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**Will gov't shutdown affect local residents?**  
By [Name] [Date]

It's not yet clear how a government shutdown would affect local residents. The federal government has a long history of shutting down, and the impact on the economy and the public is often debated. Some argue that a shutdown would lead to a loss of jobs and income, while others believe that the government would eventually be forced to resume operations without significant long-term damage.

**No injuries in Okla. pipeline blast**  
By [Name] [Date]

A gas pipeline explosion in Oklahoma on Wednesday resulted in no injuries, according to local officials. The blast occurred in a residential area, and the cause is still under investigation. Firefighters worked for several hours to contain the fire and remove damaged sections of the pipeline.

**HALF CENT TO BE ON BALLOT**  
By [Name] [Date]

A city commission will allow public vote on whether to raise the local sales tax by half a cent. The proposal is part of a budget plan to address the city's financial needs. The vote will take place at a public hearing, and the final decision will be made by the city council.

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**College scholarship auction raises \$46,000**  
to be used to provide a college education to area students

**Obama Administration denies Mass to Catholics**  
Religious liberty under attack

The Obama Administration has denied a request from the Catholic Church in Massachusetts to allow religious organizations to refuse services to same-sex couples. The decision is seen as a violation of religious freedom, and has sparked widespread criticism and protests.

**18 states now selling gas for less than \$3 a gallon**  
States seeing sub \$3/gal gas

Gas prices in 18 states have fallen below \$3 per gallon, according to GasBuddy.com. This is a significant drop from previous years and is attributed to a combination of factors, including increased production and changes in market dynamics.

**Police arrest 8 House members at immigration rally**  
By [Name] [Date]

Eight members of the U.S. House of Representatives were arrested by police at an immigration rally in Arizona. The arrests occurred during a protest against the federal government's immigration policies. The House members were charged with obstructing justice and other offenses.

**Happy Birthdays, Ron Kiley!**

**Local gas prices 28 cents higher than state ave.**