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Case No.: F-2014-06532

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John H. Clarke, Esq. 1629 K Street, N.W., Suite 300 Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. Clarke:

In response to your request dated April 7, 2014, under the Freedom of Information Act (the "FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. Section 552, and your subsequent narrowing of the request in the Amended Complaint for Injunctive Relief, we conducted searches of the following Department of State record systems: the Central Foreign Policy Records (the principal record system of the Department of State), the files of the Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, the files of the Bureau of Diplomatic Security, the files of the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, and the files of the Office of the Executive Secretariat.

The search of the Central Foreign Policy Records is partially complete and has resulted in the retrieval of 15 documents responsive to your request. After reviewing these 15 documents we have determined that 12 may be released in full and 3 may be released in part. All released material is enclosed.

Where documents are released to you in part, all non-exempt material that is reasonably segregable from the exempt material has been released. Where we have made excisions, the applicable exemptions are marked on each document.

An enclosure provides information on FOIA exemptions and other grounds for withholding material.

We will keep you advised as your case progresses. If you have any questions, please contact Trial Attorney Megan Crowley at (202) 305-0754 or at Megan.A.Crowley@usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

John F. Hackett, Director

Office of Information Programs and Services

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The Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552)

FOIA Exemptions

- (b)(1) Information specifically authorized by an executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy. Executive Order 13526 includes the following classification categories:
 - 1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
 - 1.4(b) Foreign government information
 - 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
 - 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US, including confidential sources
 - 1.4(e) Scientific, technological, or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
 - 1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
 - 1.4(g) Vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, infrastructures, projects, plans, or protection services relating to US national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
 - 1.4(h) Weapons of mass destruction
- (b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency
- (b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example:

ARMSEXP	Arms Export Control Act, 50a USC 2411(c)
CIA PERS/ORG	Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 USC 403(g)
EXPORT CONTROL	Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 USC App. Sec. 2411(c)
FS ACT	Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4004
INA	Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f), Sec. 222(f)
IRAN	Iran Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 99-99, Sec. 505

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- (b)(6) Personal privacy information
- (b)(7) Law enforcement information whose disclosure would:
 - (A) interfere with enforcement proceedings
 - (B) deprive a person of a fair trial
 - (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
 - (D) disclose confidential sources
 - (E) disclose investigation techniques
 - (F) endanger life or physical safety of an individual
- (b)(8) Prepared by or for a government agency regulating or supervising financial institutions
- (b)(9) Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

Other Grounds for Withholding

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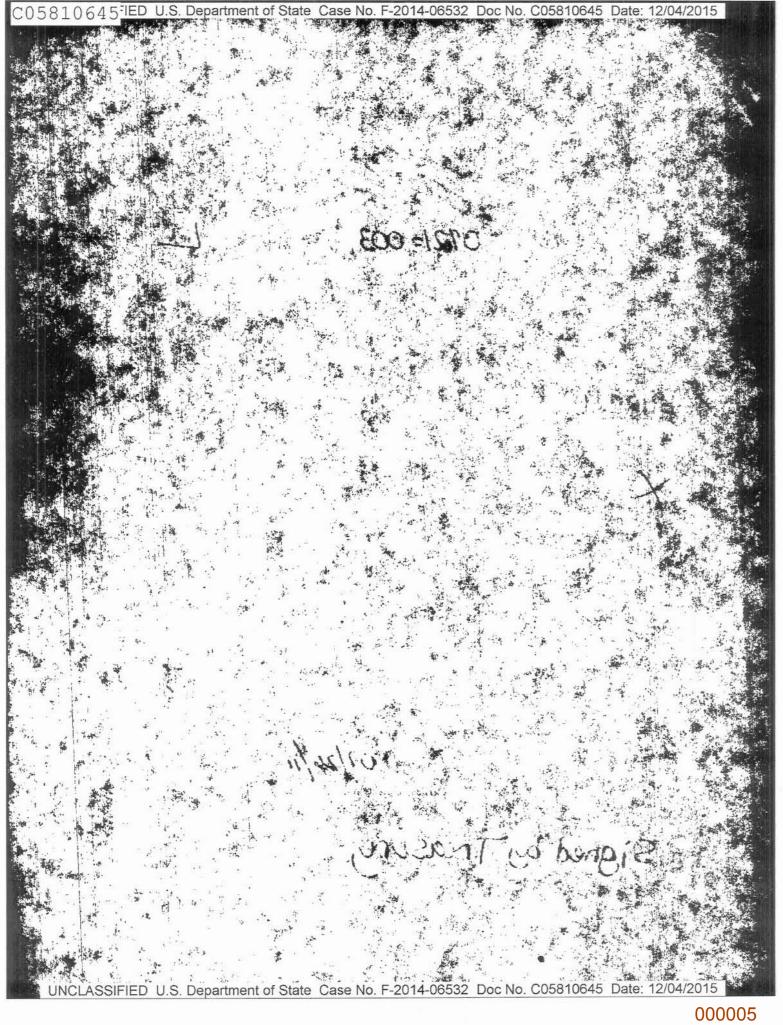
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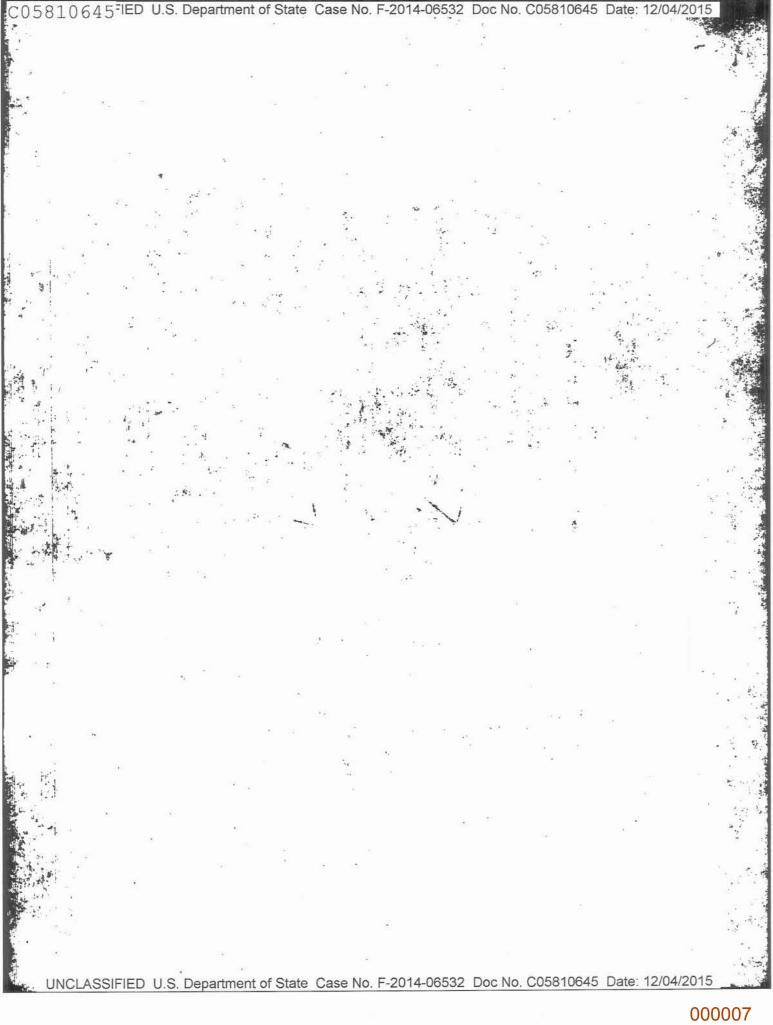
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Signed by Treasury



PROM: Joseph E. Macmanus (H) Recommendation For the Secretary's



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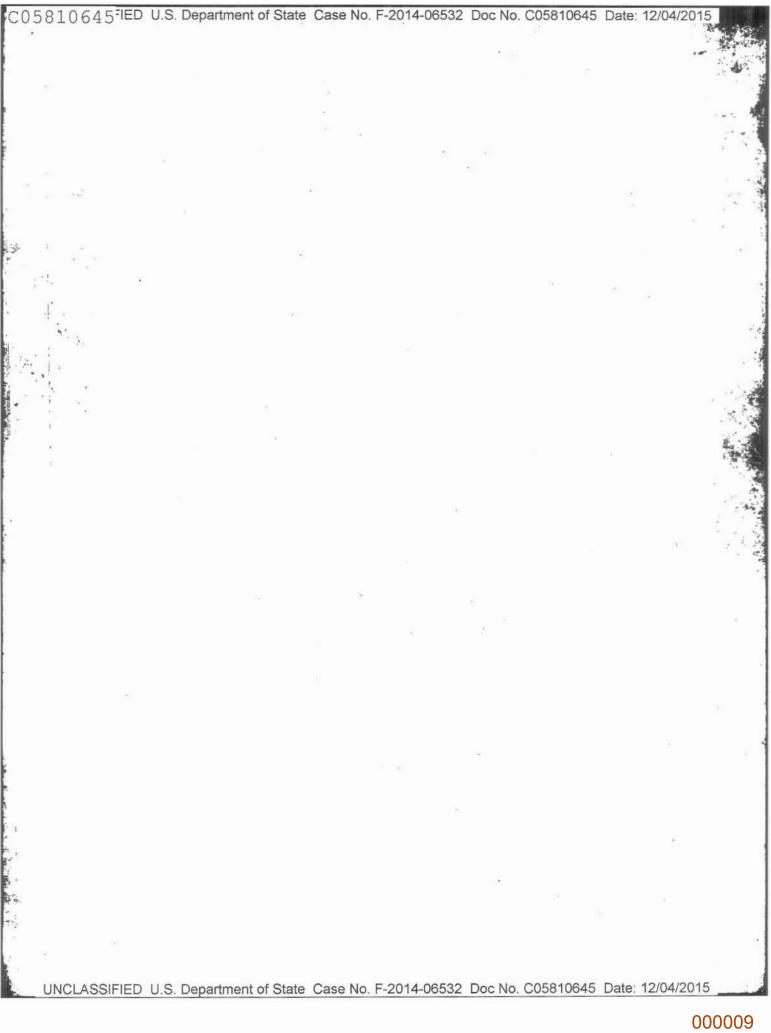


Dear Secretary Geithner and Secretary Clinton:

I write to request the legal justification that will be invoked to allow the Administration to go beyond seizing Libyan assets to vesting and redistributing them. In accordance with the basic principle of self-determination, the seized assets must be controlled by the people of Libya, not by the U.S. government.

The Administration's stated intent is to turn over roughly \$37 billion of assets to the Transitional National Council (TNC). However, in a June 13 response to a previous letter I sent on May 6, 2011, regarding the freezing of Libyan assets pursuant to Executive Order 13566 (E.O. 13566), the Department of Treasury stated that "The Administration has proposed to Congress draft legislation that would authorize the President to vest assets frozen under E.O. 13566 to be used for costs related to providing humanitarian relief to and for the benefit of the Libyan people. The Administration is concurrently evaluating various methods for disbursing potentially vested funds that would ensure robust oversight while providing humanitarian relief to the Libyan people."

The Administration's intent to take effective possession of and redistribute the assets without passage of the authorizing legislation it requested raises questions about a potentially illegal conversion of funds. It would also violate the right of the sovereign people of Libya to decide how they will use the frozen assets since they have yet to formally recognize the TNC as the governing body of Libya. I hope that the Administration does not intend to try to circumvent Congress by creating the impression that the TNC is now the formal representative of the people



of Libya. Though the U.S. has recognized the TNC as the governing body of Libya, the people of Libya have not. Neither Libya nor the Congress of the United States has authorized the transfer of these assets.

There is also a real possibility that the assets will be used not for the humanitarian purposes for which they are intended but for instruments of war. According to *The New York Times*, American officials explained that "about \$3.5 million of the sum is liquid...and could be provided to the Transitional National Council over time. Although the officials expressed hope that the newly recognized Transitional National Council would use the money for traditional public services — to pay for health care and electrical power, for example — one of the council's immediate priorities is arming and training its fighters so they can finally defeat the forces loyal to Colonel Qaddafi."

I ask that the Department of Treasury and the Department of State provide an explanation of the legal authority it will be using to vest and redistribute the Libyan assets following the recent announcement the U.S. Government intends to provide the TNC with access to the assets in its jurisdiction.

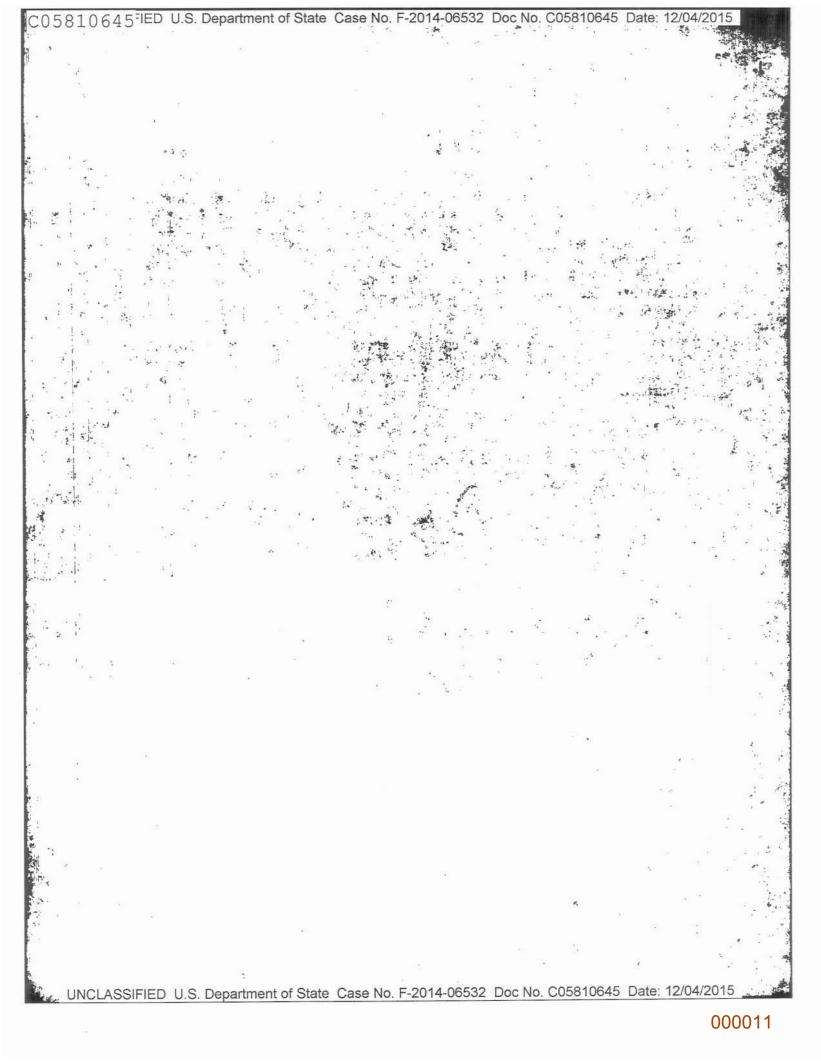
I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Dennis J. Kucinich Member of Congress

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REVIEW AUTHORITY: Archie Bolster, Senior Reviewer

Dear Mr. Kucinich:

Thank you for your July 20 letter concerning the use of frozen Government of Libya assets.

We wholeheartedly agree that it is important to ensure full accountability for Libyan assets under U.S. jurisdiction that are disbursed to the Transitional National Council (TNC). Additionally, any disbursement of funds for the Libyan people must be consistent with UN sanctions imposed under UN Security Council Resolutions 1970 and 1973. In connection with our July 15 recognition of the TNC as the legitimate governing authority of Libya, the TNC has provided us important assurances that give us the confidence that they are the appropriate interlocutor for the United States in dealing with Libya's present and addressing Libya's future. Among those assurances, the TNC committed to uphold Libya's international obligations and to disburse funds it controls in a transparent and verifiable manner to provide humanitarian and essential services and address the needs of the Libyan people.

We expect the TNC to honor its commitments and we will closely monitor how the funds are used. To this end, we will also work very closely with our international partners. We look forward to discussing the use of frozen assets with you and other Members of Congress.

We hope this information is useful. Please do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of further assistance on this or any other matter.

Sincerely,

David S. Adams

Assistant Secretary

Legislative Affairs

The Honorable

Dennis J. Kucinich,

House of Representatives.

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The Honorable Hillary Clinton Secretary Department of State 2201 C Street, NW Washington, DC 20520 0 A II: 08

Dear Secretary Geithner and Secretary Clinton:

In light of the United States' recent recognition of the Transitional National Council (TNC) as the interim government of Libya, I ask that the Department of Treasury and Department of State provide Congress with a transparent, complete and thorough accounting of the distribution of the minimum \$30 billion in Libyan assets under U.S. jurisdiction to the TNC.

According to the *The New York Times*, American officials explained that "about \$3.5 billion of the sum is liquid...and could be provided to the Transitional National Council over time. Although the officials expressed hope that the newly recognized Transitional National Council would use the money for traditional public services — to pay for health care and electrical power, for example — one of the council's immediate priorities is arming and training its fighters so they can finally defeat the forces loyal to Colonel Qaddafi."

At the outset of the war in Libya, President Obama said that the U.S. will safeguard the frozen assets so that they are "available to rebuild Libya." As such, I ask that the Department of

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Treasury and the Department of State assiduously ensure the close tracking of the distribution of frozen Libyan assets to the TNC with proper oversight, to provide for a full accounting of how much money was distributed, for what purpose – including humanitarian or military - and when.

Sincerely,

Dennis J. Kucinich Member of Congress



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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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REVIEW AUTHORITY: Archie Bolster, Senior Reviewer

Dear Senator Rubio:

Thank you for your letter of April 7 providing policy recommendations for moving forward in Libya. We appreciate your input and have already taken a number of steps consistent with your suggestions.

From the beginning of the conflict in Libya, the United States has played an active role in supporting the democratic aspirations of the Libyan people and putting pressure on the Qadhafi regime. In the month following Qadhafi's first brutal attacks on Libyan civilians, the United States mobilized a broad coalition, secured an international mandate to protect civilians, stopped Qadhafi's advance on Benghazi, and established a no-fly zone with our international partners. Since that time, we have also sent an envoy to Benghazi, who has met with several high-level members of the Libyan Transitional National Council (TNC), including its Chairman, Mustafa Abdujalil. A Disaster Assistance and Relief Team (DART) also accompanied our envoy to Benghazi and is assessing the humanitarian situation and needs there.

The United States continues to play a leading role in efforts to increase awareness of, and support for, the TNC. Secretary Clinton and other Department of State officials have met with members of the TNC on several occasions, and the TNC has been present at key multilateral meetings on Libya, such as the London Conference and the Libya Contact Group meeting in Doha. We are strongly encouraging our international partners to reach out to the TNC and to provide them needed assistance. The United States has already pledged over \$47 million in humanitarian assistance to Libya and is actively engaging the TNC on additional ways in which we can assist them. We also continue to review the possibility of allowing the TNC to access frozen regime assets.

At the same time, the United States has been clear in its position that Qadhafi must relinquish power and leave the Libyan people free to determine their own political future. In addition to the United States' military and political support for NATO's mission in Libya, we are pursuing a number of non-military measures,

The Honorable
Marco Rubio,
United States Senate.

including sanctions, which we believe will maintain pressure on him to do so, and will seek to hold him accountable for his actions.

We hope this information is helpful. Please do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of further assistance on this or any other matter.

Sincerely,

Joseph E. Macmanus

Acting Assistant Secretary

Legislative Affairs

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510 April 7, 2011 COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION FOREIGN RELATIONS SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE SMALL BUSINESS AND FITTH PRENT DESIGN

The Honorable Hillary Rodham Clinton U.S. Secretary of State Washington, DC 20520

Dear Secretary Clinton,

The Libyan people's struggle against the Gadhafi regime gives the United States a unique opportunity to forge a new path for our nation's policies in the region. I have urged the implementation of a clear strategy in Libya. Pursuant to our conversation yesterday, I encourage you to consider the following recommendations:

- The U.S. should derecognize the Gadhafi regime.
- Follow the arrival of the American envoy in Benghazi with the establishment of a "provisional" Embassy to assess opposition needs and to negotiate the terms of formal recognition, contingent upon assurances that a new Libyan Government will
 - Be representative of the Libyan people and take demonstrable measures to protect the basic human rights of the Libyan people.
 - Reject terrorism, cooperate with international counterterrorism and nonproliferation efforts, and abstain from destabilizing neighboring countries.
- Upon U.S. recognition, the U.S. should encourage other nations to recognize the Transitional Council.
- Commit the influence of the U.S. Government to mobilize international support for a
 post-Gadhafi government that ensures basic rights, provides basic services (including
 security) and provides for representative government.
- Upon recognition, provide at least partial access by the Transitional Council to frozen Libyan assets.
- Shut down broadcasting by Libyan state television and radio, if necessary by direct jamming and if possible by getting international satellite providers to cooperate.
- Enable opposition fighters to communicate independently of Libyan state telephone network.

- Provide non-lethal military supplies to opposition, including medical supplies, information and communications technology. Consider providing body armor, trucks, armored Humvees.
- Initiate discussions with the Transitional Council to mobilize international support both to remove Gadhafi and to prepare for a post-Gadhafi Libya – including international peacekeepers, and begin to obtain commitments for non-US forces to provide that support if needed.

Actively helping the Libyan people achieve the inevitable end of the Gadhafi regime is in America's interests and would ensure the Arab world knows the U.S. is laboring for their freedom. I hope you consider these policy suggestions to set the groundwork for the much harder work of building a more prosperous and democratic Libya.

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Marco Rubio

United States Senator

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2. (U) April 21, 2011; 3:00 p.m.; Washington.

3. (U) Participants:

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African Affairs Assistant Secretary Johnnie Carson
Ambassador to the African Union Michael Battle
Ambassador to Libya Gene Cretz
Special Assistant Michael Fuchs
Spokesperson Mike Hammer
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10. (SBU) Secretary Clinton praised the African Union for selecting "youth empowerment" as the theme of its June 2011 summit. Ping said that the theme was decided more than a year ago, but the timing is "very good for such a discussion." Youth empowerment is a key issue for Africa, Ping added. Libya's repercussions are being felt across the continent, Ping said, citing Senegal, Burkina Faso, and Uganda. If African countries inadequately address youth complaints, unrest could spread to other member states. African Union leadership remains vigilant on this issue, Ping said, because it is

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responsible for maintaining peace and security in Africa. The Secretary underscored that the United States could work with Africa on the issue.

SUPPORT FOR THE AU AND AGOA

11. (C) U.S.-AU consultations demonstrate the United States' commitment to the U.S.-AU relationship, Secretary Clinton said. The United States intends to continue its financial support to the African Union, the Secretary added, and seeks to broaden and deepen the engagement. Secretary Clinton privately disclosed that she intends to attend the AGOA Forum in Lusaka in June. Ping said he appreciates U.S. support for the African Union and welcomes additional engagement. CLINTON

Signature:

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3. (U) Participants:

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> MFA Director General for Communication Amar Belani Deputy Chief of Mission Ali Alaoui Political Counselor Toufik Djouama

4. (C) SUMMARY. The Secretary and Algerian Foreign Minister Mourad Medelci discussed a wide range of bilateral and regional issues during a May 3 meeting in Washington.

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5. (SBU) The Secretary told Foreign Minister Medelci that she was pleased by the broad bilateral relationship between the United States and Algeria. Medelci concurred, adding that it was a relationship of trust that continued to improve. He congratulated the Secretary on the successful operation against Usama bin Laden in Pakistan on May 1, and expressed the Government of Algeria's (GOA) sense of relief at the removal of "a very negative influence throughout the world." He also offered condolences for the tragic loss of life in the American South as a result of recent storms.

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Morocco and the Western Sahara

13. (SBU) FM Medelci updated the Secretary on recent ministerial exchanges with the Government of Morocco (GOM). Ministers for Energy, Agriculture, Higher Education, and Youth and Sports from both the GOA and GOM had visited each other, resulting in a number of technical cooperation agreements. Secretary Clinton told the FM that she was pleased to see this resumption of these visits, encouraging Medelci to ensure that they continue. She added that the United States continues to support the UN process on Western Sahara, and urged Algeria to take a more active role in the negotiations. A resolution to this conflict in the coming year would be welcome, she told Medelci. CLINTON

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BILATERAL ISSUES

20. (SBU) Before concluding the meeting, Jimenez raised a few bilateral issues. On cookstoves, Jimenez informed the Secretary that Spain has decided to join the Clean Cookstove Alliance. She reported Spain has already pledged 5 million euros to provide stoves in the Gambia, Senegal, and Guinea, and will seek to have those efforts included under the Clean Cookstoves umbrella.

21. (SBU) Jiminez noted two-way trade and investment are growing, and the Spanish government is pleased that Spanish companies are so prominent in strategic sectors such as infrastructure, financial services, and renewable energy. The GOS has made significant economic reforms and is proud of what it has accomplished, even though it has paid a political price for it. The Deputy FM noted the United States and Spain are in the process of updating and modernizing the bilateral double taxation agreement. At the next round of negotiations in October, both the Secretary and Jiminez express hope the new agreement can be finalized.

22. (SBU) FM Jimenez thanked the Secretary for her assistance in moving forward to find a solution to deal with the legacy of Palomares. The Secretary noted a technical team visited Spain in February. The United States takes this issue very seriously, and the NSS has been overseeing an inter-agency review to reach a collaborative outcome.
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REPUBLICANS - DEBATE

ALL AGAINST CAIN: UPSTART TARGETED IN GOP DEBATE

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LAS VEGAS (AP) REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL CONTENDERS ATTACKED UPSTART HERMAN CAIN'S ECONOMIC PLAN AS A TAX INCREASE WAITING TO HAPPEN TUESDAY NIGHT, MOVING SWIFTLY IN A FIERY CAMPAIGN DEBATE TO BLUNT THE FORMER BUSINESSMAN'S UNLIKELY RISE IN THE RACE FOR THE PARTY'S NOMINATION.

OLD ANIMOSITIES FLARED, TOO, AS FORMER MASSACHUSETTS GOV. MITT ROMNEY AND TEXAS GOV. RICK PERRY SWAPPED CRITICISM IN UNUSUALLY PERSONAL TERMS. "YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH ALLOWING SOMEONE TO FINISH SPEAKING," ROMNEY DECLARED AS THE TWO MEN INTERRUPTED ONE ANOTHER REPEATEDLY IN A DISAGREEMENT OVER IMMIGRATION, ONE OF SEVERAL VIGOROUS CLASHES THEY HAD.

IN A BOW TO NEVADA VOTERS, WHO WILL BE AMONG THE FIRST TO CHOOSE AMONG THE CANDIDATES EARLY NEXT YEAR, NO ONE SAID HE WANTED TO OPEN A PROPOSED NUCLEAR WASTE REPOSITORY AT YUCCA MOUNTAIN IN A REMOTE PART OF THE STATE.

THE FIFTH DEBATE IN SIX WEEKS RANGED OVER FAMILIAR AND CONTENTIOUS TERRITORY - FROM IMMIGRATION AND HEALTH CARE TO THE ECONOMY AND ENERGY, OFTEN IN ANTAGONISTIC TERMS. THE CANDIDATES ENGAGED EACH OTHER MORE DIRECTLY AND SOMETIMES MORE HEATEDLY THAN IN PREVIOUS DEBATES.

ROMNEY'S MORMON FAITH ALSO CAME UP, AND PERRY SAID HE DISAGREED WITH A PASTOR AND POLITICAL SUPPORTER WHO DESCRIBED THE RELIGION AS A CULT. "I CAN'T APOLOGIZE ANY MORE THAN THAT," THE TEXAN SAID.

"THAT'S FINE," RESPONDED ROMNEY.

BUT CAIN'S UNLIKELY RISE FROM ASTERISK IN THE POLLS TO CONTENDER WAS CLEARLY ON THE MINDS OF HIS RIVALS ON STAGE IN A HOTEL ALONG THE LAS VEGAS STRIP.

REP. MICHELE BACHMANN OF MINNESOTA LED THE VERBAL ASSAULT MOMENTS AFTER THE DEBATE BEGAN, SAYING HIS CALL FOR A 9 PERCENT FEDERAL SALES TAX WOULD ONLY BE THE BEGINNING. WITH THE RATE RISING LATER.

FORMER SEN. RICK SANTORUM OF PENNSYLVANIA WASN'T NEARLY AS GENTLE, CITING ONE ANALYSIS THAT FOUND THAT TAXES WOULD GO UP FOR 84 PERCENT OF THE NATION'S HOUSEHOLDS IF CAIN'S PROPOSAL WENT INTO EFFECT. "WE'RE TALKING ABOUT MAJOR INCREASES IN TAXES," HE SAID,

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ADDING THAT A SINGLE PERSON AND A COUPLE WITH CHILDREN WITH THE SAME INCOME WOULD PAY THE SAME TAX UNDER CAIN'S PROPOSAL. UNDETERRED, CAIN INSISTED THE CHARGES WERE UNTRUE. HE SAID HE WAS BEING CRITICIZED BECAUSE LOBBYISTS, ACCOUNTANTS AND OTHERS

"WANT TO CONTINUE TO BE ABLE TO MANIPULATE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WITH A 10-MILLION - WORD MESS," THE CURRENT TAX CODE.

CAIN'S PROPOSAL IS FOR A 9 PERCENT PERSONAL INCOME TAX, A 9 PERCENT CORPORATE TAX AND A 9 PERCENT NATIONAL SALES TAX.

THE FORMER PIZZA COMPANY CEO IS THE LATEST AND UNLIKELIEST PHENOMENON IN THE RACE TO PICK A REPUBLICAN RIVAL FOR PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA. A BLACK MAN IN A PARTY THAT DRAWS FEW VOTES FROM AFRICANS AMERICANS, HE HAD BUMPED ALONG WITH LITTLE NOTICE AS ROMNEY SOUGHT TO FEND OFF ONE FAST-RISING RIVAL AFTER ANOTHER.

THAT ALL CHANGED IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS, AFTER PERRY BURST INTO THE RACE AND THEN FELL BACK IN THE POLLS. HOWEVER UNLIKELY CAIN'S RISE, TUESDAY NIGHT'S DEBATE MADE CLEAR THAT NONE OF HIS RIVALS ARE

WILLING TO LET HIM GO UNCHALLENGED.

"HERMAN, I LOVE YOU, BROTHER, BUT LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING, YOU DON'T NEED TO HAVE A BIG ANALYSIS TO FIGURE THIS THING OUT," PERRY SAID TO CAIN. "GO TO NEW HAMPSHIRE WHERE THEY DON'T HAVE A SALES TAX AND YOU'RE FIXING TO GIVE THEM ONE," HE SAID, REFERRING TO THE STATE THAT WILL HOLD THE FIRST PRIMARY EARLY NEXT YEAR.

THE DEBATE WAS THE FIFTH SINCE LABOR DAY, AND THE LAST SCHEDULED FOR NEARLY A MONTH IN A RACE THAT IS FLUID IN MORE THAN ONE WAY. WHILE POLLS CHART A SERIES OF RISES AND FALLS FOR VARIOUS CONTENDERS - ROMNEY REMAINING AT OR NEAR THE TOP - THE SCHEDULE IS FAR FROM SET. FLORIDA'S DECISION TO MOVE UP ITS PRIMARY SET OFF A SCRAMBLE AS IOWA MANEUVERED TO MAKE SURE ITS CAUCUSES ARE THE FIRST REAL TEST OF THE RACE AND NEW HAMPSHIRE WORKS TO PROTECT ITS HALF-CENTURY DISTINCTION AS HOST TO THE FIRST PRIMARY.

IT WAS PERRY WHO INSTIGATED THE CONFRONTATION OVER IMMIGRATION, SAYING THAT ROMNEY HAD NO CREDENTIALS ON THE ISSUE BECAUSE HE HAD ONCE HIRED AN ILLEGAL WORKER. THE "HEIGHT OF HYPOCRISY."

ROMNEY DENIED THE CHARGE, SAYING HE HAD HIRED A COMPANY TO MOW HIS LAWN AND DID NOT KNOW THAT IT HAD AN ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT ON ITS PAYROLL.

THE TWO MEN TALKED OVER ONE ANOTHER, AND AT ONE POINT, ROMNEY PLACED HIS HAND ON PERRY'S SHOULDER.

"IT'S BEEN A TOUGH COUPLE OF DEBATES FOR RICK, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT SO YOURE GOING TO GET TESTY, HE SAID.

AS PERRY CONTINUED TO SPEAK, ROMNEY STOPPED HIM: "YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH ALLOWING SOMEONE TO FINISH SPEAKING, AND I SUGGEST THAT IF YOU WANT TO BECOME PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, YOU'VE GOT TO LET BOTH PEOPLE SPEAK," HE SAID.

ON A MORE SUBSTANTIVE LEVEL, PERRY SAID HE OPPOSED REPEALING THE PORTION OF THE 14TH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION THAT SAYS ANYONE BORN IN THE UNITED STATES IS AUTOMATICALLY A CITIZEN.

BACHMANN, SANTORUM AND REP. RON PAUL OF TEXAS ALL SIDESTEPPED THE QUESTION.

CAIN FOUND HIMSELF ON THE DEFENSIVE ON TWO OTHERS ISSUES DURING THE TWO-HOUR DEBATE.

HE APOLOGIZED FOR EARLIER REMARKS ABOUT BUILDING AN ELECTRIC FENCE ON THE MEXICO BORDER THAT COULD KILL PEOPLE TRYING TO CROSS ILLEGALLY.

AND HE SAID HE WOULDN'T BE WILLING TO NEGOTIATE WITH TERRORISTS, EVEN THOUGH HE SUGGESTED HE MIGHT BE IN AN INTERVIEW EARLIER IN THE DAY.

FOREIGN POLICY TOOK A SECONDARY ROLE IN THE DEBATE, AND THE NEW STRAIN OF REPUBLICAN ISOLATIONISM QUICKLY SURFACED.

PAUL SAID U.S. TROOPS SHOULD BE WITHDRAWN FROM KOREA - WHERE THEY HAVE BEEN STATIONED FOR MORE THAN 50 YEARS - AND FOREIGN AID TO ISRAEL CUT.

PERRY SAID IT WAS "TIME TO HAVE A VERY SERIOUS DISCUSSION ABOUT DEFUNDING THE UNITED NATIONS."

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FORMER UTAH GOV. JON HUNTSMAN SKIPPED THIS DEBATE, SAYING HE WAS BOYCOTTING THE NEVADA CAUCUSES IN A DISPUTE OVER THE PRIMARY AND CAUCUS CALENDAR. HE IS CAMPAIGNING EXCLUSIVELY IN NEW HAMPSHIRE IN HOPES OF A VICTORY THAT CAN MOVE HIM INTO THE THICK OF THE RACE. NOT ONLY REPUBLICANS, BUT OBAMA WAS ALSO CRITICAL OF CAIN'S ECONOMIC PLAN DURING THE DAY.

IN AN INTERVIEW WITH ABC NEWS, OBAMA SAID IT WOULD BE A "HUGE BURDEN" ON MIDDLE -CLASS AND WORKING FAMILIES.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER STEVE PEOPLES IN WASHINGTON CONTRIBUTED TO THIS REPORT.)

PRIMARY SCRAMBLE

SEN. HARRY REID BACKS NEVADA'S EARLY CAUCUS DATE LAS VEGAS (AP) SENATE MAJORITY LEADER HARRY REID IS ENDORSING

NEVADA'S JUMP AHEAD IN THE REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATING CALENDAR AND IS TELLING NEW HAMPSHIRE TO BACK OFF.

A REID AIDE TOLD THE ASSOCIATED PRESS TUESDAY THAT NEVADA

DEMOCRATS WILL ALSO MOVE THEIR CAUCUS DATE TO JAN. 14 IN SOLIDARITY WITH NEVADA REPUBLICANS, AND STATE DEMOCRATIC CHAIRWOMAN ROBERTA LANGE CONFIRMED THE CHANGE IN DATE.

REID IS HOPING TO PERSUADE NEVADA REPUBLICANS TO PRESERVE THEIR DATE DESPITE A CALL TO DELAY THE CONTEST FROM NEW HAMPSHIRE LEADERS. THE SECRETARY OF STATE IS THREATENING TO HOLD NEW HAMPSHIRE'S PRIMARY IN EARLY DECEMBER UNLESS NEVADA MOVES ITS CAUCUSES BACK.

JON HUNTSMAN AND FOUR OTHER CANDIDATES SAY THEY WILL BOYCOTT NEVADA'S CONTEST UNLESS IT'S DELAYED.

ON THE ROAD

PRESIDENT IN CAMPAIGN MODE ON TRIP TO PUSH FOR JOBS BILL PRESIDENT IN CAMPAIGN MODE ON TRIP TO PUSH FOR JOBS BILL JAMESTOWN, N.C. (AP) THE TRIP IS BILLED AS A PUSH FOR THE JOBS BILL, OR PIECES OF IT. BUT PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA IS ALSO WORKING TO SELL HIMSELF TO VOTERS IN NORTH CAROLINA, WHERE HE'S ON THE SECOND DAY OF A THREE-DAY BUS TRIP.

STOPPING FOR LUNCH TODAY AT A RESTAURANT IN REIDSVILLE, OBAMA WORKED THE ROOM, CHATTING WITH LOCAL RESIDENTS.

OBAMA IS PROMISING HE WOULD WORK WITH REPUBLICAN LAWMAKERS ON ANY SERIOUS PLAN THEY PUT FORWARD TO HELP GET AMERICANS BACK TO WORK

HE TOLD A CROWD: "WE DON'T NEED A REPUBLICAN JOBS ACT OR A DEMOCRATIC JOBS ACT. WE NEED TO PUT PEOPLE BACK TO WORK RIGHT NOW."

SENATE REPUBLICANS BLOCKED OBAMA'S JOBS BILL LAST WEEK. OBAMA SAYS LAWMAKERS WILL NOW BREAK UP HIS \$447 BILLION JOBS BILL, A PACKAGE OF TARGETED TAX CUTS AND DIRECT SPENDING PROPOSALS, AND VOTE ON THE INDIVIDUAL COMPONENTS.

TAX PLAN CRITIQUE

PRESIDENT CRITICIZES CAIN'S 9-9-9 TAX PLAN

WASHINGTON (AP) PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA SAYS GOP PRESIDENTIAL HOPEFUL HERMAN CAIN'S 9-9-9 TAX PLAN WOULD BE A "HUGE BURDEN" ON MIDDLE-CLASS AND WORKING FAMILIES.

THE PRESIDENT SAYS CAIN'S PLAN WOULD MAKE SURE THAT THE WEALTHIEST PAY LESS - AND REPLACE THE REVENUE WITH A SALES TAX HITTING THE LESS WELL-OFF.

OBAMA SAID THAT APPROACH ISN'T NEW. AND HE SAID THAT ACROSS THE BOARD HE HASN'T HEARD ANY NEW IDEAS ON HELPING THE ECONOMY FROM REPUBLICANS, EITHER IN CONGRESS OR THE CANDIDATES.

OBAMA MADE HIS COMMENTS TUESDAY IN AN INTERVIEW WITH ABC NEWS. CAIN'S PLAN WOULD SCRAP CURRENT TAXES AND REPLACE THEM WITH A 9 PERCENT TAX ON INCOME, A 9 PERCENT BUSINESS TAX AND A 9 PERCENT NATIONAL SALES TAX.

DEFENSE CUTS-MILITARY BENEFITS

VFW URGES 2 MILLION TO FIGHT BENEFIT CHANGES

WASHINGTON (AP) THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS IS URGING ITS 2 MILLION MEMBERS TO PLEAD WITH CONGRESS TO SPARE MILITARY AND

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VETERANS' BENEFITS AS LAWMAKERS LOOK TO SLASH THE DEFICIT.
IN A "CALL TO ACTION" ON TUESDAY, THE VFW SAID IT OPPOSES ANY
CHANGES TO THE PROGRAMS AND DECRIED ANY EFFORT TO BALANCE THE
BUDGET ON THE BACKS OF MILITARY RETIREES AND DISABLED VETERANS. THE
ORGANIZATION CALLED ON MEMBERS, THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS TO
CONTACT LAWMAKERS IMMEDIATELY.

LAST WEEK, THE TOP DEMOCRAT AND REPUBLICAN ON THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE WROTE TO THE SPECIAL SUPERCOMMITTEE LOOKING FOR \$1.2 TRILLION IN SPENDING CUTS AND RECOMMENDED COST-SAVING CHANGES IN MILITARY HEALTH BENEFITS.

THE TOP LAWMAKERS ON THE HOUSE AND SENATE VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMITTEES ALSO WROTE TO THE SUPERCOMMITTEE SUGGESTING BUDGET SAVINGS FROM VETERANS' PROGRAMS. WALL STREET PROTESTS

WALL ST PROTESTERS MARCH TO PROSECUTORS OFFICE NEW YORK (AP) THE OCCUPY WALL STREET PROTESTERS HAVE MARCHED TO THE MANHATTAN DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO DEMAND AN INVESTIGATION INTO WHAT THEY SAY WAS AN "UNPROVOKED ASSAULT" ON A PROTESTER BY POLICE LAST WEEK.

ABOUT 200 PROTESTERS MARCHED TUESDAY FROM THE PARK WHERE THE MOVEMENT AGAINST CORPORATE GREED BEGAN, SOME CARRYING SIGNS THAT READ "END NYPD VIOLENCE."

ACTIVIST FELIX RIVERA-PITRE WAS SEEN ON VIDEO BEING PUNCHED BY AN OFFICER FRIDAY. POLICE SAY THE ALTERCATION OCCURRED AFTER THE MAN TRIED TO ELBOW THE OFFICER IN THE FACE.

THE MAN'S LAWYER TELLS THE NEW YORK TIMES PROSECUTORS TOLD HIM THEY'RE INVESTIGATING THE INCIDENT.

A SMALL GROUP OF PROTESTERS JOINED TEAMSTER WORKERS AND OTHER UNION MEMBERS IN A RALLY EARLIER IN THE DAY OUTSIDE SOTHEBY'S AUCTION HOUSE, WHERE UNIONIZED WORKERS ARE IN A CONTRACT DISPUTE. LIBYA

SECRETARY OF STATE DELIVERS AID, MESSAGE OF SUPPORT TRIPOLI, LIBYA (AP) THERES A BIG SHOW OF SUPPORT TODAY FROM THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION FOR LIBYA'S NEW GOVERNMENT.

SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON MADE AN UNANNOUNCED TRIP TO LIBYA'S CAPITAL, BRINGING AN OFFER OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF NEW AID.

SPEAKING TO STUDENTS AND OTHERS IN TRIPOLI, CLINTON SAID THE U.S. HOPES THAT MOAMMAR GADHAFI "CAN BE CAPTURED OR KILLED SOON." UNTIL NOW, THE U.S. HAS GENERALLY AVOIDED SAYING GADHAFI SHOULD BE KILLED.

MEANWHILE, A BATTLE THAT HAS RAGED FOR MONTHS, FOR CONTROL OF A KEY GADHAFI STRONGHOLD APPEARS TO BE NEARLY OVER.

ANTI-GADHAFI FORCES ARE NOW IN CONTROL OF THE CITY OF BANI WALID (BAH'-NEE WAH-LEED'), WHERE THEY'VE BEEN DIGGING UP YARDS TODAY IN SEARCH OF HIDDEN WEAPONS.

ON ANOTHER FRONT, THE REVOLUTIONARY FORCES HAVE LAUNCHED ANOTHER ASSAULT ON GADHAFI'S HOME TOWN OF SIRTE, HOPING TO DISLODGE THE LOYALISTS WHO HAVE DUG-IN THERE. ISRAEL-PALESTINIANS

CELEBRATIONS IN ISRAEL, GAZA OVER PRISONER RELEASE

MITZPE HILA, ISRAEL (AP) THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE HAVE JAMMED THE STREETS OF A TOWN IN NORTHERN ISRAEL TO WELCOME HOME A SOLDIER WHO'D BEEN HELD CAPTIVE BY PALESTINIAN MILITANTS FOR MORE THAN FIVE YEARS.

GILAD SCHALIT (GEE-LAHD' SHAH-LEET) WAVED TO THE SINGING, FLAG-WAVING CROWD BEFORE DUCKING INTO HIS FAMILY HOME. HIS FATHER SAYS THE 25-YEAR-OLD IS HEALTHY BUT WILL NEED TIME TO RECOVER FROM SOME PHYSICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL WOUNDS.

TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PALESTINIANS, MANY WAVING GREEN HAMAS FLAGS, CELEBRATED AT A MASS RALLY IN GAZA FOR PRISONERS FREED BY ISRAEL IN A SWAP FOR THE CAPTURED SOLDIER.

A SECOND GROUP IS TO BE RELEASED IN TWO MONTHS. BABY MISSING

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KC POLICE WANT MORE FROM PARENTS OF MISSING BABY KANSAS CITY, MO. (AP) KANSAS CITY POLICE SAY IT'S BEEN 10 DAYS SINCE THE PARENTS OF A MISSING BABY GIRL SAT DOWN WITH INVESTIGATORS.

AUTHORITIES SAY THE PARENTS' COOPERATION IS "CRITICAL" TO THEIR EFFORTS TO LOCATE LISA IRWIN, WHO WAS 10 MONTHS OLD WHEN SHE DISAPPEARED. BUT A POLICE SPOKESMAN SAYS THE PARENTS HAVEN'T MET WITH INVESTIGATORS FACE-TO-FACE SINCE OCT. 8.

PARENTS DEBORAH BRADLEY AND JEREMY IRWIN REPORTED THEIR DAUGHTER MISSING EARLY ON OCT. 4. THEY HAVE SAID THAT JEREMY IRWIN ARRIVED HOME FROM A NIGHT SHIFT TO DISCOVER THE FRONT DOOR UNLOCKED, THE HOUSE LIGHTS ON, A WINDOW TAMPERED WITH AND THE BABY GONE.

POLICE SPOKESMAN CAPT. STEVE YOUNG SAID TUESDAY THAT INVESTIGATORS NEED ANSWERS "ON THINGS THAT WE BELIEVE ONLY THEY WOULD KNOW ABOUT."

LISTERIA - CANTALOUPE

25 NOW DEAD IN LISTERIA OUTBREAK IN CANTALOUPE

WASHINGTON (AP) TWENTY-FIVE DEATHS IN 12 STATES ARE NOW LINKED TO LISTERIA IN CANTALOUPE, THE DEADLIEST KNOWN OUTBREAK OF FOODBORNE ILLNESS IN THE U.S. IN MORE THAN 25 YEARS.

THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION SAID TUESDAY THAT 123 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN SICKENED, INCLUDING THOSE WHO DIED.

THE TAINTED COLORADO CANTALOUPES SHOULD BE OFF STORE SHELVES BY NOW. BUT THE NUMBER OF ILLNESSES MAY CONTINUE TO GROW, AS THE SYMPTOMS OF LISTERIA CAN TAKE UP TO TWO MONTHS TO APPEAR.

THE CDC ON TUESDAY CONFIRMED A SIXTH DEATH IN COLORADO AND A SECOND IN NEW YORK. INDIANA, KANSAS, LOUISIANA, MARYLAND, MISSOURI, NEBRASKA, NEW MEXICO, OKLAHOMA, TEXAS AND WYOMING HAVE ALSO REPORTED DEATHS.

JENSEN FARMS IN HOLLY, COLO., RECALLED THE CANTALOUPES LAST MONTH.

CHINA-RAILWAY PROJECTS

CHINA RAILWAY, ROAD PROJECTS RUN SHORT OF CASH

SHANGHAI (AP) CHINA'S RAIL AND ROAD BUILDING BOOM IS RUNNING INTO PROBLEMS, ACCORDING TO REPORTS SAYING SOME PROJECTS ARE SHORT OF THE CASH NEEDED TO PAY WORKERS AND THEIR SUPPLIERS.

STATE MEDIA REPORTS THAT MILLIONS OF MIGRANT WORKERS HIRED TO LAY NEW TRACKS FOR CHINA'S MASSIVE RAILWAY BUILDUP HAVE NOT BEEN PAID FOR MONTHS, WITH SOME 6,200 MILES OF PROJECTS HALTED DUE TO A LACK OF MONEY.

THE REPORTS SAY CONTRACTORS ALSO OWE HUGE SUMS TO CEMENT AND STEEL SUPPLIERS, THOUGH RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES ARE MOVING TO ISSUE BONDS TO COVER FOR SHORTFALLS IN PAYMENTS FROM THE RAILWAY MINISTRY.

THE RAILWAY MINISTRY DID NOT RESPOND IMMEDIATELY TO PHONE CALLS REQUESTING COMMENT.

STAMP PRICES

MAILING A LETTER TO COST A PENNY MORE NEXT YEAR WASHINGTON (AP) ITLL COST A PENNY MORE TO MAIL A LETTER NEXT YEAR.

THE CASH-STRAPPED U.S. POSTAL SERVICE ANNOUNCED TUESDAY THAT IT WILL INCREASE POSTAGE RATES ON JAN. 22, INCLUDING A 1-CENT INCREASE IN THE COST OF FIRST-CLASS MAIL, TO 45 CENTS.

UNDER THE LAW THE POST OFFICE CANNOT RAISE PRICES MORE THAN THE RATE OF INFLATION, WHICH IS 2.1 PERCENT, UNLESS IT GETS SPECIAL PERMISSION FROM THE INDEPENDENT POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION. THE PRC LAST YEAR TURNED DOWN SUCH A REQUEST.

THE POST OFFICE LOST \$8 BILLION IN FISCAL 2010 AND THE BOTTOM LINE IS LIKELY TO BE EVEN WORSE WHEN FINAL FIGURES FOR FISCAL 2011 ARE RELEASED NEXT MONTH.

WALL STREET

STOCKS JUMP ON REPORTS OF PROGRESS IN EUROPE
NEW YORK (AP) STOCKS RALLIED TUESDAY ON OPTIMISM GERMANY AND
FRANCE ARE MOVING CLOSER TO A SOLUTION FOR THE EUROPEAN DEBT

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CRISIS.

THE GUARDIAN NEWSPAPER REPORTED FRANCE AND GERMANY AGREED TO EXPAND A RESCUE FUND. EUROPEAN OFFICIALS ARE EXPECTED TO TAKE UP THE EXPANSION ALONG WITH A PACKAGE OF OTHER MEASURES AT A MEETING THIS WEEKEND.

THE DOW JONES INDUSTRIAL AVERAGE ROSE 180 POINTS, OR 1.6 PERCENT, TO CLOSE AT 11,577, RECOVERING FROM EARLIER LOSSES IN THE SESSION.

THE S&P 500 INDEX GAINED 25 POINTS, OR 2 PERCENT, TO 1,225. THE NASDAQ COMPOSITE ADDED 43 POINTS TO 2,657.

WORLD MARKETS

ASIAN STOCKS GAIN

BANGKOK (AP) ASIAN STOCK MARKETS ROSE WEDNESDAY, WITH INVESTORS EMBOLDENED BY REPORTS THAT GERMANY AND FRANCE WERE MOVING CLOSER TOWARD RESOLVING EUROPE'S DEBT CRISIS THROUGH A MASSIVE EXPANSION OF THE REGION'S BAILOUT FUND.

THE GUARDIAN NEWSPAPER REPORTED THAT FRANCE AND GERMANY HAVE AGREED TO EXPAND THE RESCUE FUND FOR NATIONS USING THE EURO COMMON CURRENCY TO \$2.74 TRILLION. THE PAPER CITED UNNAMED EUROPEAN DIPLOMATS AND SAID EUROPEAN OFFICIALS ARE EXPECTED TO TAKE UP THE EXPANSION ALONG WITH A PACKAGE OF OTHER MEASURES AT A MEETING THIS WEEKEND.

GAINS IN ASIA WERE MUTED, HOWEVER, SINCE INVESTORS MAY WANT TO SEE MORE CONSISTENT GAINS BEFORE WADING DEEPLY BACK INTO THE MARKET, ANALYSTS SAID.

OIL PRICES

CRUDE INCHES DOWN

SINGAPORE (AP) OIL PRICES HOVERED ABOVE \$88 A BARREL WEDNESDAY IN ASIA AFTER A REPORT SHOWED U.S. CRUDE SUPPLIES UNEXPECTEDLY FELL LAST WEEK, SUGGESTING DEMAND COULD BE IMPROVING.

THE AMERICAN PETROLEUM INSTITUTE SAID LATE TUESDAY THAT CRUDE INVENTORIES FELL 3.1 MILLION BARRELS LAST WEEK WHILE ANALYSTS SURVEYED BY PLATTS, THE ENERGY INFORMATION ARM OF MCGRAW -HILL COS., HAD PREDICTED AN INCREASE OF 1.8 MILLION BARRELS.

INVENTORIES OF GASOLINE DROPPED 1.6 MILLION BARRELS LAST WEEK WHILE DISTILLATES SLID 2.2 MILLION BARRELS, THE API SAID.

THE ENERGY DEPARTMENT'S ENERGY INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION REPORTS ITS WEEKLY SUPPLY DATA LATER TODAY.

ECONOMY -DAY AHEAD

REPORTS ON CONSUMER PRICES, HOUSING STARTS DUE WASHINGTON (AP) A BUSY DAY LOOMS FOR ECONOMIC REPORTS, BEGINNING WITH THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR SEPTEMBER. ALSO DUE TODAY IS HOUSING STARTS, ASSESSING THE STATE OF THE DEPRESSED HOME BUILDING INDUSTRY. ALSO TODAY, THE FEDERAL RESERVE'S BEIGE BOOK SURVEY IS RELEASED. IT IS PREPARED FOR THE CENTRAL BANK'S NEXT POLICY-SETTING SESSION.

SPAIN-DOWNGRADE
MOODY'S DOWNGRADES SPANISH GOVERNMENT DEBT RATINGS
NEW YORK (AP) MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE IS THE LATEST RATINGS
AGENCY TO DOWNGRADE SPAIN'S GOVERNMENT BOND RATINGS.
MOODY'S CUT THE RATINGS ONE NOTCH AND ISSUED A NEGATIVE OUTLOOK
FOR THE STRUGGLING NATION'S SOVEREIGN DEBT.

THE RATINGS AGENCY SAYS IT IS DOWNGRADING SPANISH DEBT TO "A1" FROM "A42," FOUR DAYS AFTER STANDARD & POOR'S CUT ITS RATING ON THE NATION'S LONG-TERM DEBT. FITCH RATINGS LIKEWISE CUT SPAIN'S RATING ON FRIDAY.

MOODY'S SAYS SPAIN CONTINUES TO BE VULNERABLE TO MARKET STRESS, AND SINCE IT BEGAN REVIEWING ITS RATINGS IN JULY, NO RESOLUTION TO THE DEBT CRISIS HAS EMERGED.

IT ALSO NOTES THAT WORSENING OUTLOOKS FOR GLOBAL AND EUROPEAN GROWTH FURTHER HAMPER SPANISH PROSPECTS, AND WILL MAKE IT HARDER FOR THE COUNTRY TO ACHIEVE ITS TARGETS FOR REDUCING ITS BUDGET DEFICIT.

CONTRACT TALKS-FORD

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FORD WORKERS RATIFY NEW CONTRACT WITH UAW DETROIT (AP) FORD'S U.S. FACTORY WORKERS HAVE APPROVED A NEW FOUR-YEAR LABOR CONTRACT.

WORKERS IN LOUISVILLE, KY., APPROVED THE AGREEMENT TUESDAY, ACCORDING TO A POST ON THE LOUISVILLE LOCAL'S FACEBOOK PAGE. THAT WAS THE LAST LARGE LOCAL TO VOTE, AND IT ENSURES THE AGREEMENT WILL GO INTO EFFECT.

THE CONTRACT COVERS 41,000 FORD WORKERS IN THE U.S. THE AUTOMAKER AND THE UAW REACHED THE AGREEMENT OCT. 4, BUT IT NEEDED TO BE RATIFIED BY WORKERS.

MOST WORKERS WON'T GET ANNUAL RAISES UNDER THE CONTRACT, BUT THEY WILL GET PROFIT-SHARING CHECKS. THEY'LL ALSO GET A \$6,000 BONUS FOR APPROVING THE AGREEMENT AND BILLIONS IN INVESTMENTS IN THEIR PLANTS.

WORKERS AT GENERAL MOTORS APPROVED A SIMILAR CONTRACT LAST MONTH. CHRYSLER WORKERS BEGAN VOTING ON THEIR OWN CONTRACT TUESDAY. EARNS-INTEL

INTEL'S 3Q SINGS BUT COMPUTER MARKET OUT OF TUNE SAN FRANCISCO (AP) INTEL'S THIRD-QUARTER RESULTS GAVE INVESTORS A BETTER FEELING ABOUT THE WEAK STATE OF THE GLOBAL COMPUTER MARKET.

NET INCOME ROSE 17 PERCENT AND REVENUE ROSE 29 PERCENT, TOPPING WALL STREET TARGETS, SENDING THE STOCK UP 5 PERCENT IN AFTER-HOURS TRADING.

INTEL CEO PAUL OTELLINI CREDITED STRONGER SALES OF PROCESSORS FOR LAPTOP PCS AND SERVERS.

THE COMPANY ALSO BOOSTED ITS STOCK BUYBACK PROGRAM BY \$10 BILLION AND OFFERED STRONG REVENUE GUIDANCE FOR THE ALL-IMPORTANT HOLIDAY FOURTH QUARTER.

RESEARCHERS IDC AND GARTNER RECENTLY SAID PC SHIPMENTS WORLDWIDE GREW IN THE THIRD QUARTER AT A PACE THAT WAS SLOWER THAN EXPECTED. EARNS-APPLE

IN RARE MISS, APPLE 4Q EARNINGS DISAPPOINT

NEW YORK (AP) APPLE FAILED TO SET A NEW SALES RECORD IN THE LAST THREE MONTHS OF FOUNDER AND CEO STEVE JOBS LIFE. THE RESULTS CAME IN BELOW EXPECTATIONS LATE YESTERDAY, MARKING A RARE MISS FOR THE COMPANY.

AFTER SEVERAL RECORD QUARTERS, THE JULY-TO-SEPTEMBER PERIOD SAW APPLE BIDING ITS TIME, WITH NO NEW IPHONE OR IPAD RELEASES.

NET INCOME IN THE FISCAL FOURTH QUARTER WAS \$6.6 BILLION, OR \$7.05 PER SHARE. THAT WAS UP 54 PERCENT FROM \$4.3 BILLION, OR \$4.64 PER SHARE, A YEAR AGO.

ANALYSTS WERE EXPECTING EARNINGS OF \$7.28 PER SHARE. APPLE'S FORECAST FOR THE CURRENT QUARTER MARKED MORE POSITIVE NEWS. IT EXPECTS EARNINGS OF \$9.30 PER SHARE AND REVENUE OF \$37 BILLION. APPLE USUALLY LOW-BALLS ITS FORECASTS, AND ANALYST FIGURES ARE USUALLY HIGHER. BUT IN THIS CASE, ANALYSTS HAVE HAD LOWER FIGURES, EXPECTING EARNINGS OF \$9 PER SHARE AND REVENUE OF \$36.7 BILLION. APPLE SHARES DROPPED 6 PERCENT IN AFTER-HOURS TRADING. APPLE-STORE CLOSING

SOURCE: APPLE TO CLOSE STORES FOR JOBS MEMORIAL SAN FRANCISCO (AP) APPLE WILL CLOSE ITS RETAIL STORES FOR SEVERAL HOURS WEDNESDAY SO THOSE EMPLOYEES CAN WATCH A WEBCAST OF A MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR EMPLOYEES TO CELEBRATE THE LIFE OF CO-FOUNDER STEVE JOBS.

THAT'S ACCORDING TO A PERSON FAMILIAR WITH THE MATTER. THE PERSON WAS NOT AUTHORIZED TO SPEAK PUBLICLY AND SPOKE ON CONDITION OF ANONYMITY. THE STORE CLOSINGS WERE REPORTED EARLIER BY THE WALL STREET JOURNAL AND REUTERS.

THE MEMORIAL WILL BE AT 10 A.M. AT APPLE'S CUPERTINO HEADQUARTERS. APPLE SAYS IT IS A PRIVATE EVENT.

APPLE ISN'T HOLDING ANY PUBLIC SERVICES FOR JOBS, WHO DIED OCT.
5 AT AGE 56 DUE TO PANCREATIC CANCER, JOBS WAS A TECH VISIONARY WHO
LED THE COMPANY AS IT LAUNCHED SUCH POPULAR PRODUCTS AS THE IPHONE,

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IPAD AND IPOD. EARNS-YAHOO

YAHOO'S 3Q SHOWS COMPANY'S CHALLENGES REMAIN

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) YAHOO'S THIRD-QUARTER RESULTS SHOWED LITTLE EVIDENCE OF REVERSING FINANCIAL CHALLENGES THAT LED TO THE FIRING OF FORMER CEO CAROL BARTZ LAST MONTH.

THE REPORT, RELEASED LATE YESTERDAY, MAY INCREASE THE PRESSURE ON YAHOO INC. TO SELL ITSELF IN PARTS OR AS A WHOLE.

YAHOO EARNED \$293 MILLION, OR 23 CENTS PER SHARE, IN THE JULY-SEPTEMBER PERIOD. THAT REPRESENTED A 26 PERCENT DECLINE FROM NET INCOME OF \$396 MILLION, OR 29 CENTS PER SHARE, AT THE SAME TIME LAST YEAR.

THE NUMBERS FOR BOTH THIS YEAR AND LAST YEAR WERE BOOSTED BY ONE-TIME GAINS. AFTER ADJUSTING FOR THOSE ITEMS, YAHOO SAID IT WOULD HAVE EARNED 21 CENTS PER SHARE IN THE LATEST QUARTER VERSUS 16 CENTS PER SHARE LAST YEAR.

THE EARNINGS EXCEEDED THE AVERAGE ESTIMATE OF 17 CENTS PER SHARE AMONG ANALYSTS SURVEYED BY FACTSET.

YAHOO'S REVENUE IS STILL ERODING AT A TIME WHEN THE INTERNET ADVERTISING MARKET IS GROWING. THAT'S A SIGN OF THE CHALLENGES FACING YAHOO AS IT FALLS FURTHER BEHIND INTERNET SEARCH AND ADVERTISING LEADER GOOGLE INC. AND FACEBOOK, THE INTERNET'S MOST POPULAR HANGOUT.

REVENUE FELL 24 PERCENT FROM THE SAME TIME LAST YEAR. STARBUCKS -LIGHTER ROAST

STARBUCKS UNVEILS BLONDE ROAST COFFEE

PORTLAND, ORE. (AP) STARBUCKS IS GOING BLONDE.

THE COFFEE COMPANY KNOWN FOR ITS DARK-ROASTED BEANS HAS UNVEILED ITS LIGHTER BLEND "STARBUCKS BLONDE ROAST", AS IT TRIES TO REACH A WIDER BASE OF CONSUMERS.

STARBUCKS HAS LONG FACED CRITICISM FROM PEOPLE WHO THINK ITS COFFEE IS TOO DARK OR BITTER. THE COMPANY SAID IT DEVELOPED THE NEW ROAST FOR THE LARGE NUMBER OF U.S. CONSUMERS WHO PREFER A LIGHTER-TASTING COFFEE.

THE COMPANY, CITING RESEARCH, SAID THAT MORE THAN 40 PERCENT OF U.S. COFFEE DRINKERS PREFER A LIGHTER-ROAST COFFEE. THE NEW PRODUCT REPRESENTS A MAJOR MARKET OPPORTUNITY FOR STARBUCKS TOO, AS MORE THAN 70 PERCENT OF TOTAL PREMIUM COFFEE SALES IN GROCERY STORES ARE OF LIGHT AND MEDIUM ROAST COFFEE.

STARBUCKS WAS ESTABLISHED WITH A DEDICATION TO BOLD COFFEE AND STOOD BY ITS DARK-ROASTED ROOTS FOR SOME TIME. BUT THE COMPANY HAS BEEN ADAPTING MORE TO CONSUMER'S DESIRES AS IT FACED INCREASED COMPETITION FROM MCDONALD'S AND DUNKIN' DONUTS, WHICH OFFER MILDER AND LOWER-PRICED OPTIONS. THE COMPANY ADDED A LIGHTER PIKE PLACE BLEND IN ITS STORES IN 2008 AS ONE OF ITS DAILY BREWS AND EMPHASIZES ITS LOW EVERYDAY PRICE.

THE COMPANY SAID IT WENT THROUGH 80 DIFFERENT ROASTING RECIPES BEFORE FINDING ITS BLONDE ROAST. STARBUCKS WILL BEGIN SELLING AND BREWING THE NEW ROAST IN STORES IN JANUARY.

FASHION GURU GETS THE BOOT ON 'DANCING'

LOS ANGELES (AP) CARSON KRESSLEY CAN GO BACK TO EVALUATING WARDROBES.

THE FASHION GURU WAS BOOTED OFF "DANCING WITH THE STARS" ON TUESDAY NIGHT. IT WASN'T UNEXPECTED, GIVEN THAT THE JUDGES OF ABC'S COMPETITION HAD GIVEN HIM THE LOWEST SCORES FOR HIS 1980S-THEMED ROUTINE A NIGHT EARLIER.

KRESSLEY DRESSED IN A CHEERLEADER'S OUTFIT FOR HIS ROUTINE WITH PARTNER ANNA TREBUNSKAYA.

REMAINING CONTESTANTS ARE ACTOR J.R. MARTINEZ; REALITY TV
PERSONALITY ROB KARDASHIAN; ACTOR DAVID ARQUETTE; SOCCER STAR HOPE
SOLO; ACTIVIST CHAZ BONO AND TV HOSTS RICKI LAKE AND NANCY GRACE.
TODAY IN HISTORY

TODAY IS WEDNESDAY, OCT. 19, THE 292ND DAY OF 2011. THERE ARE 73

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DAYS LEFT IN THE YEAR.

TODAYS HIGHLIGHT IN HISTORY:

ON OCT. 19, 1936, H.R. EKINS OF THE NEW YORK WORLD-TELEGRAM BEAT OUT DOROTHY KILGALLEN OF THE NEW YORK JOURNAL AND LEO KIERAN OF THE NEW YORK TIMES IN A ROUND-THE-WORLD RACE ON COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS THAT LASTED 18 AND 1/2 DAYS.

ON THIS DATE:

IN 1765, THE STAMP ACT CONGRESS, MEETING IN NEW YORK, DREW UP A DECLARATION OF RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES.

IN 1781, BRITISH TROOPS UNDER GEN. LORD CORNWALLIS SURRENDERED AT YORKTOWN, VA., AS THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION NEARED ITS END. IN 1812, FRENCH FORCES UNDER NAPOLEON BONAPARTE BEGAN THEIR RETREAT FROM MOSCOW.

IN 1864, CONFEDERATE GEN. JUBAL A. EARLY ATTACKED UNION FORCES AT CEDAR CREEK, VA.; THE UNION TROOPS WERE ABLE TO RALLY AND DEFEAT THE CONFEDERATES.

IN 1951, PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN SIGNED AN ACT FORMALLY ENDING THE STATE OF WAR WITH GERMANY.

IN 1960, THE UNITED STATES BEGAN A LIMITED EMBARGO AGAINST CUBA COVERING ALL COMMODITIES EXCEPT MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND CERTAIN FOOD PRODUCTS.

IN 1967, THE U.S. SPACE PROBE MARINER 5 FLEW PAST VENUS.

IN 1977, THE SUPERSONIC CONCORDE MADE ITS FIRST LANDING IN NEW YORK CITY.

IN 1987, THE STOCK MARKET CRASHED AS THE DOW JONES INDUSTRIAL AVERAGE PLUNGED 508 POINTS, OR 22.6 PERCENT IN VALUE.

IN 1994, 22 PEOPLE WERE KILLED AS A TERRORIST BOMB SHATTERED A BUS IN THE HEART OF TEL AVIV'S SHOPPING DISTRICT. ENTERTAINER MARTHA RAYE DIED IN LOS ANGELES AT AGE 78.

TEN YEARS AGO: U.S. SPECIAL FORCES BEGAN OPERATIONS ON THE GROUND IN AFGHANISTAN, OPENING A SIGNIFICANT NEW PHASE OF THE ASSAULT AGAINST THE TALIBAN AND AL-QAIDA. SOME 374 PEOPLE DIED WHEN THEIR FERRY SANK OFF INDONESIA WHILE EN ROUTE TO AUSTRALIA; MOST OF THE VICTIMS WERE BELIEVED TO BE ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ.

FIVE YEARS AGO: GUNMEN AMBUSHED A CAR CARRYING AFGHAN CIVILIANS WORKING FOR A U.S. MILITARY BASE IN AFGHANISTAN, KILLING EIGHT OF THEM EXECUTION -STYLE. THE DOW JONES INDUSTRIAL AVERAGE CLOSED ABOVE 12,000 FOR THE FIRST TIME, ENDING AT 12,011.73. THE ST. LOUIS CARDINALS WON THE NL PENNANT, BEATING THE NEW YORK METS 3-1 IN GAME 7 OF THEIR CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES. ACTRESS PHYLLIS KIRK DIED IN LOS ANGELES AT AGE 79.

ONE YEAR AGO: THE PENTAGON DIRECTED THE MILITARY TO ACCEPT OPENLY GAY RECRUITS FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE NATION'S HISTORY. HOSAM SMADI, A JORDANIAN MAN CAUGHT IN AN FBI STING TRYING TO BLOW UP A DALLAS SKYSCRAPER, WAS SENTENCED TO 24 YEARS IN PRISON AFTER TELLING THE COURT HE WAS ASHAMED OF HIS ACTIONS AND RENOUNCING AL-QAIDA. "HAPPY DAYS" PATRIARCH TOM BOSLEY DIED IN RANCHO MIRAGE, CALIF., AT AGE 83.

ENTERTAINMENT HISTORY
ON OCT. 19, 1952, HANK WILLIAMS AND HIS SECOND WIFE, BILLIE
JEAN, REPEATED THEIR WEDDING VOWS ON A NEW ORLEANS STAGE. WILLIAMS
DIED LESS THAN THREE MONTHS LATER.

IN 1966, THE YARDBIRDS ARRIVED IN NEW YORK FOR THEIR FIRST NORTH AMERICAN TOUR. AFTER ONLY TWO DATES, GUITARIST JEFF BECK LEFT THE BAND.

IN 1967, SMOKEY ROBINSON AND THE MIRACLES RELEASED "I SECOND THAT EMOTION."

IN 1987, MELISSA ETHERIDGE BEGAN RECORDING HER FIRST ALBUM, CALLED "MELISSA ETHERIDGE."

IN 1990, THE JURY IN THE 2 LIVE CREW OBSCENITY TRIAL IN FLORIDA ASKED THE JUDGE FOR PERMISSION TO LAUGH OUT LOUD. SOME OF THE JURORS SAID IT ACTUALLY WAS CAUSING THEM PAIN TO HOLD IN THEIR LAUGHTER.

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IN 1991, GRANT TURNER, THE VOICE OF THE GRAND OLE OPRY, DIED. HE WAS 79.

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GOP CAMPAIGN

FLORIDA REPUBLICANS SOON HEAD TO POLLS

MIAMI (AP) FLORIDA REPUBLICANS START HEADING TO THE POLLS IN A

FEW HOURS FOR THEIR PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY.

MITT ROMNEY IS ALL BUT PREDICTING VICTORY IN TODAY'S CONTEST. HE TOLD A CROWD OF SEVERAL HUNDRED AT A MONDAY STOP IN DUNEDIN, "WITH

A TURNOUT LIKE THIS, I'M BEGINNING TO FEEL WE MIGHT WIN TOMORROW.

BUT NEWT GINGRICH PROMISES TO KEEP FIGHTING, SAYING THAT IN THE LONG RUN, THE GOP ISN'T GOING TO NOMINATE "A LIBERAL REPUBLICAN.

GINGRICH-HURDLES AHEAD

IF GINGRICH LOSES IN FLORIDA, CAN HE COME BACK AGAIN? ORLANDO, FLA. (AP) CAN NEWT GINGRICH COME BACK A THIRD TIME? IF HE LOSES TODAY IN FLORIDA'S PRIMARY — AND THE POLLS PREDICT HE WILL — GINGRICH WILL SPEND THE NEXT MONTH TRYING TO PROVE THE ANSWER IS YES.

THE FORMER HOUSE SPEAKER, WHO HAS PLEDGED TO FIGHT ON UNTIL THE GOP CONVENTION THIS SUMMER, FACES A TOUGH ROAD OUT OF FLORIDA. HE PLUNGES NEXT INTO A SERIES OF STATE CONTESTS WHERE HE HAS LITTLE ORGANIZATION AND MUST OVERCOME STEEP ODDS TO WIN. GINGRICH WAS HOPING TO RIDE A WAVE OF ENTHUSIASM TO A WIN IN FLORIDA AND BEYOND, STOKED BY HIS DECISIVE VICTORY IN SOUTH CAROLINA. BUT UNLESS HE PULLS OFF AN UPSET TUESDAY, HE WILL HAVE SQUANDERED THAT MOMENTUM HEADING INTO STATES THAT LOOK FAVORABLE FOR

LEADING RIVAL MITT ROMNEY.

FAST AND FURIOUS

DEMS: NO HIGH-LEVEL DIRECTION ON FAST & FURIOUS

WASHINGTON (AP) DEMOCRATS ON A CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE SAY THE PANEL HAS OBTAINED NO EVIDENCE THAT A FLAWED GUN SMUGGLING PROBE CALLED OPERATION FAST AND FURIOUS WAS CONCEIVED OR DIRECTED BY HIGH

-LEVEL POLITICAL APPOINTEES AT JUSTICE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS. THE DEMOCRATS SAY THE PROBE GREW OUT OF A MISGUIDED FIVE-YEAR -LONG EFFORT DURING BOTH THE GEORGE W. BUSH AND OBAMA ADMINISTRATIONS

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IN THE PHOENIX DIVISION OF THE BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS

AND EXPLOSIVES TO DISMANTLE ARMS TRAFFICKING NETWORKS ALONG THE SOUTHWEST BORDER.

THE REPORT IS BY DEMOCRATS ON THE HOUSE OVERSIGHT AND GOVERNMENT REFORM COMMITTEE AND IT FOLLOWS A YEARLONG INQUIRY. IT IS EXPECTED

TO DIFFER SHARPLY WITH THE CONCLUSIONS OF REPUBLICANS, WHO WILL QUESTION ATTORNEY GENERAL ERIC HOLDER ABOUT OPERATION FAST AND FURIOUS AT A HEARING THURSDAY BEFORE THE COMMITTEE.

CONGRESS - INSIDER TRADING

SENATE CLEARS WAY FOR VOTE ON INSIDER -TRADING BAN
WASHINGTON (AP) THE SENATE IS WORKING ON A FAST TRACK TO PASS A
BILL THAT WOULD BAN INSIDER TRADING BY MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.
LAWMAKERS SAY THE BILL IS NEEDED TO HELP RESTORE THE PUBLIC'S
APPROVAL RATING OF CONGRESS, NOW BELOW 20 PERCENT.
SENATORS ARE EXPECTED TO INTRODUCE AMENDMENTS TODAY, AND THE BILL
COULD BE READY FOR PASSAGE LATER THIS WEEK.

IN A CONGRESS THAT HAS BEEN HEAVILY PARTISAN SINCE IT CONVENED A YEAR AGO, THIS BILL SAW AN UNUSUAL DISPLAY OF BIPARTISANSHIP. SENATORS VOTED 93-2 MONDAY ON A MOTION THAT ALLOWS THE SENATE TO PROCEED WITH THE LEGISLATION.

THE BILL WOULD MAKE IT CLEAR THAT MEMBERS OF CONGRESS ARE SUBJECT TO INSIDER TRADING LAWS, AND REQUIRE THAT ANY NEW TRANSACTIONS BE POSTED ONLINE WITHIN 30 DAYS.

CONGRESS - IRAN SANCTIONS

TOP SENATORS AGREE ON TOUGH PENALTIES ON IRAN WASHINGTON (AP) A TOP SENATE DEMOCRAT AND REPUBLICAN HAVE AGREED ON A BILL TO IMPOSE SWEEPING NEW PENALTIES ON IRAN. THE BANKING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, SEN. TIM JOHNSON, AND SEN. RICHARD SHELBY ANNOUNCED THE LEGISLATION LATE MONDAY THAT WOULD TARGET IRAN'S REVOLUTIONARY GUARD CORPS AND WOULD APPLY SANCTIONS

MORE INDIVIDUALS AND COMPANIES THAT DO BUSINESS WITH TEHRAN. THE COMMITTEE WILL CONSIDER THE LEGISLATION THURSDAY. THE TWO LAWMAKERS SAID CURRENT PENALTIES BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HAVE BEEN INSUFFICIENT IN FORCING TEHRAN TO ABANDON ITS NUCLEAR AMBITIONS.

THE BILL IS LIKELY TO GARNER STRONG BIPARTISAN SUPPORT. LAST YEAR, THE SENATE VOTED 100-0 FOR A MEASURE IN THE ANNUAL DEFENSE BILL THAT TARGETED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS THAT DO BUSINESS WITH IRAN

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COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.

THE NEW YORK TIMES REPORTS PRESIDENT PAMELA GANN TOLD COLLEGE STAFF MEMBERS AND STUDENTS OF THE FALSIFIED SCORES IN AN E-MAIL MONDAY. GANN WROTE THAT A "SENIOR ADMINISTRATOR" HAD TAKEN SOLE RESPONSIBILITY FOR FALSIFYING THE SCORES, ADMITTED DOING SO SINCE 2005. AND RESIGNED HIS POST.

GANN SAYS THE CRITICAL READING AND MATH SCORES REPORTED TO U.S. NEWS AND OTHERS "WERE GENERALLY INFLATED BY AN AVERAGE OF 10-20 POINTS EACH."

THE CURRENT U.S. NEWS RANKINGS LIST CLAREMONT MCKENNA AS THE NINTH-BEST LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE IN THE COUNTRY, A FACT NOTED ON GANN

'S BIOGRAPHY ON THE COLLEGE'S WEBSITE.

GREAT LAKES-MISSISSIPPI DIVIDE

REPORT PROPOSES DIVIDING GREAT LAKES, MISSISSIPPI TRAVERSE CITY, MICH. (AP) TWO ORGANIZATIONS ARE PROPOSING A MASSIVE ENGINEERING PROJECT COSTING UP TO \$9.5 BILLION TO SEVER A MAN-MADE LINK BETWEEN THE GREAT LAKES AND MISSISSIPPI RIVER BASINS

IN THE CHICAGO AREA.

THE GREAT LAKES COMMISSION AND THE GREAT LAKES AND ST. LAWRENCE CITIES INITIATIVE SAY THE PLAN IS THE ONLY SURE WAY TO PREVENT INVASIVE SPECIES FROM MIGRATING BETWEEN THE TWO WATERSHEDS. THEY'RE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED ABOUT ASIAN CARP, THE CHICAGO WATERWAYS ARE A POTENTIAL PATHWAY FOR THE INVASIVE FISH SPECIES TO

REACH LAKE MICHIGAN.

THE PLAN OFFERS THREE ALTERNATIVES FOR SEPARATING THE TWO AQUATIC SYSTEMS. EACH WOULD CUT THE FLOW OF WATER BETWEEN THEM BY PLACING ONE OR MORE BARRIERS IN THE CHICAGO WATERWAYS BY 2029. THEIR ESTIMATED PRICE TAGS RANGE FROM \$3.2 BILLION TO \$9.5

NUCLEAR PLANT-ILLINOIS

OFFICIALS INVESTIGATING ILLINOIS REACTOR SHUTDOWN CHICAGO (AP) OFFICIALS ARE INVESTIGATING THE EVENTS SURROUNDING A POWER FAILURE AT A NUCLEAR REACTOR IN NORTHERN ILLINOIS EXELON NUCLEAR'S BYRON GENERATING STATION SHUT DOWN MONDAY MORNING AFTER THE POWER FAILURE. STEAM WAS VENTED TO REDUCE PRESSURF

AFTER IT SHUT DOWN.

OFFICIALS SAY OPERATORS BEGAN RELEASING STEAM TO COOL THE REACTOR FROM THE PART OF THE PLANT WHERE TURBINES ARE PRODUCING ELECTRICITY.

NOT FROM WITHIN THE NUCLEAR REACTOR ITSELF. THE STEAM CONTAINS LOW

LEVELS OF TRITIUM, A RADIOACTIVE FORM OF HYDROGEN. BUT FEDERAL AND

PLANT OFFICIALS INSIST THE LEVELS WERE SAFE FOR WORKERS AND THE PUBLIC.

DIESEL GENERATORS WERE SUPPLYING THE REACTOR WITH ELECTRICITY, THOUGH IT HASN'T BEEN GENERATING POWER WHILE THE INVESTIGATION CONTINUES.

US-SYRIA

CLINTON HEADING TO UN TO CONDEMN ASSAD REGIME WASHINGTON (AP) SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON SAYS SHE'LL ATTEND A U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY TO LEND HER SUPPORT TO SYRIANS SEEKING DEMOCRATIC CHANGE.
CLINTON SAYS THE U.S. WILL SUPPORT AN ARAB BACKED CONDEMNATION OF PRESIDENT BASHAR ASSAD'S REGIME. SHE SAYS ASSAD IS BLOCKING A PEACEFUL TRANSITION BY ATTACKING THE SYRIAN PEOPLE, AND WARNED THAT

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INSTABILITY COULD SPILL OVER THROUGHOUT THE MIDEAST.
ASSADS REGIME IS INTENSIFYING AN ASSAULT AGAINST ARMY DEFECTORS
AND PROTESTERS. THE U.N. SAYS MORE THAN 5,400 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN
KILLED IN A CRACKDOWN SINCE MARCH. MORE THAN 190 WERE KILLED IN
THE

PAST FIVE DAYS.

CLINTON'S STATEMENT CONDEMNED THE ASSAD REGIME'S ESCALATION OF VIOLENCE "IN THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE TERMS." SHE CALLED THE SHELLING OF CIVILIAN AREAS WITH MORTAR AND TANK FIRE "BRUTAL" AND

SAID WHOLE BUILDINGS WERE LEVELED.

AFGHANISTAN

UN POLL: AFGHAN POLICE STILL CORRUPT BUT IMPROVING KABUL, AFGHANISTAN (AP) A U.N. SURVEY HAS FOUND THAT MORE THAN HALF OF AFGHANS POLLED SEE THE NATIONAL POLICE AS CORRUPT, THOUGH THEIR OVERALL REPUTATION IS IMPROVING.

THE SURVEY RELEASED TUESDAY INDICATES ONLY 20 PERCENT OF THOSE SURVEYED THINK POLICE ARE READY TO KEEP ORDER WITHOUT INTERNATIONAL

TROOPS. LESS THAN A QUARTER WANTED THE NATO MILITARY FORCE TO LEAVE

IMMEDIATELY.

EXPANDING THE AFGHAN POLICE AND ARMY IS KEY TO NATO'S PLANS TO TURN OVER SECURITY BY THE END OF 2014. BUT PROBLEMS PERSIST, INCLUDING CORRUPTION AND ILLITERACY.

STILL, THE PERCENTAGE OF PEOPLE CALLING THE AFGHAN POLICE CORRUPT DROPPED BY SEVEN POINTS FROM LAST YEAR IN THE ANNUAL SURVEY. NATO SAYS TRENDS ARE MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. THE SURVEY OF MORE THAN 7,000 AFGHANS HAD A MARGIN OF ERROR OF 1.6 PERCENTAGE POINTS.

WEST POINT SPEAKER-ISLAM

ISLAM CRITIC BACKS OUT OF WEST POINT CADET EVENT
WEST POINT, N.Y. (AP) A RETIRED U.S. LIEUTENANT GENERAL WHO MADE
COMMENTS DENIGRATING ISLAM HAS WITHDRAWN FROM SPEAKING AT A WEST
POINT PRAYER BREAKFAST AFTER A VETERANS' ADVOCACY GROUP PROTESTED
HIS INVITATION.

VOTEVETS.ORG TOLD ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF RAYMOND ODIERNO (OH-DEE-EHR '-NOH) IN A LETTER MONDAY THAT ALLOWING RETIRED LT. GEN. WILLIAM

BOYKIN TO SPEAK AT THE U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY NEXT WEEK WOULD BE CONTRARY TO ARMY VALUES AND DISRESPECTFUL TO MUSLIM CADETS. BOYKIN IS A FORMER SENIOR MILITARY INTELLIGENCE OFFICER. HE HAS BEEN CRITICIZED FOR SPEECHES HE MADE AT EVANGELICAL CHRISTIAN CHURCHES BEGINNING IN JANUARY 2002. HE SAID AMERICA'S ENEMY WAS SATAN, GOD PUT PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH IN THE WHITE HOUSE AND

MUSLIM SOMALI WARLORD WAS AN IDOL-WORSHIPPER.
BOYKIN LATER ISSUED A WRITTEN STATEMENT APOLOGIZING AND SAID HE
DIDN'T MEAN TO INSULT ISLAM.

DEADLY INTERSTATE CRASH

FLORIDA GOVERNOR ORDERS INVESTIGATION INTO DEADLY CRASH GAINESVILLE, FLA. (AP) GOV. RICK SCOTT IS ORDERING AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL'S DECISION TO REOPEN

AN INTERSTATE HIGHWAY SHORTLY BEFORE A PAIR OF PILEUPS HAPPENED THAT

KILLED 10 PEOPLE

SCOTT ON MONDAY ORDERED THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TO INVESTIGATE THE FHP'S DECISION AND ANY OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES THAT

LED UP TO SUNDAYS CRASHES ON INTERSTATE 75 OUTSIDE OF GAINESVILLE.

THE FHP HAD CLOSED THE ROAD FOR MORE THAN THREE HOURS EARLY SUNDAY AFTER HEAVY SMOKE FROM A NEARBY BRUSHFIRE AND FOG COMBINED

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TO

MAKE THE HIGHWAY IMPASSABLE. FIFTEEN MINUTES AFTER THE HIGHWAY REOPENED, THE PILEUPS HAPPENED, WITH SURVIVORS REPORTING SMOKE AND

FOG SO THICK THEY COULDN'T SEE.

THE FHP EARLIER DEFENDED ITS DECISION, SAYING THE VISIBILITY WAS CLEAR ENOUGH BUT DETERIORATED RAPIDLY.

ARPAIO OFFICES EVACUATED

AUTHORITIES INVESTIGATE LETTER SENT TO ARPAIO
PHOENIX (AP) AUTHORITIES ARE INVESTIGATING AN ENVELOPE
CONTAINING WHITE POWDER THAT WAS DIRECTED TO PRESIDENT BARACK
ORAMA

AND LISTED A CONTROVERSIAL ARIZONA SHERIFF AS THE SENDER.

MARICOPA COUNTY SHERIFF JOE ARPAIO (AR-PYE'-OH) SAYS HE FOUND THE
LETTER SATURDAY AND BROUGHT IT TO HIS OFFICE FOR INVESTIGATORS TO
EXAMINE MONDAY. HE SAYS THE LETTER NEVER GOT TO THE WHITE HOUSE,
ARRIVING INSTEAD AT ARPAIO'S HOME IN THE PHOENIX SUBURB OF
FOUNTAIN

HILLS.

THE SHERIFF SAYS THE LETTER TOLD OBAMA TO "RESIGN OR DIE," HAD A FORGED ARPAIO SIGNATURE AND CLAIMS THAT THE SUBSTANCE IS ANTHRAX.

AUTHORITIES ARE AWAITING TESTS OF THE SUBSTANCE.
ARPAIO IS UNDER SCRUTINY FOR HIS ANTI-ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION
TACTICS. HE HAS SAID A FEDERAL PROBE OF HIS OFFICE WAS
POLITICALLY
MOTIVATED.

OBIT-ABERCROMBIE

ACTOR WHO WAS MR. PITT ON 'SEINFELD' DIES AT 77
LOS ANGELES (AP) THE VETERAN BRITISH STAGE AND SCREEN ACTOR
WHOSE TV ROLES INCLUDED ELAINE'S BOSS MR. PITT ON "SEINFELD"
HAS

DIED. IAN ABERCROMBIE WAS 77.

A STATEMENT FROM LUCASARTS POSTED ON THE WEB SAID HE DIED FRIDAY. ABERCROMBIE PROVIDED THE VOICE OF CHANCELLOR PALPATINE IN "STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS."

A FRIEND, CATHY LIND HAYES, TOLD THE LOS ANGELES TIMES THAT HE DIED AT A LOS ANGELES HOSPITAL FROM COMPLICATIONS OF KIDNEY FAILURE.

HE BEGAN HIS CAREER AS A DANCER AND MADE HIS AMERICAN STAGE DEBUT IN A 1951 PRODUCTION OF "STALAG 17."
HE APPEARED IN MOVIES SUCH AS "ARMY OF DARKNESS" AND ON TV SHOWS SUCH AS "WIZARDS OF WAVERLY PLACE" AND "BIRDS OF PREY."

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OBIT-ALS RESEARCHER

ALS RESEARCHER SUCCUMBS TO DISEASE HE STUDIED SAN FRANCISCO (AP) DR. RICHARD OLNEY, AN INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED RESEARCHER WHO DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO FINDING A CURE FOR LOU

GEHRIG'S DISEASE, HAS DIED AFTER HIS OWN EIGHT-YEAR BATTLE WITH THE

DISEASE. HE WAS 64.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO ANNOUNCED MONDAY THAT OLNEY DIED AT HIS MARIN COUNTY HOME ON FRIDAY SURROUNDED BY HIS FAMILY.

HE HAD SPENT NEARLY HIS ENTIRE 25-YEAR RESEARCH CAREER AT UCSF, THE LAST 18 INVESTIGATING AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS, BETTER KNOWN AS ALS.

OLNEY LAUNCHED THE UCSF ALS CENTER IN 1993 TO PURSUE TREATMENTS FOR THE DISEASE, WHICH CAUSES PATIENTS TO GRADUALLY LOSE CONTROL OF

THEIR MUSCLES. IT NOW SERVES 375 PATIENTS.
OLNEY RESIGNED FROM THE CENTER IN 2004 TO ATTEND TO HIS OWN

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HEALTH.

TOYS-MONEY LAUNDERING

TOY COMPANY OWNERS TO BE SENTENCED IN DRUG SCHEME LOS ANGELES (AP) THE CO-OWNERS OF A LOS ANGELES TOY COMPANY ARE EXPECTED TO BE SENTENCED TODAY FOR THEIR ROLE IN LAUNDERING MILLIONS

OF DOLLARS FOR COLOMBIAN DRUG TRAFFICKERS.

PROSECUTORS ARE RECOMMENDING MEICHUN CHENG HUANG AND LING YU BE SENTENCED UP TO 15 MONTHS IN PRISON AFTER THEY PLEADED GUILTY TO ONE

COUNT OF CONSPIRACY TO STRUCTURE CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS.
AUTHORITIES SAID THE SISTERS WERE INVOLVED IN A COMPLEX SCHEME
THAT SAW COURIERS FROM DRUG TRAFFICKING GROUPS DROP CASH AT ANGEL
TOY'S DOWNTOWN HEADQUARTERS OR DEPOSIT MONEY INTO COMPANY
ACCOUNTS.

THE MONEY WAS THEN USED BY A COLOMBIAN IMPORTER TO BUY TEDDY BEARS AND OTHER STUFFED ANIMALS. THESE TOYS WERE SENT ON TO COLUMBIA, WHERE THE IMPORTER SOLD THEM AND GAVE THE PROCEEDS, IN PESOS, TO THE DRUG TRAFFICKERS, AUTHORITIES SAID. THE COMPANY ALSO PLEADED GUILTY TO THE SAME CHARGE AND WILL LIKELY HAVE TO FORFEIT \$1 MILLION DOLLARS AND PAY A \$200,000 FINE.

WALL STREET

STOCKS AND BOND YIELDS DROP ON EUROPE WORRIES NEW YORK (AP) U.S. STOCKS WERE DOWN FOR A GOOD PART OF THE WALL STREET SESSION MONDAY. BUT BY THE CLOSING BELL, THEY WERE DOWN ONLY

MODESTLY.

THE DOW FELL 7 POINTS TO CLOSE AT 12,654, FOR A DROP OF 0.1 PERCENT. IT HAD BEEN DOWN AS MANY AS 131 POINTS DURING THE SESSION.

THE S&P 500 WAS DOWN 3 POINTS TO 1,313. THE NASDAQ COMPOSITE SLIPPED 5 POINTS TO 2,812.

SHARES OF FAST FOOD CHAIN WENDY'S FELL 4 PERCENT. IT REPORTED THAT ONE MEASURE OF EARNINGS DROPPED 30 PERCENT IN THE FOURTH QUARTER. CHARGES FROM SELLING ARBY'S OFFSET THE EFFECTS OF A JUMP IN

SALES.

WORLD MARKETS

ASIAN STOCKS RISE AS INVESTORS WATCH EUROPE BEIJING (AP) ASIAN STOCKS ROSE TODAY AS TRADERS WATCHED FOR A POSSIBLE DEAL TO CUT GREECE'S DEBTS AND JAPANESE FACTORY OUTPUT REBOUNDED.

TRADERS WATCHED EUROPE, A MAJOR EXPORT MARKET, FOLLOWING REPORTS GREECE AND ITS CREDITORS WERE CLOSE TO A DEAL TO CUT ITS DEBTS. ALSO, EUROPEAN LEADERS AGREED ON A NEW TREATY MEANT TO STOP OVERSPENDING AND PUT AN END TO THE REGION'S CRIPPLING DEBT WOES. BENCHMARK CRUDE OIL ROSE ABOVE \$99 PER BARREL WHILE THE DOLLAR FELL AGAINST THE EURO AND THE YEN.

ECONOMY - DAY AHEAD

HOME PRICE GAUGE, CONSUMER CONFIDENCE DUE WASHINGTON (AP) ON TODAY'S ECONOMIC CALENDAR, WE'LL FOCUS ON THE HOUSING MARKET ONCE AGAIN. STANDARD & POOR'S RELEASES THE S&P

-SHILLER INDEX OF HOME PRICES FOR NOVEMBER. ALSO, THE CONFERENCE BOARD RELEASES THE CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX FOR JANUARY. ALSO TODAY, A SENATE PANEL HOLDS A HEARING ON THE CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU, WITH DIRECTOR RICHARD CORDRAY.

BUSINESS

PRESIDENT WANTS SMALL BUSINESS TAX, INVESTMENT BREAKS
WASHINGTON (AP) THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION WANTS CONGRESS TO ENACT
OR EXPAND TAX BREAKS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES AND REMOVE BARRIERS TO
BUSINESS STARTUPS. THE LEGISLATION SEIZES ON EXISTING BIPARTISAN
PROPOSALS THAT COULD WIN SUPPORT EVEN IN AN ELECTION YEAR.

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PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA PLANS TO SEND THE LEGISLATION TO CONGRESS ON TUESDAY. THE PACKAGE INCLUDES MEASURES TO MAKE PERMANENT A ZERO

CAPITAL GAINS TAX RATE FOR INVESTMENTS IN SMALL BUSINESSES, IT ALSO

WOULD EXTEND FOR A YEAR THE ABILITY OF BUSINESSES TO IMMEDIATELY DEDUCT ALL OF THE COSTS OF EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE PURCHASES. OBAMA ALSO IS PROPOSING A NEW 10 PERCENT TAX CREDIT FOR SMALL BUSINESSES THAT ADD JOBS OR INCREASE WAGES IN 2012. IN ADDITION, THE

LEGISLATION WOULD MAKE IT EASIER FOR NEW STARTUP COMPANIES TO RAISE

MONEY AND GO PUBLIC.

FED-LOAN SURVEY

FED: MORE SMALL BUSINESSES SEEK LOANS

WASHINGTON (AP) A FEDERAL RESERVE SURVEY FINDS BANKS ARE SEEING MORE SMALL BUSINESSES IN THE U.S. APPLY FOR LOANS. THATS ACCORDING

TO THE FED'S QUARTERLY SURVEY OF LOAN OFFICERS FOR LARGE BANKS. THE PERCENTAGE OF BANKS REPORTING INCREASED LOAN DEMAND FROM COMPANIES WITH ANNUAL SALES OF LESS THAN \$50 MILLION ROSE TO THE HIGHEST LEVEL SINCE 2005, THE SURVEY FOUND.

ECONOMISTS SEE THE INCREASE IN DEMAND FOR LOANS AS A GOOD SIGN FOR FUTURE ECONOMIC GROWTH BECAUSE IT INDICATES THAT MORE COMPANIES

ARE CONFIDENT AND MAY BE LOOKING TO HIRE MORE AND EXPAND.

TREASURY BORROWING

TREASURY ESTIMATES BORROWING NEED OF \$444 BILLION WASHINGTON (AP) THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT IS SEEKING TO BORROW \$444 BILLION IN THE CURRENT QUARTER THROUGH MARCH.
THE LATEST ESTIMATE OF BORROWING PLANS FOR THE JANUARY-MARCH PERIOD WOULD MAKE THIS QUARTER THE FIFTH HIGHEST IN TERMS OF GOVERNMENT BORROWING. BORROWING NEEDS HAVE SURGED AS THE GOVERNMENT

HAS HAD TO FUND RECORD BUDGET DEFICITS.

THE BORROWING THIS QUARTER IS \$97 BILLION LOWER THAN THE GOVERNMENT INITIALLY INDICATED IT WOULD NEED. TREASURY SAYS IMPROVED

TAX RECEIPTS AND LOWER EXPECTED SPENDING WERE AMONG THE REASONS FOR

THE REDUCED FIGURE.

SENATE DEMOCRATS WERE ABLE TO BLOCK A REPUBLICAN MOVE LAST WEEK TO HALT THE LATEST INCREASE IN THE DEBT CEILING, THE BORROWING LIMIT

ROSE BY \$1.2 TRILLION TO \$16.4 TRILLION.

GREECE-FINANCIAL CRISIS

GREEK PREMIER SAYS COUNTRY MAY NEED MORE AID BRUSSELS (AP) GREECE'S PRIME MINISTER SAYS HE CANNOT EXCLUDE THE

POSSIBILITY THAT HIS COUNTRY WILL NEED MORE HELP ON TOP OF A NEW

(EURO) 130 BILLION (\$170.43 BILLION) BAILOUT AND A DEAL WITH PRIVATE

INVESTORS TO SLASH ITS DEBT.

AFTER A MEETING WITH EUROPEAN UNION LEADERS EARLY TUESDAY, LUCAS PAPADEMOS SAID "IT'S TOO EARLY NOW TO SAY WHETHER WE WILL NEED SOME

EXTRA PUBLIC FUNDING. OUR GOAL IS TO AVERT SUCH AN ALTERNATIVE. PAPADEMOS SAID THERE WERE STILL SOME OUTSTANDING ISSUES ON THE DEBT DEAL WITH BANKS AND OTHER INVESTMENT FUNDS, WITHOUT COMMENTING

ON THE DETAILS.

HE ALSO SAID THAT THE COUNTRY'S INTERNATIONAL DEBT INSPECTORS WERE STILL PUSHING FOR FURTHER SPENDING CUTS AND ECONOMIC REFORMS.

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VENEZUELA -GOLD

VENEZUELA BRINGS HOME \$9 BILLION IN GOLD

CARACAS, VENEZUELA (AP) VENEZUELA'S CENTRAL BANK SAYS THE COUNTRY HAS REPATRIATED A TOTAL OF \$9 BILLION IN GOLD THAT WAS

PREVIOUSLY HELD IN FOREIGN BANKS.

CENTRAL BANK PRESIDENT NELSON MERENTES SAYS A FINAL SHIPMENT OF 14 METRIC TONS (15 TONS) ARRIVED MONDAY. HE SAYS VENEZUELA HAS TRANSPORTED 160 METRIC TONS (176 TONS) OF GOLD FROM FOREIGN BANKS SINCE NOVEMBER

PRESIDENT HUGO CHAVEZ IN AUGUST INITIALLY ANNOUNCED A PLAN TO RETRIEVE ABOUT 211 METRIC TONS (233 TONS) HELD IN U.S. AND FUROPEAN

BANKS.

CHAVEZ HAS SAID BRINGING THE GOLD TO VENEZUELA WILL HELP PROTECT IT FROM ECONOMIC TROUBLES IN THE U.S. AND EUROPE.

MERENTES DID NOT SAY FROM WHERE THE LATEST SHIPMENT ARRIVED, OR SAY IN WHICH FOREIGN BANKS VENEZUELA STILL HAS GOLD.

ARCHDIOCESE -THEFT

CLERK CHARGED WITH SWIPING \$1M FROM NY ARCHDIOCESE

NEW YORK (AP) AN ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK CLERK WITH A RECORD OF THEFT HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH MANIPULATING THE CHURCH'S ACCOUNTS PAYABLE SYSTEM TO STEAL MORE THAN \$1 MILLION IN EDUCATION MONEY. ANITA COLLINS WAS BEING HELD ON \$750,000 BOND AFTER ARRAIGNMENT ON GRAND LARCENY AND OTHER CHARGES. HER LAWYER SAYS A REQUEST FOR LOWER BAIL MAY BE SOUGHT LATER.

THE MANHATTAN DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE SAYS COLLINS WROTE CHECKS TO ONE OF HER SONS AND DEPOSITED THEM IN HER ACCOUNTS BUT RECORDED THEM AS PAYMENTS TO LEGITIMATE VENDORS.

PROSECUTORS ALSO SAY COLLINS HAS TWO PRIOR CONVICTIONS ON CHARGES OF STEALING FROM EMPLOYERS.

THE ARCHDIOCESE SAYS PRE-EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR ALL WORKERS BEGAN SHORTLY AFTER COLLINS WAS HIRED IN 2003. SHE WAS FIRED

IN DECEMBER.

PEP BOYS-ACQUISITION

PEP BOYS AGREES TO BE ACQUIRED FOR ABOUT \$791M

NEW YORK (AP) THE PEP BOYS - MANNY, MOE & JACK, AN AUTO PARTS

CHAIN FOUNDED MORE THAN 90 YEARS AGO, HAS AGREED TO BE TAKEN

PRIVATE

BY THE INVESTMENT FIRM THE GORES GROUP FOR ABOUT \$791 MILLION. THE \$15 PER SHARE OFFER IS A 24 PERCENT PREMIUM TO PEP BOYS' CLOSING PRICE FRIDAY OF \$12.08. NEWS OF THE ACQUISITION SENT THE PHILADELPHIA COMPANY'S SHARES UP 24 PERCENT MONDAY. PEP BOYS HAS MORE THAN 700 LOCATIONS IN 35 STATES AND PUERTO RICO. IT HAS FACED COMPETITION FROM COMPANIES INCLUDING AUTOZONE INC., ADVANCE AUTO PARTS INC. AND O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE. PEP BOYS STOCK HAS DROPPED ABOUT 25 PERCENT OVER THE LAST DECADE, WHILE AUTOZONE'S SHARES HAVE GROWN MORE THAN FIVE TIMES AND ADVANCE

PARTS' STOCK HAS JUMPED APPROXIMATELY 60 PERCENT.
PEP BOYS' BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE ACQUISITION, WHICH STILL
NEEDS APPROVAL FROM THE COMPANY'S SHAREHOLDERS. THE DEAL IS
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LOS ANGELES (AP) A CO-FOUNDER OF THE POPULAR FROZEN YOGURT CHAIN
PINKBERRY HAS PLEADED NOT GUILTY TO BEATING A HOMELESS MAN WITH A
TIRE IRON IN LOS ANGELES

CITY NEWS SERVICE SAYS 47-YEAR-OLD YOUNG LEE WAS ARRAIGNED MONDAY IN THE JUNE 15 BEATING THAT LEFT A HOMELESS MAN WITH A BROKEN FOREARM AND CUTS TO HIS HEAD.

THE TERMS OF LEE'S \$60,000 BAIL WERE MODIFIED SO HE CAN TRAVEL TO HIS NATIVE KOREA LATER THIS MONTH. HE MUST SURRENDER HIS PASSPORT WHEN HE RETURNS TO COURT MARCH 5 FOR A PRELIMINARY HEARING. WHEN HE RETURNS TO COURT MARCH 5 FOR A PRELIMINARY HEARING. PROSECUTORS ALLEGE THAT LEE AND A COMPANION CONFRONTED THE HOMELESS MAN BECAUSE LEE THOUGHT THE TRANSIENT HAD DISRESPECTED HIM

BY EXPOSING A SEXUALLY EXPLICIT TATTOO.

LEE FACES UP TO SEVEN YEARS IN PRISON IF CONVICTED.

A MESSAGE SEEKING COMMENT WAS LEFT AT PINKBERRY'S OFFICES.

TODAY IN HISTORY

TODAY IS TUESDAY, JAN. 31, THE 31ST DAY OF 2012. THERE ARE 335 DAYS LEFT IN THE YEAR.

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT IN HISTORY:

ON JAN. 31, 1961, NASA LAUNCHED HAM THE CHIMP ABOARD A MERCURY -REDSTONE ROCKET FROM CAPE CANAVERAL; HAM WAS RECOVERED SAFELY FROM

THE ATLANTIC OCEAN FOLLOWING HIS 16 1/2 -MINUTE SUBORBITAL FLIGHT. ON THIS DATE:

IN 1606, GUY FAWKES, CONVICTED OF TREASON FOR HIS PART IN THE 'GUNPOWDER PLOT" AGAINST THE ENGLISH PARLIAMENT AND KING JAMES I

WAS EXECUTED.

IN 1797, COMPOSER FRANZ SCHUBERT WAS BORN IN VIENNA.
IN 1865, GEN. ROBERT E. LEE WAS NAMED GENERAL -IN-CHIEF OF ALL THE
CONFEDERATE ARMIES.

IN 1917, DURING WORLD WAR I, GERMANY SERVED NOTICE IT WAS BEGINNING A POLICY OF UNRESTRICTED SUBMARINE WARFARE. IN 1929, REVOLUTIONARY LEON TROTSKY AND HIS FAMILY WERE EXPELLED FROM THE SOVIET UNION.

IN 1944, DURING WORLD WAR II, U.S. FORCES BEGAN A SUCCESSFUL INVASION OF KWAJALEIN ATOLL AND OTHER PARTS OF THE JAPANESE-HELD MARSHALL ISLANDS.

IN 1945, PVT. EDDIE SLOVIK, 24, BECAME THE FIRST U.S. SOLDIER SINCE THE CIVIL WAR TO BE EXECUTED FOR DESERTION AS HE WAS SHOT BY

AN AMERICAN FIRING SQUAD IN FRANCE.

IN 1950, PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN ANNOUNCED HE HAD ORDERED DEVELOPMENT OF THE HYDROGEN BOMB.

IN 1958, THE UNITED STATES ENTERED THE SPACE AGE WITH ITS FIRST SUCCESSFUL LAUNCH OF A SATELLITE INTO ORBIT, EXPLORER I. IN 1971, ASTRONAUTS ALAN SHEPARD, EDGAR MITCHELL AND STUART ROOSA BLASTED OFF ABOARD APOLLO 14 ON A MISSION TO THE MOON. IN 1992, LEADERS OF THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCILS MEMBER STATES HELD AN UNPRECEDENTED SUMMIT, AFTER WHICH THEY ISSUED A DECLARATION

ON COLLECTIVE SECURITY, ARMS CONTROL AND NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION.

IN 2000, AN ALASKA AIRLINES JET SPIRALED INTO THE PACIFIC OCEAN OFF PORT HUENEME, CALIF., KILLING ALL 88 PEOPLE ABOARD.

TEN YEARS AGO: THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION HANDED ABORTION OPPONENTS

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A SYMBOLIC VICTORY, CLASSIFYING A DEVELOPING FETUS AS AN "UNBORN CHILD" AS A WAY OF EXTENDING PRENATAL CARE TO LOW-INCOME PREGNANT

WOMEN UNDER THE STATE CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM. DEFENSE

SECRETARY DONALD RUMSFELD SAID IN A SPEECH THAT THE UNITED STATES HAD TO PREPARE FOR POTENTIAL SURPRISE ATTACKS "VASTLY MORE DEADLY"

THAN THOSE ON 9/11. KENTUCKY, CITED BY THE NCAA FOR MORE THAN THREE

DOZEN RECRUITING VIOLATIONS, WAS PLACED ON THREE YEARS' PROBATION

FIVE YEARS AGO: PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH, VISITING WALL STREET, DELIVERED HIS STATE OF THE ECONOMY" SPEECH IN WHICH HE TOOK AIM

AT LAVISH SALARIES AND BONUSES FOR CORPORATE EXECUTIVES. DELAWARE SEN. JOE BIDEN FORMALLY LAUNCHED HIS BID FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION. NINE BLINKING ELECTRONIC DEVICES PLANTED AROUND BOSTON THREW A SCARE INTO THE CITY IN WHAT TURNED OUT TO BE A

MARKETING CAMPAIGN FOR A LATE-NIGHT CABLE CARTOON. BEST-SELLING AUTHOR AND COLUMNIST MOLLY IVINS DIED IN AUSTIN, TEXAS, AT AGE 62

ONE YEAR AGO: A FEDERAL JUDGE IN FLORIDA DECLARED THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION'S HEALTH CARE OVERHAUL UNCONSTITUTIONAL, SIDING WITH

26 STATES THAT ARGUED PEOPLE CANNOT BE REQUIRED TO BUY HEALTH INSURANCE. EGYPT'S MILITARY PROMISED NOT TO FIRE ON PEACEFUL PROTESTS AND RECOGNIZED "THE LEGITIMACY OF THE PEOPLE'S DEMANDS.

MYANMAR OPENED ITS FIRST PARLIAMENT IN MORE THAN TWO DECADES, AN EVENT GREETED WITH CAUTIOUS OPTIMISM BY OPPOSITION LAWMAKERS DESPITE

THE MILITARYS TIGHT MANAGEMENT OF THE EVENT.
TODAYS BIRTHDAYS: ACTRESS CAROL CHANNING IS 91. BASEBALL HALL-OF
-FAMER ERNIE BANKS IS 81. COMPOSER PHILIP GLASS IS 75. FORMER
INTERIOR SECRETARY JAMES WATT IS 74. QUEEN BEATRIX OF THE
NETHERLANDS IS 74. ACTOR STUART MARGOLIN IS 72. ACTRESS JESSICA
WALTER IS 71. FORMER U.S. REP. DICK GEPHARDT, D-MO., IS 71. BLUES
SINGER-MUSICIAN CHARLIE MUSSELWHITE IS 68. ACTOR GLYNN TURMAN IS

BASEBALL HALL-OF-FAMER NOLAN RYAN IS 65. SINGER-MUSICIAN HARRY WAYNE

CASEY (KC AND THE SUNSHINE BAND) IS 61. ROCK SINGER JOHNNY ROTTEN IS

56. ACTRESS KELLY LYNCH IS 53. ACTOR ANTHONY LAPAGLIA IS 53. SINGER

-MUSICIAN LLOYD COLE IS 51. ROCK MUSICIAN JEFF HANNEMAN (SLAYER) IS

48. ROCK MUSICIAN AL JAWORSKI (JESUS JONES) IS 46. ACTRESS MINNIE DRIVER IS 42. ACTRESS PORTIA DE ROSSI IS 39. ACTOR-COMEDIAN BOBBY MOYNIHAN IS 35. ACTRESS KERRY WASHINGTON IS 35. SINGER JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE IS 31.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY: MYSTICS ALWAYS HOPE THAT SCIENCE WILL SOME DAY OVERTAKE THEM." BOOTH TARKINGTON, AMERICAN AUTHOR -DRAMATIST (1869-1946).

ENTERTAINMENT HISTORY

ON JANUARY 31ST, 1949, THE FIRST TV DAYTIME SOAP OPERA, "THESE ARE MY CHILDREN," WAS BROADCAST FROM THE NBC STATION IN CHICAGO. IN 1956, ELEVEN-YEAR-OLD BRENDA LEE MADE HER TV DEBUT ON ABC'S 'JUNIOR OZARK JUBILEE."

IN 1970, BLUESMAN SLIM HARPO DIED OF A HEART ATTACK IN BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA. HE WAS 46.

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IN 1978, SAXOPHONIST GREG HERBERT OF BLOOD, SWEAT AND TEARS DIED OF AN ACCIDENTAL DRUG OVERDOSE IN AMSTERDAM DURING THE BAND'S EUROPEAN TOUR. HE WAS 30.

IN 1985, BARBARA COWSILL, MOTHER OF THE GROUP THE COWSILLS, DIED IN ARIZONA. SHE WAS 56.

IN 1989, PLAYBOY HIT NEWSSTANDS WITH NUDE PHOTOS OF LA TOYA JACKSON.

IN 1993, MICHAEL JACKSON AND 3,500 CHILDREN PERFORMED DURING HALFTIME AT THE SUPER BOWL. HE SANG A VARIETY OF HIS HITS, INC. LIDING.

"HEAL THE WORLD." THE GAME BEGAN WITH COUNTRY STAR GARTH BROOKS SINGING THE "STAR-SPANGLED BANNER." ACTRESS MARLEE MATLIN

INTERPRETED THE SONG IN SIGN LANGUAGE.

IN 2005, JURY SELECTION BEGAN IN MICHAEL JACKSON'S CHILD

MOLESTATION TRIAL. HE WAS LATER ACQUITTED.

IN 2007, BOSTON AUTHORITIES RESPONDED TO CALLS OF BOMB SCARES FOR BLINKING ELECTRONIC SIGNS ON BRIDGE OVERPASSES AND NEAR TRANSIT STATIONS. THE SIGNS ENDED UP BEING PROMOTIONAL ITEMS FOR CARTOON NETWORK'S "AQUA TEEN HUNGER FORCE."

IN 2010, BEYONCE' WON SIX GRAMMYS, MORE THAN ANY OTHER WOMAN HAD WON IN A SINGLE NIGHT.

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STRICKEN CRUISE SHIP TO REACH MALAYSIA PORT SUNDAY

SANDAKAN, MALAYSIA (AP) EMERGENCY SERVICES AND EMBASSY OFFICIALS

ARE PREPARING HELP FOR 1,000 PEOPLE ON A PARTIALLY DISABLED

CRUISE

SHIP HEADED FOR A MALAYSIAN PORT AFTER A FIRE LEFT IT ADRIFT AT

SEA

FOR 24 HOURS.

THE AZAMARA QUEST WAS STRANDED SOUTHERN PHILIPPINE WATERS AFTER A FIRE ENGULFED ONE OF ITS ENGINE ROOMS FRIDAY NIGHT. IT RESTORED

PROPULSION THE NEXT NIGHT AND IS EXPECTED TO REACH THE HARBOR OF

SANDAKAN CITY IN MALAYSIA'S EASTERN STATE OF SABAH ON BORNEO ISI AND

LATE SUNDAY.

CITY POLICE OFFICIAL RUDY WILIDING SAYS AUTHORITIES MAY HAVE

AMBULANCES ON STANDBY, EVEN THOUGH THEY HAVE NOT RECEIVED

REQUESTS

FOR ASSISTANCE

THE SHIPS OPERATOR HAS SAID NO PASSENGERS ARE HURT, BUT FIVE

CREW MEMBERS SUFFERED SMOKE INHALATION, INCLUDING ONE WHO WAS

SERIOUSLY INJURED.

YACHT RACE-RESCUE

SAILORS INJURED IN STORM DURING RACE OFF CALIF.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) THE U.S. COAST GUARD HAS SENT RESCUERS TO AID

FOUR SAILORS INJURED IN A STORM DURING A RACE SOME 400 MILES OFF

THE

CALIFORNIA COAST.

A SPOKESPERSON FOR THE CLIPPER 11-12 ROUND THE WORLD YACHT RACE SAID SATURDAY THAT THE 68-FOOT GERALDTON WESTERN AUSTRALIA TOOK

ON A

LARGE WAVE, WHICH SWEPT AWAY ITS STEERING MOUNTING AND SOME

COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT. WIND GUSTS OVER 60 KNOTS WERE REPORTED

DURING THE STORM.

FOUR CREW MEMBERS SUFFERED BACK, RIB AND PELVIC INJURIES.

RESCUERS WILL PARACHUTE DOWN TO THE YACHT WHEN THEY ARRIVE ON THE

SCENE EARLY SUNDAY. RACE OFFICIALS SAY A CONTAINER SHIP HAS BEEN

DIVERTED TO HELP AND WILL ARRIVE LATER SUNDAY. THE YACHT IS PROCEEDING UNDER SECONDARY STEERING TOWARDS SAN

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> FRANCISCO BAY, WHERE IT WILL FINISH LEG 6 OF THE RACE. SUPREME COURT-HEALTH CARE CONGRESS GETS ROUGH TREATMENT AT SUPREME COURT WASHINGTON (AP) THE SUPREME COURT LEFT LITTLE DOUBT DURING LAST WEEK'S MARATHON ARGUMENTS OVER PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE OVERHAUL THAT IT HAS SCANT FAITH IN CONGRESS' ABILITY TO GET ANYTHING DONE THE VIEWS ABOUT CONGRESS WERE EVIDENT IN THE QUESTIONS FROM THE JUSTICES THE JUSTICES APPEAR TO BE ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ARGUMENT OVER THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE LAW'S KEY PROVISION, THE INDIVIDUAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENT, AS WELL AS WHETHER THE ENTIRE LAW SHOULD BF THROWN OUT IF THE MANDATE IS STRUCK DOWN. THE COMMENTS WERE PARTICULARLY STRIKING FROM THE CONSERVATIVE JUSTICES WHO HAVE CALLED ON UNELECTED JUDGES TO SHOW DEFERENCE TO THE ACTIONS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS. JUSTICE ANTONIN SCALIA, WHO APPEARED STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF STRIKING DOWN THE ENTIRE LAW, WAS THE MOST OUTSPOKEN IN HIS DISDAIN FOR CONGRESS OTHER HEALTH CARE MANDATES PRESIDENT'S INSURANCE REQUIREMENT NOT THE ONLY MANDATE WASHINGTON (AP) THE INDIVIDUAL HEALTH INSURANCE MANDATE THAT THE SUPREME COURT IS REVIEWING ISN'T THE ONLY FEDERAL DICTATE INVOLVING HEALTH CARE THERE'S A MEDICARE PAYROLL TAX ON WORKERS AND EMPLOYERS, FOR EXAMPLE, AND A REQUIREMENT THAT HOSPITALS PROVIDE FREE EMERGENCY SERVICES TO INDIGENTS. HEALTH CARE IS FULL OF GOVERNMENT DICTATES, AND SOME CAN BE SEEN AS MORE INTRUSIVE THAN THE REQUIREMENT IN PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA HEALTH CARE LAW. MOST OF THE MANDATES APPLY TO SERVICE PROVIDERS SUCH AS HOSPITALS AND INSURERS ONE FEDERAL HEALTH CARE MANDATE THAT AFFECTS JUST ABOUT EVERYBODY: WORKERS MUST PAY A TAX TO FINANCE MEDICARE, WHICH COLLECTS ABOUT \$200 BILLION A YEAR. EVEN THE UNINSURED PAY THE MEDICARE TAX. JUSTICE RUTH BADER GINSBURG WONDERED LAST WEEK HOW SOME SOCIAL POLICY MANDATES COULD BE CONSTITUTIONAL AND OTHERS NOT. PRESIDENT -GOP PRESIDENT WANTS 'BUFFETT RULE' TAX; GOP CALLS FOR OBAMA SUPPORT ON ENERGY WASHINGTON (AP) PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA IS REVIVING A TAX PROPOSAL THAT STANDS AS A SYMBOL OF THE DEMOCRATS' EFFORTS TO PORTRAY THEMSELVES AS CHAMPIONS OF ECONOMIC FAIRNESS, THOUGH IT HAS NO CHANCE OF PASSING CONGRESS. IN HIS WEEKLY RADIO AND INTERNET ADDRESS, OBAMA CALLS ON CONGRESS TO INCREASE TAXES ON MILLIONAIRES. OBAMA CALLS THE PLAN THE "BUFFETT RULE" FOR WARREN BUFFETT, THE BILLIONAIRE INVESTOR WHO SAYS THE MIDDLE CLASS PAYS A GREATER SHARE OF ITS INCOME IN TAXES THAN THE WEALTHY. OBAMA ALSO WANTS TO END THE BUSH-ERA TAX CUTS FOR PEOPLE EARNING

MORE THAN \$250,000.

FOR THE REPUBLICANS, HOUSE SPEAKER JOHN BOEHNER CHALLENGED OBAMA TO GET BEHIND GOP ENERGY PROPOSALS. HE KEPT UP THE REPUBLICAN DRIVE

TO BLAME THE ADMINISTRATION FOR HIGH GAS PRICES, BOEHNER CALLED FOR

MORE OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION. A FREEZE IN NEW REGULATIONS AND

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APPROVAL OF AN OIL PIPELINE FROM CANADA TO TEXAS. GOP CAMPAIGN CONFIDENT ROMNEY PREDICTS WISCONSIN VICTORY FITCHBURG, WIS. (AP) A CONFIDENT MITT ROMNEY IS PREDICTING VICTORY AHEAD OF TUESDAY'S PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY IN WISCONSIN. AND HE SAYS THAT A WIN WOULD HELP HIM CLAIM THE REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION "WELL BEFORE" HIS PARTY'S NATIONAL CONVENTION IN AUGUST. SPEAKING TO VOTERS INSIDE A CALL CENTER FOR REPUBLICAN GOVERNOR SCOTT WALKER ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON, ROMNEY SAYS THAT SUPPORT FOR CAMPAIGN "IS GROWING STRONGER AND STRONGER." HE SAYS IT LOOKS LIKE HE'S GOING TO WIN THE WISCONSIN CONTEST AND COULD WIN THE OTHER TWO ELECTIONS ON TUESDAY IN MARYLAND AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA. WITH WISCONSIN CONGRESSMAN PAUL RYAN AT HIS SIDE, ROMNEY SAYS THAT WINNING ALL THREE WOULD BE A BIG STATEMENT. FRANCE-TERRORISM FRENCH COUNTERESPIONAGE OFFICIAL: DETAINED ISLAMIST RADICALS POSED A REAL THREAT PARIS (AP) THE HEAD OF FRANCE'S COUNTERESPIONAGE AGENCY SAYS THAT ISLAMIST RADICALS DETAINED IN A SWEEP AROUND THE COUNTRY HAD A STASH OF ARMS, DID PHYSICAL TRAINING AND MAY HAVE BEEN PREPARING A KIDNAPPING. POLICE CONTINUE TO QUESTION THE 17 PEOPLE A DAY AFTER THEY WERE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY. THE HEAD OF THE SPY AGENCY TELLS A NEWSPAPER IN MARSEILLE (MAHR -SAY") THAT ALL THOSE ARRESTED WERE MEMBERS OF A RADICAL ISLAMIST GROUP KNOWN AS THE KNIGHTS OF PRIDE THAT WAS BANNED LATE LAST MONTH HE SAYS THE GROUP HAS AN "IMPRESSIVE" COLLECTION OF KALASHNIKOV RIFLES AND OTHER GUNS ALONG WITH TEAR GAS CANISTERS AND A TASER. THE POLICE SWEEP CAME ABOUT A WEEK AFTER THE DEATH OF 23-YEAR-OLD FRENCHMAN MOHAMED MERAH, WHO CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THREE ATTACKS IN SOUTHERN FRANCE THAT KILLED THREE PARATROOPERS AND A RABBI AND THREE CHILDREN AT A JEWISH SCHOOL. POLICE ARE SEARCHING FOR POSSIBLE ACCOMPLICES OF MERAH, BUT THE SPY CHIEF SAYS THE GROUP NOW UNDER INVESTIGATION IS NOT LINKED TO HIM. VENEZUELA -CUBA-CHAVEZ VENEZUELAN LEADER RETURNING TO CUBA FOR TREATMENT CARACAS, VENEZUELA (AP) PRESIDENT HUGO CHAVEZ SAYS HE'S RETURNING TO CUBA FOR ANOTHER ROUND OF CANCER TREATMENT. CHAVEZ SAID SATURDAY DURING A TELEVISED SPEECH TO HIS SUPPORTERS THAT HE WAS TRAVELING TO HAVANA IN THE AFTERNOON FOR A SECOND ROUND OF RADIATION AFTER RECENT SURGERY TO EXTRACT A SECOND CANCEROUS TUMOR IN HIS PELVIC AREA, CHAVEZ HAD ANOTHER TUMOR REMOVED FROM THE SAME GENERAL AREA IN JUNE. THE 57-YEAR-OLD LEFTIST PRESIDENT, IN OFFICE SINCE 1999, HAS VOWED TO OVERCOME CANCER TO WIN ANOTHER SIX-YEAR TERM IN THE OCT. ELECTION. CHAVEZ HAS NOT IDENTIFIED THE TYPE OF CANCER, NOR THE PRECISE LOCATION WHERE THE TUMORS WERE LOCATED. HE IS A CLOSE FRIEND OF CUBA'S REVOLUTIONARY LEADER FIDEL CASTRO AND HIS BROTHER PRESIDENT RAUL CASTRO. US-SYRIA-DIPLOMACY CLINTON DOUBTS THAT ASSAD IS INTERESTED IN PEACE ISTANBUL (AP) U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON SAYS

PRESIDENT BASHAR ASSAD IS UNLIKELY TO ADHERE TO A U.N.-SPONSORED

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PEACE PLAN TO END A YEAR OF BLOODSHED IN SYRIA.

THE U.S. IS RATCHETING UP PRESSURE AGAINST ASSAD BUT ISN'T SUPPORTING ARMING REBELS OR MILITARY INTERVENTION.

CLINTON SAYS A WEEK OF FIGHTING HAS PASSED SINCE ASSAD'S REGIME AGREED TO U.N. MEDIATOR KOFI ANNAN'S SIX-POINT PLAN, WHICH INCLUDED

A CEASEFIRE.

CLINTON WAS SPEAKING SUNDAY AT A 60-NATION CONFERENCE IN TURKEY. THE MEETING SEEKS TO ISOLATE ASSAD'S GOVERNMENT AND BOLSTER THE SYRIAN OPPOSITION.

CLINTON SAYS SYRIANS WILL CONTINUE DEFENDING THEMSELVES UNTIL ASSAD HALTS THE VIOLENCE.

SHE ANNOUNCED \$12 MILLION IN ADDITIONAL U.S. AID TO SYRIA'S PEOPLE.

AFGHANISTAN

POLICE: ROADSIDE BOMB KILLS 3 IN AFGHANISTAN KABUL, AFGHANISTAN (AP) AFGHAN POLICE SAY A ROADSIDE BOMB IN THE

SOUTH OF THE COUNTRY HAS KILLED TWO LOCAL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND AN AFGHAN POLICEMAN.

FAREED AYAL, WHO IS A SPOKESMAN FOR THE POLICE CHIEF IN URUZGAN PROVINCE, SAYS THE TWO COUNCIL MEMBERS FROM GIZAB DISTRICT AND THE

POLICEMAN DIED WHEN THE BOMB HIT THEIR CAR ON SATURDAY EVENING. HE SAYS TWO OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS WERE WOUNDED WHEN THEIR CAR HIT A SECOND BOMB NEARBY.

TALIBAN AND OTHER INSURGENTS FREQUENTLY TARGET LOCAL POLITICIANS TO UNDERMINE THE KABUL GOVERNMENT'S AUTHORITY. EGYPT

EGYPT'S BROTHERHOOD FIELDS PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE
CAIRO (AP) EGYPT'S MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD SAYS IT HAS DECIDED TO
FIELD THE MOVEMENT'S DEPUTY LEADER AND TOP STRATEGIST AS ITS
PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE, TOPPING OFF ITS SUCCESS IN LEGISLATIVE
ELECTIONS WITH A BID FOR THE COUNTRY'S MOST POWERFUL POST.
TOP LEADERS OF THE COUNTRY'S MOST INFLUENTIAL POLITICAL GROUP
ANNOUNCED IN A SATURDAY PRESS CONFERENCE THAT IT SELECTED KHAYRAT

-SHATER TO CONTEST THE PRESIDENTIAL RACE SET TO START IN MAY.
THE MOVE REVERSES A PLEDGE MADE BY THE GROUP'S LEADERS NOT TO
CONTEST PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS TO REASSURE LIBERALS AND WESTERN
TRIES FEARFUL OF AN ISLAMIC TAKEOVER.

THE MOVE IS ALSO LIKELY TO ALARM THE COUNTRY'S MILITARY RULERS, WHOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE BROTHERHOOD HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY CONFRONTATIONAL IN RECENT WEEKS.

MYANMAR-THE VOTE

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MYANMAR OPPOSITION SAYS SUU KYI TAKES LEAD IN VOTE YANGON, MYANMAR (AP) THE MAIN OPPOSITION PARTY IN MYANMAR SAYS EARLY RESULTS FROM SUNDAY'S POLL SHOW DEMOCRACY ICON AUNG SAN SUU KYI LEADING IN HER BID FOR PARLIAMENT.

THE PRELIMINARY RESULTS WERE DISPLAYED ON A DIGITAL SIGNBOARD

ABOVE THE OPPOSITION NATIONAL LEAGUE FOR DEMOCRACY'S HEADQUARTERS IN

THE MAIN CITY, YANGON.

THE RESULTS SAID SUU KYI WAS AHEAD WITH 65 PERCENT OF THE VOTE IN 82 OF HER CONSTITUENCY'S 129 POLLING STATIONS. THE STATISTICS WERE NOT OFFICIAL AND THE ELECTION COMMISSION HAS YET TO RELEASE ANY OUTCOME OF SUNDAY'S BY-ELECTION.

JAPAN-TSUNAMI RISK

JAPAN EXPERTS WARN OF FUTURE RISK OF GIANT TSUNAMI TOKYO (AP) REVISED ESTIMATES OF THE POTENTIAL IMPACT AN OFFSHORE EARTHQUAKE COULD HAVE ON JAPAN SHOW THAT MUCH OF THE COUNTRY'S PACIFIC COAST COULD BE INUNDATED BY A TSUNAMI MORE THAN 112 FEET HIGH.

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ACCORDING TO JAPANESE MEDIA REPORTS SUNDAY, A GOVERNMENT -COMMISSIONED PANEL OF EXPERTS SAYS A TSUNAMI UNLEASHED BY A MAGNITUDE -9.0 EARTHQUAKE IN THE NANKAI TROUGH, WHICH RUNS EAST OF JAPAN'S MAIN ISLAND OF HONSHU TO THE SOUTHERN ISLAND OF KYUSHU, COULD TOP 112 FEET IF A QUAKE HAPPENS AT HIGH TIDE. AN EARLIER FORECAST IN 2003 PUT THE POTENTIAL MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF SUCH A TSUNAMI AT LESS THAN 20 METERS (66 FEET). THE REVISIONS ARE BASED ON NEW RESEARCH FOLLOWING LAST MARCH'S MAGNITUDE -9.0 EARTHQUAKE AND TSUNAMI, WHICH DEVASTATED A LONG STRETCH OF JAPAN'S NORTHEASTERN COAST.

HOLY LAND-PALM SUNDAY

CHRISTIANS MARK PALM SUNDAY IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM (AP) HUNDREDS OF CHRISTIAN PILGRIMS ARE VISITING THE HOLY LAND TO MARK PALM SUNDAY, THE DAY JESUS CHRIST MADE HIS TRIUMPHANT RETURN TO JERUSALEM.

THE FAITHFUL ARE EXPECTED TO MARCH FROM THE MOUNT OF OLIVES TO THE HOLY CITY BEHIND A WHITE DONKEY, RETRACING JESUS' TRADITIONAL ROUTE FROM 2.000 YEARS AGO.

EARLY SUNDAY, VISITORS WALKED DOWN THE COBBLESTONE ALLEYWAYS OF THE WALLED OLD CITY CARRYING OLIVE BRANCHES, PALM FRONDS AND CROSSES.

THE DAY MARKS THE START OF HOLY WEEK, WHICH ENDS THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY WITH EASTER.

VATICAN - PALM SUNDAY

POPE, JUST BACK FROM TRIP, CELEBRATES PALM SUNDAY
VATICAN CITY (AP) POPE BENEDICT XVI HAS KICKED OFF THE CATHOLIC
CHURCH'S HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS WITH PALM SUNDAY MASS AND GOOD
NEWS

FROM CUBA.

AFTER HIS VISIT LAST WEEK, CUBA AGREED TO HIS REQUEST TO MAKE GOOD FRIDAY A HOLIDAY. THE DAY MARKS THE SOLEMN COMMEMORATION OF CHRIST'S DEATH.

ON SUNDAY, BENEDICT TRAVELED INTO ST. PETER'S SQUARE ON THE BACK OF A WHITE JEEP AT THE START OF PALM SUNDAY MASS, WHICH MARKS JESUS'

ARRIVAL IN JERUSALEM AND INAUGURATES HOLY WEEK.
BENEDICT LOOKED RESTED DESPITE HAVING JUST RETURNED FROM AN EXHAUSTING, SIX-DAY TRIP TO MEXICO AND CUBA, WHERE HE MET WITH FORMER AND PRESENT CUBAN PRESIDENTS, FIDEL CASTRO AND HIS BROTHER

RAUL

THE POPE, WHO TURNS 85 IN TWO WEEKS, HAS A BUSY HOLY WEEK AHEAD OF HIM, WITH PUBLIC SERVICES THURSDAY THROUGH EASTER SUNDAY. SEVERE WEATHER WARNINGS

REVAMPED TORNADO WARNINGS AIM TO SCARE

KANSAS CITY, MO. (AP) THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IS KICKING OFF AN EXPERIMENT NEXT WEEK WITH A NEW KIND OF TORNADO WARNING THAT'S AIMED TO SCARE PEOPLE INTO SEEKING SHELTER.

WEATHER SERVICE OFFICIALS SAY STUDIES AFTER DEADLY TORNADOES IN JOPLIN, MO., AND TUSCALOOSA, ALA., LAST YEAR FOUND THAT MOST PEOPLE

DIDN'T HEED THE INITIAL WARNINGS ABOUT THE ONCOMING STORMS. THEY ALSO SAY PEOPLE IN TORNADO -PRONE AREAS HAVE BECOME DESENSITIZED BY FREQUENT FALSE ALARMS AND DON'T ALWAYS PAY ATTENTION

TO THE FIRST WARNINGS.

AND SO, OFFICES IN MISSOURI AND KANSAS WILL START SENDING OUT '
'IMPACT-BASED" WARNINGS DURING SEVERE WEATHER THAT DESCRIBE HOW
MUCH

DAMAGE A STORM COULD CAUSE.

AMONG THE MESSAGES IN THE NEW WARNINGS: "COMPLETE DESTRUCTION OF ENTIRE NEIGHBORHOODS IS LIKELY" AND "MASS DEVASTATION IS HIGHLY LIKELY MAKING THE AREA UNRECOGNIZABLE TO SURVIVORS."

WILDFIRES -COLORADO

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HUMAN REMAINS FOUND IN BURNED HOME OF MISSING WOMAN CONIFER, COLO. (AP) THE SEARCH FOR A COLORADO WOMAN MISSING IN A WILDFIRE HAS BEEN SUSPENDED AFTER RESCUERS FOUND HUMAN REMAINS IN HER BURNED HOME.

JEFFERSON COUNTY AUTHORITIES SAY THEY DON'T KNOW YET WHETHER THE REMAINS FOUND SATURDAY ARE THOSE OF ANN APPEL, REPORTED MISSING SINCE MONDAY.

IT WOULD BE THE THIRD FATALITY IN A WILDFIRE THAT HAS SCORCHED ABOUT 6 SQUARE MILES SOUTHWEST OF DENVER.

AN ELDERLY COUPLE FOUND DEAD IN ONE OF THE MORE THAN TWO DOZEN HOMES DAMAGE OR DESTROYED BY THE FIRE WERE BURIED FRIDAY. RESIDENTS OF ABOUT 180 HOMES REMAIN EVACUATED.

FIREFIGHTERS HAVE CONTAINED MORE THAN 90 PERCENT OF THE WILDFIRE, WHICH WAS APPARENTLY SPARKED BY A STATE CONTROLLED BURN THAT SPRANG

TO LIFE MONDAY IN STRONG WINDS.

DEADLY HOUSE FIRE

HUNDREDS MOURN 6 OF 9 W.VA. HOUSE FIRE VICTIMS ST. ALBANS, W.VA. (AP) HUNDREDS HAVE TURNED OUT FOR A MEMORIAL SERVICE TO REMEMBER SIX OF THE NINE VICTIMS OF A DEADLY WEST VIRGINIA HOUSE FIRE LAST WEEKEND.

THE CROWD GATHERED SATURDAY AT MARANATHA FELLOWSHIP CHURCH TO REMEMBER 26-YEAR-OLD ALISHA CARTER-CAMP AND HER THREE CHILDREN, AGES

3 TO 8, ALONG WITH TWO OF CARTER-CAMP'S NEPHEWS, AGES 3 AND 18 MONTHS.

THE REV. DARREN POWELL TOLD MOURNERS "ANYTIME THAT SOMEONE LOSES THEIR LIFE IN A TRAGEDY SUCH AS THIS, IT IS VERY HEAVY. BUT THEN WHEN YOU MULTIPLY THAT BY SIX DIFFERENT PEOPLE, IT'S EVEN HEAVIER THAN USUAL."

SEVEN CHILDREN AND TWO ADULTS DIED IN THE EARLY-MORNING FIRE IN CHARLESTON, ABOUT 11 MILES EAST OF THE CHURCH. THE BLAZE TORE THROUGH THE TWO-STORY HOME HOURS AFTER THE LAST GUEST HAD LEFT CARTER -CAMP'S 26TH BIRTHDAY PARTY. SHE HAD RENTED THE HOME. THE CAUSE REMAINS UNDER INVESTIGATION.

MISSING RUNNER

SEARCHERS FIND BODY OF RUNNER MICAH TRUE IN NM GILA NATIONAL FOREST (AP) SEARCHERS HAVE FOUND THE BODY OF RENOWNED LONG-DISTANCE RUNNER MICAH TRUE, WHO VANISHED FOUR DAYS AGO

AFTER GOING FOR A RUN NEAR NEW MEXICO'S GILA NATIONAL FOREST. NEW MEXICO STATE POLICE LT. ROBERT MCDONALD SAYS TRUE'S BODY WAS FOUND SATURDAY IN A REMOTE AREA OF THE GILA WILDERNESS. THE BOULDER DAILY CAMERA REPORTS (HTTP://BIT.LY/HAM6TD) THE CAUSE OF DEATH IS STILL UNKNOWN BUT THERE WERE NO OBVIOUS SIGNS OF

TRAUMA. A MEDICAL EXAMINER WAS SENT TO EXAMINE THE BODY. AUTHORITIES SAY THE 58-YEAR-OLD TRUE, WHO LIVED IN COLORADO, WENT FOR A RUN TUESDAY MORNING AND DIDN'T RETURN. A SEARCH BEGAN THE NEXT DAY

TRUE IS AN ACCOMPLISHED EXTREME-DISTANCE ULTRARUNNER - TAKING ON DISTANCES OF 50 MILES OR MORE - WHO WAS FEATURED IN THE BESTSELLING

BOOK "BORN TO RUN."

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH-RALLY

PROTESTERS MARCH IN FLA. TOWN WHERE TEEN WAS SHOT SANFORD, FLA. (AP) PROTESTERS AND CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS ARE VOWING TO CONTINUE MARCHING UNTIL THERE IS AN ARREST IN THE CASE OF 17 -YEAR

-OLD TRAYVON MARTIN.

THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE GATHERED SATURDAY OUTSIDE THE SANFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE FLORIDA TOWN WHERE MARTIN WAS SHOT TO DEATH BY NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH VOLUNTEER GEORGE ZIMMERMAN.

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THE REV. AL SHARPTON TOLD PROTESTERS THEY ARE LIVING IN THE MIDDLE OF "AN AMERICAN PARADOX," WHERE A BLACK MAN CAN BE PLACED

IN THE WHITE HOUSE BUT A BLACK CHILD CANNOT WALK THROUGH A GATED NEIGHBORHOOD.

THE CASE HAS INFLAMED RACIAL TENSIONS AND SPARKED PROTESTS NATIONWIDE CALLING FOR ZIMMERMAN'S ARREST. ZIMMERMAN HAS SAID HE ACTED IN SELF-DEFENSE WHEN HE SHOT THE TEEN.

MUSIC-ACM AWARDS

THOMPSON SQUARE WINS ACM VOCAL DUO AWARD - EARLY LAS VEGAS (AP) THE HUSBAND -AND-WIFE DUO THOMPSON SQUARE IS THE ACADEMY OF COUNTRY MUSIC'S VOCAL DUO OF THE YEAR.

THE WIN WAS ANNOUNCED SATURDAY NIGHT DURING THE ACM SALUTE TO THE MILITARY CONCERT IN LAS VEGAS. ACADEMY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BOB ROMEO

SURPRISED SHAWNA AND KEIFER THOMPSON ON STAGE WITH THE NEWS. THE REMAINING AWARDS WILL BE HANDED OUT AT SUNDAY NIGHT'S ACM AWARDS, CO-HOSTED BY REBA MCENTIRE AND BLAKE SHELTON AND AIRING LIVE

ON CBS AT 8 P.M. EDT.

THOMPSON SQUARE BEAT OUT REIGNING WINNER SUGARLAND, STEEL MAGNOLIA, MONTGOMERY GENTRY AND LOVE AND THEFT. THE THOMPSONS ARE THE FIRST DUO OTHER THAN BROOKS & DUNN OR SUGARLAND TO WIN THE AWARD

SINCE 1991. THE DIXIE CHICKS TRIO WON IN 1998-99 WHEN IT WAS GIVEN

TO DUOS OR GROUPS.

EARTH HOUR

WORLD LANDMARKS DIMMED FOR EARTH HOUR

LONDON (AP) A GLOBAL EFFORT TO SHED LIGHT ON CLIMATE CHANGE PUT HUNDREDS OF WORLD LANDMARKS IN THE DARK.

FROM BERLIN'S BRANDENBURG GATE TO THE GREAT WALL OF CHINA, LIGHTS WERE DIMMED TO MARK EARTH HOUR.

EARTH HOUR, HELD ON THE LAST SATURDAY OF MARCH EVERY YEAR, BEGAN IN AUSTRALIA AS A SYDNEY-ONLY EVENT IN 2007. THE CITY'S ICONIC HARBOR BRIDGE AND OPERA HOUSE WERE DIMMED AGAIN THIS YEAR. AUSTRALIA IS AMONG THE FIRST COUNTRIES TO FLICK OFF THE LIGHT SWITCHES EACH YEAR. ALL THE EVENTS TOOK PLACE AT 8:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME.

WASHINGTON'S NATIONAL CATHEDRAL AND NEW YORK'S EMPIRE STATE BUILDING ALSO TOOK PART.

THE WWF, THE GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP WHICH ORGANIZES THE EVENT, SAID THE NUMBER OF COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES PARTICIPATING HAS GROWN FROM 135 LAST YEAR TO 147 THIS YEAR.

BRITAIN-TITANIC'S LAST LUNCH

MENU FROM TITANIC'S LAST LUNCH SELLS AT UK AUCTION LONDON (AP) A BRITISH AUCTIONEER SAYS THAT A FIRST CLASS MENU FROM THE TITANIC'S LAST LUNCH HAS SOLD FOR 76,000 POUNDS (ABOUT \$120

THE MENU, KEPT BY PROMINENT SAN FRANCISCO BANKER WASHINGTON DODGE, BEARS THE DATE APRIL 14, THE DAY IN 1912 THAT THE REPUTEDLY

UNSINKABLE SHIP HIT AN ICEBERG AND FELL TO THE BOTTOM OF THE ATLANTIC.

DEVIZES, ENGLAND BASED AUCTIONEER HENRY ALDRIGE & SON SAYS THE MENU IS ONE OF THE "RAREST ITEMS OF TITANIC MEMORABILIA TO BE SOLD

IN RECENT YEARS," ADDING IT MADE ITS WAY OFF THE SHIP IN THE BANKER

'S WIFE'S PURSE

AMONG THE 40 OPTIONS ON THE HISTORIC MENU: CHICKEN A LA MARYLAND AND CONSOMME FERMIER.

A SET OF KEYS FROM THE SHIP WERE ALSO SOLD SATURDAY, FOR 59,000

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POUNDS.

ALL PRICES INCLUDE THE BUYER'S PREMIUM.

TRIBUNE - DIRECTV

TRIBUNE BROADCASTING SAYS NO DIRECTV DEAL

NEW YORK (AP) TRIBUNE BROADCASTING SAYS THERE'S BEEN NO SETTLEMENT WITH DIRECTV INC. IN THEIR CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, WHICH

MEANS DIRECTV SUBSCRIBERS IN 19 U.S. MARKETS WILL LOSE ACCESS TO CERTAIN PROGRAMMING.

TRIBUNE BROADCASTING SAID IN A STATEMENT LATE SATURDAY THAT WITHOUT A DEAL IN PLACE, BY FEDERAL LAW DIRECTV CANNOT CARRY THE SIGNAL OF TRIBUNE'S LOCAL TELEVISION STATIONS AFTER MIDNIGHT, WHEN

THE AGREEMENT EXPIRES.

THE AFFECTED MARKETS INCLUDE NEW YORK, CHICAGO, NEW ORLEANS AND PHILADELPHIA.

IN ITS OWN STATEMENT, DIRECTV SAID IT HAD HOPED TRIBUNE WOULD ALLOW ITS PROGRAMMING TO REMAIN UP WHILE NEGOTIATIONS CONTINUE. EARLIER, DIRECTV SAID THE TWO HAD REACHED A HANDSHAKE DEAL THURSDAY WITH AN AGREED -UPON RATE FOR TRIBUNE'S CHANNELS. TRIBUNE SAID IT HAD NOT REACHED A DEAL OR COME TO TERMS WITH DIRECTV ON ANY

ASPECT OF THE CONTRACT.

GAS DRILLING -HEALTH IMPACT

HEALTH IMPACT STUDIES TAKING HOLD, WITH CHALLENGES ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) HEALTH ADVOCATES SAY NEW YORK REGULATORS ARE NOT PAYING ENOUGH ATTENTION TO PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERNS AS THEY FOCUS

ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF SHALE GAS DEVELOPMENT. THEY WANT TO SEE A HEALTH IMPACT ASSESSMENT SIMILAR TO THOSE CONDUCTED ON MAJOR PROJECTS IN ALASKA AND COLORADO. IN A LETTER LAST FALL TO NEW YORK GOV. ANDREW CUOMO, MORE THAN 250 DOCTORS AND OTHER HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS HELD UP THE STUDIES

IN ALASKA AND COLORADO AS EXAMPLES OF WHAT NEW YORK SHOULD DO. THOSE

STUDIES LISTED POTENTIAL CHEMICAL EXPOSURES, ACCIDENTS AND OTHER IMPACTS AND RECOMMENDED HEALTH MONITORING AND WAYS TO MITIGATE THE

IMPACTS

NEW YORK REGULATORS SAY THEIR ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW SUFFICIENTLY ADDRESSES PUBLIC HEALTH.

BRITAIN-GAS LEAK

FLARE BURNS OUT AT TOTAL'S NORTH SEA PLATFORM

LONDON (AP) FRENCH ENERGY COMPANY TOTAL SAYS THE GAS FLARE ABOVE ITS STRICKEN NORTH SEA PLATFORM HAS BURNED ITSELF OUT.

A COMPANY STATEMENT SAID SATURDAY THAT "THE FLARE ON THE ELGIN PLATFORM HAS EXTINGUISHED ITSELF."

A GAS LEAK AT THE PLATFORM, ABOUT 150 MILES (240 KILOMETERS) OFF THE SCOTTISH COAST, FORCED THE EVACUATION OF 238 STAFF MEMBERS EARLIER THIS WEEK.

TOTAL S.A. SAYS IT WILL TRY TO CHOKE OFF THE FLOW OF GAS USING SO -CALLED "HEAVY MUD," A MIXTURE CONTAINING MINERAL COMPOUNDS. THE COMPANY ALSO SAYS IT'S TRYING TO DRILL RELIEF WELLS INTO THE SEA FLOOR TO HELP STOP THE LEAK.

CHINA-MANUFACTURING

CHINA MANUFACTURING RISES FOR 4TH STRAIGHT MONTH SHANGHAI (AP) CHINA SAYS ITS MANUFACTURING GAINED MOMENTUM FOR A FOURTH STRAIGHT MONTH IN MARCH, HELPED BY A RECOVERY IN THE AUTO, TOBACCO AND ELECTRONICS SECTORS.

THE STATE-AFFILIATED CHINA FEDERATION OF LOGISTICS AND PURCHASING

THE STATE-AFFILIATED CHINA FEDERATION OF LOGISTICS AND PURCHASING SAID SUNDAY THAT ITS PURCHASING MANAGERS INDEX, OR PMI, ROSE 2.1 POINTS TO 53.1 IN MARCH, UP FROM FEBRUARY'S 51.0 AND JANUARY'S 50.5.

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A READING ABOVE 50 SIGNIFIES EXPANSION.

THE RISE IN NEW FACTORY ORDERS SUGGESTS A RECOVERY IN VARIOUS SECTORS, THOUGH FEDERATION ANALYST ZHANG LIQUN SAID THERE WERE STILL

WORRYING SIGNS OF WEAKNESS IN EXPORTS, INVESTMENT AND CONSUMER DEMAND.

BUSINESS NOTES

GOOD WEEK AND QUARTER -- JOBLESS REPORT DUE -- PRESIDENT PUSHES FOR HIGHER TAXES FOR THE RICH

NEW YORK (AP) THE S&P 500 HAS JUST HAD ITS BEST QUARTER SINCE 2009. FOR THE WEEK, THE DOW WAS UP 1 PERCENT, THE S&P AND NASDAQ WERE UP 0.8 PERCENT.

NEW YORK (AP) NEXT WEEK BRINGS THE MONTHLY UNEMPLOYMENT REPORT FROM THE GOVERNMENT. ANALYSTS LOOK FOR NO CHANGE IN THE JOBLESS RATE AT 8.3 PERCENT.

WASHINGTON (AP) PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA IS CALLING ON CONGRESS TO INCREASE TAXES ON MILLIONAIRES. IN HIS WEEKLY ADDRESS, OBAMA SAYS.

'ANYONE WHO DOES WELL FOR THEMSELVES SHOULD DO THEIR FAIR SHARE IN

RETURN." IN THE REPUBLICAN ADDRESS, HOUSE SPEAKER JOHN BOEHNER (BAY

'-NUR) CHALLENGED OBAMA TO GET BEHIND ENERGY PROPOSALS BACKED BY HOUSE REPUBLICANS SUCH AS MORE OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION IN FEDERAL LANDS.

UNDATED (AP) FLIGHT ATTENDANTS AT US AIRWAYS HAVE VOTED DOWN A TENTATIVE AGREEMENT THAT INCLUDED PAY RAISES AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS.

THE DEAL WAS REJECTED BY 75 PERCENT OF VOTING FLIGHT ATTENDANTS. UNDATED (AP) GROUPON HAS REVISED ITS FOURTH-QUARTER FINANCIAL RESULTS AFTER FINDING IT NEEDED TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF MONEY IT

SETS ASIDE FOR REFUNDS, GROUPON SAYS IT WAS SELLING ONLINE DEALS AT

HIGHER PRICES DURING THE PERIOD AND THAT PUT IT ON THE HOOK FOR LARGER REFUNDS. THE ADJUSTMENT LOWERED THE COMPANY'S REVENUE FOR THE

PERIOD BY \$14 MILLION.

TODAY IN HISTORY

TODAY IS PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 1, THE 92ND DAY OF 2012. THERE ARE 274 DAYS LEFT IN THE YEAR. THIS IS APRIL FOOL'S DAY.

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT IN HISTORY:

ON APRIL 1, 1912, THE CITY OF BRANSON, MO., WAS INCORPORATED. ON THIS DATE:

IN 1789, THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HELD ITS FIRST FULL MEETING IN NEW YORK; FREDERICK MUHLENBERG OF PENNSYLVANIA WAS ELECTED THE FIRST HOUSE SPEAKER.

IN 1853, CINCINNATI, OHIO, ESTABLISHED A FIRE DEPARTMENT MADE UP OF PAID CITY EMPLOYEES.

IN 1918, THE ROYAL AIR FORCE WAS ESTABLISHED IN BRITAIN.

IN 1933, NAZI GERMANY BEGAN PERSECUTING JEWS WITH A BOYCOTT OF JEWISH-OWNED BUSINESSES.

IN 1939, THE UNITED STATES RECOGNIZED THE GOVERNMENT OF GEN. FRANCISCO FRANCO IN SPAIN, THE SAME DAY FRANCO WENT ON RADIO TO DECLARE VICTORY IN THE SPANISH CIVIL WAR.

IN 1945, AMERICAN FORCES LAUNCHED THE AMPHIBIOUS INVASION OF OKINAWA DURING WORLD WAR II.

IN 1962, THE KATHERINE ANNE PORTER NOVEL "SHIP OF FOOLS," AN ALLEGORY ABOUT THE RISE OF NAZISM IN GERMANY, WAS FIRST PUBLISHED BY

LITTLE, BROWN & CO. ON APRIL FOOL'S DAY.

IN 1972, THE FIRST MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL PLAYERS' STRIKE BEGAN; IT LASTED 12 DAYS.

IN 1976, APPLE COMPUTER WAS FOUNDED BY STEVE JOBS, STEVE WOZNIAK

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AND RONALD WAYNE.

IN 1984, RECORDING STAR MARVIN GAYE WAS SHOT TO DEATH BY HIS FATHER, MARVIN GAY (CQ) SR. IN LOS ANGELES, THE DAY BEFORE HIS

BIRTHDAY. (THE ELDER GAY PLEADED GUILTY TO VOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER

AND RECEIVED PROBATION.)

IN 1987, IN HIS FIRST SPEECH ON THE AIDS EPIDEMIC, PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN TOLD DOCTORS IN PHILADELPHIA, WEVE DECLARED AIDS PUBLIC HEALTH ENEMY NO. 1."

IN 1992, THE NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE PLAYERS' ASSOCIATION WENT ON ITS FIRST-EVER STRIKE, WHICH LASTED 10 DAYS.

TEN YEARS AGO: ISRAELI TANKS AND BULLDOZERS RUMBLED INTO MORE PALESTINIAN TOWNS AND MASSED ON THE EDGE OF BETHLEHEM IN AN EXPANSION OF A WEST BANK OFFENSIVE. MARYLAND WON ITS FIRST NCAA MEN

'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP WITH A 64-52 VICTORY OVER INDIANA FIVE YEARS AGO: IRAN'S STATE TELEVISION AIRED NEW VIDEO SHOWING TWO OF THE 15 CAPTURED BRITISH SAILORS POINTING TO A SPOT ON A MAP

OF THE PERSIAN GULF WHERE THEY WERE SEIZED AND SAYING IT WAS IN IRANIAN TERRITORIAL WATERS: BRITAIN'S FOREIGN OFFICE IMMEDIATELY DENOUNCED THE VIDEO. MORGAN PRESSEL BECAME THE YOUNGEST MAJOR CHAMPION IN LPGA TOUR HISTORY WITH A GAME WELL BEYOND HER 18 **YEARS**

CLOSING WITH A 3-UNDER 69 AT THE KRAFT NABISCO CHAMPIONSHIP. ONE YEAR AGO: AFGHANS ANGRY OVER THE BURNING OF A QURAN AT A SMALL FLORIDA CHURCH STORMED A U.N. COMPOUND IN NORTHERN AFGHANISTAN, KILLING SEVEN FOREIGNERS, INCLUDING FOUR NEPALESE GUARDS. JIMMER FREDETTE WAS NAMED THE ASSOCIATED PRESS' PLAYER OF THE YEAR AFTER LEADING THE NATION IN SCORING AND BYU TO ONE OF

BEST BASKETBALL SEASONS; NOTRE DAME'S MIKE BREY WAS NAMED COACH OF

THE YEAR.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: ACTRESS JANE POWELL IS 84. ACTRESS GRACE LEE WHITNEY IS 82. ACTRESS DEBBIE REYNOLDS IS 80. COUNTRY SINGER JIM

BROWN IS 78. ACTOR DON HASTINGS IS 78. BLUES SINGER EDDIE KING IS 74. ACTRESS ALI MACGRAW IS 74. RHYTHM-AND-BLUES SINGER RUDOLPH ISI FY

IS 73. REGGAE SINGER JIMMY CLIFF IS 64. SUPREME COURT JUSTICE SAMUEL

ALITO IS 62. ROCK MUSICIAN BILLY CURRIE (ULTRAVOX) IS 62. ACTRESS ANNETTE O'TOOLE IS 60. MOVIE DIRECTOR BARRY SONNENFELD IS 59.

SUSAN BOYLE (TV: "BRITAIN'S GOT TALENT") IS 51. COUNTRY SINGER WOODY LEE IS 44. ACTRESS JESSICA COLLINS IS 41. RAPPER-ACTOR METHOD

MAN IS 41. MOVIE DIRECTORS ALLEN AND ALBERT HUGHES ARE 40. POLITICAL

COMMENTATOR RACHEL MADDOW IS 39. TENNIS PLAYER MAGDALENA MALEEVA

37. ACTOR DAVID OYELOWO IS 36. SINGER BIJOU PHILLIPS IS 32. ACTOR SAM HUNTINGTON IS 30. ACTOR MATT LANTER IS 29. ACTOR JOSH ZUCKERMAN

IS 27.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY: "LIFE IS SHORT. LIVE IT UP." NIKITA S. KHRUSHCHEV, SOVIET LEADER (1894-1971). ENTERTAINMENT HISTORY

ON APRIL FIRST, 1957, CADENCE RECORDS RELEASED THE SINGLE "BYE BYE LOVE" BY THE EVERLY BROTHERS.

IN 1963, THE SOAP OPERA "GENERAL HOSPITAL" PREMIERED ON ABC. IN 1966, DAVID BOWIE'S FIRST SINGLE, "DO ANYTHING YOU SAY,"

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BACKED WITH "GOOD MORNING GIRL," WAS RELEASED IN BRITAIN. IN 1969, THE BEACH BOYS ANNOUNCED A LAWSUIT AGAINST CAPITOL RECORDS. THE BAND WAS ASKING FOR MORE THAN \$2 MILLION IN ROYALTIES AND PRODUCERS FEES. THE BEACH BOYS ALSO ANNOUNCED THE FORMATION OF A NEW RECORD LABEL, CALLED BROTHER RECORDS. IN 1984, SINGER MARVIN GAYE WAS SHOT TO DEATH BY HIS FATHER DURING AN ARGUMENT. MARVIN GAY (CORRECT) SENIOR RECEIVED PROBATION AFTER PLEADING GUILTY TO VOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER. IN 1985, SINGER DAVID LEE ROTH LEFT VAN HALEN. THEY HAVE SINCE REUNITED. IN 1992, BILLY IDOL PLEADED NO CONTEST TO PUNCHING A WOMAN IN THE FACE. HE WAS FINED AND TOLD TO MAKE PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS AGAINST ALCOHOL AND DRUG USE. IN 1983, GUITARIST DAVE MUSTAINE LEFT METALLICA. HE WENT ON TO FORM MEGADETH. IN 1993, THE PRODUCERS OF THE COUNTRY TV COMEDY SERIES "HEE HAW " ANNOUNCED THAT THE SHOW WOULD LEAVE THE AIR, AFTER A 25-YEAR RUN. IN 2002, ACTRESS TAWNY KITAEN (KIH-TAYN') WAS ARRESTED FOR ALLEGEDLY ATTACKING HER HUSBAND, CLEVELAND INDIANS PITCHER CHUCK

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The Times (conservative)

The Times: "France edges UN towards intervention as Russia denies arming Assad regime" – page 33 commentary by associate editor Martin Fletcher: "Yesterday Moscow's rift with the West over its support for President Assad widened. Sergei Lavrov, the Foreign Minister, angrily denied claims by Mrs Clinton that Russia was selling helicopter gunships to the regime. He insisted that Moscow was selling only 'anti-air defence systems' which could not be used against peaceful demonstrators. He added: 'That contrasts with what the United States is doing, which is providing arms to the Syrian opposition which are being used against the Syrian Government.' The White House denied the charge."

The Times: "Moscow is an accomplice to murder" – page 33 commentary by diplomatic editor Roger Boyes: "Russia is in effect becoming an accomplice in the Syrian regime's murder or civilians. The world's second-largest arms exporter is delivering to the Assad regime the firepower it needs to crush one pocket of rebel

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resistance after another.... These deliveries have to stop. The first step: bar the Russian arms exporting agency Rosoboronexport from the arms bazaars of the world.... Western governments should do everything within their power to deny sales to the Russian defence agency. At some stage the Kremlin will recognise the commercial imperative and suspend military aid to Assad. As with all current options, this is not a straightforward course. Russian-made weapons don't arrive only from Russia, they also come via middlemen or even China. And if Moscow were to choke off its flow of guns to Assad, it could reasonably demand that the West withdraw any support for future Qatari and Saudi shipments to the rebels. If that is the price of a credible Russian arms embargo, then we should accept it. However much we armed the rebels, they would never be able to outgun Assad's troops. The priority has to be to deny Assad the means to kill his citizens. That means denying him his Russian guns, his Russian bullets, his Russian tanks and the fuel and the parts that keep his Russian-made helicopter gunships in the air."

The Guardian (left-of-center)

The Guardian: "US and Russia in war of words over supplying arms to Syria" – report page 22: "The US and Russia have become embroiled in an escalating war of words over Syria, each accusing the other of fuelling the conflict by supplying arms."

The Guardian: "The road to Damascus may well run through Moscow: The killing of civilians is horrendous, but direct military intervention is unlikely to succeed. Try carrots and sticks instead" – page 35 commentary by commentator Timothy Garton Ash: "The Russian position on Syria is shocking, mendacious and indefensible They trained the Syrian army that is killing civilians and now – if Clinton is to be believed - they are supplying attack helicopters to help Assad's forces kill even more. Have they no shame? In the case of Putin's Russia, this question answers itself. Have they no other national interests, which might eventually outweigh this one? Now that's a question worth asking. If we are really serious about our commitment to stopping the slaughter in Syria, we in the west have to consider if there are any larger carrots and sticks we can still show Russia, even at some cost to ourselves, so as to achieve a shift in its position. The road to Damascus goes through Moscow, and Putin's conversion will not be worked by any God."

The Guardian: "The Syrian cockpit" — editorial: "The non-intervention regime for Syria, if it can be called that, is as full of holes as its equivalent notoriously was during the Spanish civil war. If it is not yet as much a sham as the non-intervention pact of 1936, that is in part because the conflict in Syria, bloody though it is, has not so far reached a Spanish level of intensity. The relative restraint still displayed also reflects the fact that most of the countries meddling in Syria are uncertain about what they really want and unclear about how far they would be able to control events if they increased the level of intervention. Western countries, in addition, are especially aware that their public opinion would not countenance any decisions that might lead to direct involvement in another Middle Eastern war.... The United States and other western countries have been increasingly forthright about wanting the Assad family out, yet they are also fearful of what would follow if the Assads do go. So the picture is one in which a degree of meddling is combined with a great deal of caution. Not, sadly, an approach which will bring relief to the Syrian people any time soon."

Daily Telegraph (conservative)

Daily Telegraph: "Syria 'descends into hell' as West seeks UN resolution to save peace plan" – report page 17: "Laurent Fabius, the new French foreign minister, said his country wanted a resolution under the UN's Chapter 7 provision that would enforce the six-point plan with the threat of sanctions, legal action or even military intervention. He said a no-fly zone was being considered."

Daily Telegraph: "Russian-made weapons 'lead to hourly killings'" – report page 17: "America claimed yesterday that Russian-made weapons were killing Syrians on an 'hourly basis', as Moscow and Washington became embroiled in a new row over the supply of arms to both sides in the conflict."

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The Independent (left-of-center)

The Independent: "Only politics can hope to resolve Syria's problems" — editorial: "It is of course possible, though extremely unlikely, that President Assad will be toppled by a coup or defeated in the field. Failing that, however, there will be military stalemate, with Syria's wretched citizens trapped in permanent civil war. For that reason, the solution there — albeit as hard to imagine now, as the surrender of national sovereignty needed to end the euro crisis — must be political. It is easy, on both political and practical grounds, to dismiss Russia's call for an international conference involving all players in the region and building on the Anna plan. Given diplomacy's often glacial pace, not to mention the source of the proposal, the move may indeed be a cynical attempt by Moscow to buy time for Assad to finish the job with the tools with which it is providing him. Those of a practical bent might also wonder if the US will really sit down at the same table as Iran. But if a new post-Assad Syria is to be peaceably created, then such a conference may be the only way.... More than anything, if Russia is serious about a conference, it must subscribe to a tough UN resolution, making clear that blame lies with the cruel Damascus regime. That is the message Barack Obama must deliver to Vladimir Putin at next week's G20 summit. Only then can work start on the impossible dream, if a Syria and a Middle East that is not an arbitrary mosaic of sects and tribes, but a collection of modern nation states."

The Independent: "Moscow returns fire by accusing US of arming Syria's rebel forces" – report page 28: "Moscow and Washington were yesterday engaged in a tense war of words over the conflict in Syria, trading barbed accusations over each other's role in arming opposing sides. In an indication of the breakdown in international diplomatic efforts to resolve the crisis, the Russian Foreign Minister, Sergey Lavrov, hit back at accusations by...Hillary Clinton, that his government was 'patently' lying about its weapons shipments to Syria and escalating the situation by supplying attack helicopters to the regime."

Eurozone

The Times (conservative)

The Times: "Armageddon ready: The eurozone authorities are preparing for a possible Greek exit after Sunday's elections. But concessions to keep it in look more likely" – editorial: "The ultimate outcome is becoming clearer every day: Greece will leave the euro. The process of getting there appears muddier and more uncertain. If Germany does yield some ground, Greece's politicians may well be able to persuade its people that is worth more pain to stay in. There is no question that extremely difficult reforms and further deep cuts will be necessary even if Greece leaves the euro. And those advocating continued membership can point to real progress on the deficit and competitiveness. The eurozone Carry On could run for a while yet. But, after a long prevarication, things at last may well move very quickly indeed. With Greece facing its sixth straight year of recession, it gets ever more likely that both sides will eventually opt for Independence Day."

The Times: "Greece is as good as gone from euro, investment giant warns" – report page 6: "Speaking four days before the Greek elections, Andrew Balls, the head of European portfolio management at the bond giant Pimco, said that the status quo in the single currency was no longer sustainable."

The Times: "Greece is already living in a drachma world: As hospitals scavenge for supplies and businesses run on IOUs, the era of the euro is drawing to an end" – page 29 commentary by Greek author Jason Manolopoulos: "While Greece disintegrates, the crisis at the heart of the eurozone is no closer to being solved. The EU's leaders still act as if there is a magical 'third way' between the break-up of the currency union and complete political and fiscal union. This is to defy economic reality and history.... Mr. Tsipras believes that he can defy Germany and resist austerity, yet stay in the single currency. Enough voters are still seduced by such populism.... His platform is simply not credible. Mr. Tsipras is gambling on two things. That the victory of Francois Hollande in

the French election will change the EU's strategy, and that Angela Merkel is bluffing and will not risk kicking Greece out of the eurozone.... Brinkmanship will surely follow the elections, whatever the result. But the priority of Greece's politicians should not be to stay in the euro; the priority ought to be to revive what is left of the productive economy. This is the route to true convergence within the EU – a convergence in performance, not artificial yoking together through a currency. Unfortunately, parties on both the left and right are silent on how Greece can create wealth or modernise its economy. Irrespective of who wins on Sunday, a negotiated euro exit in the second half of this year is now a distinct possibility and may even be the least bad option. Whatever happens, prepare for a calamitous ride."

The Guardian (left-of-center)

The Guardian: "Currency break-up 'would halve value of eurozone banks'" – report page 30: "Few large eurozone banks would be left standing and the banking sector could face a €370bn loss if the euro crisis results in the single currency bloc breaking apart, according to one of the first in-depth analyses [by Credit Suisse] of what might happen if the eurozone disintegrates."

The Independent (left-of-center)

The Independent: "Eurozone ready to back down to please markets" – main foreign story: "A draft of the text that will be discussed at the European Union summit later this month was leaked, showing national leaders are set to go ahead with a pan-European banking union and closer integration, the two areas where frightened investors have been clamouring for progress."

ICC

The Guardian (left-of-center)

The Guardian: "Now for Kony and Bashir: A new prosecutor is one thing. But what the ICC needs is a fresh vision of international justice" – page 34 commentary by Serge Brammertz, prosecutor for the international criminal tribunal for the former Yugoslavia: "Tomorrow the international criminal court begins an important new chapter when the Gambian lawyer Fatou Bensouda takes over as prosecutor. Having served as the court's deputy prosecutor for the past nine years, Bensouda has solid credentials. Even so, she has a tough assignment ahead. Lately it has become fashionable to criticise the court, particularly for taking too long and costing too much. It is time for a more constructive dialogue on our future vision of international justice.... Complaints are frequently levelled at the ICC for focusing too much on African cases. One remedy is universal ratification of the court's statute. This would give the court jurisdiction over atrocities no matter where they happen and remove the technical hurdles constraining the court's case selection. Ultimately it is unrealistic to think the ICC can respond to atrocities the world over.... As Bensouda begins her term, we should reaffirm our support for the court's work, while thinking constructively about the road ahead. The accountability vacuum of the past is not a viable alternative. We must craft a vision that maximises redress for millions of people worldwide who have suffered through unthinkable crimes."

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AFGHANISTAN

POLICE OFFICERS, NATO SOLDIER KILLED

KABUL, AFGHANISTAN (AP) AFGHAN AUTHORITIES SAY A ROADSIDE BOMB HAS KILLED FIVE AFGHAN POLICEMEN WHO WERE RESPONDING TO A GUN BATTLE

AGAINST INSURGENTS AT A CHECKPOINT IN SOUTHERN AFGHANISTAN.
TWO ROADSIDE BOMBS HAVE ALSO KILLED 14 CIVILIANS IN SOUTHERN AFGHANISTAN.

AHMAD JAWED FAISAL, THE SPOKESMAN FOR KANDAHAR PROVINCE, SAYS A MINIVAN RAN OVER ONE BOMB IN ARGHISTAN DISTRICT.

OTHER CIVILIANS, WHO WERE RIDING ON A TRACTOR, ARRIVED TO HELP THE DEAD AND WOUNDED, BUT THE TRACTOR STRUCK A SECOND BOMB IN THE ROAD.

SEPARATELY, A NATO SERVICE MEMBER WAS KILLED IN ANOTHER ROADSIDE BOMB EXPLOSION SATURDAY IN SOUTHERN AFGHANISTAN. NATO DID NOT DISCLOSE WHERE THE BLAST OCCURRED, OR PROVIDE THE NATIONALITY OF THE SOLDIER KILLED.

AFGHANISTAN -AID

KARZAI URGES OTHER COUNTRIES NOT TO ABANDON AFGHANISTAN TOKYO (AP) AFGHAN PRESIDENT HAMID KARZAI IS URGING THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY NOT TO ABANDON HIS COUNTRY. HE SPOKE AT A GATHERING IN TOKYO OF INTERNATIONAL DONORS WHO ARE PLEDGING \$16 BILLION IN DEVELOPMENT AID FOR AFGHANISTAN OVER THE NEXT FOUR YEARS, WHEN MOST FOREIGN TROOPS WILL BE LEAVING. THE UNITED STATES AND ABOUT 70 OTHER COUNTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS AT

CONFERENCE ARE SETTING AID LEVELS FOR THAT PERIOD. IN HIS OPENING STATEMENT, KARZAI ASKED FOR THE COUNTRY'S 'FRIENDS AND PARTNERS" TO REASSURE THE AFGHAN PEOPLE "THAT YOU WILL!

BE WITH US."

SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON SAYS THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION IS LOOKING TO SUSTAIN U.S. ASSISTANCE FOR AFGHANISTAN

AT ABOUT THE AVERAGE AMOUNT THAT HAS BEEN GIVEN OVER THE LAST DECADE. ITS RANGED FROM \$1 BILLION TO THIS YEAR'S HIGH OF \$2.3 BILLION.

JAPAN, THE SECOND-BIGGEST DONOR, SAYS IT WILL PROVIDE UP TO \$3 BILLION THROUGH 2016.

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THE DONORS ARE EXPECTED TO SET UP MONITORING MEASURES TO MAKE SURE THE AID IS USED FOR DEVELOPMENT, AND THAT IT ISN'T WASTED BY CORRUPTION OR MISMANAGEMENT.

PAKISTAN

PAKISTAN: HARDLINE ISLAMISTS PROTEST SUPPLY LINE LAHORE, PAKISTAN (AP) PROMINENT HARD-LINE ISLAMISTS ARE LEADING THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN A PROTEST AGAINST PAKISTAN'S DECISION TO ALLOW NATO TO RESUME SHIPPING TROOP SUPPLIES THROUGH THE COUNTRY TO

AFGHANISTAN.

THE DEMONSTRATION IN THE EASTERN CITY OF LAHORE WAS ORGANIZED BY THE DIFAH-E-PAKISTAN, OR DEFENSE OF PAKISTAN, COUNCIL, A GROUP OF ISLAMIST POLITICIANS AND RELIGIOUS LEADERS.

THE GROUP BEGAN ITS PROTEST SUNDAY IN THE CENTER OF LAHORE, WHERE SEVERAL THOUSAND SUPPORTERS ASSEMBLED WITH DOZENS OF BUSES, CARS AND

MOTORBIKES

THEY PLAN TO LINK UP WITH THOUSANDS MORE SUPPORTERS ON THE CITY'S EDGE AND RIDE TO ISLAMABAD IN A SO-CALLED "LONG MARCH" AGAINST THE

SUPPLY LINE.

PAKISTAN CLOSED THE ROUTE IN NOVEMBER IN RETALIATION FOR AMERICAN AIRSTRIKES THAT KILLED NATO TROOPS. IT REOPENED IT LAST WEEK AFTER

THE U.S. SAID IT WAS SORRY.

US-PAKISTAN

CLINTON LOOKS FOR BETTER US-PAKISTANI COOPERATION
TOKYO (AP) U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON IS
EXPRESSING HOPE THAT PAKISTAN'S REOPENING OF NATO SUPPLY LINES
INTO

AFGHANISTAN WILL LEAD TO BETTER U.S.-PAKISTANI RELATIONS.
CLINTON MET SUNDAY WITH PAKISTANI FOREIGN MINISTER HINA RABBANI
KHAR IN TOKYO AND TOLD REPORTERS BOTH WERE ENCOURAGED BY LAST
WEEK'S

AGREEMENT. CLINTON'S APOLOGY FOR NATO'S NOVEMBER KILLING OF 24 PAKISTANI SOLDIERS ENDED PAKISTAN'S SEVEN-MONTH FREEZE ON THE SUPPLY

ROUTES.

CLINTON SAYS THE U.S. AND PAKISTAN WANT TO BUILD ON THE MOMENTUM WITH GREATER COUNTERTERRORISM AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION. SHE SAYS SHE

ALSO DISCUSSED STALLED AFGHAN RECONCILIATION EFFORTS WITH KHAR. CLINTON SPOKE IN TOKYO AFTER ATTENDING A 70-NATION AFGHAN AID CONFERENCE. SHE, KHAR AND AFGHAN FOREIGN MINISTER ZALMAI RASSOUL WILL HOLD A THREE-WAY MEETING LATER SUNDAY.

IRAN

IRAN SAYS IT HAS PLAN TO CLOSE STRAIT OF HORMUZ TEHRAN, IRAN (AP) THE CHAIRMAN OF THE IRANIAN MILITARY'S JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF SAYS TEHRAN WILL BLOCK THE STRATEGIC STRAIT OF HORMUZ IF IT DETERMINES THAT THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC'S INTERESTS ARE SERIOUSLY THREATENED.

GEN. HASAN FIROUZABADI'S COMMENTS SATURDAY TO IRANIAN MEDIA COME LESS THAN A WEEK AFTER THE EUROPEAN UNION IMPOSED AN EMBARGO ON IRAN'S VITAL OIL-SECTOR TO PRESSURE TEHRAN OVER ITS DISPUTED NUCLEAR

PROGRAM.

THE U.S. AND ITS ALLIES ACCUSE IRAN OF SEEKING NUCLEAR WEAPONS, A CHARGE TEHRAN DENIES.

FIROUZABADI DID NOT SPECIFY WHAT WOULD CONSTITUTE A THREAT TO IRANS INTERESTS, AND DID NOT MENTION THE NEW EU SANCTIONS. BUT IRAN'S POWERFUL REVOLUTIONARY GUARD HAS WARNED IN THE PAST THAT IT WOULD CLOSE THE STRAIT, THROUGH WHICH ABOUT ONE-FIFTH OF THE

WORLD'S OIL IS SHIPPED, IF TEHRAN'S OIL EXPORTS ARE BLOCKED.

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US-SYRIA
CLINTON WARNS THAT SYRIAN STATE RISKS COLLAPSE
TOKYO (AP) U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON SAYS
TIME'S RUNNING OUT ON SYRIAN PEACE HOPES AND WARNS THAT THE
SYRIAN
STATE COULD COLLAPSE.
SPEAKING IN JAPAN, CLINTON SAID SUNDAY THAT U.N. MEDIATOR KOFI
ANNAN'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THAT HIS PEACE PLAN IS FAILING "SHOULD
BE A

WAKE-UP CALL FOR EVERYONE."

SHE SAYS LAST MONTH WAS THE DEADLIEST FOR THE SYRIAN PEOPLE IN THE 16-MONTH REVOLT AGAINST PRESIDENT BASHAR ASSAD (BAH-SHAR' AH'-SAHD). CLINTON ADDS THAT THE OPPOSITION "IS GETTING MORE EFFECTIVE

IN DEFENSE OF THEMSELVES AND GOING ON THE OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE SYRIAN MILITARY.

CLINTON SAYS ASSADS REGIME MUST ACKNOWLEDGE THAT ITS DAYS ARE NUMBERED.

SHE SAYS THERE'S "STILL A CHANCE TO SAVE THE SYRIAN STATE FROM A CATASTROPHIC ASSAULT THAT WOULD BE VERY DANGEROUS NOT ONLY TO SYRIA.

BUT TO THE REGION."

CLINTON-LIBYA

CLINTON HAILS LIBYAN ELECTION, PLEDGES US SUPPORT TOKYO (AP) U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON IS CONGRATULATING LIBYA FOR HOLDING IS FIRST NATIONWIDE VOTE IN DECADES. SHE SAYS THE U.S. STANDS READY TO HELP THE NORTH AFRICAN NATION BECOME A FREE AND PEACEFUL DEMOCRACY. SPEAKING SUNDAY IN JAPAN, CLINTON CALLED THE LIBYAN VOTE A 'HISTORIC MILESTONE."

SHE SAYS THAT "AFTER MORE THAN FOUR DECADES OF AUTHORITARIAN RULE, MEN AND WOMEN FROM EVERY CORNER OF LIBYA ARE DETERMINING THEIR

OWN FUTURE"

SHE SAYS IT'S THE "WILL OF THE PEOPLE, NOT THE WHIM OF THE DICTATOR"

CLINTON ACKNOWLEDGES THERE IS HARD WORK AHEAD FOR LIBYANS TO UNIFY THEIR COUNTRY AND ENSURE IT BECOMES A PEACEFUL, DEMOCRATIC STATE. THE U.S. AND ITS NATO ALLIES HELPED LIBYANS OUST DICTATOR MOAMMAR GADHAFI LAST YEAR, AND CLINTON PLEDGED CONTINUED AMERICAN SUPPORT TO THE COUNTRY.

EGYPT

EGYPT'S PRESIDENT'S FIRST FOREIGN VISIT TO BE SAUDI CAIRO (AP) EGYPT'S OFFICIAL STATE NEWS AGENCY SAYS THAT PRESIDENT MOHAMMED MORSI WILL VISIT SAUDI ARABIA ON WEDNESDAY IN HIS FIRST OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRIP SINCE BEING SWORN IN.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT RELEASED BY MENA COMES AFTER MORSI, WHO WAS THE MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD'S PARTY LEADER BEFORE BEING ELECTED, MET WITH SAUDI ARABIA'S AMBASSADOR TO EGYPT ON SATURDAY.

MORSI IS THE COUNTRY'S FIRST DEMOCRATICALLY -ELECTED PRESIDENT AND FIRST ISLAMIST AND CIVILIAN TO TAKE OFFICE IN EGYPT. HE WAS SWORN IN

LAST WEEK.

MENA SAYS SAUDI ARABIA'S KING ABDULLAH INVITED MORSI TO STRENGTHEN RELATIONS. TIES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WERE GOOD UNDER

OUSTED LEADER HOSNI MUBARAK.

MORSIS VISIT, THOUGH, COMES ON THE HEELS OF A DIPLOMATIC SPAT BETWEEN THE REGIONAL POWERS OVER DEMANDS THAT SAUDI ARABIA RELEASE

AN EGYPTIAN RIGHTS LAWYER DETAINED THERE FOR ALLEGEDLY INSULTING THE

KINGDOM'S MONARCH.

MEXICO-PRESIDENT-ELECT-PROTEST

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STUDENTS MARCH AGAINST MEXICO'S PRESIDENT -ELECT

MEXICO CITY (AP) TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PROTESTERS ARE MARCHING THROUGH MEXICO'S CAPITAL AGAINST PRESIDENT-ELECT ENRIQUE PENA NIETO.

ACCUSING HIS PARTY OF BUYING VOTES TO HELP HIM WIN THE COUNTRY'S PRESIDENTIAL VOTE.

THE PROTESTERS, INCLUDING STUDENTS, YOUTHS AND LEFTISTS, ACCUSE HIS LONG-RULING INSTITUTIONAL REVOLUTIONARY PARTY OF GIVING OUT BAGS

OF GROCERIES, PRE-PAID GIFT CARDS AND OTHER GOODS TO VOTERS AHEAD OF

MEXICO'S JULY 1 NATIONAL ELECTIONS.

THE MARCHERS CARRIED SIGNS READING, "PENA, HOW MUCH DID IT COST TO BECOME PRESIDENT?" AND MEXICO, YOU PAWNED YOUR FUTURE FOR 500

PESOS.

MEXICO CITY OFFICIALS PUT THE SIZE OF THE CROWD THAT REACHED ITS CENTRAL ZOCALO PLAZA AT 50,000.

PENA NIETO, WHO SAYS THE VOTE WAS CLEAN AND FAIR, WON SUNDAY'S ELECTION BY ALMOST 7 PERCENTAGE POINTS, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL COUNT.

BRITAIN-TERRORISM ARRESTS

7TH PERSON ARRESTED IN BRITISH TERRORISM PROBE LONDON (AP) BRITISH POLICE SAY THEY HAVE ARRESTED A SEVENTH PERSON OVER AN ALLEGED PLOT TO LAUNCH A TERRORIST ATTACK. THE METROPOLITAN POLICE SAYS THE 22-YEAR-OLD WOMAN WAS ARRESTED SATURDAY AT A HOME IN EAST LONDON "ON SUSPICION OF THE COMMISSION.

PREPARATION OR INSTIGATION OF ACTS OF TERRORISM."
SIX OTHER PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED ON THE SAME CHARGES THURSDAY,
INCLUDING A BRITISH MUSLIM CONVERT AND THREE BROTHERS WHO WERE
DETAINED BY ARMED POLICE AT THEIR HOME CLOSE TO LONDON'S OLYMPIC

COUNTER-TERROR OFFICERS ARE ON HIGH ALERT AHEAD OF THE SUMMER GAMES, WHICH BEGIN JULY 27, BUT POLICE SAY THIS WEEKS ARRESTS ARE

NOT CONNECTED TO THE OLYMPICS.

BRITAIN'S TERRORIST THREAT RISK REMAINS AT SUBSTANTIAL, THE MIDDLE POINT ON A FIVE-POINT SCALE, MEANING AN ATTACK IS A STRONG POSSIBILITY.

PORTMAN -NH

OHIO'S PORTMAN VP MAYBE BUT NO MEETING WITH ROMNEY CONCORD, N.H. (AP) HE MAY BE ON MITT ROMNEY'S SHORT LIST FOR VICE PRESIDENT, BUT SEN. ROB PORTMAN SAYS HE DID NOT TRAVEL TO NEW

HAMPSHIRE TO MEET PRIVATELY WITH THE PROSPECTIVE REPUBLICAN NOMINEE.

THE OHIO REPUBLICAN TOLD REPORTERS HE HASN'T VISITED ROMNEY'S NEW HAMPSHIRE VACATION HOME AND HAS NO PLANS TO MEET WITH ROMNEY BEFORE

HE LEAVES NEW ENGLAND. ROMNEY'S VACATIONING JUST 40 MILES FROM WHERE

PORTMAN HEADLINED A STATE GOP FUNDRAISER SATURDAY NIGHT. PORTMAN WOULDN'T SAY WHETHER HE'S BEING VETTED AS A POTENTIAL RUNNING MATE.

HE SAYS HE'S VISITING AREA COLLEGES WITH HIS TEENAGE DAUGHTER. HES ALSO EXPECTED TO HOST A BOSTON -AREA FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT THE

ROMNEY CAMPAIGN ON MONDAY.

PORTMAN PREVIOUSLY SERVED AS PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH'S BUDGET DIRECTOR. HE SAYS HE'S PROUD OF THAT SERVICE.

RADIO MESSAGES

PRESIDENT SAYS CONGRESS HAS 'MORE TO DO'

WASHINGTON (AP) PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA SAYS LEGISLATION TO KEEP

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TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS GOING AND PREVENT INTEREST RATES FROM DOUBLING ON NEW LOANS TO COLLEGE STUDENTS WILL HELP MANY IN THIS COUNTRY.

BUT HE SAYS "WE'VE GOT MORE TO DO."

OBAMA SAID IN HIS WEEKLY RADIO AND INTERNET ADDRESS SATURDAY THAT THE MEASURE HE SIGNED INTO LAW FRIDAY WILL KEEP THOUSANDS OF CONSTRUCTION WORKERS ON THE JOB AND HELP STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

BUT HE SAID CONGRESS SHOULD DO MORE TO PROMOTE INFRASTRUCTURE AND REFORM AND EXPAND FINANCIAL AID OFFERED TO STUDENTS.
IN THE REPUBLICAN ADDRESS, REP. ANN MARIE BUERKLE OF NEW YORK SAID OBAMA'S POLICIES ARE MAKING THINGS WORSE, STARTING WITH

HEALTH CARE LAW.

SHE SAID THE SUPREME COURT'S UPHOLDING OF THE LAW ADDS URGENCY TO REPEALING THE HEALTH CARE OVERHAUL.

TROPICAL WEATHER

TROPICAL STORM EMILIA FORMS IN THE PACIFIC

MIAMI (AP) TROPICAL STORM EMILIA HAS FORMED IN THE PACIFIC OCEAN SOUTH OF MEXICO.

FORECASTERS EXPECT EMILIA TO BECOME A HURRICANE, BUT THE STORM IS NOT EXPECTED TO THREATEN LAND.

FORECASTERS AT THE NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER IN MIAMI SAY THE STORM HAS MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WINDS OF 40 MPH (64 KPH) AND IS LOCATED

ABOUT 480 MILES (772 KILOMETERS) SOUTHWEST OF ACAPULCO. HURRICANE DANIEL IS FARTHER OUT TO SEA. DANIEL IS EXPECTED TO WEAKEN SUNDAY AS IS MOVES OVER COOLER WATERS.

HEAT WAVE
RELIEF FROM HEAT COULD BRING NEW STORMS

PHILADELPHIA (AP) THERE MAY BE SOME RELIEF BY THE END OF THE WEEKEND FOR THE HEAT WAVE THAT COVERS MUCH OF THE EASTERN HALF OF THE COUNTRY. IT'S BEEN LINKED TO AT LEAST 30 DEATHS.

BUT FORECASTERS WARN THAT AN APPROACHING COLD FRONT COULD BRING ANOTHER ROUND OF SEVERE STORMS, A LITTLE MORE THAN A WEEK AFTER THE

STORMS THAT KNOCKED OUT POWER TO MILLIONS.
THOUSANDS ARE STILL WAITING FOR POWER TO BE RESTORED.
IT REACHED A RECORD 105 DEGREES IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL. IT WAS ALSO SCORCHING IN THE MIDWEST. ST. LOUIS TOPPED OUT AT 106 AND THE

MERCURY CLIMBED TO 104 IN INDIANAPOLIS. EXTREME READINGS HIT 20 STATES, AND THERE WERE TRIPLE-DIGIT TEMPERATURES FROM SIOUX FALLS

S.D. TO BALTIMORE.

CHILDREN LEFT IN CARS

2 BABIES LEFT IN HOT CARS NEAR INDIANAPOLIS, 1 DIES GREENFIELD, IND. (AP) A BABY GIRL, JUST A FEW MONTHS OLD, HAS DIED, AND A 16-MONTH-OLD IS HOSPITALIZED, IN SEPARATE INCIDENTS NEAR

INDIANAPOLIS IN WHICH CHILDREN WERE FOUND TRAPPED IN CARS DURING RECORD - SETTING 105-DEGREE HEAT

THE BABY WHO DIED WAS FOUND BY POLICE THIS AFTERNOON IN GREENFIELD, ABOUT 25 MILES WEST OF INDIANAPOLIS. POLICE SAY IT APPEARS SHE HAD BEEN LEFT IN THE CAR FOR "AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME." POLICE AREN'T PROVIDING FURTHER INFORMATION, SAYING THE INVESTIGATION IS CONTINUING.

IN THE TOWN OF FISHERS, 15 MILES NORTHWEST OF INDIANAPOLIS, POLICE BROKE A SIDE WINDOW OF A FORD EXPLORER SUV TO RESCUE A 16 -MONTH-OLD GIRL WHO WAS LOCKED INSIDE. POLICE HAD BEEN CALLED TO

STORE PARKING LOT AND FOUND THE CHILD. THEY SAY THE GIRL BEGAN HAVING SEIZURES SHORTLY AFTER SHE WAS TAKEN INSIDE AN AIR -CONDITIONED BUILDING. SHE WAS TAKEN TO A HOSPITAL. THERE'S NO

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ON HER CONDITION.

THE MOTHER OF THE GIRL HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH NEGLECT.

UTAH WILDFIRE -EAGLET

LUCKY BABY GOLDEN EAGLE SURVIVES UTAH WILDFIRE

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) A BABY GOLDEN EAGLE IS RECOVERING AFTER OFFICIALS SAY IT MIRACULOUSLY SURVIVED A UTAH WILDFIRE LAST MONTH

KENT KELLER TOLD THE SALT LAKE TRIBUNE HE FEARED THE WORST WHEN HE RETURNED TO THE NEST SITE WEST OF UTAH LAKE TO RETRIEVE A LEG BAND HE HAD ATTACHED TO THE MALE EAGLET.

BUT THE UTAH DIVISION OF WILDLIFE RESOURCES VOLUNTEER FOUND THE BURNED BIRD ON JUNE 28 BEHIND A CHARRED TREE, ABOUT 25 FEET BELOW THE NEST THAT WAS BURNED TO A CRISP IN THE 5,500 -ACRE DUMP FIRE NEAR

SARATOGA SPRINGS.

AFTER SECURING PERMISSION FROM STATE AND FEDERAL WILDLIFE AGENCIES, THE WILDLIFE REHABILITATION CENTER OF NORTHERN UTAH IN OGDEN ASSUMED CARE OF THE EAGLET THIS PAST WEEK.

OFFICIALS HOPE THE BIRD CAN EVENTUALLY BE RELEASED BACK INTO THE WILD.

MISSOURI - DOCK COLLAPSE

5 UNACCOUNTED FOR AFTER MO. DOCK COLLAPSE ARE SAFE WARSAW, MO. (AP) AUTHORITIES SAY FIVE PEOPLE UNACCOUNTED FOR AFTER A DOCK COLLAPSED AT A MISSOURI LAKE HAVE BEEN FOUND SAFE. SGT. COLLIN STOSBERG OF THE MISSOURI STATE HIGHWAY PATROL SAYS A THUNDERSTORM MOVED THROUGH THE STERETT CREEK RESORT AND MARINA ON TRUMAN LAKE IN WEST-CENTRAL MISSOURI WHEN THE DOCK GAVE WAY AROUND 4

:30 P.M. SATURDAY. THE MARINA IS NEAR WARSAW, ABOUT 90 MILES SOUTHEAST OF KANSAS CITY.

THOSE UNACCOUNTED FOR INCLUDED FOUR FISHERMEN. STOSBERG SAYS NO INJURIES HAVE BEEN REPORTED.

A NUMBER OF BOATS WERE DAMAGED.

MARINA STAFF DIDN'T RETURN PHONE OR EMAIL MESSAGES FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

BARNEY FRANK MARRIED

CONGRESSMAN BARNEY FRANK MARRIES LONGTIME PARTNER NEWTON, MASS. (AP) U.S. REP. BARNEY FRANK HAS TIED THE KNOT WITH HIS LONGTIME PARTNER IN A CEREMONY OFFICIATED BY MASSACHUSETTS GOV.

DEVAL PATRICK.

FRANK SPOKESMAN HARRY GURAL SAYS THE 72-YEAR-OLD CONGRESSMAN MARRIED 42-YEAR-OLD JIM READY IN A SATURDAY EVENING WEDDING AT THE

BOSTON MARRIOTT HOTEL IN NEWTON. GURAL SAYS MORE THAN 300 FRIENDS

FAMILY AND COLLEAGUES ATTENDED.

FRANK, A DEMOCRAT WHO IS RETIRING AFTER MORE THAN THREE DECADES IN OFFICE, REPRESENTS THE 4TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT IN SOUTHEASTERN

MASSACHUSETTS

READY, OF OGUNQUIT, MAINE, HAS A SMALL BUSINESS DOING CUSTOM AWNINGS, CARPENTRY, PAINTING, WELDING AND OTHER GENERAL HANDYMAN SERVICES. HE'S ALSO A PHOTOGRAPHER.

N. KOREA-DISNEY CHARACTERS

NORTH KOREA TV SHOWS MICKEY MOUSE, WINNIE THE POOH PYONGYANG, NORTH KOREA (AP) MICKEY MOUSE AND WINNIE THE POOH HAVE TAKEN THE STAGE IN NORTH KOREA DURING A CONCERT FOR LEADER KIM JONG

UN IN AN UNUSUAL PERFORMANCE FEATURING A CAST OF DISNEY CHARACTERS.

STILL PHOTOS AIRED ON STATE TV SATURDAY SHOW PERFORMERS DRESSED AS SOME OF AMERICA'S MOST MEMORABLE CARTOON CHARACTERS DANCING

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AND

PRANCING AS VIDEO OF "SNOW WHITE" AND "BEAUTY AND THE BEAST" PLAYED ON A MASSIVE SCREEN BEHIND THE STAGE.

THE STATE-RUN KOREAN CENTRAL NEWS AGENCY SAYS KIM AND OTHER TOP OFFICIALS SAW THE PERFORMANCE BY THE NEW MORANBONG BAND FRIDAY. KCNA

SAYS KIM ASSEMBLED THE BAND A FEW MONTHS AGO AS PART OF A PLAN TO

BRING ABOUT A DRAMATIC TURN IN THE ARTS UNDER HIS NEW LEADERSHIP.

KIM TOOK POWER AFTER FATHER KIM JONG IL DIED IN DECEMBER. SPAIN-RUNNING OF THE BULLS

1 PERSON INJURED NONE GORED IN SPAIN'S SAN FERMIN
PAMPLONA, SPAIN (AP) BULLS THUNDERED INTO AND TRAMPLED SEVERAL
THRILL-SEEKING RUNNERS AS THEY RACED DOWN THE DEW-SLICKED
COBBLESTONE STREETS OF PAMPLONA DURING THE SECOND DAY OF THE
WEEKLONG SAN FERMIN BULL-RUNNING FESTIVAL BUT OFFICIALS SAY NO
ONE

WAS GORED.

DR. IGNACIO IRIBARREN, A HOSPITAL SPOKESMAN, SAYS THAT WHILE MANY RUNNERS SUFFERED MINOR CUTS AND BRUISES, ONLY ONE PERSON RECEIVED MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR A BRUISED BACK.

THE SECOND SAN FERMIN FEAST DAY IS USUALLY ONE OF THE MOST CROWDED AND TRADITIONALLY FEATURES BULLS FROM THE MIURA BREEDING RANCH, SOME OF SPAIN'S LARGEST AND MOST FEARSOME FIGHTING ANIMALS

AND SUNDAY'S RUN WAS COMPLETED IN A FAST TIME OF TWO MINUTES, 27 SECONDS.

THE FESTIVAL IN THIS NORTHERN CITY DATES BACK TO THE LATE 16TH CENTURY AND IS ALSO KNOWN FOR ITS ALL-NIGHT STREET PARTIES. PEOPLE-RINGO STARR

RINGO STARR TURNS 72 IN NASHVILLE WITH PEACE, LOVE NASHVILLE, TENN. (AP) THE 1960S MOP TOP IS GONE, BUT RINGO S

NASHVILLE, TENN. (AP) THE 1960S MOP TOP IS GONE, BUT RINGO STARR IS STILL SHOWING THE PEACE SIGN.

THE FORMER BEATLE MARKED HIS 72ND BIRTHDAY IN NASHVILLE SATURDAY BY HOLDING A "PEACE AND LOVE" MOMENT AT NOON. HE ASKED PEOPLE WORLDWIDE TO DO THE SAME AT 12 O'CLOCK IN THEIR OWN TIME ZONES. HUNDREDS OF FANS JOINED STARR AT HARD ROCK CAF?, SHOUTING "PEACE AND LOVE" AT THE MAGIC HOUR AND HOLDING TWO FINGERS IN THE AIR. CELEBRITIES SUCH AS VINCE GILL AND EAGLES GUITARIST JOE WALSH SURROUNDED HIM ON STAGE. THE CROWD SANG "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" AND

CHORUS OF "GIVE PEACE A CHANCE."

ORGANIZERS PRESENTED HIM WITH A STAR MAGNOLIA TREE THAT WILL BE PLANTED NEARBY. HE ALSO CUT A CAKE SHAPED LIKE A FLOWER POT WITH

GIANT SUNFLOWER GROWING OUT OF IT.

STARR HAS PREVIOUSLY HELD HIS BIRTHDAY EVENT IN CHICAGO, NEW YORK AND HAMBURG, GERMANY.

HEALTH CARE-IRS

THE TAX MAN COMETH TO POLICE YOU ON HEALTH CARE

WASHINGTON (AP) THE SUPREME COURT'S DECISION TO UPHOLD MOST OF PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE LAW WILL COME HOME TO ROOST FOR

TAXPAYERS IN ABOUT 2 1/2 YEARS. THAT'S WHEN MOST PEOPLE WILL HAVE TO

PROVIDE PROOF ON THEIR TAX RETURNS THAT THEY HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE.

THAT SCENARIO IS RAISING QUESTIONS ABOUT THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE'S CAPABILITY TO BOTH POLICE THE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS OF MILLIONS OF AMERICANS AND ALSO COLLECT TAXES FOR RUNNING THE GOVERNMENT.

BEGINNING IN 2014, THE IRS WILL PROVIDE TAX BREAKS AND INCENTIVES TO HELP PEOPLE AND COMPANIES PAY FOR HEALTH INSURANCE.

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BUT IT ALSO WILL LEVY TAX PENALTIES ON PEOPLE WHO DON'T BUY COVERAGE AND COMPANIES THAT DON'T OFFER IT. BY 2016 THOSE PENALTIES

FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES WILL RANGE FROM \$695 TO \$12,500 A YEAR.

BROKEN BUDGETS -PAYING FOR INFRASTRUCTURE

MORE MEGA PROJECTS TURNING TO PRIVATE INVESTORS

CHICAGO (AP) CITIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS STRUGGLING WITH BUDGET PROBLEMS ARE INCREASINGLY CONSIDERING PRIVATE INVESTMENT FUNDS AS

WAY OF FIXING UP CRUMBLING INFRASTRUCTURE

UNDER THE ARRANGEMENT, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ARE INVITED PUT UP MONEY TO BUILD ROADS, RENOVATE SCHOOLS OR MODERNIZE PUBLIC BUILDINGS. THE INVESTORS THEN RECEIVE STEADY RETURNS FROM TOLLS, FEES OR TAX PAYMENTS. THE CITY OF CHICAGO RECENTLY APPROVED A \$1.7

BILLION FUND WITH FIVE INSTITUTIONS TO PAY FOR MAKING 100 BUILDINGS

ENERGY EFFICIENT AS WELL AS OTHER PROJECTS.

SOME URBAN EXPERTS SEE THE PRIVATE FUNDS AS A SOLUTION TO MANY CITIES' FISCAL WOES. BUT SOME COMMUNITY GROUPS WORRY ABOUT PUTTING

PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE UNDER PRIVATE CONTROL. IN SOME CASES, THEY FEAR, PRIVATE INVESTORS WILL BE ABLE TO RAISE TOLLS OR REDUCE SERVICES IN NEIGHBORHOODS BASED ON PROFITABILITY.

GREECE

GREEK OPPOSITION LEADER SAYS GOVERNMENT WON'T LAST ATHENS, GREECE (AP) THE LEADER OF GREECE'S MAIN OPPOSITION PARTY HAS ACCUSED THE COUNTRY'S THREE-PARTY COALITION GOVERNMENT OF WANTING TO SELL GREECES RESOURCES AND PUBLIC COMPANIES ON THE CHEAP.

ALEXIS TSIPRAS, HEAD OF THE COALITION OF THE RADICAL LEFT PARTY, KNOWN AS SYRIZA, TOLD PARLIAMENT SATURDAY HE WAS ESPECIALLY WARNING

THOSE WHO WANT TO "GRAB STATE PROPERTY ON THE CHEAP." HE WARNED WOULD BE BUYERS OF STATE PROPERTY THAT THEY MIGHT LOSE ALL THEIR MONEY AND FACE CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS.

TSIPRAS PROPOSES A MORATORIUM ON THE PAYMENT OF GREECE'S DEBT UNTIL THE COUNTRY, MIRED IN A DEEP RECESSION, RETURNS TO GROWTH. HE

PREDICTS HIS PARTY WILL SOON COME TO POWER BECAUSE THE COALITION GOVERNMENT WILL FAIL.

THE NEWLY-ELECTED PARLIAMENT WILL STAGE A VOTE OF CONFIDENCE ON THE GOVERNMENT AT MIDNIGHT ON SUNDAY.

CHINA -ENTREPRENEURS

CHINA BOOSTS STATE FIRMS AS ENTREPRENEURS STRUGGLE ZHANJIANG, CHINA (AP) REFORMERS SAY CHINA NEEDS MORE ENTREPRENEURS LIKE LIU PEIJIAN. HIS CHAIN OF FURNITURE STORES EMPLOYS 60 PEOPLE. BUT BEIJINGS RESPONSE TO THE DEEPEST ECONOMIC SLUMP SINCE THE 2008 CRISIS IS TO PUMP MONEY INTO STATE INDUSTRY, LEAVING BUSINESSPEOPLE LIKE LIU WHO CREATE JOBS TO FEND FOR THEMSELVES.

ACROSS TOWN FROM LIU'S OFFICE IS A PROJECT THAT EXEMPLIFIES CHINA'S MINI-STIMULUS: AN \$11 BILLION STEEL MILL BEING BUILT BY A GOVERNMENT COMPANY AND FINANCED BY STATE BANKS. IT WILL EMPLOY 5 ,000

PEOPLE _ OR ONE JOB FOR EACH \$2.2 MILLION OF INVESTMENT. SPENDING LIKE THAT OF BAOSTEEL GROUP, OWNER OF THE ZHANJIANG MILL, IS EXPECTED TO HELP PUSH UP ECONOMIC GROWTH LATER THIS YEAR.

BUT THE EMPHASIS ON STATE INDUSTRY THAT CREATES FEW JOBS WILL COME

AT A LONGER -TERM COST.

N. KOREA - ECONOMY

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SEOUL CENTRAL BANK: N. KOREAN ECONOMY GREW LAST YEAR SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (AP) THE CENTRAL BANK IN SEOUL SAYS NORTH KOREA'S ECONOMY GREW FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THREE YEARS, THANKS TO A

BOOST IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION.

THE BANK OF KOREA IN SOUTH KOREA SAID SUNDAY THAT THE NORTHS GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT GREW 0.8 PERCENT IN 2011.

THE BANK CREDITS FAVORABLE WEATHER AND MORE USE OF FERTILIZER IN BOOSTING CROP PRODUCTION IN NORTH KOREA. IT ESTIMATES THE NORTH'S GROSS NATIONAL INCOME AT \$28 BILLION - COMPARED TO \$1 TRILLION LAST

YEAR FOR SOUTH KOREA.

THE BANK PROVIDES ANNUAL ESTIMATES OF THE NORTH'S ECONOMY BY ANALYZING DATA GATHERED BY SOUTH KOREAN GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. PYONGYANG HAS NOT PUBLICLY RELEASED DETAILED ECONOMIC DATA FOR DECADES.

THE UNITED NATIONS SAYS NORTH KOREA CONTINUES TO FACE CHRONIC FOOD SHORTAGES AFFECTING TWO-THIRDS OF THE POPULATION. BUSINESS NOTES

DOWNBEAT CONCLUSION FOR THE WEEK-JOBS CREATION STALLS-GEEK SQUAD LAYOFFS

NEW YORK (AP) STOCKS GAVE UP THEIR PROGRESS FOR THE WEEK UPON RELEASE OF THE MONTHLY UNEMPLOYMENT REPORT. IN FRIDAY TRADING, THE

DOW FELL 124 POINTS TO SETTLE AT 12,772.

WASHINGTON (AP) PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA SAYS LEGISLATION HE SIGNED FRIDAY WILL KEEP TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS GOING AND PREVENT INTEREST

RATES FROM DOUBLING ON NEW LOANS TO COLLEGE STUDENTS. BUT OBAMA SAYS

IN HIS WEEKLY MEDIA ADDRESS THAT CONGRESS SHOULD DO MORE. IN THE REPUBLICAN ADDRESS, REP. ANN MARIE BUERKLE OF NEW YORK SAYS OBAMA'S

POLICIES ARE "MAKING THINGS WORSE, STARTING WITH HIS HEALTH CARE LAW."

WASHINGTON (AP) THE LATEST REPORT FROM THE LABOR DEPARTMENT LEFT LITTLE TO BRAG ABOUT IN THE AREA OF JOBS CREATION. MONTHLY HIRING OVER THE PAST THREE MONTHS AMOUNTED TO ONLY ABOUT A-THIRD THE PACE

SEEN IN THE FIRST THREE MONTHS OF THE YEAR.

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) FIVE LARGE DRUG AND GROCERY CHAINS ARE SUING PFIZER AND A GENERIC DRUGMAKER ALLEGING THEY CONSPIRED TO DELAY SALES OF CHEAPER GENERIC VERSIONS OF CHOLESTEROL DRUG LIPITOR. WALGREEN, KROGER AND THREE OTHER RETAILERS SAY THE GENERICS SHOULD

HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE A COUPLE OF YEARS BEFORE THEY ACTUALLY HIT

THE MARKET.

NEW YORK (AP) IT IS A TOUGH TIME TO BE A MEMBER OF THE GEEK SQUAD. BEST BUY IS LAYING OFF 600 STAFFERS IN THE GEEK SQUAD TECHNICAL SUPPORT DIVISION AND 1,800 OTHER STORE WORKERS AS PART OF

A TURNAROUND EFFORT.

TODAY IN HISTORY

TODAY IS SUNDAY, JULY 8, THE 190TH DAY OF 2012. THERE ARE 176 DAYS LEFT IN THE YEAR.

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT IN HISTORY:

ON JULY 8, 1962, THE UNITED STATES CONDUCTED STARFISH PRIME, A NUCLEAR TEST IN WHICH A 1.44 MEGATON WARHEAD WAS DETONATED 250 MILES

ABOVE THE PACIFIC OCEAN; THE RESULTING ELECTROMAGNETIC PULSE CAUSED

LIMITED ELECTRICAL DISRUPTIONS IN PARTS OF HAWAII.

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> IN 1663, KING CHARLES II OF ENGLAND GRANTED A ROYAL CHARTER TO RHODE ISLAND IN 1776, COL. JOHN NIXON GAVE THE FIRST PUBLIC READING OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, IN PHILADELPHIA. IN 1853, AN EXPEDITION LED BY COMMODORE MATTHEW PERRY ARRIVED IN YEDO BAY, JAPAN, ON A MISSION TO SEEK DIPLOMATIC AND TRADE RELATIONS WITH THE JAPANESE IN 1889, THE WALL STREET JOURNAL WAS FIRST PUBLISHED. IN 1907, FLORENZ ZIEGFELD STAGED HIS FIRST "FOLLIES" ON THE ROOF OF THE NEW YORK THEATER. IN 1911, COWGIRL "TWO-GUN NAN" ASPINWALL BECAME THE FIRST WOMAN TO MAKE A SOLO TRIP BY HORSE ACROSS THE UNITED STATES, ARRIVING NEW YORK 10 MONTHS AFTER DEPARTING SAN FRANCISCO. IN 1919, PRESIDENT WOODROW WILSON RECEIVED A TUMULTUOUS WELCOME IN NEW YORK CITY AFTER HIS RETURN FROM THE VERSAILLES (VEHR-SY') PEACE CONFERENCE IN FRANCE. IN 1947, DEMOLITION WORK BEGAN IN NEW YORK CITY TO MAKE WAY FOR THE NEW PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS. IN 1950, PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN NAMED GEN. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR. COMMANDER -IN-CHIEF OF UNITED NATIONS FORCES IN KOREA. (TRUMAN **ENDED** UP SACKING MACARTHUR FOR INSUBORDINATION NINE MONTHS LATER.) IN 1962, JUST AFTER MIDNIGHT LOCAL TIME, ALITALIA FLIGHT 771, A DC-8, CRASHED AS IT WAS APPROACHING BOMBAY (MUMBAI), INDIA, KILLING ALL 94 PEOPLE ON BOARD. IN 1972, ACTRESS JANE FONDA BEGAN A TWO-WEEK VISIT TO HANOI, WHERE SHE DENOUNCED THE VIETNAM WAR IN RADIO BROADCASTS. VISITED AMERICAN POWS AND WAS PHOTOGRAPHED SITTING BEHIND A NORTH VIETNAMESE ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN, AN IMAGE THAT SPARKED OUTRAGE IN THE U.S. **YEARS** LATER, FONDA EXPRESSED REGRET FOR THAT PARTICULAR EPISODE.) IN 1994, KIM IL SUNG, NORTH KOREA'S COMMUNIST LEADER SINCE 1948, DIED AT AGE 82. TEN YEARS AGO: WORLDCOM AND ITS FORMER AUDITORS CLASHED OVER RESPONSIBILITY FOR NEARLY \$4 BILLION IN ACCOUNTING IMPROPRIETIES AS WORLDCOM'S FORMER CEO, BERNARD J. EBBERS, AND FINANCE CHIEF SCOTT SULLIVAN REFUSED TO TESTIFY BEFORE A HOUSE PANEL INVESTIGATING THE DEBACLE. FIVE YEARS AGO: PENNSYLVANIA GOV. ED RENDELL ORDERED A RANGE OF STATE GOVERNMENT SERVICES SHUT DOWN AND PLACED ABOUT A THIRD OF THE STATE WORK FORCE ON INDEFINITE UNPAID FURLOUGH AFTER LAST-MINUTE NEGOTIATIONS FAILED TO BREAK A BUDGET STALEMATE. (A BUDGET DEAL HAMMERED OUT THE FOLLOWING NIGHT.) ROGER FEDERER WON HIS FIFTH STRAIGHT WIMBLEDON CHAMPIONSHIP, BEATING RAFAEL NADAL 7-6 (7), 4 -6 7-6 (3), 2-6, 6-2, ONE YEAR AGO: FORMER FIRST LADY BETTY FORD DIED IN RANCHO MIRAGE, CALIF., AT AGE 93. ATLANTIS THUNDERED INTO ORBIT ON A CARGO RUN

> THAT WOULD CLOSE OUT THE THREE-DECADE U.S. SPACE SHUTTLE PROGRAM. OHIO

> STATE VACATED ITS WINS FROM THE 2010 FOOTBALL SEASON, INCLUDING ITS

SHARE OF THE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIP AND A VICTORY OVER ARKANSAS IN THE

SUGAR BOWL, AS IT RESPONDED TO THE NCAA'S INVESTIGATION OF A MEMORABILIA -FOR-CASH SCANDAL.

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: SINGER JERRY VALE IS 80. SINGER STEVE LAWRENCE IS 77. ACTOR JEFFREY TAMBOR IS 68. BALLERINA CYNTHIA GREGORY IS 66.

ACTRESS KIM DARBY IS 65. CHILDRENS PERFORMER RAFFI IS 64. ACTRESS

ANJELICA HUSTON IS 61. WRITER ANNA QUINDLEN IS 60. ACTOR KEVIN BACON

IS 54. ACTOR ROBERT KNEPPER IS 53. ROCK MUSICIAN ANDY FLETCHER (DEPECHE MODE) IS 51. COUNTRY SINGER TOBY KEITH IS 51. ROCK MUSICIAN

GRAHAM JONES (HAIRCUT 100) IS 51. ROCK SINGER JOAN OSBORNE IS 50. WRITER-PRODUCER ROB BURNETT IS 50. ACTOR ROCKY CARROLL IS 49. ACTOR

COREY PARKER IS 47. ACTOR BILLY CRUDUP IS 44. ACTOR MICHAEL WEATHERLY IS 44. SINGER BECK IS 42. COUNTRY SINGER DREW WOMACK (SONS

OF THE DESERT) IS 42. CHRISTIAN ROCK MUSICIAN STEPHEN MASON (JARS OF

CLAY) IS 37, ACTOR MILO VENTIMIGLIA (MEE'-LOH VEHN-TIH-MEEL'-YUH) IS

35. ROCK MUSICIAN TAVIS WERTS IS 35. SINGER BEN JELEN (YEL'-IN)

33. ACTOR LANCE GROSS IS 31. ACTRESS SOPHIA BUSH IS 30. ROCK MUSICIAN JAMIE COOK (ARCTIC MONKEYS) IS 27. ACTOR JAKE MCDORMAN IS

26. ACTOR JADEN SMITH IS 14.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY: AMERICA IS NOT JUST A POWER, IT IS A PROMISE." NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER, AMERICAN POLITICIAN AND BUSINESSMAN (BORN THIS DATE IN 1908, DIED 1979). ENTERTAINMENT HISTORY

ON JULY EIGHTH, 1967, ACTRESS VIVIEN LEIGH DIED OF TUBERCULOSIS. SHE WAS 53.

IN 1969, SINGER MARIANNE FAITHFULL WAS FOUND IN A COMA FOLLOWING AN OVERDOSE OF BARBITURATES. AUTHORITIES IN AUSTRALIA RULED IT A SUICIDE ATTEMPT. FAITHFULL WAS IN AUSTRALIA WITH MICK JAGGER FILMING

"NED KELLY."

IN 1970, A SUMMER REPLACEMENT SHOW STARRING THE EVERLY BROTHERS BEGAN AIRING ON ABC. THE SHOW RAN UNTIL MID-SEPTEMBER. IN 1971, A MINOR RIOT BROKE OUT DURING AN APPEARANCE BY MOTT THE HOOPLE AT THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL IN LONDON. THE HALL'S MANAGEMENT TEMPORARILY BANNED ROCK PERFORMANCES AT THE VENUE AFTER THAT. IN 1985, "PLAYBOY" AND "PENTHOUSE" MAGAZINES WENT ON SALE WITH NUDE PHOTOS OF MADONNA.

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AFGHANISTAN

POLICE OFFICERS. NATO SOLDIER KILLED

KABUL, AFGHANISTAN (AP) AFGHAN AUTHORITIES SAY A ROADSIDE BOMB HAS KILLED FIVE AFGHAN POLICEMEN WHO WERE RESPONDING TO A GUN

BATTLE

AGAINST INSURGENTS AT A CHECKPOINT IN SOUTHERN AFGHANISTAN. TWO ROADSIDE BOMBS HAVE ALSO KILLED 14 CIVILIANS IN SOUTHERN

AFGHANISTAN.

AHMAD JAWED FAISAL, THE SPOKESMAN FOR KANDAHAR PROVINCE, SAYS A

MINIVAN RAN OVER ONE BOMB IN ARGHISTAN DISTRICT.

OTHER CIVILIANS, WHO WERE RIDING ON A TRACTOR, ARRIVED TO HELP

THE DEAD AND WOUNDED. BUT THE TRACTOR STRUCK A SECOND BOMB IN THE ROAD.

SEPARATELY, A NATO SERVICE MEMBER WAS KILLED IN ANOTHER ROADSIDE

BOMB EXPLOSION SATURDAY IN SOUTHERN AFGHANISTAN.

NATO DID NOT DISCLOSE WHERE THE BLAST OCCURRED, OR PROVIDE THE

NATIONALITY OF THE SOLDIER KILLED.

AFGHANISTAN -AID

KARZAI URGES OTHER COUNTRIES NOT TO ABANDON AFGHANISTAN

TOKYO (AP) AFGHAN PRESIDENT HAMID KARZAI IS URGING THE

INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY NOT TO ABANDON HIS COUNTRY.

HE SPOKE AT A GATHERING IN TOKYO OF INTERNATIONAL DONORS WHO ARE PLEDGING \$16 BILLION IN DEVELOPMENT AID FOR AFGHANISTAN OVER THE NEXT FOUR YEARS, WHEN MOST FOREIGN TROOPS WILL BE LEAVING. THE UNITED STATES AND ABOUT 70 OTHER COUNTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS AT

THE

CONFERENCE ARE SETTING AID LEVELS FOR THAT PERIOD.

IN HIS OPENING STATEMENT, KARZAI ASKED FOR THE COUNTRY'S '

'FRIENDS AND PARTNERS" TO REASSURE THE AFGHAN PEOPLE "THAT YOU

BE WITH US'

SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON SAYS THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION IS LOOKING TO SUSTAIN U.S. ASSISTANCE FOR

AT ABOUT THE AVERAGE AMOUNT THAT HAS BEEN GIVEN OVER THE LAST DECADE. IT'S RANGED FROM \$1 BILLION TO THIS YEAR'S HIGH OF \$2.3

BILLION

JAPAN, THE SECOND-BIGGEST DONOR, SAYS IT WILL PROVIDE UP TO \$3

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BILLION THROUGH 2016.

THE DONORS ARE EXPECTED TO SET UP MONITORING MEASURES TO MAKE SURE THE AID IS USED FOR DEVELOPMENT, AND THAT IT ISN'T WASTED BY CORRUPTION OR MISMANAGEMENT.

PAKISTAN

PAKISTAN: HARDLINE ISLAMISTS PROTEST SUPPLY LINE LAHORE, PAKISTAN (AP) PROMINENT HARD-LINE ISLAMISTS ARE LEADING THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN A PROTEST AGAINST PAKISTAN'S DECISION TO ALLOW NATO TO RESUME SHIPPING TROOP SUPPLIES THROUGH THE COUNTRY TO

AFGHANISTAN.

THE DEMONSTRATION IN THE EASTERN CITY OF LAHORE WAS ORGANIZED BY THE DIFAH-E-PAKISTAN, OR DEFENSE OF PAKISTAN, COUNCIL, A GROUP OF ISLAMIST POLITICIANS AND RELIGIOUS LEADERS.

THE GROUP BEGAN ITS PROTEST SUNDAY IN THE CENTER OF LAHORE, WHERE SEVERAL THOUSAND SUPPORTERS ASSEMBLED WITH DOZENS OF BUSES, CARS

MOTORBIKES.

THEY PLAN TO LINK UP WITH THOUSANDS MORE SUPPORTERS ON THE CITY'S EDGE AND RIDE TO ISLAMABAD IN A SO-CALLED "LONG MARCH" AGAINST THE

PAKISTAN CLOSED THE ROUTE IN NOVEMBER IN RETALIATION FOR AMERICAN AIRSTRIKES THAT KILLED NATO TROOPS. IT REOPENED IT LAST WEEK AFTER

THE U.S. SAID IT WAS SORRY.

US-PAKISTAN

CLINTON LOOKS FOR BETTER US-PAKISTANI COOPERATION TOKYO (AP) U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON IS EXPRESSING HOPE THAT PAKISTAN'S REOPENING OF NATO SUPPLY LINES

AFGHANISTAN WILL LEAD TO BETTER U.S.-PAKISTANI RELATIONS. CLINTON MET SUNDAY WITH PAKISTANI FOREIGN MINISTER HINA RABBANI KHAR INTOKYO AND TOLD REPORTERS BOTH WERE ENCOURAGED BY LAST

AGREEMENT, CLINTON'S APOLOGY FOR NATOS NOVEMBER KILLING OF 24 PAKISTANI SOLDIERS ENDED PAKISTAN'S SEVEN-MONTH FREEZE ON THE SUPPLY

ROUTES

CLINTON SAYS THE U.S. AND PAKISTAN WANT TO BUILD ON THE MOMENTUM WITH GREATER COUNTERTERRORISM AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION. SHE SAYS

ALSO DISCUSSED STALLED AFGHAN RECONCILIATION EFFORTS WITH KHAR. CLINTON SPOKE IN TOKYO AFTER ATTENDING A 70-NATION AFGHAN AID CONFERENCE. SHE, KHAR AND AFGHAN FOREIGN MINISTER ZALMAI RASSOUL WILL HOLD A THREE-WAY MEETING LATER SUNDAY.

IRAN

IRAN SAYS IT HAS PLAN TO CLOSE STRAIT OF HORMUZ TEHRAN, IRAN (AP) THE CHAIRMAN OF THE IRANIAN MILITARY'S JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF SAYS TEHRAN WILL BLOCK THE STRATEGIC STRAIT OF HORMUZ IF IT DETERMINES THAT THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC'S INTERESTS ARE SERIOUSLY THREATENED.

GEN. HASAN FIROUZABADI'S COMMENTS SATURDAY TO IRANIAN MEDIA COME LESS THAN A WEEK AFTER THE EUROPEAN UNION IMPOSED AN EMBARGO ON IRAN'S VITAL OIL-SECTOR TO PRESSURE TEHRAN OVER ITS DISPUTED NUCLEAR

PROGRAM.

THE U.S. AND ITS ALLIES ACCUSE IRAN OF SEEKING NUCLEAR WEAPONS, A CHARGE TEHRAN DENIES.

FIROUZABADI DID NOT SPECIFY WHAT WOULD CONSTITUTE A THREAT TO IRAN'S INTERESTS, AND DID NOT MENTION THE NEW EU SANCTIONS. BUT IRAN'S POWERFUL REVOLUTIONARY GUARD HAS WARNED IN THE PAST THAT IT WOULD CLOSE THE STRAIT, THROUGH WHICH ABOUT ONE-FIFTH OF THE

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WORLD'S OIL IS SHIPPED, IF TEHRAN'S OIL EXPORTS ARE BLOCKED. US-SYRIA CLINTON WARNS THAT SYRIAN STATE RISKS COLLAPSE TOKYO (AP) U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON SAYS TIME'S RUNNING OUT ON SYRIAN PEACE HOPES AND WARNS THAT THE STATE COULD COLLAPSE. SPEAKING IN JAPAN, CLINTON SAID SUNDAY THAT U.N. MEDIATOR KOFI ANNAN'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THAT HIS PEACE PLAN IS FAILING "SHOULD WAKE-UP CALL FOR EVERYONE." SHE SAYS LAST MONTH WAS THE DEADLIEST FOR THE SYRIAN PEOPLE IN THE 16-MONTH REVOLT AGAINST PRESIDENT BASHAR ASSAD (BAH-SHAR' AH' -SAHD). CLINTON ADDS THAT THE OPPOSITION "IS GETTING MORE IN DEFENSE OF THEMSELVES AND GOING ON THE OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE SYRIAN MILITARY." CLINTON SAYS ASSAD'S REGIME MUST ACKNOWLEDGE THAT ITS DAYS ARE NUMBERED. SHE SAYS THERE'S "STILL A CHANCE TO SAVE THE SYRIAN STATE FROM A CATASTROPHIC ASSAULT THAT WOULD BE VERY DANGEROUS NOT ONLY TO SYRIA BUT TO THE REGION." CLINTON -LIBYA CLINTON HAILS LIBYAN ELECTION, PLEDGES US SUPPORT TOKYO (AP) U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON IS CONGRATULATING LIBYA FOR HOLDING IS FIRST NATIONWIDE VOTE IN DECADES. SHE SAYS THE U.S. STANDS READY TO HELP THE NORTH AFRICAN NATION BECOME A FREE AND PEACEFUL DEMOCRACY. SPEAKING SUNDAY IN JAPAN, CLINTON CALLED THE LIBYAN VOTE A' SPEAKING SUNDAY IN JAPAN, CLINTON CALLED THE LIBYAN VOTE A' 'HISTORIC MILESTONE. SHE SAYS THAT "AFTER MORE THAN FOUR DECADES OF AUTHORITARIAN RULE, MEN AND WOMEN FROM EVERY CORNER OF LIBYA ARE DETERMINING OWN FUTURE" SHE SAYS IT'S THE "WILL OF THE PEOPLE, NOT THE WHIM OF THE DICTATOR." CLINTON ACKNOWLEDGES THERE IS HARD WORK AHEAD FOR LIBYANS TO UNIFY THEIR COUNTRY AND ENSURE IT BECOMES A PEACEFUL, DEMOCRATIC STATE. THE U.S. AND ITS NATO ALLIES HELPED LIBYANS OUST DICTATOR MOAMMAR GADHAFI LAST YEAR, AND CLINTON PLEDGED CONTINUED AMERICAN SUPPORT TO THE COUNTRY. **FGYPT** EGYPT'S PRESIDENT'S FIRST FOREIGN VISIT TO BE SAUDI CAIRO (AP) EGYPTS OFFICIAL STATE NEWS AGENCY SAYS THAT PRESIDENT MOHAMMED MORSI WILL VISIT SAUDI ARABIA ON WEDNESDAY IN HIS FIRST OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRIP SINCE BEING SWORN IN. THE ANNOUNCEMENT RELEASED BY MENA COMES AFTER MORSI, WHO WAS THE MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD'S PARTY LEADER BEFORE BEING ELECTED. MET WITH SAUDI ARABIA'S AMBASSADOR TO EGYPT ON SATURDAY. MORSI IS THE COUNTRY'S FIRST DEMOCRATICALLY -ELECTED PRESIDENT AND FIRST ISLAMIST AND CIVILIAN TO TAKE OFFICE IN EGYPT. HE WAS SWORN LAST WEEK. MENA SAYS SAUDI ARABIA'S KING ABDULLAH INVITED MORSI TO STRENGTHEN RELATIONS. TIES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WERE GOOD OUSTED LEADER HOSNI MUBARAK. MORSI'S VISIT, THOUGH, COMES ON THE HEELS OF A DIPLOMATIC SPAT BETWEEN THE REGIONAL POWERS OVER DEMANDS THAT SAUDI ARABIA AN EGYPTIAN RIGHTS LAWYER DETAINED THERE FOR ALLEGEDLY INSULTING THE

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KINGDOM'S MONARCH, MEXICO-PRESIDENT-ELECT-PROTEST

STUDENTS MARCH AGAINST MEXICO'S PRESIDENT-ELECT

MEXICO CITY (AP) TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PROTESTERS ARE MARCHING THROUGH MEXICO'S CAPITAL AGAINST PRESIDENT-ELECT ENRIQUE PENA NIETO.

ACCUSING HIS PARTY OF BUYING VOTES TO HELP HIM WIN THE COUNTRY'S PRESIDENTIAL VOTE.

THE PROTESTERS, INCLUDING STUDENTS, YOUTHS AND LEFTISTS, ACCUSE HIS LONG-RULING INSTITUTIONAL REVOLUTIONARY PARTY OF GIVING OUT BAGS

OF GROCERIES, PRE-PAID GIFT CARDS AND OTHER GOODS TO VOTERS AHEAD OF

MEXICO'S JULY 1 NATIONAL ELECTIONS.

THE MARCHERS CARRIED SIGNS READING, "PENA, HOW MUCH DID IT COST TO BECOME PRESIDENT?" AND "MEXICO, YOU PAWNED YOUR FUTURE FOR 500

PESOS."

MEXICO CITY OFFICIALS PUT THE SIZE OF THE CROWD THAT REACHED ITS CENTRAL ZOCALO PLAZA AT 50,000.

PENA NIETO, WHO SAYS THE VOTE WAS CLEAN AND FAIR, WON SUNDAY'S ELECTION BY ALMOST 7 PERCENTAGE POINTS, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL COUNT.

BRITAIN-TERRORISM ARRESTS

7TH PERSON ARRESTED IN BRITISH TERRORISM PROBE LONDON (AP) BRITISH POLICE SAY THEY HAVE ARRESTED A SEVENTH PERSON OVER AN ALLEGED PLOT TO LAUNCH A TERRORIST ATTACK. THE METROPOLITAN POLICE SAYS THE 22-YEAR-OLD WOMAN WAS ARRESTED SATURDAY AT A HOME IN EAST LONDON "ON SUSPICION OF THE COMMISSION.

PREPARATION OR INSTIGATION OF ACTS OF TERRORISM."

SIX OTHER PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED ON THE SAME CHARGES THURSDAY, INCLUDING A BRITISH MUSLIM CONVERT AND THREE BROTHERS WHO WERE DETAINED BY ARMED POLICE AT THEIR HOME CLOSE TO LONDON'S OLYMPIC PARK.

COUNTER-TERROR OFFICERS ARE ON HIGH ALERT AHEAD OF THE SUMMER GAMES, WHICH BEGIN JULY 27, BUT POLICE SAY THIS WEEK'S ARRESTS ARE

NOT CONNECTED TO THE OLYMPICS.

BRITAIN'S TERRORIST THREAT RISK REMAINS AT SUBSTANTIAL, THE MIDDLE POINT ON A FIVE-POINT SCALE, MEANING AN ATTACK IS A STRONG POSSIBILITY.

PORTMAN-NH

OHIO'S PORTMAN VP MAYBE BUT NO MEETING WITH ROMNEY CONCORD, N.H. (AP) HE MAY BE ON MITT ROMNEY'S SHORT LIST FOR VICE PRESIDENT, BUT SEN. ROB PORTMAN SAYS HE DID NOT TRAVEL TO NEW

HAMPSHIRE TO MEET PRIVATELY WITH THE PROSPECTIVE REPUBLICAN NOMINEE.

THE OHIO REPUBLICAN TOLD REPORTERS HE HASN'T VISITED ROMNEY'S NEW HAMPSHIRE VACATION HOME AND HAS NO PLANS TO MEET WITH ROMNEY BEFORE

HE LEAVES NEW ENGLAND. ROMNEY'S VACATIONING JUST 40 MILES FROM WHERE

PORTMAN HEADLINED A STATE GOP FUNDRAISER SATURDAY NIGHT.
PORTMAN WOULDN'T SAY WHETHER HE'S BEING VETTED AS A POTENTIAL
RUNNING MATE.

HE SAYS HE'S VISITING AREA COLLEGES WITH HIS TEENAGE DAUGHTER. HE'S ALSO EXPECTED TO HOST A BOSTON -AREA FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT THE

ROMNEY CAMPAIGN ON MONDAY.

PORTMAN PREVIOUSLY SERVED AS PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH'S BUDGET DIRECTOR. HE SAYS HE'S PROUD OF THAT SERVICE.

RADIO MESSAGES

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PRESIDENT SAYS CONGRESS HAS 'MORE TO DO'
WASHINGTON (AP) PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA SAYS LEGISLATION TO KEEP
TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS GOING AND PREVENT INTEREST RATES FROM
DOUBLING ON NEW LOANS TO COLLEGE STUDENTS WILL HELP MANY IN THIS

COUNTRY.

BUT HE SAYS "WE'VE GOT MORE TO DO."

OBAMA SAID IN HIS WEEKLY RADIO AND INTERNET ADDRESS SATURDAY THAT THE MEASURE HE SIGNED INTO LAW FRIDAY WILL KEEP THOUSANDS OF CONSTRUCTION WORKERS ON THE JOB AND HELP STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

BUT HE SAID CONGRESS SHOULD DO MORE TO PROMOTE INFRASTRUCTURE AND REFORM AND EXPAND FINANCIAL AID OFFERED TO STUDENTS.
IN THE REPUBLICAN ADDRESS, REP. ANN MARIE BUERKLE OF NEW YORK SAID OBAMA'S POLICIES ARE "MAKING THINGS WORSE, STARTING WITH

HEALTH CARE LAW."

SHE SAID THE SUPREME COURT'S UPHOLDING OF THE LAW ADDS URGENCY TO REPEALING THE HEALTH CARE OVERHAUL.

TROPICAL WEATHER

TROPICAL STORM EMILIA FORMS IN THE PACIFIC

MIAMI (AP) TROPICAL STORM EMILIA HAS FORMED IN THE PACIFIC OCEAN SOUTH OF MEXICO.

FORECASTERS EXPECT EMILIA TO BECOME A HURRICANE, BUT THE STORM IS NOT EXPECTED TO THREATEN LAND.

FORECASTERS AT THE NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER IN MIAMI SAY THE STORM HAS MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WINDS OF 40 MPH (64 KPH) AND IS LOCATED

ABOUT 480 MILES (772 KILOMETERS) SOUTHWEST OF ACAPULCO. HURRICANE DANIEL IS FARTHER OUT TO SEA. DANIEL IS EXPECTED TO WEAKEN SUNDAY AS IS MOVES OVER COOLER WATERS.

HEAT WAVE

RELIEF FROM HEAT COULD BRING NEW STORMS

PHILADELPHIA (AP) THERE MAY BE SOME RELIEF BY THE END OF THE WEEKEND FOR THE HEAT WAVE THAT COVERS MUCH OF THE EASTERN HALF OF THE COUNTRY. IT'S BEEN LINKED TO AT LEAST 30 DEATHS.
BUT FORECASTERS WARN THAT AN APPROACHING COLD FRONT COULD BRING ANOTHER ROUND OF SEVERE STORMS, A LITTLE MORE THAN A WEEK AFTER THE

STORMS THAT KNOCKED OUT POWER TO MILLIONS.

THOUSANDS ARE STILL WAITING FOR POWER TO BE RESTORED.

IT REACHED A RECORD 105 DEGREES IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL. IT WAS ALSO SCORCHING IN THE MIDWEST. ST. LOUIS TOPPED OUT AT 106 AND

MERCURY CLIMBED TO 104 IN INDIANAPOLIS. EXTREME READINGS HIT 20 STATES, AND THERE WERE TRIPLE-DIGIT TEMPERATURES FROM SIOUX FALLS

S.D. TO BALTIMORE.

CHILDREN LEFT IN CARS

2 BABIES LEFT IN HOT CARS NEAR INDIANAPOLIS, 1 DIES GREENFIELD, IND. (AP) A BABY GIRL, JUST A FEW MONTHS OLD, HAS DIED, AND A 16-MONTH-OLD IS HOSPITALIZED, IN SEPARATE INCIDENTS NEAR

INDIANAPOLIS IN WHICH CHILDREN WERE FOUND TRAPPED IN CARS DURING RECORD - SETTING 105-DEGREE HEAT.

THE BABY WHO DIED WAS FOUND BY POLICE THIS AFTERNOON IN GREENFIELD, ABOUT 25 MILES WEST OF INDIANAPOLIS. POLICE SAY IT APPEARS SHE HAD BEEN LEFT IN THE CAR FOR "AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME." POLICE AREN'T PROVIDING FURTHER INFORMATION, SAYING THE INVESTIGATION IS CONTINUING.

IN THE TOWN OF FISHERS, 15 MILES NORTHWEST OF INDIANAPOLIS, POLICE BROKE A SIDE WINDOW OF A FORD EXPLORER SUV TO RESCUE A 16 --MONTH-OLD GIRL WHO WAS LOCKED INSIDE. POLICE HAD BEEN CALLED TO

STORE PARKING LOT AND FOUND THE CHILD. THEY SAY THE GIRL BEGAN

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HAVING SEIZURES SHORTLY AFTER SHE WAS TAKEN INSIDE AN AIR -CONDITIONED BUILDING. SHE WAS TAKEN TO A HOSPITAL. THERE'S NO WORD

ON HER CONDITION.

THE MOTHER OF THE GIRL HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH NEGLECT.

UTAH WILDFIRE -EAGLET

LUCKY BABY GOLDEN EAGLE SURVIVES UTAH WILDFIRE SALT LAKE CITY (AP) A BABY GOLDEN EAGLE IS RECOVERING AFTER OFFICIALS SAY IT MIRACULOUSLY SURVIVED A UTAH WILDFIRE LAST MONTH.

KENT KELLER TOLD THE SALT LAKE TRIBUNE HE FEARED THE WORST WHEN HE RETURNED TO THE NEST SITE WEST OF UTAH LAKE TO RETRIEVE A LEG BAND HE HAD ATTACHED TO THE MALE EAGLET.

BUT THE UTAH DIVISION OF WILDLIFE RESOURCES VOLUNTEER FOUND THE BURNED BIRD ON JUNE 28 BEHIND A CHARRED TREE, ABOUT 25 FEET BELOW THE NEST THAT WAS BURNED TO A CRISP IN THE 5,500-ACRE DUMP FIRE NEAR

SARATOGA SPRINGS.

AFTER SECURING PERMISSION FROM STATE AND FEDERAL WILDLIFE AGENCIES, THE WILDLIFE REHABILITATION CENTER OF NORTHERN UTAH IN OGDEN ASSUMED CARE OF THE EAGLET THIS PAST WEEK.

OFFICIALS HOPE THE BIRD CAN EVENTUALLY BE RELEASED BACK INTO THE WILD.

MISSOURI - DOCK COLLAPSE

5 UNACCOUNTED FOR AFTER MO. DOCK COLLAPSE ARE SAFE
WARSAW, MO. (AP) AUTHORITIES SAY FIVE PEOPLE UNACCOUNTED FOR
AFTER A DOCK COLLAPSED AT A MISSOURI LAKE HAVE BEEN FOUND SAFE.
SGT. COLLIN STOSBERG OF THE MISSOURI STATE HIGHWAY PATROL SAYS A
THUNDERSTORM MOVED THROUGH THE STERETT CREEK RESORT AND MARINA ON
TRUMAN LAKE IN WEST-CENTRAL MISSOURI WHEN THE DOCK GAVE WAY
AROUND 4

:30 P.M. SATURDAY. THE MARINA IS NEAR WARSAW, ABOUT 90 MILES SOUTHEAST OF KANSAS CITY.

THOSE UNACCOUNTED FOR INCLUDED FOUR FISHERMEN. STOSBERG SAYS NO INJURIES HAVE BEEN REPORTED.

A NUMBER OF BOATS WERE DAMAGED.

MARINA STAFF DIDN'T RETURN PHONE OR EMAIL MESSAGES FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

BARNEY FRANK MARRIED

CONGRESSMAN BARNEY FRANK MARRIES LONGTIME PARTNER NEWTON, MASS. (AP) U.S. REP. BARNEY FRANK HAS TIED THE KNOT WITH HIS LONGTIME PARTNER IN A CEREMONY OFFICIATED BY MASSACHUSETTS GOV.

DEVAL PATRICK.

FRANK SPOKESMAN HARRY GURAL SAYS THE 72-YEAR-OLD CONGRESSMAN MARRIED 42-YEAR-OLD JIM READY IN A SATURDAY EVENING WEDDING AT THE

BOSTON MARRIOTT HOTEL IN NEWTON. GURAL SAYS MORE THAN 300 FRIENDS

FAMILY AND COLLEAGUES ATTENDED.

FRANK, A DEMOCRAT WHO IS RETIRING AFTER MORE THAN THREE DECADES IN OFFICE, REPRESENTS THE 4TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT IN SOUTHEASTERN

MASSACHUSETTS.

READY, OF OGUNQUIT, MAINE, HAS A SMALL BUSINESS DOING CUSTOM AWNINGS, CARPENTRY, PAINTING, WELDING AND OTHER GENERAL HANDYMAN SERVICES. HE'S ALSO A PHOTOGRAPHER.

N. KOREA-DISNEY CHARACTERS

NORTH KOREA TV SHOWS MICKEY MOUSE, WINNIE THE POOH PYONGYANG, NORTH KOREA (AP) MICKEY MOUSE AND WINNIE THE POOH HAVE TAKEN THE STAGE IN NORTH KOREA DURING A CONCERT FOR LEADER KIM JONG

UN IN AN UNUSUAL PERFORMANCE FEATURING A CAST OF DISNEY CHARACTERS.

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STILL PHOTOS AIRED ON STATE TV SATURDAY SHOW PERFORMERS DRESSED AS SOME OF AMERICA'S MOST MEMORABLE CARTOON CHARACTERS DANCING AND

PRANCING AS VIDEO OF "SNOW WHITE" AND "BEAUTY AND THE BEAST" PLAYED ON A MASSIVE SCREEN BEHIND THE STAGE.

THE STATE-RUN KOREAN CENTRAL NEWS AGENCY SAYS KIM AND OTHER TOP OFFICIALS SAW THE PERFORMANCE BY THE NEW MORANBONG BAND FRIDAY. KCNA

SAYS KIM ASSEMBLED THE BAND A FEW MONTHS AGO AS PART OF A PLAN TO

'BRING ABOUT A DRAMATIC TURN" IN THE ARTS UNDER HIS NEW LEADERSHIP.

KIM TOOK POWER AFTER FATHER KIM JONG IL DIED IN DECEMBER. SPAIN-RUNNING OF THE BULLS

1 PERSON INJURED NONE GORED IN SPAIN'S SAN FERMIN
PAMPLONA, SPAIN (AP) BULLS THUNDERED INTO AND TRAMPLED SEVERAL
THRILL-SEEKING RUNNERS AS THEY RACED DOWN THE DEW-SLICKED
COBBLESTONE STREETS OF PAMPLONA DURING THE SECOND DAY OF THE
WEEKLONG SAN FERMIN BULL-RUNNING FESTIVAL BUT OFFICIALS SAY NO
ONE

WAS GORED.

DR. IGNACIO IRIBARREN, A HOSPITAL SPOKESMAN, SAYS THAT WHILE MANY RUNNERS SUFFERED MINOR CUTS AND BRUISES, ONLY ONE PERSON RECEIVED MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR A BRUISED BACK.

THE SECOND SAN FERMIN FEAST DAY IS USUALLY ONE OF THE MOST CROWDED AND TRADITIONALLY FEATURES BULLS FROM THE MIURA BREEDING RANCH, SOME OF SPAIN'S LARGEST AND MOST FEARSOME FIGHTING ANIMALS

AND SUNDAY'S RUN WAS COMPLETED IN A FAST TIME OF TWO MINUTES, 27 SECONDS.

THE FESTIVAL IN THIS NORTHERN CITY DATES BACK TO THE LATE 16TH CENTURY AND IS ALSO KNOWN FOR ITS ALL-NIGHT STREET PARTIES. PEOPLE-RINGO STARR

RINGO STARR TURNS 72 IN NASHVILLE WITH PEACE, LOVE NASHVILLE, TENN. (AP) THE 1960S MOP TOP IS GONE, BUT RINGO STARR IS STILL SHOWING THE PEACE SIGN.

THE FORMER BEATLE MARKED HIS 72ND BIRTHDAY IN NASHVILLE SATURDAY BY HOLDING A PEACE AND LOVE MOMENT AT NOON. HE ASKED PEOPLE WORLDWIDE TO DO THE SAME AT 12 O'CLOCK IN THEIR OWN TIME ZONES. HUNDREDS OF FANS JOINED STARR AT HARD ROCK CAF?, SHOUTING "PEACE AND LOVE" AT THE MAGIC HOUR AND HOLDING TWO FINGERS IN THE AIR. CELEBRITIES SUCH AS VINCE GILL AND EAGLES GUITARIST JOE WALSH SURROUNDED HIM ON STAGE. THE CROWD SANG "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" AND THE

CHORUS OF "GIVE PEACE A CHANCE."

ORGANIZERS PRESENTED HIM WITH A STAR MAGNOLIA TREE THAT WILL BE PLANTED NEARBY. HE ALSO CUT A CAKE SHAPED LIKE A FLOWER POT WITH

GIANT SUNFLOWER GROWING OUT OF IT.

STARR HAS PREVIOUSLY HELD HIS BIRTHDAY EVENT IN CHICAGO, NEW YORK AND HAMBURG, GERMANY.

HEALTH CARE-IRS

THE TAX MAN COMETH TO POLICE YOU ON HEALTH CARE

WASHINGTON (AP) THE SUPREME COURT'S DECISION TO UPHOLD MOST OF PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE LAW WILL COME HOME TO ROOST FOR

TAXPAYERS IN ABOUT 2 1/2 YEARS. THATS WHEN MOST PEOPLE WILL HAVE TO

PROVIDE PROOF ON THEIR TAX RETURNS THAT THEY HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE.

THAT SCENARIO IS RAISING QUESTIONS ABOUT THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE'S CAPABILITY TO BOTH POLICE THE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS OF MILLIONS OF AMERICANS AND ALSO COLLECT TAXES FOR RUNNING THE GOVERNMENT.

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BEGINNING IN 2014, THE IRS WILL PROVIDE TAX BREAKS AND INCENTIVES TO HELP PEOPLE AND COMPANIES PAY FOR HEALTH INSURANCE. BUT IT ALSO WILL LEVY TAX PENALTIES ON PEOPLE WHO DON'T BUY COVERAGE AND COMPANIES THAT DON'T OFFER IT. BY 2016 THOSE

FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES WILL RANGE FROM \$695 TO \$12,500 A YEAR.

BROKEN BUDGETS - PAYING FOR INFRASTRUCTURE

MORE MEGA PROJECTS TURNING TO PRIVATE INVESTORS

CHICAGO (AP) CITIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS STRUGGLING WITH BUDGET PROBLEMS ARE INCREASINGLY CONSIDERING PRIVATE INVESTMENT FUNDS AS

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PENALTIES

WAY OF FIXING UP CRUMBLING INFRASTRUCTURE.

UNDER THE ARRANGEMENT, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ARE INVITED PUT UP MONEY TO BUILD ROADS, RENOVATE SCHOOLS OR MODERNIZE PUBLIC BUILDINGS. THE INVESTORS THEN RECEIVE STEADY RETURNS FROM TOLLS, FEES OR TAX PAYMENTS. THE CITY OF CHICAGO RECENTLY APPROVED A \$1.7

BILLION FUND WITH FIVE INSTITUTIONS TO PAY FOR MAKING 100 BUILDINGS

ENERGY EFFICIENT AS WELL AS OTHER PROJECTS.

SOME URBAN EXPERTS SEE THE PRIVATE FUNDS AS A SOLUTION TO MANY CITIES' FISCAL WOES. BUT SOME COMMUNITY GROUPS WORRY ABOUT PUTTING

PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE UNDER PRIVATE CONTROL. IN SOME CASES, THEY FEAR, PRIVATE INVESTORS WILL BE ABLE TO RAISE TOLLS OR REDUCE SERVICES IN NEIGHBORHOODS BASED ON PROFITABILITY.

GREECE

GREEK OPPOSITION LEADER SAYS GOVERNMENT WON'T LAST ATHENS, GREECE (AP) THE LEADER OF GREECE'S MAIN OPPOSITION PARTY HAS ACCUSED THE COUNTRY'S THREE-PARTY COALITION GOVERNMENT OF WANTING TO SELL GREECES RESOURCES AND PUBLIC COMPANIES ON THE CHEAP

ALEXIS TSIPRAS, HEAD OF THE COALITION OF THE RADICAL LEFT PARTY, KNOWN AS SYRIZA, TOLD PARLIAMENT SATURDAY HE WAS ESPECIALLY WARNING

THOSE WHO WANT TO "GRAB STATE PROPERTY ON THE CHEAP." HE WARNED WOULD BE BUYERS OF STATE PROPERTY THAT THEY MIGHT LOSE ALL THEIR MONEY AND FACE CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS.

TSIPRAS PROPOSES A MORATORIUM ON THE PAYMENT OF GREECE'S DEBT UNTIL THE COUNTRY, MIRED IN A DEEP RECESSION, RETURNS TO GROWTH. HE

PREDICTS HIS PARTY WILL SOON COME TO POWER BECAUSE THE COALITION GOVERNMENT WILL FAIL.

THE NEWLY-ELECTED PARLIAMENT WILL STAGE A VOTE OF CONFIDENCE ON THE GOVERNMENT AT MIDNIGHT ON SUNDAY.

CHINA-ENTREPRENEURS

CHINA BOOSTS STATE FIRMS AS ENTREPRENEURS STRUGGLE ZHANJIANG, CHINA (AP) REFORMERS SAY CHINA NEEDS MORE ENTREPRENEURS LIKE LIU PEIJIAN. HIS CHAIN OF FURNITURE STORES EMPLOYS 60 PEOPLE. BUT BEIJING'S RESPONSE TO THE DEEPEST ECONOMIC SLUMP SINCE THE 2008 CRISIS IS TO PUMP MONEY INTO STATE INDUSTRY, LEAVING BUSINESSPEOPLE LIKE LIU WHO CREATE JOBS TO FEND FOR THEMSELVES.

ACROSS TOWN FROM LIU'S OFFICE IS A PROJECT THAT EXEMPLIFIES CHINA'S MINI-STIMULUS: AN \$11 BILLION STEEL MILL BEING BUILT BY A GOVERNMENT COMPANY AND FINANCED BY STATE BANKS. IT WILL EMPLOY 5 .000

PEOPLE _ OR ONE JOB FOR EACH \$2.2 MILLION OF INVESTMENT. SPENDING LIKE THAT OF BAOSTEEL GROUP, OWNER OF THE ZHANJIANG MILL, IS EXPECTED TO HELP PUSH UP ECONOMIC GROWTH LATER THIS YEAR

BUT THE EMPHASIS ON STATE INDUSTRY THAT CREATES FEW JOBS WILL COME

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AT A LONGER-TERM COST.

N. KOREA - ECONOMY

SEOUL CENTRAL BANK: N. KOREAN ECONOMY GREW LAST YEAR SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (AP) THE CENTRAL BANK IN SEOUL SAYS NORTH KOREA'S ECONOMY GREW FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THREE YEARS, THANKS TO

BOOST IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION.

THE BANK OF KOREA IN SOUTH KOREA SAID SUNDAY THAT THE NORTH'S GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT GREW 0.8 PERCENT IN 2011.

THE BANK CREDITS FAVORABLE WEATHER AND MORE USE OF FERTILIZER IN BOOSTING CROP PRODUCTION IN NORTH KOREA. IT ESTIMATES THE NORTH'S GROSS NATIONAL INCOME AT \$28 BILLION - COMPARED TO \$1 TRILLION LAST

YEAR FOR SOUTH KOREA.

THE BANK PROVIDES ANNUAL ESTIMATES OF THE NORTH'S ECONOMY BY ANALYZING DATA GATHERED BY SOUTH KOREAN GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. PYONGYANG HAS NOT PUBLICLY RELEASED DETAILED ECONOMIC DATA FOR DECADES.

THE UNITED NATIONS SAYS NORTH KOREA CONTINUES TO FACE CHRONIC FOOD SHORTAGES AFFECTING TWO-THIRDS OF THE POPULATION. BUSINESS NOTES

DOWNBEAT CONCLUSION FOR THE WEEK-JOBS CREATION STALLS-GEEK SQUAD LAYOFFS

NEW YORK (AP) STOCKS GAVE UP THEIR PROGRESS FOR THE WEEK UPON RELEASE OF THE MONTHLY UNEMPLOYMENT REPORT. IN FRIDAY TRADING, THE

DOW FELL 124 POINTS TO SETTLE AT 12,772.

WASHINGTON (AP) PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA SAYS LEGISLATION HE SIGNED FRIDAY WILL KEEP TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS GOING AND PREVENT INTEREST

RATES FROM DOUBLING ON NEW LOANS TO COLLEGE STUDENTS. BUT OBAMA SAYS

IN HIS WEEKLY MEDIA ADDRESS THAT CONGRESS SHOULD DO MORE. IN THE REPUBLICAN ADDRESS, REP. ANN MARIE BUERKLE OF NEW YORK SAYS OBAMA'S

POLICIES ARE "MAKING THINGS WORSE, STARTING WITH HIS HEALTH CARE LAW."

WASHINGTON (AP) THE LATEST REPORT FROM THE LABOR DEPARTMENT LEFT LITTLE TO BRAG ABOUT IN THE AREA OF JOBS CREATION. MONTHLY HIRING OVER THE PAST THREE MONTHS AMOUNTED TO ONLY ABOUT A-THIRD THE PACE

SEEN IN THE FIRST THREE MONTHS OF THE YEAR.

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) FIVE LARGE DRUG AND GROCERY CHAINS ARE SUING PFIZER AND A GENERIC DRUGMAKER ALLEGING THEY CONSPIRED TO DELAY SALES OF CHEAPER GENERIC VERSIONS OF CHOLESTEROL DRUG LIPITOR. WALGREEN, KROGER AND THREE OTHER RETAILERS SAY THE GENERICS SHOULD

HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE A COUPLE OF YEARS BEFORE THEY ACTUALLY HIT

THE MARKET.

NEW YORK (AP) IT IS A TOUGH TIME TO BE A MEMBER OF THE GEEK SQUAD. BEST BUY IS LAYING OFF 600 STAFFERS IN THE GEEK SQUAD TECHNICAL SUPPORT DIVISION AND 1,800 OTHER STORE WORKERS AS PART OF

A TURNAROUND EFFORT.

TODAY IN HISTORY

TODAY IS SUNDAY, JULY 8, THE 190TH DAY OF 2012. THERE ARE 176 DAYS LEFT IN THE YEAR.

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT IN HISTORY:

ON JULY 8, 1962, THE UNITED STATES CONDUCTED STARFISH PRIME, A NUCLEAR TEST IN WHICH A 1.44 MEGATON WARHEAD WAS DETONATED 250 MILES

ABOVE THE PACIFIC OCEAN; THE RESULTING ELECTROMAGNETIC PULSE CAUSED

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CAUSED

LIMITED ELECTRICAL DISRUPTIONS IN PARTS OF HAWAII.

ON THIS DATE:

IN 1663, KING CHARLES II OF ENGLAND GRANTED A ROYAL CHARTER TO RHODE ISLAND.

IN 1776, COL. JOHN NIXON GAVE THE FIRST PUBLIC READING OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, IN PHILADELPHIA.

IN 1853, AN EXPEDITION LED BY COMMODORE MATTHEW PERRY ARRIVED IN YEDO BAY, JAPAN, ON A MISSION TO SEEK DIPLOMATIC AND TRADE **RELATIONS**

WITH THE JAPANESE

IN 1889, THE WALL STREET JOURNAL WAS FIRST PUBLISHED.

IN 1907, FLORENZ ZIEGFELD STAGED HIS FIRST "FOLLIES" ON THE ROOF OF THE NEW YORK THEATER.

IN 1911, COWGIRL "TWO-GUN NAN" ASPINWALL BECAME THE FIRST WOMAN TO MAKE A SOLO TRIP BY HORSE ACROSS THE UNITED STATES, ARRIVING

NEW YORK 10 MONTHS AFTER DEPARTING SAN FRANCISCO.

IN 1919, PRESIDENT WOODROW WILSON RECEIVED A TUMULTUOUS WELCOME IN NEW YORK CITY AFTER HIS RETURN FROM THE VERSAILLES (VEHR-SY') PEACE CONFERENCE IN FRANCE.

IN 1947, DEMOLITION WORK BEGAN IN NEW YORK CITY TO MAKE WAY FOR THE NEW PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

IN 1950, PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN NAMED GEN. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR COMMANDER -IN-CHIEF OF UNITED NATIONS FORCES IN KOREA. (TRUMAN ENDED

UP SACKING MACARTHUR FOR INSUBORDINATION NINE MONTHS LATER.) IN 1962, JUST AFTER MIDNIGHT LOCAL TIME, ALITALIA FLIGHT 771, A DC-8, CRASHED AS IT WAS APPROACHING BOMBAY (MUMBAI), INDIA, KILLING

ALL 94 PEOPLE ON BOARD.

IN 1972, ACTRESS JANE FONDA BEGAN A TWO-WEEK VISIT TO HANOI, WHERE SHE DENOUNCED THE VIETNAM WAR IN RADIO BROADCASTS, VISITED AMERICAN POWS AND WAS PHOTOGRAPHED SITTING BEHIND A NORTH VIETNAMESE

ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN, AN IMAGE THAT SPARKED OUTRAGE IN THE U.S. (YEARS

LATER, FONDA EXPRESSED REGRET FOR THAT PARTICULAR EPISODE.) IN 1994, KIM IL SUNG, NORTH KOREA'S COMMUNIST LEADER SINCE 1948, DIED AT AGE 82.

TEN YEARS AGO: WORLDCOM AND ITS FORMER AUDITORS CLASHED OVER RESPONSIBILITY FOR NEARLY \$4 BILLION IN ACCOUNTING IMPROPRIETIES

WORLDCOM'S FORMER CEO, BERNARD J. EBBERS, AND FINANCE CHIEF SCOTT SULLIVAN REFUSED TO TESTIFY BEFORE A HOUSE PANEL INVESTIGATING THE

DEBACLE.

FIVE YEARS AGO: PENNSYLVANIA GOV. ED RENDELL ORDERED A RANGE OF STATE GOVERNMENT SERVICES SHUT DOWN AND PLACED ABOUT A THIRD OF THE

STATE WORK FORCE ON INDEFINITE UNPAID FURLOUGH AFTER LAST-MINUTE NEGOTIATIONS FAILED TO BREAK A BUDGET STALEMATE. (A BUDGET DEAL

HAMMERED OUT THE FOLLOWING NIGHT.) ROGER FEDERER WON HIS FIFTH STRAIGHT WIMBLEDON CHAMPIONSHIP, BEATING RAFAEL NADAL 7-6 (7), 4 -6.

7-6 (3), 2-6, 6-2.

ONE YEAR AGO: FORMER FIRST LADY BETTY FORD DIED IN RANCHO MIRAGE. CALIF., AT AGE 93. ATLANTIS THUNDERED INTO ORBIT ON A CARGO RUN THAT

WOULD CLOSE OUT THE THREE-DECADE U.S. SPACE SHUTTLE PROGRAM. OHIO STATE VACATED ITS WINS FROM THE 2010 FOOTBALL SEASON, INCLUDING

SHARE OF THE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIP AND A VICTORY OVER ARKANSAS IN

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SUGAR BOWL, AS IT RESPONDED TO THE NCAA'S INVESTIGATION OF A

MEMORABILIA -FOR-CASH SCANDAL.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: SINGER JERRY VALE IS 80. SINGER STEVE LAWRENCE IS 77, ACTOR JEFFREY TAMBOR IS 68. BALLERINA CYNTHIA GREGORY IS 66.

ACTRESS KIM DARBY IS 65. CHILDREN'S PERFORMER RAFFI IS 64. ACTRESS

ANJELICA HUSTON IS 61. WRITER ANNA QUINDLEN IS 60. ACTOR KEVIN BACON

IS 54. ACTOR ROBERT KNEPPER IS 53. ROCK MUSICIAN ANDY FLETCHER (DEPECHE MODE) IS 51. COUNTRY SINGER TOBY KEITH IS 51. ROCK MUSICIAN

GRAHAM JONES (HAIRCUT 100) IS 51. ROCK SINGER JOAN OSBORNE IS 50. WRITER-PRODUCER ROB BURNETT IS 50. ACTOR ROCKY CARROLL IS 49. ACTOR

COREY PARKER IS 47. ACTOR BILLY CRUDUP IS 44. ACTOR MICHAEL WEATHERLY IS 44. SINGER BECK IS 42. COUNTRY SINGER DREW WOMACK (SONS

OF THE DESERT) IS 42. CHRISTIAN ROCK MUSICIAN STEPHEN MASON (JARS OF

CLAY) IS 37. ACTOR MILO VENTIMIGLIA (MEE'-LOH VEHN-TIH-MEEL'-YUH) IS

35. ROCK MUSICIAN TAVIS WERTS IS 35. SINGER BEN JELEN (YEL'-IN) IS

33. ACTOR LANCE GROSS IS 31. ACTRESS SOPHIA BUSH IS 30. ROCK MUSICIAN JAMIE COOK (ARCTIC MONKEYS) IS 27. ACTOR JAKE MCDORMAN IS

26. ACTOR JADEN SMITH IS 14.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY: "AMERICA IS NOT JUST A POWER, IT IS A PROMISE." NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER, AMERICAN POLITICIAN AND BUSINESSMAN (BORN THIS DATE IN 1908, DIED 1979).

ENTERTAINMENT HISTORY

ON JULY EIGHTH, 1967, ACTRESS VIVIEN LEIGH DIED OF TUBERCULOSIS. SHE WAS 53.

IN 1969, SINGER MARIANNE FAITHFULL WAS FOUND IN A COMA FOLLOWING AN OVERDOSE OF BARBITURATES. AUTHORITIES IN AUSTRALIA RULED IT A SUICIDE ATTEMPT. FAITHFULL WAS IN AUSTRALIA WITH MICK JAGGER FILMING

"NED KELLY."

IN 1970, A SUMMER REPLACEMENT SHOW STARRING THE EVERLY BROTHERS BEGAN AIRING ON ABC. THE SHOW RAN UNTIL MID-SEPTEMBER. IN 1971, A MINOR RIOT BROKE OUT DURING AN APPEARANCE BY MOTT THE HOOPLE AT THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL IN LONDON. THE HALL'S MANAGEMENT TEMPORARILY BANNED ROCK PERFORMANCES AT THE VENUE AFTER THAT. IN 1985, "PLAYBOY" AND "PENTHOUSE" MAGAZINES WENT ON SALE WITH NUDE PHOTOS OF MADONNA.

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SEVERE WEATHER

STORMS HAMMER MID-ATLANTIC, NORTHEAST, SPAWNING TORNADOES WASHINGTON (AP) A LINE OF STORMS HAS BEEN HAMMERING THROUGH THE MID-ATLANTIC AND THE NORTHEAST WITH DAMAGING WINDS, HAIL AND HEAVY

RAIN, AND THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL REPORTS OF TORNADOES. THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HAS CONFIRMED THAT TWO TORNADOES STRUCK THE OUTER EDGES OF NEW YORK CITY, ONE HITTING A BEACHFRONT NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE SECOND, STRONGER TWISTER STRIKING MOMENTS LATER

ABOUT 10 MILES AWAY. THE POWERFUL WINDS HURLED DEBRIS INTO THE AIR

AND KNOCKED OUT POWER, BUT NO SERIOUS INJURIES HAVE BEEN REPORTED.

THE WEATHER SERVICE IS ALSO CHECKING OUT REPORTS OF TWO POSSIBLE TORNADOES IN THE WASHINGTON, D.C., AREA. METEOROLOGIST ANDY

SAYS FUNNEL CLOUDS WERE REPORTED IN FAIRFAX COUNTY, VA., AND IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MD.

DOWNED TREES AND POWER LINES HAVE KNOCKED OUT POWER TO HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS ACROSS THE REGION.

THE FRONT ALSO HAS SENT TEMPERATURES PLUNGING IN MANY LOCATIONS. AT WASHINGTON DULLES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, THE TEMPERATURE FELL

DEGREES IN ONE HOUR. THE WEATHER SERVICE SAYS IT WENT FROM 89 DEGREES AT 3 P.M. TO 64 DEGREES AT 4 P.M.

TROPICAL WEATHER

TROPICAL STORM LESLIE EXPECTED TO INTENSIFY INTO HURRICANE BUT LIKELY SKIRT BERMUDA

HAMILTON, BERMUDA (AP) BERMUDA'S NATIONAL SECURITY MINISTER SAYS IT LOOKS LIKE THE BRITISH TERRITORY HAS "ESCAPED THE WORST OF TROPICAL STORM LESLIE."

THE STORM HAS STARTED MOVING SLOWLY NORTHWARD AFTER SPINNING IN PLACE OVER THE ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST OF BERMUDA.

THE NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER SAYS LESLIE IS ABOUT 220 MILES AWAY AND IS LIKELY TO PICK UP SPEED AND STRENGTHEN INTO A HURRICANE AGAIN

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SOME TIME SUNDAY.

OFFICIALS IN BERMUDA SAY THEY ARE STILL EXPECTING STRONG WINDS AND RAIN AS WELL AS DANGEROUS OCEAN CONDITIONS. BUT THE

GOVERNMENT

SAYS UNLESS THE STORM'S TRACK CHANGES, IT WILL KEEP THE AIRPORT OPEN. HOWEVER, MAJOR AIRLINES HAVE ALREADY CANCELED FLIGHTS. THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO CALLED OFF PLANS TO OPEN AN EMERGENCY SHELTER

THOUGH THE FACILITY WILL BE KEPT IN A STATE OF READINESS IN CASE IT'S NEEDED.

UNSPENT RESTAURANT FEES

MILLIONS IN SF HEALTH FEES DON'T GO TO WORKERS

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) RESTAURANTS AND OTHER SAN FRANCISCO BUSINESSES CHARGED CUSTOMERS \$14 MILLION IN EXTRA HEALTH CARE FEES LAST YEAR

BUT A BIG CHUNK OF THAT MONEY DIDN'T GO TO HEALTH CARE. CITY RECORDS SHOW THAT DOZENS OF BUSINESSES WITH THE SURCHARGES SPENT LESS THAN HALF OF THE MONEY THEY COLLECTED ON MEDICAL EXPENSES

LAST YEAR. THE COMPANIES, INCLUDING HIGH-PROFILE RESTAURANTS, SAY WORKERS AREN'T CLAIMING BENEFITS.

BUSINESSES STARTED CHARGING CUSTOMERS THE EXTRA FEES IN RESPONSE TO THE CITY'S LANDMARK UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE PROGRAM. IT MAKES BUSINESSES WITH 20 WORKERS OR MORE PITCH IN A COUPLE OF DOLLARS AN

HOUR TO COVER THEIR HEALTH CARE.

NEW LAWS ARE IN EFFECT THIS YEAR TO BOOST MEDICAL SPENDING AND GET RID OF MISLEADING SURCHARGES. THE MAYOR'S OFFICE AND THE GOLDEN

GATE RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION SAY THEY WILL REDUCE THE GAP BETWEEN SURCHARGES AND SPENDING.

CHICAGO SCHOOLS -STRIKE THREAT

CHICAGO TEACHERS SAY LATEST OFFER DISAPPOINTING CHICAGO (AP) THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE CHICAGO TEACHERS UNION SAYS THE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT'S LATEST OFFER IN CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS IS DISAPPOINTING.

JESSE SHARKEY SAYS TALKS WILL CONTINUE THROUGHOUT SATURDAY AND RESUME SUNDAY. A STRIKE DEADLINE IN THE NATION'S THIRD-LARGEST SCHOOL DISTRICT LOOMS MONDAY.

CHICAGO TEACHERS SAY THEY'RE READY TO WALK OFF THE JOB FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 25 YEARS OVER ISSUES THAT INCLUDE PAY RAISES, CLASSROOM CONDITIONS, JOB SECURITY AND TEACHER EVALUATIONS. HUNDREDS OF TEACHERS STOPPED BY THE STRIKE HEADQUARTERS THE UNION OPENED SATURDAY TO PICK UP PICKET SIGNS AND T-SHIRTS. SHARKEY IS TAKING PART IN THE WEEKEND TALKS AND SAYS HE REMAINS HOPEFUL. BUT HE SAYS THE DISTRICT'S LATEST PROPOSAL DOES NOT HAVE

'ENOUGH PIECES OF THE PUZZLE THERE YET TO MAKE A PICTURE." PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

PRESIDENT OUT TO RENEW MAGIC; ROMNEY HITS DEFENSE CUTS SEMINOLE, FLA. (AP) PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA HAS BEEN TRYING TO REKINDLE SOME OF THE ENTHUSIASM OF HIS 2008 CAMPAIGN WITH A BUS TOUR

THROUGH A MUST-WIN STRETCH OF FLORIDA, WHILE MITT ROMNEY IS PUTTING

A FOCUS ON THE LOOMING SPENDING CUTS THAT COULD HIT THE MILITARY IF

THE PRESIDENT AND REPUBLICANS IN CONGRESS CAN'T REACH A NEW BUDGET

DEAL IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

ON A BUS TOUR THROUGH CENTRAL FLORIDA, OBAMA SAYS REPUBLICANS ARE "DEAD WRONG" FOR CALLING AMERICA A COUNTRY IN DECLINE. HE SAYS AMERICA STILL HAS THE BEST WORKERS, THE BEST SCIENTISTS AND THE BEST

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UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD.

SPEAKING AT THE SEMINOLE CAMPUS OF ST. PETERSBURG COLLEGE, OBAMA URGED SUPPORTERS NOT TO "BUY INTO THE CYNICISM" THAT THE CHANGE THEY FOUGHT FOR ISN'T POSSIBLE. HE SAYS THEY SHOULD RALLY BEHIND

'REAL, ACHIEVABLE GOALS THAT WILL LEAD TO NEW JOBS AND MORE OPPORTUNITY."

ON A CAMPAIGN SWING THROUGH VIRGINIA, ROMNEY CRITICIZED BOTH THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESSIONAL REPUBLICANS FOR THE BUDGET ARRANGEMENT

THAT NOW THREATENS ACROSS-BOARD-CUTS, HALF OF WHICH WILL AFFECT THE

MILITARY. ROMNEY CALLS THE CUTS "UNTHINKABLE."

ROMNEY-WISCONSIN

ROMNEY AIRS ADS IN WISCONSIN, HOPES TO EXPAND MAP RICHMOND, VA. (AP) REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE MITT ROMNEY IS AIRING CAMPAIGN ADS IN WISCONSIN, MAKING A PLAY TO WIN THE STATE

LAST CARRIED BY A REPUBLICAN IN 1984.

ROMNEY HOPES THE ADS, BLAMING BARACK OBAMA FOR THE FEDERAL DEFICIT, CAN GIVE HIM AN EDGE IN THE STATE WHICH IS HOME TO HIS RUNNING MATE PAUL RYAN AND WHERE RECENT POLLS HAVE SHOWN HIM EVEN WITH THE DEMOCRAT INCUMBENT.

THE FORMER MASSACHUSETTS GOVERNOR IS ALSO HOPING TO FORCE OBAMA TO DEFEND WISCONSIN BY SPENDING ADDITIONAL CAMPAIGN MONEY THERE. OBAMA CARRIED WISCONSIN BY 14 PERCENTAGE POINTS IN 2008 AND HAS NOT

AIRED ADS THERE.

INDEPENDENT GROUPS BACKING ROMNEY AND OBAMA ARE RUNNING ADS IN THE STATE.

ROMNEY, A NATIVE OF MICHIGAN, ALSO HOPES TO COMPETE THERE, WHICH DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES HAVE CARRIED SINCE 1988.

SUPERPAC AD

PRESIDENT -ALLIED GROUP AIRS ANTI-ROMNEY TAX AD KISSIMMEE, FLA. (AP) A POLITICAL GROUP SUPPORTING THE RE-ELECTION OF PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA IS AIRING A NEW AD THAT CRITICIZES CHALLENGER MITT ROMNEY FOR ADVOCATING TAX POLICIES THAT WOULD INCREASE THE TAX BURDEN ON MIDDLE -INCOME FAMILIES. THE AD BY PRIORITIES USA ACTION, A SO-CALLED SUPER POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE, USES AN ANALYSIS BY THE INDEPENDENT TAX POLICY CENTER AND DECLARES THAT ROMNEY'S PLAN WOULD RAISE TAXES ON AN AVERAGE FAMILY BY UP TO \$2,000 WHILE GIVING TAX BREAKS OF \$250 000

TO MULTIMILLIONAIRES.

THE AD IS AIRING IN COLORADO, FLORIDA, IOWA, OHIO, VIRGINIA AND WISCONSIN.

OBAMA ADVISERS SAY ROMNEY AND HIS ALLIED SUPER PACS HAVE A 5-2 ADVANTAGE IN SOME TELEVISION MARKETS OVER OBAMA AND HIS SUPPORTERS.

RADIO ADDRESSES

PRESIDENT COMMEMORATES ANNIVERSARY OF SEPT. 11 ATTACKS WASHINGTON (AP) PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA IS ASKING AMERICANS TO MARK THE 11TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SEPT. 11 ATTACKS BY REMEMBERING HOW

FAR THE NATION HAS COME SINCE THAT DAY.

IN HIS WEEKLY RADIO AND INTERNET ADDRESS, OBAMA IS ASKING PEOPLE TO REMEMBER THE VICTIMS AND THEIR FAMILIES, AND TO HONOR THE FIRST

-RESPONDERS WHO RISKED THEIR LIVES TO HELP.

OBAMA SAYS AMERICA HAS COME BACK STRONGER AND AL-QAIDA IS ON THE PATH TO DEFEAT.

IN THE REPUBLICAN ADDRESS, SEN. JOHN BARRASSO (BUH-RAS'-OH) OF WYOMING CRITICIZED OBAMA'S PRESIDENCY AND SAID THE NATION ISN'T BETTER OFF THAN IT WAS FOUR YEARS AGO UNDER PRESIDENT GEORGE W.

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JAPAN-US MILITARY

THOUSANDS PROTEST IN JAPAN AGAINST OSPREY AIRCRAFT TOKYO (AP) THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE HAVE RALLIED AGAINST U.S. PLANS TO

DEPLOY OSPREY AIRCRAFT ON A SOUTHERN JAPANESE ISLAND AMID RENEWED SAFETY CONCERNS.

THE PROTESTERS GATHERED SUNDAY AT A SEASIDE PARK ON OKINAWA TO DEMAND THAT THE PLAN TO DEPLOY 12 MV-22 OSPREY HYBRID AIRCRAFT ON THE ISLAND BE SCRAPPED, SAYING THEY ARE UNSAFE. THE U.S. PLANS TO DEPLOY THE OSPREY, WHICH TAKES OFF LIKE A HELICOPTER AND FLIES LIKE

AN AIRPLANE, TO REPLACE OLDER CH-46 HELICOPTERS THAT ARE ALREADY THERE

SAFETY CONCERNS BOILED OVER AFTER OSPREY CRASHES IN MOROCCO AND FLORIDA EARLIER THIS YEAR. AN INCIDENT IN NORTH CAROLINA LAST

THAT OFFICIALS CALLED A "PRECAUTIONARY LANDING" AGGRAVATED THE SENTIMENT.

THE OSPREY ISSUE HAS ALSO REIGNITED LONGSTANDING ANGER OVER THE HEAVY PRESENCE OF AMERICAN TROOPS ON OKINAWA.

APEC

APEC VOWS TO FEND OFF EURO WOES, CLEAN UP FINANCES VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA (AP) PACIFIC RIM LEADERS HAVE PLEDGED TO FEND OFF THE DAMAGE FROM THE EUROPEAN CRISIS, BY SUPPORTING OPEN TRADE

REFORMING THEIR ECONOMIES AND STRENGTHENING PUBLIC FINANCES. THE 21-MEMBER ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION FORUM WRAPPED UP AN ANNUAL SUMMIT IN THE FAR EASTERN RUSSIAN SEAPORT OF **VLADIVOSTOK**

ON SUNDAY VOWING TO WORK TOGETHER TO SUPPORT GROWTH AND RESTORE CONFIDENCE IN SHAKEN FINANCIAL MARKETS.

RUSSIAN PRESIDENT VLADIMIR PUTIN DESCRIBED THE TALKS AS CONSTRUCTIVE.

THE LEADERS ISSUED A STATEMENT WELCOMING EUROPEAN LEADERS' PROMISES TO HELP STABILIZE THE CRISIS-STRICKEN EURO REGION AND WARNING AGAINST "EXCESS VOLATILITY" AND DISTORTIONS IN FINANCIAL

MARKETS. THE APEC LEADERS SAID THEY WOULD WORK TO REDUCE **DEFICITS**

AND IMBALANCES IN THEIR COUNTRIES' OWN FINANCES.

US-ASIA

SECRETARY OF STATE URGES FEUDING ASIAN NEIGHBORS TO COOL IT VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA (AP) U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON HAS URGED ASIAN COUNTRIES EMBROILED IN SIMMERING **TERRITORIAL**

DISPUTES TO WORK TOGETHER TO EASE RATHER THAN RAISE TENSIONS. CLINTON ENDED A VISIT TO THE RUSSIAN SEAPORT OF VLADIVOSTOK FOR A PACIFIC RIM SUMMIT ON SUNDAY WITH A CALL FOR STRENGTHENING 'DIPLOMATIC INVOLVEMENT TOWARD RESOLVING THESE TENSIONS." SHE SAID THAT GIVEN THE FRAGILITY OF THE GLOBAL RECOVERY, ANY CONFRONTATION THAT MIGHT RAISE DOUBTS OVER STABILITY AND PEACE IN THE REGION WOULD BE COUNTER TO EVERYONE'S INTERESTS. CLINTON DISCUSSED THE ISSUE WITH THE LEADERS OF BOTH JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA, WHO ARE AT ODDS OVER AN ISLET CLAIMED BY BOTH. SHE

ALL THE REGION'S LEADERS APPEARED TO RECOGNIZE THE RISKS TO THE ASIAN ECONOMIC ENGINE IN WHAT IS STILL A FRAGILE GLOBAL ECONOMY."

APEC-CLINTON

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VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA (AP) U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON IS ACKNOWLEDGING DEEP DIFFERENCES WITH RUSSIA OVER HOW TO HANDLE THE CRISIS IN SYRIA. SHE SAYS SHE WILL CONTINUE TO TRY TO CONVINCE MOSCOW TO BACK INCREASED INTERNATIONAL PRESSURE ON SYRIAN

PRESIDENT BASHAR ASSAD (BAH-SHAR' AH'-SAHD).

A DAY AFTER RUSSIA SOUNDLY REJECTED HER CALL FOR U.N. SANCTIONS TO BE IMPOSED ON SYRIA IF ASSAD REFUSES TO STOP FIGHTING AND RELINQUISH POWER, CLINTON SAID SHE WAS "REALISTIC" IN HER APPROACH

SHE SAYS THAT IF THE RUSSIANS REFUSE TO GO ALONG, THE U.S. AND ITS FRIENDS WILL INCREASE THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE SYRIAN OPPOSITION.

THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION HOPES TO INCREASE PRESSURE ON ASSAD AT AN UPCOMING UN SESSION.

CLINTON ADDRESSED REPORTERS AT THE END OF THE ANNUAL ASIA PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION FORUM SUMMIT IN RUSSIA.

SYRIA

FIGHTING INTENSIFIES OVER SYRIA'S LARGEST CITY; NEARLY 150 KILLED NATIONWIDE

BEIRUT (AP) SYRIAN ACTIVISTS SAY PRESIDENT BASHAR ASSAD'S REGIME POUNDED ALEPPO WITH WARPLANES AND ARTILLERY SHELLING SATURDAY AS GROUND FORCES SEEKING TO REGAIN MOMENTUM IN THE COUNTRY'S LARGEST CITY ADVANCED ON THREE NEIGHBORHOODS.

AN ACTIVIST GROUP CALLED THE LOCAL COORDINATION COMMITTEES SAYS 148 PEOPLE WERE KILLED NATIONWIDE, INCLUDING 77 IN ALEPPO. ALEPPO HAD BEEN RELATIVELY QUIET FOR MOST OF THE 18-MONTH-OLD REVOLT, BUT

IT HAS EMERGED AS THE MAIN BATTLEGROUND IN SYRIA'S CIVIL WAR, WITH

BOTH SIDES LARGELY LOCKED IN A STALEMATE DESPITE THE SUPERIOR FIREPOWER OF ASSAD'S REGIME.

THE NEW FIGHTING CAME AS RUSSIA REJECTED U.S. CALLS FOR INCREASED PRESSURE ON ASSAD TO RELINQUISH POWER. AFTER A MEETING WITH SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON IN VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIAN FOREIGN MINISTER SERGEY LAVROV (SEHR'-GAY LAHV'-RAHF) TOLD REPORTERS

THAT MOSCOW IS OPPOSED TO U.S.-BACKED PENALTIES AGAINST THE ASSAD GOVERNMENT, IN ADDITION TO NEW ONES AGAINST IRAN OVER ITS NUCLEAR PROGRAM, BECAUSE THEY HARM RUSSIAN COMMERCIAL INTERESTS.

IRAQ

BOMBING IN IRAQ KILLS 7 POLICE RECRUITS

SULAIMANIYAH, IRAQ (AP) AN IRAQI POLICE GENERAL SAYS A BOMBING NEAR A RESTIVE NORTHERN CITY HAS KILLED SEVEN POLICE RECRUITS AND WOUNDED 17 AS THEY WERE LINING UP TO APPLY FOR JOBS. KIRKUK POLICE COMMANDER BRIG. GEN. SARHAD QADIR SAYS THE RECRUITS HAD GATHERED IN A PARKING LOT ON SUNDAY MORNING OUTSIDE A MILITARY

BASE ABOUT SIX MILES OUTSIDE THE CITY OF KIRKUK.

HE SAYS THE RECRUITS WERE APPLYING FOR JOBS AS POLICE WITH THE STATE-RUN NORTHERN OIL CO.

KIRKUK HAS BEEN AN IRAQ FLASHPOINT FOR YEARS. IRAQI ARABS, KURDS AND TURKOMEN ALL CLAIM TO A STAKE TO ITS OIL-RICH LAND. LAST WEEK, THREE SHITE MOSQUES WERE ATTACKED IN KIRKUK IN BOMBINGS THAT KILLED EIGHT PEOPLE. THE CITY IS LOCATED 180 MILES NORTH OF BAGHDAD.

NEPAL-BUS ACCIDENT

10 KILLED AS BUS VEERS OFF MOUNTAIN ROAD IN NEPAL KATMANDU, NEPAL (AP) POLICE IN NEPAL SAY A BUS DROVE OFF A RURAL HIGHWAY IN THE NATION'S MOUNTAINOUS WEST, KILLING AT LEAST 10 PEOPLE

AND INJURING 25 OTHERS.

POLICE OFFICIAL BHPENDRA KHANAL SAYS THE BUS WAS HEADING TO THE CAPITAL, KATMANDU, ON SUNDAY MORNING WHEN IT VEERED OFF THE

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MOUNTAIN

ROAD NEAR HARDI VILLAGE. THE VILLAGE IS 125 MILES WEST OF KATMANDU.

THE 25 INJURED PEOPLE WERE TAKEN TO VARIOUS HOSPITALS IN THE AREA FOR TREATMENT. POLICE ARE INVESTIGATING THE CAUSE OF THE ACCIDENT

ROAD ACCIDENTS IN NEPAL ARE COMMON AND ARE BLAMED MAINLY ON POORLY MAINTAINED ROADS AND VEHICLES.

CHINA -EARTHQUAKE

SURVIVORS OF CHINA TWIN QUAKES AWAIT SUPPLIES

BEIJING (AP) SURVIVORS OF TWO EARTHQUAKES THAT KILLED 80 PEOPLE IN A MOUNTAINOUS AREA OF SOUTHWEST CHINA ARE DESPERATELY WAITING FOR

MORE AID TO ARRIVE AS JOLTING AFTERSHOCKS KEEP FEARS HIGH AND HINDER

RESCUE EFFORTS.

THE EARTHQUAKES STRUCK FRIDAY IN A REGION OF SMALL FARMS AND MINES NEAR THE BORDER BETWEEN GUIZHOU AND YUNNAN PROVINCES. MORE THAN 820 PEOPLE WERE INJURED. THE AREA, HOWEVER, WAS STILL BEING JOLTED BY AFTERSHOCKS SUNDAY, RAISING FEARS OF MORE **INJURIES**

AN OFFICIAL IN JIAOKUI TOWN IN YUNNAN'S YILIANG COUNTY SAYS ALMOST ALL OF THE TOWN'S 110,000 PEOPLE HAVE EVACUATED BUT MANY

NO SHELTER AND NEED TENTS AND QUILTS.

THE STATE-RUN XINHUA NEWS AGENCY SAID SATURDAY THAT MORE THAN 11 ,000 TENTS AND 8,500 QUILTS HAD BEEN DELIVERED TO YILIANG COUNTY AND

MORE WERE ON THEIR WAY.

BUFFALO BILL-REMAINS RETURNED

BUFFALO BILL PERFORMER REBURIED AT SD RESERVATION SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) THE REMAINS OF A NATIVE AMERICAN MAN ARE BEING RETURNING TO SOUTH DAKOTA MORE THAN A CENTURY AFTER HE DIED WHILE TOURING IN CONNECTICUT WITH A WESTERN -THEMED SHOW. TWENTY-YEAR-OLD ALBERT AFRAID OF HAWK DIED FROM FOOD POISONING IN 1900 WHILE TOURING WITH BUFFALO BILL'S WILD WEST SHOW. HE WAS BURIED

IN AN UNMARKED GRAVE IN DANBURY, CONN., AND FAMILY MEMBERS WEREN'T

SURE WHERE HE WAS BURIED UNTIL A HISTORY BUFF IN CONNECTICUT PIECED

TOGETHER THE DETAILS.

AFRAID OF HAWK'S REMAINS HAVE SINCE BEEN RETURNED TO SOUTH DAKOTA, AND HE WILL BE BURIED AMONG HIS FAMILY AND TRIBAL MEMBERS

THE PINE RIDGE RESERVATION ON SUNDAY.

RELATIVE MARLIS AFRAID OF HAWK SAYS SHE IS GRATEFUL THAT HIS LONG ROAD HOME IS ALMOST COMPLETE.

FRANCE-BELGIUM -ARNAULT

REPORT: FRANCE'S ARNAULT SEEKS BELGIAN PASSPORT PARIS (AP) A BELGIAN NEWSPAPER SAYS BERNARD ARNAULT, FRANCE'S WEALTHIEST BUSINESSMAN AND BOSS OF THE LVMH LUXURY HOUSE, HAS APPLIED FOR BELGIAN CITIZENSHIP.

LA LIBRE BELGIQUE NEWSPAPER REPORTED SATURDAY THAT ARNAULT'S CITIZENSHIP APPLICATION WAS CONFIRMED BY THE HEAD OF BELGIUM'S NATURALIZATION OFFICE.

FRENCH MEDIA DREW A CONNECTION TO FRENCH PRESIDENT FRANCOIS HOLLANDE'S PLAN TO RAISE THE TAX RATE ON FRANCE'S HIGHEST EARNERS TO

75 PERCENT.

BUT TAX EXPERTS SAID OBTAINING BELGIAN CITIZENSHIP WOULD NOT CHANGE ARNAULT'S TAX SITUATION, WHICH IS DETERMINED BY RESIDENCE. NOT CITIZENSHIP

ARNAULT HAS BEEN CRITICAL OF THE TAX PLAN AND MANY IN FRANCE'S

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RIGHT-WING UMP OPPOSITION PARTY HAVE WARNED IT COULD DRIVE ENTREPRENEURS OUT OF THE COUNTRY.

CONNECTICUT -SPORTS MEDIA

INCENTIVES BRING SPORTS MEDIA COMPANIES TO CONN.
HARTFORD, CONN. (AP) CONNECTICUT, LONG THE HOME OF SPORTS -MEDIA
GIANT ESPN, IS USING TAX BREAKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INCENTIVES TO
ATTRACT SIMILAR COMPANIES TO WHAT IS FAST BECOMING AN INDUSTRY
CLUSTER

IN JUST OVER A YEAR, ESPN HAS ANNOUNCED A MAJOR EXPANSION PROJECT IN BRISTOL, NBC SPORTS HAS AGREED TO MOVE FROM NEW YORK TO STAMFORD.

AND A NEW GOLF CABLE OUTLET, BACK9NETWORK, HAS AGREED TO BUILD ITS

STUDIO IN HARTFORD.

THEY JOIN OTHER SPORTS BROADCASTING COMPANIES SUCH AS WWE (WORLD WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENT, INC.) AND THE YES NETWORK IN CALLING CONNECTICUT HOME.

GEORGE NORFLEET, THE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE'S OFFICE OF FILM, TELEVISION AND DIGITAL MEDIA, SAYS CONNECTICUT IS ACTIVELY COURTING

OTHER MEMBERS OF THE INDUSTRY, AND BELIEVES IT IS BECOMING THE 'SILICON VALLEY" OF SPORTS MEDIA.

STEEL LABOR TALKS

STEELWORKERS ANNOUNCE NEW DEAL WITH ARCELORMITTAL PITTSBURGH (AP) THE UNITED STEELWORKERS AND ARCELORMITTAL USA HAVE ANNOUNCED A TENTATIVE AGREEMENT ON A THREE-YEAR CONTRACT COVERING NEARLY 14,000 WORKERS IN EIGHT STATES.

THE UNION TOLD MEMBERS SATURDAY THAT THEY WOULD BE GETTING DETAILS OF THE SETTLEMENT AND INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS BEFORE A

DETAILS OF THE SETTLEMENT AND INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS BEFORE A RATIFICATION VOTE. OFFICIALS SAY THE CURRENT CONTRACT, WHICH EXPIRED

SEPT. 1, WOULD BE EXTENDED UNTIL THE NEW RATIFICATION DATE.
THE UNION SAYS HEALTH CARE FOR BOTH CURRENT AND FUTURE RETIREES
WOULD BE PROTECTED. THE UNION SAYS IT WON WAGE INCREASES AND
IMPROVED HEALTH CARE FOR CURRENT WORKERS AND REJECTED

MANAGEMENT'S

CALLS FOR TWO-TIER WAGE AND PENSION SYSTEMS AND MAINTAINED SENIORITY

RIGHTS AND PROTECTIONS AGAINST USE OF OUTSIDE CONTRACTORS.
ARCELORMITTAL SAYS IT IS PLEASED TO HAVE "A FAIR AND EQUITABLE OUTCOME WITHOUT DISRUPTION TO OUR BUSINESS OPERATIONS."
GERMANY-FINANCIAL CRISIS

GERMAN MINISTER: DON'T LET UP ON REFORMS

BERLIN (AP) GERMANY'S FINANCE MINISTER IS INSISTING THAT THE COUNTRIES MUST NOT USE THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK'S PLAN TO BUY UNLIMITED AMOUNTS OF GOVERNMENT BONDS AS AN EXCUSE TO LET UP ON ECONOMIC REFORMS AND DEFICIT-CUTTING.

THE ECB ANNOUNCED ITS PLAN THURSDAY. THE BOND PURCHASES, WHICH WOULD COME WITH CONDITIONS, WOULD HELP LOWER BORROWING COSTS FOR COUNTRIES STRUGGLING TO MANAGE DEBTS.

THE HEAD OF GERMANY'S CENTRAL BANK OBJECTED BUT SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HAVE SIGNALED THEIR ACCEPTANCE.

FINANCE MINISTER WOLFGANG SCHAEUBLE WAS QUOTED AS TELLING THE BILD AM SONNTAG NEWSPAPER THAT THE EUROZONES CRISIS OF CONFIDENCE

CAN ONLY BE OVERCOME BY PRESSING AHEAD WITH REFORMS. HE ADDED: "IT WOULD BE A SERIOUS MISTAKE IF THE ECB DECISION WERE MISINTERPRETED IN THE SENSE THAT WE COULD NOW LET UP ON OUR EFFORTS."

GREECE-FINANCIAL CRISIS

PREMIER: PAINFUL CUTS WILL RESTORE CREDIBILITY
THESSALONIKI, GREECE (AP) GREEK PRIME MINISTER ANTONIS SAMARAS
SAYS THE FINAL ROUND OF AUSTERITY MEASURES CONTAINS PAINFUL AND
UNJUST CUTS BUT IS NECESSARY TO RESTORE GREECE'S CREDIBILITY AND

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> CONTINUE TO RECEIVE FUNDING FROM CREDITORS SAMARAS SAYS "ALL UNJUST CUTS" WILL BE RESTORED ONCE THE ECONOMY STARTS GROWING AGAIN. DEBT-LADEN GREECE IS IN THE FIFTH YEAR OF A DEEP RECESSION THAT HAS SEEN ITS ECONOMY SHRINK BY 20 PERCENT AND THE JOBLESS RATE SOAR TO 24.4 PERCENT IN JUNE. MASSIVE AID FROM THE EU AND IMF HAS TO 24.4 PERCENT IN JUNE. MASSIVE AID FROM THE EU AND IMF HAS HELPED THE COUNTRY STAVE OFF BANKRUPTCY. SAMARAS IS IN THE NORTHERN GREEK CITY OF THESSALONIKI TO OPEN THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR. THREE SEPARATE PROTESTS GREETED HIM, LARGEST BY MILITARY AND POLICE PERSONNEL ANGRY AT WAGE CUTS. IN ATHENS, OVER 2,000 PENSIONERS PROTESTED IN A PEACEFUL MARCH. ITALY-FINANCIAL CRISIS OFFICIAL: ITALY HAS NO PLANS TO SEEK ECB HELP MILAN (AP) FINANCE MINISTER VITTORIO GRILLI SAYS ITALY HAS NO PLANS TO APPLY FOR THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK'S BOND PURCHASE PROGRAM. GRILLI SAID ON THE SIDELINES OF THE ANNUAL AMBROSETTI FORUM ON LAKE COMO ON SATURDAY THAT ITALY "AT THIS MOMENT ABSOLUTELY DOES NOT NEED" TO REQUEST HELP. THE ECB HAS PLEDGED TO BUY UNLIMITED AMOUNTS OF BONDS TO HELP BRING DOWN BORROWING COSTS IN COUNTRIES STRUGGLING TO KEEP UP HIGH DEBTS. BUT THAT PLAN COMES WITH THE CAVEAT THAT NATIONS WHO WANT TO APPLY FOR THE PROGRAM MUST FIRST ASK FOR EXISTING BAILOUT FUNDS AND SUBMIT THEIR ECONOMIC POLICIES TO INTERNATIONAL SCRUTINY AFTER THE PLAN WAS ANNOUNCED ON THURSDAY, ITALIAN PREMIER MARIO MONTI SAID HIS COUNTRY "COULD NEED" THE HELP BUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT NEEDED TO CLOSELY EXAMINE THE DETAILS. CHINA-ECONOMY CHINA'S FACTORY OUTPUT GROWTH SLOWS TO 8.9 PERCENT

BEIJING (AP) GROWTH IN CHINA'S FACTORY PRODUCTION SLOWED TO 8.9 PERCENT IN AUGUST WHILE THE COUNTRY'S RETAIL SALES INCREASED AT A STEADY RATE.

THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS DATA RELEASED SUNDAY SUGGESTS BEIJING MIGHT NEED TO LAUNCH MORE STIMULUS EFFORTS TO REVERSE A PAINFUL SLOWDOWN IN THE WORLD'S SECOND-LARGEST ECONOMY. THE YEAR-ON-YEAR GROWTH IN AUGUST FACTORY PRODUCTION WAS A SLOWDOWN FROM 9.2 PERCENT IN JULY.

THE BUREAY SAYS RETAIL SALES ROSE 13.2 PERCENT YEAR-ON-YEAR IN AUGUST, WHICH WAS 0.1 PERCENTAGE POINT HIGHER THAN THE GROWTH RATE

IN JULY

INFLATION DATA ALSO RELEASED SUNDAY SHOWED CHINAS INFLATION RATE INCREASED SLIGHTLY TO 2 PERCENT IN AUGUST.

LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS

RUSSIA, JAPAN AGREE TO MOVE AHEAD ON LNG PROJECT VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA (AP) RUSSIA AND JAPAN ARE MOVING AHEAD ON A LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS PROJECT, PUTTING ENERGY COOPERATION AHEAD

LONGSTANDING TERRITORIAL DISPUTE.

RUSSIAN OIL AND GAS GIANT GAZPROM SAYS RUSSIAN PRESIDENT VLADIMIR PUTIN AND JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER YOSHIHIKO NODA OVERSAW THE SIGNING

OF A MEMORANDUM WITH JAPAN'S AGENCY FOR NATURAL RESOURCES AND **ENERGY**

ON SATURDAY, ON THE SIDELINES OF A PACIFIC RIM SUMMIT.

DEMAND FOR LNG IN JAPAN, THE WORLD'S LARGEST IMPORTER, HAS SOARED WITH THE CLOSURES OF MOST OF ITS NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS FOLLOWING LAST

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YEAR'S EARTHQUAKE AND TSUNAMI DISASTERS. RUSSIA IS KEEN TO INCREASE SALES OF LNG IN THE FAR EAST, DIVERSIFYING AWAY FROM ITS TRADITIONAL MARKETS IN EUROPE ALEXEY MILLER, CHAIRMAN OF THE GAZPROM MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, SAID JAPAN WAS CONSIDERED A "TOP PRIORITY" FOR ITS LNG SALES. BUSINESS NOTES STOCKS UP FOR SESSION AND THE WEEK-FED MEETING UPCOMING --NEW YORK (AP) STOCKS ENDED THE FRIDAY TRADING SESSION HIGHER. CAPPING A POSITIVE WEEK FOR THE KEY AVERAGES. AT THE CLOSING THE DOW GAINED 15 POINTS TO 13,307. THE S&P WAS UP 6 POINTS, WHILE THE NASDAQ SURGED A FRACTION OF A POINT. WASHINGTON (AP) NEXT WEEK'S ECONOMIC CALENDAR FEATURES A TWO-DAY MEETING OF FEDERAL RESERVE POLICY-MAKERS. ANALYSTS SAY THE CHANCES ARE RISING THAT THE CENTRAL BANK WILL TAKE SOME KIND OF ACTION AIMED AT BOOSTING GROWTH. DALLAS (AP) BANKRUPTCY CREDITORS EXPECT THE PARENT COMPANY OF AMERICAN AIRLINES TO DECIDE BY YEAR-END WHETHER TO MERGE WITH ANOTHER AIRLINE OR REMAIN AN INDEPENDENT COMPANY. THAT VIEWPOINT WAS CONTAINED IN A FOOTNOTE TO A BANKRUPTCY COURT FILING. AMR CORPORATION FILED FOR BANKRUPTCY PROTECTION IN NOVEMBER. NEW YORK (AP) THE PRICE OF CRUDE OIL IS NOW JUST A FEW DOLLARS SHORT OF \$100 A BARREL. BENCHMARK CRUDE ROSE 89 CENTS TO SETTLE FRIDAY AT \$96.42 A BARREL. TODAY IN HISTORY TODAY IS SUNDAY, SEPT. 9, THE 253RD DAY OF 2012. THERE ARE 113 DAYS LEFT IN THE YEAR. TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT IN HISTORY: ON SEPT. 9, 1543, MARY STUART WAS CROWNED QUEEN OF SCOTS AT STIRLING CASTLE, NINE MONTHS AFTER SHE WAS BORN. ON THIS DATE: IN 1776, THE SECOND CONTINENTAL CONGRESS MADE THE TERM "UNITED STATES" OFFICIAL, REPLACING "UNITED COLONIES." IN 1830, CHARLES DURANT FLEW A BALLOON FROM NEW YORK CITY ACROSS THE HUDSON RIVER TO PERTH AMBOY, N.J. IN 1850, CALIFORNIA BECAME THE 31ST STATE OF THE UNION. IN 1919, SOME 1,100 MEMBERS OF BOSTON'S 1,500-MAN POLICE FORCE WENT ON STRIKE. (THE STRIKE WAS BROKEN BY MASSACHUSETTS GOV. CALVIN COOLIDGE WITH REPLACEMENT OFFICERS.) IN 1926, THE NATIONAL BROADCASTING CO. (NBC) WAS INCORPORATED BY THE RADIO CORP. OF AMERICA IN 1932, THE STEAMBOAT OBSERVATION EXPLODED IN NEW YORK'S EAST RIVER, KILLING 72 PEOPLE. IN 1948, THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA (NORTH KOREA) WAS DECLARED. IN 1957, PRESIDENT DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER SIGNED THE FIRST CIVIL RIGHTS BILL TO PASS CONGRESS SINCE RECONSTRUCTION. IN 1971, PRISONERS SEIZED CONTROL OF THE MAXIMUM-SECURITY ATTICA CORRECTIONAL FACILITY NEAR BUFFALO, N.Y., BEGINNING A SIEGE THAT ENDED UP CLAIMING 43 LIVES. IN 1976, COMMUNIST CHINESE LEADER MAO ZEDONG DIED IN BEIJING AT IN 1986, FRANK REED, DIRECTOR OF A PRIVATE SCHOOL IN LEBANON. WAS

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TAKEN HOSTAGE; HE WAS RELEASED 44 MONTHS LATER. IN 1997, SINN FEIN (SHIN FAYN), THE IRA'S POLITICAL ALLY,

FORMALLY RENOUNCED VIOLENCE AS IT TOOK ITS PLACE IN TALKS ON NORTHERN IRELANDS FUTURE. ACTOR BURGESS MEREDITH DIED IN MALIBU,

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CALIF., AT AGE 89. TEN YEARS AGO: FORMER APOLLO 11 ASTRONAUT EDWIN "BUZZ" ALDRIN WAS CONFRONTED OUTSIDE THE LUXE HOTEL IN BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF., CONSPIRACY THEORIST BART SIBREL, WHO DEMANDED THAT ALDRIN SWEAR ON A BIBLE THAT HE'D ACTUALLY BEEN TO THE MOON; ALDRIN ENDED UP **PUNCHING** SIBREL IN THE JAW. IRAQ CHALLENGED THE UNITED STATES TO PRODUCE ' 'ONE PIECE OF EVIDENCE" THAT IT WAS PRODUCING WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION. AN EXPRESS TRAIN TRAVELING FROM CALCUTTA TO NEW DELHI. INDIA, DERAILED, KILLING AT LEAST 130 PEOPLE. FIVE YEARS AGO: SEEMINGLY TAUNTING OSAMA BIN LADEN. PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH'S HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISER, FRANCES FRAGOS TOWNSEND SAID IN SUNDAY TALK-SHOW APPEARANCES THAT THE FUGITIVE AL-QAIDA LEADER WAS "VIRTUALLY IMPOTENT" BEYOND HIS ABILITY TO HIDE AWAY AND SPREAD ANTI-AMERICAN PROPAGANDA. ROGER FEDERER BEAT NOVAK DJOKOVIC 7-6 (4), 7-6 (2), 6-4 TO WIN HIS FOURTH STRAIGHT U.S. CHAMPIONSHIP. BRITNEY SPEARS PERFORMED HER NEW SINGLE "GIMME IN A MUCH-CRITICIZED COMEBACK ATTEMPT AT THE MTV VIDEO MUSIC **AWARDS** IN LAS VEGAS. ONE YEAR AGO: NEW YORKERS AND WASHINGTONIANS SHRUGGED OFF TALK OF A NEW TERROR THREAT AS INTELLIGENCE OFFICIALS SCRAMBLED TO NAIL DOWN INFORMATION ON A POSSIBLE AL-QAIDA STRIKE TIMED TO COINCIDE WITH 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11. PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA, SPEAKING IN RICHMOND, VA., URGED AMERICANS TO PRESSURE THEIR LAWMAKERS TO PASS HIS \$447 BILLION JOBS PLAN. TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: ACTRESS SYLVIA MILES IS 78. ACTOR TOPOL IS 77. RHYTHM -AND-BLUES SINGER LUTHER SIMMONS IS 70. SINGER INEZ FOXX IS 70. SINGER DEE DEE SHARP IS 67. ROCK SINGER-MUSICIAN DOUG INGLE 66. COUNTRY SINGER FREDDY WELLER IS 65. COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAMER AND FORMER NFL PLAYER JOE THEISMANN IS 63. ROCK MUSICIAN MCFEE (THE DOOBIE BROTHERS) IS 62. ACTOR TOM WOPAT IS 61. ACTRESS ANGELA CARTWRIGHT IS 60. MUSICIAN-PRODUCER DAVE STEWART IS 60. **ACTOR** HUGH GRANT IS 52. ACTOR-COMEDIAN CHIP ESTEN IS 47. ACTRESS CONSTANCE MARIE IS 47, ACTOR DAVID BENNENT IS 46, ACTOR ADAM SANDLER IS 46, ROCK SINGER PAUL DURHAM (BLACK LAB) IS 44. MODEL RACHEL HUNTER IS 43. ACTOR ERIC STONESTREET IS 41. ACTOR GORAN VISNJIC (VEEZ' IS 40. POP-JAZZ SINGER MICHAEL BUBLE' (BOO-BLAY') IS 37. COUNTRY SINGER JOEY MARTIN (JOEY + RORY) IS 37. LATIN SINGER MARIA RITA 35. ACTRESS MICHELLE WILLIAMS IS 32. ACTRESS JULIE GONZALO IS 31. COUNTRY SINGER-SONGWRITER HUNTER HAYES IS 20. THOUGHT FOR TODAY: THERE ARE TWO GREAT DAYS IN A PERSON'S LIFE - THE DAY WE ARE BORN AND THE DAY WE DISCOVER WHY." WILLIAM BARCLAY, SCOTTISH THEOLOGIAN (1907-1978). ENTERTAINMENT HISTORY ON SEPT. 9, 1950, "THE HANK MCCUNE SHOW" BECAME THE FIRST TV SHOW TO FEATURE A LAUGH TRACK. IN 1956, ELVIS PRESLEY MADE HIS FIRST OF THREE APPEARANCES ON THE

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"ED SULLIVAN SHOW." HE SANG "LOVE ME TENDER," "HOUND DOG,"

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'DON'T BE CRUEL" AND "READY TEDDY." IN 1972, MILES DAVIS PREMIERED HIS NEW NINE-PIECE BAND IN NEW

YORK. UNLIKE OTHER BANDS DAVIS HAD FORMED, THIS ONE WAS COMPRISED OF

MOSTLY UNKNOWN MUSICIANS.

IN 1973, TODD RUNDGREN RECORDED THE VOICES OF 1,000 FANS IN SAN FRANCISCO FOR THE LEFT TRACK OF HIS SONG "SONS OF 1984." HE HAD RECORDED OVER 5,000 FANS IN NEW YORK FOR THE RIGHT TRACK. IN 1982, SINGERS AL GREEN AND PATTI LABELLE MADE THEIR BROADWAY DEBUTS IN THE GOSPEL-INSPIRED STAGE MUSICAL YOUR ARM'S TOO SHORT

TO BOX WITH GOD."

IN 1995, SINGER CHYNNA PHILLIPS OF WILSON PHILLIPS MARRIED ACTOR WILLIAM BALDWIN.

IN 1996, BLUEGRASS LEGEND BILL MONROE DIED IN SPRINGFIELD, TENNESSEE, AT THE AGE OF 84.

ALSO IN 1996, SINGER TOM PETTY'S WIFE, JANE, FILED FOR LEGAL SEPARATION AFTER 22 YEARS OF MARRIAGE, CITING "IRRECONCILABLE DIFFERENCES."

IN 1997, ACTOR BURGESS MEREDITH DIED AFTER SUFFERING FROM MELANOMA AND ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE. HE WAS 89.

IN 2008, NOEL GALLAGHER OF OASIS WAS INJURED WHEN A MAN RAN ON STAGE AT THEIR CONCERT IN TORONTO AND SHOVED GALLAGHER INTO A SPEAKER.

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SEVERE WEATHER

STORMS HAMMER MID-ATLANTIC, NORTHEAST, SPAWNING TORNADOES WASHINGTON (AP) A LINE OF STORMS HAS BEEN HAMMERING THROUGH THE MID-ATLANTIC AND THE NORTHEAST WITH DAMAGING WINDS, HAIL AND HEAVY

RAIN, AND THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL REPORTS OF TORNADOES. THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HAS CONFIRMED THAT TWO TORNADOES STRUCK THE OUTER EDGES OF NEW YORK CITY, ONE HITTING A BEACHFRONT NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE SECOND, STRONGER TWISTER STRIKING MOMENTS LATER

ABOUT 10 MILES AWAY. THE POWERFUL WINDS HURLED DEBRIS INTO THE AIR

AND KNOCKED OUT POWER, BUT NO SERIOUS INJURIES HAVE BEEN REPORTED.

THE WEATHER SERVICE IS ALSO CHECKING OUT REPORTS OF TWO POSSIBLE TORNADOES IN THE WASHINGTON, D.C., AREA. METEOROLOGIST ANDY WOODCOCK

SAYS FUNNEL CLOUDS WERE REPORTED IN FAIRFAX COUNTY, VA., AND IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MD.

DOWNED TREES AND POWER LINES HAVE KNOCKED OUT POWER TO HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS ACROSS THE REGION.

THE FRONT ALSO HAS SENT TEMPERATURES PLUNGING IN MANY LOCATIONS. AT WASHINGTON DULLES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, THE TEMPERATURE FELL 25

DEGREES IN ONE HOUR. THE WEATHER SERVICE SAYS IT WENT FROM 89 DEGREES AT 3 P.M. TO 64 DEGREES AT 4 P.M.

TROPICAL WEATHER

TROPICAL STORM LESLIE EXPECTED TO INTENSIFY INTO HURRICANE BUT LIKELY SKIRT BERMUDA

HAMILTON, BERMUDA (AP) BERMUDA'S NATIONAL SECURITY MINISTER SAYS IT LOOKS LIKE THE BRITISH TERRITORY HAS "ESCAPED THE WORST OF TROPICAL STORM LESLIE."

THE STORM HAS STARTED MOVING SLOWLY NORTHWARD AFTER SPINNING IN PLACE OVER THE ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST OF BERMUDA.

THE NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER SAYS LESLIE IS ABOUT 220 MILES AWAY AND IS LIKELY TO PICK UP SPEED AND STRENGTHEN INTO A HURRICANE AGAIN

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SOME TIME SUNDAY.

OFFICIALS IN BERMUDA SAY THEY ARE STILL EXPECTING STRONG WINDS AND RAIN AS WELL AS DANGEROUS OCEAN CONDITIONS. BUT THE GOVERNMENT

SAYS UNLESS THE STORM'S TRACK CHANGES, IT WILL KEEP THE AIRPORT OPEN. HOWEVER, MAJOR AIRLINES HAVE ALREADY CANCELED FLIGHTS. THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO CALLED OFF PLANS TO OPEN AN EMERGENCY SHELTER

THOUGH THE FACILITY WILL BE KEPT IN A STATE OF READINESS IN CASE IT'S NEEDED.

UNSPENT RESTAURANT FEES

MILLIONS IN SF HEALTH FEES DON'T GO TO WORKERS

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) RESTAURANTS AND OTHER SAN FRANCISCO BUSINESSES CHARGED CUSTOMERS \$14 MILLION IN EXTRA HEALTH CARE FEES LAST YEAR

BUT A BIG CHUNK OF THAT MONEY DIDN'T GO TO HEALTH CARE. CITY RECORDS SHOW THAT DOZENS OF BUSINESSES WITH THE SURCHARGES SPENT LESS THAN HALF OF THE MONEY THEY COLLECTED ON MEDICAL EXPENSES

LAST YEAR. THE COMPANIES, INCLUDING HIGH-PROFILE RESTAURANTS, SAY WORKERS AREN'T CLAIMING BENEFITS.

BUSINESSES STARTED CHARGING CUSTOMERS THE EXTRA FEES IN RESPONSE TO THE CITY'S LANDMARK UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE PROGRAM. IT MAKES BUSINESSES WITH 20 WORKERS OR MORE PITCH IN A COUPLE OF DOLLARS AN

HOUR TO COVER THEIR HEALTH CARE.

NEW LAWS ARE IN EFFECT THIS YEAR TO BOOST MEDICAL SPENDING AND GET RID OF MISLEADING SURCHARGES. THE MAYOR'S OFFICE AND THE GOLDEN

GATE RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION SAY THEY WILL REDUCE THE GAP BETWEEN SURCHARGES AND SPENDING.

CHICAGO SCHOOLS-STRIKE THREAT

CHICAGO TEACHERS SAY LATEST OFFER DISAPPOINTING CHICAGO (AP) THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE CHICAGO TEACHERS UNION SAYS THE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT'S LATEST OFFER IN CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS IS DISAPPOINTING.

JESSE SHARKEY SAYS TALKS WILL CONTINUE THROUGHOUT SATURDAY AND RESUME SUNDAY. A STRIKE DEADLINE IN THE NATION'S THIRD-LARGEST SCHOOL DISTRICT LOOMS MONDAY.

CHICAGO TEACHERS SAY THEY'RE READY TO WALK OFF THE JOB FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 25 YEARS OVER ISSUES THAT INCLUDE PAY RAISES, CLASSROOM CONDITIONS, JOB SECURITY AND TEACHER EVALUATIONS. HUNDREDS OF TEACHERS STOPPED BY THE STRIKE HEADQUARTERS THE UNION OPENED SATURDAY TO PICK UP PICKET SIGNS AND T-SHIRTS. SHARKEY IS TAKING PART IN THE WEEKEND TALKS AND SAYS HE REMAINS HOPEFUL. BUT HE SAYS THE DISTRICT'S LATEST PROPOSAL DOES NOT HAVE

'ENOUGH PIECES OF THE PUZZLE THERE YET TO MAKE A PICTURE." PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

PRESIDENT OUT TO RENEW MAGIC; ROMNEY HITS DEFENSE CUTS SEMINOLE, FLA. (AP) PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA HAS BEEN TRYING TO REKINDLE SOME OF THE ENTHUSIASM OF HIS 2008 CAMPAIGN WITH A BUS TOUR

THROUGH A MUST-WIN STRETCH OF FLORIDA, WHILE MITT ROMNEY IS PUTTING

A FOCUS ON THE LOOMING SPENDING CUTS THAT COULD HIT THE MILITARY IF

THE PRESIDENT AND REPUBLICANS IN CONGRESS CAN'T REACH A NEW BUDGET

DEAL IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

ON A BUS TOUR THROUGH CENTRAL FLORIDA, OBAMA SAYS REPUBLICANS ARE "DEAD WRONG" FOR CALLING AMERICA A COUNTRY IN DECLINE. HE SAYS AMERICA STILL HAS THE BEST WORKERS, THE BEST SCIENTISTS AND THE BEST

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UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD.

SPEAKING AT THE SEMINOLE CAMPUS OF ST. PETERSBURG COLLEGE, OBAMA URGED SUPPORTERS NOT TO "BUY INTO THE CYNICISM" THAT THE CHANGE THEY FOUGHT FOR ISN'T POSSIBLE. HE SAYS THEY SHOULD RALLY BEHIND

'REAL, ACHIEVABLE GOALS THAT WILL LEAD TO NEW JOBS AND MORE OPPORTUNITY."

ON A CAMPAIGN SWING THROUGH VIRGINIA, ROMNEY CRITICIZED BOTH THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESSIONAL REPUBLICANS FOR THE BUDGET ARRANGEMENT

THAT NOW THREATENS ACROSS-BOARD-CUTS, HALF OF WHICH WILL AFFECT THE

MILITARY. ROMNEY CALLS THE CUTS "UNTHINKABLE."

ROMNEY - WISCONSIN

ROMNEY AIRS ADS IN WISCONSIN, HOPES TO EXPAND MAP RICHMOND, VA. (AP) REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE MITT ROMNEY IS AIRING CAMPAIGN ADS IN WISCONSIN, MAKING A PLAY TO WIN THE STATE

LAST CARRIED BY A REPUBLICAN IN 1984.

ROMNEY HOPES THE ADS, BLAMING BARACK OBAMA FOR THE FEDERAL DEFICIT, CAN GIVE HIM AN EDGE IN THE STATE WHICH IS HOME TO HIS RUNNING MATE PAUL RYAN AND WHERE RECENT POLLS HAVE SHOWN HIM EVEN WITH THE DEMOCRAT INCUMBENT.

THE FORMER MASSACHUSETTS GOVERNOR IS ALSO HOPING TO FORCE OBAMA TO DEFEND WISCONSIN BY SPENDING ADDITIONAL CAMPAIGN MONEY THERE. OBAMA CARRIED WISCONSIN BY 14 PERCENTAGE POINTS IN 2008 AND HAS NOT

AIRED ADS THERE.

INDEPENDENT GROUPS BACKING ROMNEY AND OBAMA ARE RUNNING ADS IN THE STATE.

ROMNEY, A NATIVE OF MICHIGAN, ALSO HOPES TO COMPETE THERE, WHICH DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES HAVE CARRIED SINCE 1988.

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PRESIDENT -ALLIED GROUP AIRS ANTI-ROMNEY TAX AD KISSIMMEE, FLA. (AP) A POLITICAL GROUP SUPPORTING THE RE-ELECTION OF PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA IS AIRING A NEW AD THAT CRITICIZES CHALLENGER MITT ROMNEY FOR ADVOCATING TAX POLICIES THAT WOULD INCREASE THE TAX BURDEN ON MIDDLE-INCOME FAMILIES. THE AD BY PRIORITIES USA ACTION, A SO-CALLED SUPER POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE, USES AN ANALYSIS BY THE INDEPENDENT TAX POLICY CENTER AND DECLARES THAT ROMNEY'S PLAN WOULD RAISE TAXES ON AN AVERAGE FAMILY BY UP TO \$2,000 WHILE GIVING TAX BREAKS OF \$250 ,000

TO MULTIMILLIONAIRES.

THE AD IS AIRING IN COLORADO, FLORIDA, IOWA, OHIO, VIRGINIA AND WISCONSIN.

OBAMA ADVISERS SAY ROMNEY AND HIS ALLIED SUPER PACS HAVE A 5-2 ADVANTAGE IN SOME TELEVISION MARKETS OVER OBAMA AND HIS SUPPORTERS.

RADIO ADDRESSES

PRESIDENT COMMEMORATES ANNIVERSARY OF SEPT. 11 ATTACKS WASHINGTON (AP) PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA IS ASKING AMERICANS TO MARK THE 11TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SEPT. 11 ATTACKS BY REMEMBERING HOW

FAR THE NATION HAS COME SINCE THAT DAY.

IN HIS WEEKLY RADIO AND INTERNET ADDRESS, OBAMA IS ASKING PEOPLE TO REMEMBER THE VICTIMS AND THEIR FAMILIES, AND TO HONOR THE FIRST

-RESPONDERS WHO RISKED THEIR LIVES TO HELP.

OBAMA SAYS AMERICA HAS COME BACK STRONGER AND AL-QAIDA IS ON THE PATH TO DEFEAT.

IN THE REPUBLICAN ADDRESS, SEN. JOHN BARRASSO (BUH-RAS'-OH) OF WYOMING CRITICIZED OBAMA'S PRESIDENCY AND SAID THE NATION ISN'T BETTER OFF THAN IT WAS FOUR YEARS AGO UNDER PRESIDENT GEORGE W.

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JAPAN-US MILITARY

THOUSANDS PROTEST IN JAPAN AGAINST OSPREY AIRCRAFT TOKYO (AP) THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE HAVE RALLIED AGAINST U.S. PLANS TO DEPLOY OSPREY AIRCRAFT ON A SOUTHERN JAPANESE ISLAND AMID RENEWED SAFETY CONCERNS.

THE PROTESTERS GATHERED SUNDAY AT A SEASIDE PARK ON OKINAWA TO DEMAND THAT THE PLAN TO DEPLOY 12 MV-22 OSPREY HYBRID AIRCRAFT ON THE ISLAND BE SCRAPPED, SAYING THEY ARE UNSAFE. THE U.S. PLANS TO DEPLOY THE OSPREY, WHICH TAKES OFF LIKE A HELICOPTER AND FLIES LIKE

AN AIRPLANE, TO REPLACE OLDER CH-46 HELICOPTERS THAT ARE ALREADY THERE.

SAFETY CONCERNS BOILED OVER AFTER OSPREY CRASHES IN MOROCCO AND FLORIDA EARLIER THIS YEAR. AN INCIDENT IN NORTH CAROLINA LAST WEEK

THAT OFFICIALS CALLED A "PRECAUTIONARY LANDING" AGGRAVATED THE SENTIMENT.

THE OSPREY ISSUE HAS ALSO REIGNITED LONGSTANDING ANGER OVER THE HEAVY PRESENCE OF AMERICAN TROOPS ON OKINAWA.

APEC

APEC VOWS TO FEND OFF EURO WOES, CLEAN UP FINANCES
VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA (AP) PACIFIC RIM LEADERS HAVE PLEDGED TO FEND
OFF THE DAMAGE FROM THE EUROPEAN CRISIS, BY SUPPORTING OPEN TRADE

REFORMING THEIR ECONOMIES AND STRENGTHENING PUBLIC FINANCES.
THE 21-MEMBER ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION FORUM WRAPPED UP
AN ANNUAL SUMMIT IN THE FAR EASTERN RUSSIAN SEAPORT OF
VLADIVOSTOK

ON SUNDAY VOWING TO WORK TOGETHER TO SUPPORT GROWTH AND RESTORE CONFIDENCE IN SHAKEN FINANCIAL MARKETS.

RUSSIAN PRESIDENT VLADIMIR PUTIN DESCRIBED THE TALKS AS CONSTRUCTIVE.

THE LEADERS ISSUED A STATEMENT WELCOMING EUROPEAN LEADERS' PROMISES TO HELP STABILIZE THE CRISIS-STRICKEN EURO REGION AND WARNING AGAINST "EXCESS VOLATILITY" AND DISTORTIONS IN FINANCIAL

MARKETS. THE APEC LEADERS SAID THEY WOULD WORK TO REDUCE DEFICITS

AND IMBALANCES IN THEIR COUNTRIES' OWN FINANCES.

US-ASIA

SECRETARY OF STATE URGES FEUDING ASIAN NEIGHBORS TO COOL IT VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA (AP) U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON HAS URGED ASIAN COUNTRIES EMBROILED IN SIMMERING TERRITORIAL

DISPUTES TO WORK TOGETHER TO EASE RATHER THAN RAISE TENSIONS. CLINTON ENDED A VISIT TO THE RUSSIAN SEAPORT OF VLADIVOSTOK FOR A PACIFIC RIM SUMMIT ON SUNDAY WITH A CALL FOR STRENGTHENING 'DIPLOMATIC INVOLVEMENT TOWARD RESOLVING THESE TENSIONS." SHE SAID THAT GIVEN THE FRAGILITY OF THE GLOBAL RECOVERY, ANY CONFRONTATION THAT MIGHT RAISE DOUBTS OVER STABILITY AND PEACE IN THE REGION WOULD BE COUNTER TO EVERYONE'S INTERESTS. CLINTON DISCUSSED THE ISSUE WITH THE LEADERS OF BOTH JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA, WHO ARE AT ODDS OVER AN ISLET CLAIMED BY BOTH. SHE SAID

ALL THE REGION'S LEADERS APPEARED TO RECOGNIZE THE RISKS TO THE ASIAN ECONOMIC ENGINE IN WHAT IS STILL A FRAGILE GLOBAL ECONOMY."

APEC-CLINTON

CLINTON: DEEP DIFFERENCES WITH RUSSIA ON SYRIA CLINTON: DEEP DIFFERENCES WITH RUSSIA ON SYRIA

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VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA (AP) U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON IS ACKNOWLEDGING DEEP DIFFERENCES WITH RUSSIA OVER HOW TO HANDLE THE CRISIS IN SYRIA. SHE SAYS SHE WILL CONTINUE TO TRY TO CONVINCE MOSCOW TO BACK INCREASED INTERNATIONAL PRESSURE ON SYRIAN

PRESIDENT BASHAR ASSAD (BAH-SHAR' AH'-SAHD).

A DAY AFTER RUSSIA SOUNDLY REJECTED HER CALL FOR U.N. SANCTIONS TO BE IMPOSED ON SYRIA IF ASSAD REFUSES TO STOP FIGHTING AND RELINQUISH POWER, CLINTON SAID SHE WAS "REALISTIC" IN HER APPROACH

SHE SAYS THAT IF THE RUSSIANS REFUSE TO GO ALONG, THE U.S. AND ITS FRIENDS WILL INCREASE THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE SYRIAN OPPOSITION.

THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION HOPES TO INCREASE PRESSURE ON ASSAD AT AN UPCOMING UN SESSION.

CLINTON ADDRESSED REPORTERS AT THE END OF THE ANNUAL ASIA PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION FORUM SUMMIT IN RUSSIA.

FIGHTING INTENSIFIES OVER SYRIA'S LARGEST CITY; NEARLY 150 KILLED NATIONWIDE

BEIRUT (AP) SYRIAN ACTIVISTS SAY PRESIDENT BASHAR ASSAD'S REGIME POUNDED ALEPPO WITH WARPLANES AND ARTILLERY SHELLING SATURDAY AS GROUND FORCES SEEKING TO REGAIN MOMENTUM IN THE COUNTRY'S LARGEST CITY ADVANCED ON THREE NEIGHBORHOODS.

AN ACTIVIST GROUP CALLED THE LOCAL COORDINATION COMMITTEES SAYS 148 PEOPLE WERE KILLED NATIONWIDE, INCLUDING 77 IN ALEPPO. ALEPPO HAD BEEN RELATIVELY QUIET FOR MOST OF THE 18-MONTH-OLD REVOLT, BUT

IT HAS EMERGED AS THE MAIN BATTLEGROUND IN SYRIA'S CIVIL WAR, WITH

BOTH SIDES LARGELY LOCKED IN A STALEMATE DESPITE THE SUPERIOR FIREPOWER OF ASSAD'S REGIME.

THE NEW FIGHTING CAME AS RUSSIA REJECTED U.S. CALLS FOR INCREASED PRESSURE ON ASSAD TO RELINQUISH POWER. AFTER A MEETING WITH SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON IN VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIAN FOREIGN MINISTER SERGEY LAVROV (SEHR'-GAY LAHV'-RAHF) TOLD REPORTERS

THAT MOSCOW IS OPPOSED TO U.S.-BACKED PENALTIES AGAINST THE ASSAD GOVERNMENT, IN ADDITION TO NEW ONES AGAINST IRAN OVER ITS NUCLEAR PROGRAM, BECAUSE THEY HARM RUSSIAN COMMERCIAL INTERESTS.

IRAQ

BOMBING IN IRAQ KILLS 7 POLICE RECRUITS

SULAIMANIYAH, IRAQ (AP) AN IRAQI POLICE GENERAL SAYS A BOMBING NEAR A RESTIVE NORTHERN CITY HAS KILLED SEVEN POLICE RECRUITS AND WOUNDED 17 AS THEY WERE LINING UP TO APPLY FOR JOBS. KIRKUK POLICE COMMANDER BRIG. GEN. SARHAD QADIR SAYS THE RECRUITS HAD GATHERED IN A PARKING LOT ON SUNDAY MORNING OUTSIDE A MILITARY

BASE ABOUT SIX MILES OUTSIDE THE CITY OF KIRKUK.

HE SAYS THE RECRUITS WERE APPLYING FOR JOBS AS POLICE WITH THE STATE-RUN NORTHERN OIL CO.

KIRKUK HAS BEEN AN IRAQ FLASHPOINT FOR YEARS. IRAQI ARABS, KURDS AND TURKOMEN ALL CLAIM TO A STAKE TO ITS OIL-RICH LAND. LAST WEEK, THREE SHIITE MOSQUES WERE ATTACKED IN KIRKUK IN BOMBINGS THAT KILLED EIGHT PEOPLE. THE CITY IS LOCATED 180 MILES NORTH OF BAGHDAD.

NEPAL-BUS ACCIDENT

10 KILLED AS BUS VEERS OFF MOUNTAIN ROAD IN NEPAL KATMANDU, NEPAL (AP) POLICE IN NEPAL SAY A BUS DROVE OFF A RURAL HIGHWAY IN THE NATION'S MOUNTAINOUS WEST, KILLING AT LEAST 10 PEOPLE

AND INJURING 25 OTHERS.

POLICE OFFICIAL BHPENDRA KHANAL SAYS THE BUS WAS HEADING TO THE CAPITAL, KATMANDU, ON SUNDAY MORNING WHEN IT VEERED OFF THE

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MOUNTAIN

ROAD NEAR HARDI VILLAGE. THE VILLAGE IS 125 MILES WEST OF KATMANDU.

THE 25 INJURED PEOPLE WERE TAKEN TO VARIOUS HOSPITALS IN THE AREA FOR TREATMENT. POLICE ARE INVESTIGATING THE CAUSE OF THE ACCIDENT.

ROAD ACCIDENTS IN NEPAL ARE COMMON AND ARE BLAMED MAINLY ON POORLY MAINTAINED ROADS AND VEHICLES.

CHINA-EARTHQUAKE

SURVIVORS OF CHINA TWIN QUAKES AWAIT SUPPLIES

BEIJING (AP) SURVIVORS OF TWO EARTHQUAKES THAT KILLED 80 PEOPLE IN A MOUNTAINOUS AREA OF SOUTHWEST CHINA ARE DESPERATELY WAITING FOR

MORE AID TO ARRIVE AS JOLTING AFTERSHOCKS KEEP FEARS HIGH AND HINDER

RESCUE EFFORTS.

THE EARTHQUAKES STRUCK FRIDAY IN A REGION OF SMALL FARMS AND MINES NEAR THE BORDER BETWEEN GUIZHOU AND YUNNAN PROVINCES. MORE THAN 820 PEOPLE WERE INJURED. THE AREA, HOWEVER, WAS STILL BEING JOLTED BY AFTERSHOCKS SUNDAY, RAISING FEARS OF MORE INJURIES.

AN OFFICIAL IN JIAOKUI TOWN IN YUNNAN'S YILIANG COUNTY SAYS ALMOST ALL OF THE TOWN'S 110,000 PEOPLE HAVE EVACUATED BUT MANY HAVE

NO SHELTER AND NEED TENTS AND QUILTS.

THE STATE-RUN XINHUA NEWS AGENCY SAID SATURDAY THAT MORE THAN 11 ,000 TENTS AND 8,500 QUILTS HAD BEEN DELIVERED TO YILIANG COUNTY AND

MORE WERE ON THEIR WAY.

BUFFALO BILL-REMAINS RETURNED

BUFFALO BILL PERFORMER REBURIED AT SD RESERVATION SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) THE REMAINS OF A NATIVE AMERICAN MAN ARE BEING RETURNING TO SOUTH DAKOTA MORE THAN A CENTURY AFTER HE DIED WHILE TOURING IN CONNECTICUT WITH A WESTERN-THEMED SHOW. TWENTY-YEAR-OLD ALBERT AFRAID OF HAWK DIED FROM FOOD POISONING IN 1900 WHILE TOURING WITH BUFFALO BILL'S WILD WEST SHOW. HE WAS BURIED

IN AN UNMARKED GRAVE IN DANBURY, CONN., AND FAMILY MEMBERS WEREN'T

SURE WHERE HE WAS BURIED UNTIL A HISTORY BUFF IN CONNECTICUT PIECED

TOGETHER THE DETAILS.

AFRAID OF HAWK'S REMAINS HAVE SINCE BEEN RETURNED TO SOUTH DAKOTA, AND HE WILL BE BURIED AMONG HIS FAMILY AND TRIBAL MEMBERS ON

THE PINE RIDGE RESERVATION ON SUNDAY.

RELATIVE MARLIS AFRAID OF HAWK SAYS SHE IS GRATEFUL THAT HIS LONG ROAD HOME IS ALMOST COMPLETE.

FRANCE-BELGIUM -ARNAULT

REPORT: FRANCE'S ARNAULT SEEKS BELGIAN PASSPORT PARIS (AP) A BELGIAN NEWSPAPER SAYS BERNARD ARNAULT, FRANCE'S WEALTHIEST BUSINESSMAN AND BOSS OF THE LVMH LUXURY HOUSE, HAS APPLIED FOR BELGIAN CITIZENSHIP.

LA LIBRE BELGIQUE NEWSPAPER REPORTED SATURDAY THAT ARNAULT'S CITIZENSHIP APPLICATION WAS CONFIRMED BY THE HEAD OF BELGIUM'S NATURALIZATION OFFICE.

FRENCH MEDIA DREW A CONNECTION TO FRENCH PRESIDENT FRANCOIS HOLLANDE'S PLAN TO RAISE THE TAX RATE ON FRANCE'S HIGHEST EARNERS TO

75 PERCENT.

BUT TAX EXPERTS SAID OBTAINING BELGIAN CITIZENSHIP WOULD NOT CHANGE ARNAULT'S TAX SITUATION, WHICH IS DETERMINED BY RESIDENCE, NOT CITIZENSHIP.

ARNAULT HAS BEEN CRITICAL OF THE TAX PLAN AND MANY IN FRANCE'S

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RIGHT-WING UMP OPPOSITION PARTY HAVE WARNED IT COULD DRIVE ENTREPRENEURS OUT OF THE COUNTRY.

CONNECTICUT -SPORTS MEDIA

INCENTIVES BRING SPORTS MEDIA COMPANIES TO CONN.
HARTFORD, CONN. (AP) CONNECTICUT, LONG THE HOME OF SPORTS -MEDIA
GIANT ESPN, IS USING TAX BREAKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INCENTIVES TO
ATTRACT SIMILAR COMPANIES TO WHAT IS FAST BECOMING AN INDUSTRY
CLUSTER.

IN JUST OVER A YEAR, ESPN HAS ANNOUNCED A MAJOR EXPANSION PROJECT IN BRISTOL, NBC SPORTS HAS AGREED TO MOVE FROM NEW YORK TO STAMFORD.

AND A NEW GOLF CABLE OUTLET, BACK9NETWORK, HAS AGREED TO BUILD ITS

STUDIO IN HARTFORD.

THEY JOIN OTHER SPORTS BROADCASTING COMPANIES SUCH AS WWE (WORLD WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENT, INC.) AND THE YES NETWORK IN CALLING CONNECTICUT HOME.

GEORGE NORFLEET, THE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE'S OFFICE OF FILM, TELEVISION AND DIGITAL MEDIA, SAYS CONNECTICUT IS ACTIVELY COURTING

OTHER MEMBERS OF THE INDUSTRY, AND BELIEVES IT IS BECOMING THE 'SILICON VALLEY" OF SPORTS MEDIA.

STEEL LABOR TALKS

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STEELWORKERS ANNOUNCE NEW DEAL WITH ARCELORMITTAL PITTSBURGH (AP) THE UNITED STEELWORKERS AND ARCELORMITTAL USA HAVE ANNOUNCED A TENTATIVE AGREEMENT ON A THREE-YEAR CONTRACT COVERING NEARLY 14,000 WORKERS IN EIGHT STATES.

THE UNION TOLD MEMBERS SATURDAY THAT THEY WOULD BE GETTING DETAILS OF THE SETTLEMENT AND INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS BEFORE A RATIFICATION VOTE, OFFICIALS SAY THE CURRENT CONTRACT, WHICH

SEPT. 1, WOULD BE EXTENDED UNTIL THE NEW RATIFICATION DATE.
THE UNION SAYS HEALTH CARE FOR BOTH CURRENT AND FUTURE RETIREES
WOULD BE PROTECTED. THE UNION SAYS IT WON WAGE INCREASES AND
IMPROVED HEALTH CARE FOR CURRENT WORKERS AND REJECTED
MANAGEMENT'S

CALLS FOR TWO-TIER WAGE AND PENSION SYSTEMS AND MAINTAINED SENIORITY

RIGHTS AND PROTECTIONS AGAINST USE OF OUTSIDE CONTRACTORS. ARCELORMITTAL SAYS IT IS PLEASED TO HAVE "A FAIR AND EQUITABLE OUTCOME WITHOUT DISRUPTION TO OUR BUSINESS OPERATIONS."

GERMANY -FINANCIAL CRISIS GERMAN MINISTER: DON'T LET UP ON REFORMS

BERLIN (AP) GERMANY'S FINANCE MINISTER IS INSISTING THAT THE COUNTRIES MUST NOT USE THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK'S PLAN TO BUY UNLIMITED AMOUNTS OF GOVERNMENT BONDS AS AN EXCUSE TO LET UP ON ECONOMIC REFORMS AND DEFICIT-CUTTING.

THE ECB ANNOUNCED ITS PLAN THURSDAY. THE BOND PURCHASES, WHICH WOULD COME WITH CONDITIONS, WOULD HELP LOWER BORROWING COSTS FOR COUNTRIES STRUGGLING TO MANAGE DEBTS.

THE HEAD OF GERMANY'S CENTRAL BANK OBJECTED BUT SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HAVE SIGNALED THEIR ACCEPTANCE.

FINANCE MINISTER WOLFGANG SCHAEUBLE WAS QUOTED AS TELLING THE BILD AM SONNTAG NEWSPAPER THAT THE EUROZONES CRISIS OF CONFIDENCE

CAN ONLY BE OVERCOME BY PRESSING AHEAD WITH REFORMS. HE ADDED: "IT WOULD BE A SERIOUS MISTAKE IF THE ECB DECISION WERE MISINTERPRETED IN THE SENSE THAT WE COULD NOW LET UP ON OUR EFFORTS."

GREECE-FINANCIAL CRISIS

PREMIER: PAINFUL CUTS WILL RESTORE CREDIBILITY
THESSALONIKI, GREECE (AP) GREEK PRIME MINISTER ANTONIS SAMARAS
SAYS THE FINAL ROUND OF AUSTERITY MEASURES CONTAINS PAINFUL AND
UNJUST CUTS BUT IS NECESSARY TO RESTORE GREECE'S CREDIBILITY AND

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CONTINUE TO RECEIVE FUNDING FROM CREDITORS.

SAMARAS SAYS "ALL UNJUST CUTS" WILL BE RESTORED ONCE THE ECONOMY STARTS GROWING AGAIN.

DEBT-LADEN GREECE IS IN THE FIFTH YEAR OF A DEEP RECESSION THAT HAS SEEN ITS ECONOMY SHRINK BY 20 PERCENT AND THE JOBLESS RATE SOAR

TO 24.4 PERCENT IN JUNE. MASSIVE AID FROM THE EU AND IMF HAS TO 24.4 PERCENT IN JUNE. MASSIVE AID FROM THE EU AND IMF HAS HELPED

THE COUNTRY STAVE OFF BANKRUPTCY.

SAMARAS IS IN THE NORTHERN GREEK CITY OF THESSALONIKI TO OPEN THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR. THREE SEPARATE PROTESTS GREETED HIM, THE

LARGEST BY MILITARY AND POLICE PERSONNEL ANGRY AT WAGE CUTS. IN ATHENS, OVER 2,000 PENSIONERS PROTESTED IN A PEACEFUL MARCH. ITALY-FINANCIAL CRISIS

OFFICIAL: ITALY HAS NO PLANS TO SEEK ECB HELP

MILAN (AP) FINANCE MINISTER VITTORIO GRILLI SAYS ITALY HAS NO PLANS TO APPLY FOR THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK'S BOND PURCHASE PROGRAM.

GRILLI SAID ON THE SIDELINES OF THE ANNUAL AMBROSETTI FORUM ON LAKE COMO ON SATURDAY THAT ITALY "AT THIS MOMENT ABSOLUTELY DOES NOT NEED" TO REQUEST HELP.

THE ECB HAS PLEDGED TO BUY UNLIMITED AMOUNTS OF BONDS TO HELP BRING DOWN BORROWING COSTS IN COUNTRIES STRUGGLING TO KEEP UP WITH

HIGH DEBTS. BUT THAT PLAN COMES WITH THE CAVEAT THAT NATIONS WHO WANT TO APPLY FOR THE PROGRAM MUST FIRST ASK FOR EXISTING BAILOUT FUNDS AND SUBMIT THEIR ECONOMIC POLICIES TO INTERNATIONAL SCRUTINY

AFTER THE PLAN WAS ANNOUNCED ON THURSDAY, ITALIAN PREMIER MARIO MONTI SAID HIS COUNTRY "COULD NEED" THE HELP BUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT NEEDED TO CLOSELY EXAMINE THE DETAILS.

CHINA-ECONOMY

CHINA'S FACTORY OUTPUT GROWTH SLOWS TO 8.9 PERCENT
BEIJING (AP) GROWTH IN CHINA'S FACTORY PRODUCTION SLOWED TO 8.9
PERCENT IN AUGUST WHILE THE COUNTRY'S RETAIL SALES INCREASED AT A
STEADY RATE.

THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS DATA RELEASED SUNDAY SUGGESTS BEIJING MIGHT NEED TO LAUNCH MORE STIMULUS EFFORTS TO REVERSE A PAINFUL SLOWDOWN IN THE WORLD'S SECOND-LARGEST ECONOMY. THE YEAR-ON-YEAR GROWTH IN AUGUST FACTORY PRODUCTION WAS A SLOWDOWN FROM 9.2 PERCENT IN JULY.

THE BUREAY SAYS RETAIL SALES ROSE 13.2 PERCENT YEAR-ON-YEAR IN AUGUST, WHICH WAS 0.1 PERCENTAGE POINT HIGHER THAN THE GROWTH RATE

IN JULY

INFLATION DATA ALSO RELEASED SUNDAY SHOWED CHINAS INFLATION RATE INCREASED SLIGHTLY TO 2 PERCENT IN AUGUST.

LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS

RUSSIA, JAPAN AGREE TO MOVE AHEAD ON LNG PROJECT VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA (AP) RUSSIA AND JAPAN ARE MOVING AHEAD ON A LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS PROJECT, PUTTING ENERGY COOPERATION AHEAD OF A

LONGSTANDING TERRITORIAL DISPUTE.

RUSSIAN OIL AND GAS GIANT GAZPROM SAYS RUSSIAN PRESIDENT VLADIMIR PUTIN AND JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER YOSHIHIKO NODA OVERSAW THE SIGNING

OF A MEMORANDUM WITH JAPAN'S AGENCY FOR NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY

ON SATURDAY, ON THE SIDELINES OF A PACIFIC RIM SUMMIT.

DEMAND FOR LNG IN JAPAN, THE WORLD'S LARGEST IMPORTER, HAS SOARED WITH THE CLOSURES OF MOST OF ITS NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS FOLLOWING LAST

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YEAR'S EARTHQUAKE AND TSUNAMI DISASTERS. RUSSIA IS KEEN TO

SALES OF LNG IN THE FAR EAST, DIVERSIFYING AWAY FROM ITS TRADITIONAL

MARKETS IN EUROPE.

ALEXEY MILLER, CHAIRMAN OF THE GAZPROM MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE. SAID JAPAN WAS CONSIDERED A "TOP PRIORITY" FOR ITS LNG SALES.

BUSINESS NOTES

STOCKS UP FOR SESSION AND THE WEEK -- FED MEETING UPCOMING --NEW YORK (AP) STOCKS ENDED THE FRIDAY TRADING SESSION HIGHER, CAPPING A POSITIVE WEEK FOR THE KEY AVERAGES. AT THE CLOSING

THE DOW GAINED 15 POINTS TO 13,307. THE S&P WAS UP 6 POINTS, WHILE

THE NASDAQ SURGED A FRACTION OF A POINT.

WASHINGTON (AP) NEXT WEEK'S ECONOMIC CALENDAR FEATURES A TWO-DAY MEETING OF FEDERAL RESERVE POLICY-MAKERS. ANALYSTS SAY THE

ARE RISING THAT THE CENTRAL BANK WILL TAKE SOME KIND OF ACTION AIMED

AT BOOSTING GROWTH.

DALLAS (AP) BANKRUPTCY CREDITORS EXPECT THE PARENT COMPANY OF AMERICAN AIRLINES TO DECIDE BY YEAR-END WHETHER TO MERGE WITH ANOTHER AIRLINE OR REMAIN AN INDEPENDENT COMPANY. THAT VIEWPOINT WAS

CONTAINED IN A FOOTNOTE TO A BANKRUPTCY COURT FILING. AMR CORPORATION FILED FOR BANKRUPTCY PROTECTION IN NOVEMBER. NEW YORK (AP) THE PRICE OF CRUDE OIL IS NOW JUST A FEW DOLLARS SHORT OF \$100 A BARREL. BENCHMARK CRUDE ROSE 89 CENTS TO SETTLE FRIDAY AT \$96.42 A BARREL.

TODAY IN HISTORY

TODAY IS SUNDAY, SEPT. 9, THE 253RD DAY OF 2012. THERE ARE 113 DAYS LEFT IN THE YEAR.

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT IN HISTORY:

ON SEPT. 9, 1543, MARY STUART WAS CROWNED QUEEN OF SCOTS AT STIRLING CASTLE, NINE MONTHS AFTER SHE WAS BORN. ON THIS DATE:

IN 1776, THE SECOND CONTINENTAL CONGRESS MADE THE TERM "UNITED STATES" OFFICIAL, REPLACING "UNITED COLONIES."

IN 1830, CHARLES DURANT FLEW A BALLOON FROM NEW YORK CITY ACROSS THE HUDSON RIVER TO PERTH AMBOY, N.J.

IN 1850, CALIFORNIA BECAME THE 31ST STATE OF THE UNION.

IN 1919, SOME 1,100 MEMBERS OF BOSTON'S 1,500-MAN POLICE FORCE WENT ON STRIKE. (THE STRIKE WAS BROKEN BY MASSACHUSETTS GOV. CALVIN

COOLIDGE WITH REPLACEMENT OFFICERS.)

IN 1926, THE NATIONAL BROADCASTING CO. (NBC) WAS INCORPORATED BY THE RADIO CORP. OF AMERICA.

IN 1932, THE STEAMBOAT OBSERVATION EXPLODED IN NEW YORK'S EAST RIVER, KILLING 72 PEOPLE.

IN 1948, THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA (NORTH KOREA) WAS DECLARED.

IN 1957, PRESIDENT DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER SIGNED THE FIRST CIVIL RIGHTS BILL TO PASS CONGRESS SINCE RECONSTRUCTION.

IN 1971, PRISONERS SEIZED CONTROL OF THE MAXIMUM -SECURITY ATTICA CORRECTIONAL FACILITY NEAR BUFFALO, N.Y., BEGINNING A SIEGE THAT ENDED UP CLAIMING 43 LIVES.

IN 1976, COMMUNIST CHINESE LEADER MAO ZEDONG DIED IN BEIJING AT AGF 82

IN 1986, FRANK REED, DIRECTOR OF A PRIVATE SCHOOL IN LEBANON, WAS TAKEN HOSTAGE; HE WAS RELEASED 44 MONTHS LATER. IN 1997, SINN FEIN (SHIN FAYN), THE IRA'S POLITICAL ALLY, FORMALLY RENOUNCED VIOLENCE AS IT TOOK ITS PLACE IN TALKS ON NORTHERN IRELANDS FUTURE. ACTOR BURGESS MEREDITH DIED IN MALIBU,

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CALIF., AT AGE 89. TEN YEARS AGO: FORMER APOLLO 11 ASTRONAUT EDWIN "BUZZ" ALDRIN WAS CONFRONTED OUTSIDE THE LUXE HOTEL IN BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF., CONSPIRACY THEORIST BART SIBREL, WHO DEMANDED THAT ALDRIN SWEAR ON A BIBLE THAT HE'D ACTUALLY BEEN TO THE MOON; ALDRIN ENDED UP **PUNCHING** SIBREL IN THE JAW. IRAQ CHALLENGED THE UNITED STATES TO PRODUCE ' 'ONE PIECE OF EVIDENCE" THAT IT WAS PRODUCING WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION. AN EXPRESS TRAIN TRAVELING FROM CALCUTTA TO NEW DELHI. INDIA, DERAILED, KILLING AT LEAST 130 PEOPLE. FIVE YEARS AGO: SEEMINGLY TAUNTING OSAMA BIN LADEN, PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH'S HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISER, FRANCES FRAGOS TOWNSEND. SAID IN SUNDAY TALK-SHOW APPEARANCES THAT THE FUGITIVE AL-QAIDA LEADER WAS "VIRTUALLY IMPOTENT" BEYOND HIS ABILITY TO HIDE AWAY AND SPREAD ANTI-AMERICAN PROPAGANDA. ROGER FEDERER BEAT NOVAK DJOKOVIC 7-6 (4), 7-6 (2), 6-4 TO WIN HIS FOURTH STRAIGHT U.S. **OPEN** CHAMPIONSHIP. BRITNEY SPEARS PERFORMED HER NEW SINGLE "GIMME IN A MUCH-CRITICIZED COMEBACK ATTEMPT AT THE MTV VIDEO MUSIC **AWARDS** IN LAS VEGAS ONE YEAR AGO: NEW YORKERS AND WASHINGTONIANS SHRUGGED OFF TALK OF A NEW TERROR THREAT AS INTELLIGENCE OFFICIALS SCRAMBLED TO NAIL DOWN INFORMATION ON A POSSIBLE AL-QAIDA STRIKE TIMED TO COINCIDE WITH 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11. PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA, SPEAKING IN RICHMOND, VA., URGED AMERICANS TO PRESSURE THEIR LAWMAKERS TO PASS HIS \$447 BILLION JOBS PLAN. TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: ACTRESS SYLVIA MILES IS 78. ACTOR TOPOL IS 77. RHYTHM -AND-BLUES SINGER LUTHER SIMMONS IS 70. SINGER INEZ FOXX IS 70. SINGER DEE DEE SHARP IS 67. ROCK SINGER-MUSICIAN DOUG INGLE IS 66. COUNTRY SINGER FREDDY WELLER IS 65. COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAMER AND FORMER NFL PLAYER JOE THEISMANN IS 63. ROCK MUSICIAN MCFEE (THE DOOBIE BROTHERS) IS 62. ACTOR TOM WOPAT IS 61. ACTRESS ANGELA CARTWRIGHT IS 60. MUSICIAN-PRODUCER DAVE STEWART IS 60. ACTOR HUGH GRANT IS 52. ACTOR-COMEDIAN CHIP ESTEN IS 47. ACTRESS CONSTANCE MARIE IS 47, ACTOR DAVID BENNENT IS 46, ACTOR ADAM SANDLER IS 46. ROCK SINGER PAUL DURHAM (BLACK LAB) IS 44. MODEL RACHEL HUNTER IS 43. ACTOR ERIC STONESTREET IS 41. ACTOR GORAN VISNJIC (VEEZ' IS 40. POP-JAZZ SINGER MICHAEL BUBLE' (BOO-BLAY') IS 37. COUNTRY SINGER JOEY MARTIN (JOEY + RORY) IS 37. LATIN SINGER MARIA RITA IS 35. ACTRESS MICHELLE WILLIAMS IS 32. ACTRESS JULIE GONZALO IS 31. COUNTRY SINGER-SONGWRITER HUNTER HAYES IS 20. THOUGHT FOR TODAY: THERE ARE TWO GREAT DAYS IN A PERSON'S LIFE - THE DAY WE ARE BORN AND THE DAY WE DISCOVER WHY." WILLIAM

ENTERTAINMENT HISTORY

ON SEPT. 9, 1950, "THE HANK MCCUNE SHOW" BECAME THE FIRST TV SHOW TO FEATURE A LAUGH TRACK.
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'DON'T BE CRUEL" AND "READY TEDDY."
IN 1972, MILES DAVIS PREMIERED HIS NEW NINE-PIECE BAND IN NEW
YORK. UNLIKE OTHER BANDS DAVIS HAD FORMED, THIS ONE WAS COMPRISED
OF

MOSTLY UNKNOWN MUSICIANS. MOSTLY UNKNOWN MUSICIANS.

IN 1973, TODD RUNDGREN RECORDED THE VOICES OF 1,000 FANS IN SAN FRANCISCO FOR THE LEFT TRACK OF HIS SONG "SONS OF 1984." HE HAD RECORDED OVER 5,000 FANS IN NEW YORK FOR THE RIGHT TRACK. IN 1982, SINGERS AL GREEN AND PATTI LABELLE MADE THEIR BROADWAY DEBUTS IN THE GOSPEL-INSPIRED STAGE MUSICAL "YOUR ARM'S TOO SHORT

TO BOX WITH GOD."

IN 1995, SINGER CHYNNA PHILLIPS OF WILSON PHILLIPS MARRIED ACTOR WILLIAM BALDWIN.

IN 1996, BLUEGRASS LEGEND BILL MONROE DIED IN SPRINGFIELD, TENNESSEE, AT THE AGE OF 84.

ALSO IN 1996, SINGER TOM PETTY'S WIFE, JANE, FILED FOR LEGAL SEPARATION AFTER 22 YEARS OF MARRIAGE, CITING "IRRECONCILABLE DIFFERENCES."

IN 1997, ACTOR BURGESS MEREDITH DIED AFTER SUFFERING FROM MELANOMA AND ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE. HE WAS 89.
IN 2008, NOEL GALLAGHER OF OASIS WAS INJURED WHEN A MAN RAN ON

STAGE AT THEIR CONCERT IN TORONTO AND SHOVED GALLAGHER INTO A SPEAKER.

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STORMS HAMMER MID-ATLANTIC, NORTHEAST, SPAWNING TORNADOES WASHINGTON (AP) A LINE OF STORMS HAS BEEN HAMMERING THROUGH THE MID-ATLANTIC AND THE NORTHEAST WITH DAMAGING WINDS, HAIL AND

HEAVY

RAIN, AND THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL REPORTS OF TORNADOES. THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HAS CONFIRMED THAT TWO TORNADOES STRUCK THE OUTER EDGES OF NEW YORK CITY, ONE HITTING A BEACHFRONT

NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE SECOND, STRONGER TWISTER STRIKING MOMENTS LATER

ABOUT 10 MILES AWAY, THE POWERFUL WINDS HURLED DEBRIS INTO THE AIR

AND KNOCKED OUT POWER, BUT NO SERIOUS INJURIES HAVE BEEN REPORTED

THE WEATHER SERVICE IS ALSO CHECKING OUT REPORTS OF TWO POSSIBLE TORNADOES IN THE WASHINGTON, D.C., AREA. METEOROLOGIST ANDY WOODCOCK

SAYS FUNNEL CLOUDS WERE REPORTED IN FAIRFAX COUNTY, VA., AND IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MD.

DOWNED TREES AND POWER LINES HAVE KNOCKED OUT POWER TO HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS ACROSS THE REGION.

THE FRONT ALSO HAS SENT TEMPERATURES PLUNGING IN MANY LOCATIONS. AT WASHINGTON DULLES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, THE TEMPERATURE FELL

DEGREES IN ONE HOUR. THE WEATHER SERVICE SAYS IT WENT FROM 89 DEGREES AT 3 P.M. TO 64 DEGREES AT 4 P.M.

TROPICAL WEATHER

TROPICAL STORM LESLIE EXPECTED TO INTENSIFY INTO HURRICANE BUT LIKELY SKIRT BERMUDA

HAMILTON, BERMUDA (AP) BERMUDA'S NATIONAL SECURITY MINISTER SAYS IT LOOKS LIKE THE BRITISH TERRITORY HAS "ESCAPED THE WORST OF TROPICAL STORM LESLIE."

THE STORM HAS STARTED MOVING SLOWLY NORTHWARD AFTER SPINNING IN PLACE OVER THE ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST OF BERMUDA.

THE NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER SAYS LESLIE IS ABOUT 220 MILES AWAY AND IS LIKELY TO PICK UP SPEED AND STRENGTHEN INTO A HURRICANE AGAIN.

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SOME TIME SUNDAY.
OFFICIALS IN BERMUDA SAY THEY ARE STILL EXPECTING STRONG WINDS
AND RAIN AS WELL AS DANGEROUS OCEAN CONDITIONS. BUT THE
GOVERNMENT
SAYS UNLESS THE STORM'S TRACK CHANGES, IT WILL KEEP THE AIRPORT
OPEN. HOWEVER, MAJOR AIRLINES HAVE ALREADY CANCELED FLIGHTS. THE
GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO CALLED OFF PLANS TO OPEN AN EMERGENCY SHELTER

THOUGH THE FACILITY WILL BE KEPT IN A STATE OF READINESS IN CASE IT'S NEEDED.

UNSPENT RESTAURANT FEES

MILLIONS IN SF HEALTH FEES DON'T GO TO WORKERS

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) RESTAURANTS AND OTHER SAN FRANCISCO BUSINESSES CHARGED CUSTOMERS \$14 MILLION IN EXTRA HEALTH CARE FEES LAST YEAR

BUT A BIG CHUNK OF THAT MONEY DIDN'T GO TO HEALTH CARE.
CITY RECORDS SHOW THAT DOZENS OF BUSINESSES WITH THE SURCHARGES
SPENT LESS THAN HALF OF THE MONEY THEY COLLECTED ON MEDICAL
EXPENSES

LAST YEAR. THE COMPANIES, INCLUDING HIGH-PROFILE RESTAURANTS, SAY WORKERS AREN'T CLAIMING BENEFITS.

BUSINESSES STARTED CHARGING CUSTOMERS THE EXTRA FEES IN RESPONSE TO THE CITY'S LANDMARK UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE PROGRAM. IT MAKES BUSINESSES WITH 20 WORKERS OR MORE PITCH IN A COUPLE OF DOLLARS AN

HOUR TO COVER THEIR HEALTH CARE.

NEW LAWS ARE IN EFFECT THIS YEAR TO BOOST MEDICAL SPENDING AND GET RID OF MISLEADING SURCHARGES. THE MAYOR'S OFFICE AND THE GOLDEN

GATE RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION SAY THEY WILL REDUCE THE GAP BETWEEN SURCHARGES AND SPENDING.

CHICAGO SCHOOLS-STRIKE THREAT

CHICAGO TEACHERS SAY LATEST OFFER DISAPPOINTING
CHICAGO (AP) THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE CHICAGO TEACHERS UNION
SAYS THE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT'S LATEST OFFER IN CONTRACT
NEGOTIATIONS IS DISAPPOINTING.

JESSE SHARKEY SAYS TALKS WILL CONTINUE THROUGHOUT SATURDAY AND RESUME SUNDAY, A STRIKE DEADLINE IN THE NATION'S THIRD-LARGEST SCHOOL DISTRICT LOOMS MONDAY.

CHICAGO TEACHERS SAY THEY'RE READY TO WALK OFF THE JOB FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 25 YEARS OVER ISSUES THAT INCLUDE PAY RAISES, CLASSROOM CONDITIONS, JOB SECURITY AND TEACHER EVALUATIONS. HUNDREDS OF TEACHERS STOPPED BY THE STRIKE HEADQUARTERS THE UNION OPENED SATURDAY TO PICK UP PICKET SIGNS AND T-SHIRTS. SHARKEY IS TAKING PART IN THE WEEKEND TALKS AND SAYS HE REMAINS HOPEFUL. BUT HE SAYS THE DISTRICT'S LATEST PROPOSAL DOES NOT HAVE

'ENOUGH PIECES OF THE PUZZLE THERE YET TO MAKE A PICTURE." PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

PRESIDENT OUT TO RENEW MAGIC; ROMNEY HITS DEFENSE CUTS SEMINOLE, FLA. (AP) PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA HAS BEEN TRYING TO REKINDLE SOME OF THE ENTHUSIASM OF HIS 2008 CAMPAIGN WITH A BUS TOUR

THROUGH A MUST-WIN STRETCH OF FLORIDA, WHILE MITT ROMNEY IS PUTTING

A FOCUS ON THE LOOMING SPENDING CUTS THAT COULD HIT THE MILITARY IF

THE PRESIDENT AND REPUBLICANS IN CONGRESS CAN'T REACH A NEW BUIDGET

DEAL IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

ON A BUS TOUR THROUGH CENTRAL FLORIDA, OBAMA SAYS REPUBLICANS ARE "DEAD WRONG" FOR CALLING AMERICA A COUNTRY IN DECLINE. HE SAYS AMERICA STILL HAS THE BEST WORKERS, THE BEST SCIENTISTS AND THE BEST

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UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD.

SPEAKING AT THE SEMINOLE CAMPUS OF ST. PETERSBURG COLLEGE, OBAMA URGED SUPPORTERS NOT TO "BUY INTO THE CYNICISM" THAT THE CHANGE THEY FOUGHT FOR ISN'T POSSIBLE. HE SAYS THEY SHOULD RALLY BEHIND

'REAL, ACHIEVABLE GOALS THAT WILL LEAD TO NEW JOBS AND MORE OPPORTUNITY."

ON A CAMPAIGN SWING THROUGH VIRGINIA, ROMNEY CRITICIZED BOTH THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESSIONAL REPUBLICANS FOR THE BUDGET ARRANGEMENT

THAT NOW THREATENS ACROSS-BOARD-CUTS, HALF OF WHICH WILL AFFECT THE

MILITARY. ROMNEY CALLS THE CUTS "UNTHINKABLE."

ROMNEY-WISCONSIN

ROMNEY AIRS ADS IN WISCONSIN, HOPES TO EXPAND MAP RICHMOND, VA. (AP) REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE MITT ROMNEY IS AIRING CAMPAIGN ADS IN WISCONSIN, MAKING A PLAY TO WIN THE STATE

LAST CARRIED BY A REPUBLICAN IN 1984.

ROMNEY HOPES THE ADS, BLAMING BARACK OBAMA FOR THE FEDERAL DEFICIT, CAN GIVE HIM AN EDGE IN THE STATE WHICH IS HOME TO HIS RUNNING MATE PAUL RYAN AND WHERE RECENT POLLS HAVE SHOWN HIM EVEN WITH THE DEMOCRAT INCUMBENT.

THE FORMER MASSACHUSETTS GOVERNOR IS ALSO HOPING TO FORCE OBAMA TO DEFEND WISCONSIN BY SPENDING ADDITIONAL CAMPAIGN MONEY THERE. OBAMA CARRIED WISCONSIN BY 14 PERCENTAGE POINTS IN 2008 AND HAS NOT

AIRED ADS THERE.

INDEPENDENT GROUPS BACKING ROMNEY AND OBAMA ARE RUNNING ADS IN THE STATE.

ROMNEY, A NATIVE OF MICHIGAN, ALSO HOPES TO COMPETE THERE, WHICH DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES HAVE CARRIED SINCE 1988.

SUPERPAC AD

PRESIDENT-ALLIED GROUP AIRS ANTI-ROMNEY TAX AD KISSIMMEE, FLA. (AP) A POLITICAL GROUP SUPPORTING THE RE-ELECTION OF PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA IS AIRING A NEW AD THAT CRITICIZES CHALLENGER MITT ROMNEY FOR ADVOCATING TAX POLICIES THAT WOULD INCREASE THE TAX BURDEN ON MIDDLE-INCOME FAMILIES.

THE AD BY PRIORITIES USA ACTION, A SO-CALLED SUPER POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE, USES AN ANALYSIS BY THE INDEPENDENT TAX POLICY CENTER AND DECLARES THAT ROMNEY'S PLAN WOULD RAISE TAXES ON AN AVERAGE FAMILY BY UP TO \$2,000 WHILE GIVING TAX BREAKS OF \$250.000

TO MULTIMILLIONAIRES.

THE AD IS AIRING IN COLORADO, FLORIDA, IOWA, OHIO, VIRGINIA AND WISCONSIN.

OBAMA ADVISERS SAY ROMNEY AND HIS ALLIED SUPER PACS HAVE A 5-2 ADVANTAGE IN SOME TELEVISION MARKETS OVER OBAMA AND HIS SUPPORTERS.

RADIO ADDRESSES

PRESIDENT COMMEMORATES ANNIVERSARY OF SEPT. 11 ATTACKS WASHINGTON (AP) PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA IS ASKING AMERICANS TO MARK THE 11TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SEPT. 11 ATTACKS BY REMEMBERING HOW

FAR THE NATION HAS COME SINCE THAT DAY.

IN HIS WEEKLY RADIO AND INTERNET ADDRESS, OBAMA IS ASKING PEOPLE TO REMEMBER THE VICTIMS AND THEIR FAMILIES, AND TO HONOR THE FIRST

-RESPONDERS WHO RISKED THEIR LIVES TO HELP.

OBAMA SAYS AMERICA HAS COME BACK STRONGER AND AL-QAIDA IS ON THE PATH TO DEFEAT.

IN THE REPUBLICAN ADDRESS, SEN. JOHN BARRASSO (BUH-RAS'-OH) OF WYOMING CRITICIZED OBAMA'S PRESIDENCY AND SAID THE NATION ISN'T BETTER OFF THAN IT WAS FOUR YEARS AGO UNDER PRESIDENT GEORGE W.

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JAPAN-US MILITARY

THOUSANDS PROTEST IN JAPAN AGAINST OSPREY AIRCRAFT TOKYO (AP) THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE HAVE RALLIED AGAINST U.S. PLANS TO DEPLOY OSPREY AIRCRAFT ON A SOUTHERN JAPANESE ISLAND AMID RENEWED SAFETY CONCERNS.

THE PROTESTERS GATHERED SUNDAY AT A SEASIDE PARK ON OKINAWA TO DEMAND THAT THE PLAN TO DEPLOY 12 MV-22 OSPREY HYBRID AIRCRAFT ON THE ISLAND BE SCRAPPED, SAYING THEY ARE UNSAFE. THE U.S. PLANS TO DEPLOY THE OSPREY, WHICH TAKES OFF LIKE A HELICOPTER AND FLIES LIKE

AN AIRPLANE, TO REPLACE OLDER CH-46 HELICOPTERS THAT ARE ALREADY THERE.

SAFETY CONCERNS BOILED OVER AFTER OSPREY CRASHES IN MOROCCO AND FLORIDA EARLIER THIS YEAR. AN INCIDENT IN NORTH CAROLINA LAST WEEK

THAT OFFICIALS CALLED A "PRECAUTIONARY LANDING" AGGRAVATED THE SENTIMENT.

THE OSPREY ISSUE HAS ALSO REIGNITED LONGSTANDING ANGER OVER THE HEAVY PRESENCE OF AMERICAN TROOPS ON OKINAWA.

APEC

APEC VOWS TO FEND OFF EURO WOES, CLEAN UP FINANCES
VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA (AP) PACIFIC RIM LEADERS HAVE PLEDGED TO FEND
OFF THE DAMAGE FROM THE EUROPEAN CRISIS, BY SUPPORTING OPEN TRADE

REFORMING THEIR ECONOMIES AND STRENGTHENING PUBLIC FINANCES.
THE 21-MEMBER ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION FORUM WRAPPED UP
AN ANNUAL SUMMIT IN THE FAR EASTERN RUSSIAN SEAPORT OF
VLADIVOSTOK

ON SUNDAY VOWING TO WORK TOGETHER TO SUPPORT GROWTH AND RESTORE CONFIDENCE IN SHAKEN FINANCIAL MARKETS.

RUSSIAN PRESIDENT VLADIMIR PUTIN DESCRIBED THE TALKS AS CONSTRUCTIVE.

THE LEADERS ISSUED A STATEMENT WELCOMING EUROPEAN LEADERS' PROMISES TO HELP STABILIZE THE CRISIS-STRICKEN EURO REGION AND WARNING AGAINST "EXCESS VOLATILITY" AND DISTORTIONS IN FINANCIAL

MARKETS. THE APEC LEADERS SAID THEY WOULD WORK TO REDUCE DEFICITS

AND IMBALANCES IN THEIR COUNTRIES' OWN FINANCES.

US-ASIA

SECRETARY OF STATE URGES FEUDING ASIAN NEIGHBORS TO COOL IT VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA (AP) U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON HAS URGED ASIAN COUNTRIES EMBROILED IN SIMMERING TERRITORIAL

DISPUTES TO WORK TOGETHER TO EASE RATHER THAN RAISE TENSIONS. CLINTON ENDED A VISIT TO THE RUSSIAN SEAPORT OF VLADIVOSTOK FOR A PACIFIC RIM SUMMIT ON SUNDAY WITH A CALL FOR STRENGTHENING 'DIPLOMATIC INVOLVEMENT TOWARD RESOLVING THESE TENSIONS." SHE SAID THAT GIVEN THE FRAGILITY OF THE GLOBAL RECOVERY, ANY CONFRONTATION THAT MIGHT RAISE DOUBTS OVER STABILITY AND PEACE IN THE REGION WOULD BE COUNTER TO EVERYONE'S INTERESTS. CLINTON DISCUSSED THE ISSUE WITH THE LEADERS OF BOTH JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA, WHO ARE AT ODDS OVER AN ISLET CLAIMED BY BOTH. SHE SAID

ALL THE REGION'S LEADERS APPEARED TO RECOGNIZE THE RISKS TO THE ASIAN ECONOMIC ENGINE IN WHAT IS STILL A FRAGILE GLOBAL ECONOMY."

APEC-CLINTON

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VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA (AP) U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON IS ACKNOWLEDGING DEEP DIFFERENCES WITH RUSSIA OVER HOW TO HANDLE THE CRISIS IN SYRIA. SHE SAYS SHE WILL CONTINUE TO TRY TO CONVINCE MOSCOW TO BACK INCREASED INTERNATIONAL PRESSURE ON SYRIAN

PRESIDENT BASHAR ASSAD (BAH-SHAR' AH'-SAHD).

A DAY AFTER RUSSIA SOUNDLY REJECTED HER CALL FOR U.N. SANCTIONS TO BE IMPOSED ON SYRIA IF ASSAD REFUSES TO STOP FIGHTING AND RELINQUISH POWER, CLINTON SAID SHE WAS "REALISTIC" IN HER APPROACH.

SHE SAYS THAT IF THE RUSSIANS REFUSE TO GO ALONG, THE U.S. AND ITS FRIENDS WILL INCREASE THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE SYRIAN OPPOSITION.

THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION HOPES TO INCREASE PRESSURE ON ASSAD AT AN UPCOMING UN SESSION.

CLINTON ADDRESSED REPORTERS AT THE END OF THE ANNUAL ASIA PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION FORUM SUMMIT IN RUSSIA.

FIGHTING INTENSIFIES OVER SYRIA'S LARGEST CITY: NEARLY 150 KILLED NATIONWIDE

BEIRUT (AP) SYRIAN ACTIVISTS SAY PRESIDENT BASHAR ASSAD'S REGIME POUNDED ALEPPO WITH WARPLANES AND ARTILLERY SHELLING SATURDAY AS GROUND FORCES SEEKING TO REGAIN MOMENTUM IN THE COUNTRY'S LARGEST CITY ADVANCED ON THREE NEIGHBORHOODS.

AN ACTIVIST GROUP CALLED THE LOCAL COORDINATION COMMITTEES SAYS 148 PEOPLE WERE KILLED NATIONWIDE. INCLUDING 77 IN ALEPPO. ALEPPO. HAD BEEN RELATIVELY QUIET FOR MOST OF THE 18-MONTH-OLD REVOLT, BUT

IT HAS EMERGED AS THE MAIN BATTLEGROUND IN SYRIA'S CIVIL WAR, WITH

BOTH SIDES LARGELY LOCKED IN A STALEMATE DESPITE THE SUPERIOR FIREPOWER OF ASSAD'S REGIME.

THE NEW FIGHTING CAME AS RUSSIA REJECTED U.S. CALLS FOR INCREASED PRESSURE ON ASSAD TO RELINQUISH POWER. AFTER A MEETING WITH SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON IN VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIAN FOREIGN MINISTER SERGEY LAVROV (SEHR'-GAY LAHV'-RAHF) TOLD REPORTERS

THAT MOSCOW IS OPPOSED TO U.S.-BACKED PENALTIES AGAINST THE ASSAD GOVERNMENT, IN ADDITION TO NEW ONES AGAINST IRAN OVER ITS NUCLEAR PROGRAM, BECAUSE THEY HARM RUSSIAN COMMERCIAL INTERESTS.

BOMBING IN IRAQ KILLS 7 POLICE RECRUITS

SULAIMANIYAH, IRAQ (AP) AN IRAQI POLICE GENERAL SAYS A BOMBING NEAR A RESTIVE NORTHERN CITY HAS KILLED SEVEN POLICE RECRUITS AND WOUNDED 17 AS THEY WERE LINING UP TO APPLY FOR JOBS. KIRKUK POLICE COMMANDER BRIG. GEN. SARHAD QADIR SAYS THE RECRUITS HAD GATHERED IN A PARKING LOT ON SUNDAY MORNING OUTSIDE A

MILITARY BASE ABOUT SIX MILES OUTSIDE THE CITY OF KIRKUK.

HE SAYS THE RECRUITS WERE APPLYING FOR JOBS AS POLICE WITH THE STATE-RUN NORTHERN OIL CO.

KIRKUK HAS BEEN AN IRAQ FLASHPOINT FOR YEARS. IRAQI ARABS, KURDS AND TURKOMEN ALL CLAIM TO A STAKE TO ITS OIL-RICH LAND. LAST WEEK, THREE SHITE MOSQUES WERE ATTACKED IN KIRKUK IN BOMBINGS THAT KILLED EIGHT PEOPLE. THE CITY IS LOCATED 180 MILES NORTH OF BAGHDAD.

NEPAL-BUS ACCIDENT

10 KILLED AS BUS VEERS OFF MOUNTAIN ROAD IN NEPAL KATMANDU, NEPAL (AP) POLICE IN NEPAL SAY A BUS DROVE OFF A RURAL HIGHWAY IN THE NATION'S MOUNTAINOUS WEST, KILLING AT LEAST 10 PEOPLE

AND INJURING 25 OTHERS.

POLICE OFFICIAL BHPENDRA KHANAL SAYS THE BUS WAS HEADING TO THE CAPITAL, KATMANDU, ON SUNDAY MORNING WHEN IT VEERED OFF THE

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MOUNTAIN

ROAD NEAR HARDI VILLAGE. THE VILLAGE IS 125 MILES WEST OF

KATMANDU.

THE 25 INJURED PEOPLE WERE TAKEN TO VARIOUS HOSPITALS IN THE AREA FOR TREATMENT. POLICE ARE INVESTIGATING THE CAUSE OF THE

ACCIDENT.

ROAD ACCIDENTS IN NEPAL ARE COMMON AND ARE BLAMED MAINLY ON POORLY MAINTAINED ROADS AND VEHICLES.

CHINA-EARTHQUAKE

SURVIVORS OF CHINA TWIN QUAKES AWAIT SUPPLIES

BEIJING (AP) SURVIVORS OF TWO EARTHQUAKES THAT KILLED 80 PEOPLE IN A MOUNTAINOUS AREA OF SOUTHWEST CHINA ARE DESPERATELY WAITING FOR

MORE AID TO ARRIVE AS JOLTING AFTERSHOCKS KEEP FEARS HIGH AND HINDER

RESCUE EFFORTS.

THE EARTHQUAKES STRUCK FRIDAY IN A REGION OF SMALL FARMS AND MINES NEAR THE BORDER BETWEEN GUIZHOU AND YUNNAN PROVINCES. MORE THAN 820 PEOPLE WERE INJURED. THE AREA, HOWEVER, WAS STILL BEING JOLTED BY AFTERSHOCKS SUNDAY, RAISING FEARS OF MORE INJURIES.

AN OFFICIAL IN JIAOKUI TOWN IN YUNNAN'S YILIANG COUNTY SAYS . ALMOST ALL OF THE TOWN'S 110,000 PEOPLE HAVE EVACUATED BUT MANY HAVE

NO SHELTER AND NEED TENTS AND QUILTS.

THE STATE-RUN XINHUA NEWS AGENCY SAID SATURDAY THAT MORE THAN 11 ,000 TENTS AND 8,500 QUILTS HAD BEEN DELIVERED TO YILIANG COUNTY AND

MORE WERE ON THEIR WAY.

BUFFALO BILL-REMAINS RETURNED

BUFFALO BILL PERFORMER REBURIED AT SD RESERVATION SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) THE REMAINS OF A NATIVE AMERICAN MAN ARE

BEING RETURNING TO SOUTH DAKOTA MORE THAN A CENTURY AFTER HE DIED

WHILE TOURING IN CONNECTICUT WITH A WESTERN-THEMED SHOW.

TWENTY-YEAR-OLD ALBERT AFRAID OF HAWK DIED FROM FOOD POISONING IN 1900 WHILE TOURING WITH BUFFALO BILL'S WILD WEST SHOW. HE WAS

IN AN UNMARKED GRAVE IN DANBURY, CONN., AND FAMILY MEMBERS WEREN'T

SURE WHERE HE WAS BURIED UNTIL A HISTORY BUFF IN CONNECTICUT PIECED

TOGETHER THE DETAILS.

AFRAID OF HAWK'S REMAINS HAVE SINCE BEEN RETURNED TO SOUTH DAKOTA, AND HE WILL BE BURIED AMONG HIS FAMILY AND TRIBAL MEMBERS ON

THE PINE RIDGE RESERVATION ON SUNDAY.

RELATIVE MARLIS AFRAID OF HAWK SAYS SHE IS GRATEFUL THAT HIS LONG ROAD HOME IS ALMOST COMPLETE.

FRANCE-BELGIUM-ARNAULT

REPORT: FRANCE'S ARNAULT SEEKS BELGIAN PASSPORT PARIS (AP) A BELGIAN NEWSPAPER SAYS BERNARD ARNAULT, FRANCE'S WEALTHIEST BUSINESSMAN AND BOSS OF THE LVMH LUXURY HOUSE, HAS

APPLIED FOR BELGIAN CITIZENSHIP.

LA LIBRE BELGIQUE NEWSPAPER REPORTED SATURDAY THAT ARNAULT'S CITIZENSHIP APPLICATION WAS CONFIRMED BY THE HEAD OF BELGIUM'S NATURALIZATION OFFICE.

FRENCH MEDIA DREW A CONNECTION TO FRENCH PRESIDENT FRANCOIS HOLLANDE'S PLAN TO RAISE THE TAX RATE ON FRANCE'S HIGHEST EARNERS TO

75 PERCENT.

BUT TAX EXPERTS SAID OBTAINING BELGIAN CITIZENSHIP WOULD NOT CHANGE ARNAULT'S TAX SITUATION, WHICH IS DETERMINED BY RESIDENCE, NOT CITIZENSHIP.

ARNAULT HAS BEEN CRITICAL OF THE TAX PLAN AND MANY IN FRANCE'S

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RIGHT-WING UMP OPPOSITION PARTY HAVE WARNED IT COULD DRIVE ENTREPRENEURS OUT OF THE COUNTRY.
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CONNECTICUT-SPORTS MEDIA

INCENTIVES BRING SPORTS MEDIA COMPANIES TO CONN.
HARTFORD, CONN. (AP) CONNECTICUT, LONG THE HOME OF SPORTS-MEDIA
GIANT ESPN, IS USING TAX BREAKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INCENTIVES TO
ATTRACT SIMILAR COMPANIES TO WHAT IS FAST BECOMING AN INDUSTRY
CLUSTER.

IN JUST OVER A YEAR, ESPN HAS ANNOUNCED A MAJOR EXPANSION PROJECT IN BRISTOL, NBC SPORTS HAS AGREED TO MOVE FROM NEW YORK TO STAMFORD,

AND A NEW-GOLF CABLE OUTLET, BACK9NETWORK, HAS AGREED TO BUILD ITS

STUDIO IN HARTFORD.

THEY JOIN OTHER SPORTS BROADCASTING COMPANIES SUCH AS WWE (WORLD WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENT, INC.) AND THE YES NETWORK IN CALLING CONNECTICUT HOME.

GEORGE NORFLEET, THE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE'S OFFICE OF FILM, TELEVISION AND DIGITAL MEDIA, SAYS CONNECTICUT IS ACTIVELY COURTING

OTHER MEMBERS OF THE INDUSTRY, AND BELIEVES IT IS BECOMING THE '- 'SILICON VALLEY" OF SPORTS MEDIA.

STEEL LABOR TALKS

STEELWORKERS ANNOUNCE NEW DEAL WITH ARCELORMITTAL PITTSBURGH (AP) THE UNITED STEELWORKERS AND ARCELORMITTAL USA HAVE ANNOUNCED A TENTATIVE AGREEMENT ON A THREE-YEAR CONTRACT COVERING NEARLY 14,000 WORKERS IN EIGHT STATES.

THE UNION TOLD MEMBERS SATURDAY THAT THEY WOULD BE GETTING DETAILS OF THE SETTLEMENT AND INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS BEFORE A RATIFICATION VOTE. OFFICIALS SAY THE CURRENT CONTRACT, WHICH EXPIRED

SEPT. 1, WOULD BE EXTENDED UNTIL THE NEW RATIFICATION DATE.
THE UNION SAYS HEALTH CARE FOR BOTH CURRENT AND FUTURE RETIREES
WOULD BE PROTECTED. THE UNION SAYS IT WON WAGE INCREASES AND
IMPROVED HEALTH CARE FOR CURRENT WORKERS AND REJECTED
MANAGEMENT'S

CALLS FOR TWO-TIER WAGE AND PENSION SYSTEMS AND MAINTAINED SENIORITY

RIGHTS AND PROTECTIONS AGAINST USE OF OUTSIDE CONTRACTORS. ARCELORMITTAL SAYS IT IS PLEASED TO HAVE "A FAIR AND EQUITABLE OUTCOME WITHOUT DISRUPTION TO OUR BUSINESS OPERATIONS."

GERMANY-FINANCIAL CRISIS

GERMAN MINISTER: DON'T LET UP ON REFORMS

BERLIN (AP) GERMANY'S FINANCE MINISTER IS INSISTING THAT THE COUNTRIES MUST NOT USE THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK'S PLAN TO BUY UNLIMITED AMOUNTS OF GOVERNMENT BONDS AS AN EXCUSE TO LET UP ON ECONOMIC REFORMS AND DEFICIT-CUTTING.

THE ECB ANNOUNCED ITS PLAN THURSDAY. THE BOND PURCHASES, WHICH WOULD COME WITH CONDITIONS, WOULD HELP LOWER BORROWING COSTS FOR COUNTRIES STRUGGLING TO MANAGE DEBTS.

THE HEAD OF GERMANY'S CENTRAL BANK OBJECTED BUT SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HAVE SIGNALED THEIR ACCEPTANCE.

FINANCE MINISTER WOLFGANG SCHAEUBLE WAS QUOTED AS TELLING THE BILD AM SONNTAG NEWSPAPER THAT THE EUROZONES CRISIS OF CONFIDENCE

CAN ONLY BE OVERCOME BY PRESSING AHEAD WITH REFORMS. HE ADDED: "IT WOULD BE A SERIOUS MISTAKE IF THE ECB DECISION WERE MISINTERPRETED IN THE SENSE THAT WE COULD NOW LET UP ON OUR EFFORTS."

GREECE-FINANCIAL CRISIS

PREMIER: PAINFUL CUTS WILL RESTORE CREDIBILITY
THESSALONIKI, GREECE (AP) GREEK PRIME MINISTER ANTONIS SAMARAS
SAYS THE FINAL ROUND OF AUSTERITY MEASURES CONTAINS PAINFUL AND
UNJUST CUTS BUT IS NECESSARY TO RESTORE GREECE'S CREDIBILITY AND

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CONTINUE TO RECEIVE FUNDING FROM CREDITORS.

SAMARAS SAYS "ALL UNJUST CUTS" WILL BE RESTORED ONCE THE

ECONOMY STARTS GROWING AGAIN.

DEBT-LADEN GREECE IS IN THE FIFTH YEAR OF A DEEP RECESSION THAT HAS SEEN ITS ECONOMY SHRINK BY 20 PERCENT AND THE JOBLESS RATE SOAR

TO 24.4 PERCENT IN JUNE. MASSIVE AID FROM THE EU AND IMF HAS TO 24.4 PERCENT IN JUNE. MASSIVE AID FROM THE EU AND IMF HAS HELPED

THE COUNTRY STAVE OFF BANKRUPTCY.

SAMARAS IS IN THE NORTHERN GREEK CITY OF THESSALONIKI TO OPEN THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR. THREE SEPARATE PROTESTS GREETED HIM, THE:

LARGEST BY MILITARY AND POLICE PERSONNEL ANGRY AT WAGE CUTS. IN ATHENS, OVER 2,000 PENSIONERS PROTESTED IN A PEACEFUL MARCH.

ITALY-FINANCIAL CRISIS

OFFICIAL: ITALY HAS NO PLANS TO SEEK ECB HELP

MILAN (AP) FINANCE MINISTER VITTORIO GRILLI SAYS ITALY HAS NO PLANS TO APPLY FOR THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK'S BOND PURCHASE PROGRAM.

GRILLI SAID ON THE SIDELINES OF THE ANNUAL AMBROSETTI FORUM ON LAKE COMO ON SATURDAY THAT ITALY "AT THIS MOMENT ABSOLUTELY DOES NOT NEED" TO REQUEST HELP.

THE ECB HAS PLEDGED TO BUY UNLIMITED AMOUNTS OF BONDS TO HELP BRING DOWN BORROWING COSTS IN COUNTRIES STRUGGLING TO KEEP UP WITH

HIGH DEBTS. BUT THAT PLAN COMES WITH THE CAVEAT THAT NATIONS WHO WANT TO APPLY FOR THE PROGRAM MUST FIRST ASK FOR EXISTING BAILOUT FUNDS AND SUBMIT THEIR ECONOMIC POLICIES TO INTERNATIONAL SCRUTINY

AFTER THE PLAN WAS ANNOUNCED ON THURSDAY, ITALIAN PREMIER MARIO MONTI SAID HIS COUNTRY "COULD NEED" THE HELP BUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT NEEDED TO CLOSELY EXAMINE THE DETAILS.

CHINA-ECONOMY

CHINA'S FACTORY OUTPUT GROWTH SLOWS TO 8.9 PERCENT BEIJING (AP) GROWTH IN CHINA'S FACTORY PRODUCTION SLOWED TO 8.9 PERCENT IN AUGUST WHILE THE COUNTRY'S RETAIL SALES INCREASED AT A STEADY RATE.

THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS DATA RELEASED SUNDAY SUGGESTS BEIJING MIGHT NEED TO LAUNCH MORE STIMULUS EFFORTS TO REVERSE A PAINFUL SLOWDOWN IN THE WORLD'S SECOND-LARGEST ECONOMY. THE YEAR-ON-YEAR GROWTH IN AUGUST FACTORY PRODUCTION WAS A SLOWDOWN FROM 9.2 PERCENT IN JULY.

THE BUREAY SAYS RETAIL SALES ROSE 13.2 PERCENT YEAR-ON-YEAR IN AUGUST, WHICH WAS 0.1 PERCENTAGE POINT HIGHER THAN THE GROWTH RATE

IN JULY.

INFLATION DATA ALSO RELEASED SUNDAY SHOWED CHINAS INFLATION RATE INCREASED SLIGHTLY TO 2 PERCENT IN AUGUST.

LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS

RUSSIA, JAPAN AGREE TO MOVE AHEAD ON LNG PROJECT VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA (AP) RUSSIA AND JAPAN ARE MOVING AHEAD ON A LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS PROJECT, PUTTING ENERGY COOPERATION AHEAD OF A

LONGSTANDING TERRITORIAL DISPUTE.

RUSSIAN OIL AND GAS GIANT GAZPROM SAYS RUSSIAN PRESIDENT VLADIMIR PUTIN AND JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER YOSHIHIKO NODA OVERSAW THE SIGNING

OF A MEMORANDUM WITH JAPAN'S AGENCY FOR NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY

ON SATURDAY, ON THE SIDELINES OF A PACIFIC RIM SUMMIT.

DEMAND FOR LNG IN JAPAN, THE WORLD'S LARGEST IMPORTER, HAS SOARED WITH THE CLOSURES OF MOST OF ITS NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS FOLLOWING LAST

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YEAR'S EARTHQUAKE AND TSUNAMI DISASTERS. RUSSIA IS KEEN TO **INCREASE** SALES OF LNG IN THE FAR EAST, DIVERSIFYING AWAY FROM ITS TRADITIONAL MARKETS IN EUROPE ALEXEY MILLER, CHAIRMAN OF THE GAZPROM MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, SAID JAPAN WAS CONSIDERED A "TOP PRIORITY" FOR ITS LNG SALES. **BUSINESS NOTES** STOCKS UP FOR SESSION AND THE WEEK-FED MEETING UPCOMING-NEW YORK (AP) STOCKS ENDED THE FRIDAY TRADING SESSION HIGHER, CAPPING A POSITIVE WEEK FOR THE KEY AVERAGES. AT THE CLOSING THE DOW GAINED 15 POINTS TO 13,307. THE S&P WAS UP 6 POINTS, WHILE THE NASDAQ SURGED A FRACTION OF A POINT. WASHINGTON (AP) NEXT WEEK'S ECONOMIC CALENDAR FEATURES A TWO-DAY MEETING OF FEDERAL RESERVE POLICY-MAKERS. ANALYSTS SAY THE CHANCES ARE RISING THAT THE CENTRAL BANK WILL TAKE SOME KIND OF ACTION AIMED AT BOOSTING GROWTH. DALLAS (AP) BANKRUPTCY CREDITORS EXPECT THE PARENT COMPANY OF AMERICAN AIRLINES TO DECIDE BY YEAR-END WHETHER TO MERGE WITH ANOTHER AIRLINE OR REMAIN AN INDEPENDENT COMPANY. THAT VIEWPOINT CONTAINED IN A FOOTNOTE TO A BANKRUPTCY COURT FILING. AMR CORPORATION FILED FOR BANKRUPTCY PROTECTION IN NOVEMBER. NEW YORK (AP) THE PRICE OF CRUDE OIL IS NOW JUST A FEW DOLLARS SHORT OF \$100 A BARREL. BENCHMARK CRUDE ROSE 89 CENTS TO SETTLE FRIDAY AT \$96.42 A BARREL. TODAY IN HISTORY TODAY IS SUNDAY, SEPT. 9, THE 253RD DAY OF 2012. THERE ARE 113 DAYS LEFT IN THE YEAR. TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT IN HISTORY: ON SEPT. 9, 1543, MARY STUART WAS CROWNED QUEEN OF SCOTS AT STIRLING CASTLE, NINE MONTHS AFTER SHE WAS BORN. ON THIS DATE: IN 1776, THE SECOND CONTINENTAL CONGRESS MADE THE TERM "UNITED STATES" OFFICIAL, REPLACING "UNITED COLONIES." IN 1830, CHARLES DURANT FLEW A BALLOON FROM NEW YORK CITY ACROSS THE HUDSON RIVER TO PERTH AMBOY, N.J. IN 1850, CALIFORNIA BECAME THE 31ST STATE OF THE UNION. IN 1919, SOME 1,100 MEMBERS OF BOSTON'S 1,500-MAN POLICE FORCE WENT ON STRIKE. (THE STRIKE WAS BROKEN BY MASSACHUSETTS GOV. CALVIN COOLIDGE WITH REPLACEMENT OFFICERS.) IN 1926, THE NATIONAL BROADCASTING CO. (NBC) WAS INCORPORATED BY THE RADIO CORP. OF AMERICA. IN 1932, THE STEAMBOAT OBSERVATION EXPLODED IN NEW YORK'S EAST RIVER, KILLING 72 PEOPLE. IN 1948, THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA (NORTH KOREA) WAS DECLARED. IN 1957, PRESIDENT DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER SIGNED THE FIRST CIVIL RIGHTS BILL TO PASS CONGRESS SINCE RECONSTRUCTION. IN 1971, PRISONERS SEIZED CONTROL OF THE MAXIMUM-SECURITY ATTICA CORRECTIONAL FACILITY NEAR BUFFALO, N.Y., BEGINNING A SIEGE THAT ENDED UP CLAIMING 43 LIVES. IN 1976, COMMUNIST CHINESE LEADER MAO ZEDONG DIED IN BEIJING AT AGE 82. IN 1986, FRANK REED, DIRECTOR OF A PRIVATE SCHOOL IN LEBANON, WAS TAKEN HOSTAGE; HE WAS RELEASED 44 MONTHS LATER. IN 1997, SINN FEIN (SHIN FAYN), THE IRA'S POLITICAL ALLY,

FORMALLY RENOUNCED VIOLENCE AS IT TOOK ITS PLACE IN TALKS ON NORTHERN IRELANDS FUTURE. ACTOR BURGESS MEREDITH DIED IN MALIBU,

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CALIF. AT AGE 89. TEN YEARS AGO: FORMER APOLLO 11 ASTRONAUT EDWIN "BUZZ" ALDRIN WAS CONFRONTED OUTSIDE THE LUXE HOTEL IN BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF., CONSPIRACY THEORIST BART SIBREL, WHO DEMANDED THAT ALDRIN SWEAR ON A BIBLE THAT HE'D ACTUALLY BEEN TO THE MOON; ALDRIN ENDED UP PUNCHING SIBREL IN THE JAW. IRAQ CHALLENGED THE UNITED STATES TO PRODUCE ' 'ONE PIECE OF EVIDENCE" THAT IT WAS PRODUCING WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION. AN EXPRESS TRAIN TRAVELING FROM CALCUTTA TO NEW DELHI. INDIA, DERAILED, KILLING AT LEAST 130 PEOPLE. FIVE YEARS AGO: SEEMINGLY TAUNTING OSAMA BIN LADEN, PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH'S HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISER, FRANCES FRAGOS TOWNSEND SAID IN SUNDAY TALK-SHOW APPEARANCES THAT THE FUGITIVE AL-QAIDA LEADER WAS "VIRTUALLY IMPOTENT" BEYOND HIS ABILITY TO HIDE AWAY AND SPREAD ANTI-AMERICAN PROPAGANDA. ROGER FEDERER BEAT NOVAK DJOKOVIC 7-6 (4), 7-6 (2), 6-4 TO WIN HIS FOURTH STRAIGHT U.S. OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP, BRITNEY SPEARS PERFORMED HER NEW SINGLE "GIMME MORE" IN A MUCH-CRITICIZED COMEBACK ATTEMPT AT THE MTV VIDEO MUSIC **AWARDS** IN LAS VEGAS. ONE YEAR AGO: NEW YORKERS AND WASHINGTONIANS SHRUGGED OFF TALK OF A NEW TERROR THREAT AS INTELLIGENCE OFFICIALS SCRAMBLED TO NAIL DOWN INFORMATION ON A POSSIBLE AL-QAIDA STRIKE TIMED TO COINCIDE WITH THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11. PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA, SPEAKING IN RICHMOND, VA., URGED AMERICANS TO PRESSURE THEIR LAWMAKERS TO PASS HIS \$447 BILLION JOBS PLAN. TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: ACTRESS SYLVIA MILES IS 78. ACTOR TOPOL IS 77. RHYTHM-AND-BLUES SINGER LUTHER SIMMONS IS 70. SINGER INEZ FOXX IS 70. SINGER DEE DEE SHARP IS 67. ROCK SINGER-MUSICIAN DOUG INGLE 66. COUNTRY SINGER FREDDY WELLER IS 65. COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAMER AND FORMER NFL PLAYER JOE THEISMANN IS 63. ROCK MUSICIAN JOHN MCFEE (THE DOOBIE BROTHERS) IS 62. ACTOR TOM WOPAT IS 61. ACTRESS ANGELA CARTWRIGHT IS 60. MUSICIAN-PRODUCER DAVE STEWART IS 60. ACTOR HUGH GRANT IS 52, ACTOR-COMEDIAN CHIP ESTEN IS 47, ACTRESS CONSTANCE MARIE IS 47, ACTOR DAVID BENNENT IS 46, ACTOR ADAM SANDLER IS 46. ROCK SINGER PAUL DURHAM (BLACK LAB) IS 44. MODEL RACHEL HUNTER IS 43. ACTOR ERIC STONESTREET IS 41. ACTOR GORAN VISNJIC (VEEZ' -NIHCH) IS 40. POP-JAZZ SINGER MICHAEL BUBLE' (BOO-BLAY') IS 37. COUNTRY SINGER JOEY MARTIN (JOEY + RORY) IS 37. LATIN SINGER MARIA RITA 35. ACTRESS MICHELLE WILLIAMS IS 32. ACTRESS JULIE GONZALO IS 31. COUNTRY SINGER-SONGWRITER HUNTER HAYES IS 20. THOUGHT FOR TODAY: THERE ARE TWO GREAT DAYS IN A PERSON'S LIFE - THE DAY WE ARE BORN AND THE DAY WE DISCOVER WHY." WILLIAM BARCLAY, SCOTTISH THEOLOGIAN (1907-1978). ENTERTAINMENT HISTORY

ON SEPT. 9, 1950, "THE HANK MCCUNE SHOW" BECAME THE FIRST TV

IN 1956, ELVIS PRESLEY MADE HIS FIRST OF THREE APPEARANCES ON THE "ED SULLIVAN SHOW." HE SANG "LOVE ME TENDER," "HOUND DOG,"

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SHOW TO FEATURE A LAUGH TRACK.

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'DON'T BE CRUEL" AND "READY TEDDY." IN 1972, MILES DAVIS PREMIERED HIS NEW NINE-PIECE BAND IN NEW YORK, UNLIKE OTHER BANDS DAVIS HAD FORMED, THIS ONE WAS COMPRISED OF MOSTLY UNKNOWN MUSICIANS. MOSTLY UNKNOWN MUSICIANS. IN 1973, TODD RUNDGREN RECORDED THE VOICES OF 1,000 FANS IN SAN FRANCISCO FOR THE LEFT TRACK OF HIS SONG "SONS OF 1984." HE HAD RECORDED OVER 5,000 FANS IN NEW YORK FOR THE RIGHT TRACK. IN 1982, SINGERS AL GREEN AND PATTI LABELLE MADE THEIR BROADWAY DEBUTS'IN THE GOSPEL-INSPIRED STAGE MUSICAL "YOUR ARM'S TOO SHORT. TO BOX WITH GOD." IN 1995, SINGER CHYNNA PHILLIPS OF WILSON PHILLIPS MARRIED ACTOR WILLIAM BALDWIN. IN 1996, BLUEGRASS LEGEND BILL MONROE DIED IN SPRINGFIELD, TENNESSEE, AT THE AGE OF 84. ALSO IN 1996, SINGER TOM PETTY'S WIFE, JANE, FILED FOR LEGAL SEPARATION AFTER 22 YEARS OF MARRIAGE, CITING "IRRECONCILABLE DIFFERENCES." IN 1997, ACTOR BURGESS MEREDITH DIED AFTER SUFFERING FROM MELANOMA AND ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE. HE WAS 89. IN 2008, NOEL GALLAGHER OF OASIS WAS INJURED WHEN A MAN RAN ON STAGE AT THEIR CONCERT IN TORONTO AND SHOVED GALLAGHER INTO A SPEAKER.

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Syria

The Times (conservative)

The Times: "Syria is a human tragedy. And we just watch: The international community failed to stop the bloodshed, now it is ignoring the consequences" – page 20 commentary by Valerie Amos, UN Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs: "The international community, which has failed to stop the bloodshed, is also now failing to address its consequences. Millions of Syrians are left alone to face their plight. As the violence escalates and winter approaches, the situation will only worsen. Faced with this human tragedy, we must do more. The international community must use its power to pressure the parties involved in the fighting to stop the violence, abide by their obligations under international humanitarian law and allow aid to be delivered safely and free from interference. It must also be made clear that there will be no impunity for war crimes, crimes against humanity and other gross violations of human rights.... The international community must also increase its support for relief efforts and for Syria's neighbours.... Finally, neighbouring countries, regional powers and the members of the Security Council must do more to promote peace and

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protect the civilian population. The UN was set up, as the very first sentence of its charter says, to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war. Today we are failing the people of Syria. For thousands it is already too late. It is time to stand by the Syrian people and to put their safety, human rights and dignity first."

The Times: "Foreign rebels target Assad" – report page 27: "A militant group based in Jordan vowed yesterday to launch deadly attacks against Syria's regime, as the United Nations' new peace envoy began his first visit to the region."

Daily Telegraph (conservative)

Daily Telegraph: "Aleppo raided as US talks with Russia stall" – short item under the world bulletin column page 18: "After talks with Russia stalled in Vladivostok, Hillary Clinton...said: 'We haven't seen eye-to-eye on Syria. We will work with likeminded states to support the opposition to hasten the day when Assad falls."

Afghanistan

The Times (conservative)

The Times: "Taleban 'ready to drop al-Qaeda and talk" — report page 8: "The Taleban leadership is prepared to negotiate a ceasefire with Western forces and renounce its past links with al-Qaeda in exchange for a stake in Afghanistan's political future, senior figures within the militant group claim. In a paper released by the Royal United Services Institute, a British think-tank, four unnamed former and present Taleban leadership figures claim that an emerging consensus is 'far more pragmatic' than previously made public."

The Guardian (left-of-center)

The Guardian: "Taliban leaders 'ready for ceasefire' report finds" – report page 14: "Some senior Taliban figures are ready to negotiate a ceasefire and might be ready to accept a long-term US military presence in Afghanistan as part of a comprehensive peace deal, according to a report to be published today based on interviews with Taliban officials and negotiators. The report, by the Royal United Services Institute, finds that the Taliban is determined to make a decisive break with al-Qaida as part of a settlement and is open to negotiation about education for girls. But it is adamantly opposed to the constitution which is sees as a prop for President Hamid Karzai's government."

Daily Telegraph (conservative)

Daily Telegraph: "Give us power and US can stay, says Taliban" – report page 16: "According to the report, the Taliban representatives believe there is 'no natural enmity' with the Americans, and that they would be prepared to accept a long-term US military presence in the country if it helped Afghan security."

Eurozone

The Times (conservative)

The Times: "Stay and lead or quit the euro, Soros tells Germany" — report page 37: "Germany has been told by George Soros to lead the eurozone out of crisis or leave altogether as Berlin waits for a crucial court decision on Wednesday that could make or break the single currency's bailout fund.... He issued his challenge as Angela Merkel prepared for the verdict of the German Constitutional Court on whether the European Stability Mechanism, Europe's permanent bailout fund, is legal under German law. A negative verdict would revive fears for the future of the European single currency area after it enjoyed a dramatic fillip last week thanks to the European Central Bank's pledge to buy unlimited amounts of struggling nations' medium-term bonds, under certain conditions."

The Guardian (left-of-center)

The Guardian: "Consigned to serfdom for the sake of the euro: The proposed rescue fund for Europe not only breaches German law and EU treaties but could condemn a generation" – page 26 commentary by lawyer Dr Gunnar Beck: "The German government has defended the ESM treaty, claiming it would fix Germany's maximum liability at €190bn, and that the Bundestag would retain control over the grant of further assistance. Either German politicians have not read the treaty they have signed, or they do not understand its small print, for there is little in the document that supports their interpretation. Because the ESM is plainly unlawful.... The ESM is not only patently in breach of the German constitution,

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It also violates every relevant provision of the EU treaties. Article 123 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU)...forbids the use of the printing press to bankroll governments and public authorities, makes it unlawful for them to borrow from the ECB or the national central banks, and expressly prohibits the sale of government bonds to the ECB.... If implemented, the ESM will reverse the greatest 19th-century political achievement in Europe: the transfer of the power to determine taxation and expenditure from unaccountable monarchical governments to formally accountable parliaments. The eurocratic transformation will have taken place through systematic disregard by the EU institutions and its member states of practically all legal and constitutional safeguards put in place to prevent precisely the disaster that has befallen the eurozone now."

Daily Telegraph (conservative)

Daily Telegraph: "Soros points finger at Germany" – report page 33: "Meanwhile, Italy's prime minister, Mario Monti, said he would not accept additional conditions being attached to any support from ECB bond-buying beyond those already agreed. The news came as Michel Barnier, the EU financial services commissioner, prepares to unveil plans this week for a single banking watchdog for Europe."

Daily Telegraph: "There's lots more drama to come as far as the euro crisis is concerned" - page 34 commentary by Roger Bootle, managing director of Capital Economics: "I have always thought that the biggest threat to the euro from a Greek exit was not financial contagion but rather that it would succeed in restoring decent economic growth. Imagine then the political situation in Spain and Italy, still forced to gulp down Mrs Merkel's medicine. That prospect, if not the Greek exit, is still some way off. This week there are a couple more immediate obstacles to overcome. On Wednesday, the German Constitutional Court will pronounce whether the euro bail-out fund is legal. It will probably rule in favour but you cannot exclude a fudge or a deferral, which would make matters difficult. On the same day, the Dutch will hold an election in which the euro will figure large. In the background, the Bundesbank broods and fumes. Its president, Jens Weldmann, has not resigned but he yet might. After the E CB decision, the Bundesbank took the very unusual step of issuing a statement making clear its displeasure and anxiety. It is far from all over. So, no refunds, no apologies and no capitulations. Indeed, I rather suspect that the euro crisis is about to get interesting."

Global Economy

The Times (conservative)

The Times: "Our leaders are following the Micawber Plan: Whether it is America, Britain or Europe, governments are simply hoping that something will turn up" – page 19 commentary by columnist Bill Emmott: "There is...one thing to note: a striking sort of unity among Western governments. None of them knows what to do. All are following the great Micawber's principle hoping that something will turn up.... Like our governments, we can and probably should hope that recovery will come of its own accord: But this autumn, the main thing we are going to have to do is to watch for signals of whether problems are being resolved or getting worse. These include whether the eurozone finally makes up its mind what to do about Greece; whether politics in big debtor nations, such as Italy where elections are imminent, turn dramatically against the euro; whether countries with ultra-cheap government borrowing costs, including Britain and Germany, show signs of untightening their fiscal belts to support demand, or at least stop if falling further; and whether the US election in November produces not just the less important and unlikely outcome of a decisive president, but something more vital, namely a Congress capable of taking decisions. Fingers crossed."

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