 p.m. McLemore said

the law enforcement officers had

done a good job getting firefight-

ers a safe work area, but he heard

traffic was backed up to the Le-

McLemore said the truck,

owned by a firm out of Missouri,

will probably be a total loss. There

was heavy smoke and water dam-

age to cab. He said, the fire likely

started in the rear breaks and then

spread to the trailer.

vant exit, about six miles west.

on Interstate

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shuttle water to the fire.

tinued to reignite.

lot of water.'

second tanker.

partment of Aging said state and federal

rules require evaluation of nursing homes

or in no less than a 15-month period unless

there is a valid complaint and then we can

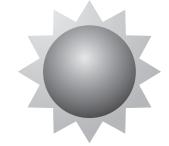
go in and do another one, she said. This fa-

cility is designated as a 'special focus fa-

"Surveys must be conducted annually,

to meet health and safety standards.

Weather Corner



National Weather Service Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 39. South wind around 10 mph becoming northwest

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 71. North wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 39. North wind around 5 mph.

Sunday: Partly sunny, with a high near 65. North wind around 5 mph.

Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers after midnight. Cloudy, with a low around

Monday: A 30 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 55.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 29

Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 58

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 32.

Veterans Day: Sunny, with a high near 62.

Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 32. Thursday: Mostly sunny, with

a high near 59. Thursday: High, 73; Low 38 Precip: Thursday 0.00 inches Month: 0.00 inches 25.19 inches Year: 19.95 inches Normal: (K-State Experiment Station) Sunrise and Sunset Saturdav 7:19 a.m. 5:36 p.m. 7:20 a.m. 5:35 p.m. Sunday

7:22 a.m. 5:34 p.m. Monday (U.S. Naval Observatory)

Groups forecast lower tax revenue for Kansas

TOPEKA (AP) - A group of economists and policy-makers over in the current fiscal year," slashed Kansas tax collection es- said Alan Conroy, director of the timates Thursday by \$235 mil- Kansas Legislative Research Delion, reflecting signs of continued partment and member of the estiweakness in the state economy.

The new forecast for the reyear through next June 30 means Kansas government will have 4.2 percent fewer tax dollars to fi- take whatever steps are necessary the shooting at the Soldier Readinance services, including public education, than previously estimated in April. Kansas began its son said in a statement. "That is a fiscal year July 1. That means Democratic Gov. Mark Parkinson and legislators will have to trim as much as \$460 million from the budget approved ties to act "like civil adults" and earlier this year to break even. The work together to solve the budget. Kansas Constitution prohibits the He gave no time frame for anstate from ending a year in debt. nouncing his reductions.

"The recession in Kansas is not mating group.

Parkinson issued a statement,

Colby nursing home under fire from state agency veyors go in there two times a year. It will the survey is a public document." stay as a 'special focus facility' until there are two consecutive surveys which indicate they are in compliance."

She said it is not a procedure her department takes lightly.

"A third visit must be approved by the Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services, which is an arm of the federal government," she said. The residents are our cility,' which means it has issues. Our sur- utmost concern, and people need to know and termination occurs, the Medicaid Pro- 6154.

According to a revised public notice, issued today, if the Care Center does not achieve substantial compliance at the close of business Nov. 29, the nursing home, as a provider of skilled nursing services in the Medicaid Program will be terminated if substantial compliance is not achieved by the close of business Nov. 29, 2009.

If substantial compliance is not achieved Department of Public Affairs, at 785-296-

gram will continue payments for Medicaid residents currently living in the facility through December 29, 2009 to allow for an orderly relocation of residents.

If families need help, an Ombudsman on Long Term Care can be reached by calling 785-296-3017 to make sure there is a voice for the residents

Questions can also be directed to the

'Moving day' means different things



Why build a house when you can move one? Ashley and Chris John Deere building to scout out a good route. The Shermans Sherman's house came through Colby on Tuesday on its way were not on hand to witness this delivery, however, as they

KEVIN BOTTRELL/Colby Free Press

to their property north of town. The drivers stopped at the old were in Hays for another delivery, a newborn son, Corbin.

Army psychiatrist kills 12 at Fort Hood

FORT HOOD, Texas (AP) -An Army psychiatrist set to be shipped overseas opened fire at the Fort Hood Army post Thursday, authorities said, a rampage that killed 12 people and left 31 wounded in the worst mass shooting ever at a military base in the United States.

The gunman, first said to have been killed, was wounded but alive in a hospital under military guard, said Lt. Gen. Bob Cone at Fort Hood. He was shot four times, and was on a ventilator and unconscious, according to military officials. "I would say his death is not imminent," Cone said.

The man was identified as Maj. mainder of the state's 2010 fiscal calling the forecast a challenge, Nidal Malik Hasan, a 39-year-old

uniforms into makeshift bandages. Officials have not ruled out the possibility that some casualties may have been victims of "friendly fire," shot by authorities amid the mayhem and confusion at the scene, said a senior U.S. official who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss matters that were under investigation.

Hasan had transferred to Fort Hood in July from Walter Reed Medical Center, where he received a poor performance evaluation, according to an official who spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to discuss the case publicly.

Soldiers rushed to treat their in- a mosque Hasan attended in Sil- nep heard three volleys of gunfire jured colleagues by ripping their ver Spring, Md., said he spoke often with Hasan about how Hasan wanted to find a wife. Hasan was a lifelong Muslim and attended prayers regularly, often in his Army uniform, Khan said.

The shooter used two pistols, one of them semiautomatic. Neither were military-issued, Danner said.

Video from the scene showed police patrolling the area with handguns and rifles, ducking behind buildings for cover. Sirens could be heard wailing while a woman's voice on a public-address system urged people to take cover.

"I was confused and just

and saw people running.

"There was a burst of shots and more bursts of shots and people running everywhere," said Schannep, who works for local Congressman John Carter.

The uniformed man who had warned him ran to the theater. Schannep said he could see the man's back was bloodied from a wound. The man survived, was treated and will be fine, Schannep said.

Cone said initially three people were held, and all have been interviewed. Authorities believe, however, that there was a single shooter.

Around the country, some bases stepped up security precautions. but no others were locked down. Covering 339 square miles, Fort Hood is the largest active duty armored post in the United States. Home to about 52,000 troops as of earlier this year, it is located halfway between Austin and Waco. The Soldier Readiness Center holds hundreds of people and is

but manageable.

"In the coming weeks, I will to balance the 2010 budget before the Legislature returns," Parkinpromise I have made, and it is a promise I will keep.'

He said all he asked in return was for legislators from both par-

from Virginia.

President Barack Obama called ness Center, where soldiers who are about to be deployed or who are returning undergo medical screening, "a horrific outburst of violence.'

"It's difficult enough when we lose these brave Americans in battles overseas," the commander in chief said. "It is horrifying that they should come under fire at an Army base on American soil."

told her that Hasan was about to deploy overseas. Retired Col. Terry Lee, who said he had worked with Hasan, told Fox News he was being sent to Afghanistan.

Lee said Hasan had hoped Obama would pull troops out of Afghanistan and Iraq and got into frequent arguments with others in the military who supported the wars.

Faizul Khan, a former imam at

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R- shocked," said Spc. Jerry Richard, Texas, said generals at Fort Hood 27, who works at the center but was not on duty during the shooting. "Overseas you are ready for it. But here you can't even defend yourself."

> Soldiers at Fort Hood don't carry weapons unless they are doing training exercises.

The Rev. Greg Schannep was about to head into a graduation one of the most populated parts ceremony when a man in uniform of the base, said Steve Moore, a approached him, warning him that spokesman for III Corps at Fort someone had opened fire. Schan- Hood.

K-State fraternities ban hard alcohol

MANHATTAN (AP) - Fraternities at Kansas State University have agreed to a ban on hard liquor cision. The council and its members are self-governbeginning next year.

The ban was approved this week by the university's Intrafraternity Council. It takes effect Jan. 1, when beer will be the only alcoholic beverage allowed in the fraternities.

The council's vote was 15-7, with one fraternity placed that house on probation for two years. abstaining.

Kansas State administrators had no role in the deing.

Council president Brandon Harder says the rule was being considered before September's hospitalization of a freshman who drank a large amount of alcohol at an off-campus fraternity. The council



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