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The cardboard/paper

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Two bedroom apartment in the Rix Apartments (former city apartments) at 407 N Garfield

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NO SCHOOL - Faculty Inservice

Senior Menu: Hot turkey combination, mashed potatoes and gravy, 7 layer salad, peach sauce.

Birthdays: Andre Bonn, Bruce Sippel, Collin Townsend, Jeff Fliehs, Laura Schuster, Lori Westby, Mick Sippel, Monte Sippel

5:15pm: BBB hosts Webster Area (C at 5:15, JV at 6:30, V at 8:00)

Saturday, January 24

Debate at Watertown Robotics Tourney at GHS **Anniv:** Ron & Doris Anderson

Birthdays: Curtis Furman, Jami Larson, Meta

Pray

9:30am: Wrestling at Arlington

4:30pm: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

Annual Kiwanis Pancake Brunch

Sunday, Jan. 25 Groton Community Center Serving 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Adults \$6.00 • Children \$3.00



OPEN: Recycling Trailer in Groton

The recycling trailer is back at 10 East Railroad Ave. Don't forget, there is also a dumpster at the city shop for aluminum cans with the proceeds going to the pool.

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Webster girls win over Groton

After a first quarter tie, Webster Area outscored Groton Area by five points in each of the second and third quarters as the Lady Bearcats defeated the Lady Tigers, 46-38. Katie Koehler led the Tigers with 11 points while Ashley Gibbs had seven and Audrey Wanner and Courntey Kurtz each had six. Koehler made three three-pointers, Gibbs made two and Wanner made one.

Groton made 14 of 50 field goals for 28 percent, four of nine free throws for 44 percent, had 34 rebounds with Gibbs having nine, eight assists with Kurtz having five, nine steals with Kurtz having five, 12 turnovers, 12 team fouls and Gibbs had one block.

Haley Rithmiller led the Bearcats with 14 points followed by Lilndesey Vogl with 10, McKenzie Volesky had eight, Jobi McCreary five, Lindsey Shoeubeck four, Mariah Volesky three and Faith Shoemaker added two points.

Webster made 18 of 59 field goals for 32 percent, made t hree of six free throws for 50 percent, had 37 rebounds with Rithmiller having 17 and McCreary 10, had 17 turnovers, 14 fouls, seven steals and nine assists.

Webster is now 6-3 on the season while Groton is 4-6.

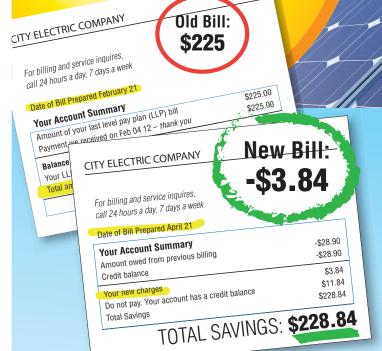
Webster won the junior varsity game, 33-12. Gia Gengerke and Jessica Bjerke each had four points, Emily Locke had two and Alex Stange and Hannah Lewandowski each added one point.



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Today in Weather History

January 23, 1969:

Intermittent freezing rain on the 20th to the 22nd changed to snow on the 22nd which continued through the 24th. Snowfall of 2 to 6 inches fell across Minnesota and far northeast South Dakota. Blizzard conditions developed on the 23rd and 24th with 30 to 45 mph winds and temperatures dropping to below zero by the 24th. Most of the traffic was halted with many roads blocked from snow drifting. Some rural roads had been blocked for 3 to 4 weeks. Stranded motorists were common in the area. Some snowfall amounts included, 2 inches at Wilmot and Victor, 3 inches at Milbank and Artichoke Lake, and 4 inches at Clear Lake.

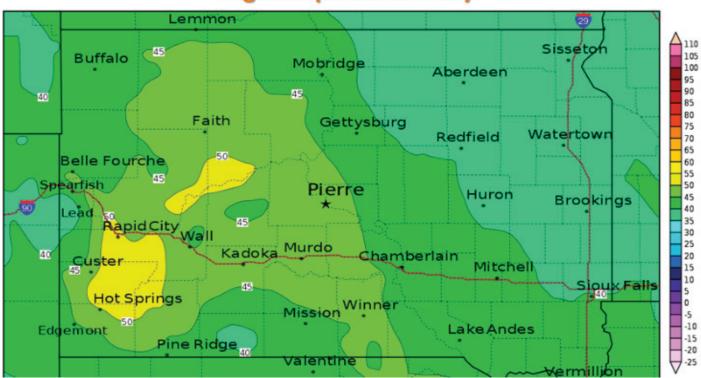
- 1812 A second major series of earthquakes was felt as part of the New Madrid Shocks of the winter of 1811-1812. Many observers reported that the January 23 shocks were as strong as the main earthquake on December 16th of the preceding year.
- 1862 Epic floods resulted, called the "Noachian Deluge of California", when it rained 30 days in succession, beginning 12/24/1861 to this day. 35 inches of rain fell in LA. In San Diego over seven inches fell in January alone.
- 1780 The coldest day of the coldest month of record in the northeastern U.S. A British Army thermometer in New York City registered a reading of 16 degrees below zero. During that infamous hard winter the harbor was frozen solid for five weeks, and the port was cut off from sea supply. (David Ludlum)
- 1971 The temperature at Prospect Creek, AK, plunged to 80 degrees below zero, the coldest reading of record for the United States. (David Ludlum)
- 1987 Strong winds ushered bitterly cold air into the north central U.S., and produced snow squalls in the Great Lakes Region. Snowfall totals in northwest Lower Michigan ranged up to 17 inches in Leelanau County. Wind chill temperatures reached 70 degrees below zero at Sault Ste Marie MI and Hibbing MN. (National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)
- 1988 Northeastern Colorado experienced its most severe windstorm in years. A wind gust to 92 mph was recorded at Boulder CO before the anenometer blew away, and in the mountains, a wind gust to 120 mph was reported at Mines Peak. The high winds blew down a partially constructed viaduct east of Boulder, as nine unanchored concrete girders, each weighing forty-five tons, were blown off their supports. (National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)
- 1989 Low pressure brought heavy snow to Wyoming, with 18 inches reported at the Shoshone National Forest, and 17 inches in the Yellowstone Park area. Gunnison CO, with a low of 19 degrees below zero, was the cold spot in the nation for the twelfth day in a row. (National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)
- 1990 A Pacific cold front brought strong and gusty winds to the northwestern U.S. Winds in south-eastern Idaho gusted to 62 mph at Burley. Strong winds also prevailed along the eastern slopes of the northern and central Rockies. Winds in Wyoming gusted to 74 mph in Goshen County. (National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

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High Temperatures Today



Above normal temperatures will continue across the region today with highs in the 30s and 40s. Parts of western South Dakota will even climb into the lower 50s. A storm system may bring rain or snow to the area Saturday and Saturday night. The weekend will continue to feature relatively mild temperatures for this time of year.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 32.4 at 3:38 PM Low: 8.9 at Midnight

Wind Chill:

High Gust: 26 at 3:44 PM

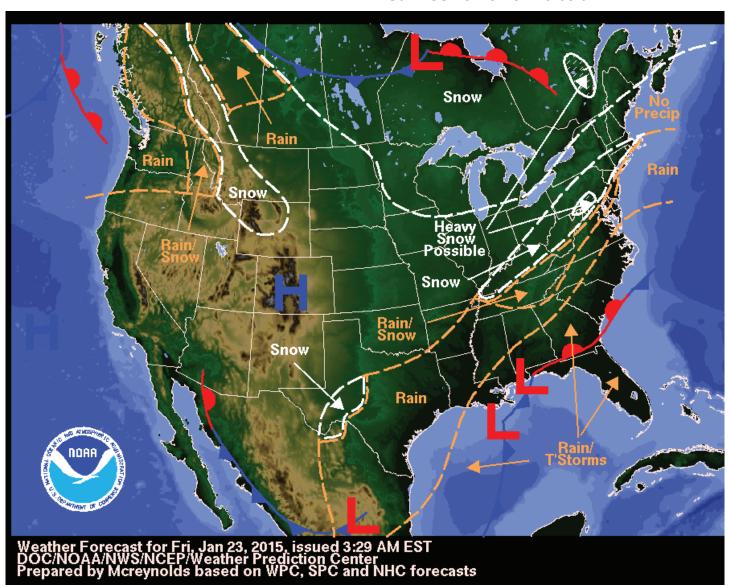
Snow: 0.00 Precip: 0.00

Today's Info Record High: 60° in 1981

Record High: 60° in 1981 Record Low: -34° in 1897 Average High: 23°F

Average Low: 1°F

Average Precip in Jan.: 0.35 Precip to date in Jan.: 0.40 Average Precip to date: 0.35 Precip Year to Date: 0.40 Sunset Tonight: 5:27 p.m. Sunrise Tomorrow: 8:03 a.m.



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HEART HEALTH — LIFE HEALTH

While waiting for my appointment with a surgeon, I decided to take my pulse. It was beating slowly, well within the normal limits. Suddenly the nurse called my name and directed me to a consultation room. After being seated she took my blood pressure – which was well above normal – which is unusual for me. Then she placed two fingers on my wrist to take my pulse. From the waiting room to the consultation room my heart rate increased twenty beats per minute. Fear got the best of my peaceful heart.

There is a direct connection with our emotional well-being and our physical well-being. When what was a fear of the unknown – the possibility of surgery – was about to become known, when faced with that reality, my fear could actually be measured!

The "heart" is much more than a muscle in the Bible. It is the center of our being: the source of our thoughts, our emotions, where decisions are made, problems are solved and choices sorted out. According to Scripture, the heart affects every part of our life – positively or negatively.

Solomon understood that and wisely wrote, "A heart at peace gives life to the body, but envy rots the body." It is obvious from what Solomon wrote and what science has confirmed that our emotional – or inner – state greatly impacts body.

Notice the impact of "envy." It's an emotion we all deal with. For some, the desire to want something that God has not given us can become so intense that it has the same results as cancer – it eats away

life. Beware of envy.

Prayer: Grant us peace, Lord, to be content with what You give us and accept all things with grateful hearts. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Proverbs 14:30 A heart at peace gives life to the body, but envyrots the bones.



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News from the App Associated Press

Montana oil spill adds to fears about proposed pipeline

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A pipeline oil spill in Montana that contaminated a river and a city's drinking water supply is adding to fears about a proposed pipeline to carry oil from western North Dakota to refineries in eastern states.

Many people who commented at a public hearing in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on the proposed \$3.8 billion Dakota Access Pipeline referenced the Yellowstone River spill that contaminated drinking water in Glendive, Montana, this week.

Some at the hearing voiced support for the project, citing a promised economic boost and the value of pipelines in pushing the country toward independence from foreign oil.

The proposed 1,134-mile Dakota Access Pipeline would stretch from the Bakken oil formation in North Dakota to Patoka, Illinois. Dallas-based Energy Transfer Partners says it would have numerous safety features.

No suspicious circumstances in death of Spearfish man

SPEARFISH, S.D. (AP) — Authorities have identified a Spearfish man whose body was found in a field west of the city, and say foul play is not suspected in the death.

The body of 59-year-old Kenneth Bartels was found Wednesday morning. Lawrence County authorities initially said the death was "questionable."

An autopsy concluded Bartels died of a single gunshot wound.

Governor's Prayer Breakfast features native TV broadcaster

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The Governor's Prayer Breakfast will be held early Friday morning in Pierre and will feature the first Native American to file a report on a network news broadcast.

Gov. Dennis and Linda Daugaard, members of the state Legislature, other government leaders and people from around South Dakota will gather for annual event at the Ramkota hotel that's modeled after the National Prayer Breakfast in Washington.

This year's featured speaker will be Hattie Kauffman, who spent two decades as a national correspondent for CBS and ABC. Her memoir, "Falling Into Place," was released in 2013.

Stained glass window to be installed in governor's mansion

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The governor's mansion is expected to get a piece of the state Capitol in the form of a stained glass window.

Crews plan to install the window in the residence on Friday morning. The window includes a glass remnant from stained glass restoration at the Capitol. It is a gift from Conrad Schmitt Studios, which performed the Capitol work.

The Wisconsin firm gave Gov. Dennis Daugaard the window on Nov. 1 to celebrate South Dakota's 125th anniversary.

The \$3 million Capitol restoration involved refurbishing stained glass in the Capitol rotunda, above the grand staircase and over the House and Senate chambers.

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South Dakota officials announce 'My Great Place' ad campaign

JAMES NORD, Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — State tourism officials have a new pitch for potential visitors in 2015: make South Dakota your "Great Place."

Gov. Dennis Daugaard unveiled the new "My Great Place" marketing campaign, a riff on the state's "Great Faces. Great Places" slogan, Thursday night at a state tourism convention. Gone is "Your American Journey," a catchphrase that debuted in 2012 and that Daugaard said helped draw visitors from around the world.

Tourism brought in \$2 billion to South Dakota's economy in 2014, the governor said, making it a pillar industry. The economic impact of tourism increased by an estimated 2.6 percent in 2014, according to a new outside report to the state. Daugaard said it has grown for nearly a decade.

"This industry is vital to our state and our economy," Daugaard said, adding: "2015 is our opportunity to showcase South Dakota like never before."

Roughly one in 11 South Dakota jobs depend on travel and tourism spending, and related activity generated \$300 million in state and local taxes in 2014.

State tourism officials expect 2015 to be a big year for travel in South Dakota, with two key anniversaries: the 75th Sturgis Motorcycle Rally and the 50th Custer State Park Buffalo Roundup.

High estimates for the August motorcycle rally alone could exceed the population of South Dakota, ranging from 750,000 to 1 million people. That's a dramatic jump from an estimated 442,000 attendees for the 2014 event.

The new advertising campaign is aimed at authenticity, Secretary of Tourism Jim Hagen said. Television advertisements draw on locations from the Mitchell Corn Palace in the eastern part of the state to the Crazy Horse Memorial in the west to emphasize the variety of what makes the state "My Great Place" for individual travelers.

"'My Great Place' is both a physical location and a state of mind," Daugaard said. "It's personal and different for every traveler who comes here."

Some of the markets the state's advertising effort is targeting in 2015 are: Minneapolis; Denver; Milwaukee; and Omaha, Nebraska.

Thursday's Scores The Associated Press

BOYS BASKETBALL

Aberdeen Christian 52, Leola/Frederick 46 Aberdeen Roncalli 84, Sisseton 39 Avon 64, Andes Central 39 Brandon Valley 48, Brookings 41 Burke/South Central 58, Lyman 47 Clark/Willow Lake 64, Deuel 36 Corsica/Stickney 44, Ethan 28 Dell Rapids 53, Madison 44 Freeman 54, Menno 43 Freeman Academy 42, Baltic 41

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Gregory 73, Kimball/White Lake 49

Hanson 56, Canistota 49

Ipswich 74, Faulkton 72

Marty Indian 69, Dakota Christian 65

Mitchell 72, Pierre 68

New Underwood 69, Oelrichs 41

Parker 75, Irene-Wakonda 64

Parkston 60, Bon Homme 50

Rapid City Christian 76, Bennett County 37

Sioux Falls Christian 71, Vermillion 42

Summit 67, Wilmot 53

Tripp-Delmont/Armour 37, Mitchell Christian 36, OT

Waverly-South Shore 54, Great Plains Lutheran 29

Winner 69, Wagner 52

281 Conference Tournament

Seventh Place

Wessington Springs 71, Iroquois 34

Fifth Place

Highmore-Harrold 48, Sunshine Bible Academy 42

Third Place

Hitchcock-Tulare 55, Sanborn Central/Woonsocket 39

Championship

Wolsey-Wessington 63, James Valley Christian 54

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Avon 54, Andes Central 13

Baltic 34, Freeman Academy 26

Bon Homme 81, Parkston 69

Bridgewater-Emery 35, Howard 33

Brookings 40, Brandon Valley 25

Castlewood 48, DeSmet 47

Cheyenne-Eagle Butte 64, Standing Rock, N.D. 51

Dakota Christian 70, Marty Indian 23

Faith 40, Harding County 33

Florence/Henry 61, Langford 32

Gayville-Volin 62, Hartington-Newcastle, Neb. 51

Great Plains Lutheran 41, Waverly-South Shore 40

Hamlin 53, Milbank 47

Leola/Frederick 52, Aberdeen Christian 16

McLaughlin 71, Mobridge-Pollock 56

Miller 46, Chamberlain 42

Mitchell 57, Pierre 42

Oelrichs 41, New Underwood 40

Philip 63, Lower Brule 32

Pine Ridge 70, Winner 62

Potter County 53, Edmunds Central 35

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Rosholt 56, Waubay 54

Sioux Falls Lincoln 62, Sioux Falls Washington 59

Sully Buttes 48, Herreid/Selby Area 44, OT

Tea Area 58, Garretson 47

Wall 48, Newell 46

Warner 48, Northwestern 27

Webster 46, Groton Area 38

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Dakota Valley Conference Tournament

Consolation Semifinal

Arlington 44, Estelline 34

Dell Rapids St. Mary 55, Colman-Egan 46

Semifinal

Deubrook 56, Lake Preston 45

Elkton-Lake Benton 73, Oldham-Ramona/Rutland 43

Southern Plains Conference Tournament

Burke/South Central 67, Gregory 30

Jones County 54, Kadoka Area 23

Stanley County 44, White River 40

South Dakota beats Western Illinois 68-58

MACOMB, Ill. (AP) — Brandon Bos scored 14 points, Eric Robertson added 12 and South Dakota rallied back from a halftime deficit to beat Western Illinois 68-58 on Thursday night.

The Leathernecks closed the first half on a 10-2 run to lead by eight points at intermission. Tyler Larson tied it at 37-all for South Dakota with 13:01 left to play and the Coyotes controlled the game from there, leading by as many as 15 points with 4:43 left on the clock.

Robertson scored nine of his points in the second half, while Bos scored 10 of his 14 before the break. Sekou Harris added 10 points and Larson finished with eight for the Coyotes (10-10, 4-2 Summit).

J.C. Fuller scored 23 points on 9-of-13 shooting, and Garret Covington added 15 for the Leathernecks (7-11, 2-5).

Lawmakers gather to remember 8 fallen former colleagues

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota legislators paused briefly to remember eight former colleagues who died in 2014.

Lawmakers met on Thursday in the state House of Representatives chamber for the annual legislative memorial service.

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Speaking during the proceedings, Sen. Mike Vehle praised his fallen colleagues for serving to make a difference in the lives of South Dakotans.

The eight were all state representatives: Robert Johnson, of Groton; James Jones, of Miller; Charles Mickel, of Rapid City; Ralph Nachtigal, of Platte; Ben Radcliffe, of Huron; and Rodney Gutzler, Wallace Myers and Greg Peterson, of Sioux Falls.

Sen. John Thune sets railroad hearing before his committee

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. John Thune has scheduled a hearing over rail transportation problems for the committee he now chairs.

The Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation will discuss challenges in the nation's freight rail network blamed on higher demand, pending and proposed rules and regulations, and infrastructure needs.

It's scheduled for Wednesday morning in Washington.

The South Dakota Republican became chairman of the committee with the GOP now in the majority.

Former elementary school custodian pleads guilty to enticement of minor using the Internet

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — A former elementary school custodian accused of soliciting sex with minors over the Internet has changed his plea.

Twenty-nine-year-old Casey Godfrey appeared before U.S. Magistrate Judge John Simko recently and pleaded guilty to enticement of a minor using the Internet.

The Rapid City man faces a mandatory minimum of 10 years in prison. He could receive up to life imprisonment.

Authorities say that between July 2013 and January 2014, Godfrey used the Internet to entice two girls under the age of 18 to engage in sexual activity.

The U.S. Attorney's Office says Simko is expected to recommend Godfrey's plea to be accepted by the District Court.

State of Indian Nations speech underlines US-tribe relations FELICIA FONSECA, Associated Press

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In exchange for land, the federal government promised things like health care, education, social services and public safety in perpetuity for members of federally recognized tribes. Those vows generally are born out of treaties. The U.S. negotiated more than 400 treaties with tribes, most of which were ratified by the Senate.

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But he said federal funding often falls short of what tribes need to provide for their membership.

Congress should build on efforts to improve public safety on reservations, bring culturally appropriate education to Native students and stimulate economic growth, Cladoosby said.

He called on lawmakers to simplify and streamline government regulations that would give tribes the ability to issue tax-exempt bonds, give tax credits to members who live on reservations and adopt children with special needs, and provide tribal law enforcement access to a national crime database.

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Texas man killed on icy road near Gregory in southeast SD

GREGORY, S.D. (AP) — A Texas man was killed when his pickup rolled on an icy road 6 miles north of Gregory.

The South Dakota Highway Patrol says 50-year-old Hector Torres Ruiz, of Jacksonville, Texas, died Wednesday on Highway 47.

Troopers say he lost control, went into the east ditch and was thrown from the truck because he wasn't wearing a seat belt. The patrol says the three passengers in the vehicle received minor injuries.

Plan to add human traffickers to sex offender list advances JAMES NORD, Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A proposal that would require convicted human traffickers to register as sex offenders would help fight a dangerous threat to the state, Attorney General Marty Jackley told a Senate committee on Thursday shortly before the panel passed the measure.

The state Senate Judiciary Committee voted to send the proposal to the chamber's floor. Jackley said that human trafficking of minors that involves kidnapping, prostitution or the death of a victim and coercive trafficking that involves the prostitution of a minor should be designated sex crimes that require registration.

"When I look at the sex offender registry ... human trafficking is precisely what that registry is designed to protect against," Jackley said.

There are about 3,300 sex offenders registered in South Dakota. An offender who has committed a comparable offense in a different state and moved to South Dakota would have to join the registry.

Jacklev said the registration requirement also would keep offenders away from libraries and schools.

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Kimberly Kaveny-LaPlante, executive director of Call to Freedom, a Sioux Falls-based advocacy group, said she's pleased the state is moving forward with the plan. But, it's something that should be on the books right now, she said.

"Why hasn't this been in place before?" she said. "It's just the beginning of some of the things that need to happen as far as legislation in our state."

South Dakota residents' friendly mindsets have led to denial about the prevalence of human trafficking in the state, Kaveny-LaPlante said. She said the state needs to provide more financial assistance to the victims of human trafficking and the organizations that support them.

Officers bust house, find drugs, stolen property, runaway

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Sioux Falls police say they found marijuana, a missing teenager and stolen electronics while executing a search warrant at a suspected drug house.

The city's drug task force began monitoring the house in December. Eight people face various charges after the monthlong investigation.

Officers searched the home Tuesday night after learning the runaway 15-year-old girl was in the house. Authorities say she was found hiding in a closet with marijuana and a computer stolen from a business. Other drugs and electronic devices also were found in the home.

Death of man found lying in field deemed 'questionable'

SPEARFISH, S.D. (AP) — Authorities are investigating the death of a man whose body was found in a field west of Spearfish.

Lawrence County Sheriff's Capt. Marty Goesch tells the Rapid City Journal that authorities consider the death "questionable."

The man's identity was not immediately released.

The owner of the property found the body Wednesday morning. The death is being investigated by local and state authorities.

15 at Vermillion business treated for carbon monoxide

VERMILLION, S.D. (AP) — Fifteen people were treated for carbon monoxide poisoning after an incident at a Vermillion business.

Authorities believe a forklift being used in a warehouse area of the Alleviant medical billing and collections company was to blame for the release of the toxic gas Wednesday afternoon.

The building was ventilated, and some employees returned to work later in the afternoon.

Jump Start program aims to help American Indian students

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Seven South Dakota colleges and universities are launching a program this summer aimed at helping incoming American Indian students get a strong start toward completing an engineering, science or math degree.

The state's six public universities and Oglala Lakota College are using \$3.6 million in federal funds to begin the Jump Start program. Officials say the goal is to help 900 students.

The program will help students with such matters as culture shock, financial hardships and fear of leaving home. Each campus will have a full-time adviser to support students on both a personal and educational level throughout their college career.

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10 Things to Know for Today

The Associated Press

Your daily look at late-breaking news, upcoming events and the stories that will be talked about today:

1. CLOCK TICKING ON JAPANESE HOSTAGES

Militants affiliated with the Islamic State group post an online warning that the "countdown has begun" to kill the pair if demands for ransom haven't been met.

2. NEW MONARCH TO CONTINUE IN SAME VEIN

Saudi King Salman promises to continue policies of predecessors in televised speech; he has effectively been running the Sunni kingdom for the last year.

3. OBAMA'S TELLING HIT LIST

The veto threats the president's issued over the last three weeks are a microcosm of American politics, representing the roiling issues of the day.

4. FEDS ASKED TO PROBE PRISON DEATH

New York City asks federal prosecutors to investigate the 2013 death of a mentally ill Rikers Island inmate who sexually mutilated himself after being locked alone without medication.

5. THAI POLITICS ROILING AGAIN

Thailand's legislature impeaches former Prime Minister Yingluck Shinawatra for her role in overseeing a government rice subsidy program that lost billions of dollars.

6. HOW ECB'S NEW STIMULUS CAN WORK

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AP News in Brief

New Saudi King Salman names second-in-line to throne, vows to maintain predecessors' policies

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — Saudi Arabia's new king moved swiftly Friday to name the country's interior minister as deputy crown prince, making him the second-in-line to the throne, as he promised to continue the policies of his predecessors in a nationally televised speech.

King Salman bin Abdul-Aziz Al Saud's actions came as the oil-rich, Sunni-ruled kingdom began mourning King Abdullah, who died early Friday at the age of 90 after nearly two decades in power.

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Salman's royal decree puts Prince Mohammed bin Nayef in line to ascend to the throne after his designated successor, Crown Prince Muqrin. Mohammed is the son of late King Abdullah's half brother Nayef. "We will continue adhering to the correct policies which Saudi Arabia has followed since its establishment," Salman said in the speech aired on the state-run Saudi 2 television station.

Salman also made an oblique reference to the chaos gripping the greater Middle East as the extremist Islamic State group now holds a third of both Iraq and Syria.

Saudi King Abdullah pushed gradual reforms at home, led Arab Spring backlash

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — His changes looked minute to the outside world. But in a kingdom where ultra-conservative Muslim clerics have long held a lock on all aspects of society, King Abdullah's incremental reforms echoed mightily.

When Abdullah took the unprecedented step of opening a new university where men and women could mix in classrooms, part of his gradual campaign to modernize Saudi Arabia, grumbling arose among the hard-liners who form the bedrock of the powerful religious establishment. One sheikh dared to openly say that the mingling of genders at the king's university was "a great sin and a great evil."

Abdullah sent a tough signal: He fired the critic from the state-run body of clerics who set the rules for Saudi life.

As one of the world's largest oil exporters, Saudi Arabia is governed by a mix of tribal traditions and perhaps the world's strictest interpretation of Islam. Its royal family prefers to act quietly in the background, shies away from direct confrontation, avoids putting itself on the line and prefers slow-paced change to radical reform.

But Abdullah, who died Friday at the age of 90 after nearly two decades in power, acted at times with unusual forcefulness for a Saudi monarch. At home, the results were reforms, including advancements for women, that were startling — for the kingdom at least — and a heavy crackdown against al-Qaida militants. Abroad, his methods translated into a powerful assertion of Saudi Arabia's influence around the Middle East.

Islamic State-affiliated militants say countdown for lives of 2 Japanese hostages has begun

TOKYO (AP) — Militants affiliated with the Islamic State group have posted an online warning that the "countdown has begun" for the group to kill a pair of Japanese hostages.

The posting which appeared Friday shows a clock counting down to zero along with gruesome images of other hostages who have been beheaded by the Islamic State group.

The militant group gave Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe a 72-hour deadline — which expired Friday — to pay a \$200 million ransom for the two hostages. The posting on a forum popular among Islamic State militants and sympathizers did not show any images of the Japanese hostages.

In the past the website has posted Islamic State videos very quickly, sometimes before anyone else. Nippon Television Network first reported the message in Japan.

The status of efforts to free the two men was unclear. Government spokesman Yoshihide Suga, when asked about the latest message, said Japan was analyzing it.

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Read between the lines of Obama's veto threats for a sense of what roils Washington politics

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama has a telling hit list.

The veto threats that he's issued over the last three weeks are a microcosm of American politics, representing the roiling issues of the day, the power struggle playing out between Congress and the White House, and even the pique between the president and GOP congressional leaders.

Obama, who vetoed just two minor bills over the past six years, has been tossing out veto threats like confetti since Republicans took full control of Congress.

In addition to delivering eight formal veto notices on specific bills under consideration, the president has sounded broader warnings that he'll block legislative efforts that jeopardize his health care law, roll back rules governing Wall Street, reverse his immigration actions or impose new sanctions on Iran.

There's a little bit of everything in Obama's veto threats: the culture wars (abortion), energy policy (Keystone XL oil pipeline), social matters (Obamacare), foreign policy (Iran), economic angst (financial regulation), even wonky details of governance (rule-making processes).

NY panel asks feds to probe 2013 Rikers Island inmate death; calls care 'incompetent'

NEW YORK (AP) — Federal prosecutors should launch a civil rights probe into the 2013 death of a mentally ill Rikers Island inmate who was locked in his cell for six days without care or medication, a state oversight panel concluded in a review that called the treatment "so incompetent and inadequate as to shock the conscience."

Bradley Ballard, a 39-year-old paranoid schizophrenic with diabetes, died shortly after a doctor finally went into his cell and found him naked, covered in feces and badly infected from a piece of cloth he tied tightly around his genitals.

The review by the New York State Commission of Correction, obtained by The Associated Press, said the lapses by the city and its medical provider, Corizon Health Inc., violated state law and "were directly implicated in his death."

"Had Ballard received adequate and appropriate medical and mental health care and supervision and intervention when he became critically ill, his death would have been prevented," the report said. "The medical and mental health care ... was so incompetent and inadequate as to shock the conscience."

The AP first reported the details of Ballard's death last year soon after it reported another mentally ill inmate, Jerome Murdough, died last February after he was left unattended for hours in a cell that sweltered to 101-degrees because of malfunctioning heating equipment.

Town once run by polygamist leader is divided between loyalists and defectors to modern world

HILDALE, Utah (AP) — As polygamist leader Warren Jeffs awaited his fate in a Texas prison, he sent an order to his followers on the Utah-Arizona border: Build me a new compound.

Hundreds of men worked around the clock for three months to construct a mammoth, two-story edifice with dozens of rooms. It was encircled by a 15-foot wall of special white cement. The carpets were turquoise, just as he liked.

At the time, in 2010, Jeffs believed God would allow him to return to live with his wives and children

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in a village of 7,700 at the foot of picturesque red rock cliffs. But that never happened.

Nearly four years after Jeffs was sentenced to life for sexually assaulting underage girls he considered brides, his compound is being converted into a bed and breakfast — a symbol of the changes overtaking the community he once led. Today, the sister cities of Hildale, Utah, and Colorado City, Arizona, are split between loyalists who still believe Jeffs is a victim of religious persecution and defectors who are embracing government efforts to pull the town into modern society.

Jeffs' compound is being converted by his former bodyguard, Willie Jessop, who for years defended the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, or FLDS. In defiance of some of Jeffs' rules, he now flies the American flag, keeps the gate open and has torn down part of the wall — all meant as clear signals that there is life after Jeffs in this divided place 300 miles south of Salt Lake City.

Europe's struggling economy needs to follow the ECB's plan to revive growth

WASHINGTON (AP) — What now?

The European Central Bank's plan to rescue Europe's economy won't work on its own. Its success hinges on whether people, governments and companies do what's needed: Spend, hire, borrow, invest, export, expand.

ECB chief Mario Draghi on Thursday delivered on a pledge to do whatever it takes to pull Europe out of a deep and prolonged slump. The central bank will buy 1.1 trillion euros (\$1.3 trillion) worth of government and corporate bonds through September 2016 — longer if necessary — to shrink the euro's value, boost exports and encourage borrowing, spending and hiring.

"The ECB has made its move," says Jacob Kirkegaard, senior research fellow at the Peterson Institute for International Economics. Now, "the euro area needs to go to work."

Collectively, the economy of the 19 nations in the currency alliance eked out growth of just 0.2 percent in last year's third quarter.

Thai ex-premier Yingluck impeached, also faces criminal charges over money-losing rice program

BANGKOK (AP) — In the latest battle in a political war that has lasted almost a decade, Thailand's military-appointed legislature on Friday voted to impeach former Prime Minister Yingluck Shinawatra for her role in overseeing a government rice subsidy program that lost billions of dollars.

The vote was generally seen as a partisan action aimed at crippling the political machine founded by her brother, Thaksin Shinawatra, another ousted Prime Minister.

The vote, which means Yingluck will be banned from politics for five years, came just hours after the attorney general's office announced separate plans to indict her on criminal charges for negligence related to losses and alleged corruption in the rice program.

No date has been set for the formal indictment, but if convicted Yingluck could face 10 years in jail. She was forced by a court ruling last May to step down from her job for illegally transferring a civil servant, and just days later the army staged a successful coup against her government.

The coup came after months of violent street protests by anti-Thaksin activists, which the army refused to help quash.

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First Impressions: Microsoft is latest to try virtual reality; here's what HoloLens is like

REDMOND, Wash. (AP) — Microsoft didn't use skydivers or stunt cyclists to introduce what it hopes will be the next big leap in computing technology. Instead, with its new HoloLens headset, the company is offering real-world examples to show how you might use three-dimensional digital images — or holograms — in daily life.

And that might be what it takes to get people to buy a computer they wear on their face.

I got a brief peek at what wearing the HoloLens could be like in different scenarios: performing a simple home repair, pretending to be a scientist studying the surface of Mars and exploring a colorful, animated game that added new dimensions to an unremarkable room.

Microsoft unveiled HoloLens at its headquarters this week, on the same day the company touted its upcoming Windows 10 software release. What I saw of the device seems unfinished, but it shows potential.

Roger Federer upset in 3rd round of Australian Open, loses in 4 sets to Andreas Seppi

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — For the first time in a dozen years, Roger Federer won't be featuring in the Australian Open semifinals after his upset third-round loss to Andreas Seppi on Friday.

The 17-time Grand Slam champion had never lost to Seppi in 10 previous meetings, but made some uncharacteristic errors including nine double-faults — one to surrender a mini break in the last tie-breaker — in the 6-4, 7-6 (5), 4-6, 7-6 (5) defeat.

Seppi, a 30-year-old Italian who had only advanced beyond the second round once at his nine previous trips to Melbourne Park, held his nerve despite some withering winners from Federer, who registered his 1,000th career match win when he collected the Brisbane International title earlier this month to open the season.

Federer also had a 4-1 lead in the second-set tiebreaker and let it slide.

"I knew how important that second-set tiebreaker was — clearly that hurt, losing that one," Federer said. "It just broke me to lose that second set. And actually the fourth, I should win it, too. Just a brutal couple of sets to lose there. The end wasn't pretty."

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Jan. 23, the 23rd day of 2015. There are 342 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 23, 1968, North Korea seized the Navy intelligence ship USS Pueblo, charging its crew with being on a spying mission. (The crew was released 11 months later.)

On this date:

In 1789, Georgetown University was established in present-day Washington D.C.

In 1845, Congress decided all national elections would be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

In 1915, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Potter Stewart was born in Jackson, Michigan.

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In 1933, the 20th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, the so-called "Lame Duck Amendment," was ratified as Missouri approved it.

In 1937, 17 people went on trial in Moscow during Josef Stalin's "Great Purge." (All were convicted of conspiracy; all but four were executed.)

In 1944, Norwegian painter Edvard Munch ("The Scream") died near Oslo at age 80.

In 1950, the Israeli Knesset approved a resolution affirming Jerusalem as the capital of Israel.

In 1960, the U.S. Navy-operated bathyscaphe (BATH'-ih-skahf) Trieste carried two men to the deepest known point in the Pacific Ocean, reaching a depth of more than 35,000 feet.

In 1964, the 24th Amendment to the United States Constitution, eliminating the poll tax in federal elections, was ratified as South Dakota became the 38th state to endorse it.

In 1973, President Richard Nixon announced an accord had been reached to end the Vietnam War, and would be formally signed four days later in Paris.

In 1985, debate in Britain's House of Lords was carried on live television for the first time.

In 1995, the Supreme Court, in McKennon vs. Nashville Banner Publishing Co., ruled that companies accused of firing employees illegally could not escape liability by later finding a lawful reason to justify the dismissal.

Ten years ago: Former "Tonight Show" host Johnny Carson died in Los Angeles at age 79. Viktor Yushchenko was sworn in as president of Ukraine. The Philadelphia Eagles defeated the Atlanta Falcons 27-10 to win the NFC championship game; the New England Patriots won the AFC championship by beating the Pittsburgh Steelers, 41-27.

Five years ago: Abby Sunderland, 16, left Marina del Rey, California, on her first attempt to become the youngest person to sail solo around the world. (The voyage ended a week and a-half later because the boat experienced power problems; Sunderland then made a second attempt, but that, too, fell short.) Rachael Flatt won her first title at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Spokane, Washington, finishing more than 10 points ahead of Mirai Nagasu (mih-RY' NAH'-guh-soo).

One year ago: Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel ordered immediate actions to define the depth of trouble inside the nation's nuclear force, which had been rocked by disclosures about security lapses, poor discipline, weak morale and other problems. A fire at a seniors' home in L'Isle-Verte, Quebec, Canada, killed 32 people. Pop star Justin Bieber was arrested in Miami Beach, Florida, on charges of driving under the influence, resisting arrest and driving with an expired license. (Bieber later pleaded guilty to careless driving and resisting arrest under a deal that spared him jail time.)

Today's Birthdays: Actress Jeanne Moreau is 87. Actress Chita Rivera is 82. Actor-director Lou Antonio is 81. Actor Gil Gerard is 72. Actor Rutger Hauer is 71. Rhythm-and-blues singer Jerry Lawson (The Persuasions) is 71. Sen. Thomas R. Carper, D-Del., is 68. Singer Anita Pointer is 67. Actor Richard Dean Anderson is 65. Rock musician Bill Cunningham is 65. Rock singer Robin Zander (Cheap Trick) is 62. Former Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa (vee-yah-ry-GOH'-sah) is 62. Princess Caroline of Monaco is 58. Singer Anita Baker is 57. Reggae musician Earl Falconer (UB40) is 56. Actress Gail O'Grady is 52. Actress Mariska Hargitay is 51. Rhythm-and-blues singer Marc Nelson is 44. Actress Tiffani Thiessen is 41. Rock musician Nick Harmer (Death Cab for Cutie) is 40. Christian rock musician Nick DePartee (Kutless) is 30. Singer-actress Rachel Crow is 17.

Thought for Today: "The trouble is that hardly anybody in America goes to bed angry at night." - George J. Stigler, American economist (1911-1991).

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Driver's Exam Stations

Important: Application must be submitted at least 1 hour in advance of scheduled closing time. No drive tests will be given from 11:30 to 1:30. For more information see our website at www.dps.sd.gov call 1-800-952-3696.

Aberdeen: 2729 W Highway 12

Open 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday **Redfield:** Dept. of Transtportation - N Hwy 281.

Open 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays **Webster:** Courthouse Basement (711 W 1st St. - Ste. 107

Open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Fridays

DOCUMENTS NEEDED TO OBTAIN A SOUTH DAKOTA DRIVER LICENSE OR ID CARD (photo copies cannot be accepted)

Federal requirements have changed the documents required to obtain or renew your South Dakota driver license or identification card. We want to make the process as quick and easy as possible for you. Look over the documents on the list below, and if you have any questions at all, anything you don't understand or any documents you aren't sure you can find, please contact the Driver Licensing Program. You may email DPSLicensingInfo@state.sd.us (please include your first and last name) or call toll-free at 1-800-952-3696 or directly at 605-773-6883.

If you think you will have difficulty obtaining any of the documents please contact us. We may be able to arrange for an extension or a temporary permit while you gather the documents needed to obtain your federally compliant South Dakota driver license or identification card. If you find that you simply can't produce one of the required documents, we can work with you in those situations. Again, please use the contact information for the Driver Licensing Program if you have any questions or concerns.

The need to show the additional documents is a one-time requirement. That means once you have your federally compliant driver license or identification card in hand, you will only need that card and two documents to show your current address the next time you renew your driver license or identification card. If your driver license or identification card has a gold star in the upper right corner, then it is federally compliant.

Our staff is committed to providing the best service possible, so don't hesitate to contact us by telephone or email. We will help you in any way we can.

Federal regulations require anyone applying for a new, renewal, or duplicate driver license or identification card to provide the documents listed below and on page 2 (photo copies are not acceptable):

I. You will need one Identity Document. NOTE: If your name is different than the name on your identity document, you will need to bring additional proof of your legal name. Acceptable documents for proof of a legal name change are a certified marriage certificate (issued by a state vital records agency), a certified adoption document, or a certified court order authorizing a name change (such as a divorce decree). If you have had multiple marriages, you will need to bring similar documents providing legal proof of each name change (presenting a valid passport with your current name eliminates this requirement).

An Identity Document to prove identity, date of birth, and lawful status is considered to be one of the following:

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- ◆ Certified U.S. birth certificate issued by state or county (hospital birth certificates are not acceptable)
 - ◆ Valid unexpired U.S. passport
 - ◆ Certificate of Naturalization
 - ◆ Certificate of Citizenship

Non-Citizens may bring:

- ◆ Valid unexpired permanent resident card
- ◆ Valid unexpired employment authorization document
- ◆ Foreign passport with valid unexpired U.S. Visa with I-94

South Dakota birth and marriage certificate information is available on the state of South Dakota web site at http://www.doh.sd.gov/vitalrecords/order.aspx and through your local County Register of Deeds office. Marriage certificates before 1950 may not be available for same day issuance. For telephone numbers and addresses to write for out-of-state vital records, please visit http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w.htm.

- II. You will need <u>one</u> document to prove Social Security number. Only the documents listed below can serve as proof of Social Security number (the document must include your name and full social security number):
 - ◆ Social Security card
 - ♦ W-2 Form
 - ◆ SSA 1099 Form
 - ◆ Non-SSA 1099 Form
 - Pay stub

(For information on how to apply for a social security number or replacement card, please visit http://www.socialsecurity.gov/ssnumber/.)

III. You will need <u>two</u> documents to prove your residential address. A parent's proof of address is acceptable for a minor child. Proof of address documents may **not be more than one year old**. Please bring two of the documents listed below (each must contain your current physical address):

- Utility bill
- ◆ Pay stub or earnings statement
- ◆ Rent receipt
- ♦ Phone bill
- Transcript or report card from an accredited school
- ◆ Bank statement
- Mortgage document
- ◆ Tax document
- ◆ Homeowners/renter's insurance policy
- Other items with your address can be reviewed by Driver Licensing personnel
- ◆ If you are unable to provide proof of residency, please call 1-800-952-3696 or 605-773-6883 for exceptions.
 - ◆ Post Office Box addresses are acceptable in areas not assigned a street or 911 address

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Address Exceptions:

<u>Minors</u> - If a minor does not have two documents proving residency, the parent may provide two forms for them.

<u>Living with someone else</u> - An individual residing with another person may have the other person sign a "Consent for Use of South Dakota Address" form and present two residency documents belonging to the person with whom they reside. The <u>Consent for Use of Address</u> form may be obtained at the exam station or printed off our website.

<u>Living within an organization or at a facility</u> - Applicants may provide a letter from the organization or facility (on their letterhead) stating the individual resides there.

<u>People who travel full-time</u> - If you are using a mail forwarding address, you must complete the Residency Affidavit. You will also need to provide one document no more than one year old proving your temporary South Dakota address (campground or RV park receipt) and one document no more than one year old proving your personal mailbox (PMB) service address (receipt from the PMB business or a piece of mail with your PMB address on it). If you have friends or family in South Dakota and plan to use their address, you can complete and follow the instructions on the Consent for Use of Address form. <u>Military and Military Dependents</u> - Applicants can use an out-of-state address on their license and provide two documents proving residency showing the out-of-state address.

Before your license or ID card is issued, our examiners will review your documents to make sure they comply with the federal requirements. We will work with you to resolve any problems with your documents and to identify any additional documents or other information that may be necessary to complete the process. The additional requirements are designed to establish a more secure driver license, which will address our shared concern about national security, identity theft and highway safety.

Veterans

Veterans who have been honorably discharged from the military have the option of adding the word "Veteran" to the front of their South Dakota driver license or identification card. In addition to the documents listed above, they will need to present:

- ◆ DD-214 form which shows their honorable discharge status from active duty or
- ◆ Present a certificate signed by a county or tribal veteran's service officer verifying their status.
- ◆ DD Form 2 (Retired)
- ◆ DD Form 2A (Reserve Retired)

Note to CDL holders: If you are required to carry a medical examiners certificate (aka DOT medical card) you must show a valid card at the driver exam station.