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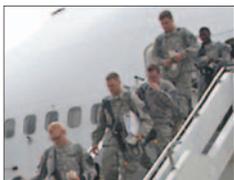
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First Lt. James Morris drinks the blood of a king cobra, a Thai cultural act to instill bravery, during jungle survival training as part of Cobra Gold on Feb. 13.

DANIEL K. JOHNSON
Courtesy of the U.S. Army

WAR ON TERRORISM

Multiple bombings in Iraq kill 58 Kurds

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Iraqi officials in eastern Diyala province say the death toll in a triple suicide bombing has jumped to 58 people killed, including members of the Kurdish security forces and civilians.

Bashir al-Dalawi, a member of the Qara Tappah municipal council, where the attacks took place, said that the bombs detonated near a government building, leading to the higher death toll. He says at least 107 people were wounded in the attack.

Hospital officials confirmed the death toll, speaking on condition of anonymity because they were

not authorized to brief journalists.

The triple attack took place in Qara Tappah, in the ethnical-

ly and communally mixed Diyala province, according to an official from the Kurdish Assyish security forces. He said the first bomber detonated an explosives vest at the gateway to a security compound that also houses the office of a main Kurdish political party. Minutes later, two suicide bombers plowed cars filled with explosives into the compound, causing heavy damage.

The Islamic State group claimed the attack, saying it was carried out by three foreign jihadists. The Islamic State group is battling Iraqi forces after its lightning offensive earlier this year saw it seize about a third of the country.

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DOD: Vehicle shipments improving, but delays continue

By TRAVIS J. TRITTEN
Stars and Stripes

WASHINGTON — Defense transportation officials say chronic delays shipping troops' private vehicles are clearing up, but persistent complaints and new concerns in Congress raise questions about the progress being made in fixing the massive delivery system.

The Defense Department said Friday that its new contractor, International Auto Logistics, is improving after

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a civilian with the Air Force who was transferred from Germany to Alaska over the summer

weeklong delays outraged thousands of military customers this past summer and the department swooped in with a task force to help get IAL back

on track. But the DOD and IAL refused Friday to release the number of vehicles still severely delayed — those that have not turned up 30 days or more after

their target delivery date.

The DOD said contract rules bar it from releasing the number of those vehicles to the public. Despite its assurances delays are receding, military customers are reporting vehicles that cannot be tracked or accounted for long after delivery dates, and two Senate lawmakers say the mishandling of customs paperwork might be causing new problems with shipments.

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OF THE DAY

“There may be a ‘constrained budget’ effect for some consumers, but legalized recreational weed is likely to lead to lower prices in the long term, potentially freeing up more cash either for more weed or more beer.”

— Analyst Trevor Stirling, commenting on the potential impact of legalized marijuana on beer sales

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AFGHANISTAN

At least 14 killed in Afghan attacks

By RAHIM FAIEZ
The Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — Suspected Taliban militants led a string of attacks on police and civilians across northern and eastern Afghanistan on Sunday, killing at least 14 people, security officials said.

The violence reflects the militants’ persistent campaign against Afghanistan’s Western-backed government, which last month signed separate security agreements with the United States and NATO allowing over 10,000 foreign troops to train and advise Afghan forces after the international combat mission ends at the end of the year.

In Mazar-e-Sharif, capital of the northern Balkh province, two gunmen dressed in police

uniforms stormed into the province’s police headquarters and opened fire, killing two officers, said Sher Jan Durani, a spokesman for the provincial police chief. Police intercepted the attackers at a second security gate inside the compound, and shot them dead, he said. Nine other policemen were wounded during the gun battle.

Separately, Taliban attacked a police checkpoint in Monogai district of eastern Kumar province, killing three police officers and wounding three others, an Interior Ministry statement said. Six Taliban militants were killed and six others wounded in the battle.

In the Alishing district of eastern Laghman province, a rocket fired by militants killed three construction company workers, said Sarhadi Zwak, a spokesman for the provincial

governor.

A car bomber carried out a suicide attack in eastern Wardak province, killing three civilians and three army soldiers in a strike that blew out several vehicles, said Attahullah Khogyani, a spokesman for the provincial governor. Six other civilians and two other soldiers were wounded in the attack in Sayed Abad district.

More than a decade after U.S. forces helped topple the Taliban in the wake of the Sept. 11 attacks, Afghanistan is still at war with the Islamic militant group, which regularly carries out attacks, mainly targeting security forces. The Taliban have stepped up their attacks on Afghan security forces as many foreign combat troops prepare to withdraw by the end of the year.

Special Forces soldier dies of combat wounds

EGLEIN AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. — A 30-year-old 7th Special Forces Group (Airborne) soldier died in a hospital in Germany after being shot in Afghanistan last month.

Army Sgt. 1st Class Andrew Weathers, a Special Forces medic with the 2nd Battalion, was severely wounded in a gun battle in Helmand province on Sept. 28. He died on Sept. 30 at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany.

“From the beginning of his time with 7th Group, Sgt. Weathers was the consummate teammate,” said Col. Robert Kirila, the group’s deputy commander. “As a Special Forces medical sergeant, Weathers was critical to the well-being of his team and those he mentored. The group mourns the loss of such a great leader and we will support his family in every way possible.”

Weathers joined the Army in 2003. In 2010, he volunteered for Special Forces training, earning his Green Beret. He joined the 7th Group in 2012.

Prior to his 7th Group service, Weathers deployed once to Afghanistan and once to Iraq, according to the Army.

Weathers is the 43rd 7th Group soldier killed in action since Sept. 11, 2001. At least one other 7th Group soldier was injured in the battle.

From wire reports



MASSOUD HOSSAINI/AP

Afghans rally against Islamic State

Members of the Solidarity Party of Afghanistan burn a flag representing the Islamic State militant group, in Kabul, Afghanistan, on Sunday. About 200 members of the SPA marched to protest the presence of U.S. and NATO forces in Afghanistan as well as to give their support for Kurdish fighters who are battling the militant group in Kobani in Syria. Arabic on the flag reads, “DAESH,” the acronym of the militant group’s full Arabic name.

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MILITARY

Marines injured during NC predeployment raid

JACKSONVILLE, N.C. — Sixteen members were hurt during their final predeployment exercise — an amphibious raid — Friday night, according to a news release by the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit and comments by a Public Affairs official.

The unit is scheduled to deploy later this year. Public Affairs Officer Capt. Sharon Hyland told The Daily News on Saturday. The cause remains under investigation.

Injuries stemmed from a single-assault amphibious vehicle accident during predeployment training by the expeditionary unit about 8 p.m. Friday, according to the news release. Fifteen Marines and one sailor — members of Battalion Landing Team 3/6, 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit — were hurt.

Those injured were taken to Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune and New Hanover Regional Medical Center for treatment. An undisclosed number were released.

Grenade removed from man's leg by bomb tech

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Authorities say an Army explosives expert removed a practice grenade that had lodged in the leg of an Alabama man, who prompted a bomb scare when he sought treatment at a Birmingham hospital and was confined by police to an ambulance outside.

Police said a bomb disposal technician from Fort Benning, Ga., safely removed the 40 mm practice grenade from the man's thigh early Saturday. Dave Hyland of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, called the soldier's actions "extremely heroic" because authorities were unsure if the grenade contained high explosives.

Alcan reported that police closed the street outside UAB Hospital for hours after the man showed up late Friday. He told police he was tinkering with the practice grenade when it launched into his leg.

3 soldiers are charged with human smuggling

BROWNSVILLE, Texas — Officials say three Fort Hood, Texas, soldiers have been arrested in an investigation related to the transporting and harboring of people who have entered the U.S. illegally.

Prosecutors said Thursday that the indictment charges the three active-duty soldiers, two 20-year-olds and a 21-year-old. Also named in the indictment is a 45-year-old man who is an alleged smuggler from the Harlingen area.

The seven-count indictment alleges one count of conspiracy to transport and harbor people who entered the U.S. illegally and six counts of transporting undocumented immigrants.

Prosecutors say one of the soldiers was arrested last month after allegedly trying to smuggle two undocumented immigrants past a checkpoint while wearing his military uniform.

Another man is facing up to 10 years in federal prison and a possible \$250,000 fine.

From wire services

English-language radio a 'top priority'

AFN says it could be at least a year before Kaiserslautern gets a US-friendly frequency

BY MATT MILLHAM
Stars and Stripes

KAISERSLAUTERN, Germany — Bone up on your German. It could be a year or more before Americans can get English-language radio in their cars in the Kaiserslautern area.

Home to one of the largest military communities outside the United States, Kaiserslautern has seen its English-language radio options whittled to one from three in the span of little more than a month because of budget cuts. For technical reasons, the one that's left can't be tuned in by most American radios.

An American Forces Network spokesman said getting a compatible signal for the community is a "top priority."

"Unfortunately, getting a new frequency or swapping a frequency takes years and needs approval by not just the German equivalent of the FCC but also neighboring countries, such as France," said George Smith, a spokesman for the network.

AFN shut down its AM transmitter on Aug.

31 in a move that officials at the time called a "quick win" in European Command's efforts to shed unneeded infrastructure.

A day later, the Canadian Forces Network announced it, too, was going off the air. CFN's station in Ramstein, next to Kaiserslautern, went silent Sept. 30.

Those closures leave just AFN Kaiserslautern, a station that broadcasts on FM 100.2. That frequency is incompatible with most modern American car stereos, which can pick up only odd-numbered signals. CFN previously broadcast on FM 101.9. The only other English-language radio option nearby is AFN Wiesbaden, some 60 miles northeast, the signal for which occasionally trickles in on 98.7.

"AFN understands and deeply regrets that some audience members in the Kaiserslautern area can't tune in our 100.2 AFN The Eagle frequency in their American car," Smith said. "Getting a U.S.-friendly FM radio frequency for the American military community in Kaiserslautern has been a top priority for AFN for

many years."

The network has been touting its AFN 360 service, available on computers and smartphones, as an alternative. The service's streams of talk, music and local AFN stations, including AFN Kaiserslautern, use about 14 megabytes of data per hour of listening time, Smith said.

AFN is still negotiating with the German government for a new signal, though. It had been doing so before CFN shut down. While the 101.9 frequency is now just dead air, AFN can't just simply swap for it because German stations are given first crack at any free signal.

"If the negotiations work out, we hope to be able to provide a U.S.-friendly frequency to the Kaiserslautern community by late 2015," Smith said.

However, AFN had thought it was close to a deal with the Germans before, "only to have late complications force us to start over," he said.

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Shipments: IAL data on number of delays difficult to obtain

FROM FRONT PAGE

"U.S. Transportation Command cannot disclose acquisition sensitive data. ... The company's performance is improving," command spokesman Maj. Matthew Gregory wrote to Stars and Stripes after requests for the number of severely delayed vehicles.

Stars and Stripes has been requesting shipment figures since early September.

IAL also did not release the number of delays Friday despite requests, saying only that it is making "significant" improvements in its shipment process in northern Europe and the United States.

The company signed an earlier this year to ship about 68,000 privately owned vehicles annually to new duty stations, but the system quickly began to seize. In August, it was

and the transportation command called together a team of supply chain and contract experts, called POV Fusion, to re-examine the entire vehicle shipping process.

The command has since claimed improvements, though hard numbers remain unreleased.

According to Gregory, the command is required to protect certain information about performance in all its contracts. Such numbers are classified and available only for official use, he wrote.

"Therefore, while we can com-



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International Auto Logistics opened new vehicle processing centers like this one in Mildenhall, England, when it took over the contract in May to ship servicemembers' vehicles.

munication performance information released by a contractor to the public, the government is not authorized to release protected data on its own," Gregory wrote. "The purpose of the law is to ensure a level playing field for all contractors during contract competitions."

Transportation Command released shipment figures as recently as last month. In a Sept. 11 news release, it reported that of the "31,528 vehicles that have entered the system, 13,760 have been delivered, with an additional 2,350 ready for pickup at vehicle processing centers." It attributed the figures to IAL.

Sen. Mark Warner, D-Va., has been working with the command to help troops get their vehicles, but his staff said Thursday that efforts to get detailed information on the delays have led to frustration.

IAL's handling of vehicles may also be leading to weeks of new delays during border crossings, according to Warner. The contractor has not been providing the documents needed to clear inspections, he said.

"This new delay is one more

snafu — I have one constituent whose vehicle was already 91 days late, and was just told that he can't pick up the car because the customs paperwork is missing," Warner wrote in a statement to Stars and Stripes.

Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., whose state is home to Joint Base Lewis-McChord, also criticized the contractor Friday for failing to properly handle customs requirements.

"When U.S. Customs and Border Protection has clearly laid out its rules and regulations for these types of shipments, it's inexcusable that IAL continually failed to efficiently process these vehicles," Murray told Stars and Stripes.

She said moving to a new duty station is stressful enough, and it is unacceptable that military personnel do not know where their vehicle is or when it will arrive.

Bill Nicholson, a civilian with the Air Force who was transferred from Germany to Alaska over the summer, said his vehicle left Germany in June and was supposed to arrive by Sept. 5. It is more than a month overdue, and the contractor cannot locate it or provide any

updates, Nicholson said.

"If IAL cannot even locate my vehicle, I'm certain they have little knowledge about what went wrong," he said. Nicholson now says his only recourse may be claiming the vehicle as a complete loss to the government.

"My frustration is compounded by the fact that I have 35 years of experience in military logistics, specifically cargo and household goods ... and never have I witnessed a contractor or any other logistics entity be incapable of tracking a shipment," Nicholson wrote in an email.

Sabrina Tunis, a military spouse, founded a Facebook page this past summer with other military personnel who suffered delayed vehicle shipments. The page has attracted more than 4,800 members, and Tunis said "a couple of hundred" are currently active on the site.

Many are struggling with delays, she said, but damage to vehicles has also become a major problem. That, she said, "just adds a tremendous amount of stress to a family that's in the middle of moving."

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PACIFIC

Rotational units in South Korea boost readiness

By Ashley Rowland
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SEOUL, South Korea — Sending rotational forces to South Korea improves combat readiness and unit stability, according to the commander of a battalion stationed for nine months near the Demilitarized Zone.

"I think this provides the Army with a better option," said Lt. Col. Arthur Sellers, commander of the 1st Battalion, 12th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, which is handling over its mission this month to the 3rd Battalion, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team.

The Fort Hood, Texas-based 1-12 CAV is part of the Army's growing use of deploying intact units to South Korea, where troops are typically stationed on individual one- to two-year tours, leading to frequent turnover within units.

As his unit prepares for its departure, Sellers said preparing for the deployment as a unit at the National Training Center, setting leadership roles and not having to worry about having to replace

individual soldiers during the deployment made the unit's time in South Korea easier.

"It allowed us to reach a level of proficiency and maintain it by not changing out our people," he said.

Sellers previously served as a company commander at Camp Casey, where, during a 19-month period, 20 different lieutenants worked for him due to the high turnover.

"Despite the huge amount of pride that I had in my company and my unit, the rotation of individuals is just something that is constantly a struggle," he said. "You're doing a lot of the same things over more than you have to in a standard unit."

Last year, the U.S. military also announced a nine-month deployment of the 4th Squadron, 6th Cavalry Regiment from Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash., to Camp Humphreys.

The air reconnaissance squadron includes about 380 soldiers and 30 OH-58D Kiowa Warrior helicopters.

At the time, Adm. Samuel Locklear, then-head of U.S. Pa-



OH-58D Kiowa Warrior helicopters, part of the 4th Squadron, 6th Cavalry Regiment, from Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash., are staged at Pier 8 in Busan, South Korea, on Oct. 10, 2013. The squadron deployed to Camp Humphreys last year for a nine-month rotational deployment.

SANG-CHEOL LEE/Courtesy of the U.S. Army

cific Command, told a Washington news conference that the decision to send a rotational armored unit was prompted by concerns over how to best maintain capabilities on the peninsula, not by changes in the tactical or strategic environment.

The 1-12 CAV arrived in January and brought with it some 800 soldiers and approximately 40 M1A2 Abrams tanks and 40 M2A3 Bradleys.

While in South Korea, the 1-12 CAV was essentially being responsible for setting the stage for follow-on battalions.

When the battalion arrived at camps Stanley and Hovey, it had to transform vacant facilities, some of which had been unoccupied for years, into functional barracks, offices and motor pools.

"The first 60 to 90 days, it was just a herculean effort to get that up and running," Sellers said.

He said being sent to Korea from Fort Hood was a surprise and "definitely a different kind of deployment for commanders and NCOs (noncommissioned officers)" who have previously served in Afghanistan or Iraq.

One of the biggest differences from Middle East deployments, he said, was working with a professional, peer army that "can pretty much do the same thing that we can do ... as opposed to somebody that we're in charge of training. That really resonated with some of my younger NCOs who had deployed maybe once or twice to Iraq or Afghanistan."

While in South Korea, soldiers trained on restricted, urban ter-

rain that was far different from the open spaces at Fort Hood and the National Training Center, and they had more access to aviation assets.

Lt. Col. Elliott Rogers, commander of the incoming battalion, said the 800 soldiers — including seasoned NCOs and young soldiers straight out of basic training — spent about 60 days training at Fort Hood in preparation for the deployment. The unit's mission of providing mobile precision fire-power will remain the same.

"I think we're going to get a great opportunity to train," Rogers said. "Right now, given fiscal constraints, if a combined arm battalion had an opportunity to train like we will, that's always a bonus."

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US criticized for pressing S. Korea on missile defense system

By Ashley Rowland
Stars and Stripes

SEOUL, South Korea — A former U.S. Forces Korea commander has slammed the U.S. government for publicly pressuring South Korea to allow the deployment here of a high-altitude missile defense system.

Ret. Gen. B.B. Bell, speaking at a Heritage Foundation forum last Tuesday in Washington, said although he supports sending the Terminal High-Altitude Area Defense system to South Korea to defend against North Korean ballistic missiles, "I equally, definitely disapprove of the American administration ... talking about and pressing for this publicly as we've seen lately in the news media.

"Our diplomatic behavior, in my view, has been unconscionable," Bell, who commanded U.S. Forces Korea from 2006 to 2008.

"While I believe that most senior Korean security professionals understand the need

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Ret. Gen. B.B. Bell
former U.S. Forces Korea commander

for and desire deployment of THAAD, we must recognize that this is a complex issue for the South Korean public. We need to give them some breathing room."

THAAD can shoot down ballistic missiles with a "hit-to-kill" approach, according to the Department of Defense. Interceptors rely on the kinetic energy of the impact.

But South Korea has reacted with concern to the possibility of a THAAD deployment. Defense officials in Seoul recently denied that the two allies were even discussing the matter. Last week, however, Defense Minister Han Min-ko voiced support for the system, saying it would be "helpful

to our security and defense," according to Yonhap News.

Many in the South worry that China and Russia would view the system as a threat and believe the U.S. is pressuring Seoul to take part in a regional missile defense system that includes Japan.

At least two high-ranking U.S. officials have backed a Korea-based THAAD system.

In June, USFK commander Gen. Curtis Scaparrotti said the issue was under consideration, though discussions were in "a very initial stage" and would include close consultations with Seoul.

"It is a U.S. initiative and, in fact, I recommended it as the commander," media reports quoted him as saying.

Deputy Secretary of Defense Robert Work said recently that the U.S. is conducting site surveys for a Korea-based system and was working with the South Korean government on the issue.

"We've emphasized to both China and to

Russia that these are not strategic, anti-ballistic missiles, that ... they are essentially designed to address regional threats against both our allies and against U.S. territory," Work said. "So we continue to work with the Russians and the Chinese to allay any concerns that they have, but they have both indicated concerns, without question."

Bell said the U.S. should be publicly pressuring China to exert leverage on Pyongyang, North Korea, to reduce its offensive missile capabilities and end its nuclear weapons program.

"There would (then) be no pressing need for THAAD," he said, "and I don't know that the United States is working as effectively with the Chinese as they ought to be."

For now, Bell said defending against the North Korean nuclear threat remains critical. "This is a military requirement, and people will be die by the tens of thousands if we're not ready," he said.

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PACIFIC

US, Thailand to scale down Cobra Gold in '15

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YOKOSUKA NAVAL BASE, Japan — The United States and Thailand will scale down next year's Cobra Gold military exercise because of the rift in relations that followed Thailand's military coup earlier this year.

"In light of the current political situation, the U.S. government has reduced the scale of the exercise and increased its focus on non-lethal activities, such as humanitarian assistance and disaster relief," the U.S. Embassy in Bangkok said in a statement Friday.

Many consider the multinational exercise to be not only important military training but also an instrument of U.S. regional diplomacy.

Despite some uncertainty over the future of next year's exercise, logistical planning had been ongoing, and a bilateral conference is planned for later this month, State Department officials said.

More than 13,000 servicemembers from the U.S., Thailand, South Korea, Japan, Indonesia, Singapore and Malaysia participated in this year's Cobra Gold, which started as a bilateral drill in 1982. China also participated in humanitarian projects; several other nations sent observers.

"Cobra Gold is the jewel in the crown in terms of America's strategic image in the region," said Anthony Davis, a Bangkok-based security analyst for IHS Jane's. "It's hugely important in terms of America being viewed as a cooperative and benign military force."

There would have been no question about holding Cobra Gold in 2015 had the Thai military's May 22 coup not left Washington with a dilemma.

Immediately after Gen. Prayuth Chan-ocha declared the takeover, the U.S. suspended \$10.5 million in foreign assistance and canceled a series of exercises and Thai military officer visits.

The Foreign Assistance Act requires that some types of aid be cut after a coup, though the Obama administration has used leeway in the act's interpretation to keep some aid intact in Egypt, which also experienced a military takeover.

The U.S. also suspended the International Military Education and Training program, under which the U.S. has trained tens of thousands of Thai officers, according to a June Congressional Research Service report.



Photos courtesy of the U.S. Marine Corps

A Royal Thai Marine with the 1st Infantry Battalion receives an electric shock from a Taser during a nonlethal weapons training class given by the U.S. Marines of 3rd Platoon, Company A, during Exercise Cobra Gold 2014 at Samesan Royal Thai Marine Base, Rayong, Kingdom of Thailand.



Royal Thai and U.S. Marines brace themselves before an entry breaching charge explodes during the exercise in Ban Chan Krem, Kingdom of Thailand.

The coup's strongest support comes from affluent and middle-class citizens who viewed the previous government as rife with corruption. It is largely a continuation of the same political dysfunction that came to a head in 2006, when former Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra was ousted in a coup.

This time, it was Thaksin's sister, Yingluck, who was removed from office.

After the latest coup, U.S. officials promptly issued warnings and calls for democratic elections

as soon as possible.

"While we value our long friendship with the Thai people, this act will have negative implications for the U.S.-Thai relationship, especially for our relationship with the Thai military," Secretary of State John Kerry said in May. "We are reviewing our military and other assistance and engagements, consistent with U.S. law."

Elections won't be held until after October 2015, Prayuth announced in June.

Meanwhile, the Thai military has detained political opponents,

assistance and relief operations. "The access that Thailand provides to military facilities, particularly the strategically located and well-equipped Utapao airbase, is considered invaluable to U.S. strategic planners," the CRS report said.

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U.S. Embassy in Bangkok

Thailand is also one of the few countries in South-east Asia that doesn't have a territorial dispute with China. Beijing has been discussing expanding its military training with the Thais and possibly expanding it into a multinational exercise of its own, Davis said. Although the U.S. conducts some military training with the Chinese, the two nations remain at odds over their interpretations of international law.

China's sea and air standoffs with several countries in the region and its declaration of an air-defense identification zone over Japanese-administered islands have left U.S. planners wary of Beijing's regional ambitions. Those concerns make Cobra Gold that much more important in the eyes of U.S. officials.

"For this thing to go down the tubes would be, frankly, a disaster — and, of course, a disaster that would not be lost on the Chinese," Davis said.

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restricted media reports and even banned George Orwell's "1984," the dystopian story about a thought-controlling dictatorship.

Despite U.S. warnings, most analysts say, the Thai junta isn't terribly concerned about losing U.S. support. When it came to Cobra Gold, Thailand actually had most of the leverage in the decision, Davis said. Thailand is one of the United States' oldest and most capable security allies in Asia; it has cooperated extensively in recent years on counterterrorism and disaster relief. Both countries have recently discussed setting up a regional hub in Thailand for humanitarian as-

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WAR ON TERRORISM

Iraqis in Baghdad on edge as war creeps in closer

By VIVIAN SALAMA
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — On the western edge of Iraq's capital, Islamic State militants battle government forces and exchange mortar fire, only adding to the sense of siege in Baghdad despite airstrikes by a U.S.-led coalition.

Yet military experts say the Sunni militants of the Islamic State group, who now control a large territory along the border that Iraq and Syria share, won't be able to fight through both government forces and Shiite militia now massed around the capital.

It does, however, put them in a position to wreak havoc in Iraq's biggest city, with its suicide attacks and other assaults further eroding confidence in Iraq's nascent central government and its troops, whose soldiers already fled the Islamic State group's initial lightning advance in June.

"It's not plausible at this point to envision ISIL taking control of Baghdad, but they can make Baghdad so miserable that it would threaten the legitimacy of the central government," said Richard Brennan, an Iraq expert with the RAND Corp. and former Department of Defense policymaker, using an acronym for the Islamic State group.

The siege fears in Baghdad stem from recent gains made by the Islamic State in the so-called Baghdad Belt — the final stretch between Anbar province, where the group gained ground in January, and Baghdad. The group has had a presence in the Baghdad Belt since spring, Iraqi officials say, but recent advances have sparked new worries.

Last week, Islamic State fighters seized the towns of Hit and neighboring Kubisa, sending Iraqi soldiers fleeing and leaving a nearby military base with its stockpile of weapons at risk of capture. The U.S.-led coalition recently launched two airstrikes northwest of Hit, U.S. Central Command said Saturday.

Government forces still control most of the Anbar provincial capital of Ramadi, but the city is vulnerable.

Perhaps most worrying, Islamic State group fighters have both Iraqi forces in Abu Ghraib, the town home to the infamous prison of the same name that's only 18 miles from the Green Zone, the fortified international zone protecting Baghdad-based embassies and government offices.

A senior military official in Anbar told The Associated Press on Saturday that government helicopters fire on targets daily in Abu Ghraib, though the town remains in the hands of security forces.

To the south of Baghdad, security forces fight to hold onto the

town of Jurf al-Sukr, and to the north, one Sunni tribe has held onto the town of Duluiyah despite an Islamic State group's onslaught. However, Islamic State fighters have taken over a number of towns in Diyala province, east of Baghdad.

Yet authorities believe an assault to take Baghdad remains unlikely. An Iraqi military and intelligence official each told the AP that as many as 60,000 government security personnel, including soldiers and police officers, are currently

in position outside the city along the Baghdad Belt. A plot by the Islamic State group to enter Baghdad in September through the Shiite al-Kazimiyah neighborhood was foiled, the officials added.

Iraqi officials say that at least 1 million men make up the military and police forces in the country, though U.S. officials say that figure is grossly exaggerated. According to one senior U.S. military official, who spoke anonymously as he's not authorized to brief the media, the Iraqi military had the strength of about 205,000 soldiers in January. Today, that number is under 125,000 men, he said.

Both the U.S. and Iraqi officials spoke on condition of anonymity as they were not authorized to speak to journalists.

Since that initial September assault, Baghdad largely has been spared and remained relatively calm, considering the intense sectarian bloodshed residents saw in 2006 and 2007 after the U.S.-led invasion to topple Saddam Hussein. Still, many remain worried.

"It's scary," said Maha Ismail, who recently visited one of Baghdad's new shopping malls. "But we have seen a lot worse than this so we are gathering despite all the warnings."

A U.S. counterterrorism official who spoke to the AP said Baghdad would remain a target for Islamic State group attacks, though seizing it outright would be nearly impossible.

"Baghdad is probably still in (its) playbook but its leaders must know they would face overwhelming odds in striking the city," the U.S. official said, speaking on condition of anonymity as he was not authorized to talk to journalists.

The Islamic State says it has



KARIM KADIM/AP

Friends and family members of victims of a suicide bombing Saturday in the Shula neighborhood of Baghdad grieve as they carry the coffins near the site of the attack during the funeral procession Sunday.

Bombings: Iraqi general killed in attack

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Hospital officials confirmed the casualties. All officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to the media.

In the Anbar attack, Brig. Gen. Ahmed al-Dulaimi was killed while traveling in a convoy north of the provincial capital Ramadi through an area cleared by Iraqi security forces a day earlier, according to Anbar councilman Faleh al-Issawi. It was not immediately clear if others were killed or wounded.

The Islamic State group and allied Sunni militants seized the Anbar city of Fallujah, parts of Ramadi and large rural areas of Anbar early this year. The loss of Fallujah — where American troops engaged in some of the heaviest fighting of the eight-year U.S. intervention in the country — foreshadowed the later loss of second city Mosul and much of the north.

Iraq's Interior Ministry confirmed al-Dulaimi's death, calling him a "hero who set a good example for self-sacrifice." It praised his role in reorganizing the provincial police force and leading major fighting that caused heavy casualties among the militants.

The attack in Anbar followed a bloody day in

the capital Baghdad, where a series of car bomb attacks killed at least 45 people in Shiite-majority areas. The Islamic State also claimed responsibility for those attacks.

The U.S. military said Saturday it launched airstrikes north and west of Baghdad, hitting a small Islamic State fighting unit and destroying armed vehicles. It said Britain participated in the airstrikes.

An international rights group, meanwhile, said militants from the Islamic State are holding hundreds of Yazidi captives, including women and children, in detention facilities in Iraq and Syria.

Based on accounts by relatives of detainees, New York-based Human Rights Watch said in a statement that the group has systematically separated young women and teenage girls from their families and has forced some of them to marry its fighters.

Hundreds of people from the Yazidi religious minority were killed and tens of thousands were forced to flee for their lives after the militants overran their hometown of Sinjar in northwestern Iraq in early August.

a foothold inside Baghdad, having claimed responsibility for a number of attacks in the city, particularly in the Sadr City neighborhood — a Shiite stronghold. In August, the group claimed responsibility for an attack on a Shiite mosque in New Baghdad, and another in the Shiite-majority district of Utaiyia in Baghdad, which together killed 26 people.

Yet analysts, like Brennan from the RAND Corp., say capturing Baghdad remains beyond the Islamic State's ability. At its worst, the group might "start pressing into the western areas of Baghdad, going into the Sunni areas of Baghdad and pressing up against the Tigris (River)" — if not

controlling it, then at least testing the control of the central government," he said.

At a recent news conference, Pentagon spokesman Rear Adm. John Kirby also said Baghdad is protected.

"Airstrikes around the city, particularly to the south and to the southeast of the city, we believe, have been effective in blunting" the Islamic State, he said.

Beyond the U.S.-coordinated airstrikes and the massing of Iraqi troops, the country's religious and ethnic lines likely will staunch any advance by the Sunni militants of the Islamic State. From Baghdad further south, Iraq's population is overwhelmingly Shiite and the

lands there are home to some of its most important shrines.

Already, Shiite militias back up government forces in Baghdad and elsewhere in Iraq. Such militias, like Iran-supported Asaib Ahl al-Haq and Muqtada al-Sadr's Mahdi Army, "are battle tested," said David L. Phillips, the director of the Peace-building and Rights Program at Columbia University. Challenging them likely would become a bloody slog for the Islamic State, he said.

"The militias are not bound by rules of war," he added. "They and (the Islamic State group) share one thing in common: Neither is bound by the Geneva Conventions."

WAR ON TERRORISM

Militant Kobani advance halted

By LEFTERIS PITARAKIS
The Associated Press

MURSIPTINAR, Turkey — Kurdish fighters have been able to halt the advance of the Islamic State extremist group in the Syrian border town of Kobani, where the U.S.-led coalition has been carrying out airstrikes for more than two weeks, activists said Sunday.

The coalition, which is targeting the militants in and around Kobani, conducted at least two airstrikes Sunday on the town, according to an Associated Press journalist. The U.S. Central Command said warplanes from the United States, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates conducted four airstrikes in Syria on Saturday and Sunday, including three in Kobani that destroyed an Islamic State fighting position and staging area.

The Syrian Kurdish enclave has been the scene of heavy fighting since late last month, with the heavily armed Islamic State fighters determined to capture the border post and deal a symbolic blow to the coalition air campaign.

The extremist group has carved out a vast expanse of territory stretching hundreds of miles from northern Syria to the outskirts of Baghdad, and has imposed a harsh version of Islamic rule. The fighters have massacred hundreds of captured Iraqi and Syrian soldiers, terrorized religious minorities and beheaded two American journalists and two British aid workers.

The U.S. has been speaking with Turkish officials about stepped-up efforts to equip and train Syrian rebels battling both the Islamic State group and forces loyal to President Bashar Assad. U.S. and European military officials will travel to Turkey this week to meet with officials there and discuss the different ways Turkey can contribute.

On Sunday, a Turkish government official confirmed that Ankara has agreed with the U.S. to train 4,000 Syrian opposition fighters vetted by Turkish intelligence. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak on the record.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said Islamic State militants have not been able to advance in Kobani since Friday but are sending in reinforcements. The observatory's chief, Rami Abdulrahman, said the group appears to have



Thick smoke rises following an airstrike Sunday by the U.S.-led coalition in Kobani, Syria, as seen from Mursitpinar, on the outskirts of Suruc at the Turkey-Syria border.

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There are large numbers of dead fighters for Daesh (the Islamic State group) who were either killed by the People's Protection Units (Kurd forces) or the (coalition) airstrikes.

Farhad Shami
Kurdish activist in Kobani, Syria

a shortage of fighters and his brought in members of the Hisbah to take part in the battles.

Since the offensive on Kobani began, some 550 people have been killed, including about 300 Islamic State fighters, 225 Kurdish gunmen and 20 civilians, said the observatory, which relies on a network of activists across Syria. It said the number of jihadists killed could be much higher.

Farhad Shami, a Kurdish activist in Kobani reached by phone from Beirut, said the town was "relatively quiet" on Sunday apart from sniper fire. He said Islamic State fighters launched an offensive south of the town on Saturday but were repelled and lost many fighters.

"There are large numbers of dead fighters for Daesh who were

either killed by the People's Protection Units or the (coalition) airstrikes," Shami said, referring to the main Kurdish force and using an Arabic acronym for the Islamic State group.

He said Kurdish fighters also were able to regain the border village of Tel Shair, west of Kobani.

Abdurrahman said 36 jihadi fighters were killed in Kobani on Saturday. The jihadists control more than a third of the town.

Meanwhile, in Beirut, hundreds of Kurds marched through the streets of the city to the U.N. headquarters. They chanted pro-Kurdish slogans and called on the world to help those fighting in Kobani, where more than 200,000 people have fled across the border into Turkey.

In Cairo, U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon told reporters



Civilians and Turkish soldiers board a tank watch fighting between Syrian Kurds and the militants of the Islamic State group from a hilltop on the outskirts of Suruc.

on the sidelines of a Gaza reconstruction conference on Sunday that "thousands of lives are at stake" in the town.

"I once again call on all parties that can act to step up to prevent a massacre and protect civilians at Kobani," he said.

Hagel cites progress in Turkey talks about Syria

By LOLLITA C. BALDOR
The Associated Press

SANTIAGO, Chile — Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel said Saturday the U.S. is making "considerable progress" in its negotiations with Turkey over the plan to train and equip moderate Syrian rebels in their fight against Islamic State militants.

Also, Hagel said he spoke at length Saturday with the U.S. envoy for the Syria and Iraq mission, retired Gen. John Allen. He said that Allen continues to work to get other international partners, including those in the Middle East, involved in the training program.

Hagel, who is in Santiago, Chile, for meetings with leaders, also said the U.S. continues to use airstrikes to go after Islamic State militants in the Syrian border town of Kobani. But he said extremists are still threatening the town and are occupying part of the outskirts. "It's a dangerous situation," he said, adding that the U.S. is doing what it can from the air and, "in fact, there has been some progress made in that area."

He gave a more upbeat assessment of the security situation in Baghdad. He said Iraqi security forces are "in full control" of the capital and that the U.S. continues to add military support to that region.

On Friday, Hagel said the U.S. was hoping Turkey would agree to train and equip moderate Syrian rebels on its own soil. U.S. officials are still discussing details with Turkey. When asked for an update Saturday, Hagel said he is waiting for Turkey to make its own announcement.

The U.S. has been urging Turkey to get more involved in the battle against the Islamic State extremists.

Ankara has hesitated and has persistently asked the U.S. to set up a safe zone along Turkey's border with Syria. Hagel and other U.S. officials have repeatedly said that such a zone is not actively being considered.

Hagel met Saturday with Chilean Defense Minister Jorge Burgos and President Michelle Bachelet. His stop here is part of a six-day trip to South America, and included a visit to Colombia. He next goes to Peru for a conference of defense ministers from the Americas.

He made his comments Saturday afternoon during a news conference with Burgos.

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EBOLA OUTBREAK

Texas health care worker 2nd in US to test positive

By Nomaan Merchant
The Associated Press

DALLAS — A Texas health care worker who was in full protective gear while providing hospital care for an Ebola patient who later died has tested positive for the virus and is in stable condition, health officials said Sunday. If the preliminary diagnosis is confirmed, it would be the first known case of the disease being contracted or transmitted in the U.S.

Meanwhile, a top federal health official said the health care worker's Ebola diagnosis shows there was a clear breach of safety protocol and all of those who treated Thomas Eric Duncan are now considered to be potentially exposed.

Dr. Daniel Varga, of the Texas Health Resources, said during a news conference Sunday that the worker wore a gown, gloves, mask and shield when providing care to Thomas Eric Duncan during his second visit to Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital. Varga did not identify the worker and said the family of the worker has "requested total privacy."

Varga said the health care worker reported a fever Friday night as part of a self-monitoring regimen required by the Atlanta-based Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. He said another person also remains in isolation, and the hospital has stopped accepting new emergency room patients.

Duncan, the first person diagnosed with Ebola in the U.S., died Wednesday in Dallas.

"We knew a second case could be a reality, and we've been preparing for this possibility," Dr. David Lakey, commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services, said in a state-

Liberian nurses most strike over pay

MONROVIA, Liberia — Liberian officials are pleading with nurses and physician assistants to show up to work Monday amid a dispute over hazard pay that has prompted calls for a strike in the middle of the Ebola epidemic.

President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf personally toured Ebola treatment units around Monrovia on Saturday, asking health workers to remain in their posts, assistant health minister Tolbert Nyenswah said Sunday.

Members of the National Health Workers Association are demanding \$700 in monthly hazard pay on top of monthly salaries that are generally around \$200 or \$300. Monthly hazard pay is currently less than \$500.

George Williams, the association's secretary-general, accused the government of rushing to license nursing students to replace striking professionals.

From The Associated Press

ment Sunday. "We are broadening our team in Dallas and working with extreme diligence to prevent further spread."

Health officials have interviewed the patient and are identifying any contacts or potential exposures. They said people who had contact with the health care worker after symptoms emerged will be monitored based on the nature of their interactions and the potential they were exposed

to the virus.

Officials said they also received information that there may be a pet in the health care worker's apartment, and they have a plan in place to care for the animal. They do not believe the pet has signs of having contracted Ebola.

Dr. Tom Frieden, head of the CDC, said the health care worker's Ebola diagnosis shows there was a clear breach of safety protocol. Frieden on Sunday told CBS' "Face the Nation" that all those who treated Duncan are now considered to be potentially exposed, though he couldn't give an exact number. Health care workers treating Duncan were directed to follow CDC protocol that included wearing protective gear. Among the things CDC will investigate is how the workers took off that gear — because removing it incorrectly can lead to a contamination.

Judge Clay Jenkins, Dallas County's top administrative official, said the unidentified health care worker is a "heroic" person who "was proud to provide care to Mr. Duncan." He said the worker's family has requested privacy because they are "going through a great ordeal."

More than 4,000 people have died in the ongoing Ebola epidemic, centered in West Africa, according to World Health Organization figures published Friday. Almost all of those deaths have been in the three worst-affected countries, Liberia, Sierra Leone and Guinea.

Ebola spreads through close contact with a symptomatic person's bodily fluids, such as blood, sweat, vomit, feces, urine, saliva or semen. Those fluids must have an entry point, like a cut or scrape or someone touching the nose, mouth or eyes with contaminated hands, or being splashed.



CRAIG RUTTLE/AP

Thomas Nelson, left, 17, and his brother, Johnson Nelson, 14, of Liberia, smile upon seeing their mother at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York on Saturday. The boys received a health screening upon arrival, the first day of Ebola screening at JFK.

Stepped-up screening starts at NYC airport

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Customs and health officials began taking the temperatures of passengers arriving at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport from three West African countries on Saturday in a stepped-up screening effort meant to prevent the spread of the Ebola virus.

Federal health officials said the entry screenings, which will expand, add a layer of protection to halt the spread of a disease that has killed more than 4,000.

"Already there are 100 percent of the travelers leaving the three infected countries are being screened on exit. Sometimes multiple times temperatures are checked along that process," Dr. Martin Cetron, director of the Division of Global Migration and Quarantine for the federal Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, said at a briefing at Kennedy.

Cetron added, "No matter how many procedures are put into place, we can't get the risk to

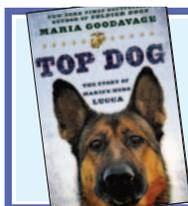
zero."

The screening will be expanded over the next week to New Jersey's Newark Liberty, Washington Dulles, Chicago O'Hare and Hartsfield-Jackson in Atlanta. Customs officials say about 150 people travel daily from or through Liberia, Sierra Leone or Guinea to the U.S., and nearly 95 percent of them land first at one of the five airports.

Passengers arriving at Kennedy said the screening was orderly.

"They asked us a few questions, if we had been sick in the past few days," said Johnson Nelson, 14, who flew from Liberia with his brother, Thomas 17.

Public health workers use no-touch thermometers to take the temperatures of the travelers from the three Ebola-ravaged countries. Those who have a fever will be interviewed to determine whether they may have had contact with someone infected with Ebola. Quarantine areas can be used if necessary.



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People gather around a fire at Harvest Hill Farms after a hayride accident that injured multiple people Saturday in Mechanic Falls, Maine.

Maine hayride flips; 1 killed

The Associated Press

MECHANIC FALLS, Maine — A Halloween-themed hayride careened down a hill in the Maine woods and crashed into a tree, fatally injuring a teenage girl and leaving more than 20 people hurt, police said Sunday.

A 17-year-old girl died of injuries sustained when the Jeep hauling the hay wagon lost control Saturday night, state police spokesman Stephen McCausland said in a statement. Two others, a teenage boy and the driver, were hospitalized in critical condition.

Two of the passengers were taken to hospitals for treatment.

A mechanical problem may have contributed to the accident, authorities said. State fire marshals inspect and license mechan-

ical amusement rides in Maine, but hayrides do not require such licensing.

The accident occurred during the Gauntlet Haunted Night Ride at Harvest Hills Farm in Mechanic Falls, about 25 miles southwest of Augusta. The farm, which also features the popular daytime attraction Pumpkin Land, remains closed while police investigate.

The flatted trailer was being pulled near a haunted house when it apparently missed a turn at the top of a hill, Androscoggin County Sheriff Guy Desjardins said.

"The trailer jackknifed, and the Jeep went off the road," Desjardins told the Portland Press Herald. "We're talking about a very narrow dirt road, but extremely steep."

He said the trailer struck a tree, throwing its passengers to the ground.

Authorities said 22 people — ages 15 and older — were on the trailer at the time of the accident. Sgt. Joel Davis, of the state fire marshal's office, said every passenger on the hayride was injured in some way.

"I've never witnessed a single incident that resulted in so many injuries," said Desjardins, who told the newspaper he has been with the Sheriff's Department for 19 years.

He said some of the victims had minor injuries, but others sustained more serious injuries to their backs, necks and limbs. Two were airlifted by helicopter and the rest transported by ambulance.

Lawsuit: Teenager used as bait in Alabama sex sting

By Jay Reeves
The Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Some facets of the case aren't in dispute: A teacher's aide asked a 14-year-old girl to go into a middle school bathroom as bait so a 16-year-old eighth-grader with a history of sexual harassment could be caught trying to have sex with her and disciplined.

The scheme backfired. The girl was sexually assaulted in a bathroom stall, evidence shows.

Exactly why the plan was carried out and who knew about it are at the heart of a court fight pitting the Obama administration and groups that advocate against sexual violence versus a north Alabama school district that says its administrators aren't to blame for the 2010 attack.

The Justice Department and 33 private organizations have asked the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to overturn a lower court's decision to dismiss a federal lawsuit filed by the girl's father against the Madison County School Board, four school workers and the boy.

They contend U.S. Magistrate Judge Michael Putnam should have let the lawsuit move forward, arguing he erred when ruling that Sparkman Middle School officials didn't have sufficient warning the boy might pose a threat. Putnam didn't endorse the idea of using a girl as bait for a predator, but said allowing her to be put in such a position wasn't bad enough for the lawsuit to continue under legal standards.

"Although it was foolish to send [the girl] to meet [the boy], the court cannot say that it was 'extreme and outrageous.'" The scheme to catch [the boy] ended horribly and tragically, but the idea of using [the girl] to catch [the boy] 'in the act,' however foolish, was not so extreme or outrageous as 'to be regarded as atrocious and utterly intolerable in a civilized society,'" Putnam wrote in an opinion in July 2013.

The Justice Department last month sided with the plaintiff's position that school administrators knew of the plan and should have realized the boy was a threat based on his history of propositioning girls. It is asking the 11th Circuit to reinstate the lawsuit, which seeks an unspecified amount of money.

The Women's Law Project and 32 other groups also asked the appeals court to revive the lawsuit, arguing school administrators were partly to blame for what happened to the girl.

The girl, in sworn testimony, said she met the boy in a bathroom at his urging and he began trying to take off her pants in a stall.

"I said, 'I don't want to do this,'" the girl told lawyers.

She said she tried to block the boy, but he raped her moments before teachers entered the bathroom. Police were called, and an examination found injuries consistent with rape, but no charges were filed.

Authorities have said the boy wasn't prosecuted because the girl initially said she wasn't threatened or forced to have sex.

Woman in Ohio burned in fire-breathing stunt

COLUMBUS, Ohio — An Ohio woman was hospitalized in critical condition after she was burned while performing a fire-breathing act at a Halloween-themed racing event.

The Columbus Dispatch reported that the 23-year-old woman was performing about 7 p.m. Saturday near Nationwide Arena at the Blood Run 5K, a benefit for people with blood disorders, when paramedics were called.

Social media posts showed the woman blowing a cloud of flame above her head, then someone wrote, "The fire breather just caught on fire."

Scanner traffic indicated she was burned on her face, neck and top half of her body and transported to Wexner Medical Center at Ohio State University.

Ashley Keach, of Columbus, identified herself on Facebook as the fire-breather. She said her injuries were minor and she would be "just fine."

Santa Barbara County Fire spokesman Mike Eliason said the victims were among four people shooting pictures around sunset Saturday as a southbound Amtrak train approached. Eliason said they tried to run off the trestle between Refugio State Beach and Gaviota State Park, but three were hit by the train.

A woman was thrown onto the side of a hill and died at the scene. A man suffered critical injuries to the upper body and head, and another woman suffered moderate injuries.

Michigan toddler dies of enterovirus infection

DETROIT — A 21-month-old girl who tested positive for enterovirus D-68 in Michigan died after a monthlong battle with the respiratory illness, marking the second time a child succumbed to the virus in the U.S. last week, health officials said.

Madeline Reid died at Children's Hospital of Michigan in Detroit on Friday afternoon, according to Elise Bennett, a spokeswoman for the facility.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention confirmed the young girl was suffering from enterovirus when she was admitted to the hospital on Sept. 21, Bennett told the Los Angeles Times.

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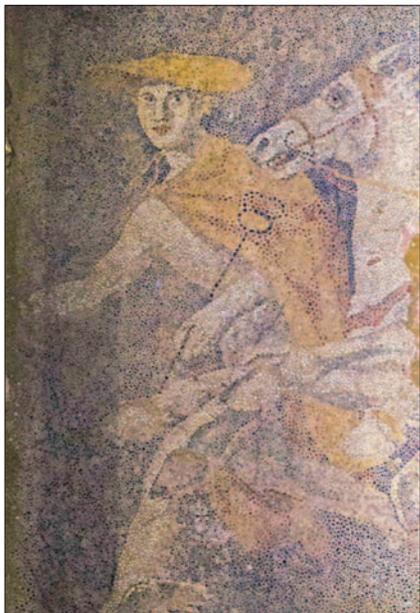
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A long-overdue reveal

The ancient Greek god Hermes is depicted in a mosaic as the conductor of souls to the afterlife. Archaeologists digging through an ancient grave at Anihopolis, northern Greece, uncovered the 10-by-15-foot floor mosaic in what is likely the antechamber to the main burial room, the country's Ministry of Culture announced Sunday.

Qatar pledges \$1B to help Gaza Strip reconstruction

The Associated Press

CAIRO — Qatar pledged \$1 billion Sunday toward the reconstruction of the Gaza Strip after this year's devastating Israel-Hamas war, once again using its vast wealth to reinforce its role as a regional player as Gulf Arab rival the United Arab Emirates promised \$200 million.

The pledges followed U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry earlier announcing immediate American assistance of \$212 million, though Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas has said Gaza needs \$4 billion to rebuild.

The promises came during a one-day conference on the reconstruction of Gaza in the Egyptian capital, Cairo. Delegates representing some 50 nations and 20 regional and international organizations applauded the pledge by Qatar, a tiny but energy-rich Gulf Arab nation at odds with its larger neighbors, like the Emirates.

The Emirates, like regional heavyweight Saudi Arabia, alleges that Qatar uses its massive wealth to undermine regional stability, primarily through meddling in other nations' affairs and

aiding militant Islamic groups like Gaza's Hamas and the Muslim Brotherhood, the Arab world's oldest Islamist group, with branches across much of the region.

Qatari Foreign Minister Khalid bin Mohammed al-Attiyah, in announcing his country's pledge, denounced the "international silence" that surrounded Gaza's destruction.

"While the Palestinian people need financial support, they need more political support from the international community," he said. "A just peace is the only real guarantee for not destroying what we are about to rebuild and reconstruct."

Israel and Egypt have blocked Gaza since Hamas took power there in 2007, causing the territory of 1.8 million people economic hardships and high unemployment.

Donors plan to funnel the aid through Abbas' Palestinian Authority, and bypass Hamas. Abbas and Hamas recently formed a national unity government that held its first Cabinet meeting in Gaza last week.

Putin orders troops farther from Ukraine

The Associated Press

MOSCOW — Russian President Vladimir Putin has ordered thousands of Russian troops near the Ukrainian border to return to their usual bases, according to his spokesman.

Dmitry Peskov told Russian news outlets late Saturday in Sochi that Putin had ordered approximately 17,600 troops to return home from Rostov, a southern region that borders east Ukraine, where pro-Russia insurgents have been battling government troops since April.

The Kremlin has said that troops stationed in Rostov were participating in drills, but Ukraine and the West have repeatedly accused Russia of fueling the insurgency with arms, expertise and fighters, and have slapped Moscow with sanctions in response to its moves in the region.

Previous Russian claims of troop withdrawals have been countered by NATO. In March, Russia announced a troop withdrawal of only one battalion — a unit of about 500 — while NATO insisted that tens of thousands remained near the border.

In the spring, the U.S. and NATO said that Russia had de-

ployed about 40,000 troops near the border, though Putin ordered the troops back to their home bases in late May. While the U.S. and NATO did confirm those moves, in August they said Russia was again bolstering its forces in the region and that Russia had allowed troops and vehicles to cross the border to assist the separatists.

The withdrawal may be a sign of good will ahead of Putin's trip to Milan, Italy, on Thursday, where he is set to meet with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and European Union leaders.

As the EU and U.S. sanctions against Russia begin to bite and economic growth falters, Moscow may also hope that a troop withdrawal will bolster the chance that Western nations will revoke those measures. Late last month, German Chancellor Angela Merkel said the EU was still not considering removing the sanctions because of ongoing fighting in east Ukraine.

In Donetsk, the city center was quiet but explosions still rang out in the direction of the airport, where fighting between government troops and pro-Russia forces has been waged despite a cease-fire declared Sept. 5.

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WORLD

Cyclone hits India; typhoon lashes Japan

By **MOHAMMED SHAFEEQ**
The Associated Press

HYDERABAD, India — A powerful cyclone was pounding a large swath of India's eastern seaboard with heavy rain and strong winds on Sunday, killing at least two people and causing major damage to buildings and crops, in one of two storms lashing Asia.

In Japan, at least 35 people were reported injured as Typhoon Vongfong, packing winds of up to 110 mph and heavy rain, hit the southern island of Okinawa and was aiming at the island of Kyushu, where authorities told 150,000 people to evacuate.

Cyclone Hudhud had winds of 120 miles per hour when the edge of the storm hit land after sweeping through the Bay of Bengal, Chief Staff Officer of India's Eastern Naval Command Rear Adm. S.K. Grewal told reporters. The cyclone's wind speed dipped to about 100 mph, but was expected to pick up again later Sunday, he said.

Experts said the storm was likely to cause widespread devastation along nearly 185 miles of India's east coast.

At least 400,000 people were evacuated from the coastal areas of Andhra Pradesh and Odisha states ahead of the storm, and



Kyodo News/AP



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Left: People visit a cape to watch the rough sea in Yonitani Village in Okinawa, Japan, on Sunday. Right: People run for shelter as heavy rain and wind gusts rip through the Bay of Bengal coast at Odisha, India.

hundreds of shelters were set up to house them. Visakhapatnam, one of the largest cities in southern India and a major naval base, was bearing the brunt of the cyclone's fury.

Television footage from Visakhapatnam showed downed electrical poles, uprooted trees and massive debris strewn in the

streets. Electricity lines were disconnected in parts of Andhra Pradesh to avoid electrocutions, said Arvind Kumar, a relief and rescue official.

Four districts in Andhra Pradesh that are home to more than 14 million people — Srikakulam, Vizianagaram, Visakhapatnam and East Godavari — were likely to be worst

hit, including about 350 coastal villages.

At least two people were killed in the cyclone — one when a wall collapsed in Visakhapatnam and the other when a tree toppled over in Srikakulam.

India's meteorological department said Sunday afternoon that the cyclone would weaken over the next 12 hours.

Meanwhile, Japan's Meteorological Agency said Typhoon Vongfong could reach the Tokyo area by Tuesday.

Strong winds from the storm knocked out power lines and toppled traffic signals and signposts Sunday, and bullet train service was halted for several hours on Kyushu island. Authorities issued landslide warnings.

West Japan Railway Co., which operates trains in central Japan in the area surrounding the ancient capital of Kyoto, said some train services would be shut down starting Monday afternoon because of the typhoon, and that the disruptions could continue through Tuesday.

The U.S. military on Okinawa, where last week's typhoon killed three U.S. airmen who were washed out at sea, instructed personnel and their families to remain indoors Sunday until the strong winds and rain subsided.



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BUSINESS/WEATHER

Legal pot may give buzz to beer

By **MATTHEW BOYLE**
Bloomberg News

Beer has no need for weed. The legalization of medical marijuana has helped beer sales, contrary to previous research that pointed to a decline, according to a note from Sanford C. Bernstein analyst Trevor Stirling. Recreational pot use in the two states where it's legal has so far not had a "significant impact" on beer, he said.

"The average blue-collar Bud drinker is less likely to be smoking pot," Stirling said. "As far as medical marijuana is concerned, it does not appear to be a big threat to the beer industry."

The research could relieve one concern for beermakers Anheuser-Busch InBev and SABMiller, which have seen U.S. volume decline over the past five years due to high unemployment and a shift to spirits like bourbon and gin.

Twenty-three states have allowed medical marijuana, and



PETER TOBIAS, PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER/MCT

Draft beer is served at Victory Brewing Co. in Downingtown, Pa.

about a dozen — from Florida to Alaska — are considering legalization in some form.

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Sanford C. Bernstein analyst

Per-capita beer drinking had a one-time increase of about 0.5 percent in the 10 largest states that have legalized medical marijuana, the Bernstein analyst found. While beer consumption later declined in those states, the rate of decline slowed to become more in line with the national average.

"There may be a constrained budget effect for some consumers, but legalized recreational weed is likely to lead to lower prices in the long term, potentially freeing up more cash either for more weed or more beer," Stirling said.

Bernstein's research contrasts with an October 2012 study by professors at Montana State University, the University of Oregon

and the University of Colorado, Denver. It found that alcohol sales declined about 5 percent in states that legalized medical marijuana, "suggesting that marijuana and alcohol are substitutes," especially among young adults, the authors said.

States that have legalized weed in some form, including Colorado, also have the highest rates of craft beer production, Stirling said, and some craft brewers have "wholeheartedly embraced the weed counterculture." One brewer, Oskar Blues Brewing, of North Carolina, indicates on some of its beer cans where they might be punctured to turn the can into a bong for smoking cannabis.

EXCHANGE RATES

Military rates	
Euro costs (Oct. 13)	\$1.2992
Dollar buys (Oct. 13)	€0.7697
British pound (Oct. 13)	\$1.65
Japanese yen (Oct. 13)	105.00
South Korean won (Oct. 13)	1,045.00
Commercial rates	
Bahrain (Dinar)	0.3771
British pound	\$1.6052
Canada (Dollar)	1.1212
China (Yuan)	6.1313
Denmark (Krone)	5.9007
Egypt (Pound)	7.1525
Euro	\$1.2615/0.7927
Hong Kong (Dollar)	0.7785
Hungary (Forint)	242.27
Israel (Shekel)	3.7293
Japan (Yen)	107.84
Kuwait (Dinar)	0.2891
Norway (Krone)	5.2244
Philippines (Peso)	44.80
Poland (Zloty)	3.32
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	1.7511
Singapore (Dollar)	1.2750
South Korea (Won)	1,071.77
Switzerland (Franc)	0.9581
Thailand (Baht)	32.43
Turkey (Lira)	2.2853

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INTEREST RATES

Prime rate	3.25
Discount rate	4.00
Federal funds market rate	0.08
3-month bill	0.01
30-year bond	3.01

WEATHER OUTLOOK

MONDAY IN THE MIDDLE EAST



MONDAY IN EUROPE



TUESDAY IN THE PACIFIC



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	W/P	Chatanooga	81	62	Clear	Fort Wayne	72	54	Rain	Louisville	78	63	Rain	Pocatello	60	32	Clear	Sioux City	62	51	Clear
Ablene, Texas	75	57	Pdly	Cheyenne	55	32	Clear	Fresno	92	63	Clear	Lubbock	67	47	Clear	Portland, Maine	61	40	Pdly	Sioux Falls	61	49	Clear
Akron, Ohio	73	51	Clear	Chicago	67	50	Rain	Goodland	60	41	Clear	Macon	86	62	Clear	Portland, Ore.	68	47	Clear	Springfield	70	53	Rain
Albany, N.Y.	63	42	Clear	Cincinnati	78	61	Rain	Grand Junction	57	34	Clear	Radiation	60	46	Rain	Providence	64	44	Clear	Spokane	70	43	Rain
Albuquerque	65	44	Clear	Cleveland	74	53	Clear	Grand Rapids	71	49	Rain	Medford	80	45	Pdly	Pueblo	62	35	Clear	South Bend	70	55	Rain
Allentown, Pa.	64	44	Clear	Colorado Springs	57	33	Clear	Great Falls	64	38	Clear	Memphis	79	58	Rain	Raleigh-Durham	76	57	Clear	Springfield, Ill.	70	53	Rain
Amarillo	66	42	Clear	Columbia, S.C.	81	60	Clear	Green Bay	59	45	Clear	Miami Beach	88	76	Clear	Rapid City	69	40	Clear	Springfield, Mo.	65	56	Rain
Anchorage	45	38	Clear	Columbus, Ga.	87	65	Clear	Greensboro, N.C.	58	35	Clear	Midland-Odessa	71	54	Clear	Reno	80	40	Clear	Tallahassee	88	66	Pdly
Asheville	66	54	Clear	Columbus, Ohio	76	57	Clear	Hartford	66	47	Rain	Milwaukee	63	51	Rain	Richmond	74	57	Clear	Tampa	90	72	Pdly
Atlanta	81	64	Clear	Concord, N.H.	65	33	Clear	Harrisburg	64	42	Clear	Mpls-St. Paul	56	48	Rain	Roanoke	70	53	Clear	Tucson	68	48	Clear
Atlantic City	71	50	Clear	Corpus Christi	86	76	Clear	Helena	64	36	Pdly	Missoula	66	29	Pdly	Rochester	71	46	Rain	Topeka	97	75	Rain
Austin	78	67	Clear	Dallas-Ft. Worth	78	67	Clear	Honolulu	73	50	Rain	Monterey	81	67	Clear	Sacramento	87	57	Clear	Tulsa	66	62	Rain
Baltimore	70	54	Rain	Dayton	75	58	Clear	Houston	85	74	Rain	Montgomery	89	67	Clear	Salt Lake City	69	40	Clear	Tulsa	66	62	Rain
Baton Rouge	86	71	Rain	Daytona Beach	88	71	Pdly	Huntsville	83	65	Rain	Nashville	84	66	Clear	St. Louis	71	57	Rain	Tupelo	82	66	Rain
Bilings	62	39	Pdly	Denver	56	32	Clear	Indianapolis	73	57	Rain	New Orleans	86	73	Rain	St. Petersburg	89	76	Pdly	Waco	78	70	Clear
Birmingham	83	67	Clear	Des Moines	58	51	Clear	Jackson, Miss.	88	69	Rain	New York City	66	51	Clear	St. Thomas	86	79	Clear	Washington	72	58	Clear
Bismark	63	41	Clear	Detroit	72	53	Rain	Jackson, Miss.	85	68	Pdly	Newark	66	51	Clear	Salerno, Ore.	74	44	Clear	W. Palm Beach	87	79	Clear
Boise	70	45	Clear	Duluth	52	45	Rain	Juneau	59	42	Rain	Norfolk, Va.	56	48	Clear	Salt Lake City	65	40	Clear	Wichita	63	53	Rain
Boston	62	45	Pdly	El Paso	73	58	Clear	Kansas City	58	56	Rain	North Platte	63	39	Clear	San Angelo	76	62	Pdly	Wichita Falls	74	60	Clear
Bridgeport	65	46	Clear	Elkins	74	50	Rain	Key West	88	61	Clear	Oklahoma City	60	58	Clear	San Antonio	78	73	Clear	Wilkes-Barre	62	44	Rain
Brownsville	91	77	Pdly	Elie	71	52	Rain	Knoxville	79	59	Clear	Omaha	59	52	Rain	San Diego	77	66	Pdly	Wilmington, Del.	67	50	Clear
Buffalo	73	46	Clear	Eugene	70	42	Clear	Lake Charles	83	75	Rain	Orlando	90	70	Pdly	San Francisco	82	63	Pdly	Yakima	71	42	Pdly
Burlington, Vt.	61	42	Clear	Fairbanks	36	25	Clear	Lansing	72	49	Rain	Paducah	76	62	Clear	San Jose	62	59	Clear	Youngstown	72	48	Rain
Caribou, Maine	60	33	Pdly	Fargo	62	44	Pdly	Las Vegas	83	62	Clear	Pendleton	77	43	Pdly	Santa Fe	62	35	Clear				
Casper	66	29	Clear	Flagstaff	63	32	Clear	Lexington	78	62	Clear	Peoria	70	54	Rain	St. Ste. Marie	57	43	Clear				
Charleston, S.C.	84	65	Clear	Flagstaff	63	32	Clear	Lincoln	60	51	Rain	Philadelphia	68	51	Clear	Savannah	85	64	Pdly				
Charleston, W.Va.	81	57	Clear	Ft. Smith	70	48	Clear	Little Rock	74	67	Rain	Phoenix	92	71	Clear	Seattle	66	53	Clear				
Charlotte, N.C.	74	59	Clear	Fort Smith	70	63	Rain	Los Angeles	87	63	Pdly	Pittsburgh	74	52	Rain	Shreveport	79	70	Rain				

National temperature extremes
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SCIENCE AND MEDICINE

THE KENNEWICK MAN

New book reinterprets origins of ancient human

By JOEL ACHENBACH
The Washington Post

The mysterious Kennewick Man, who died 9,000 years ago in the Columbia River Valley, was a seal hunter who rambled far and wide with a projectile point lodged in his hip, five broken ribs that never healed properly, two small dents in his skull and a bum shoulder from the repetitive stress of throwing spears.

He came from somewhere far away, far up the Pacific Northwest coast, possibly Alaska or the Aleutian Islands. He might even have come to North America all the way from Asia.

That's the argument of the editors of a new, 688-page, peer-reviewed book, "Kennewick Man: The Scientific Investigation of an Ancient American Skeleton," that will be published this fall by Texas A&M University Press.

The book includes his story of Kennewick Man before in lectures and interviews, but the new book represents the most detailed account of research that came about only after scientists sued for access to the bones. The Army of Corps of Engineers, which has custody of the bones, had pressed the scientists to publish their research. Now it has finally arrived, in a volume as thick and heavy as a textbook.

"Kennewick Man could not have been a longtime resident of the area where he was found, but instead lived most of his adult life somewhere along the Northwest and North Pacific coast where marine mammals were readily available," the concluding chapter of the book states.

"He could have been an Asian," said co-editor Richard Jantz, emeritus professor of anthropology at the University of Tennessee. "One of the things we always tend to do is underestimate the mobility of early people."

His co-editor, Douglas Owsley, a forensic anthropologist at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History, agrees with that assessment of Kennewick Man: "He was a long-distance traveler."

The book includes many kinds of research on the skeleton, which was discovered in 1996, and its environment, but the chemical analysis of the molecular isotopes in the bones and the clues they provide to Kennewick Man's origin are likely to be among the most heavily debated findings.

The analysis suggests that Kennewick Man lived off a diet of seals and other large marine mammals and drank glacier-melt water. His wide-set body is akin to what is generally seen in cold-adapted human populations. The book includes a vintage photograph of an Inuit seal hunter on an ice floe in Alaska — a suggested analog to Kennewick Man's lifestyle.

The origin of Kennewick Man is relevant to the fu-

ture disposition of his bones. Native American tribes have claimed him as one of their ancestors and have sought to rebury the remains in keeping with their customs. The scientists argued that there is no evidence linking any of today's tribes to the skeleton.

They say that Kennewick Man's skull, which is large and narrow with a projecting face, doesn't look like the skulls of later Native Americans. That has been noted in other skulls from that era, including that of a teenage girl found in a submerged cave in Mexico, and the skull of a man found in the Channel Islands off the coast of California.

The dimensions of Kennewick Man's skull most closely match those of Polynesians, specifically the inhabitants of the Chatham Islands, near New Zealand, the scientists say.

He wasn't a Polynesian, however. Rather, according to the scientists, Kennewick Man and today's Polynesians, as well as the prehistoric Jomon people and contemporary Ainu people of northern Japan, have a common ancestry among a coastal Asian population.

These were hunters of marine creatures and could have followed the edge of the ice around the northern rim of the Pacific Ocean, harvesting seals and using primitive watercraft to travel long distances, Owsley said.

"This is like a highway," Owsley said of the coastal route of migration. "People are going from the Old World to the New World and back and forth."

He said of Kennewick Man, "His morphology is what people look like in the Upper Paleolithic period along that whole circum-Pacific expanse."

Genetic testing on Kennewick Man is being conducted in Denmark, and those results are eagerly awaited and could alter the scientific narrative yet again.

One issue that remains fuzzy is Kennewick Man's age at his death. Owsley said he appeared to be about 40, but further testing, if permitted, would help pin that down. He argues that scientists should have further access to the skeleton, which for now is held in the Burke Museum at the University of Washington.

"I'm trying to honestly ensure that another generation of scientists has the opportunity to study this skeleton. They're going to have technology that we don't have," Owsley said in an interview.

And there will always be additional questions. Did he have a mate? Children? A clan?

Forensic anthropologist, James Chatters said he probably lived in a band of 20 to 40 people. And he surely was a strong man, able to endure pain from myriad injuries and the challenges of life as a hunter, Chatters said. His survival from a serious injury — the embedded spear point in hip — seems to suggest something.

"He was injured severely enough when he was young that somebody took very good care of him," Chatters said.



PHOTOS BY CHIP CLARK/Smithsonian Institute

A stone projectile point embedded in Kennewick Man's right hip gave researchers the first clue that he belonged to an ancient human population. The spear point likely became lodged following an adversarial encounter.



The morphology of the skull and the long bones led National Museum of Natural History researchers in Washington to conclude that Kennewick Man likely shared ancestors with Asian coastal groups, particularly Polynesians.



AMERICAN ROUNDUP

Women targeted, hit with urine-filled bottles

TX AUSTIN — Austin police are looking for someone throwing urine-filled bottles at women.

Police said a group of women reported a few weeks ago that someone in a dark-colored Jeep Wrangler drove past them and hurled a bottle containing urine. One of the women was hurt.

The Austin American-Statesman reported another woman on Wednesday was targeted by a bottle thrower and described a similar vehicle. She wasn't injured.

The incidents occurred about a block apart in a neighborhood west of the University of Texas campus in Austin.

Man jailed on charges of giving teen a tattoo

GA AUGUSTA — A man was jailed in Augusta on charges that he gave a tattoo to a teenage girl.

The Augusta Chronicle reported James Andrew Wise, 22, was arrested Thursday on counts of illegal tattooing. An incident report from the Richmond County Sheriff's Office said Wise tattooed the name "Shawn" on the girl's arm after she asked him to do it.

Georgia law prohibits the tattooing of anyone under age 18, even if a minor's parents consent to it, except for rare medical purposes. Violating the law is a misdemeanor, punishable by up to a year in prison and fines of up to \$1,000.

Woman accused of robbery with box cutter

AZ PRESCOTT — A woman is in custody for allegedly robbing a Prescott Valley fast-food restaurant with a box cutter.

Prescott Valley police said Sunny Rae Miles, 32, allegedly used a note and a box-cutter knife to get a Burger King employee to hand over a bag of money from the cash register on Sept. 19.

After an extensive investigation, police detectives obtained an arrest warrant for Miles.

The Prescott Valley woman was arrested in Poland Junction. She was being held on suspicion of armed robbery and aggravated assault.

Judge rules for dog owner in Taser case

CA SAN FRANCISCO — A federal judge has ruled against a National Park Service ranger who used a stun gun on a man for being uncooperative about his off-leash dog in California.

Gary Hesterberg, of Montana, filed a lawsuit claiming his constitutional rights were violated in the January 2012 incident, when he argued with ranger Sarah Cavallaro and gave her a false name. Cavallaro used a Taser on Montana as she tried to detain him.

The San Francisco Chronicle reported the court on Thursday conceded that while lying to a police officer is not an offense

THE CENSUS

4 The age of a little girl who took hundreds of packets of heroin to her day care center and began passing them out, thinking they contained candy. Delaware State Police said the girl unknowingly brought the heroin to the Hickory Tree Child Care Center on Oct. 6 when she switched backpacks. Several children who received the packets went to the hospital as a precaution, but none of the packets was opened and all of the children were released after being examined. The girl's mother, Ashley Tull, 30, of Selbyville, Del., was charged with child endangerment and maintaining a drug property.



PHOTOS BY JOHN MINICILLO/AP

Marking 9/11's toll

Above: New York City Police officers prepare to unveil names added to the Police Memorial Wall at a ceremony in the Battery Park City neighborhood of New York on Friday. The names of 12 police officers who died from 9/11-related injuries and illnesses were added to the site.

Right: A police officer touches the name of Carmen Figueroa at the NYPD Memorial ceremony.



to be taken lightly, there is nothing inherently dangerous about it — especially in connection with a warning about a leash law violation.

The court also found that Hesterberg, though uncooperative, never posed an immediate threat to Cavallaro.

Hesterberg was awarded \$50,000 in damages.

Ancient shark tooth stolen from museum

NC WILMINGTON — An ancient shark tooth was stolen from a display case at the North Carolina Maritime Museum at Southport.

Museum manager and curator Mary Strickland said surveillance video showed two women walking around the museum for about an hour and checking out exhibits and showing particular interest in the shark tooth.

Strickland said one of the women went back to the glass dome that housed the shark tooth, took it out and put it in her pants. She then met up with the other woman and left.

Southport Police Chief Jerry Dove said the theft happened around 2 p.m. Thursday.

Strickland said the tooth is about 7 inches long and 5 1/2 inches wide. She said it belonged to a megalodon, an ancient shark the size of a school bus.

Convict held 13 months too long sues bureau

MN MINNEAPOLIS — A 33-year-old man is suing the federal Bureau of Prisons for leaving him imprisoned in Rochester for an extra 13 months.

Jermaine Hickman, who was convicted in 2007 of bank robbery, had a calculated release

date of Oct. 11, 2012, from the Federal Medical Center.

The Star Tribune reported he walked free Nov. 21, 2013.

Prisons spokesman Ed Ross called the incident "a very rare occurrence" but declined to comment specifically on Hickman.

In responses filed recently by an assistant U.S. attorney in Minneapolis, the government implied that it was Hickman's responsibility to inform the bureau when he should have been released.

Under federal law, Hickman, who now lives in Omaha, Neb., is entitled to up to \$500,000 in damages if the bureau is found liable for wrongful imprisonment.

New markers honor 9 historic sites

VA RICHMOND — Tobacco-curing barns that dot the Southside Virginia countryside are among the nine

historic places being recognized by the Department of Historic Resources.

Tanger Island's role in the War of 1812 is also being honored. The historical marker will recognize Fort Albion, which was established by the British on the Chesapeake Bay island. The island was a haven for former slaves who received military training there under British forces.

The historic marker recognizing the so-called bright leaf tobacco barns will rise in Pittsylvania County.

One of the worst train wrecks in Virginia history will also receive a marker. The Thaxton train wreck on July 2, 1889, left 18 people dead. The crash occurred in Bedford County.

Two historical markers in James City County will recognize French support during the Revolutionary War.

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FACES

'Walking Dead' mullet has its own fan base

The Associated Press

Josh McDermitt says 'Walking Dead' fans may like his character, Eugene Porter, but when it comes to his hairstyle — that's the real talker.

"Everybody wants to know about the mullet," says McDermitt. "They want to take pictures with the mullet and not me."

McDermitt says it takes about an hour and some hair extensions to get the "iconic" hairdo just right. "Because we're filming in Georgia. It's hot. It's humid. There's bugs and they make jokes. They say, 'If you're ever tired, if you're

ever thirsty just go to the mullet, drink from the 'Mullet of Life,'" the actor says. "It's so disgusting."

McDermitt isn't spilling much about what happens on the upcoming season of the show, but he does say this season viewers will learn the back stories of Eugene, Sgt. Abraham Ford (Michael Cudlitz) and Rosita Espinosa (Christian Serratos). He also says the season opens with the characters fighting for their lives and describes the tone as "intense" and "dark."

"It's wild and there's a ferocity to it," McDermitt says. "The whole season is just full throttle. It doesn't let up."

Josh McDermitt says his 'Walking Dead' character's distinctive hairstyle gets lots of attention.

AMC



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Former "Saturday Night Live" cast member Jan Hooks died Oct. 9. She was 57.

Jan Hooks joins a sad roster of fallen 'SNL' alum

The Associated Press

During its four decades, "Saturday Night Live" has been populated by nearly 150 cast members. A number of them left the NBC comedy show for even greater stardom. Others faded into obscurity.

A handful have met with premature death, most recently Jan Hooks, a member of the "SNL" troupe from 1986-91 who died Oct. 9 at age 57.

Others have included:

- John Belushi (a cast member from 1975-79), who died of a drug overdose at age 33 in 1982.

- Gilda Radner (a fellow charter member, from 1975-80), who died of cancer at 42 in 1989.

- Danitra Vance (1985-86), who died of cancer at 40 in 1994.

- Michael O'Donoghue (an influential performer and writer in the show's early years), who died of a cerebral hemorrhage at 54 in 1994.

- Chris Farley (1990-95), who died of a drug overdose at 33 in 1997.

- Phil Hartman (1986-94), who was killed by his wife in 1998 at age 49.

- Charles Rocket (1980-81), who committed suicide in 2005 at age 56.

- Tom Davis (a performer-writer in the show's early years), who died of cancer at 59 in 2012.

'The Vampire Diaries' shifts tone for season 6

By ALICIA RANCLIO

The Associated Press

"The Vampire Diaries" known for its plot twists and supernatural lore, is doing some shape-shifting.

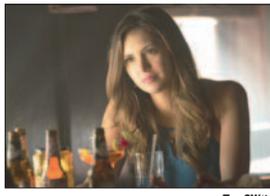
The sixth season of the CW series about vampires, witches, werewolves and the humans who love (or hate them) has a change in tone, with more focus on characters. "What we tried to do ... is boil the mythology down to a basic idea," explained show runner Julie Plec in a recent interview. She said the suspense and mystery is still there, "but it's grounded in character development" and "very emotional."

In recent seasons, the show became a bit com-

fusing to follow, even for the most loyal fans.

"I think the writers knew they kind of needed to wipe out everything that had existed for the past five seasons and start with something fresh," said Paul Wesley, who plays vampire Stefan Salvatore, "because it's just so difficult to keep plotting twists and turns and getting yourself eventually stuck in a situation where it's all gonna combust."

"Vampire Diaries" stars Ian Somerhalder and Paul Wesley, who play vampire brothers, and Nina Dobrev, who plays their love interest. "It's really virtually impossible to maintain the same sort of story or love story for six seasons straight," Wesley said. "Characters change and people grow. I think the show is incorporating that."



THE CW/AP

Nina Dobrev stars on "The Vampire Diaries." The show airs on AFN-Family.

Actor Stephen Collins has scenes cut from series 'Scandal'

From wire reports

Actor Stephen Collins' real-life scandal has cost him a role on "Scandal."

ABC said Oct. 9 that Collins, who was supposed to repeat a one-time role as a television anchorman on the hit drama, will have his scenes eliminated. The network said it isn't clear how the episode will be rewritten. It was scheduled to air later this season.

New York police said last week they are investigating charges that the former "7th Heaven" television dad molested a 14-year-old girl in 1972. The actor's

estranged wife wrote in a court declaration last year that Collins told her he had molested at least three young girls.

'Under The Dome,' 'Extant' renewed

"Under The Dome" and "Extant," two of CBS' marquee summer dramas, have been renewed despite less than winning seasons.

"Under The Dome," based on Stephen King's novel about a community trapped under a transparent dome that seals it off from the rest of the world, will return for

a third season while "Extant," a futuristic series starring Halle Berry as an astronaut trying to reconnect with her family after spending a year in space, will return for its second season.

Amazon has ordered a second season of "Transparent," its half-hour comedy starring Jeffrey Tambor as a retired professor and transgender woman who comes out to her family later in life.

Other news

- The Duchess of Cambridge plans to resume royal duties later

this month after being sidelined by a bout of severe morning sickness. Palace officials said Oct. 10 that Prince William and his wife are scheduled to welcome Singapore president Tony Tan when he arrives on a state visit Oct. 21.

- Taylor Swift, Pharrell and Maroon 5 are among the acts set to perform at Z100's Jingle Ball 2014 concert in New York City. Other performers announced Oct. 9 for the Dec. 12 concert at Madison Square Garden include Ariana Grande, Iggy Azalea and 5 Seconds of Summer. The concert will be streamed live at Yahoo.com.



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Rewarded

Actress Angelina Jolie, right, is presented with the Insignia of an Honorary Dame Grand Cross of St Michael and St George by Britain's Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace in London on Oct. 10. Jolie received an honorary damehood (DCMG) for services to UK foreign policy and the campaign to end war zone sexual violence.

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OPINION

Logging off Facebook, logging on to life

By SUSAN SENATOR

As the summer wound down, I found a letter from my son's headmaster under some junk on my desk. It was asking the kids to be sure to read two books over the summer: *Oops*, I thought. This was one I should have read immediately. Even though we bug my son to read, find him books that seem perfect for his taste — usually about dystopian, post-apocalyptic societies — he doesn't manage to get through too many. There are distractions. Particularly the Internet and social media. Research abounds about Internet use and the young, their drop in reading and their reduced, choppy attention spans.

Of course, social media has always made people worry. I'm sure mothers in the Golden Age of radio bemoaned how the world was going to Hades in a handbasket. New technologies make us fear that a precious piece of culture will be lost. Now with the entrenchment of Facebook, people panic about the fate of reading itself.

But are we adults modeling better behavior? I realize that I read less now that I'm plugged in to social media. In fact I skipped a bunch of book-group meetings because I didn't have the time or energy to read. At least this is what I told myself. The truth is that I was on my laptop, clicking so often from e-book to Facebook that I couldn't stay with a story there.

I might disparage millennials for their Internet addictions, but it had become hard for me to turn off Facebook. I lost touch with some friends, but that was easy to ignore because I had more than a thousand other "friends" to think about. And I was really thinking about them. I knew about their vacations, their illnesses, their dogs.

The pivotal moment came when I started railing about a woman for her huge number of "likes," no matter how inane her posts. I was actually jealous.

I did not realize just how debilitating my behavior was, though, until this past summer. Slowly I became aware of a pervasive anxiety. I felt disengaged from my life, flitting outside looking in. Old symptoms of depression, which I had been managing pretty well, began to return, especially when I was scrolling down my Facebook page. The pivotal moment came when I started railing about a woman for her huge number of "likes," no matter how inane her posts. I was actually jealous. "I know I sound crazy," I said to my husband, meaning, we both know I'm not.

To my surprise, he murmured, "Yeah, you do sound crazy."

It was a punch in the gut. But I had to admit to myself that for me, Facebook was toxic, a truly ugly dependency. Help came from where I least expected it: my teenage son. He suggested I get an app called, ironically, SelfControl. This software (for Mac) limits your access to designated websites for whatever period of time you want.

The first day, I set it to lock me out of Facebook for three hours. I actually felt scared. What had I done? What if there was something I really wanted to say in those 180 minutes? Pathetic, I know.

I waited out the three hours in brooding silence. I felt kind of empty, like when you start a diet. Without the blue-and-white screen, I had to turn to other ways to fill my time — which is difficult because I am

a writer, always online. I went to my favorite coffee place and wrote among other laptop people — strangers, but real people who breathed, coughed, talked to each other. I wrote for six hours that day.

My life suddenly pressed a lot closer. At first my small constellation of activity was hard to get used to. A week into it, and I still had withdrawal pains, vague needles of worry that I would be left behind — that I was leaving the human race. But after a while, I could see how it was only leading a rat race — I expanded my SelfControl hours.

Still, I have to take it a day at a time. Lately I have allowed myself to get back on Facebook more, and I even post sometimes. I hope to be able to employ a portion-control approach rather than go cold turkey. I fill the pockets of empty space with writing, seeing friends and — oh, yeah! — reading. I got through September's book-group selection and just started October's. Neither is very good, but I try to finish them, even though we talk about the books for only about 20 minutes of our two-hour meetings. We are really there to connect and catch up.

It's not all that different from what people do on Facebook. Yet it is a world apart. There are no photos. No petitions or ice buckets. And no "likes." We all just like books. And each other.

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Sorting good from bad among for-profit colleges

(Minneapolis) Star Tribune editorial

If you hope for a more equitable society, one with broader opportunities, then there's hardly a more important topic than job training. So it's especially distressing that so many disadvantaged young people — people who believe they're doing the smart thing by enrolling in for-profit colleges to train for careers in medical technology, criminal justice and other fields — are ending up disillusioned, in debt and without the careers they'd counted on.

Evidence increasingly suggests that some segments of the for-profit college industry are taking students — and taxpayers — for a ride. Drawing up to 90 percent of their revenue from various government programs intended to help low-income students pay tuition, some of these schools deliver a questionable degree, suffer extraordinarily high dropout rates and loan-default rates, and charge tuitions that are far higher than those at public community colleges.

Star Tribune reporter Mark Brunswick's story on Oct. 5 told of a military student who had nearly exhausted his GI benefits at the Minnesota School of Business only to discover that his criminal justice degree wasn't accredited in Minnesota and wouldn't qualify him for a job as a police officer. Moreover, his credits weren't transferable, leaving him \$40,000 in debt, stuck in a question job and worse off than he was before.

In July, Minnesota Attorney General Lori Swanson sued the Woodbury-based school and its partner, Globe University, for engaging in high-pressure sales tactics and misleading students about job prospects in several dozen of the school's attorneys general across the country have

It's hard for many middle-class Americans to grasp the obstacles that these students face.

launched similar suits against the for-profit industry. Twice the Obama administration has tried to beef up regulation and oversight only to run up against resistance in the courts and in Congress.

Just this past summer, when Congress reauthorized the Workforce Investment Act as a big effort aimed at helping low-income students pay for career training — few questions were asked; that was despite evidence that the program had become a cash cow for for-profit schools and a dubious investment for taxpayers. Lately, some of these schools have turned to tapping the GI Bill as a way to pad sagging enrollment numbers.

After a decade of rapid growth, many for-profit schools are now in trouble. A shakeout is clearly underway as government, private investors and customers begin to sort the good actors from the bad. Corinthian Colleges and ITT Educational Services, two of the largest for-profit schools, have been notable targets of government investigators. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has sued both companies, charging predatory lending and other shoddy practices. The U.S. Department of Education has, in effect, shut down Corinthian, citing the closure of 12 campuses and the sale of 85 others.

Still, it's too easy to dismiss altogether the for-profit sector's contributions. Despite obvious flaws, the career training offered by Globe, Minnesota School of Business and others across the nation have helped millions of challenged students. It's hard for many middle-class Americans to

grasp the obstacles that these students face. Many are single mothers who, in their late 20s or mid-30s, realize for the first time that they're leading dead-end lives.

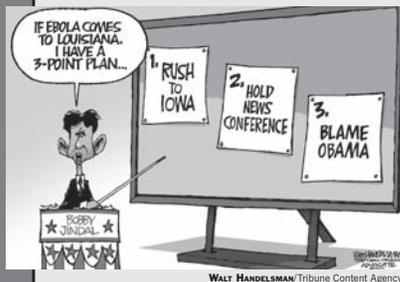
Going back to school before trying to hold down one or two jobs and raise three or four children is an immense challenge, especially for those who have already failed at community college or who lack confidence in their academic ability. As one local college administrator asked an editorial writer: "Is it a surprise that so many of our students find their programs just too hard to finish?"

Yes, critics are generally right: The industry needs more regulation and better oversight. Students and taxpayers deserve better outcomes than they're getting. Governments must find ways to ensure that their investments in students are paying off. For starters, it's imperative that prospective students have reliable, up-to-date information about the costs and performance of competing programs in all sectors. At a glance, they should be able to compare cost, location, quality of career counseling, loan availability, dropout rates, percentage of jobs offered, average salaries and so on.

But the realities are harsher than most critics imagine. Without a good start in life, many young Americans simply fall too far behind to ever catch up. College, even with remedial courses, can be too big a stretch for those with complicated lives. And the economy, while recovering, isn't delivering the kind of high-paying jobs that people need to gain middle-class lives.

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Buffalo	3	2	0.60	96	99
New England	3	2	0.60	123	107
Jacksonville	0	0	0.00	96	97
N.Y. Jets	1	4	2.00	79	127
Indianapolis	3	0	1.00	167	189
Houston	3	0	1.00	136	120
Tennessee	1	4	0.20	88	139
Jacksonville	0	0	0.00	67	169

North

Cincinnati	3	1	0.75	97	97
Pittsburgh	3	2	0.60	114	108
Cleveland	2	2	0.50	103	105
San Diego	4	1	0.80	133	63
Denver	3	1	0.75	116	87
Kansas City	3	2	0.60	119	101
Oakland	4	0	1.00	51	103

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Philadelphia	4	1	0.80	156	132
Dallas	4	0	1.00	135	103
N.Y. Giants	3	2	0.60	133	111
Washington	1	4	0.20	112	136
Carolina	3	0	1.00	104	124
Atlanta	2	3	0.40	151	143
New Orleans	2	3	0.40	132	141
Tampa Bay	1	4	0.20	105	156

North

Detroit	3	2	0.60	99	99
Green Bay	3	0	1.00	116	90
Minnesota	2	3	0.40	101	126
Chicago	2	3	0.40	116	131

Thursday's game

Indianapolis	33	Houston	28
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Sunday's games

Jacksonville at Tennessee	1:00
Kansas City at Minnesota	1:00
Baltimore at Tampa Bay	1:00
Denver at N.Y. Jets	1:00
New England at Buffalo	1:00
Pittsburgh at Cleveland	1:00
Green Bay at Miami	1:00
San Diego at Oakland	1:00
Dallas at Seattle	1:00
Washington at Arizona	1:00
Chicago at Atlanta	1:00
N.Y. Giants at Philadelphia	1:00
Open: Kansas City, Houston, Texans	1:00

Monday's game

N.Y. Jets at St. Louis	12:30
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Thursday, Oct. 16

N.Y. Jets at New England	12:30
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Sunday, Oct. 19

Seattle at Los Angeles	12:30
Miami at Chicago	12:30
Carolina at Green Bay	12:30
Washington at Baltimore	12:30
Tennessee at Washington	12:30
Cleveland at Jacksonville	12:30
Open: Dallas at Indianapolis, Minnesota at Buffalo	12:30
New Orleans at Detroit	12:30
Kansas City at Cincinnati	12:30
Arizona at Oakland	12:30
N.Y. Giants at Dallas	12:30
San Francisco at Philadelphia	12:30
Open: Pittsburgh, Tampa Bay	12:30

Monday, Oct. 20

Houston at Pittsburgh	12:30
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Deals

Saturday's transactions

FOOTBALL
National Football League
BUFFALO BILLS — Signed S Kenny Leder from the practice squad. Placed C Chris Williams on the injured reserve list.

CHICAGO BEARS — Activated LB Terrence Manning from the practice squad. Waived S Bartel Gray.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Activated S Steven Terrell from the practice squad. Waived DE Greg Brown.

TENNESSEE TITANS — Signed TE Brett Brackett. Placed OT Michael Ross on injured reserve.

Pro soccer

MLS

Eastern Conference	W	L	T	Pct	GF	GA
x-D.C.	13	1	4	0.85	46	24
x-New York	15	13	4	0.49	48	45
x-Sporting KC	11	11	7	0.45	32	32
New York	9	11	4	0.47	47	47
Houston	12	10	10	0.46	47	41
Toronto FC	11	14	6	0.46	36	50
Philadelphia	11	14	6	0.46	36	50
Philadelphia	9	12	9	0.43	38	41
Chicago	5	9	18	0.33	38	48
Montreal	4	10	14	0.32	38	56

Western Conference

W	L	T	Pct	GF	GA	
x-Seattle	17	5	9	0.61	49	40
x-Los Angeles	17	5	9	0.61	31	31
x-Real Salt Lake	14	10	12	0.52	38	39
FC Dallas	14	11	6	0.52	42	42
Vancouver	11	13	12	0.47	41	40
Portland	11	12	15	0.52	52	52
Colorado	8	16	16	0.43	49	60
Chicago USA	8	16	8	0.38	29	59
San Jose	6	15	11	0.29	35	69

MLS: Three points for victory, one point for tie

Wednesday's games

Houston 1, Toronto FC 1

Portland 3, San Jose 0

Friday's games

Portland 3, San Jose 0

Sporting Kansas City 2, Chicago 0

Vancouver 1, Seattle FC 0

Monday, Oct. 20

Montreal 2, New England 2, tie
Philadelphia 2, Chicago 2, tie
Real Salt Lake 2, San Jose 0
Chicago 2, Colorado 2

Thursday, Oct. 23

D.C. United 1, Houston 0
Los Angeles at FC Dallas
Portland at Chicago
New England at Houston

Friday, Oct. 24

Real Salt Lake at Portland

Saturday, Oct. 18

Montreal at Toronto
FC Dallas at Colorado
Chicago at Philadelphia
Philadelphia at Chicago
Chicago 2, D.C. United
Vancouver 2, San Jose

Sunday, Oct. 19

Columbus at New York
Seattle FC at Los Angeles

Sunday

Chivas USA 2, Rapids 1

Chivas USA	0	0	1
Chivas USA	0	2	2

(Eloundou), 30th minute.

Second half — Chivas USA, Thyrak 1 (Eloundou), 30th minute.

Goals — Chivas USA, Clint Irwin; Thyrak 1, Dan Kennedy.

Referee: Mike Jones. Mari, Colorado, 23rd; Zavelata, Chivas USA, 24th; Miranda, Chivas USA, 42nd; Kaji, Chivas USA, 44th; Louche, Chivas USA, 90th.

A-5033 (27,000).

Real Salt Lake 2, Earthquakes 0

San Jose	0	0	0
Real Salt Lake	0	0	0

New England 1, Real Salt Lake, Grabavoy 2, 24th minute; Portland, Real Salt Lake, Velasquez 1 (Mullend), 30th minute.

Goals — San Jose, Jon Busch; Real Salt Lake, Ryan Johnson.

Yellow Cards — Djalo, 7th, Assis, 32nd; Harden, San Jose, 74th; Grabavoy, Real Salt Lake, 81st.

A-20,701 (20,008).

Crew 3, Union 2

Columbus	0	3	2
Philadelphia	0	3	2

Second half — Philadelphia, 0-2 (Okunjo, Alves), 68th minute; 2, Philadelphia, Wenger 7, 75th minute; 3, New England, 80 (Okunjo, Alves), 78th; 4, Columbus, Meram 80 (Okunjo, Alves), 81st; Columbus, Arrieta 4 (Tchani, Anor), 82nd.

Goals — Columbus, Steve Clark; Philadelphia, Zac MacMath.

Yellow Cards — Bradly, Philadelphia, 70th; Carson, Columbus, 30th.

A-15,849 (18,500).

Red Bulls 3, Toronto FC 1

Toronto FC	0	1	1
New York	0	1	1

First half — New York, Wright 3, 0-3 (Kimura, Henry), 26th minute; 2, New York, Wright 3, 30th; 3, New York, McCarthy 3 (Wright-Phillips, Sam), 44th.

Goals — Toronto FC, Osorio 3 (Mow, Bradley).

Yellow Cards — Toronto FC, Joe Bendik; New York, Louis Robitaille.

Goals — Eckersley, New York, 15th; Crew, Toronto FC, 33rd; Alexander, New York, 78th; Bradley, Toronto FC, 89th.

A-15,900 (15,900).

Red Cards — Hagglund, Toronto FC, 86th.

Impact 2, Revolution 2

New England	1	1	2
Montreal 2	0	2	2

First half — Montreal, Di Valto 7 (Montreal, Williams), 12th minute; 2, New England, Rowe 5 (Davies), 16th; 3, Montreal, Di Valto 7 (Montreal, Williams), 17th.

Second half — New England, Nobby 14 (Montreal, Williams), 71st.

Goals — New England, Bobby Shuttleworth; Montreal, Ewan Jones.

Yellow Cards — Jones, New England, 47th.

A-14,389 (13,034).

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Brooks Koepka	70-69-205	-11	
Scott Langley	70-69-205	-11	
Robert Almer	70-69-205	-11	
Retief Goosen	70-69-205	-11	
Hunter Mahan	70-68-206	-10	
Ridley Matsuyma	70-70-206	-10	
Daniel Limmergh	68-68-70	-10	
Robert Almer	70-71-66	-10	
Jeff Overton	68-72-67	-9	
Sam Smith	70-71-66	-9	
Jeff Curran	70-71-67	-8	
Steven Bowditch	73-68-208	-8	
Gregorio Baryla	70-69-69	-8	
Yoshihisa	71-67-209	-7	
Spencer Levin	71-67-209	-7	
Derek Fautner	70-71-68	-7	
Eric Compton	69-70-70	-7	
Cameron Perry	69-73-69	-7	
Tony Finau	69-73-69	-7	
Andres Gonzales	66-74-70	-6	
Scott Stallings	69-70-70	-6	
Charles Beyer	68-72-70	-6	
Golf King	68-71-71	-6	
Gregorio Baryla	70-68-71	-6	
Tony Finau	70-68-71	-6	
Brendan Steele	69-69-71	-6	
Lee Westwood	71-70-71	-6	
Scott Piercy	70-71-70	-6	
Gregorio Baryla	70-71-70	-6	
Chad Campbell	69-72-71	-6	
Gregorio Baryla	69-73-71	-6	
Cameron Tringale	70-70-71	-6	
Chad Campbell	71-65-71	-5	
Mark Hubbard	70-70-71	-5	
Gregorio Baryla	70-71-71	-5	
Danny Lee	71-67-72	-4	
Tommy Fleetwood	69-72-72	-4	
Max Homa	72-68-72	-4	
Brendon De Jonge	68-72-72	-4	
Tom Clark	70-74-73	-3	
Gregorio Baryla	70-73-73	-3	
John Kokrak	70-73-73	-3	
Brett Ernest	70-73-73	-3	
Harrison Frazer	71-71-73	-3	
Jason Day	72-70-73	-3	
Arjun Jayaram	70-73-73	-3	
Arjun Jayaram	68-73-73	-3	
Gary Kelly	71-71-73	-3	
Arjun Jayaram	71-73-73	-3	
Carl Pettersson	69-69-73	-3	
Gregorio Baryla	71-68-73	-3	
Cameron Wilson	71-68-73	-3	

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Tom Lehman	67-68	-135	-9
Gregorio Baryla	70-67	-136	-9
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Gregorio Baryla	70-67	-136	-9
Kevin Sutherland	69-68	-137	-7
Marco Dawson	67-70	-137	-7
Bernhard Langer			

HIGH SCHOOLS: DODDS EUROPE

NEWS AND NOTES FROM THE WEEKEND

Red-hot Wildcats run wild against Saints

Naples' abundant backfield leads way with dominating seven-touchdown performance

By GREGORY BROOME
Stars and Stripes

Hopefully for the Naples Wildcats, momentum carries as effectively as their running backs do.

Naples will host a DODDS-Europe Division II quarterfinal football game next weekend as one of the league's hottest teams outside of Bavaria, the land of undefeated behemoths Ansbach and Hohenfels.

The Wildcats earned their second straight victory Saturday with a 50-15 dismantling of Aviano. The win completed a northern Italy season sweep, coming a week after a 32-26 defeat of previously-undefeated Vicenza.

The Naples' abundant backfield was on full display in the blowout win. TyRick Riggins rushed for 193 yards and three touchdowns to lead the way, while Nick Snider, Chris Greene, Kory McKinney and Zane Zimmerman all put points of their own on the board in the Wildcat onslaught.

AFNORTH: The Lion volleyball team picked up its latest win in efficient fashion Saturday, Grace Phillips, Erica Balkum and Emma Rainer led AFNORTH to a breezy 25-21, 25-6, 25-9 sweep of Baumholder.

Alconbury: The Dragons got contributions from up and down their roster in finally dispatching Merwenith Hill in five girls volleyball sets Saturday. Sam Zitka (eight blocks, six kills), Olivia Sealey (nine assists, six aces), Reigha Barone (16 digs, six kills) and Jiyah Green (11 digs) played key roles in the win.

American Overseas School of Rome: The Falcon cross-country team will wrap up its regular season in a meet Saturday at Naples. Small schools Marymount and Sigonella will toe the line next to the Falcons and host Wildcats.

Ansbach: The Cougars locked up home-field advantage through the first two rounds of the Division II football playoffs with a 44-13 rout of Rota. Ansbach allowed just 35 points over the course of its 5-0 regular season while scoring at least 40 in each game.

Aviano: The good news: Saturday's loss to Naples didn't keep the Saints out of the Division II playoff bracket. The bad news: It did earn them a trip to above-mentioned juggernaut Ansbach next weekend.

Baumholder: The Bucks' bus broke down en route to a cross-country meet Saturday at Wiesbaden, but the team arrived in time to earn some valuable course time with upper-division opponents. "This is huge for us," Baumholder coach Stephanie MacDowell said.

Bitburg: Baron girls tennis player Noa White battled to a 9-7 singles victory against Ramstein on Saturday. The win was Bitburg's one and only on the day against the deep Royals.

Brussels: The Brigard girls had a strong showing in a three-team cross country race Saturday at AFNORTH. Kirsten Carson and Kaitlyn Quanceb cracked the leaderboard at third and fourth place, respectively.



ERIC A. BROWN/Stars and Stripes

Patch's Michelle Gelacio runs in for a 21 minutes, 26 seconds, first place win Saturday at a DODDS-Europe cross country meet in Wiesbaden, Germany. On Gelacio's heels is teammate Gabby Ganite, who placed second with 21:27 and Kaiserslautern's Megan Mackie, placing third with 21:33.



Hohenfels: The defending champion Tigers are certainly being groomed for another grueling title chase. Hohenfels beat Vicenza 33-26 on Saturday to clinch an undefeated regular season; the Tigers have won their last three games, all over fellow playoff teams, by just 23 combined points.

Black Forest Academy: The Falcons took a pair of tough girls volleyball losses to Ansbach and Hohenfels on Saturday. But setter Ellie Stemple shined in defeated, passing out a combined 50 assists.

International School of Brussels: Top European boys tennis contender Fabian Sandrup Selvik looked like a future champ again on Saturday in a 6-0, 6-0 singles win over Lakenheath. Selvik will lead his team against cross-town rival Brussels in its season-finale Friday.

Kaiserslautern: The Raiders avoided falling back into the winless ways of their recent football past Saturday with a gritty 20-10 victory over Viseck on Friday night. The victory puts the team in good shape for a second straight playoff berth.

Lakenheath: If the Lancers are to tune up for a Division I girls volleyball postseason run, they'll have to do so with little Division I competition. They'll share their last two regular-season meets with Alconbury, Brussels, Merwenith Hill and SHAPE, the latter of which is a new arrival to the Division I ranks.



Marymount: Boys tennis ace Ting Lin led his team to a 3-3 tie with Vicenza on Saturday with a straight-set win at No. 1 singles. The meet marked the end of MMI's regular season.



Merwenith Hill: The Mustangs went out scratching and swinging Saturday in the closing school's final home volleyball match. The determined efforts of Ramie Ogea and Denise Culbreth helped the tiny English school force Alconbury to a full five sets.



Patch: A DODDS-Europe boys golf dynasty has arrived in Stuttgart. Sophomore Jordan Holifield coasted to his second straight European title Thursday by a comfortable 10-point margin, and he expects to be back for a third run next fall.



Ramstein: Royal tennis was out in force at Bitburg on Saturday, taking all but one match from the host Barons. Top girls singles players Alex Aidingler, Bailey Skokstad, Camryn Carswell and Alicia Wyatt dropped just two games combined.



Rota: Saturday's defeat at Ansbach wasn't exactly the welcome they were looking for, but the Admirals nonetheless are headed to their first playoff game since last year's abolition of Division III. They fared well the last time they saw the postseason, advancing to a 2012 Division III title-game loss to Baumholder.



SHAPE: The Spartans stormed into the postseason Saturday with a 29-0 defeat of ISB in a game for the final playoff spot in Division II. SHAPE will pack a two-game winning streak in its quarterfinal road trip to Hohenfels on Saturday.



Sigonella: The Jaguar boys volleyball team got a little time to rest on its first win of the season, taking a bye weekend to celebrate its Oct. 4 win over Vicenza. But it's back to work for the stretch run with a home match against Marymount, a visit to Naples and the European tournament at Aviano on the agenda.



Vicenza: The Cougar tennis team sneaked out a combined 5-4 team victory over Marymount on Saturday. Girls ace Kiki Shibia led the way for Vicenza with singles and doubles wins.



Viseck: It didn't look like a fluke at the time, and it looks even less so now. A week after sweeping three-time defending European champion Ramstein on Royal turf, the Falcons did it again on a neutral Wiesbaden court Saturday.



Wiesbaden: It was a great homecoming weekend for the Warriors. Jenna Eidem won her fourth girls golf title, her male counterparts won the European team title, the football team bested Ramstein in overtime and the volleyball team remains undefeated.

HIGH SCHOOL: DODDS PACIFIC

NEWS AND NOTES FROM THE WEEKEND

Perry earns spot in Division II title game

By DAVE ORNAUER
Stars and Stripes

Many a high school football coach ends up taking a water-bucket shower following a seminal victory for his program. Frank Macias shied away from that on Saturday after his Matthew C. Perry team earned host rights to the Far East Division II title game.

"They were going to get ready to do the water-bucket splash, but I said no," Macias said, mindful of the 33-7 loss he suffered to Bitburg while coaching Mannheim in the Europe D-II championship in 2010. "I've been to the big show and lost. I want to win one. I would love to get one."

He spoke after a couple of underclass running backs ruled the day against Edgren in the second neutral-site meeting of the season between the Samurai and Eagles, this one at Yokota Air Base.

Sophomore Caeleb Ricafrente and freshman Zach Brown combined for 374 yards and four touchdowns and the Samurai held off the Eagles 33-25.

That gave Macias and the Samurai the chance on Nov. 8 to capture the D-II title in its first season as a varsity program in 11 years. The Samurai host defending champion Daegu of South Korea, currently the only unbeaten team in DODDS Pacific. It will be a daytime kickoff, since the Samurai's home field does not have lights.

Edgren: Unlike the first time the teams met last month, when Perry (4-1) downed Edgren 40-18 at Camp Zama, the Eagles (2-4) made a battle of it until the Samurai pulled away in the fourth quarter. Sky Phillips returned a fumble 50 yards for a touchdown, while Shawn Robinson ran 8 yards for a score, caught a 45-yard touchdown pass from Phillips and threw 30 yards for TD to Joseph Ngorje.

Yokota: Coach Tim Fujio called it the "Shota Sprunger Show." The sophomore return specialist racked up 199 yards on six returns and also scored three touchdowns, two on runs and one on a pass reception, as the Panthers snapping a three-game losing streak, downing Zama 50-19 at homecoming.



NATHANIEL PUNLA/Special to Stripes

Yokota's Shota Sprunger tries to elude Zama American defenders. Sprunger scored three times and had 199 yards in the Panthers' 50-19 homecoming victory.

Zama: Though the Trojans remained winless, a pair of junior brothers stood out in defeat. Jaedon Baker returned fumbles 38 and 70 yards for touchdowns and Jaelon Baker rushed 2 yards for a score, setting up that touchdown with a 78-yard run.

Kinnick: The Red Devils were knocked from the unbeaten ranks in a 15-9 loss at American School In Japan. Junior Dre Paylor

sparked in the losing cause, rushing 27 times for 241 yards and a touchdown, intercepting two passes and racking up a team-high 10 tackles. Paylor leads the Pacific with 1,465 yards and 18 touchdowns on 133 carries.

E.J. King: The Cobras' annual inter-district tennis series at Daegu yielded an eight-match sweep over the Warriors. Top singles seeds Rikki Kendall and

Anna Christie led the way, posting 8-0 victories over Jimmy Bradford and Michela Guillotfey.

Seoul American: The Falcons hope to end their four-game losing streak following their season-opening 24-6 win at Humphreys on Aug. 29. But they'll have to do it Friday against a Daegu team that sits as the only unbeaten DODDS Pacific football team at 5-0.

Daegu: On a night when starters mostly watched from the bench, junior DeMarco Andrews took full advantage of what few touches he had. He rushed only five times, but for 240 yards and four touchdowns, and compiled 330 all-purpose yards in a 38-5 win at Osan.

Osan: Jamie Dawson accounted for the Cougars' lone touchdown on a 1-yard keeper, filling in the shoes of starting quarterback Wesley Hardin, who was sidelined by a concussion.

Humphreys: Takao Elliot served eight aces and the Black-hawks enjoyed a red-letter evening Friday on their home courts, the boys volleyball team sweeping a pair of matches from Daegu and the girls doing the same against the reigning Far East Division II Tournament champion Warriors.

Guan: Senior Lewis Harris showed why he was named all-Island honorable-mention offensive MVP and second-team safety last week. He caught 12 passes for 185 yards and recorded 16 tackles in the Panthers' 20-13 quarterfinal loss at John F. Kennedy on Saturday.

Kubasaki: Many a football player plays through pain. Winston Maxwell did most of the heavy second-half lifting despite a dinged-up wrist and sprained ankle, rushing for 168 yards on 27 carries and boosting the defending Division I champion Dragons back to the title game, rallying Kubasaki past Kadena 15-8 and a sweep of the regular-season series.

Kadena: The Panthers enter Saturday's home battle with Kinnick needing to beat the Red Devils by five points or more to qualify for their second straight D-II title-game berth. A win by seven points or more gives the Panthers host rights to the Nov. 8 championship.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Mississippi State tops No. 2 Auburn

By DAVID BRANDT
The Associated Press

STARKVILLE, Miss. — Mississippi State coach Dan Mullen grinned broadly as he walked off the field, pumping his fist with one arm while holding his daughter Breeilyn in the other. The deafening roar of the crowd's trademark cowbells showered the field and the players danced around in celebration.

The biggest home game in Mississippi State history had just turned into its biggest victory.

Dak Prescott ran for two touchdowns and threw for another to lead No. 3 Mississippi State over No. 2 Auburn 38-23 on Saturday night at Davis Wade Stadium.

Prescott, who jumped into the Heisman Trophy conversation last weekend with a breakout game against Texas A&M, turned in another solid performance. He completed 18 of 34 passes for 246 yards while running for 121 yards.

He also had lots of help. Josh Robinson ran for 97 yards and two touchdowns. De'Runny Wilson caught four passes for 72 yards, including a 34-yard touchdown catch, and the Bulldogs defense bailed out the offense with red zone stops following turnovers.

"Every time we needed to make

a play, a guy stepped up and made a play," Mullen said. "We always wondered how to take the next step in this league ... that's it."

Mississippi State (6-0, 3-0 Southeastern Conference) has won nine straight games going back to last season. Auburn (5-1, 2-1), the defending SEC champion, lost for the first time since last season's national championship game.

The Bulldogs jumped out to a stunning 21-0 lead in the first nine minutes — helped by two Auburn turnovers on its first two offensive plays — but the Tigers pulled within 28-20 in the third quarter. They couldn't complete the comeback, though, undone by Ricardo Louis' fumble in the fourth quarter, untimely penalties and an inconsistent offense.

Auburn's Nick Marshall threw for 209 yards, two touchdowns and two interceptions while also running for 100 yards.

Mississippi State won despite committing four turnovers. Auburn also had four turnovers.

"We have to learn from this," Auburn coach Gus Malzahn said. "We had a similar setback to this last year. There are a lot of champions in that locker room. They are disappointed and they should be."



JIM LITTLE/AP

Mississippi State wide receiver De'Runny Wilson, right, drags Auburn defensive back Jonathan Jones over the goal line during the first half Saturday in Starkville, Miss. The Bulldogs won 38-23.

The Bulldogs will find out on Sunday if the victory was enough to jump Florida State and earn the first No. 1 national ranking in school history. Florida State defeated Syracuse 38-20 in Saturday.

It was Prescott's first game since a breakout performance against Texas A&M. For the most part, the 6-foot-2, 230-pound junior handled the increased scrutiny well, making plays with both his arm and feet.

Auburn couldn't overcome an awful start.

The Tigers' first offensive play was a Marshall pass that was tipped at the line of scrimmage and intercepted by Jay Hughes. The second was a fumble by receiver D'haquille Williams that

was recovered by Benardrick McKinney.

Mississippi State turned them both into touchdowns. A few minutes later, Prescott rumbled into the end zone for a 2-yard touchdown and the Bulldogs — who were hosting their first game between top five teams in school history — had a three-touchdown advantage.

But then it was Mississippi State's turn to start committing turnovers, with four before halftime. The Bulldogs threw three interceptions — including one by Logan Cooke on an ill-fated fake punt — and Jamoral Graham fumbled on a punt return.

Mississippi State's defense did the job despite Auburn's good field position.

Bears get past TCU with rally

By RALPH D. RUSSO
The Associated Press

WACO, Texas — Bryce Petty had done all he could do, bringing Baylor back from 21 points down in the fourth quarter and McLane Stadium back to life.

With 4 seconds left, the Heisman Trophy contender handed it over to the kicker who had made only one of six field-goal attempts coming into the game.

Petty gave a few words of encouragement to Chris Callahan, to focus only on himself and his job — and then the quarterback went over to the sideline and was too nervous to watch as Callahan completed one of the greatest comebacks in Baylor history.

Callahan kicked a 28-yard field goal as time expired and No. 5 Baylor scored 24 points in the final 11 minutes to beat No. 9 TCU 61-58 on Saturday in a crazy Big 12 scorefest.

"I don't think I could play kicker," Petty said. "That's too much pressure."

Wiping out a 21-point, four-quarter deficit, though, seemed like a breeze for Petty. The senior threw six touchdown passes for the Bears (6-0, 3-0), including a 25-yarder to Corey Coleman with 4:42 left in the fourth that tied it at 58. Petty passed for a career-best 510 yards and threw two interceptions.

"He was on tonight," Baylor coach Art Briles said.

TCU (4-1, 1-1) moved to mid-field and faced fourth-and-3 from the Baylor 45 with 1:17 left in the fourth. Instead of punting, the Horned Frogs elected to try to keep the ball and end it.

Horned Frogs coach Gary Patterson used two timeouts trying to decide how to play fourth down. He said he considered a fake punt.

"We make it ... you have an opportunity to go down and kick a field goal and you win it," he said. "Their field goal kicker did well today, but he had not kicked well before it got to today."

Trevone Boykin tossed a sideline fade toward Josh Doctson that the receiver couldn't come up with. Baylor took over with 1:11 left.

Rebels extend perfect start vs. Aggies

By KRISTIE RIEKEN
The Associated Press

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — The third-ranked Mississippi Rebels weren't congratulating themselves on a job well done after a 35-20 victory over No. 14 Texas A&M that gave them their first 6-0 start since 1962.

Instead, player after player kept sharing the same thought Saturday night. "We've just got to get better," Bo Wallace said, echoing the prevailing sentiment.

Wallace ran for two scores and threw a touchdown pass and Mississippi's defense added two scores to help the Rebels follow up last week's victory over Alabama with their first win over A&M in the seventh meeting.

Wallace gave Mississippi (6-0, 3-0 South-

eastern Conference) an early lead with touchdown runs on consecutive possession in the first quarter. Cody Prewitt returned an interception 75 yards for a score in the second quarter to make it 21-0.

A&M (5-2, 2-2) cut it to 14 in the third quarter, but Wallace answered with 33-yard touchdown pass and Mississippi padded the lead with a fumble return for a TD early in the fourth quarter.

Kenny Hill threw for 401 yards and two touchdowns, but also had two interceptions and a fumble for the Aggies, who lost for the second straight week after opening the season 5-0.

"I had three turnovers, two of them were for touchdowns," Hill said. "We can't win like that. That's on me."

The crowd of 110,633 — including Hous-

ton Texans defensive end J.J. Watt — was the largest to see a football game in the state of Texas and the most in SEC history.

Wallace scored on a 4-yard run to give Mississippi a 7-0 lead in the first quarter. A 31-yard reception by Quincy Adebayo set up that score.

The Aggies had to punt on their next possession and pinned the Rebels at the 1. But Wallace orchestrated an easy nine yard drive capped by a 10-yard scoring trot to make it 14-0 with about two minutes left in the first quarter.

Hill completed his first nine passes before the interception by Prewitt, who darted through traffic and wriggled out of a tackle attempt by the quarterback to return it 75 yards for a touchdown to push the lead to 21-0 early in the second quarter.



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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Saturday's stars

■ Bryce Petty, Baylor, threw for 510 yards and six TDs, including a tying 25-yarder to Corey Coleman with 4:42 left in the No. 9 Bears' 61-58 win over No. 9 TCU.

■ Marcus Mariota, Oregon, ran for two TDs and passed for 210 yards and two more scores as the No. 12 Ducks rebounded from their first loss with a 42-30 victory over No. 18 UCLA.

■ Melvin Gordon, Wisconsin, rushed for 175 yards and four TDs to help the Badgers hold off Illinois 28-23.

■ KD Humphries, Murray State, threw six TD passes, including the winner in a 44-41 overtime victory over Southeast Missouri.

■ Justin Worley, Tennessee, threw three TD passes and ran for two more scores in a 45-10 victory over Chattanooga.

■ Jonah Hodges, San Diego, rushed for a school-record 273 yards and two TDs in a 31-23 win over Seton.

■ Thomas Rawls, Central Michigan, ran for 270 yards and a pair of first-quarter touchdowns in a 34-17 win over Northern Illinois.

■ Sam Richardson, Iowa State, threw for a career-high 351 yards and three second-half TDs in a 37-30 victory over Toledo.

■ Justin Arias, Idaho State, threw for 404 yards and five TDs in a 66-14 win over Simon Fraser.



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—The Associated Press

Illinois' Eaton Spence, left, pulls on the face mask of Wisconsin's Melvin Gordon on Saturday. Gordon ran for 175 yards and scored four TDs.

How the AP Top 25 fared

1 Florida State (6-0) beat Syracuse 38-20. At Syracuse, N.Y., with more disarray swirling around him, James Winston was nearly flawless, throwing for 317 yards and three touchdowns and Mario Pender scored twice for the Seminoles, who won a school-record 22nd straight game.

2 Auburn (5-1) lost to No. 3 Mississippi State 38-23. At Starkville, Miss., The Tigers trailed 21-0 but came back to tie the third quarter. They couldn't complete the comeback, though, and by Ricardo Louis' fumble in the fourth quarter, Nick Marshall threw for 209 yards, two touchdowns and two interceptions. He ran for 100 yards.

3 Mississippi (7-0) beat No. 14 Texas A&M 35-20. At College Station, Texas, Bo Wallace ran for two scores and threw a touchdown pass and the defense added two scores to help the Rebels remain undefeated.

4 Missouri State (6-0) beat No. 2 Auburn 38-23. At Starkville, Miss., Dak Prescott ran for two touchdowns and threw for one for the Bulldogs, who have won nine straight games going back to last season. Prescott had lots of help. Josh Robinson ran for 97 yards and two touchdowns, De'Runnya Wilson had four receptions for 72 yards, including a 34-yard touchdown catch.

5 Baylor (6-0) beat No. 9 TCU 61-58. At Waco, Texas, Chris Calhoun kicked a 28-yard field goal as time expired and Baylor wined out a 21-point deficit in the final 11 minutes. Bryce Petty threw six touchdown passes for the Bears, including a 25-yarder to Corey Coleman with 4:42 left in the fourth that tied it at 58. Petty passed for 510 yards and threw two interceptions.

Next: at West Virginia, Saturday.

6 Notre Dame (6-0) beat North Carolina 50-43. At South Bend, Ind., Everett Golson threw three touchdown passes to overcome his three turnovers that led to North Carolina scores and the Irish remained unbeaten.

7 Alabama (5-1) beat Arkansas 14-13. At Fayetteville, Ark., Blake Sims threw two touchdown passes and Alabama averted its second straight SEC loss despite fumbling four times. Sims put Alabama up with a 6-yard touchdown pass early in the fourth quarter.

8 Michigan State (5-1) beat Purdue 45-31. At West Lafayette, Ind., Connor Cook threw three touchdown passes, Nick Hill ran for two scores, and Darrien Harris had a late interception return for a touchdown to help Michigan State hold off Purdue.

9 TCU (4-1) lost to No. 5 Baylor 61-58. At Waco, Texas, the Horned Frogs held by 21 points early in the fourth quarter but couldn't hold the lead. After Baylor tied the score, TCU moved to midfield and faced fourth-and-3 from the Baylor 45 with 1:17 left. Instead of punting, TCU elected to try to keep the ball and end it in regulation. That led to the Bears winning field goal as time expired.

Next: vs. No. 16 Oklahoma State, Saturday.

10 Arizona (5-1) lost to Southern Cal 28-26. At Tucson, Ariz., Javorius Allen ran for 205 yards and three touchdowns, and USC survived a last-second field goal try to knock off Arizona. Jared Baker scored on a 1-yard run with 1:07 left and Caleb Jones recovered the onside kick for the Wildcats. Arizona came up short when Casey Slowron missed his third field goal of the night, a 36-yarder that sailed wide right with 17 seconds left.

Next: at Washington State, Saturday, Oct. 25.

11 Oklahoma (5-1) beat Texas 31-26. At Dallas, Alex Ross had a 91-yard kickoff return for a touchdown. Zack Sanchez scored on a 43-yard interception return and Oklahoma held on for another bounce-back victory under coach Bob Stoops, beating Texas in the Red River rivalry.

Next: vs. No. 17 Kansas State, Saturday.

12 Oregon (5-1) beat No. 18 UCLA 42-30. At Pasadena, Calif., Marcus Mariota ran for two touchdowns and passed for 210 yards and two more scores to help Oregon rebound from its first loss. Royce Freeman rushed for 121 yards and two touchdowns for the Ducks, who haven't lost consecutive games since 2007.

Next: vs. Washington, Saturday.

13 Georgia (5-1) beat No. 23 Missouri 34-0. At Columbia, Mo., Hutson Mason completed 22 of 28 passes for 156 yards and a touchdown and ran for another score in Georgia's first game without suspended running back Todd Gurley. Freshman Nick Chubb rushed 38 times for 143 yards and a touchdown. Gurley was suspended indefinitely Thursday while the school investigates an alleged violation of NCAA rules.

Next: at Arkansas, Saturday.

14 Texas A&M (5-2) lost to No. 3 Mississippi 35-20. At College Station, Texas, Kenny Hill threw for 401 yards and two touchdowns, but also had two interceptions and a fumble for the Aggies, who lost for the second straight week after opening the season 5-0. One of Hill's interceptions was returned 75 yards for a score to make it 21-0 in the second quarter.

Next: at No. 7 Alabama, Saturday.

15 Ohio State (4-1) did not play. The Buckeyes had their second bye in four weeks, and more updates while they were off should help them climb in the rankings.

Next: vs. Rutgers, Saturday.

16 Oklahoma State (5-1) beat Kansas 27-20. At Lawrence, Kan., Tyreek Hill returned a kickoff 99 yards for a fourth-quarter touchdown, and Oklahoma State held on to beat Kansas. Daxx Garman threw for 161 yards with a touchdown and an interception, and Desmond Roland ran for 87 yards and a score as the Cowboys were nearly caught looking ahead to next week's showdown with ninth-ranked TCU.

Next: at No. 9 TCU, Saturday.

17 Kansas State (4-1) did not play. At Evanston, Ill., Godwin Igwebuike had three interceptions and Justin Jackson ran for 162 yards, helping Northwestern upset Melvin Gordon and Wisconsin.

Next: at No. 11 Oklahoma, Saturday.

18 UCLA (4-2) lost to No. 12 Oregon 42-30. At Pasadena, Calif., Brett Hundley passed for 216 yards and ran for a score for the Bruins, who followed up their last-minute loss to Utah by falling into a huge early hole. Oregon built a 42-10 lead early in the fourth quarter before Jordan Payton caught two fourth-quarter TD passes for UCLA.

Next: at California, Saturday.

19 East Carolina (5-1) beat South Florida 28-17. At Tampa, Fla., Shane Carden led three long second-half touchdown drives and the Pirates shrugged off a slow start to come back and beat South Florida. East Carolina overcame a 10-point halftime deficit to remain unbeaten in American Athletic Conference play and is off to its best start since 1999.

Next: vs. UConn, Thursday, Oct. 23.

20 Arizona State (4-1) did not play. The Sun Devils had a week off to continue celebrating their Hal Marshall play that upset USC and vaulted them into the rankings.

Next: vs. No. 25 Stanford, Saturday.

21 Nebraska (5-1) did not play. At Stillwater, Okla., Desmond Roland ran for 95 yards and two touchdowns and Tyreek Hill returned a kickoff 97 yards for a touchdown for Oklahoma State.

Next: at Northwestern, Saturday.

22 Georgia Tech (5-1) lost to Duke 31-25. At Atlanta, Anthony Boone threw for 123 yards and a touchdown, Josh Sheed ran for 102 yards and a score, and Duke snapped a 10-year losing streak against Georgia Tech. Backup quarterback Thomas Sirk had a couple of short TD runs for the Blue Devils, who won in Atlanta for the first time since 1994 and showed they aren't going to give up their Coastal Division title without a fight.

Next: at North Carolina, Saturday.

23 Missouri (4-2) lost to No. 13 Georgia 34-0. At Columbia, Mo., the Tigers fell behind 20-0 in the first half. Missouri showed little improvement in the second half, as Maly Mauk threw interceptions to end his team's first two drives out of the locker room. Mauk completed nine of 21 passes for 97 yards and accounted for five turnovers, throwing four interceptions and losing a fumble.

Next: at Florida, Saturday.

24 Utah (4-1) did not play. The Utes had the weekend off after upsetting UCLA and making their debut in the Top 25.

Next: at Oregon State, Thursday.

25 Stanford (4-2) beat Washington State 34-17. Friday, At Stanford, Calif., Kevin Hogan threw for 284 yards and three touchdowns and the Cardinal defense slowed down Connor Halliday and the Air Raid offense.

Next: at No. 20 Arizona State, Saturday.

NHL/SPORTS BRIEFS

Roundup

Crosby leads Pens past Leafs

The Associated Press

TORONTO — Sidney Crosby had a goal and two assists, all on the power play, for his second straight three-point game and the Pittsburgh Penguins beat the Toronto Maple Leafs 5-2 on Saturday night.

Patrick Hornqvist, Chris Kunitz, Evgeni Malkin and Brandon Sturteer also scored for Pittsburgh, who got a soft showing in goal from Marc-Andre Fleury. Malkin also had a three-point night, with a pair of assists.

The line of Crosby, Hornqvist and Kunitz finished with six points and the Penguins went 3-for-5 on the power play. Crosby had two goals and an assist in the Penguins' season-opening win over Anaheim.

Joffrey Lupul and Tyler Bozak scored for Toronto. The Maple Leafs lost their home opener 4-3 to Montreal on a late goal Wednesday night.

Toronto's James Van Riemsdyk and Pittsburgh's Simon Despres had a brief fight with 33 seconds remaining.

Capitals 4, Bruins 0: At Boston, Alex Ovechkin scored his first two goals of the season, Braden Holtby stopped 29 shots and Washington coach Barry Trotz got his first win with the Capitals.

The three-time league MVP Ovechkin, who led the NHL with 51 goals last season, scored Washington's first two goals. Defenseman Mike Green had a power-play goal and Joel Ward added a late score.

Trotz, the longtime Nashville coach, was hired during the off-season after Washington missed the playoffs for the first time in seven years and fired Adam Oates. The Capitals lost Trotz's first game, 2-1 in a shootout to Montreal at home Thursday night.

Blackhawks 6, Sabres 2: Patrick Kane, Marian Hossa, Patrick Sharp and Dan Carcillo scored for Chicago in the third period in its home opener.

Ducks 3, Red Wings 2: At Detroit, Ryan Getzlaf scored two goals, including the unassisted winning goal with 24 seconds left for Anaheim.

Blues 4, Flames 1: Joakim Lindstrom and David Backes scored in the first period, Brian Elliott stopped 23 shots, and host St. Louis improved to 7-1 in its last five games against Calgary.

Devils 5, Panthers 4: Damon Severson scored his first NHL goal to cap visiting New Jersey's four-goal first period and the Devils chased Roberto Luongo early.

Caniadians 4, Flyers 3 (SO): Pierre-Alexandre Parenteau scored in the shootout, and visiting Montreal rallied from a three-goal deficit to beat Philadelphia.

Scoreboard

Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division		Metropolitan Division				
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Montreal	1	1	0	0	1	0
Tampa Bay	1	1	0	0	1	0
Ottawa	1	1	0	0	1	0
Florida	1	0	1	0	0	1
Washington	1	0	1	0	0	1
Philadelphia	1	0	1	0	0	1
Carolina	1	0	1	0	0	1

Western Conference

Central Division		Pacific Division				
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Minnesota	2	2	0	0	4	8
Arizona	2	2	0	0	4	0
Chicago	2	2	0	0	4	9
St. Louis	2	1	1	0	2	4
Colorado	2	1	1	0	2	3
Dallas	2	0	1	1	1	3
San Jose	2	0	1	1	1	7
Anaheim	2	0	1	1	1	6
Vancouver	2	0	1	1	1	6
Calgary	2	0	1	1	1	7
Los Angeles	2	0	1	1	1	2

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St. Louis	0	0	2	-4	0
First Period	1	0	0	0	0
Second Period	1	0	0	0	0
Third Period	1	0	1	0	0
Shots on Goal	31	14	11	10	10
Goals	4	1	1	1	1
Power-play opportunities	3	2	1	1	1
Penalty minutes	12	10	8	8	8

Canadiens 4, Flyers 3 (SO)

Montreal	0	0	3	0-4	0
Philadelphia	0	0	3	0-3	0
First Period	0	0	0	0	0
Second Period	0	0	0	0	0
Third Period	0	0	3	0	0
Shots on Goal	14	14	14	14	14
Goals	4	3	3	3	3
Power-play opportunities	3	2	1	1	1
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Senators 3, Lightning 2 (SO)

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Tampa Bay	1	0	1	0-2	0
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Second Period	1	0	0	0	0
Third Period	1	0	2	0	0
Shots on Goal	14	14	14	14	14
Goals	3	2	2	2	2
Power-play opportunities	3	2	1	1	1
Penalty minutes	12	10	8	8	8

Blue Jackets 5, Rangers 2

N.Y. Rangers	0	1	1	2	0
Columbus	2	1	2	5	0
First Period	1	0	0	0	0
Second Period	1	1	0	0	0
Third Period	1	0	2	0	0
Shots on Goal	14	14	14	14	14
Goals	5	2	2	2	2
Power-play opportunities	3	2	1	1	1
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AUTO RACING/ARMY TEN-MILER

NASCAR Sprint Cup

Harvick moves on amid raging tempers in NC

Keselowski tangles with Kenseth; Johnson, Earnhardt in jeopardy

By JENNA FRYER
The Associated Press

CONCORD, N.C. — It was fight night at Charlotte Motor Speedway, where Kevin Harvick advanced into the third round of the championship and two drivers had to be restrained from brawling with Brad Keselowski.

Harvick won Saturday night to pick up an automatic berth into the next round of the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship, but the title hopes for Keselowski, six-time and defending champion Jimmie Johnson and Dale Earnhardt Jr. were severely hurt.

It led to frayed nerves and explosive tempers after the race. Keselowski tangled with Denny Hamlin and Matt Kenseth on the track, and both Chase drivers attempted to confront the 2012 champion after the race. Hamlin was held back by crew members and only managed to throw a towel at Keselowski, but Kenseth tackled Keselowski from behind between two haulers and appeared to take a swing at the driver.

Crew members quickly pulled Kenseth off of Keselowski, and Keselowski race chief Paul Wolfe appeared to have Kenseth in a choke-hold as he pulled him out of the melee.

"When you see Matt Kenseth mad enough to fight, you know that this is intense because that's way out of character for him," Harvick said. "Every moment matters in this Chase, and Matt Kenseth knew that that one particular moment could have been the end of his Chase."

Nobody agreed on who was to blame.

"It was really the safety. He was doing something with Hamlin, I had my seatbelt off, my [head-and-neck restraint] off and he clobbers me," Kenseth said. "The race is over, come back to pit road. If you want to talk about it like a man, go do that. But if you want to wreck somebody on the racetrack with people standing around, that's just unacceptable."

"There's no excuse for that. That's a champion and he's supposed to know better than that."

Hamlin also said Keselowski behaved badly and called him "desperate, obviously" to save his title hopes. "He's just out of control," Hamlin said. "Matt was nearly out of his car and he just plowed into Matt and then ran into Tony (Stewart) and then went in through the garage and cleared out transmissions and did burnouts in the garage."

Keselowski cooled off in his Team Penske hauler before addressing the events. He said Kenseth "swung at my car" during the final caution to cause damage that ruined his race. He also said Hamlin "stopped in front of me and tried to pick a fight."

"I figured if we're going to play car wars under yellow and after the race, I'll join, too," Keselowski said. "Those guys can clash it out, but they can't take it. I gave it back to them and now they want to fight."

NASCAR met with Keselowski after the race and is reviewing audio and video of all the incidents. It capped a terrible night for three of NASCAR's biggest stars: Keselowski, six-time and defending champion Jimmie Johnson and Dale Earnhardt Jr. all go into next Sunday's elimination race at Talladega needing a victory.

Keselowski finished 16th, Johnson was 17th and Earnhardt was 20th — last in the 12-driver Chase



Kevin Harvick raises the trophy after winning the NASCAR Sprint Cup series Bank of America 500 at Charlotte Motor Speedway in Concord, N.C., Saturday. The victory gives him an automatic berth in the next round of the Chase for the Sprint Cup.

TERRY RENNA/AP

field that will cut to eight next week. Earnhardt broke his shifter early in the race and it put him in a deep hole he couldn't climb from.

"The vibration broke the shifter in half," Earnhardt said. "The car wasn't handling well and the vibration was giving us problems."

Kenseth's rough night began before he even made it to the green flag when he was penalized for an unapproved change to his car. Then came the issues with Keselowski and he finished 19th.

Keselowski, the 2012 champion and most dominant driver of the first round of the Chase, also had a post-race issue with Stewart. He seemed to run into the back of Stewart after his issues with Hamlin and Kenseth, and Stewart backed his car up to crumple the front of Keselowski's Ford.

Watching the replay in the media center after the race, second-place finisher Jeff Gordon was clearly entertained. He put his arms in the air and yelled "Kenseth!" and thought Stewart's move was "awesome!"

"Obviously, there's some built up animosity towards Brad — I better hold the rest of my thoughts," Gordon said.

Keselowski said he understood Stewart's frustration.

"I rubbed into (Kenseth) and I think he gassed up and ran into Tony, and I don't think Tony knew what was going on so he's probably upset and he has every right to be," Keselowski said. "I'm sure when he sees the whole situation he'll understand."

Harvick, meanwhile, was celebrating in Victory Lane after leading a 162 laps but needing a two-lap sprint to the finish to win his third race of the year. "This is the night that we needed to win. I didn't want to go to Talladega next week," he said.



JOE GROMELSKI/Stars and Stripes

Retired Army Col. Gregory Gadsdon, who most recently served as garrison commander at Fort Belvoir, Va., competes in the Army Ten-Miler on Sunday.

Olympic hopeful top finisher for military

By C.J. LIN
Stars and Stripes

ARLINGTON, Va. — For Army Spc. Caroline Jelepting, it was the Army spirit that powered her through the Army Ten-Miler on Sunday, clinching her the top military finisher spot despite battling jetlag and training for just two months.

Jelepting, who flew from Landstuhl, Germany on Thursday, also came in second in the women's division with an unofficial time of 56:34 — breaking her personal record by four minutes.

The run was just Jelepting's second 10-mile race over, lending strength to her goal of joining the Army's World Class Athlete Program and eventually competing in the Olympics.

"It means my dream is coming true," the 28-year-old said. "I'm proud of the Army and representing them in races like this and even more to come, I'm just proud."

Jelepting was among 35,000 registered runners who hit the roads throughout Arlington and Washington, D.C. as part of the race, now in its 30th year. Another 11 shadow runs were taking place overseas with 8,500 participants running in locations including Afghanistan, Cuba and South Korea.

Kerri Gallagher of Arlington won the women's division for the third year in a row, breaking the female record she set in 2013 by six seconds with an unofficial time of 54:50. Caitlin Bullock of Durham, N.C., came in third at 57:17.

The men's division was swept by Brazilian Army Team led by Soloniet Silva who also won last

year. Silva came in at 48:28, followed by Paulo Paula at 48:29 and Franck Almeida at 48:32.

1st Lt. Josh Pitcher of Fayetteville, N.C., won the wounded warriors division with an unofficial time of 1:09:43. Pitcher stepped on an IED in Afghanistan in 2012 and his left leg was amputated below the knee. This year's race was Pitcher's fourth.

Rob Pickel of Fayetteville came in second in the division with a time of 1:19:31 and Kevin C. Hicks came in third with 1:24:01.

There were more than 85 wounded warriors and wheelchair athletes competing, among them the newly-retired Col. Gregory Gadsdon, who was racing in the hand cycle division just 12 days into his retirement.

Gadsdon, who lost both legs to an IED in Iraq in 2007, didn't do as well as he had hoped after coming in at 55 minutes, but he was in good spirits being back in a military environment and seeing the resilience of other wounded warriors.

"We're warriors first and we happen to have been wounded," said Gadsdon, who was most recently the garrison commander of Fort Belvoir. "We're not permanently defined by our wounds. We're out here because we are warriors and we want to show that we can compete and still show our strength and resiliency."

"For a lot of us our wounds are many years behind us," he said. "Life goes on and you can be a victim or you can try to conquer. I want to keep living and that's just one part of continuing to live."

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MLB PLAYOFFS

Blue: Royals in control as series travels to KC

"If you could go home 1-1, you're going to be really, really happy," manager Ned Yost said. "If you can go home 2-0, that's as good as it gets."

Baltimore's Bud Norris allowed four runs and nine hits in 4 1/3 innings. Royals rookie Yordano Ventura left in the sixth with tightness in his right shoulder after giving up four runs and six hits.

"He's fine," Yost said. "I don't anticipate him missing this next start."

Moustakas, the No. 9 hitter, hit a solo homer that put Kansas City up 4-3 in the fourth. Although he homered only once in the last 49 games of the regular season, Moustakas now stands tied with Willie Aikens for most homers by a Royals player in a single postseason.

"Getting good pitches to hit and not missing them," he said. "That's pretty much it."

Up Next

Royals: Guthrie says his emotion Monday will come from competing in the playoffs, not pitching against his former team. "I think history will be put, not even on a back burner, but on some kind of... Lazy Susan or something," said Guthrie, who's 2-1 against Baltimore since being traded in February 2012.

Orioles: Baltimore went 46-35 on the road this season and clinched the Division Series with a 2-1 win at Detroit.

Streaks

Royals: Kansas City began its postseason winning streak by taking three straight from St. Louis to win the 1985 World Series. The Royals beat Oakland in the wild-card game this year, then swept the Los Angeles Angels in the ALDS.

Orioles: Cruz had his sixth consecutive multihit game, the longest streak in postseason history. The run began in 2012. Also, Joseph snapped an 0-for-33 skid with his first hit since Sept. 10.

Gordon's Encore

One day after going 3-for-4 with a homer and four RBIs, Kansas City's Alex Gordon struck out four times and stranded four runners in scoring position.

He accounted for half of KC's strikeout total.



MATT SLOCUM/AP

The Royals' Alex Gordon struck out four times on Saturday, one day removed from going 3-for-4 with a homer and four RBIs in an 8-6 Game 1 win over Baltimore.



Eric Gay/AP

St. Louis fans yell at the San Francisco Giants' Juan Perez as he fields a ball hit by the Cardinals' Jon Jay during the seventh inning in Game 1 of the NLCS on Saturday in St. Louis. The Giants won 3-0.

Bumgarner tames Cardinals

Giants take series opener

Scoreboard

By R.B. FALLSTROM
The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Madison Bumgarner once again put the San Francisco Giants well on the road to a playoff victory.

Bumgarner pitched shutout ball to the eighth inning and the Giants combined just enough hitting with a couple of defensive flubs by St. Louis to beat the Cardinals 3-0 Saturday night in the NL Championship Series opener.

Bumgarner set a major league postseason record with 26 1/3 consecutive scoreless innings on the road.

"That's pretty cool," he said. "There's stats for everything nowadays. I've happened to have a little extra good luck on the road."

Maybe, although his numbers show that perhaps it's more than luck. In four postseason road starts, he's 4-0 with an 0.59 ERA.

The left-hander, already a key part of two World Series championship teams in San Francisco, was in complete command.

But 20-game winner Adam Wainwright made another early exit for the Cardinals. In his two playoff outings this month, he's failed to last even five innings.

"I think there's a scenario out there where I give up one run," Wainwright said. "As ugly as it is, I would say my arm felt better than last time."

Pablo Sandoval got three hits as San Francisco won for the 12th time in its last 13 postseason games, including three straight victories to erase a 3-1 deficit in the 2012 NLCS against St. Louis.

"Man, exciting to be in October, you know," Sandoval said. "Last year I was home watching the game on TV."

Jake Peavy gets the Game 2 start for the Giants on Sunday night against Lance Lynn.

Bumgarner, who began the playoffs by throwing a shutout at Pittsburgh in the wild-card game, gave up four hits in 7 2/3 innings.

Bumgarner bested the mark of 23 straight postseason scoreless innings on the road set by Art Nehf of the New York Giants from 1921-24.

American League CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES (Best-of-seven)

Kansas City 2, Baltimore 0
Kansas City 8, Baltimore 6, 10 innings
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x-Saturday: at Baltimore

Saturday Royals 6, Orioles 4

Kansas City		Baltimore		Totals	
ab	r h bi	ab	r h bi	35	6 13 6
Aescor ss	5 1 1	Markks rf	5 0 0		
Aoki rf	3 1 1	De Aza lf	4 2 0		
Jdyson pr-cf	3 0 0	A.Jones cf	5 1 2		
L.Gain c/rf	5 2 4	N.Cruz dh	4 0 2		
Hosmer 1b	4 0 2	Pearce lb	5 1 0		
BButler dh	5 0 1	J.Hardy ss	3 0 0		
Agard lf	4 0 0	Fairly 3b	3 0 0		
S.Perez c	4 0 1	C.Joshp c	3 0 1		
Infante 2b	4 0 1	Schoop 2b	4 0 1		
Gore pr	0 1 0				
C.Colon 2b	0 0 0				
Moskks 3b	1 2 1				
Totals	35	6 13 6	Totals	35	4 9 4



Bumgarner

National League

San Francisco vs. St. Louis
Saturday: San Francisco 3, St. Louis 0
Sunday: at St. Louis
Tuesday: St. Louis (Lackey 3-3) at San Francisco
Wednesday: St. Louis (Miller 10-9) at San Francisco
x-Thursday: at San Francisco
x-Saturday: at St. Louis
x-Sunday, Oct. 19: at St. Louis

Saturday Giants 3, Cardinals 0

San Francisco		St. Louis		Totals	
ab	r h bi	ab	r h bi	35	3 0 4
GBline cf	5 0 0	McCrnt 3b	4 0 1		
Pankl 2b	5 0 1	Grick rf	4 0 0		
Posse c	5 1 0	Hollidy lf	4 0 0		
Sandoval 3b	4 1 3	J.Perfss	3 0 0		
Pence rf	3 1 0	Mdms lb	4 0 2		
Belt 1b	1 0 1	Y.Molin c	4 0 1		
SCruz ph	4 0 0	Winn pr	1 0 0		
IBernp lf	3 0 2	Wong 2b	3 0 0		
J.Perez rf	1 0 0	Choate p	0 0 0		
RMpp r	4 0 0	Gonzal p	0 0 0		
Romp p	0 0 0	CMrtz p	0 0 0		
SCaalp p	0 0 0	TCruz ph	1 0 0		
		Mansis p	0 0 0		
Totals	35	3 0 4	Totals	35	0 0 0

St. Louis 021 000 000-3
E—M.Carpenter (1), LOB—San Francisco 10, St. Louis 6, 2B—Sandoval (1), S—Gonzales, SF—Belt.

San Francisco	Bumgarner W-10	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Romo H-1		7 2/3	4	0	0	0	17
S.Caillia 5-1		1 2/3	0	0	0	0	0
Wainwright L0-1		4 2/3	6	3	2	2	2
Gonzales		1 2/3	1	0	0	1	1
C.Martinez		1 2/3	0	0	0	1	1
Choate		2 2/3	0	0	0	0	0
Manses		2 2/3	0	0	0	0	0
Gonzales		1 2/3	0	0	0	0	0

Gonzales pitched to 1 batter in the 7th. HPB—by Bumgarner (Jay). T—3-23, A—47,201 (45,399).
WORLD SERIES (Best-of-seven)
Tuesday, Oct. 21: at American League
Wednesday, Oct. 22: at AL
Friday, Oct. 24: at National League
Saturday, Oct. 25: at NL
x-Sunday, Oct. 26: at NL
x-Tuesday, Oct. 28: at AL
x-Wednesday, Oct. 29: at AL

Brach pitched to 1 batter in the 7th. O'Britton pitched to 1 batter in the 9th. T—4:17. A—46,912 (45,971).

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MLB PLAYOFFS: ALCS

True Blue Royals head home with
2-0 advantage over O'sBy DAVID GINSBURG
The Associated Press

BALTIMORE — The Kansas City Royals prefer to simply savor their exceptional performance at Camden Yards rather than ponder the historical ramifications of where it's gotten them.

Alcides Escobar doubled in the go-ahead run in the ninth inning. Mike Moustakas extended his home run-binge and Kansas City remained perfect in the playoffs, beating the Baltimore Orioles 6-4 Saturday for a 2-0 lead in the AL Championship Series.

Now, the Royals head back to Kansas City with the knowledge that no team has ever lost a best-of-

seven LCS after winning the first two games on the road.

"We don't want to be the first team to do that," designated hitter Billy Butler said. "That's all I get from that."

Lorenzo Cain had four hits, scored twice and drove in a run for the wild-card Royals, who are 6-0 in the playoffs this year, including 4-0 on the road. The Orioles hadn't lost two in a row in Baltimore since June 28-29, but Kansas City found a way to quiet the towel-waving, screaming crowds.

"The atmosphere here

is great. It didn't affect us," Butler said. "Now we'll go home and see if they can play in our atmosphere."

Moustakas homered for the fourth time in five games as the Royals won their ninth straight in the postseason, a string dating to the 1985 World Series.

"To come in here and win two games against a great team like that, it's huge for us," Moustakas said. "A lot of confidence going back home."

Game 3 is Monday at Kauffman Stadium. Former Oriole Jeremy Guthrie will start for the Royals against either Wei-Yin Chen or Miguel Gonzalez.

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Kansas City Royals starting pitcher Yordano Ventura (30) walks into the dugout after leaving the game during the sixth inning of Game 2 of the ALCS against the Orioles on Saturday in Baltimore. The Royals won 6-4 and lead the best-of-seven series 2-0.

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