

# Daughter gives insights into life

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Richard Nixon, Julie said, she remembers talking to Mamie Eisenhower about her husband, President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

"Mamie was worried that the fame Ike experienced after his return to the U.S. after World War II would change him," she said, "but it didn't.

Mamie said that Ike was still the same 'man from Abilene (Kan.).' 'Ike belonged to the world,' Mamie lamented, 'he didn't belong to me anymore.'"

Julie recalled her mother, First Lady Pat Nixon, doing laundry in the kitchen sink at the White House after her father was elected president.

"I asked my mother why she was washing clothes in the sink," Julie said. "She told me, 'When you become dependent on others, you soon become ugly.' That's the way my mother was."

She said she was 'only somewhat spoiled as a child.'

"I decided to design needlework as a way to raise funds for decorating the White House," she said. "At that time,



Julie Nixon Eisenhower talked with students at Colby Community College during a campus tour Wednesday. She and her husband, David Eisenhower, grandson of President Dwight D. Eisenhower, spoke at the college.

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there was no budget for doing that.

"A photographer came to take pictures for a magazine. They posed me

under a portrait of President Lincoln, and for some reason I looked really bad in the photos.

Rather than telling me that I looked bad, the photographer called back and said that they would have to reshoot the pictures, because in the photos, President Lincoln looked bad."

She finished with a memory involv-

ing her husband David, the grandson of President Eisenhower.

"I remember pulling back rugs all over the White House and finding notes that David had left. They said, 'I shall return.'"

# Secret Service agents missed most by grandson

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erate' Kuwait. President Eisenhower saw that this was just the first of Iraq's planned conquests, and ordered the Marines to prepare to intervene.

Eisenhower said his grandfather left office when he was a teen-ager and the thing he missed most about being in the White House was the Secret Service agents. They had been his buddies and playmates as well as protectors.

In the fall of 1960, he was invited to attend a World Series game in New York, and 11 of the 12 agents assigned to the White House volunteered.

"What dedication!" he said.

Eisenhower said his first experience with politics was when he was elected secretary/treasurer of the Young Democrats, in absentia, at the instigation of his prep school roommate, who later served four terms as a congressman from Iowa, and incidentally, can be seen as 'Gopher' on *The Love Boat*.

Eisenhower said his grandfather told him, "Politics is a serious business...It is the people's business...Business and politics coincide, and all must take part."

In the fall of 1966, Eisenhower said,

he went off to Amherst College. Julie Nixon was attending Smith College, only seven miles away. People told him he should call on her, but he resisted. Finally on the urging of his grandmother, Mamie Eisenhower, he decided to call on Julie and decided he liked her. Later they married.

Eisenhower said a president can be judged by how well he performs his mission, that is, whatever the main priority before the country is at the time. But success in performing a mission does not make a presidency a success, he said, or ensure re-election.

He said his grandfather, who had been supreme commander of the Allied Forces in Europe in World War II, became president in 1952 because he was a hero, hugely popular, and qualified to address the issue of the time, which was the schism between the allies after the war.

Most of Europe and the United States were lined up against Soviet Russia and China. President Eisenhower knew the Russians and had worked with them in the war. He was able to defuse the Cold War and open negotiations with China, and won re-election in 1956.

# Candidate thinks accounting experience a plus for job

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at Crazy R's, where she met city and county leaders and voters.

Jenkins said she plans to visit Bird City, St. Francis, Sharon Springs, Colby and other northwest Kansas towns this week.

The Holton native said the campaign trail will take her across the entire state before the primary election on Aug. 6.

While no one has filed, Jenkins' opposition could include Republicans Rita Cline, Shawnee County treasurer, and Dennis Wilson, Johnson County treasurer.

Democrat Carmen Alldritt, the Harper County treasurer, has decided not to run and no other Democrats have announced their intentions.

Republican Tim Shallenburger, the current state treasurer, is running for governor.

Jenkins said the first question most people ask her is, "What does the state treasurer do?"

She said they're usually surprised to hear the position has nothing to do with making laws — what she does as a senator — or collecting tax money. Jenkins said the treasurer's job is to take care of whatever money the state has and invest it to make more money.

When it comes to the treasurer's race, she said, voters should ask them-

selves which candidate is most qualified and trustworthy.

With her accounting experience and years of public service, she said, she's that person. She noted that none of the other candidates is a certified public accountant.

Jenkins said the next thing people want to know is why she would want to give up her job as a senator. That's easy to answer, she said: "My first love is accounting."

Jenkins said there are no easy solutions to the budget problems the Legislature is facing this year.

Officials estimate Kansas will bring in \$700 million less next year than it planned to spend.

The senator said she favors a combination of budget cuts and tax increases to balance the budget.

A joint conference committee is working out a solution, and she said lawmakers will have to compromise.

When a plan is devised, Jenkins said, she'll scour it thoroughly and ask herself, "Can I live with this?"

Jenkins said she first decided to run for office because she was frustrated with state government.

"It's my parents' fault," she said. "They raised me to understand that it's not OK to complain unless you're willing to get involved and make a difference."

# Discussions between Bush and Saudi crown prince likely to be tense

WACO, Texas (AP) — Officially, President Bush and Saudi Crown Prince Abdullah are meeting to advance the Mideast peace process. But a growing number of conflicts, and Bush's strong support for Israel, threaten to overshadow the talks at the president's ranch.

It was Abdullah who gave momentum earlier this year to an initiative meant to quell Mideast violence by offering peace and full recognition to Israel in exchange for the territory Jordan and Syria lost in the 1967 war.

But the crown prince was delivering a warning to Bush that America's backing of Israel was damaging prospects for peace.

Arab leaders said the discussions could determine the Arabs' next moves. The meeting is "important, revealing of American stances, and will clarify a lot of issues and will be the basis for the Arabs' future steps," Egypt's foreign minister, Ahmed Maher, said today in Cairo.

Abdullah's plan also includes the creation of a Palestinian state, for which Bush has voiced support. Also

under review is an international conference on Mideast peacemaking. Bush so far has been noncommittal.

"The main advice will be that America must be engaged, America must restrain (Israeli Prime Minister Ariel) Sharon, America must put the peace process back in its proper track because American interests and American credibility and the credibility and interests of Americas' friends and allies in the region are suffering tremendously as a consequence," Adel Al-Jubeir, the crown prince's foreign policy adviser, said this week on NBC-TV's "Meet the Press."

Specifically, Abdullah in his meeting today with Bush was expected to urge the president to pressure Israel to free Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat from virtual house arrest.

In a fresh reminder of the tension, more than 100 Saudi intellectuals said over the weekend that the American role in the Israeli military operation against the Palestinians was "shameful" and that the "Israeli massacres do not differ in shape or form from what the Nazis did."

Throwing Bush's words back at him, they said: "We consider the United States and the current American administration the nurturer of international terrorism with distinction and it, along with Israel, form the axis of terrorism and evil in the world."

Saudi Arabia's foreign minister, Prince Saud al-Faisal, said the intellectuals tapped into a prevailing view in his country. "It reflects the frustration that exists there," he said Wednesday on "The CBS Evening News."

The foreign minister ridiculed Bush's description of Sharon as "a man of peace."

"Ariel Sharon a man of peace?" the prince said. "I don't even think Ariel Sharon believes that."

Responding to Bush's demand that Arab countries condemn Palestinian suicide bombings, al-Faisal in an interview with the Arab daily al-Hayat said: "Nobody favors killing the innocent from here or there." But the Saudi foreign minister added: "How could anybody condemn a person who lost hope in life because of humiliations and circumstances imposed on him by an oc-

cupier? There is a difference between a terrorist attack like what took place on Sept. 11, and a suicide operation by a male or female youth (for) who all means of decent life have been blocked."

White House aides said Bush hoped to address not only the Israel-Palestinian crisis and the next phase of the war on terrorism, including what to do about Iraq, but broader economic and trade issues as well.

The meeting comes at a troubled time in the 70-year friendship between the United States and the oil-rich desert kingdom.

Osama bin Laden and 15 of the 19 alleged Sept. 11 hijackers have Saudi roots. The kingdom's initial indifference to the U.S.-led war on terrorism and its financial support for Islamic militants also have soured relations.

And a recent Saudi sponsorship of a telethon to help relatives of Palestinian "martyrs" is also likely to come up.

Secretary of State Colin Powell told

a Senate panel Wednesday there were indications that some of the \$100 million collected may have gone to elements of the Islamic militant Hamas organization.

U.S. forces used Saudi territory as a base for the 1991 Persian Gulf War. But Saudi Arabia denied use of its territory for attacks against Afghanistan — and Abdullah reportedly told Vice President Dick Cheney that the United States could not use Saudi soil for prospective future action against Iraq.

Cheney and Abdullah had dinner Wednesday night in Houston. Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld and other Bush administration officials also were expected to meet the crown prince there.

The Prince Sultan Air Base, where about 4,500 U.S. soldiers and an undisclosed number of warplanes are based in the Saudi desert, remains an important U.S. nerve center. But the administration is weighing other possible options for bases.

# Priest abuse victims skeptical of change

By Rachel Zoll

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For victims of clerical sex abuse, the communique U.S. bishops issued after their Vatican summit ended was more significant for what was not said than for what was.

There was no pledge to publicly disclose the names of Roman Catholic priests who molest children, no promise to immediately report abuse claims to law enforcement authorities and no specifics on helping victims.

"This is damage control," said Peter Isely, a Milwaukee psychotherapist who says he was molested by a priest as a teen-ager.

"They have not met with us. The pope has not met with us. He needs to hear what has been done to victims and their families. That would be acting in a Christlike way."

The American delegation an-

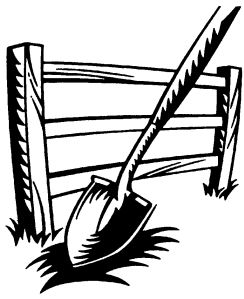
nounced Wednesday it will recommend moving more quickly to defrock any priest who has become a "serial predator" of minors, but it stopped short of a zero-tolerance policy to dismiss all abusive priests.

The church leaders also will ask the United States Conference of Catholic

Bishops at their June meeting to approve national standards in abuse cases that will be imposed on every bishop and diocese. Each diocese now acts autonomously when such cases arise.

Pope John Paul II also called sex abuse a crime, and expressed solidarity with victims and their families.

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