

Smothered infant found in dumpster

PICAYUNE (AP) — Police believe that a newborn whose body was left in a Picayune garbage dumpster last week came from the New Orleans area.

Authorities say that the infant, whose umbilical cord was still attached, was smothered shortly after birth and wrapped in a towel. The baby, a white female, is being referred to as Baby Jane.

Picayune Police Chief Freddy Drennan said an autopsy indicated that Baby Jane probably was born Wednesday morning.

Police believe the baby may have come from the Westbank area because the plastic bag containing her body also contained pages from *The Times Picayune's* Westbank edition, a candy wrapper purchased at K&B Drugs in Gretna, La., and a wrapper from lip gloss purchased at Eckerd Drugs in Marrero, La, Drennan said.