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Traffic streams by the Irbil Citadel, a World Heritage site in the center of the capital of Iraqi Kurdistan that until recently was billed as the world's oldest inhabited structure. Its residents were recently moved out to make way for renovations to encourage tourism.

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US launches airstrikes near Iraq's Haditha Dam

By LOLITA C. BALDOR
The Associated Press

TBILISI, Georgia — The U.S. military said Sunday it launched airstrikes around Haditha Dam in western Iraq, targeting Islamic State insurgents there for the first time in a move to prevent the group from capturing the vital dam.

The strikes represented a broadening of the U.S. campaign against the Islamic State militants, moving the military operations closer to the

border of Syria, where the group also has been operating. Speaking in Georgia, where he's meeting with government and defense officials, U.S. Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel said that if the dam were to fall into the militants' hands, "or if that dam would be destroyed, the damage that that would cause would be very significant and it would put a significant additional and big risk into the mix in Iraq," including U.S. interests there.

At the same time, however, Hagel rejected the suggestion that the Haditha strikes opened up a new front in the war against the Islamic State or that it represented an escalation of the U.S. military operations.

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In place of 'boots on the ground,' US seeks contractors for Iraq

By SETH ROBSON
Stars and Stripes

Wary of putting combat troops in Iraq, the U.S. government is gauging contractors' interest in advising the Iraqi Defense Ministry and Counter Terrorism Service in a range of capacities, including force development, logistics and planning and operations.

The U.S. Army Contracting Command posted a notice last month seeking contractors willing to work on an initial 12-month contract, who should be "cognizant of the goals of reducing tensions between Arabs and Kurds, and Sunni and Shias."

They would focus on administration, force development, procurement and acquisition,

contracting, training management, public affairs, logistics, personnel management, professional development, communications, planning and operations, infrastructure management, intelligence and executive development, the notice stated.

Those services "fall within the existing mission" of the Office of Security Assistance-Iraq,

"which is to help build institutional capacity of Iraq's security ministries," Defense Department spokesman Cmdr. Bill Speaks said in an email.

The rapid advance of Islamic State militants in Iraq in recent months has spurred the deployment of almost 1,000 American troops to protect U.S. diplomatic

facilities in Iraq's capital, Baghdad, and the northern city of Irbil, in the semi-autonomous Kurdistan region.

Nearly 100 additional service-members are there as advisers with the Office of Security Assistance-Iraq, and civilian advisers may not be far behind.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Nobody has died. The public should remain calm."

— Japan Health Minister Yasuhisa Shiozaki, after popular Yoyogi Park in Tokyo was closed down temporarily because dozens of cases of dengue fever were contracted by people who visited the area

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MILITARY

New barracks at JBER offer troops modern amenities

By TEGAN HANLON (Anchorage) Alaska Dispatch News

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Spc. Kyle Kimmy, 23, has a bedroom on Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson equipped with Internet and cable. With one other soldier, he shares a kitchen, a dining room table, a washing machine and a dryer. Their water runs both hot and cold.

The linoleum-floored space looks like a cross between a hotel suite and a college dormitory. The soldier from Houston said it's a step up from the base's temporary barracks, where he lived for two years, and countless steps above the places he slept while deployed to Afghanistan, where showers ran cold if they ran at all.

"I think this water tank is limitless," Kimmy said, standing in the room where he moved two months ago. "I have yet to have it run out of warm water."

Not all single men and women on the base — called "unaccompanied personnel" in military-speak — live in modern quarters like Kimmy. Hundreds are sprinkled throughout dated barracks built in the 1950s, where some latrines are shared and hallways dark. Others are assigned to small, single-story buildings with red roofs that were erected as temporary dwellings.

By next summer, that should change, said Jim Hart, base spokesman.

The Army Corps of Engineers is working on the final new barracks as part of a decadalong upgrade to

meet federal standards enacted in 1995 by the Secretary of Defense. The "one plus one" module requires barracks for single personnel to resemble "small efficiency apartments." That means two bedrooms with a bathroom, closets and a kitchenette, according to a 1995 statement from the U.S. Department of Defense.

'I think this water tank is limitless. I have yet to have it run out of warm water.'

Spc. Kyle Kimmy, resident of new barracks at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson

get these guys a quality of life that is at least in line with what they would experience on the outside," Hart said.

The newest and largest barracks on the Richardson side of the base will cost \$56 million to construct and will accommodate 480 soldiers, said Chris Morgan, with the Army Corps of Engineers.

He said the corps hired the Kiewit Building Group to com-



PHOTOS BY MARC LESTER, (ANCHORAGE) ALASKA DISPATCH NEWS/AP

A soldier walks by one of the new barracks at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson in Anchorage, Alaska.



Army Spc. Kyle Kimmy lives in one of the new barracks, which feature private bedrooms and a kitchen shared with just one soldier.

plete the construction.

Each soldier will get his or her own room with a walk-in closet. The two bedrooms will connect to one common area with a refrigerator, stove top, sink, bathroom and coat rack. Four old barracks were demolished to make way for the 186,000-square-foot facility, Morgan said.

Once it's opened, all soldiers remaining in older or temporary barracks will move in, said Lt. Col. John Lantz, the 673rd Civil Engineer Squadron commander.

Just how many soldiers will be left in 2015 to move in remains up to the government. Housing arrangements are constantly shifting with deployments, and Army

Alaska has announced it anticipates troop reductions.

The base has said it will lose 780 soldiers by September 2015, with more drastic cuts anticipated in later years as the service shrinks.

Lantz said forecasting the Army's growth or decline when it comes to creating housing is difficult. "That crystal ball is tough to read," he said.

For now, as of Thursday 1,799 soldiers called the barracks home, and all will live — with a little room to grow — in a remodeled building by next year.

"I was actually expecting it'd be a little bit worse, but this happens to be pretty good," Kimmy said.

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Delivery of Stars and Stripes to South Korea might be late on Monday and Tuesday because of the Korean Chuseok Holiday.

US soldier based in Italy killed in accident

VICENZA, Italy — A Vicenza, Italy-based U.S. soldier was killed Saturday in an off-post motorcycle accident, according to the garrison.

The soldier was not identified,

and other information about the death was unavailable.

U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza announced the death on its website about 11 a.m. Saturday with a post from Col. Robert Menist, garrison commander.

"Please be respectful of the soldier's family and friends and

refrain from discussions or speculation while next of kin notifications are made in the U.S. and the investigation is completed," Menist's post said.

A memorial service was being scheduled, the post said.

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MILITARY

S. Korean ex-prostitutes face eviction at base

By JOYCE LEE

The Associated Press

PYEONGTAEK, South Korea — More than 70 aging women live in a squalid neighborhood between the rear gate of the U.S. Army garrison here and half a dozen seedy nightclubs. Near the front gate, glossy illustrations posted in real estate offices show the dream homes that may one day replace their one-room shacks.

They once worked as prostitutes for American soldiers in this “camptown” near Camp Humphreys, and they’ve stayed because they have nowhere else to go. Now, the women are being forced out of the Anjeong-ri neighborhood by developers and landlords eager to build on prime real estate around the soon-to-be-expanded garrison.

“My landlord wants me to

leave, but my legs hurt, I can’t walk, and South Korean real estate is too expensive,” said Cho Myung-ja, 75, a former prostitute who receives monthly court eviction notices at her home, which she has rarely left during the past five years because of leg pain.

“I feel like I’m suffocating,” she said.

Plagued by disease, poverty and stigma, the women have little to no support from the public or the government.

Their fate contrasts greatly with a group of Korean women forced into sexual slavery by Japanese troops during World War II. Those so-called “comfort women” receive government assistance under a special law, and large crowds demanding that Japan compensate and apologize to the women attend weekly rallies outside the Japanese Embassy.

While the camptown women get

social welfare, there’s no similar law for special funds to help them, according to two Pyeongtaek city officials who refused to be named because of office rules. Many people in South Korea don’t even know about the camptown women.

In the decades following the devastation of the 1950-53 Korean War, South Korea was a poor dictatorship deeply dependent on the U.S. military. Analysts say the South Korean government saw the women as necessary for the thousands of U.S. soldiers stationed in the South. Some of the women went to the camps voluntarily; others were brought by pimps.

In 1962, the government formalized the camptowns as “special tourism districts” with legalized prostitution. That year, some 20,000 registered prostitutes worked in nearly 100 camptowns, and many more were unregistered.

The women who became prostitutes saw few other options, but the work made them social pariahs, unable to live or work anywhere else, said Park Kyung-soo, secretary general of the National Campaign for the Eradication of Crimes against Korean Civilians, a group that tries to uncover and monitor alleged U.S. military crimes against South Koreans.

Pockets of former camptown women exist throughout South Korea. Now in their 60s, 70s and 80s, the women of Anjeong-ri mostly live alone in tiny homes, struggling to pay for food and rent on a monthly government stipend of 300,000 to 400,000 won (\$300 to \$400).

Activists say most of the women are in danger of losing their homes.

“I’m so worried that I can’t sleep,” said a camptown woman who will give only her surname,

Kim, because she’s ashamed of her past. The 75-year-old’s landlords have told her she has a month to leave, and she looks nearly every day for a new home.

The camptown women’s predicament began when Washington and Seoul agreed in 2004 to relocate the sprawling Yongsan U.S. base, which takes up 620 acres of prime real estate in the center of wealthy Seoul, to the base in Pyeongtaek, 45 miles from the capital. The deadline, originally set for 2012, is now tentatively 2016.

At the end of the move, Camp Humphreys will have tripled in size and will house more than 36,000 people, including troops, their family members and civilian staff. Investors are eyeing the Pyeongtaek land in anticipation of homes for U.S. military personnel and their families that will cater to the new flood of people and wealth.



PHOTOS BY JAMES KIMBER/Stars and Stripes

Japan jump

Okinawa’s Airborne soldiers took part in Yokota Air Base’s Friendship Festival by jumping from a C-130 Hercules during the weekend. The jump was part of a scheduled joint training between the U.S. Army’s 1st Battalion 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne) from Torii Station, Okinawa, and Yokota’s 374th Airlift Wing. The training coincided with the festival.

According to air base officials, more than 175,000 guests visited during the two-day event. Several thousand people watched the 13 paratroops jump from two C-130 Hercules aircraft and safely land at the base. The soldiers also trained with Air Force personnel at Camp Fuji in Shizuoka, Japan, and climbed Mount Fuji as part of a “long-range mountain movement” exercise.

See a photo gallery of the parachute exercise stripes.com/go/okinawaairborne



Top: Soldiers from 1st Battalion 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne) jump from a C-130 Hercules on Saturday.

Above: U.S. Army Sgt. Eric Walker waits to board a plane before Saturday’s jump.

Left: Sgt. Preston Yates helps another soldier adjust the harness for his MC-6 parachute.



Army: Surveillance balloons over Md. will not use video cameras

By CRAIG TIMBERG

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Army has ruled out installing high-powered video cameras on a pair of blimp-like surveillance aircraft that will start hovering soon above suburban Baltimore for a three-year exercise, a military official said.

The announcement comes after news reports and pressure from privacy groups, which raised concerns about those living and traveling under the gaze of the aircraft. The Electronic Privacy Information Center sued to force the release of documents related to the aircraft after the Army failed to provide a timely reply to a Freedom of Information Act request.

The Army and Raytheon — the developer of the JLENS, short for Joint Land Attack Cruise Missile Defense Elevated Netted Sensor System — declined to tell The Washington Post in January what video and infrared equipment the surveillance system would carry.

The Army would not rule out using a particularly powerful suite of Raytheon surveillance gear that the company tested on a JLENS in Utah a year earlier and was capable of spotting “trucks, trains and cars from dozens of miles away,” according to a Raytheon news release in 2013. The Army also declined in January to rule out sharing video or other information feeds produced by JLENS with federal, state or local law enforcement officials.

Army documents from 2009 — released to the Electronic Privacy Information Center last month on the order of a federal district court — showed that the JLENS was once designed to

carry video and infrared equipment capable of spotting objects from at least 3.1 miles away and distinguishing between vehicles and humans.

Last week, however, after The Post reported that documents released to the Electronic Privacy Information Center showed a requirement for video and infrared capacity, the Army said that the requirement subsequently had been dropped. Maj. Beth Smith, a spokeswoman for the North American Aerospace Defense Command, said that the JLENS due for deployment on land owned by Aberdeen Proving Ground will “absolutely, 100 percent” not include video capacity.

Smith said the 2009 documents released to the Electronic Privacy Information Center were outdated and that documents from later years — which also will be released to the privacy group during the next several weeks — would show the changes in requirements for the JLENS.

She also said that the Army’s plans for the exercise in suburban Baltimore had grown more concrete since January, when other officials expressed uncertainty about plans for its surveillance capabilities.

“There was a lot of ambiguity back then,” Smith said. “Now the thing is on its way.”

Construction has begun for the JLENS base stations, which will be near Interstate 95, about 45 miles northeast of Washington.

Marc Rotenberg, president and executive director of the Electronic Privacy Information Center, said, “It may be the case that the Department of the Army is now backing off its original plan based on the public disclosure.”

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Contractors: Analyst says public makes distinction between GIs and paid operators

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President Barack Obama last month authorized airstrikes against Islamic State militants, who have overrun large swathes of Iraq, when their advances threatened U.S. personnel in Baghdad and Irbil. But he has ruled out deploying ground combat units to Iraq less than three years after bringing the last of U.S. forces home from there.

Analysts say hiring contractors is a way to avoid deploying such forces.

David Johnson, a former Army lieutenant colonel who is executive director of the Center for Advanced Defense Studies in Washington, said contractors aren't considered "boots on the ground" in conflict zones.

"The government always seeks to minimize boots on the ground to reduce domestic political risk," he said in an email. "The American people and media do not consider a paid contractor to represent them in the same way that they do a soldier."

Using contractors, who, most studies show, are cheaper than soldiers, trims the official presence and still accomplishes the logistical and security objectives, he said.

Defense contractors have plenty of experience in Iraq. During the U.S. occupation, thousands of armed security contractors and support personnel worked alongside foreign and Iraqi troops to help stabilize the country.

Allison Stanger, a professor of international politics and economics at Middlebury College and author of a book on wartime contracting, said new Pentagon contracts for Iraq differ from security contractors hired by the State Department, which is seeking support "for a diplomatic mission, not a military one."

"When the Pentagon does the



MARCO DROBNIAKOVIC/AP

A Kurdish peshmerga fighter waves a Kurdish flag near Makhmour, Iraq, on Saturday. The U.S. and nine key allies agreed Friday that the Islamic State militants the peshmerga have been battling constitute a significant threat to NATO countries that demands a response.

same, it is another matter," said Stanger, author of "One Nation Under Contract: The Outsourcing of American Power and Future of Foreign Policy." "In the era of contractors wars, there are many ways to avoid putting boots on the ground, while committing significant U.S. resources and actually being very much militarily involved."

Michael O'Hanlon, of the Brookings Institution, said the U.S. government has employed as many contractors as it has deployed troops in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"As the political premium seems always to be placed on how many troops we have abroad, the pressure to have contractors do as much as possible only grows," he said in an email.

Incidents such as the killing of civilians by Blackwater employees in Baghdad in 2007 remind policymakers of the dangers of having contractors as trigger

pullers, but the pressure to minimize troop deployments means the ratio of contractors to troops may increase, he said.

Contractors are carrying a greater share of the load in Afghanistan these days as well. The U.S. plans to reduce the number of troops deployed there to fewer than 10,000 by year's end but, according to a Congressional Research Service report, the number of contractors in Afghanistan ballooned to 108,000 last March at a time when 65,700 U.S. troops were there.

Johnson said vast numbers of contractors would likely remain in Afghanistan as troop levels declined. The contractors provide services that local nationals wouldn't be able to sustain in a mostly impoverished, illiterate country, he said.

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Obama soon to offer strategy on Islamic State

BY DARLENE SUPERVILLE
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama will begin laying out a strategy this week to defeat Islamic State militants in the Middle East, meeting with congressional leaders Tuesday and giving a speech on Wednesday, the eve of the 13th anniversary of the deadliest terrorist attack on U.S. soil.

Obama disclosed his plans during an interview broadcast Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press."

"I just want the American people to understand the nature of the threat and how we're going to deal with it and to have confidence that we'll be able to deal with it," he said in the interview conducted Saturday at the White House shortly after his return from a NATO summit in Wales where the Islamic State threat was a key topic of discussion.

Obama restated his opposition to sending U.S. ground troops to engage in direct combat with the militants, who have laid claim to large swaths of territory in Iraq, targeted religious and ethnic minority groups, and threatened U.S. personnel and interests in the region.

At Obama's direction, the U.S. military has conducted more than 130 airstrikes against Islamic State militants in Iraq in the past month. In retaliation, the group recently beheaded two American journalists it had been holding hostage in Syria, where the orga-

nization also operates.

Lawmakers have pressed Obama to expand the airstrikes into Syria. He has resisted so far, but said he has asked his military advisers for options for pursuing the group there.

In the interview, Obama said the U.S. would not go after the Islamic State group alone, but would operate as part of an international coalition and continue airstrikes to support ground efforts that would be carried out by Iraqi and Kurdish troops.

At the NATO summit, the U.S. and nine allies agreed to take on the militants because of the threat they pose to member countries.

"Clearly, he's put together a coalition of the willing — we have heard that before — to tackle this problem. That's good," said Republican Rep. Mike Rogers, chairman of the House Intelligence Committee.

At the same time, the president "needs to engage Congress, the American people, on what exactly we're going to do here," said Rogers.

Democratic Sen. Dianne Feinstein wants to hear what the diplomatic and military parts of Obama's plan are.

"Time's a wasting, because we have now said that we're going to go on the offensive. And it's time for America to project power and strength," said Feinstein, who heads the Senate Intelligence Committee and joined Rogers on CNN's "State of the Union."

Airstrikes: US acts to keep militants from vital dam still controlled by Iraqis

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He spoke at a press conference with Georgia Defense Minister Irakli Alasania.

Alasania, meanwhile, said Georgia expects to provide some assistance in the campaign against the Islamic State, saying that training and carrying out military exercises with the Iraqi forces are "things that come to our mind." He said Georgia can play a supporting role and there

are plans to discuss the matter further.

U.S. officials said that while the Anbar province dam remains in the control of the Iraqis, the U.S. offensive was an effort to beat back militants who have been trying to take over key dams across the country, including the Haditha complex. Hagel said the Iraqi government had asked the U.S. to launch the airstrikes and that Iraqi forces on the ground conceived the operation.

Anbar has for some time been a contested region between Iraqi forces and Islamic State militants backed by allied Sunni tribes. The situation deteriorated significantly in late December, and the militants took over parts of Ramadi and Fallujah.

The Iraqi government and allied tribes launched an offensive on Jan. 26 to wrest control of the cities back from the militants and sporadic clashes have continued around Fallujah and in some parts

of Ramadi, with only limited success by Iraqi security forces. U.S. airstrikes could greatly boost their hand now.

"The dam is a critically important facility for Iraq," Hagel said, adding that the U.S. is continuing to explore all options for expanding the battle against the Islamic State into Syria.

"We conducted these strikes to prevent terrorists from further threatening the security of the dam, which remains under con-

trol of Iraqi Security Forces, with support from Sunni tribes," Pentagon press secretary Rear Adm. John Kirby said in a statement.

The dam is a major source of water and electrical power.

The military said a mix of fighter and bomber aircraft conducted four airstrikes, destroying five Islamic State Humvees, another armed vehicle, a checkpoint and damaged a militant bunker. The U.S. aircraft safely exited the strike area.



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The park and surrounding souq, or market, are seen from the flanks of the Irbil Citadel in the center of Iraqi Kurdistan's capital, Irbil.

Amid onslaught, an oasis

Iraqi Kurdistan capital continues to thrive despite militant advance

By **SETH ROBSON**

Stars and Stripes

Neon lights up the night. Young people of both genders mingle freely in bars. Shoppers stroll by smart shops offering gleaming new cars and appliances.

The relative normalcy of Irbil, the capital of the thriving Middle Eastern oil hub of Iraqi Kurdistan, seems strange given the proximity of Islamic State militants whose reign of terror has included mass murder, torture and rape in the city of Mosul, less than 50 miles to the south.

Unlike other parts of Iraq plagued by Sunni-Shiite violence since the U.S. invasion in 2003, self-ruled Kurdistan has gone from strength to strength as oil money has flowed into the economy. Kurds have developed infrastructure to support the thriving service, agriculture and tourism sectors.

All this wealth and the tolerance the Kurds are known for are at risk from the Islamic State, which threatens Kurdistan as well as the rest of Iraq.

The advance of the Islamic State to within a 20-minute drive of the city limits last month was a shock to many living here. As the militants approached, foreign workers headed for the airport, leaving heavy trucks, cranes, pipes, drill heads and other oil industry equipment piled up along the sides of a dusty street on the outskirts of town.

"I drove our foreign staff to the airport myself," said San Kaka, 30, a Kurdish coordinator for an oil service firm who is one of the few employees still working in the industrial zone.

There was fear in the eyes of workers from the United States, New Zealand, Canada and Britain as they headed for planes out of

the country, but nobody panicked and local nationals weren't evacuated, Kaka said.

"They (the terrorists) were so close, though — just 20 minutes' drive away — but I never believed they would be here," he said. "That's why I never left."

In recent weeks, Kurdish fighters known as peshmerga, helped by U.S. airstrikes, have pushed the Islamic State further from the city.

The U.S. military support is low key, and it's not clear how many personnel are in Irbil, where the U.S. has a consulate. Locals report that a U.S. flag that flew above a military facility in Irbil was recently taken down. Military flights are often scheduled at night and go unnoticed by most people.

At the U.S. consulate compound — which covers several city blocks and is surrounded by concrete "T-walls" and protected by Iraqi troops — streets and buildings were empty last month because many staff members had evacuated.

Kaka said some foreign oil workers are still in Kurdistan, and that some drill operations never shut down. Other foreign workers were planning to return, but that was delayed after a car bomb went off in Irbil on Aug. 23, he said.

In the meantime, he and the other local employees are keeping an eye on the equipment until things get back to normal. For the Kurds, who are already selling oil independently of the Iraqi government in Baghdad, that can't happen soon enough.

The prosperity of oil

In the south of the region, hulking new irrigation machines water once-barren fields where tongues of orange fire flare from drill sites on the horizon. That Kurdistan has oceans of oil beneath its



Above: Pipes, drill heads and other oil industry equipment are piled up on the outskirts of Irbil.

Left: A handful of shoppers patronize the few open shops in the souq.



fertile farmland is evident from a map in the air-conditioned shed where Kaka works.

The map includes drill sites run by Hunt Oil Co., of Dallas; ExxonMobil Corp., of Irving, Texas; Chevron Corp., of San Ramon, Calif.; Total SA, of France; Repsol YPF SA, of Madrid; Gazprom, of Moscow; and Tawazun Precision Industries, of Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. The sites have security teams, and oil workers often travel in armored cars protected by hired guns. But

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the relative peace and stability in Kurdistan mean vehicle accidents are the biggest risk, according to local security contractors.

The prosperity that oil brings is on display during a drive into town from Irbil's gleaming new airport. Roads that were little more than dirt tracks a decade ago are being turned into four-

lane highways filled with new American cars, especially Dodge Chargers — the well-to-do Kurd's ride of choice. Neighborhoods of adobe huts have been replaced by high-rise condos, shopping malls and luxury hotels.

In Irbil's Ankawa district, store windows display beer, cigarettes, cellphones and mannequins sporting the ripped jeans and form-fitting T-shirts popular with Kurdish youngsters.

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Irbil: Kurdish fighters man checkpoints, insulate residents from violence

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It's easy to spot the displaced people who have crowded into vacant buildings and schools in the neighborhood as they comb through donated clothing and food in front of churches. One displaced child had scored a T-shirt depicting Darius Rucker, lead singer of Hootie and the Blowfish, though he had never heard of the band.

Communal tensions

The influx of tens of thousands of Christians and Yazidis, driven north by the Islamic State militants, has led to communal tensions.

A large bible sits on the desk of Ankawa Mayor Jalal Habeeb Aziz.

He and his staff are struggling to deal with water and power shortages brought on by the influx of 40,000 displaced people into a neighborhood that was home to 35,000 Assyrian Christians. Police don't have time to sort out quarrels among drunken neighbors, he said, explaining his justification for imposing a ban on over-the-counter liquor sales after 8 p.m.

The displaced want to return to their homes in Mosul and on the Nineveh plains, or Kurdistan's southern border, but they need protection, he said.

The longer the displaced stay in Kurdistan, the more tension builds with locals. There have been lines for cooking gas and rising food prices, and there's growing animosity toward Sunni Arabs — the Islamic State's constituency.

Only a small Arab population lives in Kurdistan, but in recent weeks there have been demonstrations by Kurds who want them expelled. Anti-Arab graffiti has appeared on walls around Irbil, and restaurants have put up signs stating that Arabs won't be admitted, Aziz said. However, that does not apply to Christians, whom the Kurds do not perceive as Arabs.

"People are mad," Aziz said. "They say, 'We give you (Arabs) residency and then you bomb us.'"

Kurdish President Massoud Barzani has refused to expel the Arabs, and officials have reminded concerned citizens that records are kept of every Arab resident in Kurdistan, Aziz said.

"Some Arabs here support Daash, but everything is under control," he said, using the local acronym for the Islamic State group. "We aren't going to kick



PHOTOS BY JOSHUA L. DeMOTT/Stars and Stripes

Plenty of gold can be found at the souq in Irbil, in which the prosperity provided by oil is on full display.



A retail worker in the Ankawa district takes a smoke break next to mannequins in a clothing shop.

them out, unless they are here illegally."

Tourism is Kurdistan's other big industry after oil. The region is famous throughout the Middle East for snow-capped mountains, waterfalls and picnic spots.

The Irbil Citadel — a World Heritage site in the center of the city — has protected its inhabitants for millennia and, until re-

cently, was billed as the planet's oldest inhabited structure. Its residents were recently moved out to make way for renovations that appear aimed at creating a tourist site to rival the Acropolis.

A souq, or market, at the base of the citadel buzzes with shoppers, and street musicians entertain tourists in a park filled with fountains.

One of those browsing the merchandise there recently was Zahraa Nadhim, a Shiite who moved to Irbil from Baghdad with her family a few years ago. Dressed in a black singlet and jeans, the office administrator wouldn't look out of place in a U.S. shopping mall, although there are plenty of more modest female shoppers in Irbil who prefer a headscarf and full-length dress.

A sense of safety

Nadhim said she was a little upset when the Islamic State got close and foreign workers from her company started leaving.

"They didn't have an evacuation plan for us locals, but I knew it was

ago to start a business. "Irbil is safer than Detroit," he said. "It's a fact."

The city's Christian and Muslim communities are tolerant of their differences, he said. "People who don't drink respect my right to drink," he said. "We don't have that in other parts of Iraq, where they have become more religious and extremist. Here, people are more open."

Irbil today is the way all of Iraq was before the U.S. invasion, Matti said.

“The media make it a big deal, but we know they are not going to come here. They were pretty close but they couldn't get in.”

Zahraa Nadhim
Shiite living in Irbil, Iraq

the Shilma Foundation — to help the displaced arriving from the area around Mosul, where most of the Yazidis and Assyrians are from. Why not encourage them to stay in Kurdistan?

"These people aren't rich enough to buy homes here," Matti said. "They come from towns where the average house costs \$25,000, and in Irbil the average is closer to \$150,000."

A better option would be an international force to secure the Nineveh plane, using the Tigris River as a natural barrier against the Sunni extremists, he said. If foreign governments aren't willing to send peacekeepers, the U.S. should at least arm the peshmerga and provide them with air support to do the job, Matti said.

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A liquor store worker unloads cases of beer in the Ankawa district of Irbil, where Christians and Muslims are tolerant of their differences.

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NATION

Congress' task: Act fast on spending, return home

By DONNA CASSATA
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Congress returns to work Monday with a basic task — act fast to keep the government open and then race home to campaign.

After a five-week summer break, lawmakers face a shortened September session with a tight must-do list: pass a temporary spending bill to fund federal departments and agencies through mid-December and extend the freeze on taxing access to the Internet.

Votes also are set on largely futile measures designed to pack a political punch eight weeks before an election that will determine control of Congress.

Wasting no time, the House is scheduled to vote Thursday on the spending bill.

Several lawmakers have clamored for giving President Barack

Obama new authority to use military force against Islamic State militants who have seized parts of Iraq, terrorizing religious minorities and threatening the central government in Baghdad.

The militants beleahated two American journalists in Syria, prompting calls for military airstrikes in that country.

The Obama administration has not indicated that it wants a congressional vote and there is little consensus in Congress on any legislation, or even if it's necessary.

Sen. Jeff Sessions, a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said Obama can use force against the militants in Iraq or Syria based on the military doctrine that if someone "is attacking you or your ally you can respond."

The president ordering airstrikes or taking other military steps without a vote is "within the realm of his power," Sessions, R-

Ala., said in an interview.

Committee hearings and briefings from administration officials will be part of the September agenda. During the week of Sept. 15, Secretary of State John Kerry is set to testify before Congress about the Islamic State threat.

That same week, administration policies will receive further scrutiny as a special House committee investigating the deadly 2012 attack on the U.S. diplomatic mission in Benghazi, Libya, holds its first public hearing.

With an eye toward the midterm elections, House Republicans have scheduled a vote this week on a resolution that condemns Obama for failing to notify Congress in advance about the May swap of Army Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl, held prisoner in Afghanistan for five years, for five Taliban leaders.

The House has scheduled just 12 days in Washington. The Sen-



Vicki Maturro, of Culver City, Calif., protests against the government shutdown outside the federal building in Los Angeles in October 2013. The House is scheduled to vote Thursday on a temporary bill to fund federal departments and agencies through mid-December.

ate plans to stay until Sept. 23. House votes are planned on health care, energy and the economy in political messaging ahead of the Nov. 4 election when the GOP hopes to increase its majority.

In the Senate, Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., is determined to spare his most vulnerable Democrats from Arkansas,

Alaska, North Carolina and Louisiana from tough votes and give them plenty of political fodder for the fall campaign.

Congress also plans hearings on the program that supplies surplus military equipment to local police forces after a white policeman fatally shot an unarmed black 18-year-old, touching off protests in Ferguson, Mo.



DEAN HUMPHREY, THE GRAND JUNCTION DAILY SENTINEL/AP

Republican U.S. Rep. Cory Gardner, right, is challenging Democratic U.S. Sen. Mark Udall, left, for his seat.

Senate debate in Colo. feisty

The Associated Press

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo. — Health care and the partial government shutdown underscored the first debate Saturday between Democratic U.S. Sen. Mark Udall and Republican U.S. Rep. Cory Gardner, who are deadlocked in a pivotal Colorado contest that could determine control of the Senate.

Gardner repeatedly tied Udall to the policies of President Barack Obama, referring to Udall's support for the nation's new health care law and his vote for the 2008 stimulus plan.

"Barack Obama and Mark

Udall have put tremendous pressure on this country," Gardner said.

Udall countered by criticizing Gardner for siding with Republicans during the partial government shutdown in the aftermath of devastating floods in Colorado last year.

"You hurt the people of Colorado. You hurt the recovery," Udall said.

"I can't believe you're politicizing a tragedy," Gardner snapped back.

Gardner has long been considered a rising star in the GOP. Most polls show him tied with Udall.

Latinos, immigration activists infuriated by Obama's delay

By ED O'KEEFE
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — There was nothing mixed or muddled about the reaction.

A long undocumented immigrants and activists working on their behalf, President Barack Obama's decision to wait until after November's elections to make promised changes to immigration policy provoked raw anger.

One group called the president's decision "an affront" to migrant families. Another said Obama had "prioritized politics over reform."

One longtime activist burst into tears when asked how the decision might affect his friends and family.

"The announcement is pretty shameful and once again demonstrates that for Obama, politics comes before Latino lives," said Arturo Carmona, executive director of Presente.org, a Los Angeles-based Latino advocacy group. He said Obama had "raised the hopes of millions of Latinos

across the country by promoting anticipation for an executive action, only to smash them for perceived political gain."

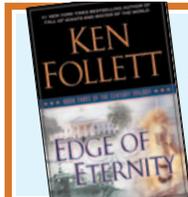
"There's a sense that whenever this community gets close to finally getting some relief — rather than more fear and more deportations and more detentions — that we get sent to the back of the bus," said Frank Sharry, the founder of America's Voice, an immigration advocacy organization that has worked closely with the White House on the issue. "It's never convenient to help out Latinos."

During a campaign appearance Saturday in Chicago, Rep. Luis Guterrez, D-Ill. — a longtime vocal advocate for reform — said Obama had declined to take action before the elections "because not all Democrats stood up and spoke and asked the president of the United States to act swiftly, to act boldly, and act generously."

The activists said their anger was justified, especially since Obama has been promising for more than six years to take significant action on immigration. As a candidate in 2008, Obama

vowed to tackle immigration reform during his first year in office. Just months after moving into the White House, Obama shifted focus instead to health care reform, a decision that infuriated Latino Democratic lawmakers and sparked distrust among longer-serving members that lingers today.

Some activists also faulted Obama for not pushing more aggressively in 2010 for Congress to pass the Dream Act, which would have provided opportunities for young people brought to the U.S. illegally by their parents to seek citizenship. In a December vote, the Senate fell five votes short of advancing the measure, just moments before senators voted to repeal the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy that banned gay men and lesbians from serving in uniform. At the time, many Latino activists privately grumbled that Obama was advancing the interests of the gay community which donates millions of dollars to Democrats — over Latinos, who had turned out in record numbers to vote for Obama.



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NATION

Suspect in 4 deaths caught at Fla. hotel

By TAMARA LUSH AND MICHAEL RUBINKAM
The Associated Press

HUDSON, Fla. — Greg and Margaret Brown, their daughter Megan and her young son moved from Pennsylvania to Florida a few months ago, looking for a fresh start after operating a farm that bred and boarded horses and dogs.

"We are in Hudson Florida for a while," a posting on the farm's Internet site said.

Trouble followed. On Thursday, Pasco County sheriff's deputies checking on the family noticed a bad odor in the area and followed it three-quarters of a mile down the street to a gruesome discovery: the bodies of two men and two women, piled each other in an open field. They had apparently lain unscathed for several days.

The sheriff's office tentatively identified the victims Saturday as Megan Brown, 27; Margaret and Greg Brown, both 52; and another man, Nicholas Leonard.

The Browns' family recently lived in Pennsylvania's Lehigh Valley, as did Adam Matos, 28, whom police are calling the only suspect in the slayings. Matos has not been charged, and he denied any involvement in the killings to



Police arrest Adam Matos, 28, in Tampa, Fla., on Friday.

reporters shortly after authorities caught up with him and Megan Brown's 4-year-old son at a downtown Tampa hotel.

He appeared in Hillsborough County court Saturday on a warrant charge, then was transferred to Pasco County Jail.

Police said Matos — believed to be the boy's father — had been staying with the Browns in a rented home along a canal leading to the Gulf of Mexico in Hudson, located in Pasco County about an hour and a half northwest of downtown Tampa. Both Matos and Megan Brown had gotten jobs at restaurants near the home. Brown worked at a place called The Fisherman's Shack, a wooden building that isn't far from a canal.

"She was a wonderful person," employee Kristin Graham said Saturday. "I didn't know her very well. She did say she had problems with her ex-boyfriend."

Nick Leonard, the other victim in the home, hung out at that bar. He and Brown were friends, Graham said, and he lived in the home. Leonard was from Florida, she added.

Matos worked at a similar establishment. A man answering

the phone at the Get Hooked Almost Waterfront Restaurant and Bar in Hudson said Saturday that Matos had worked there as a dishwasher.

Court records in Pennsylvania show Matos had been arrested numerous times on allegations of harassment, theft, burglary, trespassing, assault and driving under the influence.

He appeared in a Hillsborough County court Saturday on a warrant out of Pasco County, where he was wanted on an aggravated assault charge. That stemmed from an incident on Aug. 28, when Megan Brown called police and said Matos had threatened her with a knife and then fled, Pasco County Sheriff Chris Nocco said.

A week later, police found the bodies and discovered the boy was missing. They began a manhunt for Matos and the boy. They arrested Matos at a hotel in downtown Tampa on Friday morning after officials tricked him into leaving his room at the Florian Palace Hotel, where he'd been staying with the boy.

The boy was unharmed and is in state custody.

Survey: 1 in 5 US women are raped

By CAROLINE CHEN
Bloomberg News

NEW YORK — One in five women in the United States have been raped at some point in their lives, a survey found, and most victims experienced sexual violence before age 25.

The report, released Friday by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, is based on national survey data collected in 2011. The findings were similar to those of a survey a year earlier. More than 12,000 interviews of men and women were conducted in English and Spanish over a year.

More than 19 percent of women and almost 2 percent of men have been raped at one point in their lives, according to the 2011 data, an increase of about 1 percentage point from a year earlier. In addition, 44 percent of women and 23 percent of men said they have experienced other forms of sexual violence in their lives, including unwanted sexual contact and sexual coercion.

"That's down from 20 years ago, but it's still an overwhelming number," said Scott Berkowitz, president of the Washington-based Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network.

Friday's report comes as increased attention has been paid to rape and sexual misconduct, particularly on college campuses.

Students nationwide have held protests about the frequency of sexual violence and how cases have been handled by universities.

The survey found that 79 percent of female rape victims and 71 percent of male victims were first assaulted before they were 25 years old. Incidents of sexual violence in teens and young adults are "often social based, an acquaintance through school or work," Berkowitz said by telephone. "It's very common that one or both were drinking."

The majority of victims of all types of sexual violence knew their perpetrators. About 60 percent of women who experienced alcohol- or drug-facilitated rape were victimized by an acquaintance, the report found.

Universities are failing to address cases sufficiently, said Berkowitz. More than 40 percent of 440 colleges surveyed hadn't investigated a sexual assault in the past five years, according to a July report by Sen. Claire McCaskill, D-Mo.

Multiracial women were the most affected by sexual violence, with 32 percent raped at some point in their lives, the survey found. That compares with 28 percent of American Indian or Alaska Native women, 21 percent of black women, 21 percent of non-Hispanic white women and 14 percent of Hispanic women.

Firefighters make gains on blaze near Yosemite

MARIPOSA, Calif. — An evacuation order was lifted for most of the 300 homes near Yosemite National Park as firefighters made gains Saturday on a wildfire in Central California.

Firefighters contained 60 percent of the 300-acre blaze, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection said.

Meanwhile, in far northern California, a blaze that broke out nearly four weeks ago grew to almost 130 square miles. It has yet to damage any homes or buildings.

Mom gets jail for giving abortion pills to teen

DANVILLE, Pa. — A Pennsylvania woman has been sentenced to prison for helping to end her teen daughter's pregnancy by giving her pills purchased online.

The (Bloomsburg) Press Enterprise reported that Jennifer Ann Whalen, 39, of Washingtonville, was sentenced Friday to nine to 18 months behind bars after pleading guilty to performing an illegal abortion.

Whalen bought the pills from a European drug firm after the girl had gotten pregnant but did not want to have the child. Whalen told authorities they couldn't find a local clinic to perform an abor-

tion, and the girl had no insurance to pay for a hospital stay.

The girl took the pills and wound up hospitalized with extreme abdominal pain.

Whalen's attorney, Michael Banks, said his client understands "her decision was poor."

Supreme Court urged to act on gay marriage

SALT LAKE CITY — The Mormon church and four religious organizations are asking the U.S. Supreme Court to intervene and settle one and for all the question of whether states can outlaw gay marriage.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints said in a statement Friday that it joined a friend-of-the-court brief asking the high court to hear Utah's marriage case. Also taking part in the filing were The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the National Association of Evangelicals, the Ethics & Religious Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

Each teaches that marriage is between a man and a woman.

The religious groups urged the Supreme Court on the basis of tradition and religious freedom to uphold a state's right to not allow gay and lesbian couples to wed.

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WORLD

US to help Georgia boost defenses

By **LOLITA C. BALDOR**
The Associated Press

TBLISI, Georgia — In the face of growing aggression by Russia, the United States and Georgia moved Sunday to expand their defense relationship — including the possible sale of U.S. Black Hawk helicopters to the former Soviet bloc nation at the crossroads of eastern Europe and Asia.

Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel said Russian President Vladimir Putin's move to annex the Crimean region of Ukraine has further isolated Moscow.

"It has done a tremendous

amount to coalesce NATO and Europe to come together recognizing what President Putin's actions have wrought, the danger that that represents to all of Europe," Hagel said during a news conference with Georgia's defense minister.

Ukraine and Russia signed a cease-fire two days ago, but there have been explosions near the airport in Donetsk, raising concern the agreement may be on the verge of collapse.

Hagel's meetings here come on the heels of the NATO summit in Wales, where allies agreed to expand Georgia's role as a NATO partner and to reaffirm a longer-

term effort to admit the former Soviet republic into the alliance.

The defense minister, Irakli Alasania, said it has been painful for Georgia — which also fought and lost an invasion by Russia in 2008 — to see the world be unable to check Russia's aggression. About 20 percent of Georgia — largely the separatist regions of Abkhazia and South Ossetia — is still occupied by Russia.

But he said Georgia is pleased with NATO's decision last week to make his country an expanded partner, giving it access to more allied support and services.

Hagel said the U.S. and Georgia did not reach a final agree-

ment on the sale of Black Hawks, but they are discussing prices and other details.

At a 2008 summit in Bucharest, Romania, then-President George W. Bush and other NATO leaders agreed that Ukraine and Georgia, both former Soviet republics that the Russians consider part of their "near abroad," would one day be admitted to the alliance.

While both countries continue to work toward that goal — which the U.S. supports — there are concerns about Russia's reaction. Some nations have flatly ruled it out, saying it would heighten tensions in the region.

China says 2 pilots died in aircraft carrier tests

The Associated Press

BEIJING — Two Chinese test pilots were killed during development of the country's first aircraft carrier fighter wing, state media said, in a rare admission of problems with the hugely popular naval program.

The admission came in a report by the official Xinhua News Agency saying President Xi Jinping had signed an order awarding honorary titles to all pilots in the first squadron to conduct takeoff and landing tests aboard the Liaoning, China's only aircraft carrier.

"Two test pilots of the squadron sacrificed their lives during the tests," the report said. No details were given.

The original Xinhua report ran Aug. 28, but went largely overlooked at the time. It was picked up by U.S. defense blogs and was linked Friday to the blog of the U.S. Naval Institute.

Carrier flight operations are inherently risky, and the loss of two pilots is far from unusual. However, China's military still operates under a shroud of secrecy and no deadly accidents relating to the carrier had been reported at the time.

China announced it had begun flight tests on the Liaoning in late 2012, spurring a wave of patriotic pride in the country's growing capabilities. State television ran hours of footage of planes landing and taking off, while Internet users across the country posted photos of themselves recreating the carrier flight crews' "all-clear" signal to the pilot.

Chinese carrier pilots fly the J-15 fighter-bomber, a copy of Russia's Sukhoi Su-33.

China spent a decade refurbishing a derelict Soviet-era carrier from Ukraine before commissioning it as the Liaoning in 2012.



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A man puts out a fire at his burning house after shelling Sunday in Donetsk, eastern Ukraine.

Clashes, shelling in Ukraine claim lives, set houses ablaze

By **MSTYSLAV CHERNOV**
The Associated Press

SPARTAK, Ukraine — Clashes broke out Sunday outside the main rebel-held city in eastern Ukraine, throwing the freshly forged cease-fire agreement between government troops and Russia-backed separatists into further doubt.

At least two houses blazed in the rural village of Spartak, which lies just north of Donetsk and adjacent to the airport, after they were hit by fire. A man whose house was struck by a shell said rebels had fired from a spot nearby, which appeared to have provoked a retaliatory attack from Ukrainian government troops. That pattern has been regularly observed in the nearly five-month-long military confrontation.

A group of rebel fighters in the village danced and drank Sunday morning in celebration after what they said was a successful assault on a Ukrainian military encamp-

ment in the vicinity. One said their group had captured eight government troops, although none of the captives could be seen.

The fighter, who provided only the nom de guerre Khokhol, freely acknowledged that the cease-fire was not being respected by either side.

"There was mortar shelling around 20 minutes ago here in Spartak," he said. "There is no cease-fire for anyone."

The truce signed on Friday appeared to be holding for much of the following day, but was shattered late Saturday by shelling on the outskirts of the southeastern port town of Mariupol, where Ukrainian troops retain defensive lines against the rebels. The city council said Sunday that one civilian was killed there and a serviceman was wounded.

The volunteer pro-government Azov Battalion said on Facebook that its positions were also hit by Grad rockets, but did not give

details.

Mariupol is on the coast of the Sea of Azov, 70 miles south of Donetsk. Rebels recently opened a new front on the coast, leading to fears that they were trying to secure a land corridor between Russia and the Crimean Peninsula, which Russia annexed in March.

Amnesty International on Sunday condemned all those engaged in the grinding conflict that, according to U.N. estimates, has claimed at least 2,600 civilian lives and forced hundreds of thousands out of their homes.

"All sides in this conflict have shown disregard for civilian lives and are blatantly violating their international obligations," Amnesty International Secretary General Salil Shetty said in a statement.

Blasts powerful enough to be heard in downtown Donetsk could be heard coming from the direction of the airport early Sunday morning.

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Iran arrests suspected nuclear plant saboteur

TEHRAN, Iran — Iranian authorities have arrested a U.S. traitor an national suspected of sabotage at the country's sole nuclear power plant, an Iranian newspaper reported Sunday.

The report in the Hamsbahri daily said the "Ukrainian expert" was caught with a Russian tractor that works in Iran's Bushehr nuclear power plant, which went online in 2011 with Russian aid.

The report did not elaborate on the timing or the nature of the alleged sabotage.

Detained American in N. Korea gets trial date

SEOUL, South Korea — Detained American Matthew Miller will be tried next Sunday, North Korea's state media said last week after the detainee made a rare foreign media appearance to plead for help.

Pyeongyang's official Korean Central News Agency said in a brief dispatch Sunday that the Supreme Court decided to "judge" Miller on Sept. 14. It did not elaborate on specific charges against him, although past reports have accused him of hostile acts.

Miller, 24, was detained after entering the country April 10, when he tore up his tourist visa at the airport and shouted that he wanted to seek asylum, KCNA has reported.

Qatar confirms rights group workers detained

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Qatar has confirmed it is holding two Britons who went missing while researching migrant labor issues, saying the men are being questioned for alleged illegal activity in the Gulf nation that is due to hold the 2022 World Cup.

A little-known organization, the Norway-based Global Network for Rights and Development, reported that researcher Krishna Upadhyaya, 52, and photographer Ghimire Gundev, 36, went missing on Aug. 31 as they were preparing to leave Qatar. It suggested that Qatari security services were behind their disappearance and has called for their release.

The London-based rights group Amnesty International has urged Qatari authorities to reveal the men's whereabouts and to ensure their safety.

Monsoon flooding toll reaches nearly 300

SRINAGAR, India — Landslides and flash floods triggered by the monsoon rains have killed nearly 300 people in large swaths of northern India and Pakistan, officials said Sunday.

Five days of incessant rains in Indian-controlled Kashmir have left at least 120 people dead in the region's most mountainous area in more than five decades, submerging hundreds of villages and triggering landslides, officials said.

In neighboring Pakistan, more than 160 people have died and thousands of homes have collapsed, with an estimated 10 million in the situation was becoming a "national emergency."

From The Associated Press

Somalia extremists name new chief

By ABDI GULED
The Associated Press

MOGADISHU, Somalia — Somalia's Islamic extremist rebels, al-Shabab, named a new leader Saturday after confirming the killing of their previous leader by a U.S. airstrike, a commander of the group said.

The Somali militants unanimously selected Ahmad Umar, also known as Abu Ubaidah, at a meeting in an undisclosed location in Somalia, rebel commander Abu Mohammed said.

Al-Shabab also stated that it remains aligned with al-Qaida, according to the Site Intelligence Group, which monitors statements by Islamic militant groups.

There had been speculation by

analysts that al-Shabab would be shaken by a power struggle over the selection of a new leader and that perhaps the Somali rebels would change their alliance and would become allied with the Islamic State group operating in Syria and Iraq.

The Somali group had to appoint a new leader following the death of Ahmed Abdi Godane, who was killed with two other officials by a U.S. airstrike Sept. 1. The attack took place 105 miles south of Mogadishu, where al-Shabab trains its fighters.

"Avenge the death of our scholars and leaders is a binding obligation on our shoulders that we will never relinquish nor forget no matter how long it takes," said the al-Shabab statement, ac-

curring to SITE.

President Barack Obama confirmed Friday that Godane was killed by the U.S. airstrike. The U.S. State Department declared al-Shabab a terrorist organization in February 2008.

Godane also was known as Mukhtar Abu Zubeyr and was the spiritual leader of the group. The U.S. had offered a reward of up to \$7 million for information leading to his arrest. Godane had claimed publicly that al-Shabab was responsible for last year's deadly Westgate Mall attack in Nairobi, Kenya, that left 67 people dead one year ago.

Somalia's government said Friday night that it has credible intelligence al-Shabab is planning attacks in retaliation for Godane's

death.

In a televised speech Gen. Khalif Ahmed Ereg, Somalia's national security minister, said possible targets include medical and educational institutions. Ereg said the government is vigilant and its armed forces are prepared to prevent such attacks.

"The killing of Godane was a 'delightful victory,'" said Ereg. He called on militants still fighting for al-Shabab to surrender to get a "brighter" life from the government.

Kenyan President Uhuru Kenyatta Saturday thanked the U.S. for killing Godane, saying his death provides "a small measure of closure" for victims of the Westgate Mall attack.



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A visitor reads posters warning of mosquitoes at the closed gate of Yoyogi Park in Tokyo on Friday.

Tokyo closes park seen as local source of dengue fever

By ELAINE KURTENBACH
The Associated Press

TOKYO — Popular Yoyogi park in downtown Tokyo has been closed temporarily after dozens of cases of dengue fever were contracted by people who visited the area.

Health Minister Yasuhisa Shiozaki on Friday urged the public not to panic, but said all local governments would be given guidelines on how to identify and handle dengue, which is spread only by mosquitoes.

"Nobody has died," Shiozaki said. "The public should remain calm."

Dengue is endemic in much of tropical Asia, infecting tens of thousands of people and killing hundreds each year in places like Malaysia and the Philippines.

Dozens of cases are brought back to Japan each year, but health officials recently confirmed the first locally transmitted cases in 65 years. As of Thursday, the number of infections was reported at 55.

Yoyogi is a heavily forested park adjacent to the Meiji Shrine, which is a major tourist destination, and to Harajuku, a popular hangout for Japanese teens.

All those listed as having contracted the disease locally said they had visited the park or nearby before they got sick, the health ministry said.

Symptoms of the disease include fever, severe joint pain and headaches. There is no treatment, and some of those infected can suffer from severe and life-threatening bleeding.

The outbreak has been top

news in Tokyo.

Since the cases were discovered, workers have been spraying the park.

"I live nearby and have always ridden my bike and jogged in Yoyogi park," said Kiyoshi Takabayashi, 67. "This is like my own garden. So I never expected this to happen."

Last week, the U.S. Embassy issued a security message to Americans about the cases, urging caution.

Shiozaki said he was not expecting the outbreak to spread nor the number of cases to rise significantly. But he urged medical facilities and health authorities to be vigilant.

"With global warming, we should keep in mind the increasing likelihood of things that were not seen in the past," he said.

Islamic militants grab towns in Nigeria

By IBRAHIM ABDULAZIZ
AND HARUNA UMAR
The Associated Press

YOLA, Nigeria — Nigeria's Islamic extremists of Boko Haram have seized more towns along Nigeria's northeastern border with Cameroon and are adopting a new strategy of encouraging civilians to stay, witnesses said Sunday, as the militants pursue their new aim to carve out an "Islamic caliphate" under their black-and-white flag.

Nigerian army soldiers fled when hundreds of insurgents in stolen military armored personnel carriers, trucks and motorcycles attacked Gulak, an administrative headquarters of Adamawa state, said resident Michael Kirshinga, who also ran away. The nearby towns of Duhu, Shawa, Kirshinga and others also fell in assaults over Friday night and Saturday, witnesses said.

Farther north, soldiers fought off rebels advancing Saturday on Maiduguri, the Borno state capital, headquarters of the military campaign against the insurgency and the birthplace of Boko Haram. The military attacked the rebels' camp at a village outside Konduga, just 25 miles from Maiduguri.

Intense, heavy gunfire could be heard in Maiduguri throughout Saturday, instilling fear in already panicked residents. Hundreds fled the city even before hearing the frightening sounds of battle.

The soldiers killed dozens of the extremists in the town of Konduga, a member of the vigilante group that fights alongside the military. The soldiers were sent to retake the town of Bama, which fell to Boko Haram a week ago, but stopped at Konduga and refused to advance, a vigilante commander said.

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OPINION

Special ops can eradicate Islamic State

By ROBERT H. SCALES

President Barack Obama may be developing a strategy to confront the apocalyptic horrors of the Islamic State, but he already has a method, a gift of sorts from soldiers who have been fighting similar enemies for more than a decade.

To understand, consider some history. George S. Patton's method of war, the one that defeated the Wehrmacht in the European theater in World War II, consisted of a mechanized war doctrine stolen from the Germans, plus a uniquely American skill for applying air- and land-delivered firepower in support of tanks on the move. Patton's method would be perfected during future U.S. and Israeli conflicts, culminating in the "Great" envelopment of Saddam Hussein's army in Desert Storm in 1991 and the march to Baghdad in 2003.

Over time, however, enemies learn and adapt. Patton's method was successfully challenged in Lebanon, by Hezbollah's anti-tank missiles, and in Iraq, by al-Qaida's improvised armor. In 2009, Gen. Stanley McChrystal, the former head of the U.S. Special Operations Command. Over the past 20 years, McChrystal and his teams have developed another uniquely American method of war by substituting skill, information and precision for mass, maneuver and weight of shell. We first watched the McChrystal method at work in Afghanistan following the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, when small Special Forces units and the Afghan Northern Alliance teamed to destroy the Taliban using precision strikes delivered from aircraft.

But the secret of this new method is in people, not technology. McChrystal's success proves that small units of superbly selected, trained, educated, led and bonded

soldiers can kill much larger aggregations of enemy while holding the deaths of friendly forces and civilians to a minimum.

Make no mistake, the McChrystal method is about killing, but it is killing of a different sort. The president has lamented the "whack-a-mole" nature of battling insurgents and militants. But whack-a-mole tactics work when the moles are enemies who occupy critical positions within terrorist networks, when they are essentially technicians and enforcers.

In many ways, the McChrystal method is the opposite of shock and awe. It is often painfully deliberate, fed as it is by the patient collection of intelligence wrung from sources as disparate as informants and the big ears of the National Security Agency. Nothing happens without repetitive, realistic planning and rehearsals. No operation goes down without involving many layers of "enablers." Intelligence officers feed information constantly to teams as they move to the fight. Armed and unarmed drones feed video of enemy movements. Some of the killing is done up close, but most comes from precision aerial weapons that obliterate the enemy in the dead of night.

The day will inevitably come when the McChrystal method is employed against the Islamic State. But crushing the group will require a scaling-up of the method, never attempted before. The Islamic State is huge, and, sadly, the men and machines necessary to do the job are too few and have been terribly overused. To succeed, the McChrystal method will have to be cloned to a degree as yet unimagined.

Obstacles to this are many. The Special Operations Command could be the most intractable enemy of replicating the approach. It argues that such elite forces can

Islamic State

be made only in small batches. Truth is, there are more than enough men to fully expand the McChrystal method if some Army and Marine close-combat forces were repurposed. Of course, such a transformation would take time. Building a conventional "elite" force would require a ruthless culling of the ranks to allow only the best and brightest to be selected, trained and banded together in a manner proven by decades of success in the special operations community.

There are equipment issues as well. The Special Operations Command makes its own materiel — and its stuff is much better than what is carried by conventional forces. A means must be found to transfer and proliferate the superior weapons, sensors, radios, body armor, helicopters and vehicles to these newly created "conventional" special operators. Drones are the modern equivalent of Patton's tanks, and we simply have too few. The shortage is due in large part to the reluctance of the air services to entrust and band together in a "blinking eyes" position permanently over any ground forces in harm's way. The Air Force and Navy must be made to expand their fleets of drones tenfold or more.

The Islamic State cannot be defeated by diplomacy, sanctions or political maneuverings. Its fighters must eventually be cut off from their support base. The U.S. will never allow large conventional forces to take them on. The butcher's bill would be too large. The only sure means for defeating the group is with a renewed, expanded and overwhelming legion of special fighters who have learned through painful trial and error how to do the job.

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Need for a mighty US military hasn't diminished

By MITT ROMNEY

Russia invades, China bullies, Iran spins centrifuges, the Islamic State (a terrorist threat "beyond anything that we've seen," according to the defense secretary) threatens — and Washington slashes the military. Reason states.

Several arguments are advanced to justify the decimation of our defense. All of them are wrong.

The president asserts that we must move to "a new order that's based on a different set of principles, that's based on a sense of common humanity." The old order, he is saying, where America's disproportionate strength holds tyrants in check and preserves the sovereignty of nations, is to be replaced.

It is said that the first rule of wing-walking is not to get with one hand until the other hand has a firm grip. So, too, before we jettison our reliance on U.S. strength, there must be something effective in its place — if such a thing is even possible. Further, the appeal to "common humanity" as the foundation of this new world order ignores the reality that humanity is far from common in values and views. Humanity may commonly agree that there is evil, but what one people calls evil another calls good.

There are those who claim that a multipolar world is preferable to one led by a strong United States. Were these other poles nations such as Australia, Canada, France and Britain, I might concur. But with emerging poles being China, Russia and Iran, the world would not see peace; it would see bullying, invasion and regional wars. And, ultimately, the world would, to conquer the others, unleashing world war.

Some argue that the United States should simply withdraw its military strength from the world — get out of the Middle East, accept nuclear weapons in Iran and elsewhere, let Syria and Russia have their way with their neighbors and watch from the sidelines as jihadists storm on two or three continents. Do this, they contend, and the United States would be left alone.

No, we would not. The history of the 20th century teaches that power-hungry tyrants will not let us have the apparatus to use former Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour's phrase, we would be paying the cannibals to eat us last. And in the meantime, our economy would be devastated by the disruption of trade routes, the turmoil in global markets and the tumult of conflict across the world. Global peace and stability rely very much on our immediate national interest.

Some insist that our military is already so much stronger than that of any other nation that we can safely cut it back, again and again. Their evidence: the relative size of our defense budget. But these comparisons are little more than wishful thinking. China don't report their actual defense spending, they pay their servicemen a tiny fraction of what we pay ours and their cost to build military armament is also a fraction of ours. More relevant is the fact that Russia's nuclear arsenal is significantly larger than ours. In the past 10 to 15 years, China will have more ships in its navy than we do. China already has more servicemen. Further, our military is tasked with many more missions than those of other nations: preserving the freedom of the seas, the air and space; combating piracy, drug trafficking and preserving our stability around the world as well as

defending the United States.

The most ludicrous excuse for shrinking our military derives from the president's thinking: "Things are much less dangerous than they were 20 or 30 years ago, 25 years ago, or 30 years ago." The "safer world" trial balloon has been punctured by recent events in Ukraine, Afghanistan, Libya, Egypt, Gaza, Nigeria, Somalia, Syria and Iraq. "Failures of imagination" led to tragedy 13 years ago; today, no imagination is required to picture what would descend on the United States if we let our guard down.

The arguments for shrinking our military fall aside to reveal the real reason for the cuts: Politicians, and many of the people who elect them, want to keep up spending here at home. Entitlements and programs are putting pressure on the federal budget. We're used to cutting, or at least spending on ourselves. That or raise our taxes.

To date, the politicians have predictably voted to slash defense. As Bret Stephens noted in Commentary magazine this month, the Army is on track to be the size it was in 1940, the Navy to be the size it was in 1917; the Air Force to be smaller than in 1947 and our nuclear arsenal to be no larger than it was under President Harry S. Truman.

Washington politicians are poised to make a historic decision, for us, for our descendants and for the world. Freedom and peace are in the balance. They will choose whether to succeed in the east, to be a continued military hollowing or to honor their constitutional pledge to protect the United States.

Mitt Romney is the former governor of Massachusetts. He was the 2012 Republican nominee for president. This column first appeared in The Washington Post.

Looking at the news

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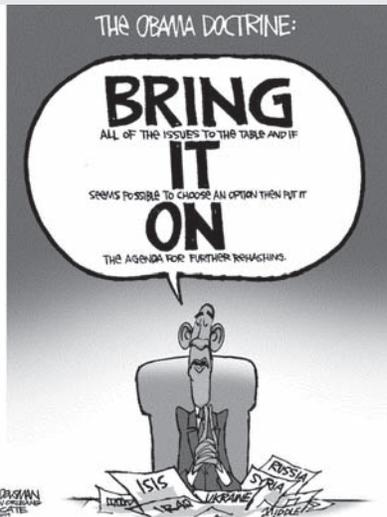


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A low-key spaceport



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An Orbital Sciences Antares rocket carrying a Cygnus spacecraft launches July 13 at Wallops Island, Va., with cargo bound for the International Space Station. Below: Scott Dornton works with students to test a rocket's future payload capability. Bottom: Ariel Strohm, left, and others watch a Terrier-improved Orion sounding rocket that is part of the RockOn! student program June 26.

Virginia's Wallops Island becoming a better known launching facility

By JOEL ACHENBACH
The Washington Post

WALLOPS ISLAND, Virginia — Virginia has a low-key spaceport, if a place that blasts rockets into space can ever be low-key.

Florida's Cape Canaveral is more famous and California's Vandenberg Air Force Base is more prominent because it handles national-security satellite launches. But Virginia's Wallops Flight Facility is gradually shoving itself into space-buff consciousness.

Wallops Island has hosted a NASA (or precursor to NASA) launch site since 1945, but in the '90s it became a major spaceport for Dulles-based Orbital Sciences Corp., whose rockets are getting bigger.

In April 2013, Orbital launched a new, large rocket, named Antares, carrying the company's Cygnus spacecraft on a mission to the International Space Station. Orbital has a commercial contract to supply cargo to the station (as does SpaceX, which launches from the Cape).

Wallops isn't as busy as the Cape, which serves NASA and the Air Force. That means less risk of scheduling conflicts that delay flights. The higher latitude of Wallops (37.9 degrees, compared with 28.6 degrees at the Cape) also makes it easier to reach the space station, which has an orbit inclined 51.6 degrees to the equator.

The next launch of Antares/Cygnus is set for October.



SCIENCE AND MEDICINE

Raising a STINK?

Research explains why antiperspirants might actually make you smell worse

By **TERENCE MCCOY**
The Washington Post

In 1968, a metaphor of the human body emerged in *Scientific American* that endures to this day. It called the human body an ecosystem. Within this ecosystem, the author wrote, are several “ecological niches.”

The forearm is dry like the desert. The scalp is airy like the cool woods. And then, the armpit: The lowliest of all human body parts. It’s a “tropical forest.”

Hot and humid, the armpit is populated by bacteria, cursed with creating a noxious odor. That smell, however, has proved lucrative. Today, more than 90 percent of Americans use some sort of armpit cosmetic, creating a worldwide deodorant bonanza worth \$18 billion.

But what if part of that industry is predicated on a notion that smells fishy?

New research published in the *Archives of Dermatology Research* suggests antiperspirants actually increase the levels of the odoriferous bacteria populating the armpit, which “could lead toward an altered, more unpleasant underarm odor,” lead author Chris Callewaert, of Belgium’s Ghent University, told *The Washington Post* in an email.

“Deodorants were generally not really a problem. ... The deodorant-antiperspirant industry should investigate what their products do to the underarm microbiome,” or community of microscopic organisms living on our skin. Antiperspirants “should not enhance the odor-causing bacteria, but rather ‘steer’ towards a non-odor-causing microbiome,” Callewaert said.

Observers, however, have already highlighted one problem with Callewaert’s research: the small sample size. In all, only nine people — eight of whom stayed using deodorant or antiperspirant for one month — were tested.

“The sample size is rather small,” Callewaert conceded in an interview with *Real Clear Science*. “However, we see consistent outcomes.”

Even more consistent is Callewaert’s unmitigated passion for the armpit and its many

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Chris Callewaert
Ghent University, Belgium

with deodorant. Or the sweat can be stopped with antiperspirants that contain an aluminum-based compound, which temporarily plugs sweat ducts. But what effect, if any, do such techniques have on the bacteria itself?

Callewaert and a team of three other researchers were determined to find out. They tested nine people in 28 days and collected armpit samples before, during and after the trial period. They found that the diversity of bacteria in the armpit increased but that their abundance decreased.

“The armpit microbiome changed considerably when starting or stopping the use of deodorants and antiperspirants,” Callewaert said. “In the case of the antiperspirants, the dominance changed toward the ‘smelly’ actinobacteria. The aluminum salts (of antiperspirants) have a much stronger effect on the ‘good’ than on the ‘bad’ bacteria.”

The study says the “long-term use” of antiperspirants “can lead toward altered odor production of the armpit.”

The findings surprised scientists.

“I had an idea that diversity (of bacteria) would increase,” Callewaert said. “But I did not expect the changes would be that big. Also, I did not expect a change toward actinobacteria” — the smelly stuff — “when using antiperspirants.”

Still, it’s not time for sweeping conclusions yet — and it’s unlikely the study will bring about the collapse of the antiperspirant trade. Dr. Armpit wants to conduct more studies.

“Don’t get me wrong,” Callewaert said, “there is no reason to ban all deodorants and antiperspirants. There is nothing wrong with a higher diversity in your armpit.”

mysteries. The doctoral student did a Ted Talk on smelly armpits, co-authored several studies on armpits and directs the uninitiated to his website, “Dr. Armpit.” At *DrArmpit.com*, there’s an image of a youthful, wavy-haired researcher — presumably Dr. Armpit himself — swabbing the right armpit of a man who looks like he just wants to go home.

Dr. Armpit preaches the gospel of underarm science at nearly every chance. “The major determining parts that determine your body odor are the specific bacterial species in your armpits,” Callewaert said in his Ted talk. “A lot of bacteria reside there. In fact, there are more bacteria in your armpits than there are humans on this planet. So you should never feel alone.”

But not all bacteria are created equal. As Callewaert put it, armpits have two types of bacteria: The good kind, known as staphylococci, don’t make much of an odor; the bad kind, known as corynebacterium, do, transforming lipids and amino acids in our sweat “into compounds which have a particular pungent odor,” Callewaert wrote in his email.

This smell can be masked

AMERICAN ROUNDUP

Woman in Chicago killed by falling gargoye

IL CHICAGO — A woman walking along a Chicago street with a friend was killed when she was struck by masonry that fell from a landmark church.

The Cook County Medical Examiner's office identified the victim as Sara Bean, 34. Police said the masonry fell from the Second Presbyterian Church around noon Thursday and struck Bean in the head. The mother of two young boys was pronounced dead at Northwestern Memorial Hospital.

Building Department spokeswoman Mimi Simon said a metal star at the top of the church's tower fell off, removing the head of a gargoye on the way down. The building has failed inspections in the past, but passed inspection in 2013.

Senator says veteran erroneously given medal

IA DES MOINES — Sen. Tom Harkin said a Vietnam veteran was erroneously presented with a Silver Star medal after the Marshalltown man provided inaccurate documentation to the lawmaker's staff.

The Des Moines Register reported that Harkin said in a statement Friday the medal presented to Dennis William Myers, 64, in June was not earned through service. He said the Navy recently provided Myers' records to his office.

Military records show Myers served in the Navy in August 1968 and July 1972. But there are no records he received the Silver Star medal, one of the nation's highest military honors.

Military groups questioned the documentation Myers submitted to Harkin's office. Myers defended his record and said the paperwork came from a private California business that issues certificates for under \$10.

University professor charged in burglary

DC WASHINGTON — An American University department head has been arrested and charged with breaking into a building near campus and setting a fire.

An incident report from D.C. police obtained by WTTG-TV said David Pitts was arrested early Thursday at the Foxhall Square Shopping Mall. Pitts is chairman of AU's Department of Public Administration and Policy.

According to the incident report, Pitts is accused of breaking into the building and setting a fire in the parking garage. It said Pitts was found with matches, lighters, gloves, a newspaper and black liquid substance. There was evidence of a small fire still visible Thursday.

The university said Pitts is on leave until more is known about the matter, and the school is cooperating with the police investigation.

Four responsibilities have been reassigned.

THE CENSUS

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The worth of a 65-million-year-old dinosaur skull that was smuggled into the U.S.

by a French company that tried to pass the fossil off as a cheap replica. Prosecutors said the skull of the Alcoramus dinosaur arrived in New York in January with paperwork saying it was a cast worth about \$3,400. U.S. Customs and Border Protection officials and Homeland Security Investigators said the company, Geofossils, later admitted it was a genuine fossil from Mongolia worth tens of thousands more. Federal prosecutors said the skull must be forfeited. It likely will be returned to Mongolia, where national law prohibits the sale of such artifacts outside the country.



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Commandeering the commute

Deer cross the Golden Gate bridge in San Francisco on Friday. The San Francisco Chronicle reported that two deer headed north on the bridge to Marin snarled traffic during the evening commute.

Off-duty officer stops would-be pranksters

MA BARNSTABLE — Two Massachusetts men planning to prank a stranger by springing from a box in a scary mask were thwarted by an alert off-duty police officer and are now facing charges.

Police in Barnstable on Cape Cod said the officer spotted the men passing through his yard just before 6 p.m. Thursday on the way to a neighbor's house. One man, dressed in black, was wearing a scary clown mask with blood and scars. The other had the box.

The masked man hid in the box while the other man hid in the bushes with a camera.

The Cape Cod Times reported that the officer intervened. The men told him they were going to scare a stranger and post the video on YouTube. They were charged with disorderly conduct and trespassing.

Police: Woman tried to lift \$144 in makeup

AR FAYETTEVILLE — An Arkansas woman whose mug shot shows her in heavy aqua and maroon eye shadow is accused of shoplifting \$144 in makeup.



Allen

Police in Fayetteville, Ark., arrested Brandy Allen, 31, accusing her of stuffing handfuls of eye shadow into her purse Monday.

Officers said that, after being confronted, Allen tried to damage makeup as she pulled it out of her purse so the items would appear used.

The Washington County jail said Wednesday that Allen was released on \$830 bond on charges of shoplifting and disorderly conduct.

Police find woman's stolen prosthetic leg

TX LUBBOCK — A New Mexico woman whose \$7,000 prosthetic leg was stolen from her SUV outside a West Texas hotel will get her artificial limb back.

Lubbock police on Friday announced they've recovered the prosthesis belonging to Mary Alice London, of Carlsbad, N.M.

Police investigating a series of burglaries detained two suspects on unrelated charges and located the prosthetic leg at a residence.

Investigators said London reported the limb was in a suitcase that was stolen Aug. 2 from her vehicle parked outside a Lubbock hotel. London said her health insurance did not cover the specialty limb, which can get wet — such

as for use while showering.

Sgt. Jason Lewis said officers will make sure the prosthetic leg is returned to London.

Firefighters overcome by bug bomb fumes

NJ OAKLAND — One firefighter was treated at a hospital and eight others were hosed down after they were affected by fumes from a bug bomb that was set off at a northern New Jersey nail salon.

Authorities told The Record an "insect fumigation" triggered a fire alarm at the salon Friday night.

Responding firefighters saw what appeared to be a haze inside the building. After entering the salon, they were soon overcome by the fumes that affected their throats and caused itching.

None of the injuries suffered by the firefighters was considered serious.

From wire reports

FACES



Stark change

THE CANADIAN PRESS/AP

Actor Robert Downey Jr. attended the premiere of his film "The Judge" during the 2014 Toronto International Film Festival in Toronto on Sept. 4. "It was a really nice, long intermission between outright capitalism," he said of making this film after starring in the "Iron Man" and "Avengers" movies. "Capitalism with a flair, but still, capitalism."

Robert Downey Jr. switches it up in new dramatic film

BY STEVEN ZEITCHIK
Los Angeles Times

Clad in orange pants and a fitted pink-purple T-shirt, Robert Downey Jr. put his feet up on a couch at a hotel in Toronto on Sept. 4 and minced no words in describing what it was like to shoot "The Judge"—a legal and family melodrama that takes Downey back to his roots—during a phase when he's been Tony Starking it up in several "Iron Man" and "Avengers" movies.

"It was a really nice, long intermission between outright capitalism," he said. "Capitalism with a flair, but still, capitalism."

A few hours later, Downey was unveiling the fruits of that intermission at the Toronto International Film Festival's opening night, as he set the stage for David Dobkin's new movie that has him starring as an unrepentant Chicago lawyer forced to confront some old ghosts.

Giving an introduction to costar Robert Duvall, Downey engaged in his mix of swagger and self-deprecation, appearing on stage (this time in a dark tie) to say that a movie is "only as good as its title character—unfortunately."

Downey stars in the film as Hank Palmer, a hyper-successful shark going through a divorce who is called back to his hometown in rural Indiana upon the death of mother. But that tragedy, it turns out, is just a setup to bring him to a place where the real drama can begin, as his father (Duvall), a righteous (and self-righteous) judge separated from his son by an emotional gap as wide as an Indiana cornfield, is accused of murder. That sets into motion a set of legal and familial maneuvering and revelations,



Downey Jr., wife talk pregnancy

Robert Downey Jr. and wife Susan walked the red carpet at the Toronto International Film Festival with a future family member in tow.

The "Iron Man" actor wryly noted the couple's upcoming baby was already hitting her first red carpet. His producer wife said "she'll be around in the next couple of months."

The couple has worked on numerous films including "Iron Man 2" and the "Sherlock Holmes" series, but their latest collaboration is pretty special. Their new film, "The Judge," was holding its world premiere as the 10-day festival's opening film.

From The Associated Press

with plenty of courtroom and living-room showdowns to match.

"A bygone Hollywood," "a lot going on" and "a half-hour too long" were some of the snippets of comments heard as the crowd exited the festival's flagship Roy Thomson Hall on Sept. 4. The film's old-school values—there are big revelations and confrontations and even some courtroom-gasping—will be refreshing to

some and jarring to others, and indeed that battle already seems to be playing out among online commentators.

The filmmakers acknowledged it too—before the screening Dobkin noted that it's "not the kind of movie that gets made often in Hollywood."

In an interview, Dobkin noted that he conceived of the film—he came up with the idea and brought it to Downey and producer wife Susan to develop it—after the death of his mother a number of years ago, and contemplating both the regret and resilience that can follow a tragic milestone life that. "It really is a story of second chances," he said.

Commercially, the question for Warner Bros. when the studio brings out the film in early October is whether it can cast the right net. Downey's core fans from these superhero days are not necessarily interested first and foremost in a family melodrama, though his appeal is strong among women, who would likely be a big part of the target audience.

Even the film's naysayers, it should be said, are applauding Downey, who deploys his trademark motormouth to dramatic effect, much as he did earlier in his career. During the interview, the actor was similarly outspoken about his place in the Hollywood firmament after so many years, and billions, in the Iron Man suit.

"The Stark persona started eating itself," he said. "Did you see the first one? It wasn't like that. He was disturbed. It was heart, heart, heart. It hasn't gotten away from me but it's a giant wheel and I'm on the wheel with it," he paused. "And this movie, where it's about real people but the themes are so big. It's one way to take a really good break."

Brooks feels love from fans in 1st show back

The Associated Press

Garth Brooks wondered if his fans would come back. He got his answer when he returned to the stage Sept. 4.

The 52-year-old country star reunited with thousands of enthusiastic fans during his official return to the road after more than a decade largely away from the music industry. "You came back, you came back!" Brooks yelled at the Allstate Arena crowd in the Chicago suburbs where he plans 10 more shows. He later told his fans, "I could not ask for a better start than this, people."

Brooks began the day by announcing he was releasing his back catalog bundled with his next two albums of new music through a digital pay service, ghosttunes.com, which he founded and partly owns, making his music available digitally for the first time. Brooks will continue his comeback by releasing albums in November and fall 2015.

He played a portion of that back catalog later in the evening, energetically running around the stage like the old days as he worked through hits like "Rodeo," "The Thunder Rolls," "The River" and "The Dance." He also played his new single "People Loving People."

The crowd let out a huge cheer after Brooks strummed just the first four notes of his biggest hit "Friends in Low Places." Brooks' wife, country singer Trisha Yearwood, joined him on stage for two songs and sang a set of her own hits.

Brooks entered semi-retirement in 2001 near the height of his popularity to raise his daughters in Oklahoma. Since then he has performed an extended run in Las Vegas and done a few charity shows, but largely stayed true to his fatherhood plan until his youngest daughter graduated from high school. His comeback will continue later this month with multiple shows in Atlanta before he moves on to Jacksonville, Fla., next month.

The singer's been gone from the spotlight for so long, he wondered before the show if his fans might return. He said he'd know

he has something going if the young fans in the crowd sang along Thursday night.

"And to you younger people who knew every single word," Brooks said at the conclusion of the show, "thank you so, so, much."

Johansson and fiancé welcome baby girl

Scarlett Johansson is a first-time mom.

A spokesman for the 29-year-old actress told The Associated Press on Sept. 4 that Johansson and her fiancé, Romain Dauriac, have welcomed a baby girl, whom they have named Rose.

Marcel Parisseau says mother and daughter are doing well. He added that the couple is seeking privacy and are supporters of the No Kids Policy, the celebrity effort to keep famous folks' children out of the public eye.

Johansson and Dauriac, a French former journalist, have been engaged since September 2013.

NBC says host has role expanded

NBC News says "Morning Joe" host Joe Scarborough will be a senior political analyst for the network with regular roles on "Meet the Press" and the "Today" show.

Scarborough co-hosts the political talk show on MSNBC with Mika Brzezinski. Generally, over the past year, NBC News has sought to distance itself from MSNBC, where a politically liberal viewpoint dominates, but that isn't the case with Scarborough, a former Republican congressman. He will continue on "Morning Joe."

NBC said Sept. 5 that Scarborough will be a contributor to discussions on "Meet the Press." Scarborough will offer analysis on other NBC News broadcasts and work as part of the network's election team.



BARRY BRECHENSEN, INVISION/AP

Country music star Garth Brooks kicked off his world tour at the Allstate Arena on Sept. 4 in Rosemont, Ill.

BUSINESS/WEATHER

Apple to up security in wake of hack

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Apple plans to tighten its online security measures to reduce the chances of its users being victimized by intruders like the ones that stole nude photos from actress Jennifer Lawrence and other celebrities.

CEO Tim Cook told The Wall Street Journal in a story published Friday that Apple Inc. will use email and push notifications to alert the hundreds of millions of people using its services when there has been an attempt to restore their iCloud data on new devices, to change account passwords or to log on to accounts with new devices. Previously there were no notifications for restoring iCloud data, but users did receive emails when someone tried to change passwords or to log in for the first time from new devices.

Apple expects to start sending the additional notifications in two weeks. The iPhone maker said the new security will allow users to change passwords to reclaim



MARCO JOSE SANCHEZ/AP

Apple CEO Steve Jobs talks about iCloud at the Worldwide Developers Conference in San Francisco in 2011. The circulation of nude photographs stolen from celebrities' online accounts has thrown a spotlight on the security of cloud computing.

control of accounts or to notify Apple's security team about potential problems.

An Apple spokesman confirmed the report Friday but declined to comment further than what was

said in the interview.

Apple is also urging users to ensure they have complex passwords that are difficult to guess and are enabling a feature known as two-factor authentication that

requires a numeric code sent to a phone to gain access to an account.

The security clampdown came just a few days after Apple acknowledged computer hackers broke into the accounts of Lawrence and several other stars whose revealing photos were posted online during the Labor Day weekend. The Cupertino, Calif., company blamed the security breakdown on the intruders' ability to figure out passwords and to bypass other safeguards.

As part of its efforts to reassure users, Apple has emphasized that it found no evidence of a widespread problem in iCloud or its Find my iPhone service. Instead, the affected celebrity accounts were targeted by hackers who had enough information to know the usernames, passwords and answers to personal security questions designed to thwart unauthorized entries, according to Apple.

EXCHANGE RATES

Military rates	
Euro costs (Sept. 8)	\$1.3905
Dollar buys (Sept. 8)	€0.7156
British pound (Sept. 8)	\$1.6168
Japanese yen (Sept. 8)	102.00
South Korean won (Sept. 11)	997.00
Commercial rates	
Bahrain (Dinar)	0.3771
British pound	\$1.6331/0.6123
Canada (dollar)	1.0886
China (Yuan)	6.1405
Denmark (Krone)	5.4765
Egypt (Pound)	7.1525
Euro	\$1.2958/0.7717
Hong Kong (Dollar)	0.9399
Hungary (Forint)	242.10
Israel (Shekel)	3.6039
Japan (Yen)	102.00
Kuwait (Dinar)	0.2856
Norway (Krone)	6.2833
Philippines (Peso)	43.26
Poland (Zloty)	3.23
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	3.7507
Singapore (Dollar)	1.2537
South Korea (Won)	1,024.34
Switzerland (Franc)	0.9309
Thailand (Bath)	31.99
Turkey (New Lira)	0.1594

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INTEREST RATES

Prime rate	3.25
Discount rate	4.75
Federal funds market rate	0.09
3-month bill	0.03
30-year bond	3.24

WEATHER OUTLOOK



The weather is provided by the American Forces Network Weather Center, 2nd Weather Squadron at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.

Monday's US temperatures

City	Hi	Lo	Wthr	Chatanooga	86	67	Cldy	Fort Wayne	77	56	Cldy	Louisville	84	63	Pcldy	Pocatello	85	49	Pcldy	Sioux City	80	64	Cldy
Ablene, Tex	92	73	Pcldy	Cheyenne	81	53	Pcldy	Fresno	94	64	Pcldy	Lubbock	87	69	Pcldy	Portland, Maine	65	49	Cir	Sioux Falls	78	62	Cldy
Akron, Ohio	76	56	Cir	Chicago	78	62	Pcldy	Goodland	90	61	Cir	Macon	87	71	Rain	Portland, Ore.	77	55	Cir	South Bend	77	57	Cir
Albany, N.Y.	75	51	Cir	Cincinnati	80	59	Cir	Grand Junction	79	59	Cir	Madison	76	58	Cir	Providence	75	57	Cir	Spokane	81	51	Cldy
Albuquerque	82	64	Cldy	Cleveland	76	58	Cir	Grand Rapids	77	56	Cir	Medford	91	56	Cir	Pueblo	90	57	Pcldy	Springfield, Ill.	80	56	Cir
Allentown, Pa.	78	57	Cldy	Colorado Springs	83	56	Cldy	Great Falls	77	40	Cir	Memphis	88	68	Cir	Raleigh-Durham	76	66	Rain	Springfield, Mo.	83	67	Pcldy
Amarillo	88	65	Pcldy	Columbia, S.C.	86	69	Cldy	Green Bay	77	56	Pcldy	Miami Beach	89	78	Cir	Rapid City	88	56	Pcldy	Syracuse	78	65	Pcldy
Anchorage	59	49	Cir	Columbus, Ga.	88	73	Rain	Greensboro, N.C.	75	64	Rain	Midland-Odessa	90	69	Pcldy	Reynolds	88	56	Pcldy	Tallahassee	90	72	Rain
Asheville	77	61	Cldy	Columbus, Ohio	79	60	Pcldy	Hartford	77	58	Cldy	Milwaukee	74	62	Pcldy	Richmond	76	61	Rain	Tampa	90	76	Cir
Atlanta	77	64	Cldy	Concord, N.H.	72	44	Cir	Hartford Spfld	75	54	Cldy	Mpls-St Paul	76	62	Cir	Rochester	76	57	Cir	Wichita Falls	84	74	Pcldy
Atlantic City	77	64	Cldy	Corpus Christi	92	76	Cldy	Helena	82	45	Cir	Missoula	80	47	Cir	Rockford	76	57	Cir	Yuba City	87	71	Pcldy
Baltimore	77	64	Cldy	Dallas-Ft Worth	95	78	Cldy	Honolulu	89	75	Cir	Mobile	74	62	Cir	Sacramento	78	57	Pcldy	Tucson	89	73	Rain
Baton Rouge	91	72	Cldy	Dayton	78	59	Cir	Houston	93	75	Cldy	Montgomery	91	71	Cldy	St. Louis	81	65	Cir	Tulsa	89	75	Cir
Bilings	83	53	Cir	Daytona Beach	90	74	Rain	Daysville	88	69	Cir	Nashville	86	65	Cir	St. Petersburg	89	73	Cir	Tupelo	89	67	Cir
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Boise	89	56	Cir	Detroit	77	59	Cir	Jacksonville	88	73	Rain	Newark	77	62	Cir	Salem, Ore.	80	52	Pcldy	Wilmington, Del.	77	62	Cir
Boston	70	57	Cir	Duluth	72	57	Pcldy	Janeau	57	41	Pcldy	Norfolk, Va.	79	71	Cir	Salt Lake City	84	62	Cir	Youngstown	76	56	Cir
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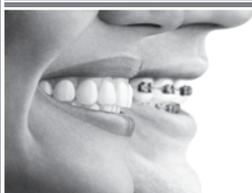
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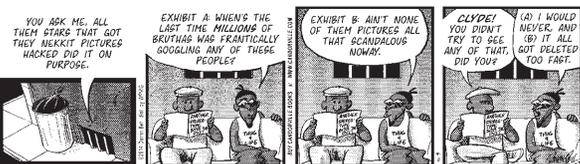
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Felon's flight
 - 4 Symbol of intrigue
 - 7 Rum cake
 - 11 Culture medium
 - 13 Chicken — king
 - 14 Computer picture
 - 15 Presidential no.
 - 16 Obtained
 - 17 Maintained
 - 18 For a specific purpose
 - 20 Unless, in law
 - 22 Swab
 - 24 Martial art
 - 28 Paving material
 - 32 "Back to the salt —"
 - 33 Many
 - 34 Pooch
 - 36 De-intensify
 - 37 Works in the mailroom
 - 39 Legendary racehorse
 - 41 Donkey's comment
 - 43 Eviscerate
 - 44 Actor McGregor
 - 46 Hockey need
 - 50 Skewer
 - 53 Golf prop
 - 55 Valhalla VIP
 - 56 Game on horseback
 - 57 Has the skill set
 - 58 Speck
 - 59 Online review site
- DOWN**
- 1 Volcanic outflow
 - 2 On in years
 - 3 Calculus, e.g.
 - 4 Move, as a tail
 - 5 Musk who co-founded PayPal
 - 6 Wax-and-dye method
 - 7 SpongeBob's home
 - 8 High card
 - 9 Jazz style
 - 10 Pismire
 - 12 Laurence Harvey movie
 - 19 Massachusetts cape
 - 21 Total
 - 23 Cushion
 - 25 Chew away at
 - 26 Crumby cheese
 - 27 Addict
 - 28 Pulverize
 - 29 Lotion additive
 - 30 Apple center
 - 31 Mid-May honoree
 - 35 Choke
 - 38 Witnessed
 - 40 Greek consonants
 - 42 Sentry's stint
 - 45 Tidy
 - 47 "American —"
 - 48 Urban area
 - 49 Elbow counterpart
 - 50 Operative
 - 51 "The Raven" writer
 - 52 Under the weather
 - 54 Type measures

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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9-8 CRYPTOQUIP

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W N N F A X U Y F P W X F A X U Y Z P A X .

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Today's Cryptquip Clue: G equals T

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BASKETBALL/NFL

Rivals Spain, France set to meet in World Cup quarterfinals

By JOSEPH WILSON
The Associated Press

BARCELONA, Spain—Rivals Spain and France will meet again in the quarterfinals of the Basketball World Cup after both won in the round of 16 on Saturday.

Pau Gasol scored 13 of his 17 points in the first quarter as host Spain routed Senegal 89-56 to remain unbeaten after having also dominated all five games of the group phase.

France, meanwhile, had to overcome an early deficit to eliminate Croatia 69-64, as Nicolas Batum scored 14 points and Evan Fournier had 13 for the European champion.

"Once again Spain, and once again it will be a fight," France's Mickael Gelabale said. "We have three days to prepare for this game. France and Spain is like a clasico game and everybody is waiting for it."

The neighboring countries have clashed in the past two summers, with Spain ousting France in the 2012 Olympics, and France getting revenge in last year's European championship.

And just three days ago, Spain beat France 88-64 in the group phase. They will meet again on Wednesday in Madrid.

On the other side of the bracket held in Barcelona, the United States and Slovenia advanced with wins and will play on Tuesday.

Stephen Curry hit six three-pointers and scored 20 points to help the U.S. ease to an 86-63 victory over Mexico, which was saved from greater defeat by Gustavo Ayon's 25 points.

Klay Thompson added 15

points at the Palau Sant Jordi Pavilion as the Americans also remained unbeaten.

While Curry and Thompson hit from outside, Kenneth Faried and DeMarcus Cousins took turns playing well in the paint.

Faried provided bursts of energized play to a lethargic first half. The forward hustled for seven rebounds — he finished with eight — and eight points in the first half. Cousins then took over and scored 11 points in the second half.

"We've played better each and every game," Curry said. "(We) have focused on some of the weaknesses that we showed early — not starting well, having a little lackadaisical first five minutes. We've definitely addressed that and gotten better."

While the Americans' victory was anything but surprising, Slovenia outlasted the Dominican Republic 71-61 in a thrilling contest of contrasting styles and scoring runs.

Zoran Dragic scored 18 points and brother Goran of the Phoenix Suns had 12 more for Slovenia's ball-motion offense, while James Feldeine led the Dominican Republic's running game with 18 points.

Down by seven points midway through the second period, Slovenia went on a 23-2 scoring run that stretched over halftime to move in front 42-28.

The Dominicans, however, took advantage of Slovenia center Miha Zupan's leg injury to attack the basket and pull within two points. But Zoran blocked a shot and scored a pair of layups to restore a 10-point lead with under two minutes to go.



MANU FERNANDEZ/AP

DeMarcus Cousins of the United States, left, battles Mexico's Adrian Zamora for the ball during Saturday's Basketball World Cup Round of 16 game at the Palau Sant Jordi in Barcelona, Spain.



STEPHEN BRASHEAR/AP

After a disappointing 20-point loss to the Super Bowl champion Seattle Seahawks on Thursday, Green Bay Packers coach Mike McCarthy acknowledged that there is much work to be done before his team's game next Sunday against the New York Jets at Lambeau Field.

Packers look to regroup

Uneven effort sends head coach McCarthy back to drawing board

The Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — While they received relatively good news on the injury front Friday, the Green Bay Packers still must fix all that went wrong during a season-opening loss to the defending Super Bowl champion Seattle Seahawks.

Packers coach Mike McCarthy confirmed Friday that starting right tackle Bryan Bulaga escaped major damage to his surgically repaired left knee. He said running back Eddie Lacy, who suffered a concussion late in the Packers' 36-16 loss on Thursday, had already passed one of the initial post-concussion tests.

Still, from shoddy tackling to poor communication from the sideline to an uneven performance from what was supposed to be one of the NFL's top offenses, McCarthy acknowledged that there is much to be done before the team's next game on Sept. 14 against the New York Jets at Lambeau Field.

"Everybody puts so much into the opener. We understand that," McCarthy said, one day after the defense gave up 398 yards, including 207 yards rushing, to the Seahawks.

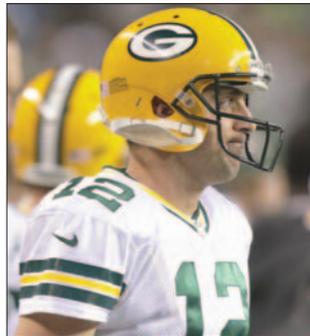
"We'll take a hard look at everything, we'll correct it, but (then) we will move onto the Jets. This is not a one-game season.

"We're not going to sit here and dwell on it. Trust me, I get the disappointment. I felt very good going into the game. But I had to go back and check my preparation, because I think anytime as a coach when you feel your team's prepared and they don't perform, I think the first guy you have to look at is yourself and look in the mirror. That's what we spent a lot of time doing today.

"We're not making crazy changes. We don't feel that's the right answer. We have a program, we have a process and I promise you our team will be better this coming week against the Jets."

It's on defense where the Packers must do significantly better. After working on a 4-3 look all off-season and throughout training camp, McCarthy and defensive coordinator Dom Capers unveiled it against the Seahawks, and it was ineffective.

Traditionally a 3-4 team, the Packers lined up



STEPHEN BRASHEAR/AP

Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers was sacked three times during Green Bay's 36-16 loss to the Seattle Seahawks on Thursday.

outside linebackers Julius Peppers and Mike Neal as defensive ends, played 3-4 ends Datone Jones and Mike Daniels inside and then had three more linebackers — A. J. Hawk, Brad Jones and Clay Matthews — completing the front seven.

Most of Seattle running back Marshawn Lynch's 110 yards rushing came against that set.

"We're doing things that are best suited for our players," McCarthy said of the scheme change. "Now, some of the things we did, did not get off to a good start as far as wins and losses with the particular personnel groups. (But) it's one game. We have a big commitment (on defense). We're going to continue to do the things our players do best. That's what coaching is."

And as now, the Packers have a lot of room for improvement.

"I mean, you are what you are," McCarthy said. "And after one game, we've put out there our performance and our next opponent will stress us in those areas that we did not perform very well in."

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Saturday's stars

- Marcus Mariota, Oregon, threw for 318 yards and three TDs to lead the No. 3 Ducks to a 46-27 victory over No. 7 Michigan State.
- Jameis Winston, Florida State, threw for 256 yards and two TDs as the top-ranked Seminoles rolled to a 37-12 victory over FCS opponent The Citadel.
- Maty Mauk, Missouri, threw for 325 yards and five TDs, and the No. 24 Tigers gave coach Gary Pinkel a win against his former program, Toledo, 49-24.
- D.J. Foster, Arizona State, rushed for a career-high 216 yards to help the 17th-ranked Sun Devils beat New Mexico 58-23.
- Travis Wilson, Utah, threw a career-high five TDs to power the Utes over Fresno State 59-27.
- David Cobb, Minnesota, ran for a career-high 220 yards and two TDs and the Gophers outlasted Middle Tennessee 35-24.
- Tyler Miles, Washington, ran for three touchdowns rushing and threw for another in his season debut at quarterback in a wild 59-52 win over Eastern Washington.
- Vernon Adams Jr., Eastern Washington, threw for a career-high 475 yards and seven TDs in the loss to Washington.
- Sefo Lufau, Colorado, threw for 318 yards and three TDs as the Buffaloes overcame an 11-point third-quarter deficit to beat Massachusetts 41-38.
- Herb Walker, Morgan State, ran for a career-high 271 yards in a 29-26 loss to Holy Cross.
- Jared Goff, California, matched his career high of four TD passes, to help the Bears beat Sacramento State 55-14.
- Dak Prescott, Mississippi State, accounted for 322 total yards and five TDs in a 47-34 win over Alabama-Birmingham.
- John Robertson, Villanova, threw for 216 yards, ran for 61 and had four touchdowns in a 50-6 win over Fordham.
- Keenan Reynolds, Navy, ran for 173 yards and two TDs to help the Midshipmen hold on for a 31-24 victory over Temple.



ROSS D. FRANKLIN/AP

— The Associated Press Arizona State's D.J. Foster gets past New Mexico's David Guthrie for some of his career-high 216 yards rushing on Saturday.

How the AP Top 25 fared

1 Florida State (2-0) beat The Citadel 37-12. At Tallahassee, Fla., Jameis Winston threw for 256 yards and two touchdowns and the Seminoles scored touchdowns on all four first-half drives and field goals on his two third-quarter drives. The Heisman winner sat down with a 34-0 lead.

Next vs. No. 23 Clemson, Saturday, Sept. 20.

2 Alabama (2-0) beat FAU 41-0. At Tuscaloosa, Ala., Blake Sims had 214 passing yards and Jake Coker threw for 20 to lead Alabama past Florida Atlantic in a game halted by lightning with 7:53 left. Both quarterbacks got a chance to stake a claim to the starting job for the Crimson Tide in the one-sided game.

Next vs. Southern Miss, Saturday.

3 Oregon (2-0) beat Michigan State 46-27. At Eugene, Ore., Marcus Mariota threw for 318 yards and three touchdowns and the Ducks' blub offense overwhelmed the Spartans' stout defense.

Next vs. Wyoming, Saturday.

4 Oklahoma (2-0) beat Tulsa 52-7. At Tulsa, Okla., Sterling Shepard had a career-high 177 yards receiving to help the Sooners roll. Trevor Knight passed for 299 yards and two touchdowns and ran for a score. Alex Ross ran for 90 yards and a touchdown, and Keith Ford rushed for 87 yards and two scores.

Next vs. Tennessee, Saturday.

5 Auburn (2-0) beat San Jose State 49-13. At Auburn, Ala., Cameron Artis-Payne ran for three touchdowns in the first half, and the Tigers used a dominant ground game to beat San Jose State. Auburn had six touchdowns and 358 yards on the ground. Quarterback Nick Marshall ran for 103 yards, including a 27-yard touchdown on his final drive late in the third quarter.

Next at No. 20 Kansas State, Thursday, Sept. 18.

6 Georgia (1-0) did not play. The Bulldogs were off, giving them time to prepare to hit the road for a crucial game against No. 21 South Carolina (1-1). The Gamecocks beat East Carolina Saturday after an embarrassing 52-28 opening loss to Texas A&M.

Next at No. 21 South Carolina, Saturday, Sept. 14.

7 Michigan State (1-1) lost to No. 3 Oregon 46-27. At Eugene, Ore., the Spartans led 27-18 early in the third quarter, but Oregon scored four straight touchdowns. The loss snapped an 11-game winning streak for the defending Big Ten and Rose Bowl champs, who went 13-1 last season.

Next vs. Eastern Michigan, Saturday, Sept. 20.

8 Ohio State (1-1) lost to Virginia Tech 35-21. At Columbus, Ohio, Michael Brewer threw for two touchdowns and Virginia Tech's defense stood tough at the end and the Hokies stunned the Buckeyes in front of a record crowd of 107,517 at enlarged Ohio Stadium. Keyshawn Jarrett had two interceptions and Danayon Riley returned another 63 yards for a touchdown in the final minute.

Next vs. Kent State, Saturday.

9 Texas A&M (2-0) beat Lamar 73-3. At College Station, Texas, Kenny Hill threw for 283 yards and four touchdowns in less than three quarters as the Aggies rolled in front of the largest crowd for a college game in Texas history. It was the first game in the newly renovated and expanded Kyle Field and drew a record crowd of 104,728.

Next vs. Rice, Saturday.

10 Baylor (2-0) beat Northwestern State 70-6. Waco, Texas, Baylor backup Seth Russell threw for 438 yards and five touchdowns while playing only the first half, and freshman KD Cannon caught three of those scores.

Next at Buffalo, Friday.

11 UCLA (2-0) beat Memphis 42-35. At Pasadena, Calif., Brett Hundley passed for 396 yards and three touchdowns, and Paul Perkins rushed for two scores and the Bruins survived a fourth-quarter scare. Thomas Duarte caught two TD passes and linebacker Myles Jack rushed for his first score of the season.

Next vs. Texas at Arlington, Texas, Saturday.

12 LSU (2-0) beat Sam Houston State 56-0. At Baton Rouge, La., Anthony Jennings threw three scoring passes to Travin Dural and running back Leonard Fournette scored his first touchdown. All three of Dural's catches went for touchdowns, including a 94-yard run on LSU's first offensive play.

Next vs. Louisiana-Monroe, Saturday.

13 Stanford (1-1) lost to No. 14 Southern Cal 13-10. At Stanford, Calif., in the first big test this season, everything the Cardinal count on evaporated. Two turnovers, two missed fields and eight penalties highlighted Stanford's loss to USC on Saturday in the conference opener for both teams.

Next vs. Army, Saturday.

14 Southern Cal (2-0) beat No. 13 Stanford 13-10. At Stanford, Calif., Andre Heidari kicked a career-long 53-yard field goal with 2:30 remaining, and J.R. Tavi forced a fumble to end Stanford's comeback bid.

Next at Boston College, Saturday.

15 Mississippi (2-0) beat Vanderbilt 41-13. At Nashville, Tenn., Bo Wallace threw for 320 yards and a touchdown, and Mississippi routed Vanderbilt in the SEC opener for both teams. The Rebels scored on seven of their first eight possessions.

Next vs. Louisiana, Saturday.

16 Notre Dame (2-0) beat Michigan 31-0. At South Bend, Ind., Everett Golson threw three touchdowns and passes and Notre Dame said so long to Michigan with the Fighting Irish's most dominant performance in the historic rivalry that will take a hiatus.

Next vs. Purdue at Indianapolis, Saturday.

17 Arizona State (2-0) beat New Mexico 58-23. At Albuquerque, N.M., Taylor Kelly threw for two touchdowns and ran for one and D.J. Foster rushed for a career-high 216 yards for the Sun Devils, who grabbed a 21-0 first-quarter lead behind touchdowns from Deshaun Lewis, Kelly and Kalen Ballage.

Next at Colorado, Saturday.

18 Wisconsin (1-1) beat Western Illinois 37-3. At Madison, Wis., Tanner McEvoy overcame a slow start to throw for three touchdowns with Wisconsin. Melvin Gordon ran for just 38 yards on 17 carries for the Badgers with the Fighting Hokies consistently stacking the box against one of the country's best rushers.

Next vs. Bowling Green, Saturday, Sept. 20.

19 Nebraska (2-0) beat McNeese State 31-24. At Lincoln, Neb., Ameer Abdullah's 58-yard touchdown dash on a pass from Tommy Armstrong Jr. broke a tie with 20 seconds left. McNeese State erased a 10-point deficit to tie it at 24 with 4:21 to play. Abdullah broke five tackles on his way to the winning score on what may end up as the signature play of his career.

Next at Fresno State, Saturday.

20 Kansas State (2-0) beat Iowa State 32-28. At Ames, Iowa, Jake Waters scored on an 8-yard run with 1:30 left to lift the Wildcats. Waters threw for 239 yards and ran for a career-high 138 yards.

Next vs. No. 5 Auburn, Thursday, Sept. 18.

21 North Carolina (2-0) beat San Diego State 31-27. At Chapel Hill, N.C., Tim Scott's interception in the end zone with 14 seconds left preserved the Tar Heels' victory. Marquise Williams threw two second-half touchdown passes and freshman Elijah Hood rushed 2 yards for the go-ahead score with 8:01 left.

Next at East Carolina, Saturday, Sept. 20.

21 South Carolina (1-1) beat East Carolina 33-23. At Columbia, S.C., Mike Davis ran for 101 yards and two touchdowns and the Gamecocks bounced back from an embarrassing opening-week loss despite trailing 13-7 early on. But behind Davis' grinding runs and the defense's improving play, South Carolina found its footing in its first win of the season.

Next vs. No. 6 Georgia, Saturday.

23 Clemson (1-1) beat South Carolina State 73-7. At Clemson, S.C., Cole Stoudt completed 22 of his 31 passes for 302 yards and Clemson had its highest point total in 33 years. The Tigers gained 735 yards and held the FCS Bulldogs to 44 yards.

Next at No. 1 Florida State, Saturday, Sept. 20.

24 Missouri (2-0) beat Toledo 49-24. At Toledo, Ohio, Maty Mauk threw for 325 yards and five touchdowns, and Missouri gave coach Gary Pinkel a win against his former program. Mauk also ran for a touchdown, and the Tigers never trailed.

Next vs. UCF, Saturday.

25 Louisville (2-0) beat Murray State 66-21. At Louisville, Ky., Cardinals backup quarterback Reggie Bonnafon ran for two touchdowns and passed for one and Louisville scored on nine straight possessions.

Next at Virginia, Saturday.

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TONY AVELAR/AP

Southern California quarterback Cody Kessler throws a pass against Stanford during the second half on Saturday in Stanford, Calif. No. 14 USC beat No. 13 Stanford 13-10.

Southern Cal holds off Stanford

By ANTONIO GONZALEZ
The Associated Press

STANFORD, Calif. — New Southern California coach Steve Sarkisian smiled, pumped his fist and threw his arms in the air as his players jumped around the sideline at Stanford Stadium.

All of the emotions that had been lacking for USC the past few years finally came pouring out on the road, against a rival and in front of a national television audience, sometimes a bit too much. Few things looked pretty for the Trojans on Saturday except for the final score. Andre Heidari kicked a career-long 53-yard field goal with 2:30 remaining and J.R. Tavai forced a fumble to end the Cardinal's comeback bid as the 14th-ranked Trojans upended No. 13 Stanford 13-10 in dramatic fashion again.

"I think it says a lot that we can come in against this team, in this environment, and the game not really going our way and not really in our favor, just for whatever reason, and find a way to win," Sarkisian said.

A game that featured an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty on Sarkisian for standing too close to the field, linebacker Hayes Pullard getting ejected for targeting and athletic director Pat Haden

yelling at officials in a weird and wild sideline scene, ended with USC making all the big plays on the field in the closing moments.

With Stanford threatening to tie or take the lead, Tavai came from Kevin Hogan's blindsides to jar the ball loose. Scott Felix recovered at the Trojans' 26-yard-line with 19 seconds to play, sealing Sarkisian's first major victory at USC (2-0, 1-0) and dealing a major blow to the Cardinal's chances of a third consecutive Pac-12 title.

"I just heard everybody screaming. I was just running to the sideline. Coaches were hugging me. I guess something good happened," Tavai said.

Javorius Allen ran for a career-high 154 yards, Nelson Agholor had a career-high nine receptions for 91 yards and Justin Davis ran for a short touchdown to help USC create just enough offense to win at Stanford Stadium for the first time since 2008.

The Trojans had gained 701 yards while running a conference-record 105 plays in a 52-13 win over Fresno State last week. But Stanford (1-1, 0-1) slowed down Cody Kessler and USC's up-tempo offense most of the afternoon, holding the Trojans to 59 plays.

Stanford outgained USC 413 to 291

yards but couldn't overcome its own mistakes. The Cardinal committed two turnovers, eight penalties for 68 yards and Jordan Williamson missed two field goals.

The loss snapped Stanford's 17-game home winning streak, which was the longest active streak in the country.

"You got to make field goals. You got to take advantage of field position," Cardinal coach David Shaw said.

Kessler underwent an unspecified procedure on one of his toes this week but showed no effects of the injury. He completed 15 of 22 passes for 135 yards and directed the Trojans when it mattered most.

Sarkisian sent his offense on the field for a fourth-and-5 from the 35-yard line before calling a timeout to go for a field goal at the end of USC's final drive. Heidari then connected from 53 yards, turned around and gestured at the Trojans faithful in the corner of the crowd.

Heidari had kicked a 47-yard field goal with 19 seconds to play in USC's 20-17 win over the Cardinal last year in Los Angeles.

"I trusted myself, I trusted the ball, the holder, the snapper. I'm glad I had the opportunity to do what I did last year," he said.

Bea Mariota, Oregon too much for Michigan St.

By ANNE M. PETERSON
The Associated Press

EUGENE, Ore. — Michigan State didn't underestimate Oregon quarterback Marcus Mariota. He just confounded them anyway.

Mariota threw for 318 yards and three touchdowns and the No. 3 Ducks defeated the No. 7 Spartans on Saturday in what was billed as the biggest nonconference game of the season.

"They were who they were and saw what you expected to see," Michigan State coach Mark Dantonio said. "You saw a quarterback making plays and a quarterback that's dynamic. When he had to put it on the money he did and he had zero turnovers."

Mariota completed 17 of 28 passes with no interceptions, al-

though Michigan State's defense was able to sack him three times. Ultimately, he led the Ducks to four unanswered touchdowns in the second half for the win.

"They guy understands defense, he understands offense," senior free safety Kurtis Drummond said. "Marcus had a good game today."

Mariota's Michigan State counterpart Connor Cook had a solid game in the loss, throwing for 343 yards and a pair of touchdowns. But he was also sacked three times and threw three picks.

"We just didn't make plays, plays that were there that we didn't make, throws that were there that I didn't make. Really, that was it," Cook said.

The Spartans had the second-ranked total defense in the nation

last year, allowing opponents an average of just over 252 yards per game. But the high-flying Oregon offense appeared to wear on Michigan State as the game went on.

The Spartans breached Oregon territory midway through the quarter, but on third-and-10 on the 38, Erick Dargan intercepted Cook and ran it back 36 yards.

The Ducks capped the drive when Thomas Tyner barreled over the goal line for a 4-yard touchdown, and Oregon added the conversion for an 8-0 lead.

Down 11-0, Michigan State answered with an impressive drive topped by Jeremy Langford's 16-yard scoring dash. Langford finished with 24 carries for 86 yards.

Mariota hit Devon Allen with a 70-yard touchdown pass to give the Ducks an 18-7 lead with 10:12

to go in the half. Michael Geiger kicked a 34-yard field goal and Cook added a 7-yard touchdown pass to Tony Lippett with 2:26 left before the break to pull the Spartans within a point. Michigan State took a 24-18 lead with 18 seconds to go when Josiah Price leaped for Cook's 7-yard TD pass.

The Spartans led 27-18 after a 42-yard field goal by Geiger, but Mariota found Allen with a 24-yard scoring pass to cut the Spartans' lead to 27-25. Oregon regained the lead on Mariota's 37-yard toss to Keanon Lowe before Royce Freeman's 38-yard TD run.

With the Spartans threatening on Oregon's 31 late in the fourth quarter, Ifo Ekpre-Olomu intercepted a pass intended for AJ Trout. Freeman added a 14-yard TD run for the final margin.



CHRIS PIETSON/AP

Oregon Ducks quarterback Marcus Mariota looks for a receiver down field against Michigan State during their game in Eugene, Ore., on Saturday. The No. 3 Ducks rallied in the second half to beat the No. 7 Spartans 46-27.

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Irish embarrass Wolverines with shutout

By RALPH D. RUSSO
The Associated Press

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Everett Golson and Notre Dame said so long to Michigan with a devastating parting shot. When it was over, the Fighting Irish celebrated their most lopsided victory in the history of the series — and the only thing playing in the stadium was the alma mater and the fight song by the band.

Golson threw three touchdown passes and No. 16 Notre Dame beat the Wolverines 31-0 Saturday night, snapping Michigan's NCAA record streak of games without being shut out at 365 before the rivalry goes into hiatus.

Coach Brian Kelly tried to downplay the win a little.

"It counts as one," he said, before adding, "I'd be lying if I told you that it didn't feel great to shut out Michigan, 31-to-nothing," stressing the 31.

Game No. 42 in a rivalry that has been off-and-on for more than 100 years in the last scheduled. Notre Dame broke off the series to accommodate its new scheduling arrangement with the Atlantic Coast Conference. Michigan didn't take it well.

Coach Brady Hoke jokingly accused the Fighting Irish of chickening out before last year's game at Ann Arbor. Then after Michigan beat the Irish, "The Chicken Dance" blared through the sound system at the Big House.

No hard feelings? "It was great revenge," Notre Dame linebacker Jaylon Smith said of the Irish fans serenading the Wolverines with "Nah, nah, nah. Hey, hey, hey. Goodbye."

The previous most lopsided victory for Notre Dame against Michigan was 35-12 in 1943. The last time the Wolverines were shut out was 26-0 by Iowa on Oct. 20,



MICHAEL CONROY/AP

Notre Dame wide receiver Amir Carlisle, center, celebrates a touchdown against Michigan during the first half Saturday in South Bend, Ind. Notre Dame won 31-0.

1984. This one will probably sting longer, considering the circumstances.

"We will bounce back," Hoke said. "This is a very resilient, hard-working group of young men, who know what it takes to win."

Golson was 23-for-34 for 226 yards. Devin Gardner was 19-for-32 for 189 yards and committed four second-half turnovers for Michigan.

Maybe it was just a coincidence that this week Notre Dame announced a future home-and-home with Ohio State, Michigan's hated rival — and a team that has owned the Wolverines in recent years. Still, this is a rivalry that has been generally quite civil in recent years. Two of the bluest of bloods in college football history, they are the winningest programs ever by percentage. They have combined for 1,787 victories. In fact, Michigan had a chance to take back the top

spot by beating the Fighting Irish.

Notre Dame and Michigan may not love each other, especially these days, but they've always seemed to like being associated with one another. Classic uniforms. Recognizable fight songs (they sound a little alike to an untrained ear). They both tout their high academic standards and doing things the right way.

The traditional early season meeting between the Irish and Wolverines has always been a measuring stick.

But things change. Notre Dame now has artificial turf and an interlocking ND logo at midfield. And Michigan has now been shut out for the first time in 30 years.

The golden domes and winged helmets will go their separate ways. Michigan leads the series 24-17-1, but Notre Dame will get to bask in this one for a while.

Kelly came to Notre Dame five years ago, promising to recruit better athletes and install an up-tempo spread offense. Notre Dame went to a national championship game in 2012 on the strength of its defense. Golson was a redshirt freshman starter who Kelly said just "rode the bus" to the BCS title game. He didn't even finish the 13-6 victory against Michigan that year.

Then Golson watched last season, suspended from school for academic impropriety.

Now, he's in the driver's seat and looking like a Heisman contender.

"Yeah, let's put him up for it," Kelly said. "Sure. Throw him in there."

Golson was pinpoint and poised in the first half, leading Notre Dame to a 21-0 lead. As for the Heisman, he said, "Avoid the noise. People are going to talk, that type of thing, whether it's good or bad. You just have to keep your head."

Hokies upset No. 8 Ohio St.

By RUSTY MILLER
The Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Urban Meyer knows that if things don't get better than his Ohio State Buckeyes might just face more defeats down the road like the one they were handed in front of the biggest home crowd ever.

Michael Brewer passed for two touchdowns on Saturday night and Virginia Tech's defense stood tough at the end as the Hokies stunned the eighth-ranked Buckeyes 35-21.

"I still have confidence that we have enough skill in this football team to get by people," Meyer said.

He added: "It didn't look like it (tonight). But we have to get by people or you're going to see what you saw today every week."

Keyshoen Jarrett had two interceptions and Donovan Riley returned another 63 yards for a TD in the final minute before a record crowd of 107,517 at enlarged Ohio Stadium.

It was a huge win for a Virginia Tech program that had lost 11 games the last two years and had gone from perennial juggernaut to a national afterthought.

"I think this is a big, big win for this program, for the status of this program," coach Frank



JAY LAPRETE/AP

Virginia Tech quarterback Michael Brewer drops back to pass against Ohio State during the fourth quarter Saturday.

Beamer said.

Virginia Tech had talked all week about a spotlight victory to conjure up the program's better days under Beamer, now 226-109-2 in his 28 years in Blacksburg, Va.

The Hokies definitely did that. But Beamer wasn't talking about a Hokies renaissance.

"I don't know," he said when asked if Virginia Tech had regained its national prominence. "We have to build on this win, learn from this win."

Brewer led the Hokies (2-0) to a 21-7 lead at the half. After his fumble led to the Buckeyes (1-1)

pulling even on Ezekiel Elliott's 15-yard run early in the fourth quarter, he led a 65-yard march capped by his 10-yard scoring pass to Bucky Hodges with 8:44 left.

The defense then stymied Ohio State quarterback J.T. Barrett, the freshman taking over for injured three-year starter Braxton Miller. Miller watched the game from the sidelines, his injured right arm in a sling.

Barrett, who looked solid in a come-from-behind 34-17 win over Navy last week, was just 9-for-29 for 219 yards and a touchdown with three interceptions. He led all rushers with 70 yards on 24 carries.

His line permitted seven sacks and he was hurried numerous other times.

But Meyer refused to point the finger.

"There are some weaknesses right now on our team and it was rather obvious what they are," he said. "We can play better on both sides."

Brewer, meanwhile, handled heavy pressure all day while moving the chains. He was 23-for-36 for 199 yards and the two scores with two interceptions.

It was Ohio State's third loss in its past four games after a school-record 24-game winning streak.

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 Bentley 27, Mercyhurst 21
 Bowling Green 24, Stonewall
 Bridgewater (Mass.) 33, Gettysburg 32
 Brown 20, Oberlin 10
 Bryant 40, Merrimack 14
 Bucknell 22, Marist 0
 Buffalo St. 51, Cortland St. 48, OT
 California (Pa.) 33, Virginia St. 24
 Castleton St. 20, Plymouth St. 13
 Charleston (WV) 41, WV Wesleyan 19
 Concord 40, UNM 38
 Concord 54, Greenville 27
 Indiana Valley 30, Montclair St. 20
 East Stroudsburg 43, LIU Post 35
 Framingham St. 20, Endicott 17
 Green Bay 26, Lebanon Valley 21
 Gannon 23, Connecticut 7
 Holy Cross 29, Westminster (Pa.) 27
 Hobart 33, Dickinson 21
 Hiram 29, Morgan St. 26
 Indiana (Pa.) 41, St. Augustine's 19
 Ithaca 21, Union (NY) 18
 James Madison 31, Lehigh 28
 Juniata 21, Grove City 13
 Lycoming 42, Susquehanna 13
 Mt. St. Pomeroy 18, Pitzer 18
 Moreau 33, King's (Pa.) 14
 Mount Union 58, Bethany (WV) 7
 Muhlenberg 24, Wilkes 0
 Navy 31, Temple 24
 Penn St. 21, Union 3
 RPI 22, Norwich 9
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 Shepherd 58, West Liberty 13
 Slippery Rock (Pa.) 27, Clarion 13
 St. John Fisher 36, Otterbein 14
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 Thiel 28, Allegheny 14
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 Cent. Michigan 38, Purdue 17
 Central 31, Benedictine (Ill.) 7
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 Dakota St. 41, Dordt 7
 Duquesne 31, Sewanee 13
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 DePaul 13, Truman St. 7, OT
 Dennis 35, Earlham 6
 Hillsdale 17, Miami (Ohio) 10
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 Mount St. Joseph 58, Augustana (Ill.) 25
 Nebraska 53, Northwestern 15
 Nebraska 31, McNeese 24
 North Dakota 16, Robert Morris 13
 Northwestern (Minn.) 17, St. Olaf 16
 Northwood (Mich.) 23, N. Michigan 13
 Northwood 31, West Virginia 10
 Ohio Wesleyan 39, Malone 14
 Okla. Christian 31, Wagon Wheel (Mo.) 24
 Ohio Dominican 40, Bluffton 20
 Oklahoma Baptist 62, St. Mary (Kan.) 37
 Okla. A1, Wilmington (Ohio) 24

SOUTH
 Alabama 41, Florida Atlantic 0
 Alabama St. 27, Tennessee St. 13
 Appalachian State 31, Hartwick 20
 Auburn 59, San Jose 13
 Belmont 33, Washington & Lee 17
 Benedict 34, Lane 7
 Benedict 34, Davidson 7
 Cent. 42, Hanover 17
 Charleston Southern 16, Newberry 10
 Charlotte 26, South Carolina 3
 Chowan 26, Fayetteville 27
 Clemson 73, Johnson C. Smith 7
 Duke 34, Troy 17
 Cumberland 23, Cumberlands 27
 Duke 34, Troy 17
 Florida International 41, Ferrum 12
 Florida International 34, Wagner 3
 Florida 65, Southeastern (Fla.) 24
 Florida 65, Eastern Michigan 0
 Florida St. 37, The Citadel 12
 Florida Tech 54, Stetson 12
 Frostburg 52, Geneva 19
 Furman 25, Mercer 20
 Georgia Southern 83, Savannah St. 9
 Georgia Tech 38, Tulane 21
 Guilford 52, Greensboro 0
 Jackson 58, Va. Lynchburg 0
 Jacksonville 26, Chattanooga 23, OT
 Johns Hopkins 42, Radford-Macon 3
 Kentucky 20, Ohio 2
 Kentucky Christian 30, Bethel (Tenn.) 9
 LSU 56, Sam Houston 8
 LaGrange 34, Birmingham-Southern 28

WEST
 Liberty 17, Norfolk St. 0
 Louisiana Tech 48, Louisiana 20
 Louisiana Tech 38, Idaho 31
 Louisville 66, Murray 31
 Montana 26, Rhode Island 7
 Mary Hardin-Baylor 43, Millsaps 7
 Miami 24, South Carolina 14
 Maryville (Tenn.) 41, Berry 14
 Montana St. 34, Southern Virginia 21
 Miami 41, Florida A&M 7
 Mississippi 30, Shaw 14
 Mississippi 41, Vanderbilt 3
 Mississippi College 32, Belhaven 14
 Missouri St. 47, Ala. Birmingham 34
 Morehead St. 49, Pikeville 36
 Montana St. 34, Edinboro 16
 NC Central 24, Elizabeth City St. 7
 Old Dominion 24
 New Mexico St. 34, Georgia St. 31
 North Carolina 31, San Diego St. 27
 Presbyterian 69, Bluefield South 14
 Reinhardt 52, Lindsey Wilson 48
 South Carolina 41, S. Utah 14
 Salisbury 41, Christopher Newport 32
 St. Joseph 37, Kentucky 34
 South Carolina 33, East Carolina 23
 Southern Miss. 31, Alabama St. 20
 Southern U.S. 66, Cent. Methodist 14
 St. Anselm 23, Bowie St. 22
 Stevenson 40, NC Wesleyan 19



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UCLA wide receiver Jordan Payton, left, escapes a tackle by Memphis defensive back Chris Morley on Saturday.

Tennessee 34, Arkansas St. 19
 Tuskegee 30, Alabama A&M 17
 Valdosta St. 36, Albany St. (Ga.) 10
 Virginia Union 12, Siena Heights 0
 Western Carolina 45, Brwarr 21
 Wake Forest 23, Gardner-Webb 7
 Xavier 14, Wobler 19
 Wesley 35, Thomas More 20
 West Alabama 44, Stillman 20
 West Georgia 38, Mars Hill 26
 William & Mary 42, Hampton 14
 Winstete 38, Lincolnton 10
 Windsor-Salem 38, UNC-Pembroke 7
 Adrian 35, DePaul 13
 Ashland 66, Lake Erie 21
 Augustana (SD) 54, Minn.-Crookston 0
 Avila 61, Haskell Indian Nations 13
 Baker 20, Ottawa, Kan. 12
 Bethany (Kan.) 21, WSJ Assemblies of God 21

Bowling Green 48, Virginia Military 7
 Butler 22, Wittenberg 19
 Carroll (Wis.) 33, Lakeland 0
 Cent. Michigan 38, Purdue 17
 Central 31, Benedictine (Ill.) 7
 Central St. (Ohio) 26, Clark Atlanta 18
 Chadron 52, Missouri 87 25
 Duquesne 25, Balliol 6
 Colorado Mines 43, Dakota Tech 19
 Concordia (Ind.) 40, Jameson 13
 Concordia (Neb.) 21, Sterling 15
 Concordia (Wisc.) 31, North Park 26
 Crown College 41, West Missouri 14
 Dakota St. 41, Dordt 7
 Duquesne 31, Sewanee 13
 Dayton 23, Georgetown 14
 DePaul 13, Truman St. 7, OT
 Dennis 35, Earlham 6
 Hillsdale 17, Miami (Ohio) 10
 Findlay 46, Kentucky 38
 Friends 33, Doane 7
 Grand View 40, Graceland (Iowa) 10
 Gustavus 44, Crown (Minn.) 17
 Hamline 37, Minn.-Morris 5
 Hastings 41, Kansas Wesleyan 21
 Heidelberg 72, Alma 7
 Heidelberg 42, Westminster (Mo.) 28
 Illinois 52, Western Kentucky 34
 Illinois Wesleyan 49, Aurora 6
 Illinois St. 62, Mississippi Valley St. 0
 Illinois College 42, Franklin 35
 Indiana 14, Tennessee Tech 14
 Indianapolis 24, Saginaw Valley St. 10
 Iowa 17, Ball St. 51
 John Carroll 41, Vincennes 0
 Kansas 24, SE Missouri 28
 Kent St. 32, Iowa St. 28
 Knox 26, Eureka 23
 Lincoln 20, West Lutheran 14
 Longsight 49, Lincoln (Mo.) 48
 Loras 39, Elmhurst 11
 Luther Presentation 33
 Macalester 17, Carleton 14
 Marist 28, Kyrion 11
 Martin Luther 63, Maranatha Baptist 24
 Mary 19, SW Missouri 15
 Midland 28, Peru 14
 Minnesota 59, Toledo 24
 Minnnesota 35, Middle Tennessee 24
 Missouri (Ill.) 30, Hope 20
 Morrisville 56, Valley City 21
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Oliver Nazarene 41, St. Francis (Ill.) 10
 Pittsburg St. 37, Northeastern St. 0
 Robert Morris-Chicago 27, Wis.-Oshkosh 19
 Rockford 34, Lawrence 6
 Rose-Hulman 40, Kalamazoo 13
 S. Dakota St. 44, Cal Poly 18
 Southern Illinois 35, Eastern Illinois 21
 Simpson (Iowa) 43, Iowa Wesleyan 7
 Sioux Falls 41, Minn. State 11
 South Dakota 41, William Penn 16
 South Alabama 23, Kent St. 13
 South Dakota 41, Minn. State 11
 St. John's (Minn.) 27, Wis.-River Falls 8
 St. Joseph's (Ind.) 31, Valparaiso 10
 St. Norbert 29, Carthage 13
 St. Scholastica 28, Ripon 27
 St. Thomas (Minn.) 22, Wis.-Eau Claire 11
 St. Xavier 65, Marian (Ind.) 38
 Taber 36, Nebraska Wesleyan 0
 Taylor 38, Anderson (Ohio) 10
 Trinity (Ill.) 49, Concordia (Mich.) 3
 Upper Iowa 44, Minn. St.- Moorhead 36
 Urbana 24, Virginia Wise 15
 Virginia Tech 35, Ohio St. 21
 Walsh 24, Hampden-Sydney 21
 Walsh 45, Triffin 10
 Wartburg 40, Augsburg 3
 Wayne (Neb.) 35, Bemidji 13
 Wayne 78, Northwestern St. 10
 Wisconsin-LaCrosse 24, Dubuque 8
 Wisconsin-Platteville 63, Buena Vista 3
 Wisconsin-Stevens Point 27, Western Illinois 23
 Youngstown St. 34, Duquesne 23

SOUTHWEST
 Ark.-Pine Bluff 31, Concordia-Selma 0
 Arkansas 78, Nicholls St. 17
 Brigham Young 41, Texas 7
 Baylor 78, Northwestern St. 6
 Cent. Arkansas 26, UT-Martin 24
 East Central 38, Ark.-Monticello 34
 Harding 42, Southwest Oklahoma 9
 Henderson 30, Trinity (Texas) 27
 Houston 47, Grambling St. 7
 Howard Payne 30, Trinity (Texas) 27
 McMurry 26, Houston Baptist 21
 Northern Arizona 27, Abilene Christian 21
 North Texas 42, Southern Methodist 6
 Oklahoma St. 24, Tulsa 7
 Oklahoma St. 40, Missouri 31
 Rhodes 34, Austin 13
 Southern Arkansas 30, SE Oklahoma 29
 Southwestern (Texas) at Hardin-Simmons, cont.

Stephen F. Austin 38, Incarnate Word 3
 Texas A&M 73, Lamar 7
 Texas A&M 73, Lamar 7
 Texas Tech 30, Texas-Panhandle 26
 Western St. (Col.) 38, Moyland Baptist 21

FAR WEST
 Arizona Christian 46, George Fox 27
 Arizona St. 58, New Mexico 23
 Boise St. 37, Colorado St. 24
 California St. Sacramento 21
 College of Idaho 35, Pacific (Ore.) 34
 Eastern New Mexico 40, NW Highlands 21
 Menlo 31, Simon Fraser 24
 Mesa 54, Dixie 27, OT
 Montana 48, Cent. Washington 14
 Montana St. 16, Idaho 31
 North Dakota 52, Weber St. 7
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 Oregon St. 38, Hawaii 30
 Puget Sound 13, Claremont-Mudd 10
 Regis 27, Montana Western 28
 Puget Sound 13, Claremont-Mudd 10
 Southern Oregon 38, Carroll (Mont.) 35
 Southern Oregon 38, Carroll (Mont.) 35
 Southern Cal 13, Stanford 10
 Southern Cal 13, Stanford 10
 Utah 52, Fort Lewis 10
 UCLA 42, Memphis 35
 Utah 52, Fort Lewis 10
 Utah 52, Fort Lewis 10
 Utah 52, Fresno St. 27
 Washington 51, Washington 51
 Washington 51, E. Washington 52
 Whitworth 63, Lewis & Clark 10
 Wyoming 17, Air Force 10

Academies roundup

Army holds on, wins in Monken's debut

The Associated Press

WEST POINT, N.Y. — The first game of Jeff Monken's new role as head coach at Army couldn't have sounded any sweeter.

After the final gun, Monken sang with the West Point Corps of Cadets sitting in the stands at sweltering Michie Stadium and yelled "Beat Navy!" — a fitting end to a hard-fought 47-39 victory over Buffalo on Saturday.

"These 4,000 students over there standing out in the sun that are living and dying on every play with our team," said Monken, now 5-0 as a head coach in season-openers. "Part of the celebration is for them. We need all 4,000 of them to have our backs every time they're there, to be the 12th man for us."

Larry Dixon ran for a career-high 174 yards and two touchdowns, one of six Army players to score as the Black Knights gained 341 yards rushing and snapped a five-game losing streak.

"It's certainly uplifting to have a coach that's so supporting of us and everything we do," senior defensive tackle Joe Drummond said after just his ninth win at West Point. "The entire staff is more excited than we are at this point. We've got this win, we've got a lot of things to work on, but to come off the field and getting a win is exactly what we were looking for."

It seemed so easy for the better part of the game as Army (1-0) built a 47-17 lead on 4-yard rushing yards by Angel Santiago and Matt Giachinta early in the fourth quarter.

Joe Licata led the Bulls (1-1) on a furious 22-point rally that made it a one-possession game.

Monken's job is to resurrect a program that has struggled for nearly two decades. Since 20th win 10-2 and was ranked 25th in 1996, the Black Knights have posted a 51-149 record.

Navy 31, Temple 24 At Philadelphia, with a 300-pound line mauling toward the end zone for a game-tying touchdown, Navy's defense came up with its biggest stop.

Keenan Reynolds ran for 173 yards and two touchdowns and Chris Johnson recovered Brendan McGowan's lateral at the 10 to help the Midshipmen hold off



HANS PENNING/AP

Army running back Larry Dixon runs for a touchdown against Buffalo during the first half on Saturday in West Point, N.Y.

Temple on Saturday. "We put our defense in bad spots with turnovers, but they battled all game," Navy coach Ken Niumatalolo said.

Reynolds only completed four of eight passes for 30 yards while leading a triple-option rushing attack with 487 yards rushing and helping Navy (1-1) rebound from a tough loss in its season opener.

The Midshipmen needed a defensive stand to preserve the win after Nick Sloan missed a 43-yard field goal that would've given them a 10-point lead.

Walker scrambled to the 10 on the final play before lateraling the ball as he was surrounded by tacklers.

McGowan, a 300-pound right guard, caught Walker's desperate pitch and ran to the 9 before tossing it backward. Johnson snatched it out of the air to secure the win.

"It was chaotic," Navy safety Parrish Gaines said. "It was all over the place, but it was fun."

Wyoming 17, Air Force 13 Kyle Kirkegaard threw a 3-yard touchdown pass to J.D. Krill with 58 seconds left to lead host Wyoming over Air Force.

Kirkegaard's TD pass capped a nine-play, 75-yard drive after Air Force had taken a 13-10 lead on its previous possession.

Kyle Pearson completed 17 of 32 passes for 226 yards, and Jacob Owens had 76 yards on 18 rushes and one TD for Air Force.

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MLB SCOREBOARD

American League

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	82	59	.582	—
New York Yankees	67	67	.500	15 1/2
Tampa Bay	69	79	.468	18
Chicago White Sox	79	74	.494	19 1/2

Central Division

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	86	53	.616	—
San Francisco	78	65	.543	8 1/2
Seattle	75	67	.525	10
Oakland	68	74	.479	17 1/2
Texas	53	89	.373	33 1/2

National League

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	74	68	.521	6
Atlanta	68	72	.486	13
Miami	67	76	.469	14
New York Mets	66	75	.468	13 1/2
Philadelphia	66	75	.468	13 1/2

Central Division

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	78	64	.549	—
Milwaukee	74	68	.518	4 1/2
Pittsburgh	73	68	.514	4 1/2
Cincinnati	67	74	.478	11
Cleveland	64	78	.451	14

Saturday's Games

Tampa Bay 3, Baltimore 2
 Los Angeles 5, Kansas City 4
 Oakland 4, Houston 3
 Philadelphia 5, Kansas City 3
 Cleveland 3, Chicago White Sox 1
 Oakland 5, Minnesota 5
 Boston 4, Toronto 3
 Seattle 4, Texas 2
 Oakland 5, Chicago Cubs 3, 11 innings, comp. of split game
 Cincinnati 3, Washington 1
 Pittsburgh 5, Chicago Cubs 0
 Cincinnati 3, N.Y. Yankees 1
 Atlanta 4, Miami 3, 10 innings
 St. Louis 5, Milwaukee 3
 Los Angeles 12, San Diego 12
 L.A. Dodgers 5, Arizona 2
Sunday's Games
 Chicago White Sox at Cleveland
 Oakland at Tampa Bay
 Toronto at Boston
 L.A. Angels at Minnesota
 Seattle at Texas
 Oakland at Oakland
 San Francisco at Detroit
 Philadelphia at Washington
 N.Y. Mets at Cincinnati
 Pittsburgh at St. Louis
 St. Louis at Milwaukee
 Pittsburgh at Chicago Cubs
 Cincinnati at L.A. Dodgers
 San Diego at Colorado
Monday's Games
 L.A. Angels (Weaver 1-8) at Cleveland (Fister 2-5)
 Kansas City (Guthrie 10-10) at Detroit (Randa 3-9)
 Chicago Cubs (Johan 8-7) at Chicago White Sox (Neasei 8-9)
 Oakland (Peacock 4-8) at Seattle (Fernandez 14-5)
 Philadelphia (Minor 6-4) at Washington (Fister 12-6)
 Pittsburgh (Locke 6-4) at Philadelphia (Fister 12-6)
 Chicago Cubs (Johan 8-7) at Toronto (Randa 3-9)
 Colorado (Lyles 6-2) at N.Y. Mets (Lincecum 11-8)
 St. Louis (Miller 8-9) at Cincinnati (Alexrod 1-9)
 Pittsburgh (Locke 6-4) at Philadelphia (Fister 12-6)
 L.A. Dodgers (Despaigne 3-5) at L.A. Dodgers (R Hernandez 15-8)

Texas

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Alackoff	3	0	1.000	—
Ackey/Jr	3	0	1.000	—
Denoriff	1	0	1.000	—
Reaper	5	3	.625	—
Seagr	5	3	.625	—
Romer/pr-d	0	0	0.000	—
Zunino	4	0	1.000	—
Enchz/rf	1	0	1.000	—
Miller	0	4	.000	—
Jones	0	4	.000	—
Fullmer	0	4	.000	—
Totals	37	41	.474	—

Texas

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
E-B-Miller (17)	20	12	.625	—
Scott 9-9	9	9	.500	—
L-H-R-Seager (23)	18	8	.692	—
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Red Sox 4, Blue Jays 3

Toronto	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Reyes ss	5	0	0	0	1	1
Balfout/rf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Francis lf	4	1	2	0	0	0
Pompy pr	4	0	0	0	0	0
Francis lf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Linch dh	4	0	0	0	0	0
Francis lf	4	0	0	0	0	0
DNavr/c	4	0	0	0	0	0
Francis lf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Pillar/rf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Gonz/b	4	0	0	0	0	0
Francis lf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Gose/cf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Francis lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Kawak/pr-d	1	0	0	0	0	0
Francis lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	3	4	3	1	1

Toronto

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1.08	10	0	0	0	4
2.00	10	0	0	0	4
3.00	10	0	0	0	4
4.00	10	0	0	0	4
5.00	10	0	0	0	4
6.00	10	0	0	0	4
7.00	10	0	0	0	4
8.00	10	0	0	0	4
9.00	10	0	0	0	4
Totals	100	0	0	0	40

Toronto

IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1.08	10	0	0	0	4
2.00	10	0	0	0	4
3.00	10	0	0	0	4
4.00	10	0	0	0	4
5.00					

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Giants continue mastery of Tigers

The Associated Press

DETROIT — The San Francisco Giants jumped on David Price right at the start, making themselves right at home again at Comerica Park.

Andrew Susac hit a two-run double in San Francisco's four-run first and the Giants beat the Detroit Tigers 5-4 on Saturday.

Two years after clinching the 2012 World Series in Detroit, the Giants have taken the first two games series at the Tigers' home. They have won eight in nine against Detroit overall.

Buster Posey had a solo homer among his three hits for San Francisco, which has won three of four and nine of 11 overall. Madison Bumgarner pitched six innings for his fourth consecutive win, giving him a career-high 17 on the year.

We were fortunate to get those early runs off Price," Posey said. "You don't usually get runs like that off a guy like him."

Miguel Cabrera homered twice for Detroit, which has dropped three of four. Victor Martinez hit a solo drive in the third for his career-best 30th homer.

Price (13-11) settled down after the rough start, striking out 11 in 8½ innings. He is the left-hander, who was acquired from Tampa Bay July 31, dropped to 1-3 with a 4.91 ERA in his past four starts.

The Giants strung together five consecutive hits after Price retired the first two batters. Pablo Sandoval singled in Posey and scored on Susac's double to center. Joaquin Arias then doubled home Susac to make it 4-0.

San Francisco was extremely aggressive in the inning, sending eight batters to the plate despite Price only throwing 24 pitches. "I only feel like I made one big mistake all day, and that was the double by their catcher — Susac, I think," Price said. "Even Posey hit a good pitch. But I had the two outs in the first, and I need to be able to execute a pitch right there



JOSE JUAREZ/AP

San Francisco pitcher Madison Bumgarner won his 17th game as the Giants beat Detroit 5-4 Saturday, their eighth win in nine games over the Tigers dating back to the 2012 World Series.

and get off the field."

Posey connected with one out in the fifth, hitting a drive to left for his 20th homer and a 5-3 lead.

"Against Price, you are just trying to get something you can hit," Posey said. "You keep a good, simple approach and try to get the barrel of the bat on the ball."

Detroit tried to rally after San Francisco's fast start. Cabrera hit a two-run drive in the first, and Martinez's homer got the Tigers within one. Cabrera added a solo shot in the eighth, making it 5-4, but that was it for the Tigers.

Bumgarner (17-9) allowed three runs and 10 hits. Santiago Casilla pitched the ninth for his 15th save of the season.

Cabrera's eighth-inning homer came against Sergio Romo, who struck the slugger out to end the 2012 World Series. Cabrera has two multihome games this season, both coming last week.

"I don't know if he's feeling better or not he has just adjusted to his ankle problems," Anusmus said. "It's probably a little of both, but it is great to see."



DARREN HAUCK/AP

The Cardinals' Matt Adams watches his two-run home run against the Brewers during the first inning of Saturday's game in Milwaukee. St. Louis won 5-3.

Roundup

Adams, Taveras help Cards increase lead over Brewers

The Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — Lance Lynn kept his cool when St. Louis made three errors in the first inning, and the Cardinals' lineup rewarded the veteran for his composure.

Lynn pitched six effective innings, and St. Louis used a pair of homers to beat the sliding Milwaukee Brewers 5-3 on Saturday night.

"When you look up and you throw five or six pitches and there's three errors on the board and there's two runs, that's not exactly what you game planned for to start the game," Lynn said. "That's all that happened and we ended up winning, so it was a good night for us."

Matt Adams and Oscar Taveras each hit a two-run homer as St. Louis won for the seventh time in eight games to open a four-game lead in the NL Central. Trevor Rosenthal got three outs for his 43rd save in 48 chances.

The Brewers have lost 10 of 11. Ryan Braun had an RBI single in the first, and Lyle Overbay doubled home a run in the sixth.

Milwaukee right-hander Kyle Lohse (12-9) lasted just four innings. He allowed five runs and four hits with two walks.

Adams connected in the first for his 14th homer. Taveras went deep in the fourth for his third of the year, lifting the Cardinals to a 5-2 lead.

St. Louis finished with just four hits and its defensive trouble in the first led to a pair of unearned runs.

Adams booted a leadoff grounder to first, allowing Scooter Gennett to reach. Left fielder Matt Holliday made two errors on one play, with Gennett scoring on Braun's single and Gerardo Parra coming home on the fielding circus.

Lynn (15-8) allowed an earned run and five hits while improving to 4-0 with a 2.45 ERA in his last six starts. He struck out six and walked four.

Lynn has won at least 15 games in three consecutive seasons.

"It's amazing because his stuff would look so good in years past, but all of a sudden he'd his emotions get the best of him," Matheny said.

Yankees 6, Royals 2: Brandon McCarthy won for the second time in six starts and host New York feasted on Kansas City's bullpen after Royals starter Danny Duffy left because of an injury following his first pitch.

Angels 9, Twins 5: Albert Pujols hit a tiebreaking two-run double in the ninth inning for his 2,500th hit, leading visiting Los Angeles to their third straight win over Minnesota.

Athletics 4, Astros 3: Jed Lowrie hit a game-ending RBI single as Oakland scored three runs in the bottom of the ninth inning to beat visiting Houston and snap a three-game losing streak.

Phillies 3, Nationals 1: A.J. Burnett pitched seven innings and Ryan Howard had two RBIs as last-place Philadelphia secured its first winning season against host Washington since 2010.

Indians 3, White Sox 1: Corey Kluber (14-9) pitched a five-hit complete game for host Cleveland and rookie Jose Ramirez hit a go-ahead RBI triple in a two-run seventh inning as the Indians beat Chicago.

Pirates 5-5, Cubs 3-0: Francisco Liriano struck out nine in six dominant innings as visiting Pittsburgh got its second win of the day at Wrigley Field. Pittsburgh also won in 11 innings in the resumption of the suspended series opener from Friday night.

Red Sox 4, Blue Jays 3: Clay Buchholz pitched into the seventh inning, and host Boston hurt Toronto's fading playoff hopes.

Brewers 4, Marlins 3 (10): Evan Gattis hit a leadoff homer in the 10th inning to send visiting Atlanta to the win over Miami.

Rays 3, Orioles 2: Yunel Escobar scored on Nick Hundley's passed ball with two outs in ninth inning, sending host Tampa Bay to the win over Baltimore.

Reds 2, Mets 1: Todd Frazier and Chris Heisey homered to host Cincinnati and Johnny Cueto went seven innings to beat New York.

Dodgers 5, Diamondbacks 2: Dee Gordon hit a go-ahead RBI single in the eighth inning and Adrian Gonzalez homered to lead host Los Angeles over Arizona.

Rockies 7, Padres 6 (12): Drew Stubbs had a tiebreaking RBI single in the 12th inning to lift host Colorado past San Diego.

Mariners 4, Rangers 2: Kyle Seager had three hits, including a home run, to lead visiting Seattle past Texas.

Scoreboard

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Phillies 3, Nationals 1

Philadelphia	ab	r	h	bi	Washington	ab	r	h	bi
Reverer cf	4	0	0	0	Span cf	4	0	2	0
Rollins ss	4	1	1	0	Rodriguez 2b	2	0	1	1
Ullery 1b	3	0	1	2	LaRoche 1b	3	0	0	0
Howard 3b	3	0	1	2	Harper lf	4	0	1	0
DBrown lf	4	1	1	1	Archer rf	4	0	1	0
Delmonico 2b	3	0	1	2	Wright 2b	3	0	0	0
Aschro 3b	3	0	1	0	Roark p	1	1	0	0
ABrnett p	3	1	1	0	Schiltz ph	1	0	0	0
Giles p	0	0	0	0	Wright p	0	0	0	0
Papeit p	0	0	0	0	Schiltz ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	33	3	3	3	Totals	30	1	7	1

DP—Philadelphia 1. LOB—Philadelphia 4, Washington 3. CS—Span (7), SF—Roark. SF—Roark.

Giants 5, Tigers 4

San Francisco	ab	r	h	bi	Detroit	ab	r	h	bi
Pagan cf	5	0	0	0	Kinsler 2b	4	0	0	0
Parik 2b	5	0	0	0	Trinity rf	4	1	1	0
Posey 1b	3	2	3	1	McCarb 1b	4	2	2	3
Penick 3b	4	1	1	2	Wright dh	4	1	1	1
Sandoval dh	4	1	1	1	JMRR Jr lf	4	0	1	0
Susac p	4	1	2	2	Castillo 3b	4	0	0	0
Arias 3b	4	0	1	2	Sauer ss	3	0	1	0
Mudry ss	4	0	0	0	McCarb 1b	3	0	0	0
Schwartz 2b	4	0	0	0	Avila ph	1	0	0	0
GBlanck lf	4	0	0	0	RDavis cf	4	0	2	0
Totals	37	5	9	5	Totals	36	4	14	4

San Francisco 400 000-5. DP—San Francisco 1. LOB—San Francisco 6, Detroit 5. 2B—Susac (5), Arias (8), Tor-Hunter (27), HR—Susac (1), Cabrera (2), V-Martinez (30), CS—R.Davis (10).

T—233. A—37,408 (41,408).

T—308. A—35,722 (41,681).

US OPEN/SPORTS BRIEFS



MIKE GROLL/AP

Marin Cilic returns a shot against Roger Federer during their semifinal match at the U.S. Open on Saturday in New York. Cilic won in straight sets, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.

Federer, Djokovic ousted as upsets create unlikely final

Nishikori, Cilic reach first Grand Slam championship

By HOWARD FENDRICH
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Instead of Novak Djokovic vs. Roger Federer for the U.S. Open title, first-time Grand Slam finalists Kei Nishikori and Marin Cilic will vie for the championship after a pair of semifinal surprises Saturday.

First, Japan's Nishikori became the first man from Asia to reach a major singles championship match by staying fresher than Djokovic in stifling heat and winning 6-4, 1-6, 7-6 (4), 6-3.

Then, Croatia's Cilic used every bit of his 6-foot-6 frame to deliver stinging serves and flat groundstrokes during a quick-as-can-be 6-3, 6-4, 6-4 victory over Federer. "It's fairly simple, I think Marin played great and I maybe didn't catch my best day," Federer said after his 1-hour, 45-minute loss. "That's pretty much it in a nutshell."

So much for top seed Djokovic facing No. 2 Federer in a matchup between men who have combined to win 24 Grand Slam trophies. In what some will see as signaling a generational shift in tennis, Monday's final will be No. 10 Nishikori against No. 14 Cilic.

"That's going to be a sensational day for both of us," said Cilic, who at 25 is a year older than Nishikori.

Cilic, forced to sit out last year's U.S. Open during a doping suspension, is the first man from Croatia to get this far at a major since



MIKE GROLL/AP

Kei Nishikori reacts after defeating Novak Djokovic in the semifinals of the U.S. Open.

his coach, Goran Ivanisevic, won Wimbledon in 2001.

That's nothing compared to Japan's wait.

As it is, Nishikori was the first man from his country to reach a Grand Slam semifinal since 1933. "Very happy to make history," said Nishikori, who moved to Florida at age 14.

He weaved his way through a pair of five-setters totaling more than 8½ hours while No. 3 Stan Wawrinka and No. 5 Milos Raonic, yet appeared much more lively as the temperature neared 100 degrees than Djokovic, a guy widely considered as fit as they come. "Just wasn't myself," Djokovic said.

Especially in the pivotal third-set tiebreaker. He missed a pair of backhands. He double-faulted. He

missed a forehand, and another to end the set, then smacked a ball in anger. Up in the stands, Nishikori's coach, 1989 French Open champion Michael Chang, rose to his feet and pumped his fists.

Making Nishikori's performance all the more impressive is that as recently as a few weeks ago, he was swinging a racket while seated in practice, unable to run because he had a cyst removed from his right foot in August.

"I didn't even know if I should come to New York," he said, "so I wasn't expecting nothing, actually."

Chang refused to let Nishikori think that way.

"He might not have prepared the best way he knows how. But just because you haven't done that doesn't mean that you don't give yourself the opportunity to come out and play," Chang said. "That's why I told him, 'You get past the first round, the second round, anything can happen.'"

Cilic had only played one previous major semifinal, at the 2010 Australian Open, while this was Federer's 36th. Cilic was also 0-5 head-to-head against Federer.

Cilic hit serves at up to 132 mph and finished with 13 aces, including three in the final game. That he would serve effectively was no surprise. What truly stood out, though, was the way Cilic managed to hang with Federer in exchanges from the baseline.

"He played," Federer said, "with no fear."

Briefly

Horschel's 7-under gives him BMW lead

The Associated Press

CHERRY HILLS VILLAGE, Colo. — Billy Horschel made a 32-foot birdie putt Saturday to close out a 7-under 63 and take a three-shot lead over Ryan Palmer into the final round of the BMW Championship.

Horschel, who had a chance to win the Deutsche Bank Championship before chinking a 6-iron from the 18th fairway on Monday, birdied 14 and 15 to take the lead. His birdie on 18 left him at 13-under 197. A few minutes later, Palmer answered with a 30-footer on 18 to draw within three.

U.S. Open champion Martin Kaymer shot a 64 to get within five, tied with Masters champion Bubba Watson (66) and one shot ahead of Rickie Fowler (66).

Second-round leader Sergio Garcia faded, shooting 72 to fall seven behind.

In other golf tournaments: ■ Defending champion Esteban Toledo shot a 6-under 66 for a share of the second-round lead with Brad Faxon in the Champions Tour's Quebec Championship in Quebec City.

■ England's Graeme Storm had a hole-in-one and shot a 6-under 64 to take a one-stroke lead in the European Masters at Crans-Montana, Switzerland.

Hawks owner Levenson to sell interest in team

ATLANTA — Atlanta Hawks co-owner Bruce Levenson says he is selling his controlling interest in the team, in part due to an inflammatory email he says he wrote in an attempt "to bridge Atlanta's racial parts divide."

Levenson said he regrets the email sent to the team's co-owners and general manager Danny Ferry two years ago as "inappropriate and offensive." In a statement released by the team on Sunday, Levenson said he sent the email because of his concerns about low attendance and a need to attract suburban whites. He says he later realized the email made it seem white fans were more important.

Levenson said he voluntarily reported the email to the NBA.

NBA commissioner Adam Silver said Sunday the league will work with the Hawks ownership group and CEO Stan Kroenig, who now will oversee all team operations.

Hamilton wins Italian GP after Rosberg mistake

MONZA, Italy — Lewis Hamilton pressured Nico Rosberg into a mistake and overtook his Mercedes teammate to win the Italian Grand Prix on Sunday, adding another chapter to their rivalry.

The key pass came about midway through the 53-lap race as Hamilton had recovered from a poor start to pull up right behind Rosberg.

Clearly feeling Hamilton's presence behind him, Rosberg braked



JOHN LEVBA, THE DENVER POST/AP

Billy Horschel pumps his fist after his birdie putt on the 18th green during the third round of the BMW Championship golf tournament in Cherry Hills Village, Colo., on Saturday.

hard and drove straight through the Monza circuit's first chicane at the end of the main straightaway on lap 29.

Rosberg was slowed as he had to slalom through obstacles on the escape road, while all Hamilton had to do was stay on the track and he easily passed Rosberg.

Hamilton then cruised to his second win in Monza, his sixth victory of the season and the 28th of his Formula One career.

"You have to be prepared for the unexpected," Hamilton said. "I'm quite grateful for today that I didn't lose it, didn't crash into anyone on that first corner. ... I managed to keep my head."

Hamilton cut Rosberg's championship lead from 29 to 22 points with six races remaining.

Wright-Phillips, Henry lift Sporting K.C. to win

HARRISON, N.J. — Bradley Wright-Phillips scored his MLS-leading 21st goal of the season to help the New York Red Bulls beat Sporting Kansas City 2-1 on Saturday night.

Wright-Phillips scored on a penalty kick in the 11th minute for New York (8-8-10) after he was tripped by Matt Besler. Thierry Henry made it 2-0 in the 52nd minute, curling a shot from the corner of the 18-year-old back goalkeeper Andy Gruenbaum.

Dominic Dwyer had an answer 2 minutes later for Kansas City (12-10-6). Seth Sinovic headed Graham's pass's free kick to the top of the 6-yard box and Dwyer sent home his 18th goal of the season.

Dynamo 3, Impact 2: Giles Barnes scored two goals to lead host Houston past Montreal.

Real Salt Lake 2, FC Dallas 1: Alvaro Saborido scored on a header off Javier Morales' corner kick in the 77th minute to break a tie in host Real Salt Lake's victory over FC Dallas.

D.C. United 0, Whitecaps 0: Most Vancouver was shut out for a fourth straight game in a scoreless draw with D.C. United.

Union 2, Toronto FC 0: Conor Casey and Andrew Wenger scored first-half goals in Philadelphia's victory over host Toronto.

NASCAR



CHRIS GRAYTHEN, NASCAR/AP

Brad Keselowski takes the checkered flag to win the NASCAR Sprint Cup race at Richmond International Raceway on Saturday, in Richmond, Va.

Field: Keselowski's fourth win of season gives him top seed heading into the Chase

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Nothing fazed Keselowski, who came to Richmond a year ago needing a strong finish to make the Chase field, but failed and was not eligible to defend his title. Now he'll try to give Team Penske a season sweep — Will Power gave the organization the IndyCar championship a week ago.

"I think last year was a bit of a kick in the butt," Keselowski said. "It was enough to really push us all and find another level. We did a great job in 2012, but Keselowski in the sports world you've champion got to keep progressing. Everyone else progressed and we didn't."

There were two spots up for grab in the 16-driver Chase field, but Ryan Newman and Greg Biffle pretty much entered the race in control of their own fate. Newman never left anything to chance with a strong ninth-place finish, and Biffle slid into the final spot with a 19-place finish.

"When you are that far off, it is the hardest thing in the world to drive," Biffle said. "This is the toughest thing I've ever done in my life, drive and try to stay in the top 20."

Gordon, the points leader for much of the regular season, fin-

Chase for the Sprint Cup

Under NASCAR's new win-and-in format, 16 drivers qualified for the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship.

	Brad Keselowski	
	Jeff Gordon	
	Dale Earnhardt Jr.	
	Jimmie Johnson	
	Joey Logano	
	Kevin Harvick	
	Carl Edwards	
	Kyle Busch	
	Denny Hamlin	
	Kurt Busch	
	Kasey Kahne	
	Aric Almirola	
	AJ Allmendinger	
	Matt Kenseth	
	Greg Biffle	
	Ryan Newman	

ished second. Clint Bowyer, who needed to win to guarantee his Chase berth, was a disappointing third.

"I knew coming in here, it was a long shot at best," Bowyer said. "We put it all out there. I raced as hard as we could. At our very best, we were a third-place race car tonight at my very best race track."

Bowyer was caught in the middle of a scandal at this race a year ago when his late-race spin set in motion a chain of events that helped then-teammate Martin Truex Jr. make the Chase at the expense of Newman. NASCAR eventually threw Truex out of the Chase, put Newman in and added Gordon as an additional driver.

He was dejected Saturday night after coming up short, but said his Michael Waltrip Racing team wasn't championship-level, anyway.

"If you make the Chase, you want to compete for a championship," he said. "Truth be told, we're not there right now."

Tony Stewart, in his second race back since he sat out three after his sprint car struck and killed Kevin Ward Jr. at a New York dirt track, finished 15th. He would have been eligible to compete in the Chase if he won Saturday night's race based on a waiver NASCAR gave him upon his return last week. The three-time champion had cracked the top 10 but his crew missed a lug nut on a late pit stop that took him out of contention.

"That's all I had, bud," he radioed his crew.

Stewart comes up short of Chase

Third time in 11 years of Chase format three-time champ has failed to qualify

By HANK KURZ JR.
The Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — In his last chance to make NASCAR's playoff, Tony Stewart never had one.

Stewart started 19th Saturday night at Richmond International Raceway in the race that finalized the field for the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship, climbed as high as 10th inside the final 100 laps and then fell back when his crew missed a lug nut on his final pit stop.

"That's all I had, bud," Stewart radioed after his 15th-place finish.

"Pretty impressive to drive all the way up those guys," replied crew chief Chad Johnston. "We had a better car than that, but far cry from where we started the weekend."

Stewart struggled through most of Friday's two practice sessions before qualifying 19th, his best starting position at Richmond in four years.

This is the third time in the 11 years of the Chase format that Stewart has failed to qualify. The three-time champion missed the Chase last season when a broken leg sidelined him for the final 15 races of the year.

He just returned last week after a three-week absence following the Aug. 9 death of Kevin Ward Jr. Stewart's sprint car struck and killed Ward at a dirt track in New York, and Stewart spent

three weeks in seclusion following Ward's death.

Stewart was granted a waiver by NASCAR last week that would have allowed him to participate in the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship should he qualify by winning one of the last two races, but that was his only chance to do it.

He could have earned the spot last week in his return, but was involved in an early accident and finished 41st.

That left him with only one more chance, and he came up well short at RIR, where he has won three times.

Stewart did not wish to speak with reporters after climbing from his car, team PR representative Mike Arning said. The driver spoke with his crew briefly and then disappeared inside his hauler.

With 10 races remaining, Stewart is winless for the first season of his career.

Greg Zipadelli, Stewart's long-time crew chief and now the vice president of competition for Stewart-Haas Racing, said Friday the team planned to assess its position after Saturday night's and then assess the rest of the season. Stewart's is co-owner of four race teams, and drivers Kurt Busch and Kevin Harvick qualified for the playoffs. Danica Patrick did not.

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STEVE HELBER/AP

Tony Stewart waves to fans during driver introductions for the NASCAR Sprint Cup race at Richmond International Raceway in Richmond, Va. Stewart finished 15th on Saturday, failing to qualify for the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship.

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NASCAR

Racing into the Chase

Keselowski routs Richmond field to secure top seed

By JENNA FRYER
The Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — NASCAR's new win-and-in format had the potential to give one driver a shot at a dramatic last-grasp berth into the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship.

There were 17 drivers who could have raced their way into the Chase by winning Saturday at Richmond International Raceway, but Brad Keselowski would have nothing to do with a storybook ending.

Keselowski routed the Richmond field, leading all but 17 of the 400 laps en route to his fourth victory of the season. It gave him the top seed in the Chase, which begins next Sunday at Chicagoland Speedway.

"What a night. I pulled into Victory Lane and I

pinched myself once to make sure I wasn't dreaming," said Keselowski, the 2012 champion. "These are nights you don't forget as a driver and you live for."

Kevin Harvick was the only driver who appeared capable of challenging Keselowski, but it was early in the race when he led the other 17 laps that Keselowski did not claim. His Stewart-Haas Racing team again struggled on pit road.

"It's probably the biggest thing that we have to fix in order to contend for the championship," Harvick said.

The lack of on-track action meant the only drama to come out of the race was when a fan climbed to the top of the Turn 4 catchfence that separates the track from the grandstands. NASCAR was forced to throw the caution flag with 69 laps remaining.

"If he wants to play in traffic, it's his problem," said Denny Hamlin, who dropped two laps down because of the caution.

Defending NASCAR champion Jimmie Johnson finished eighth but was apparently suffering from dehydration when he exited the car. He first laid down next to his car, then had to be helped to a cart by his Hendrick Motorsports crew. He was taken to the infield care center and said he was treated with five liters of fluids.

Johnson was scheduled to compete Sunday in a sprint triathlon for his foundation.

"I know there was a couple times throughout the race where I felt like I was cramping, as well," teammate Jeff Gordon said. "It's hot out there. It's hard to keep your fluids."

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Brad Keselowski

2012 NASCAR champion, on his victory Saturday at Richmond International Raceway



A member of the Army parachute team jumps into the infield with a U.S. flag during opening ceremonies prior to the start of the NASCAR Sprint Cup race at Richmond International Raceway in Richmond, Va., on Saturday.

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